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Colchester United v. Swindon Town

Club Notes . . .

OUR exit from the F.A. Cup last Saturday in the game versus Queen's Park Rangers set us down with a severe bump, because as with most Third Division Clubs, a run of two or three games in the Cup is a must if you are hoping to make ends meet. However, it was not to be, and whilst it is all very well to adopt a "so what" attitude, it has, nevertheless, left a gap both on the field and in the pocket. We can only hope that the season's future holds something in store for us which will help bridge the gap.

Regarding the game itself, I think we have no real cause for complaint, because I feel they were worth the win on the day; yet all of you who saw the game, and the players concerned, will agree that quite a few could not produce their normal form and, when this happens, the burden is usually too heavy to carry successfully so, in passing, we can only hope that when this injury position has eased we can keep a side together long enough

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Terrace Topics

By "Terracite"

Oh well, that's another Cup run over and done with; what a pity our boys left that terrific rally until too late—I'm certain that another ten, or even five minutes would have seen us not only level, but on top, and then heaven only knows what excuse the London Sunday papers could have made for Q.P.R. I see that, according to them, the U's didn't really get on top, Q.P.R. slacked off (just like Arsenal last time!) and even Kevin's wonder goal was a gift from Pinner. I wonder what we have to do to get a bit of praise, also, I wonder what we have to do to get the crowds. Come to think of it, why should we bother about a cup run anyway? We faithful 8,000 or so will turn up no matter what the opposition is; why should we bother about the other shower, who will only come when there is some super attraction?

If you were stood up my part of the terraces last week you were unable to hear that long announcement over the loud speakers at half-time (I couldn't hear a word, and I was listening for it!), so I will repeat it here. Since the start of the season our Buffets have lost over 250 cups, which cost about 8d. each. We have reason to believe these have been stolen to sell up in the town, and unless this steady loss is stopped at once, then the buffets must close, as they are losing money on replacements. We therefore appeal to all supporters to keep a look out for people sneaking cups out of the ground, and to report any cases immediately. Especially, I would appeal to all our children supporters to "turn detective" and try to track down the criminals. It seems a pretty low sort of rat to me, who would bother to steal a few cups—if they are as desperate for a cup as all that and if they care to apply to me I'll give them one—right on their thieving bonces!

Now don't forget that next week our fine Reserve side are at home to Northampton, and you really ought to come and see them. They have a following of about 3,000 regulars who wouldn't miss, and I'm sure that if you once give them a trial you'll become a regular too. Just see if we can boost that Reserves gate up to 4,000 at least—and then listen to old Terracite shout his big head off about it. Well, after all this boost I've given the boys, if they let me down next week and play a stinker, I'll personally "do" the lot of 'em!

You may remember last year I pointed out that nobody had remembered "Terracite's" first anniversary. Well, you are all forgiven. This year I forgot it myself! Actually, my second anniversary of these notes was last Saturday, when you may have noticed the ground was especially illuminated at half-time in honour of the occasion. Just imagine, I've been writing and you've been reading this drivel for two whole years—you'd never think anyone could suffer so long!

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Date	Opponents	Gd.	F.A.
Aug. 22	Bury ..	A	1-3
Aug. 24	Grimsby Town ..	H	2-2
Aug. 29	Barnsley ..	H	2-2
Sept. 1	Grimsby Town ..	A	1-4
Sept. 5	Southampton ..	A	2-4
Sept. 7	Halifax Town ..	H	1-0
Sept. 12	Reading ..	H	4-2
Sept. 14	Halifax Town ..	A	2-3
Sept. 19	Shrewsbury T. ..	A	1-4
Sept. 21	Mansfield Town ..	H	3-0
Sept. 26	Port Vale ..	H	3-1
Sept. 28	Mansfield Town ..	A	3-1
Oct. 3	Norwich City ..	A	2-3
Oct. 6	Brentford ..	A	0-2
Oct. 10	Wrexham ..	H	3-1
Oct. 12	Brentford ..	H	2-1
Oct. 17	Tranmere Rov. ..	A	1-1
Oct. 21	Ipswich Town (F)	H	3-1
Oct. 24	Bournemouth ..	H	1-2
Oct. 31	Bradford City ..	A	0-0
Nov. 7	Newport County ..	H	2-1
Nov. 14	Q.P.R. (F.A. Cup)	H	2-3
Nov. 21	Swindon Town ..	H	
Nov. 28	York City ..	A	
Dec. 5	F.A. Cup ..		
Dec. 12	Accrington Stan.	A	
Dec. 19	Bury ..	H	
Dec. 26	Queen's Park R. ..	A	

Date	Opponents	Gd.	F.A.
Dec. 28	Queen's Park R. ..	H	
1960			
Jan. 2	Barnsley ..	A	
Jan. 9	Chesterfield ..	A	
Jan. 16	Southampton ..	H	
Jan. 23	Reading ..	A	
Jan. 30	Coventry City ..	H	
Feb. 6	Shrewsbury Town	H	
Feb. 13	Port Vale ..	A	
Feb. 20	Norwich City ..	H	
Feb. 27	Wrexham ..	A	
Mar. 5	Tranmere Rov. ..	H	
Mar. 12	Bournemouth ..	A	
Mar. 19	York City ..	H	
Mar. 26	Newport County ..	A	
April 2	Chesterfield ..	H	
April 9	Swindon Town ..	A	
April 15	Southend Utd. ..	H	
April 16	Bradford City ..	H	
April 18	Southend Utd. ..	A	
April 23	Coventry City ..	A	
April 30	Accrington Stan.	H	
May 7			

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Date	Opponents	Gd.	F.A.
Aug. 22	Brentford ..	H	7-2
Aug. 29	Coventry City ..	A	5-2
Aug. 31	Mansfield Town ..	A	3-4
Sept. 5	Watford ..	H	3-5
Sept. 12	Cardiff City ..	A	1-2
Sept. 19	Reading ..	H	3-4
Sept. 22	Watford ..	A	1-2
Sept. 26	Notts County ..	A	2-3
Sept. 30	Norwich City ..	A	2-1
Oct. 3	Plymouth Argyle ..	H	3-3
Oct. 10	Swindon Town ..	A	1-3
Oct. 17	Fulham ..	H	3-1
Oct. 24	Bristol Rovers ..	A	1-6
Oct. 31	Aldershot ..	H	5-1
Nov. 7	Gillingham ..	A	2-0
Nov. 21	Queen's Park R. ..	A	
Nov. 28	Northampton T. ..	H	
Dec. 5	Shrewsbury Town	A	
Dec. 12	Swindon Town ..	H	
Dec. 19			
Dec. 26	Crystal Palace ..	H	

Date	Opponents	Gd.	F.A.
1960			
Jan. 2	Coventry City ..	H	
Jan. 9	Mansfield Town	H	
Jan. 16			
Jan. 23	Cardiff City ..	H	
Jan. 30			
Feb. 6	Reading ..	A	
Feb. 13	Notts County ..	H	
Feb. 20	Plymouth Argyle ..	A	
Feb. 27	Bristol Rovers ..	H	
Mar. 5	Aldershot ..	A	
Mar. 12	Gillingham ..	H	
Mar. 19	Millwall ..	A	
Mar. 26	Queen's Park R. ..	H	
April 2	Northampton T. ..	A	
April 9	Shrewsbury T. ..	H	
April 16	Fulham ..	A	
April 18	Norwich City ..	H	
April 23	Brentford ..	A	
April 30	Crystal Palace ..	A	
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At the time of writing, George Fisher is going through a full strength training session with a view of making a return to competitive football this week, and if he comes through, then he will be in the side to play Q.P.R. in a reserve game at Shepherds Bush today. Trevor Harris has had the misfortune to fracture an ankle in training, and whilst this is not of the most serious type of fracture, it will keep him out of the game for a month or so; this is rank bad luck for a young player keen to get on, especially as he had only just recovered from a wrist fracture.

This game today versus Swindon will, as usual, be a hard one and both sides will be after regaining lost poise after the Cup episodes, so I will leave you to enjoy what I hope will be a game worthy of our status.

Our next home game is a Combination fixture versus Northampton Town, on Saturday, November 28th, kick-off 3.15 p.m., so until then, cheerio for now.

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