

SPORTS

FOOTBALL

The last Hungarian cup matches were played at the end of May. As a result the "Ferencváros" has won the league championship for the year 1937/38 by 47 points; the "Újpest" team being second with 44 points, the third place being taken by the "Hungaria" team with 40 points.

It is characteristic of Hungary's football conditions that the Capital or its immediate environs alone were able to show really first class results. All the leading teams belong to this category, while the provincial teams only figure as eighth on lower.

One of the greatest events of Central European football was the Budapest visit of the Wolverhampton Wanderers. At Budapest the British team played after a full rest, unlike in other places, where they proceeded to the playing ground direct from the railway station. Consequently, their performance was satisfactory: their play against the Hungarian representative team ended in a draw (no score). The Hungarian sporting press wrote of the technical performance of the British team in terms of high praise and referred to the high standard of British football.

In previous issues of our Review we have already spoken of the intolerant attitude towards the minorities shown in Rumania even in sporting matters. The Rumanian press, for instance, has repeatedly spoken in terms of unqualified abuse on the Hungarian footballers; regarding it as an outrage that the Rumanian representative team should consist almost exclusively of Hungarians.

We cannot understand what the Hungarians have done to deserve these attacks. Had they proved unable to rise superior to the chauvinistic mentality displayed by the Rumanians, Rumanian football sport would find itself in a most embarrassing situation; for, on all occasions when it is a question of serious sporting events, the Hungarians are thrown into the breach. In the international football championship contest now in progress, for instance, the Rumanian representative team containing *only two* players of Rumanian nationality, most of the others being Magyars.

LAWN TENNIS

The tennis season in Hungary began with the Davis Cup Matches. Hungary's first opponent was Germany, one of Europe's stronger teams. Though tennis is not one of the strongest points in Hungary's sporting life, the defeat suffered at the hands of the Germans (3:2) was not discouraging. — y —

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