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SWINDON TOWN

v.

NEWPORT COUNTY

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EDITORIAL

Recently a band of "die-hard" supporters wrote to Peter Corigan of the "Football Echo" suggesting a rather novel scheme to enable the County to avoid any more embarrassment over the pitch. To those of you who have not read the article here is a synopsis of the scheme.

The Corporation opened a wonderful cinder track at the Glebelands, St. Julian's last year and if they are not careful it will rapidly become a White Elephant. The novelty has quickly worn off and only about half a dozen people use it during the winter, so far only one main athletics meeting has been held and owing to the atrocious weather only a handful of people turned up. If the Corporation were to build this into a proper stadium with stands and covered accommodation and rent it to Newport County during the football season and with the floodlights taken from Somerton Park, athletics could be held all the year round, show jumping could also be held and many other attractions, the revenue gained from such a venture could easily offset the initial expense.

As the present track has been constructed on an old ashtip it should be very porous

enabling the water to drain away naturally. The main line to the North runs alongside so it may be possible for the British Railways to place a halt station on a loop line by there enabling people from the valleys to go straight to the ground, avoiding the congestion of town. Visiting supporters would also find this a great advantage. With Newport rapidly expanding the town deserves a football ground to compare with the status of the town. This may be a wonderful dream of the future but given the right incentive and support the scheme though possibly long-termed could result in a super stadium holding forty to fifty thousand people in five to ten years. Perhaps after reading this article someone may have some constructive criticism which I would be very glad to receive. If the scheme were completely practicable it would be up to every sports-minded person in Newport to encourage their Councillor to push this scheme through.

Congratulations to the boys on their fine display against Coventry City last Monday with a little more steadiness in front of goal the final score could well have been the highest for the season. With a glut of home matches to come and continued form the County will soon climb the league.

—F.G.B.

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TODAY'S VISITORS

For this afternoon's match we extend a warm welcome to our friends from Swindon. The Club which was founded in 1881 by the Rev. W. Pitt for the young men of his parish became professional in 1894 and played in the Southern League until 1920 when they became one of the original members of League Division III. They are popularly known as "The Moonrakers" (from the Wiltshire Legend), "The Robins" (from their colours), or (like Crewe) "The Railwaymen."

Last season they finished in fifteenth position with 45 points, so far this campaign they have obtained 30 points from 31 games and occupy fifteenth position in the League table. Limited finances which did not permit many big signings have not prevented Manager Bert Head welding together a more than useful side.

Amongst the players from whom today's side will be chosen are: Goalkeeper Burton; full-backs Bingley and Thompson; half-backs Hudson, Owen and Tilley; and forwards Corbett, Andy Micklewright, Edwards and Darcy.

It is hoped that the County can show the same form as on Monday evening and thereby gain a further two points.—W.G.A.

CORRESPONDING MATCH LAST SEASON 7th FEBRUARY, 1959

This was rather a scrappy game with very little good football from either side. What bright play there was came from the County before half-time. The County led 2-0 half-time with goals from Ken McPherson and Bryn Jones. The second half was very dull but out of the blue came a brilliant goal from Les Graham, he received a pass with his back to the goal fifteen yards out, pivoted and crashed it into the top corner of the net. Final score 3-0.

County team: Weare; Hollyman, Sherwood; Riggs, Peake, Rowland; McSeveney, Jones, McPherson, Graham, Brown.

Referee: Mr. F. Collinge (Rochdale).

Attendance: 4,346.

FIRST TEAM GOAL SCORERS

JOHN McSEVENEY	...	16
BRYN JONES	...	7
BARRIE MEYER	...	7
KEN McPHERSON	...	7
BILL HERRITTY	...	5
ALF SHERWOOD	...	4
CECIL DIXON	...	4
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	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Bury	32	18	5	9	50	31	41
Southampton	29	17	6	6	74	49	40
Norwich C.	31	17	5	9	60	42	39
Coventry C.	30	16	6	8	58	40	38
Grimsby T.	31	12	11	8	63	50	35
Bournemouth	31	13	9	9	51	47	35
Shrewsbury	30	13	8	9	70	53	34
Colchester U.	32	13	6	11	54	31	34
Queen's P.R.	31	13	7	11	53	39	33
Bradford C.	30	12	9	9	53	44	33
Port Vale	31	14	5	12	54	52	33
York C.	32	11	10	11	43	48	32
Brentford	31	12	7	12	53	47	31
Newport Co.	30	14	3	13	52	54	31
Swindon T.	31	12	6	13	43	48	30
Barnsley	31	10	9	12	45	52	29
Halifax T.	31	11	7	13	44	53	29
Reading	31	10	7	14	63	64	27
Southend U.	30	11	4	15	47	53	26
Tranmere R.	31	8	8	15	53	57	24
Chesterfield	30	10	4	16	45	60	24
Wrexham	31	9	3	19	50	76	21
Accrington S.	32	8	4	20	42	82	20
Mansfield T.	29	7	5	17	54	82	19

WELSH LEAGUE

DIVISION I

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Abergavenny	19	17	2	0	74	18	36
Swansea T.	24	13	7	4	60	47	33
Llanelli	19	15	2	2	70	24	32
Newport Co.	24	15	2	7	84	35	32
Ton Pentre	21	12	7	2	80	40	31
Caerau	21	14	2	5	67	33	30
Gwynfi	23	11	4	8	43	42	26
Lovell's Ath.	26	9	6	11	64	56	24
Aberystwyth	23	10	4	9	53	53	24
Pontllanfraith	24	9	6	9	57	61	24
Cardiff C.	23	10	3	10	79	56	23
Milford U.	21	8	5	8	43	44	21
Brecon	23	8	3	12	63	73	19
Betws	26	7	5	14	52	85	19
Haverfordwest	22	7	5	10	42	55	19
Pembroke B.	22	6	4	12	42	59	16
Barry T.	24	5	4	15	32	76	14
Merthyr T.	21	3	6	12	20	50	12
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 - F—P.N.E. v. Brighton
 - G—Sheffield U. v. Watford
 - H—Spurs v. Blackburn
- Division II and III**
- I—Cardiff C. v. Hull C.
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" 24	Reading (8,005)	..	H	3	2	" 2	Grimsby Town (9,188)	..	A	1	0
" 29	Grimsby Town (8,965)	..	H	0	2	" 9	Tottenham Hotspur (24,000)	H	0	4	
Sept. 2	Reading (14,332)	..	A	1	0	" 16	Queen's Park Rangers (5,180)	H	2	3	
" 5	Queen's Park R. (10,700)	..	A	0	3	" 23	Bradford City (10,838)	..	A	2	6
" 7	Tranmere Rovers (7,826)	..	H	2	1	" 30	Bury (6,545)	..	A	1	0
" 12	Bradford City (7,648)	..	H	2	0	Feb. 12	York City (7,758)	..	A	0	2
" 14	Tranmere Rovers (13,924)	..	A	2	2	" 15	Coventry City (4,764)	..	H	2	0
" 19	Coventry City (18,251)	..	A	1	1	" 20	(5) Swindon Town	..	H		
" 23	Bournemouth & Bos. (9,322)	..	A	1	4	" 27	Shrewsbury Town	..	H		
" 26	York City (8,067)	..	H	3	2	" 29	Wrexham	..	H		
" 28	Bournemouth & Bos. (9,683)	H	5	2	Mar. 5	Port Vale	..	A			
Oct. 3	Swindon Town (14,685)	..	A	0	1	" 7	Southampton	..	H		
" 10	Shrewsbury Town (9,062)	..	A	2	6	" 12	(6) Norwich City	..	H		
" 12	Chesterfield (8,217)	..	H	3	1	" 19	Halifax Town	..	A		
" 19	Port Vale (8,996)	..	H	4	3	" 26	(S.F.) Colchester United	..	H		
" 24	Norwich City (24,140)	..	A	0	1	Apr. 2	Southend United	..	A		
" 31	Barnsley (8,430)	..	H	4	0	" 9	Mansfield Town	..	H		
Nov. 7	Colchester United (6,620)	..	A	1	2	" 15	Accrington Stanley	..	H		
" 14	Hereford United (10,391)	..	H	4	2	" 16	Barnsley	..	A		
" 21	Mansfield Town (6,996)	..	A	1	3	" 18	Accrington Stanley	..	A		
" 28	Halifax Town (7,558)	..	H	5	1	" 23	Bury	..	H		
Dec. 5	Salisbury (6,600)	..	A	1	0	" 30	Brentford	..	A		
" 12	Brentford (8,401)	..	H	4	2	May 7	(F.)				
" 26	Southampton (19,167)	..	A	0	2						

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