

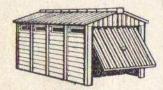
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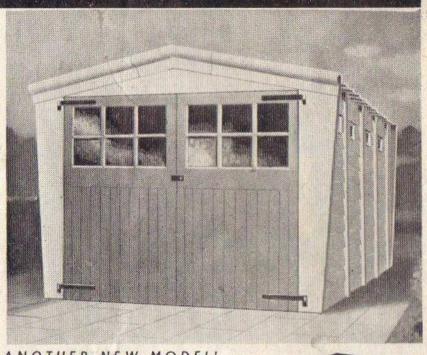
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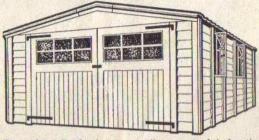
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Bantam topics

FOR the Easter programme to yield four points out of a possible six would normally be considered quite satisfactory, but we cannot

disguise the fact that we had hoped, in this vital season, for maximum points from the holiday matches. This does not mean, of course, that we have been dissatisfied with the efforts of our players in these matches, as we are quite convinced it is nothing but sheer misfortune which robbed us of the points at Exeter, and supporters will have seen for themselves just how well the side is playing in the match against Shrewsbury last Tuesday. Whilst the struggle to avoid the Fourth Division is still not yet over, the unfortunate loss of

the two points at Exeter has made the task infinitely more difficult

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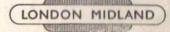
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From the Manager ... DUR Easter Holiday programme

brought us a well earned four points which might easily have been six. In the game which we lost at Exeter, a perfectly good goal scored by Peter Hill was disallowed for off-side. Although he was three yards clear when he received the ball, there were two defenders between him and the goal when Ian Jamieson headed the ball towards him. The opening for the goal scored by Exeter in the last half minute of the game was only obtained as the result of Brian Shepherd being fouled when trying to go up for the ball. As to the game itself, any football that was played was played by us, and Exeter couldn't have grumbled had we taken both points. It was perfectly unfortunate for us at this stage we didn't. The pleasing thing about both the away games over the holiday was that our players showed a willingness to fight and try to play the type of football we have been seeing at Highfield Road, away from home.

Easter Monday's win at Shrewsbury after being a goal down at half-time was well deserved, and brought about as a result of good solid team work, in the second half particularly, and was followed by a most convincing win against the same side on Easter Tuesday. In this game we not only saw five goals, but a lot of good football as well, and I feel that our visitors would not have grumbled had we scored another two.

Once again we managed to steer clear of injuries, although at one time it appeared doubtful if Charlie Ashcroft, who received a buffeting at Exeter would be fit for the other two games.

Unfortunately Ray Straw was hurt in Tuesday's match, and at the time of writing these notes is a doubtful starter for today's game.

This week's personality ...



DAVID SMITH

Educated at Holymoorside County School, he played for the Doe-lea-valley Boys representative side, and after leaving school took up butchering, continuing his football with a youth team including selection for the Derbyshire Youth Side. He has been working in the pits for the past four years, and before joining Derby in September of last year, he had played for Mansfield, Chesterfield and Boston United, joining us on the 11th November, 1957.

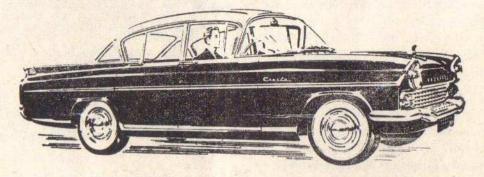
David has four brothers, and two sisters, and his mother and father reside at Holymoorside, Nr. Chesterfield. His chief hobby is cricket.



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Right

Ashcroft

Left

Goalkeeper

2 Harvey

Right Back

4-Nicholas

Right Half-back

7 - Smith

Right Wing Inside Right

8 - Straw

3 - Shepherd

Left Back

6-Jamieson

Left Half-back

9_Rogers

5 Curtis

Centre Half

Centre Forward

10_Hill, P.

11_Boxley

Inside Left

Left Wing

Referee Mr. A. Murdoch (Sheffield)



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Mr P. Pike (Red Flag) F. Roberts (Yellow Flag)

11_Darcy Left Wing

10_Edwards

Inside Left

9_Kelly

8_Micklewright

7_Skull

Centre Forward

Inside Right

Right Wing

6_Fountain

Left Half-back

5_Hudson Centre Half 4_Clayton

Right Half-back

3_Bingley Left Back

2_Neal Right Back

Left

Burton Goalkeeper Right

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PEN PICTURES

BURTON (Goal) A local player who has been with Swindon as a professional for 12 years.

NEAL (R.B.) Signed from Kings Lynn last close season while on transfer list of Hull City. Born in Newcastle-on-Tyne.

BINGLEY (L.B.) Transferred from Sheffield Wednesday in January of this year. Also played for Bolton as an amateur A native of Sheffield.

CLAYTON (R.H.) Signed from Bournemouth last close season.

HUDSON (C.H.) Born in Havant, Hampshire, he was signed eight years ago from Portsmouth.

FOUNTAIN (L.H.) A native of Leeds, he was signed from Sheffield United in February 1957.

SKULL (O.R.) Previously played for Wolverhampton Wanderers, he was signed last close season from Headington United. A native of Swindon, he is a part-time player, and carries on his profession as a physiotherapist.

MICKLEWRIGHT (I.R.) Signed from Bristol City three years ago, having previously played for Bristol Rovers. Born in Birmingham.

KELLY (C.F.) Signed last month from Preston North End, he is a native of Scotland. EDWARDS (I.L.) A native of Guildsford, he was signed from Chelsea three years ago.

DARCY (O.L.) Secured from Wigan Athletic in December 1956. A native of Liverpool, he previously played with Accrington Stanley.



BIRMINGHAM & DISTRICT LEAGUE

"A" Team home to Darlaston, Lost 1-2. A harsh penalty against us, coupled with missed chances were the main reasons that both points were sacrificed, as on the day we did not deserve to lose. Scorer, Charley. Team: West, Cleaver, Cox, Kearns, Cole, Easterlow T., Robinson, Allen, Charley, McCarthy J., England.

WARWICKSHIRE COMBINATION

"B" Team away to Birmingham City. Lost 1-3. An inexperienced team did quite well against strong opposition, as although losing 3-1, many chances were

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	0 9,361	Plymouth	41 23 7 11 60 41 53	
15 (5) Colchester U A 1	4 8,613	Reading	43 20 12 11 74 49 52	
22 Southampton A 1	7 11,196	Swindon	42 18 14 10 75 49 50	
Mar.		Brentford	41 21 8 12 74 53 50	
1 Brighton H 2	2 9,073	Norwich C	41 17 15 9 65 62 49	
	1 18,458	Southampton	41 19 9 13 101 64 47	
8 Southend A 1	5 9,881	Southend	39 17 10 12 74 47 44	
10 Walsall A 1	4 6,600	Newport County	41 16 12 13 66 57 44	
15 Q.P.R H 1	1 7,646	Bournemouth		
17 Aldershot H 6	0 5,830	Colchester	40 15 12 13 65 69 42	
24 Walsall H 4	1 8,152	Q.P.R	41 15 12 14 53 60 42	
29 Plymouth Argyle H 1	1 11,653	Port Vale	41 16 9 16 61 43 41	
April		Crystal Palace	41 13 13 15 59 59 39	
5 Exeter City A 0	1 5,304	Watford	41 12 15 14 55 65 39	
	1 8,685	Northampton	40 16 6 18 71 68 38	
	0 12,489	Shrewsbury	40 14 10 16 47 61 38	
12 Swindon H		COVENTRY CITY	41 12 11 18 55 74 35	
19 Aldershot A		Aldershot	41 10 13 18 52 85 33	
21 Norwich City H		Walsall	42 12 8 22 53 70 32	
26 Gillingham H		Exeter City	41 10 9 22 54 85 29	
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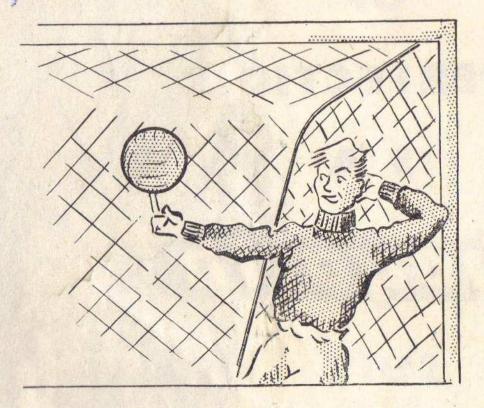
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