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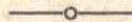
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Club Notes

After the good start to the season, the last two matches have been disappointing. At Aldershot, and again at Queens Park Rangers we lost by the odd goal after being 1—1 at half-time. The game at Aldershot was rather poor, but on the Monday the team played brilliant football especially in the first-half. We were most unfortunate not to gain both points.

We are very sorry to inform you the English League will not allow us to play any more games under floodlight owing to the lights being much below standard.

The Board realised last year that the lights were very inferior. Several electrical firms were consulted, and the lowest price quoted was £9,500. Efforts were made to obtain a partial loan towards this capital expenditure, but these proved unsuccessful. After much consideration the Board decided that no money could be spent on improving the lighting system. All money available must be spent on improving the team. As spectators know such was the case, and as stated in earlier programmes there is still a large amount outstanding on those close-season transfers. It is the earnest wish of everyone to fulfil those commitments.

Another matter causing the Board much concern and expenditure is the housing of the players. To offer a good house helps a great deal in persuading players to join the Club. During the past few months the Club has purchased 6 houses on the Walcot Estate. Although these have been bought through mortgage arrangements, a large sum of money has been paid on deposits. Thus money we intended to spend on players has been used to buy houses.

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It was hoped we might be allocated two or three houses on the Walcot Municipal Housing Estate, under the Expansion Scheme whereby workmen coming to the town are found housing accommodation. Unfortunately, up to the present our hopes have not materialised, and we may be forced to spend more money on houses in the near future.

Now congratulations to our boys in the 'B' Team, nine of whom have been selected to play for the County Youth Team. May the lads acquit themselves well, and bring success to the County team. Our hope is they go forward even to the Final as did the very successful team of the 1945-46 season. That team was composed entirely of boys from Swindon.

The present lads selected from the Swindon Club are Marks (right back); Grey (left back); Reeves (Capt., centre half); Morris (left half); Corbett (outside right); Morgan (inside right); Head (centre forward); Hobbs (inside left); Wall (outside left).

We look forward to the day when these lads will form Swindon Town League Division III team. Incidentally, it is worth mentioning that of the Bolton team which defeated Manchester United 4—0 last Saturday, ten of the players came through from the younger teams run by the Club.

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	Height	Weight	Previous Club
Goal — ELVY	6 1	11 6	Blackburn Rovers
R.B. — T. ROBINSON	5 9	11 0	Local Amateur
L.B. — PATTERSON	5 11	11 2	Middlesbrough
R.H. — YEOMAN	5 8	11 0	St. Johnstone
C.H. — GALE	6 1	12 9	Cardiff City
L.H. — SMITH	5 8	10 0	Leicester City
O.R. — ENGLISH	5 7	10 0	Junior
I.R. — WOAN	5 7	10 9	Norwich City
C.F. — BRIGHT	5 8	10 12	
I.L. — LEAK	5 10	10 9	Junior
O.L. — FOWLER	5 8	10 3	Everton

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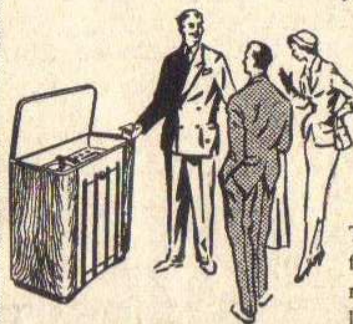
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We have been told on more than one occasion by a well-known supporter of the Town that he rarely "gets as far as these notes," when reading his programmes.

On the other hand, a gentleman who sat behind us on a bus recently obviously reads them regularly, as he was telling his companion that he could not understand how we manage to write such xxxxxx rot week after week. (Quite frequently we surprise ourselves, too) It is said that listeners never hear any good about themselves.

For those people who come somewhere between these two extremes, we are pleased to report that our competition seems certain to prove as great a success as in last season—the first few weeks' returns having been within range of the maximum. It has been very interesting to see the large number of prizewinners who live outside of Swindon. This means that our country representatives are working as hard as ever. How fortunate we are to have these good people assisting us.

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If there should be any members of the Committee of the Northampton Supporters' Club here to-day, they will be equally welcome if they care to look in on us.

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F	—	Bristol City	v.	Doncaster R.
G	—	Cardiff C.	v.	Charlton A.
H	—	Ipswich T.	v.	Bristol Rovers
I	—	Sheffield U.	v.	Swansea T.
J	—	Bournemouth	v.	Colchester U.
K	—	Brighton	v.	Norwich C.
L	—	Coventry C.	v.	Torquay U.
M	—	Exeter C.	v.	Port Vale
N	—	Gillingham	v.	Plymouth A.
O	—	Millwall	v.	Aldershot
P	—	Queen's Park R.	v.	Newport
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