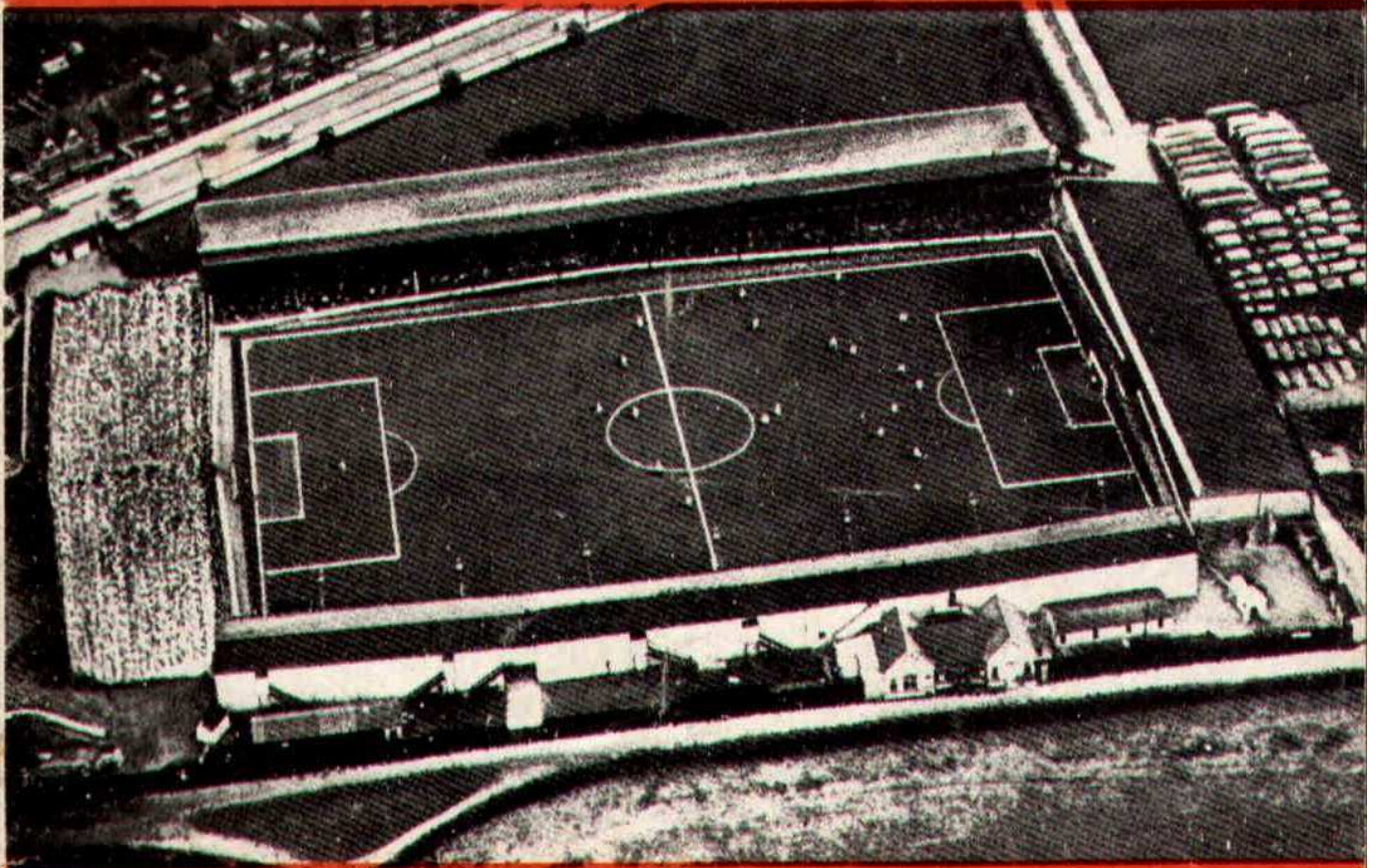




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## CLUB NOTES

No doubt many supporters were surprised to read of the transfer of John Richards and Bob Edwards. Both were grand club members, and we were sorry to lose them. On the other hand, as all supporters realise, something almost desperate had to be done in view of the serious loss of revenue during the past two months.

The position is still critical, because the money received from the transfers will immediately be swallowed up in fulfilling our present commitments. Nothing will be left over to reduce the Bank Overdraft, Loans or Mortgage arrangements, and each week the wage bill is over £600.

Shareholders will know from their Balance Sheets that the total expenditure last year was £56,000, an average of £1,077 per week, Summer and Winter.

The average weekly expenditure during the past six months was £1,264, and the last gate totalled just over £700 gross, and usually, that is the chief income for a fortnight, plus the money from the Supporters' Club. Expenditure **must**, therefore, be reduced. At present the Club could field three teams of professional players, but that number must be lowered, if the Club is to continue to function.

We ask all supporters to continue to be real supporters, and also to be patient. The tide will surely turn. The one shining light is the number of promising young players now on the books.

This afternoon a special collection is to be made on behalf of World Refugee Year. Charity begins at home; but surely the plight of these people, still in camps after 12 years of peace, is pitiful. We

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### Club Notes (continued)

appeal to supporters to be as generous as possible.

Our opponents today were defeated in the cup (after a replay) by the side which appeared on the County Ground last Saturday. We thought Port Vale an excellent team; keen, determined, fast and playing good football throughout. In spite of National Press reports, we felt Swindon deserved to draw. The second goal was from a well-worked move, and in the first-half especially at the beginning we missed several opportunities. Q.P.R. must be a good side to lose by the odd goal, if the form of Port Vale last week was their usual standard.

The Reserve side did extremely well to draw against a very strong side at Colchester, after being twice in arrears. Woolford scored both Swindon's goals, and it is most pleasing to see this young player's name on the goal-scoring list almost every week.

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|                                | P.        | W.        | D.       | L.       | F.        | A.        | Pts.      |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Abingdon Town ... ..           | 15        | 13        | 1        | 1        | 57        | 11        | 27        |
| <b>Swindon Town 'A'</b> ... .. | <b>18</b> | <b>13</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>60</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>27</b> |
| Thatcham ... ..                | 14        | 9         | 3        | 2        | 46        | 27        | 21        |
| Hungerford Town ... ..         | 15        | 8         | 2        | 5        | 49        | 39        | 18        |
| Bicester Town ... ..           | 15        | 8         | 1        | 6        | 35        | 36        | 17        |
| Stokenchurch ... ..            | 13        | 8         | 0        | 5        | 38        | 26        | 16        |
| Thame United ... ..            | 15        | 7         | 2        | 6        | 38        | 33        | 16        |
| Luton Town Colts ... ..        | 15        | 7         | 1        | 7        | 44        | 38        | 15        |
| Headington United ... ..       | 15        | 5         | 5        | 5        | 43        | 38        | 15        |
| Kidlington ... ..              | 16        | 6         | 2        | 8        | 32        | 46        | 14        |
| Witney Town ... ..             | 12        | 4         | 4        | 4        | 31        | 28        | 12        |
| Newbury Town ... ..            | 15        | 5         | 2        | 8        | 32        | 44        | 12        |
| Amersham Town ... ..           | 15        | 5         | 1        | 9        | 35        | 46        | 11        |
| Wallingford Town ... ..        | 13        | 5         | 1        | 7        | 22        | 40        | 11        |
| Pressed Steel (Cowley) ... ..  | 16        | 5         | 1        | 10       | 29        | 58        | 11        |
| Chipping Norton Town ... ..    | 17        | 2         | 2        | 13       | 28        | 54        | 6         |
| Wantage Town ... ..            | 15        | 2         | 1        | 12       | 28        | 57        | 5         |

## WILTSHIRE PREMIER LEAGUE

|                                | P.        | W.       | D.       | L.       | F.        | A.        | Pts.      |
|--------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Westbury United ... ..         | 12        | 10       | 1        | 1        | 47        | 18        | 21        |
| <b>Swindon Town 'A'</b> ... .. | <b>15</b> | <b>9</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>54</b> | <b>33</b> | <b>21</b> |
| Devizes Town ... ..            | 11        | 7        | 3        | 1        | 42        | 15        | 17        |
| Warminster Town ... ..         | 9         | 7        | 1        | 1        | 30        | 17        | 15        |
| Melksham Town ... ..           | 11        | 6        | 2        | 3        | 32        | 21        | 14        |
| Chipp. Tn. Res. ... ..         | 16        | 6        | 2        | 8        | 41        | 38        | 14        |
| Swindon B.R. ... ..            | 12        | 6        | 1        | 5        | 31        | 17        | 13        |
| Calne & H. Utd. ... ..         | 10        | 5        | 2        | 3        | 34        | 26        | 12        |
| Purton ... ..                  | 12        | 6        | 0        | 6        | 29        | 23        | 12        |
| Pinehurst ... ..               | 11        | 4        | 1        | 6        | 32        | 24        | 9         |
| Wootton Bassett ... ..         | 7         | 3        | 3        | 1        | 22        | 16        | 9         |
| Frome Tn. Res. ... ..          | 13        | 4        | 1        | 8        | 31        | 43        | 9         |
| Chipp. Utd. R. ... ..          | 16        | 3        | 1        | 12       | 24        | 58        | 7         |
| Bulford Utd. ... ..            | 12        | 3        | 1        | 8        | 28        | 66        | 7         |
| Spn. Moulton ... ..            | 12        | 0        | 0        | 12       | 13        | 75        | 0         |

## LEAGUE—DIVISION III

|                      | P.        | W.       | D.       | L.        | F.        | A.        | Pts.      |
|----------------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Bury                 | 23        | 14       | 3        | 6         | 34        | 18        | 31        |
| Southampton          | 23        | 12       | 6        | 5         | 60        | 41        | 30        |
| Shrewsbury Town      | 22        | 11       | 6        | 5         | 58        | 37        | 29        |
| Grimsby Town         | 23        | 10       | 8        | 5         | 49        | 36        | 28        |
| Bournemouth          | 23        | 12       | 4        | 7         | 42        | 36        | 27        |
| Coventry City        | 23        | 11       | 5        | 7         | 42        | 31        | 27        |
| Norwich City         | 22        | 11       | 5        | 6         | 42        | 32        | 27        |
| Newport County       | 22        | 11       | 3        | 8         | 44        | 39        | 25        |
| Colchester United    | 23        | 10       | 5        | 8         | 41        | 40        | 25        |
| Queen's Park Rangers | 23        | 9        | 6        | 8         | 38        | 28        | 24        |
| Barnsley             | 23        | 9        | 6        | 8         | 33        | 31        | 24        |
| Halifax Town         | 22        | 9        | 5        | 8         | 29        | 32        | 23        |
| Brentford            | 22        | 9        | 4        | 9         | 41        | 37        | 22        |
| Port Vale            | 22        | 10       | 2        | 10        | 35        | 42        | 22        |
| <b>SWINDON TOWN</b>  | <b>23</b> | <b>9</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>10</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>41</b> | <b>22</b> |
| York City            | 23        | 7        | 7        | 9         | 29        | 36        | 21        |
| Bradford City        | 22        | 7        | 6        | 9         | 34        | 37        | 20        |
| Tranmere Rovers      | 23        | 7        | 5        | 11        | 41        | 41        | 19        |
| Reading              | 22        | 6        | 5        | 11        | 44        | 42        | 17        |
| Southend United      | 22        | 7        | 3        | 12        | 34        | 42        | 17        |
| Chesterfield         | 22        | 8        | 1        | 13        | 36        | 50        | 17        |
| Wrexham              | 23        | 7        | 3        | 13        | 36        | 55        | 17        |
| Mansfield Town       | 22        | 5        | 4        | 13        | 39        | 59        | 14        |
| Accrington Stanley   | 24        | 5        | 4        | 15        | 29        | 61        | 14        |

## FOOTBALL COMBINATION—DIVISION II

|                      | P.        | W.        | D.       | L.       | F.        | A.        | Pts.      |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Watford              | 19        | 14        | 1        | 4        | 59        | 29        | 29        |
| Norwich City         | 17        | 13        | 2        | 2        | 53        | 22        | 28        |
| <b>Swindon Town</b>  | <b>19</b> | <b>10</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>48</b> | <b>31</b> | <b>23</b> |
| Reading              | 18        | 10        | 3        | 5        | 39        | 28        | 23        |
| Cardiff City         | 16        | 10        | 2        | 4        | 37        | 27        | 22        |
| Northampton Town     | 18        | 9         | 2        | 7        | 28        | 27        | 20        |
| Fulham               | 17        | 9         | 1        | 7        | 45        | 35        | 19        |
| Colchester United    | 19        | 8         | 3        | 8        | 51        | 44        | 19        |
| Plymouth Argyle      | 19        | 7         | 5        | 7        | 41        | 39        | 19        |
| Queen's Park Rangers | 19        | 9         | 1        | 9        | 32        | 43        | 19        |
| Bristol Rovers       | 17        | 8         | 1        | 8        | 44        | 41        | 17        |
| Mansfield Town       | 17        | 6         | 5        | 6        | 31        | 30        | 17        |
| Notts County         | 17        | 6         | 3        | 8        | 34        | 39        | 15        |
| Brentford            | 19        | 5         | 5        | 9        | 31        | 49        | 15        |
| Aldershot            | 16        | 5         | 4        | 7        | 27        | 39        | 14        |
| Millwall             | 17        | 6         | 1        | 10       | 39        | 39        | 13        |
| Shrewsbury Town      | 19        | 5         | 3        | 11       | 40        | 51        | 13        |
| Crystal Palace       | 19        | 5         | 3        | 11       | 28        | 42        | 13        |
| Coventry City        | 18        | 4         | 5        | 9        | 25        | 46        | 13        |
| Gillingham           | 18        | 2         | 3        | 12       | 21        | 52        | 7         |

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|---------------|------|------|-------|---------------|-------------|
| R. Drinkwater | (G)  | 6. 0 | 12.11 | Portsmouth    | Jarrow      |
| P. Woods      | (RB) | 5. 6 | 11. 8 | Juniors       | London      |
| T. Ingham     | (LB) | 5.11 | 11. 5 | Leeds U.      | Harrogate   |
| G. Petchey    | (RH) | 5.10 | 12. 7 | West Ham      | London      |
| K. Rutter     | (CH) | 6. 0 | 11. 8 | Methley U.    | Leeds       |
| M. Keen       | (LH) | 6. 0 | 11. 5 | Juniors       | Wycombe     |
| C. Clark      | (OR) | 5. 5 | 10.10 | Leeds U.      | Leeds       |
| A. Longbottom | (IR) | 5. 9 | 10.13 | Methley U.    | Leeds       |
| B. Bedford    | (CF) | 5.11 | 11. 8 | Bournemouth   | Ferndale    |
| K. Whitfield  | (IL) | 5.11 | 11.10 | Brighton      | Co. Durham  |
| J. Andrews    | (OL) | 5. 5 | 10.10 | Leyton O.     | Angus       |

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### SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

Some of our members journeyed to Swindon one evening recently, to attend a social evening organised by supporters of the Town living there. We hear that it was a very enjoyable event, and successful financially, too, as the Club was richer to the extent of £8 5s. 0d., as the result of the evening's proceedings. This is just one more example of the enthusiasm of our country friends for the welfare of the Club. A glance at our list of competition agents, and other workers, shows a very high proportion of people living outside the town, and an analysis of people attending the matches would reveal a similar result.

We were interested in the Official Notes in last week's programme concerning a Club for Season Ticket Holders. An American acquaintance, who attended matches regularly while stationed near Swindon, expressed surprise that there was no club for ladies at English Football Grounds. (This was not a criticism of Swindon Town F.C. alone.) He said that on many American Football and Baseball Grounds there were very elaborate Club facilities for ladies, who might accompany their husbands to matches, but who might not wish to watch the whole time. He said that the Clubs "don't care much what the dames do inside the grounds, after they have paid their bucks."

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## SATURDAY SUMMARY — DECEMBER 12th

### First Team v. Port Vale

Burton; Higgins, Bingley; Fountain, Mellor, Woodruff; Stephens, Marshall, Layne, Gauld, Darcy.

Result: Lost 2—3. Scorers: Marshall, Layne.

### Reserve Team v. Colchester United

Chandler; Lyons, Thompson; Morgan, Chamberlain, Tilley; Corbett, Hunt, Summerbee, Woolford, Hoskins.

Result: Draw 2—2. Scorer: Woolford (2).

### Hellenic League Team v. Amersham Town

Ayres; Wollen, Trollope; Gale, Westaway, Stevens; Kilby, Cousins, Shergold, Gardiner, Phfleger.

Result: Won 6—2. Scorers: Cousins (2), Kilby, Shergold, Gardiner, Phfleger.

### Wilts. Premier League Team v. Chippenham Tn. Res.

Saysom; Marks, Puffett; Reeves, Hawkins, Morris; Bates, Skull, Davies, Jackson, Wall.

Result: Lost 2—4. Scorer: Skull (2).

### Junior Team v. Moreton

Hudd; Newman, Brown; Wall, Smart, Westlake; Hayter, Head, Walsh, Morgan, Mitchell.

Result: Won 4—0. Scorers: Walsh (3), Mitchell.

## FIXTURES AND RESULTS TO DATE

| DIVISION III |                       |         | FOOTBALL COMBINATION   |         |  |
|--------------|-----------------------|---------|------------------------|---------|--|
| Aug.         | 22 Q.P.R. ....        | (a) 0-2 | Northampton T. ....    | (h) 3-0 |  |
|              | 26 Barnsley ....      | (h) 1-1 | Gillingham ....        | (a) 1-2 |  |
|              | 29 Bradford C. ....   | (h) 5-3 | Shrewsbury T. ....     | (a) 1-1 |  |
| Sept.        | 3 Barnsley ....       | (a) 3-0 | Coventry C. ....       | (h) 4-0 |  |
|              | 5 Coventry C. ....    | (a) 1-3 | Q.P.R. ....            | (a) 2-4 |  |
|              | 9 Grimsby T. ....     | (h) 3-2 | Gillingham ....        | (h) 7-2 |  |
|              | 12 York C. ....       | (h) 1-1 | Fulham ....            | (a) 2-5 |  |
|              | 15 Grimsby T. ....    | (a) 0-3 | Bristol R. ....        | (a) 2-3 |  |
|              | 19 Bury ....          | (h) 1-0 | Aldershot ....         | (a) 3-0 |  |
|              | 23 Wrexham ....       | (h) 4-1 | Colchester ....        | (h) 3-1 |  |
|              | 26 Chesterfield ....  | (a) 3-1 | Brentford ....         | (a) 2-0 |  |
|              | 30 Wrexham ....       | (a) 2-1 | Mansfield T. ....      | (h) 3-0 |  |
| Oct.         | 3 Newport C. ....     | (h) 1-0 | Crystal P. ....        | (a) 3-1 |  |
|              | 7 Accrington S. ....  | (h) 0-1 | Norwich C. ....        | (h) 1-2 |  |
|              | 10 Southampton ....   | (a) 1-5 | Plymouth A. ....       | (a) 2-1 |  |
|              | 12 Accrington S. .... | (a) 1-3 | Notts County ....      | (h) 3-2 |  |
|              | 17 Reading ....       | (h) 0-4 | Reading ....           | (a) 1-2 |  |
|              | 24 Shrewsbury T. .... | (a) 0-3 | Dec. 5 Cardiff C. .... | (h) 3-3 |  |
|              | 31 Halifax T. ....    | (h) 1-1 | Colchester U. ....     | (a) 2-2 |  |
| Nov.         | 7 Norwich C. ....     | (a) 2-3 | Millwall ....          | (h)     |  |
|              | 14 Walsall ....       | (h) 2-3 | Millwall ....          | (a)     |  |
|              | 21 Colchester U. .... | (a) 0-0 |                        |         |  |
|              | 28 Southend U. ....   | (h) 2-0 |                        |         |  |
| Dec.         | 12 Port Vale ....     | (h) 2-3 |                        |         |  |
|              | 19 Q.P.R. ....        | (h) 2-1 |                        |         |  |
|              | 26 Bournemouth ....   | (a)     |                        |         |  |
|              | 28 Bournemouth ....   | (h)     |                        |         |  |
| <b>1960</b>  |                       |         |                        |         |  |
| Jan.         | 2 Bradford C. ....    | (a)     | Shrewsbury T. ....     | (h)     |  |
|              | 9 Brentford ....      | (h)     | Watford ....           | (a)     |  |
|              | 16 Coventry C. ....   | (h)     | Coventry C. ....       | (a)     |  |
|              | 23 York C. ....       | (a)     | Watford ....           | (h)     |  |
|              | 30 Mansfield T. ....  | (a)     | Q.P.R. ....            | (h)     |  |
| Feb.         | 6 Bury ....           | (a)     | Fulham ....            | (h)     |  |
|              | 13 Chesterfield ....  | (h)     | Aldershot ....         | (h)     |  |
|              | 20 Newport C. ....    | (a)     | Mansfield T. ....      | (a)     |  |
|              | 27 Southampton ....   | (h)     | Crystal P. ....        | (h)     |  |
| Mar.         | 5 Reading ....        | (a)     | Norwich C. ....        | (a)     |  |
|              | 12 Shrewsbury T. .... | (h)     | Plymouth A. ....       | (h)     |  |
|              | 19 Southend U. ....   | (a)     | Notts C. ....          | (a)     |  |
|              | 26 Norwich C. ....    | (h)     | Reading ....           | (h)     |  |
| Apr.         | 2 Brentford ....      | (a)     | Cardiff C. ....        | (a)     |  |
|              | 9 Colchester U. ....  | (h)     | Bristol R. ....        | (h)     |  |
|              | 15 Tranmere R. ....   | (a)     | Brentford ....         | (h)     |  |
|              | 16 Halifax T. ....    | (a)     |                        |         |  |
|              | 18 Tranmere R. ....   | (h)     |                        |         |  |
|              | 23 Mansfield T. ....  | (h)     |                        |         |  |
|              | 30 Port Vale ....     | (a)     | Northampton T. ....    | (a)     |  |

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Another point which rather intrigued us in the Official Notes last week, was to read that the winning goal in one match was scored from a penalty five MONTHS from time! It sounded as though the players might have been completing a sentence of penal servitude—a fate which we had begun to think was reserved for spectators only in Swindon, with no remission for good conduct!

However, it is much easier to watch and criticise, than to play, but we hope that, this afternoon, the players will put us on the road to a merry Christmas with a good win. We are sure that the form shown of late is not a true indication of the possibilities of the team. We are confident that more forward passing would work wonders, but, again, it is easy to criticise.

Nevertheless, we offer our good wishes for Christmas to the Directors, Management and Players, and to any supporters who might still read these notes at such a late stage in the season!

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| E—Huddersfield    | v. | Ipswich       |
| F—Leyton O.       | v. | Bristol R.    |
| G—Lincoln         | v. | Swansea       |
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