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CLUB NOTES

Supporters who made the trip to Bournemouth were rewarded with a most entertaining game. No end of the season display this. Both teams played hard, fast, good football, providing many thrills in each goal-mouth. The most encouraging sign was the fight back by our lads after being in arrears. Most of us felt the lead we took early in the second half would have been held but for the injury to Peter Chamberlain, which was a great handicap to him. Nevertheless, a draw was a fair result on the run of the play, and while our first goal was well deserved and well worked, Bournemouth's first was one of the finest seen for a long time, a real cannon-ball header by inside-left Burgess.

The Reserves, by obtaining six points out of a possible eight, maintained their effort to finish in the top three of the London Combination Table, and so obtain promotion to Division I. It is good to see so many

of the young players performing so well in Senior Football.

Supporters will be pleased to know that Maurice Owen is making good

progress towards a complete recovery.

This incident serves once more to show the wonderful spirit of comradeship and friendship existing among professional Football Clubs.

Doncaster during the past eighteen months have passed through a very difficult period, losing Division II status, their manager, and many of their best players, and yet on this occasion nothing was too much trouble for them. The Swindon party could not speak too highly of them and their kindness, and yet Doncaster wanted no thanks. They were most pleased to help, and were quite sure every Football Club would have done the same under such circumstances.

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The bus company kindly removed two seats and built a little platform, upon which they placed a complete bed. The bus then went to Doncaster Infirmary to save any movement from an ambulance, carefully installed Maurice on the bed and then went to the ground to collect the team.

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BRENTFORD			39	18	13	8	64	41	49
READING			40	19	8	13	68	52	46
TRANMERE	***		42	19	7	16	70	62	45
SOUTHEND .	** ***	***	40	19	7	14	72	65	45
NORWICH .			36	17	10	9	70	50	44
BURY			41	16	11	14	63	51	43
SOUTHAMPTO	N		41	16	10	15	82	70	42
COLCHESTER	***		40	16	10	14	61	61	42
			40	17	7	16	68	72	41
ACCRINGTON		***	41	15	10	16	67	67	40
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MANSFIELD			39	14	10	15	67	84	38
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WREXHAM			37	11	11	16	51	67	33
STOCKPORT	***		40	12	9	19	59	70	33
DONCASTER		***	42	14	3	25	48	83	31
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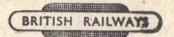
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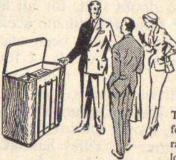
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In the meantime R. Tilley has taken the chance offered to him. He is still most highly remembered by supporters of Plymouth Argyle, as we

found during a recent visit to that City.

Goals have been all too scarce at the County Ground this season, but we hear that the "hat trick" was recently performed—by one of the Directors! We understand that it happened at our recent social evening, and that the gentleman concerned now has a certificate in evidence of his achievement. The evening was a social success, although the attendance was lower than expected. This seems to be

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