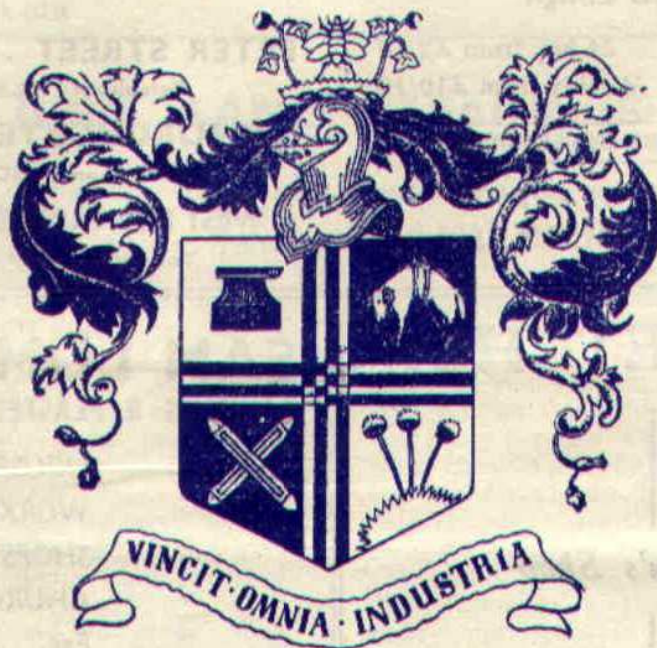


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THE season is getting into its stride with the clubs having played six matches. In the Third Division Grimsby Town lead the way with ten points, then follow Port Vale and Walsall with eight points each and we are one of the four clubs with seven points. As four of our six matches have been away from Gigg Lane we can be fairly well pleased with the progress achieved, although we must confess to a little disappointment that we were unable to retain our unbeaten certificate at Shrewsbury on Wednesday evening.

The result could so easily have been different, even if we did contribute to our own defeat. Last season we won at the Gay Meadow, so dropped two points on the match compared with a year ago. It was the Town's first win of the campaign, so you can well imagine they fought desperately to end their run of non-success. They did not seem to be as well-knit a side as last season, but they played with just that little extra keenness in every position, and when this was added to the luck they enjoyed it made all the difference in the final score.

Our last two games have both produced a goal, which means that the higher average yield of the previous four matches has been disappointingly reduced. The margin of safety when a side scores only once is so small that the call has gone out for more goals, and the aggressive policy which had been developed will be continued, no matter what changes may have to be made. It is not simply that the spectator likes to see goals scored; they are the best evidence that a team is playing entertaining football.

We have every confidence that our defensive section is quite capable of looking after most attacks, and that is why every effort is being made to find an attack which can get the ball into the net. For this afternoon's

match with Swindon Town, to whom we extend cordial greetings, we have made the bold experiment of promoting to the side Tony Moulden, our part-time professional inside forward, after only three games in the Central League. Too speedy? Who can tell, but we are confident Tony will not let the side down. It is a big jump for this 18 year old youth from Brightmet, but his form with the second eleven has earned him this speedy chance.

It should not be assumed that we have adopted a youth-at-any-price policy—far from it—but it can be stated the up-and-coming youngsters will be given their chance if the members of the first eleven fall below the expected standard. One of the most encouraging happenings at Gigg Lane for some time was the big win of our Reserve side against Preston North End followed as it was by their draw at Newcastle on Wednesday night, for there was much evidence that several youngsters are coming along nicely. The problem which faces every club at different times is the speed at which the introduction of youngsters should be made. They vary so much physically that no hard and fast routine can be followed, but it seems to us wise and in the best interests of the player himself that his progress should not be too speedy.

There are, however, some footballers who play just as hard in any class of football. If, then, they have the required skill there is little point in holding them back. This brief dissertation on the question of promoting youthful talent, is meant only to indicate that when defects are revealed and there is a youngster worthy of the chance to win his spurs, he will be given it. So far we are on the whole quite satisfied with what has been achieved. Seven out of twelve points is quite good, having regard to the fact that four of the games have been on opponents' grounds.

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THIRD DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Grimsby Town	6	4	2	0	10	5	10
Walsall	6	3	2	1	13	6	8
Port Vale	6	3	2	1	17	7	8
Swindon Town	6	2	4	0	7	5	8
Watford	6	3	1	2	15	11	7
Bury	6	2	3	1	13	9	7
Colchester U.	6	3	1	2	15	10	7
Newport C.	6	3	1	2	16	15	7
Bradford City	6	2	2	2	10	7	6
Brentford	6	3	0	3	13	11	6
Queens Park R.	6	2	2	2	11	10	6
Barnsley	6	2	2	2	11	13	6
Notts County	5	2	2	1	9	9	6
Bristol City	6	2	2	2	9	9	6
Torquay United	6	2	2	2	8	10	6
Halifax Town	6	2	2	2	9	11	6
Tranmere R.	6	2	1	3	9	13	5
Chesterfield	6	1	3	2	9	15	5
Hull City	6	2	0	4	11	14	4
Southend Utd.	6	2	0	4	9	13	4
Coventry City	6	1	2	3	15	19	4
Shrewsbury T.	6	1	2	3	5	13	4
Bournemouth	6	1	1	4	8	12	3
Reading	5	1	1	3	6	11	3

FIRST TEAM

WATSON	5
HUBBARD	3
CALDER	2
TURNER	1
JACKSON	1
BRADBURY	1
	13

SECOND TEAM

BARTLEY	4
TONGE	2
GREEN	2
HOLDEN	2
NEILL	1
McINNES	1
	12

FIXTURES, 1960-61

1960		F.	A.	1961		F.	A.
Aug. 20	Southend United	A	3	0	Jan. 2	Shrewsbury Town	H
" 22	Chesterfield	A	2	2	" 7	(3) Bradford City	H
" 27	Port Vale	H	3	1	" 14	Torquay United	H
" 30	Chesterfield	H	3	3	" 21	Swindon Town	A
Sept. 3	Torquay United	A	1	1	" 28	(4) Queen's Park R.	A
" 7	Shrewsbury Town	A	1	2	Feb. 4	Brentford	H
" 10	Swindon Town	H			" 11	Watford	A
" 17	Brentford	A			" 18	(5) Tranmere Rov.	H
" 20	Colchester United	H			" 25	Barnsley	H
" 24	Watford	H			Mar. 4	(6) Reading	A
" 26	Colchester United	A			" 11	Coventry City	H
Oct. 1	Tranmere Rovers	A			" 18	(S.F.) Bristol City	A
" 4	Halifax Town	H			" 25	Queen's Park R.	H
" 8	Hull City	A			" 31	Grimsby Town	A
" 15	Reading	H			April 1	Notts County	A
" 22	Coventry City	A			" 4	Grimsby Town	H
" 29	Bristol City	H			" 8	Bournemouth & B.A.	H
Nov. 5	(1)				" 15	Bradford City	A
" 12	Notts County	H			" 22	Hull City	H
" 19	Bournemouth & B.A.	A			" 24	Halifax Town	A
" 26	(2)				" 29	Newport County	A
Dec. 3	Barnsley	A			May 6	(Final)	
" 10	Newport County	H					
" 17	Southend United	H					
" 24	Walsall	A					
" 26	Walsall	H					
" 31	Port Vale	A					

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To-day's Visitors

SWINDON TOWN, who visit us this afternoon, can almost certainly boast a unique record so far as Bury are concerned for we have yet to register a goal against the Wiltshire side! In our four meetings in the past two seasons we drew 0-0 and lost 0-3 at home and drew 0-0 and lost 0-1 when visiting. It would be a staggering record if we failed to score this afternoon, but you never can tell even if the odds against this happening are very long. We have no doubt, however, that we shall have to fight hard for any goals we may score.

For Swindon have developed the art of defence in depth. They are inspired in their work by our former centre-half, captain and chief scout, Mr. Bert Head, who left Gigg Lane to take over the reins at the County Ground and a very good job of work he has done. The

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CONROY 3		JACKSON 10
ADAMS 1	McGRATH 5	WATSON 9
ROBERTSON 2		MOULDEN 8
	TURNER 4	
		CALDER 7

Referee: H. P. HACKNEY (Barnsley).

The Manager Reports . . .

EVER get an impression during a match that something exceptional is bound to happen? I did at Shrewsbury on Wednesday, and how right I was! First, the "own goal" by Johnny McGrath and then the penalty from which Shrewsbury snatched the late winner. When your boys are not at their best—and they were not on Wednesday—it is easier to concede the victory to the opposition, but with only just a little better finishing we could have retained our unbeaten record, if not won. Now that we have rid ourselves of this tension-producing

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Town cannot afford to pay big transfer fees, and spend most of their time trying to develop their own recruits. Occasionally they do enter the transfer market, as when they signed Jimmy Gauld from Plymouth Argyle in 1959 but Mr. Head is more inclined to find his rough diamonds and polish them to his own liking.

The pattern of the Town's play this season has followed the expected lines. Six games have produced eight points from two victories and four draws. Only seven goals have been scored but only five have been conceded. This record clearly indicates that our attack will have to be in its sharpest mood if it is to break its "duck" against the side from lovely Wiltshire.

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factor perhaps the side will cast aside its less impressive play of the past two games.

There has not been very much wrong; indeed, if the forwards had been just a little more effective in their finishing, two if not all the three points lost in the last two games would have been collected. It is very pleasing to see Don Watson getting among the goals, and playing so consistently well. His performances should be an inspiration to his colleagues. And so much depends on every member of the attack wearing his scoring boots!

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If the Football League made it permissible for clubs to divulge transfer fees some mightily illuminating facts would emerge. Sunderland are generally credited with having been the biggest spenders of modern times, yet Manchester City and Leicester City can't be far, if at all, behind them.

Many neighbouring clubs have a kind of unwritten law which makes transfers of players from one to the other, taboo; but that doesn't operate at Bristol. Inside forward Philip Coggins' move from City to Rovers is the latest in a long list of deals between the pair.

Irish international goalkeeper Norman Uprichard never seems to be happy when he can't sniff sea breezes. He's been able to do that with four of his six clubs. First it was Belfast Distillery, later Portsmouth and Southend United, and now he has landed with Hastings United.

Inside forward Kevin Baron, whom Aldershot have restored to the Football League after he had left it following Liverpool, Southend, and Northampton service, is the youngest of nine brothers. The other eight all saw active war service, and Kevin entered the Army after the war.

Hibernian have supplied English clubs with an astonishing succession of goalkeepers, including George Farm (ex-Blackpool), Tommy Younger (Rhyl Athletic) and Mitchell Downie (Bradford City). Now Rotherham United have recruited still another in Jackie Wren.

Inside forward Johnny Anderson is in a fair way towards becoming English Soccer's champion wandering Scot. Partick Thistle, Northampton, Exeter City, Dundee, Wrexham, Rochdale and now Chester represent a succession which has caused him to travel far and wide.

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