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6d.

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News and Notes

By HISTORIAN

Good Afternoon, Everybody,

To-day we offer a warm welcome to Swindon Town F.C. Our visitors are renowned for their youth policy and field one of the youngest sides in the country. But it is pleasing to see those experienced campaigners, Sam Burton and Maurice Owen are still turning in sterling performances in the Swindon rearguard.

The following players may represent Swindon this afternoon:—

Sam Burton (goalkeeper). Signed in 1945 from the County youth team. Has been one of the Third Division's most consistent 'keepers for several years.

Ken Jones (right back). Joined the club from Crystal Palace in March, 1961. After one game in the Reserves he became a regular League defender. Was a trialist for the Welsh Under-23 International Team.

John Trollope (left back). A local boy who joined the Swindon ground staff from school. Was selected for the First Team at the beginning of last season, when he was 16 years old, and was ever present during that season.

Keith Morgan (right half). A strong attacking wing-half, who joined Swindon as a youth player from Westbury. Played in every first team game during 1960-61.

Maurice Owen (centre half). Captain and veteran of the side. Started as a centre forward and had plenty of chances to move into First Division football but remained loyal to his local club.

Bob Woodruff (wing half). Another local born player who came to the town direct from the Swindon Schoolboys' team. Has played at centre-forward and inside-forward in the senior side and his performances have made him a target for several transfer offers. Was an ever-present for the club in season 1960-61.

David Corbett (outside right). Another product of the Club's youth policy. David was a part-time player until recently. A fast, direct player, he has proved his ability with some fine displays in the first team.

Ernie Hunt (inside right). Joined the Club's ground staff from school. A member of the First Team at 16 years old, he is a player of outstanding ability for whom the club has had many offers. A local boy, he is just eighteen years old. Was top goal scorer last season with 14 goals.

Jack Smith (centre forward). Joined the Robins during the close season from Watford, for whom he scored 8 goals in 20 games. Previously with Hartlepoons.

Ralph Hunt (inside left). Much travelled, Ralph has been a successful marksman with Portsmouth, Derby County, Norwich City and Grimsby Town.

Cliff Jackson (outside left). Swindon born, he joined the club direct from school. He was a schoolboy international and he made his debut in Swindon's first team at the age of 17. Has a very powerful shot.

LEND US YOUR CHEERS

Following our fine win over Shrewsbury Town, we have suffered three away defeats at Coventry, Peterborough and Bristol. So now we stand at the foot of the Third Division Table with five points from 13 games, of which eight have been on foreign soil. The three home games in hand are, of course, vitally important and to rise in the Table, the words "home match" and "two points" must become synonymous. You—the supporter—have a vital role to play. Manager Malcolm MacDonald has asked me to thank you personally for the terrific encouragement you gave the lads at the Coventry and Shrewsbury games. "It makes a tremendous difference to the team when they know the crowd is so solidly behind them. Even the Coventry manager commented on the amazing ovation given to the players at the interval and the end."

Now we know those of you here to-day are the salt of the earth. You have stuck to the Club through thick and thin. So why not take your support one stage further? Let's have that Griffin Park roar when the players come on the field and again when Ken Coote goes up to spin the coin. To amend a quotation: "Friends, West Londoners and countrymen, lend us your cheers." We will try not to fail you.

ARSENAL NEXT

On Monday evening we beat Wealdstone by six goals to three in the First Round of the London Challenge Cup. Three goals in the opening quarter of an hour sent us on the victory trail, and although Wealdstone pulled back to 3-4 in the second half, two late goals saw us safely through. Our scorers were Summers (3), O'Donnell (2) and Reeves (penalty).

In the Second Round we have most attractive visitors in Arsenal, the tie being staged here on Monday, October 16th (kick-off at 7.30 p.m.). In the First Round Arsenal fielded their full First Division side when beating Barnet 4-1, and it can be anticipated that they will turn out an equally strong side here.

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JUNIORS' PROGRESS

The Juniors, too, had a fine Cup win when beating Watford here last Saturday by two clear goals, in a South-East Counties League Cup-tie. Roy Lipscombe completed a move involving Peter Perry, Ian Runeckles and John Blandford, to give us a 20th minute lead, and he added a second in the second half. Given a chance to complete his hat-trick from the penalty spot, Roy fired straight at the 'keeper. Our team was: McCowliff; Hawley, Perry; Mortimer, Hunt, Durham; Cronin, Blandford, Lipscombe, Batson, Runeckles.

On Saturday next, October 14th, the Juniors meet Ipswich Town here in the First Round of the F.A. Youth Cup (kick-off at 3 p.m.). Our boys have won three and drawn one of their last four games, so a keen struggle can be expected.

LAST CHANCE

To-day is your last chance to compete in the mystery photograph competition in the Brentford Handbook. If you have not already got your copy, call at the Supporters' Club Hut now.

250 NOT OUT

Milestone reached to-day by Ian Dargie is his 250th League and Cup game. Ian made his debut at left half and has had five games at left back, but the balance of the 250 games have been in the No. 5 shirt. During his career he has headed two goals and is just about due for his third.

It is also Tom Higginson's 50th League game. Like Dargie, he has two goals to his credit.

NEW BOYS

A warm welcome to our two new Scottish recruits—left half Hughie McLaughlin and inside right Dick Lowrie. Both signed from Glasgow junior club St. Rochs. It will be recalled that John Hales and John Docherty also joined us from St. Rochs. McLaughlin and Lowrie played in the London Challenge Cup-tie with Wealdstone, and Lowrie nearly opened his scoring account when he shot against the foot of the post.

SEASON'S STATISTICS

Third Division appearances.—Belcher 13, Cakebread 13, Cootie 13, Higginson 13, McLeod 13, Edgley 12, Dargie 11, Rainford 10, Wilson 10, Brooks 7, Summers 7, Hales 6, Gitsham 5, O'Donnell 5, Reeves 3, Gelson 2.

Goalscorers—Edgley 4, Belcher 1, Brooks 1, Higginson 1, Rainford 1, Opponent 1.

Football League Cup—McLeod 1.

Combination—Blandford 1, Lipscombe 1.

Juniors—Lipscombe 5, Batson 3, Blandford 3, Runeckles 3, Cronin 1.

ODDS AND ENDS

John Rainford's goal against Shrewsbury was his 50th in League football. It was also our first goal from an outside right since Docherty netted at Swindon on January 7th.

Brian Edgley's two goals against his old club was the first time he had "bagged a brace" of League goals.

YOUR TRAIN HOME

Down—5.8 p.m., All Stations to Twickenham. 5.14 p.m., All Stations to Chertsey.

Up—5.23 p.m., All Stations to Waterloo.

DIVISION III LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Bournemouth	13	7	6	0	26	11	20
Portsmouth	12	7	5	0	20	10	19
Peterborough	13	9	1	3	36	29	19
Reading	13	8	1	4	28	22	17
Grimsby T.	13	7	2	4	20	15	16
Port Vale	13	6	4	3	19	14	16
Shrewsbury	13	5	5	3	25	19	15
Hull City	12	5	4	3	19	14	1
Q.P. Rangers	11	5	3	3	30	19	13
Bristol City	13	6	1	6	17	14	13
Southend	13	4	5	4	16	15	13
Bradford	11	6	0	5	25	21	12
Crystal Palace	13	4	4	5	24	23	12
Halifax Town	11	5	2	4	17	18	12
Watford	13	4	4	5	22	25	12
Notts County	13	4	3	6	26	23	11
Coventry C.	12	4	3	5	18	21	11
Northampton	13	4	3	6	18	18	11
Lincoln City	12	3	4	5	16	25	10
Swindon T.	13	2	5	6	18	29	9
Barnsley	13	3	2	8	23	34	8
Torquay Un.	12	3	0	9	20	29	6
Newport C.	12	2	2	8	16	30	6
Brentford	13	2	1	10	9	30	5

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HALF-TIME SCORES

INTERNATIONAL

A—Northern Ireland v. Scotland

DIVISION I

B—Arsenal v. Blackpool

C—Birmingham v. Wolverhampton

D—Fulham v. Aston Villa

E—Ipswich v. West Ham

F—Sheffield W. v. Chelsea

G—West Brom. A. v. Man. United

DIVISION III

H—Bradford v. Northampton

J—Bristol City v. Hull

K—Grimsby v. Lincoln

L—Newport v. Q.P. Rangers

M—Notts Co. v. Portsmouth

N—Peterborough v. Bournemouth

O—Port Vale v. Watford

P—Shrewsbury v. Crystal Palace

R—Southend v. Barnsley

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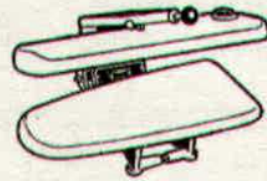
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The money is required to increase the financial stability of the Club and to achieve the Directors' dual objectives of returning the Club to the First Division and of improving the spectators' accommodation and amenities. As the Directors have explained before, it is imperative to increase the gates and the only effective means of achieving this is by improving the Club's standard of football. The Directors consider that initially new players should be introduced further to strengthen the Club's team and they propose to use part of the proceeds of the issue for this purpose.

The Shares now offered will rank *pari passu* in all respects with the existing shares of the Company and will accordingly carry full voting rights. It is not possible at the present time for the Directors to forecast when they will be in a position to recommend the payment of dividends. The maximum dividend that can be paid is limited to 7½ per cent per annum, being the limit imposed by the Rules of the Football Association.

In considering the applications for the Shares, the Directors will endeavour to make sure that every applicant receives an allotment, and will make no distinction as between applications from members of the Company, members of the Supporters' Club and Season Ticket Holders.

A copy of the last Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st May, 1961 (including Balance Sheet) and the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company are available for inspection at the Office of the Brentford Football Club, Griffin Park, Braemar Road, Brentford, Middx., during normal business hours. Members wishing to apply for the new shares in the Company should write to me at 8, Croft Gardens, W.7, or the Secretary, Griffin Park, Braemar Road, Brentford, for a Form of Application for Shares. When completed and signed the Application Form MUST be sent, together with a remittance for 10/- for each Share applied for, so as to reach the Secretary, Griffin Park, Brentford, not later than 31st October, 1961. Cheques should be made payable to "The Brentford Football and Sports Club Ltd." **NOW IS YOUR CHANCE TO REALLY HELP THE PARENT CLUB AND RALLY ROUND WHEN YOUR HELP IS BEING CALLED FOR!!!!!!**

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