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Club Notes

With the season more than one-third over, Swindon stands in the proud position of third in the Division III (South) League Table, having gained 20 points from 17 matches, with the excellent goal average of 30 against 20. How has this been achieved? Surely by the fitness and training and the great endeavours of the players.

There is no need to remind supporters of the list of injuries and how they were overcome by the magnificent response of the Reserves, and in some cases, even the third choice. We have gone forward on the crest of the wave beginning with the home match against Northampton which we won 5—1. Several players who have been in the team since then were not on the books at the opening of the season.

With many clubs scouring the country for players with which to strengthen their teams, may we say congratulations to the Manager, Trainers and Players. We have every confidence in you, continue the good work; please repeat to-day the performance of last year when we defeated Colchester 4—1.

A point gained last week was most welcome. Brentford are a strong side indeed, and it was a hard task to make a draw at Griffin Park. The Reserve game at the County Ground was excellent. The young, fast Charlton side soon established a two goal lead and it looked as if we

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were in for a heavy defeat. No, our lads fought back with determination and skill, and two very fine goals, scored by Chamberlain and Moore, levelled the scores at half-time. It was indeed, very pleasing to see the spectators rise to the teams as they left the field. Late in the second half the winning goal was scored by Thompson, thanks to the worrying tactics of Bill Roost. We are sure every spectator enjoyed every minute of the game.

An additional feature, as mentioned in the first programme, is that we shall go forward ably backed by the Supporters' Club, and we are happy to announce the receipt of a further £2,000 from this organisation.

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The Colchester team to-day is expected to be :-

Goal—PERCY AMES—In his third season with the Club. Signed from Tottenham Hotspur F.C. in May, 1955.

R.B.—GEORGE FISHER—Signed from Fulham at beginning of 1955-56 season; captain of the side this season. Has played for Southern Section representative team.

L.B.—JOHN FOWLER—A product of Scottish Junior football where he played mostly at outside left. Now in his third season with the Club.

R.H.—BERT HILL—Has just completed five years with the Club, whom he joined from Chelsea F.C. Plays in either wing half position.

C.H.—CHAS. MILLIGAN—Signed from Ardrossan F.C. in May, 1956, and stepped right into the first team, where he has been a regular and consistent performer.

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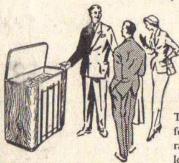
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O.R.—TOMMY WILLIAMS—Signed in September, 1956, from Carshalton Athletic F.C., soon obtaining his place in first team, originally held by Mike Grice, now of West Ham United F.C.

I.R.—KEN PLANT—Transferred from Bury F.C. in January, 1954, since when he has been a more or less regular member of the first team. Can play in all three inside positions.

C.F.—KEVIN McCURLEY—Signed from Liverpool in March, 1952, following the transfer of Vic Keeble to Newcastle United. Broke the Club goal scoring record the season before last.

I.L.—SAMMY McLEOD—Another product of Scottish Junior football, a clever ball player. Is now doing his National Service.

O.L.—PETER WRIGHT—Graduated from local junior football. Has been attracting attention of the larger clubs recently, and has been picked to play for the Southern Section representative side.

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| Brentford . | 16 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 31 | 23 | 19 | |
| Plymouth . | 17 | 9 | 3 1 5 | 7 | 22 | 22 | 19 | |
| Colchester . | 18 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 27 | 31 | 19 | |
| Reading . | 15 | 7 | 4 3 | 4 | 29 | 16 | 18 | |
| Bournemouth | 16 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 25 | 29 | 17 | |
| Southampton | 16 | 6 | 4 | 7 | 36 | 27 | 16 | |
| Crystal P | 16 | 6 | 4 | 6 | 25 | 22 | 16 | |
| Shrewsbury . | 16 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 16 | 20 | 16 | |
| Q.P.R | 16 | 7 | 2 | 7 | 17 | 27 | 16 | |
| Southend . | 16 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 36 | 23 | 15 | |
| Millwall . | 16 | 7 7 | 1 | 8 | 26 | 24 | 15 | |
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| Coventry . | 14 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 13 | 20 | 14 | |
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| Walsall . | 14 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 18 | 25 | 11 | |
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