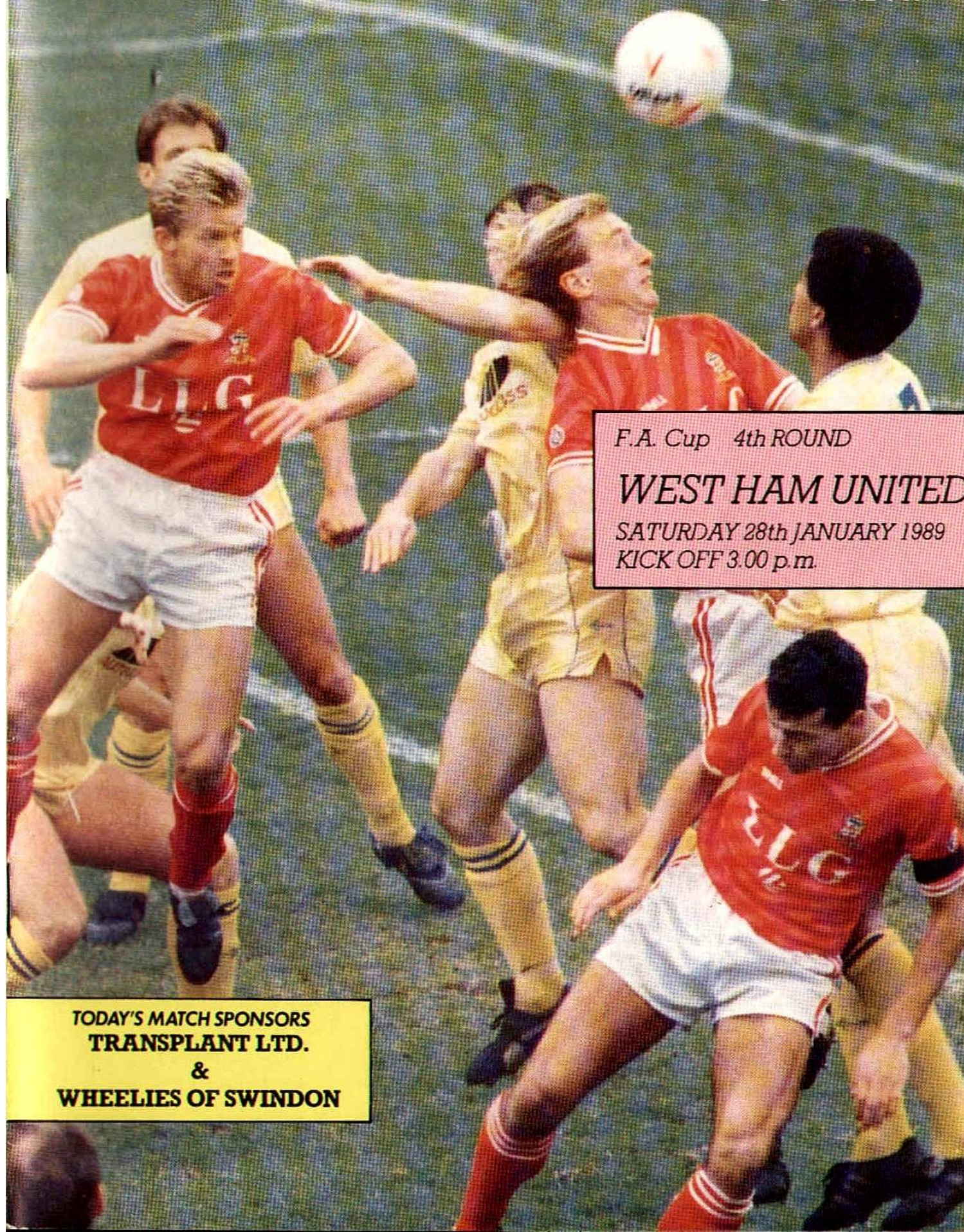


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This afternoon Swindon Town will be facing what we shall all consider to be our biggest test of the season. In welcoming West Ham United to the County Ground I want everyone to forget the respective status and League positions of both Clubs! It will not matter at all, I can assure you.

Cup matches are strictly one-off occasions, where form can be turned upside down on the day. You only have to ask anyone connected with West Ham United that question, or better still, anyone connected with Arsenal or Liverpool. Arsenal and Liverpool were strong favourites to defeat West Ham United in the F.A. Cup and likewise Liverpool in the Littlewoods Cup. Neither did and that fact can work in our favour today. The majority will not expect Swindon Town to triumph, we can and if the players have that belief we will. It will be tough but not a game the West Ham players will relish.

NO JANKERS THIS TIME

This week we have deviated from our normal policy of staying at an Army Camp before an important game. This really stemmed from the fact that the players wanted a change, so I had to settle for the warmer climate of Weston-Super-Mare. Instead of Army Barracks the players have been enjoying the luxury of hotel accommodation since Tuesday.

We took in a game by playing the local team on Tuesday evening, which obviously delighted the locals and gave us the opportunity to work out a few moves that we needed to iron out in our general play. I must add that there could be one or two surprises in store for West Ham today.

No motivation should be necessary for player or supporters for this game. The F.A. Cup has a magic all of its own. Even for the minnows who enter the qualifying round there is only one aim.

**THE
MANAGER'S
VIEW**

BY

Lou Macari

That aim is to go as far as you can in the competition. For Swindon Town our immediate aim is the Fifth Round. I should not have to appeal to you today to back the team. Your enthusiasm should be enough in its own right.

From the off today, make yourself heard and by tonight we just could be talking of another Cup upset.

BE REALISTIC

A degree of success and once again the Club attracts the detractors mainly due to the news team that work for the local newspaper. The sports people always give the Club a fair deal, but I would like to put a certain S. D. Greig in the picture on one or two facts.

I am not a pessimist and the point made regarding the success of Wimbledon, Oxford United and Millwall reaching the First Division is down to finance.

Wimbledon have the Hammam's, Oxford United the Maxwell's and Millwall sold land to developers.

Swindon Town have no Hammam's, no Maxwell's and no land. Money financed their success and anyone who does not realise that fact is deluding themselves.

STILL NO JOY AGAINST THE PALACE

We have met Crystal Palace no fewer than five times in the last sixteen months in League and Cup matches and we have failed to win once.

We have one last opportunity this season. Not unlike our opponents today, West Ham, we are definitely drifting towards the bottom positions, eleven points clear of Shrewsbury Town who are three places from the bottom rung. Next weeks match with Oxford United takes on a new meaning with points being all important. Whatever the outcome of today's match our League position is the vital competition for Swindon Town. I am sure John Lyall would say the same for West Ham United.

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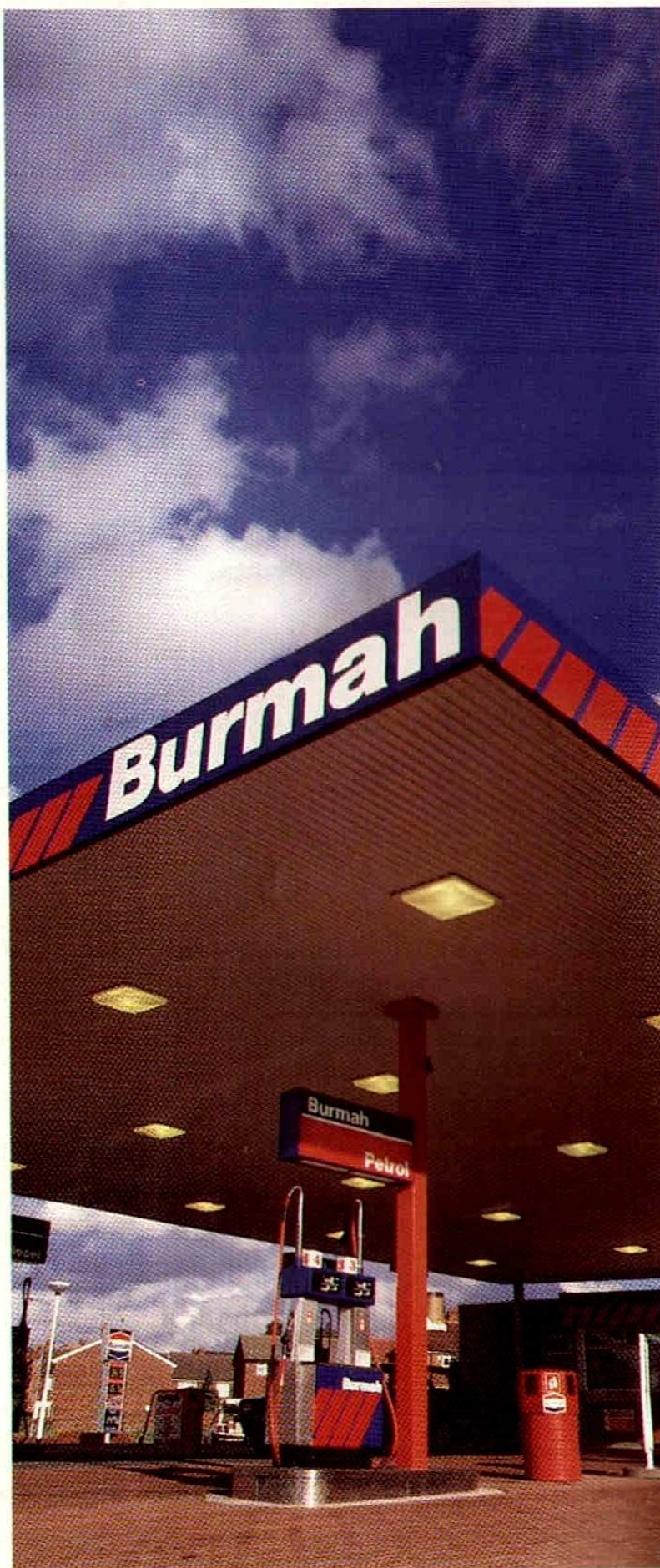
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RARITY

Cup football has been something of a rarity at the County Ground this season, with our early exits from the Littlewoods and Simod competitions restricting our interest to this afternoon's game.

NOT THE BEST PREPARATION

Last Saturday's defeat at Selhurst Park was hardly the best preparation for today's game, particularly as we led with twenty minutes to go, only to concede two goals within a minute. At least the 'Hammers' were undergoing similar treatment against Manchester United at Upton Park.

With 1988 still fresh in the memory, its many trials and tribulations for the game already seem nothing when compared with 1989's turbulent start. A couple of weeks ago, during a break in one of the televised games, one of footballs most admired and respected characters made his first strange move in a month which has seen him literally hit the headlines. Advertising the football hating, muck raking 'Sun' newspaper struck me as an incredible step for any Manager to make after their disgusting European Championship coverage, but down to earth, clear thinking Brian Clough seemed the least likely candidate.

CHARLES BRONSON OR BRIAN CLOUGH - THE VIGILANTE'

Events after the recent Littlewoods Cup tie at the City Ground were even less likely, with Clough becoming a one man vigilante force to combat unruly fans. Has he become the unwilling recipient of the Sports Minister's missing brain? That possibility would explain both Clough's behaviour of late and the empty headedness of the I.D. scheme. If the Forest Manager thought he was helping the Nottinghamshire Police, he was sadly mistaken. From my experience of their attitude towards football fans, they are quite capable of repelling a pitch invasion by the Soviet Red Army let alone a few joyous Forest fans. Clough must now be wondering

SCOTT FREE



by Michael Scott

which to be more ashamed of, advertising the 'Sun' or clouting his own fans!

A CHAT WITH SIMON COOMBS

There was a glimmer of hope at the end of a reply I received from Swindon M.P. Simon Coombs on the subject of membership cards. Though cleverly skirting an invitation onto the County Ground terraces, the M.P. stated that in spite of supporting the principle of the scheme, he would examine its details and their effect on the game before casting his (and our) vote in Parliament. There still seems to be a faint chance of Mr. Coombs representing a significant number of his constituents and rebelling against the governments plans. His attendance at today's game as the Clubs guest will hopefully convince him further.

A CRUCIAL GAME

This afternoon's game is obviously a crucial one for Swindon Town, both on the pitch and financially. There have been predictable complaints that fans on the Stratton Bank have been let

down by the Clubs decision to set the area aside for this afternoon's visitors. Whilst sympathising with those who inhabit the Bank come rain or shine, it is no good whingeing about having no money to buy quality players if we also whinge about the Club grasping a rare opportunity to get a financial windfall. Our small visitors enclosure has cost us dear in the past, sadly it's the same old story of money outweighing fans preference, but that's the way it has to be. At least they all get to see the new scoreboard this way too!

A RESURGENCE OF THAT FIGHTING SPIRIT

Today is the day for a resurgence of the 'Town's' fighting spirit and passion that has brought them so much cup success in the past. Effort on the pitch, reflected with equal passion off it, may just be enough to see us through. The clash of styles between First and Second Divisions will be interesting enough, but the contrast in methods between the two sides should make this afternoon's game a real Cup tie. The 'Town's' mixture of long ball and packed defence should be like nothing on earth to the 'Hammers' and their fluid passing game. If nature has 'done the business', as they say in the East End, a quagmire could be our biggest weapon against the 'Irons' classy but antique midfield.

LOOKING TOWARD NEXT SUNDAY AND UNITED

Whatever this afternoon's result, more drama is guaranteed at the County Ground next Sunday with the first visit of Oxford United for some time. It will be interesting to see how they are coping without their superstar goal legend Dean Saunders now that he is enjoying the dizzy heights of Division One with Derby. Hopefully a fair proportion of this afternoon's 'once a season' fans will see enough to be tempted to make it 'twice a season' and see the 'Town' move up the table against local opposition next week.

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STILL DAVID VERSUS GOLIATH
There is no feeling like the prospect of an F.A. Cup tie. The bonus of playing at home only adds to the air of expectation and excitement. David versus Goliath is always an intriguing prospect.

Many of you present today may not envisage Swindon Town versus West Ham United in quite that category. You may point out that only a mere twelve or more positions divide the two Clubs in the 92 Clubs in the Football League. Those of us who can remember decades of soccer at the County Ground know only too well that a gulf has always been the normality between the two Clubs.

No, today's match will have the air of David v Goliath, for West Ham United have a First Division pedigree born of seasons in the premier division.

• 'PURISTS'

West Ham United are indeed very welcome visitors to Wiltshire. Renowned for their genial approach to everyone and the cultured way in which they play this great game of ours. To the Directors, supporters and players, along with their Club officials, I would like to welcome this fine Club to the County Ground.

We shall not underestimate the tremendous task that confronts us in trying to reach the fifth round of the F.A. Cup on February 18th. The names of Liam Brady and Alan Devonshire

conjure mystical dreams of par excellence for the soccer purists and no doubt we shall be able to reflect upon their skills whether it is in a state of victory or defeat.

All cup matches in whatever competition derives its own complications and we here at Swindon Town have attempted to be fair in all aspects. We pegged the admission prices and adopted the voucher system so that the paying public of Swindon had the opportunity to prove their interest in supporting today's Cup tie. The League fixture against Barnsley was the test. An attendance of 10,201 left food for thought.

After careful consideration it was decided to make the Stratton Bank available to West Ham United supporters. The needed response from the town of Swindon with regard to this particular area of the County Ground was not sufficient. In financial terms we required the promise of much needed revenue which could be provided by today's visitors. I am sure that you are all well aware of the necessity to boost the Clubs finances. The remainder of this season will need careful planning, with regard to the retention of certain players, whose contracts expire at the end of this season. We all know from last summer's events those problems are better met at this stage than perhaps at a later date.

Although we have been used to seeing fortes into the transfer market in our successful efforts to attain our

current Second Division status. It was a pleasant experience to see home-spun talent take the field when Fitzroy Simpson played in our recent League fixture with Barnsley.

It is important that we keep the balance right. We all know that money has to be spent in the transfer market, but it is nice to see local talent make the grade. They probably have to try harder to overcome established players but often their enthusiasm is heart-warming and a rapport is bridged between the crowd and the young player. I felt that enthusiasm against Barnsley and I am sure Fitzroy Simpson did as well. We shall probably be seeing more of this talented player in the coming months.

Do you want to see Swindon Town in the draw for the Fifth Round of the F.A. Cup? Of course you will, but we have to give the players representing Swindon Town this afternoon the utmost support.

Too often a goal signals that enthusiasm, so why not will the first goal in our favour today. A constant roar will lift spirits and even revive flagging sinews. Let all of us give the team one-hundred per-cent support and who knows what can happen. West Ham United will be prepared for an onslaught and that is exactly what we want to witness. May I plead for you all to play your part. You are the most effective substitute, the only one that can play a part for ninety minutes!

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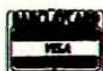


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POLICE THANK YOU

Superintendent Mike Rogers of Swindon Police, on behalf of all the Emergency Services at the County Ground, would like to thank all those people who helped with the Evacuation Exercise of the North Stand on Saturday, 14th January, 1989.

We did find some areas which need improvement in order to continue safe occupation of the Stand.

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A SECOND LOOK

A LOOK AT THE SECOND DIVISION SCENE

SHAUN - A BARGAIN?

A.F.C. Bournemouth completed the transfer of **Weymouth** defender **Shaun Teale** from their Dorset neighbours for a down payment of **£50,000** - which could rise to **£100,000** if he makes progress in League football.

Shaun, 24, a member of the England semi-professional squad had his move delayed so that he could play for Weymouth in their F.A. Trophy match against Newport County on January 14th.

POOR SURFACE

Sergei Baltacha, **Ipswich Town's** new **Russian International** defender, became the first Soviet player to play in British soccer when he made his debut in a 0-0 draw with **Southampton** at **Portman Road** in a **Football Combination** fixture last week.

The 30-year-old former **Dynamo Kiev** star, capped 46 times by the U.S.S.R., helped attract a 1,000 crowd, four times the average for reserve matches at Portman Road. Afterwards, through an interpreter, he said: "No problems, but I was not used to such a muddy surface. In Russia the surfaces are much better." **Sergei** scored on his League debut last week in Ipswich Town's 5-1 home win against **Stoke City**.

'GOOD FOR ME AND GOOD FOR POMPEY'

Alan Ball on his dismissal from **Portsmouth** "That's life. I have had five fabulous years here and I have enjoyed every minute of it. I would like to thank the fans, staff and everyone involved here who has supported me. I have gone through a lot with this Club. It has done some good for me and I hope I have been good for Pompey."

The 42-year-old former **Everton**, **Arsenal**, **Southampton** and **Blackpool** midfielder joined **Portsmouth** as Coach under **Bobby Campbell** after a brief spell as **Blackpool** Manager. He took over as 'Pompey' Manager in April 1984 and piloted them back to the First Division in 1987 after 30 years absence, only to be relegated again the following season. During his reign as Manager **Alan Ball** spent more than **£2.5 million** on players.

A TOUGH JOB?

New **Walsall** Manager **John Barnwell** who was dismissed by **Notts County** less than a month ago, said upon his appointment at **Fellows Park**, "To suggest this is not a difficult job would be hiding." **Walsall** had suffered a run of 13 League defeats before his appointment.

POOR BRIAN

THE DEAL IS STILL OFF

West Bromwich Albion boss **Brian Talbot** still cannot sign **Liverpool** reserve striker **Joe Durnin**. He made one bid when the player was on loan to the Hawthorn's Club but was turned down.

Brian then watched the player score a hat-trick in the Central League match with **Aston Villa** last week - but that earned him a recall to the first team squad and blew any chance of a deal.

QUOTES... QUOTES...

Watford Manager **Steve Harrison** on their 3-2 win against **Birmingham City**... "The players proved something both to themselves and to me" he said. "It was our character and attitude that saw us through".

Chelsea Manager **Bobby Campbell** on **Tony Dorigo's** desire to leave **Stamford Bridge**. "Whatever the case, Tony still gives everything. You might call him a model prisoner..."

Leeds United Manager **Howard Wilkinson** on **Leeds United's** first away defeat in the League since he took charge at **Elland Road**,

"We were beaten by a better team, but it was a crazy sort of game". **Leeds** lost 3-2 at **Oxford United**.

Portsmouth's new Manager **John Gregory** on his Club's 2-1 win against **Shrewsbury Town**. "I could not have wished for a better start. But there's a lot of work still to be done."

John Barnwell, the new **Walsall** Manager on his Club's 14th consecutive defeat, "Our performance was a good one and if we continue along these lines the results will come."

NEVER AGAIN!

A.F.C. Bournemouth skipper **Mark Newson** has vowed to go into hiding next time his side are awarded a penalty.

The **Dean Court** Club were trailing 1-0 to **Sunderland** when **Luther Blissett** was fouled inside the area. **Luther** was too dazed to take it and passed the responsibility to **Mark**, who his the post. **Newson** joked, "I will never forgive **Luther** and the next time I will be standing on our goal-line."

Eric Gates scored the only goal after ten minutes.

THE RESPECTIVE LEAGUE POSITIONS OF TODAY'S TEAMS

FIRST DIVISION (Bottom Nine Positions)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Tottenham Hotspur	22	4	4	4	20	19	2	4	4	13	15	26
Luton	22	4	5	1	18	8	2	3	7	8	18	26
Aston Villa	22	5	3	3	17	14	1	5	6	14	22	26
Southampton	22	4	4	4	20	19	2	4	4	14	23	26
Queens Park Rangers	22	4	2	4	11	8	2	4	6	12	14	24
Charlton Athletic	22	2	5	5	15	20	3	3	4	9	12	23
Sheffield Wednesday	21	3	3	4	10	14	2	5	4	8	15	23
West Ham United	22	1	3	7	11	22	3	2	6	8	17	17
Newcastle United	22	2	3	6	10	16	2	2	7	7	24	17

Bottom two Clubs are relegated at the end of the season.

SECOND DIVISION (Bottom Nine Positions)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swindon Town	25	5	5	2	17	11	3	5	5	16	21	34
Hull City	26	5	7	1	20	10	3	1	9	14	29	32
Bradford City	26	4	6	3	14	12	3	4	6	12	19	31
Oxford United	26	6	3	4	26	20	2	3	8	15	20	30
Brighton and Hove Albion	26	6	3	4	24	15	2	1	10	12	28	28
Oldham Athletic	26	4	5	4	24	19	1	4	8	15	26	24
Shrewsbury Town	26	1	7	5	11	17	3	4	6	10	21	23
Birmingham City	26	2	3	8	13	24	1	4	8	5	26	16
Walsall	26	2	3	8	15	22	0	5	8	6	22	14

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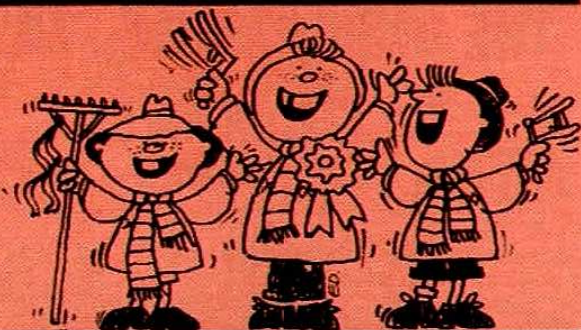
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JUNIOR ROBINS



JUNIOR ROBINS TRAVEL CLUB

Last Saturday (21st) again saw the Junior Robins on the road and off to the 'Palace' (no not Buck House) but to Selhurst Park as guests of the Junior Eagles.

Leaving the County Ground at 8.30 a.m., we were due to meet Paul Welch at Morden Tube Station at 10.45 a.m. We duly arrived without any mishap, at 10.30 a.m., having the benefit of Paul Plowman's A-Z, our destination being Crystal Palace's Mitcham Training Ground.

The Transplant u/10 and u/13 football teams were victorious against their opposing Eagles sides. The u/10s victors by five goals to nil (scorers Richard Lowe, David Gethin, Steve Butt, Shaun Skinner and one own goal).

The u/13s went better still, at 9-1

victors (scorers Richard Clargo 3, Dean Scott 2, Arron Parker, Shaun Thompson, Darren Parsons and Paul Carter).

Congratulations to both teams.

On to Selhurst Park, to be greeted by our guide for the mornings tour of the ground, in none other than Lew Chatterley, who's infectious character and humour wit was a revelation, making the tour a trip down 'memory' lane, wit his odd stories of days gone by. Keep it up Len, football needs more of your sort.

Our trip also coincided with Crystal Palace's Family and Community Enclosure being one year old to the day.

Situated under the Members Stand, they have reclaimed an old bar, etc. and transformed it into their Family Room, complete with audio and television, snack bar and crèche facilities. Childrens organised parties are a

feature on match days, with various celebrities and all manner of entertainments.

The Family and Community Section is under the direction of our 'Host' Paul Welch and is sponsored by the Croydon Advertiser ('Advert', we have one as well!!)

Clive over to you for introductions and whilst on the subject of our intrepid reporter, he might do as well to travel to away matches on the Junior Robins Travel Coach, according to official sources 'they' got lost again, perhaps a copy of Paul's A-Z as well as pencil and notebook. Seriously Clive, how about you joining us on our next trip. Alarm clock at the ready?

Watch this space for next trip. (J.R. Reporter).

Birthday congratulations to Darren Holohan, 128 Betty Glen, Rahny, Dublin.

OUR NEXT OPPONENTS

In recent seasons **Oxford United** have been as much dominated by the names of individuals as by their playing feats. The names of **Robert Maxwell**, **Jim Smith** and more recently **Mark Lawrenson** have attracted more than a fair share of media attention.

The recent appointment of former Hull City Manager **Brian Horton**, who was previously assistant to the deposed Mark Lawrenson, will hopefully revitalise the Manor Ground Club who were relegated from the First Division at the end of last season.

The almost inevitable departures of players of the calibre of **Dean Saunders** and **Trevor Hibberd** left a void in the playing strength of United, one that will take a time to fill although a few more results similar to last weeks 3-2 win against **Leeds United** will revitalise

spirits in the United camp. It is the away form of the team from the City of spires that we are primarily concerned with.

Oxford have found life on their return to the Second Division difficult and their only successes have been achieved with a fine 2-1 win at **Ipswich** last October when goals from **Jimmy Phillips** and **Martin Foyle** surprised the **Portman Road Club**. The only other success that United have experienced was the 5-1 trouncing of struggling **Walsall** at **Fellows Park** on **Boxing Day**. Four goal **Richard Hill** and one from **Martin Foyle** sunk the 'Saddlers' and increased the inevitable relegation they appear to be facing in May.

The season began with promise when **United** drew 1-1 with **Leeds United** on the opening day of the season, a **Martin Foyle** goal earning a point at **Elland Road**. They followed that promising result with another 1-1 draw at **Chelsea**, substitute **David Leeworthy** scoring at **Stamford Bridge**. Successive defeats at **Oldham Athletic** 0-3, **A.F.C. Bournemouth** 1-2, and **Portsmouth**

1-2 with only **David Bardsley's** goals at **Dean Court** and **Fratton Park** to show for their efforts meant a bleak autumn, apart from the Ipswich result, for **United**.

The poor away form continued following the win at Ipswich Town with a single goal defeat at **Crystal Palace**. This was **Brian Horton's** first match in charge following the sudden departure of **Mark Lawrenson** after the sale of star striker **Dean Saunders** to **Derby County** for a £1 million fee.

Another defeat followed at high flying **West Bromwich Albion** where goals from **Martin Foyle** and **Paul Simpson** were not enough to prevent a 2-3 defeat.

Amazingly **Oxford United** suffered their fifth single goal defeat of their League campaign in away matches when they lost 1-2 at **Manchester City**. The lone goalscorer at **Maine Road** was **Richard Hill**.

Full back **David Bardsley** scored against his former Club **Watford** in a 1-1 draw at **Vicarage Road**. There was no upsurge in form for in their next away match **United** lost by a single goal at **Stoke City**.

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1988-89 will see The Football Trust increase its commitment by investing further sums in closed circuit television, transport facilities for supporters and projects to bring Football League clubs closer to their local community.

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TAKING THE Opposite VIEW

WEST HAM UNITED



by Dave Eaton



Back row (left to right): Julian Dicks, Alan Dickens, Gary Strodder, Tom McAllister, Phil Parkes, Allen McKnight, Alvin Martin, Tony Gale, Steve Walford.

Middle row: Paul Hilton, Chris Harwood, Paul Ince, Ray Stewart, Alan Devonshire, George Parrie, Simon Livett, David Kelly, Leroy Rosenior, Andrew Pearson, Adam King.

Front row: Kevin Keen, Paul Kelly, Steve Potts, Tommy McQueen, Mark Ward, Liam Brady, Stuart Slater, Stewart Rovson, Eamonn Dolan.

Today's visitors, West Ham, are struggling in the First Division at the foot of the table alongside Newcastle United. But in Cup competitions this season they have completely belied that form.

The Hammers have produced several remarkable performances to reach the Semi-Finals of the Littlewoods Cup, and in the F.A. Cup pulled off a shock 1-0 replay victory at Arsenal in the Third Round to set up today's match here at the County Ground. On their way to the Littlewoods Cup Semi-Finals they have demolished Derby County 5-0 and in the Fourth Round thrashed Liverpool 4-1 the Merseyside's biggest domestic Cup defeat since before the Second World War!

Last week, despite missing an early penalty, the Hammers then defeated Aston Villa 2-1 in the Quarter Finals to Book a place in the Semi's against either Southampton or the holders Luton Town.

They are now just one step away from reaching

Wembley in that competition and if past results are a guide they could well be on their way in this year's FA Cup as well.

In the Third Round of the FA Cup, West Ham were paired against Arsenal with the eventual winner then drawn away at Swindon.

On three of the four previous occasions that the Hammers and the Gunners have met in the FA Cup, the victors have gone on to lift the trophy.

The sequence started in 1930 with Arsenal winning a Quarter Final Tie between the two Clubs and then winning the trophy.

1946 was an exception, but then in 1945 West Ham won a Quarter Final Tie against Arsenal 2-0 and went on to beat Fulham in the Final.

Five years later the two sides met in the Final at Wembley. West Ham, then a Second Division side, running out 1-0 victors thanks to a headed goal from Trevor Brooking.

The sequence continues when you then compare previous encounters between West Ham and Swindon.

The Clubs have met on four previous occasions in the competition with honours presently shared at two victories a piece.

West Ham lost out to the Wiltshire Club in both 1912 and 1967. But in 1964 they won a Fifth Round home Tie 3-1 and 11 years later won a Fourth Round replay here at the County Ground 2-1 and on both those occasions the Hammers were to go all the way to Wembley and finish as the eventual victors.

They beat Preston 3-2 in a cracking final in 1964 and in 1975 won an all-London Final against Fulham 2-0.

Those two victories meant automatic entry into the European Cup Winners Cup and on both occasions the Hammers were to distinguish themselves in the Euro competition carrying the English flag.

In front of a packed Wembley in May 1965 they defeated Munich 1860 2-0, both goals being scored by Les Sealy to lift their first European trophy. But 11 years later they just failed to emulate that feat again losing in the Final 4-2 to Anderlecht in Brussels' Heysel Stadium.

Formed in 1895 as the Thomas Ironworks FC, hence the design of the Club badge, the Club turned professional five years later and became known as West Ham United.

They were elected to Division 2 of the Football League in 1919 and since have always been members of either of the top two divisions.

They have won the Second Division title on two occasions but never the First. The Hammers best season in the top flight was a third placing in the 1985/86 season behind the Merseyside giants Liverpool and Everton.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1912 (3)	West Ham	1	Swindon	1
(3R)	Swindon	4	West Ham	0
1964 (5)	West Ham	3	Swindon	1
1967 (3)	West Ham	3	Swindon	3
(3R)	Swindon	3	West Ham	1
1975 (4)	West Ham	1	Swindon	1
(4R)	Swindon	1	West Ham	2

MEET THE MANAGER AND PLAYERS

John Lyall (Manager). Born in Ilford, he is the longest serving Manager in the Football League. Only the fourth Manager at West Ham since the war, succeeding Ron Greenwood to the post in August

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1974. He had previously been the Assistant since 1971. John joined West Ham as a youngster and between 1959 and 1962 made 33 League appearances. A full-back, he was capped by England Youths, but his playing career was cut short by injury and consequently turned to the coaching side instead at Upton Park.

Allen McKnight (Goalkeeper). Born in Antrim, the Irishman celebrated his 25th birthday yesterday. Signed for £250,000 from Celtic during the summer, for whom he made 12 League appearances last season. The previous year was loaned out by Celtic to Albion Rovers and made his Scottish League debut on August 16 1986 for Albion against Stenhousemuir. Although unable to command a regular place at Celtic he won six caps for Northern Ireland last year.

Ray Stewart (Defender). Born in Perth, Scotland, he was signed by Dundee United from Errol Rovers. Made 44 League appearances before transferring south from Dundee to West Ham in 1979 for £430,000. A former Scotland Schoolboy, Youth and Under-21 International he has won ten senior caps. One of the games most successful penalty-takers, the 29-year-old had made 334 League appearances for the Hammers prior to the start of this season.

Julian Dicks (Defender). Although Bristolian, the 20-year-old began his footballing career as an apprentice at Birmingham City. Went on to make 69 League appearances for the Midlands Club before signing for West Ham shortly before last March's transfer deadline. His impressive form in the final eight games for the Hammers last season earned him a place in the England Under-21 summer touring party.

Steve Potts (Defender). American born defender who signed for West Ham as an apprentice. Made his League debut against QPR as a 17-year-old in January 1985. A former England Youth International he had made 18 League appearances to the beginning of this season.

Alvin Martin (Defender). Bootle-born centre half and Club Captain. He has made limited appearances for the first team over the last two seasons due to serious toe and foot injuries which required surgery. A one-Club man, he joined West Ham as an apprentice in 1974 and has since made more than 350 appearances for the Club. The 30-year-old has won 17 caps for England.



• Alvin Martin

Alan Devonshire (Midfield). Former England International midfielder (eight caps) whose career has been plagued by injury. Signed from non-League side Southall for a bargain £4,000 in September 1976, he is approaching 350 League games for the Club. That figure would be higher but for thigh and achilles tendon injuries which forced him to miss the majority of the last two seasons. Born Park Royal. Age 32.

Liam Brady (Midfield). Republic of Ireland International midfielder (67 caps). Began his career with Arsenal and spent six and a half years in Italian football with Juventus, Sampdoria, Inter Mila and Ascoli before he returned to this country with West Ham for £100,000 in March 1987. Made his comeback for the first team in October after a seven month lay-off - in which he missed the European Championships with Eire in June - after he sustained damaged knee ligaments in a League game at Derby County in February. Born Dublin, the 32-year-old had made 235 League appearances for Arsenal, 189 in Italy and 34 for West Ham prior to the start of the 1988/89 season.



• Liam Brady

Paul Ince (Midfield). Born in Ilford, the 22-year-old began the season as a sweeper for the match against Wimbledon to ease some of West Ham's defensive problems after than had conceded seven goals in their opening two matches. A former YTS trainee, he graduated through the Youth team to gain First Division status. He has recently completed 50 League appearances for the Club. Hit the national headlines by scoring twice in the recent 4-1 Littlewoods Cup win over Liverpool.

Kevin Keen (Midfield). Former England Youth International midfielder who began his career with West Ham as an apprentice. Made his debut for the Club against Liverpool in September 1986 and is now approaching 50 League appearances for the Club.

Alan Dickens (Midfield). Plaistow-born midfielder who recovered from knee surgery at the start of last season. He went on to make 28 League appearances for the Club, the majority of which were spent as an emergency striker in partnership with Tony Cottee following the departure of Frank McAvennie. A former apprentice the 24-year-old has made more than 150 League appearances for the Club and is an England Under-21 International.

David Kelly (Forward). Republic of Ireland International striker who made a sensational debut by scoring a hat-trick against Israel. Now the holder of three caps. He was signed for £800,000 by West Ham from Walsall during the summer, despite op-

position from Tottenham Hotspur, Liverpool and West German giants Bayern Munich. The 22-year-old scored 30 goals in Walsall's successful promotion to the Second Division last season - including seven in the play-offs - and was selected for the Republic of Ireland squad for the European Championship Finals in West Germany, although he did not make an appearance. Born in Alvechurch, he played for the local side before joining Walsall.

Leroy Rosenior (Forward). He ended John Lyall's five-month search for a striker, after the departure of Frank McAvennie to Celtic, when he signed from Fulham last April for £325,000. Scored five goals in nine games, which were a vital factor in West Ham's successful fight against relegation. He has also played for Fulham (twice), where he began his career, and QPR. A Londoner, the 24-year-old scored the only goal a fortnight ago that knocked out Arsenal in the third round F.A. Cup replay.

Gary Strodger (Defender). Born in Leeds, he began as an apprentice at Lincoln City. Scored six goals in 132 League appearances for the Red Imps before joining the Hammers. Up to the start of the 1988/89 season had made 42 League appearances for West Ham.

Tony Gale (Defender). The central defender began his career with Fulham, where he made 277 League appearances before joining West Ham for a £150,000 tribunal fee in the summer of 1984. Was restricted to just 20 appearances last season through an achilles tendon injury. A former England Under-21 International.

Mark Ward (Midfield). Prescot-born 5ft 5in midfielder who was released by Everton as an apprentice. Moved into non-League football with Northwich Victoria and also worked in a bakery before he joined Oldham Athletic in June 1983. Signed for West Ham in August 1986 for £250,000 and has made 131 League appearances for the Club.

Paul Hinton (Defender). Twenty nine year old central defender who began his career as a striker, winning three England schoolboy caps in that position. Born in Oldham, he started his career with Bury in 1978. Made more than 150 appearances for the Club before joining West Ham for £100,000 in February 1984.

George Parris (Utility). Versatile player who can operate equally effectively in midfield or at full back. He recently deputised for the regular left back Julian Dick, who was suspended. The 24-year-old missed three months of last season after he broke a leg in a League match against Luton Town in January but recovered in time to play a part in West Ham's successful fight against relegation. Born in Ilford has made over 100 first team appearances for the Hammers.



• Alan Dickens

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WELCOME TO THE CULTURE CLUB

Good afternoon and welcome to the County Ground on this rather special occasion. It's a real pleasure to greet the Culture Club from Upton Park, I trust you will enjoy your visit, perhaps not too much though.

There's nothing quite like the F.A. Cup is there? It makes the blood course through the veins just that little bit faster and even for the most humble, the dream of Wembley is ever-present. West Ham, of course, have tasted the ultimate success of lifting the trophy and I dare say they'd like that feeling once again. I well remember their first triumph in 1964 with the winner against Preston coming literally in the dying seconds.

GREAT PLAYERS

That was one of the finest finals since the war and featured some of the Hammers greatest players: Bobby Moore, Geoff Hurst, John Sissons and the great 'ticker' Ronnie Boyce, who scored that last minute winner. It was the aperitif for the 'Eastenders' triumph a year later in the European Cup, when they defeated Munich 1860 2-0 also at Wembley. Both those games featured the smooth footballing style we've come to associate with West Ham, we applaud them for sticking to their principles in this 'win at all costs' age.

AN OMEN

The Hammers other Wembley victories came against Fulham in 1975 and Arsenal in 1980. On the way to the Fulham encounter they dismissed our particular Club at the County Ground following a draw at Upton Park. An omen perhaps? Or will revenge be gained come twenty to five. This prom-

ises to be a great game, let's all play our part to make it an enjoyable occasion.

CHARLIE - A DOYEN ON THE FLOOR

Talking of enjoyable occasions, Charlie Henry's testimonial disco at the Will's Club recently certainly was. The man himself proved no mean mover on the dance floor and a good time seemed to be had by all. Charlie deserves your support in recognition of his great service to the Club, let's ensure he gets it in the rest of his testimonial events.

Of course, the Town has another loyal servant enjoying a benefit this season. Andy Rowland has chosen a First Division side for his game, called West Ham. I dare say Andy wishes this particular encounter could be his testimonial.

SUPERBOWL

Another Superbowl has come and gone which meant another late night and struggle through the following day to keep awake. It was well worth the bags under the eyes though, a real classic with San Francisco sneaking the title off Cincinnati in the final seconds. The whole event really was something special, played in the magnificent Joe Robbie Stadium in Miami. Now that particular venue will play host to some of the World Cup games in 1994. That tournament, I have no doubt, will be a monumental success. The Americans can present sport in a very special package and it will be fascinating to see how they market our game of football to the rest of the world. I think it will give soccer a massive shot in the arm.

In the Superbowl, Joe Montana

proved to be the man for the big occasion throwing the winning touchdown pass with just 34 seconds left on the game clock. A great player in a great game...

LIAM - AN ALL-TIME GREAT

... Which brings me to Mr. Liam Brady, who I've no doubt will thrill us all here this afternoon. He is one of the best players I've ever seen and I can remember his great performance here for Arsenal in that memorable League Cup quarter-final some years back. It's rare to see a player with such skills, long may he continue to light up the English League.

GWR - THE ALL-TIME LOW

From the sublime to the ridiculous, G.W.R.F.C. have taken three points out of the last four in the Sunday League. A record which must put me in line for Manager of the month (the Fairford version anyway).

A 2-2 draw with the Swindon Travelers followed a feature on them in the Evening Advertiser! That was their first point since September, see what fame can do for you. The following week we trounced Green Baize 4-0 and exacted revenge for defeat by the same scoreline by the greenmen earlier in the season. Their players asked me not to rub it in when I write this column. Alright, I'll spare you're embarrassment.

G.W.R.F.C. 4 - GREEN BAIZE 0

I never could be trusted!
Back to the matter in hand, it's going to be a great afternoon. Let's settle back and enjoy a great, peaceful game of football.

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EMBROILED IN A PHYSICAL CONFRONTATION
Our Youth team suffered only their second defeat in the Allied Counties Youth League when they lost 1-0 away to Newbury Town on Monday January 16th.

A first minute goal by **Richard Bodin** was to prove enough to defeat the Town. Although the Town had plenty of the play the Newbury defence prevented a telling shot. The only time that Newbury goalkeeper Edmonds was troubled in the first half was when he was forced to parry a shot from Paul Trollope which the home team defenders managed to scramble away.

It was the Town's turn to thank the fates when Newbury's Goodlife hit the inside of the upright in the 63rd minute and the Town defence was forced to scramble the ball away.

It appeared that an 88th minute equaliser was on hand when Liam Dixon caught Edmonds well off his line and lobbed the ball over the keepers head from twenty yards but the ball bounced over the crossbar.

Town Youth team Manager **John Trollope** summed the performance up by saying: "Conceding a goal in the first minute made it an uphill struggle against a far bigger and physical side. Although competing well, the thought and final challenge in vital areas was missing, allowing Newbury's strength to dictate how the game developed."

Better ideas and possession by the strikers would have kept the moves flowing and creating more space would have been ideal instead of becoming involved in physical confrontations. We use this League for the development of the younger members of the Youth team and our lesson from this match is that you must play to your own strengths and not those of your opponents."

Team: Thompson, Spalding, Graham, Quinn, Reeves, Lea, Walker, Trollope, Dixon, Macari, Christopher.

Substitutes: Murray (for Walker in 67th minute), Braidwood (for Spalding in 77th minute).

NO MATCH FOR THE WOMBLES OR HOLSGROVE!

A disastrous day for our Reserve team and Peter Coyne in particular! Our 'Ovenden Papers' Football Combination team suffered a 4-1 reverse when they met Wimbledon at the County Ground



• **Peter Coyne** - mixed fortunes for the former Manchester United player all within 24 hours. Sent off against Wimbledon, Peter was in a point saving mood the following day with a goal in our 2-2 drawn at Brighton.

on Tuesday January 17th and the former Manchester United and Crewe Alexandra player faces a suspension after being sent off in this match.

Town Coach **Andy Rowland**, in his report on the game, said: "We had to field a weakened team due to injuries and suspensions and we struggled from the start. As usual we were caught in a casual mood when **Paul Holsgrove** beat Andy Petterson from twelve yards. The early blow never allowed us to settle. Meanwhile Wimbledon went from strength to strength. They increased their lead in the fifteenth minute when **Paul Holsgrove** scored his and Wimbledon's second, goal, heading in a cross from Terry Merriman, who was a regular member of our Reserve team last season."

Andy continued his report: "We managed to pull a goal back when trainee **Paul Hunt** scored with a fine volley. Unfortunately this only seemed to stir Wimbledon into further action. They scored almost immediately when **Detzi Kruzynski** rifled home a low shot from just inside the penalty area. Our misery was complete when **Peter Coyne** was sent off for tripping an opponent when he had a clear run to goal. **Charlie Henry** helped to complete our demise when he brought down a Wimbledon player and this allowed **Paul Holsgrove** to complete his hat-trick. In fact the same player continued to torment our defence and only a couple of good saves by **Andrew Petterson** stopped him adding to Wimbledon's tally."

It was a performance that left **Andy Rowland** commenting: "We gave a lack lustre performance and we were left feeling shell shocked."

Team: Petterson, Coyne, Marshall, Barnard, Henry, Simpson, Tomlinson, G. Morgan, Hunt, Barnes, Viveash.

Substitutes: Summerbee (for G. Morgan in 70th min.), Hammersley.

TIM AND 'BOCK' IN THE SEA WHILE THE TOWN CAUSE A RIPPLE AT BRIGHTON

A hastily convened Football Combination fixture arranged by Town boss **Lou Macari** within twenty-four hours of the Wimbledon debacle. In which he hoped to have some of his injured players back in action and also allow some of them to have remedial sea water treatment, saw the Town travel to Brighton on Wednesday January 18th.

The Goldstone Ground Club agreed to the late request and both **Tim Parkin** and **Dave Hockaday** travelled with the party and were the only bathers on the beach. A January record for Brighton? **Jon Gittens** was given a run-out to test his injured ankle.

Town Coach **Andy Rowland** said in his match report: "After our poor performance against Wimbledon we had an immediate opportunity to make amends. Once again we gave a stuttering performance and we were never in control of the game."

Brighton took the lead in the fifteenth minute when **Geoff Cooper** was allowed to move inside **Neil Tomlinson** to gain a free header past **Andrew Petterson**. We were struggling to get our game together and we were frequently being caught off-side. Our passing was going astray and yet we did manage to equalise in the thirtieth minute when **Peter Coyne** scored from close range after good work by **Neil Tomlinson**.

Andy continued his report of the game by stating: "Again Brighton took the lead and again it was **Geoff Cooper** who put the home team ahead, scoring from close range after **Andrew Petterson** had made two good saves from **David Gipp**. We then enjoyed our best spell of the game, but failed to capitalise on some clear-cut opportunities, the final pass leaving a lot to be desired. Our continuing pressure eventually paid dividends when **Alan McLoughlin** managed to turn a centre from **Adrian Viveash** into the net."



• **Liam Dixon** who was on the scoresheet in our Youth teams 2-1 win against Colchester United at the County Ground last Saturday.

Andy's conclusion on the match was: "We took a point from our visit which we just about deserved on the day."

Team: Petterson, Cornwell, Bodin, Barnard, Gittens, Simpson, Tomlinson, Coyne, Barnes, McLoughlin, Viveash.

Substitutes: G. Morgan (for Tomlinson in 65th min.), Marshall.

A RETURN TO WINNING WAYS

Whether it was the change of surroundings or not, our South East Counties Youth League team returned to a semblance of their earlier form of this season at the County Ground. The change of venue came when they met Colchester United on Saturday last, January 21st. The 2-1 win in a match played in the most trying of conditions saw our Youth team maintain their lead at the top of the Second Division. The noon kick-off allowed the visitors extra travelling time in their trek from Essex.

Town Youth team Manager **John Trollope**, in his report of the match, said: "After two defeats we decided to change our formation and hopefully create more openings. We looked a little vulnerable at the back but we looked dangerous going forward."

There was little danger to either team until **Tony Hammersley** beat two men in a run down the right and from his cross **Liam Dixon** headed powerfully past Colchester keeper **Keith Boram**.

John continued his report by saying: "A mistake by **Paul Thompson** allowed the visitors to equalise when he failed to cut out a cross and **Franco Riccordi** was left to head into an empty net. We regained the lead when **Paul Hunt** took the ball to the by-line and centred for **Tony Hammersley** to force the ball home at the rear post, despite **Boram's** efforts to halt him."

Paul Hunt was unlucky not to increase the lead when his sixty-fourth minute shot hit the crossbar, rebounding against the upright before bouncing clear."

John summed up the performance by stating: "It was a hard working performance, with more thought, resulting in more football being played. **Richard Morgan** and **Paul Trollope** were dominant in mid-field with good distribution helping to set up most of the moves."

Team: Thompson, Lea, Graham, Morgan, Murray, Quinn, Hammersley, Trollope, Summerbee, Hunt, Dixon.

Substitutes: Walker and Macari.

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A TRIBUTE TO Mr. W. CASTLE

*Former Director, Chairman and President of Swindon Town
by Town Directors Mr. R. Mattick and Mr. C. Green*

Nowadays, it is something of a fashion for football club Chairmen to obtain office by buying a Club rather as you or I might buy a new car. They attend first team matches, sometimes, and bask in the reflected glory of their Club's success. Fortunately, this has never been the case at Swindon. Looking at old Minute Books mentioning Trowbridge, Calne, Devizes and Great Yarmouth (splendid little Clubs, but hardly the glamour grounds of football), it is notable how often the name W. Castle, a Director for 23 years, appears alongside such names as Director in Charge of the Swindon side whether for a match at First, Reserve, Youth or 'A' team level. As Director and Chairman, Wilf Castle was always fully involved with the Club at all levels. I well remember my last conversation with him when he reminisced over his visit to Belgium with a Swindon Under-21 side which eventually brought back the Tournament trophy. "There was often a bit of mischief" he said, his eyes twinkling and looking at the end of his walking stick, as though he remembered applying it gently to the posterior of some miscreant, "but they were all good lads and loved their football." So did Wilf Castle!

He joined the Swindon Board in 1945. Of no time then was it true to say it was a job which earned 'more kicks than halfpennies'. Unlike most Clubs, which continued to play during the War, Swindon's ground had been taken over by the War Department and turned into a Prisoner of War Camp. Only two players of the pre-war team played in the post-war side and a huge rebuilding job was needed both on the pitch, when money was short, and off it, where building restrictions handicapped ground restoration. It was not a question of success but of survival.

That the Club did survive was due to the hard work of men like Wilf Castle and his fellow Board members of the time who often used their very homes to guarantee the Club's bank debts. It was perhaps of this time that Wilf Castle was thinking when he said on his retirement from the Board: "There are many people I have known in the past years who have helped to contribute to the Club in times more difficult, when money was far more valuable. What success we have we owe initially to those in the past."

It was typical of Wilf Castle that he would use an event designed to honour him, to honour others.

His eighteen year period of office between 1950 and 1968 was one of tremendous change in football. When it began, England had just played in their first World Cup, when it ended they were reigning World champions. It was a period which would see floodlights introduced and the maximum age abolished. At Swindon, as well, the period was one of enormous change. The early years were not easy. In 1955-56 season the Club had to apply for re-election and between 1950 and 1957 never finished higher than sixteenth in the table. However, in the year when Division Three North and Division Three South were merged to make Divisions Three and Four Swindon jumped up to Fourth place and secured a base from which to progress. Mr. Castle's leadership helped to see a New Stand (now called the Old Stand) erected, after it had been purchased from the Aldershot Tattoo Ground. It was a tribute to him that the Club managed to obtain a stand which gave such a marvellous view of the game at such a low cost.

Perhaps of more importance was the faith he showed in Bert Head. Realising the Club's lack of finance, he refused to allow initial lack of success to lead to the Manager's dismissal, establishing a Club hostel for young players, and supporting him while he developed the Youth policy which was to produce the crop of young players which eventually, in the 1962-63 season, won the Club promotion to the Second Division for the first time. The Club used 22 players that promotion season, only four of them cost fees and the total value of those was £6,350. It must have been a proud moment for Wilf Castle when he became the first Swindon Chairman to take a seat as full member of the League after Swindon reached Division Two for the first time.

Harder times lay ahead, but Wilf Castle confronted them with the same cheerful optimism he had shown when fortune smiled on the Club. After the Club's relegation in 1965 one Director, Mr. Davies, lost his seat, but still had words of praise for his Chairman saying of him "He is the finest man I know... straight, honest and above board with everyone." Increasing age and the effect the strain of office was beginning to have on his health, led him to decide to stand down in 1968. It was a mark of the esteem in which he was held at the Club that the Board immediately created him President. When this decision was announced to the Shareholders meeting it brought a spontaneous ovation which left Wilf "too full up to say much." His feelings were much the same when the Board had presented a special Chair inscribed with his name in tribute to his service and which remains the Chairman's seat to this day.

In a remarkably prophetic speech, Wilf Castle's successor as Chairman, Eric Lane paid tribute, describing Wilf as straight, fair-minded, and, above all, anxious to see the other man's point of view.

"As a Chairman he has always conducted the board with skill, diplomacy and patience. I am sorry he is retiring because I think we now have a team capable of getting promotion this season."

Had he known that in the following season, Swindon would not only gain promotion but win the League Cup, I doubt it would have altered his decision to pass on the baton as it were, for he cared more for the success of Swindon Town than personal acclaim. It is good to think that fate spared him to enjoy twenty years of retirement with his wife and family and to see his beloved Swindon Town return to Division Two yet again. Resolute and loyal in adversity, modest and generous in victory, the memory of Wilf Castle should be an inspiration to us all.



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JUST ONE EYE!

The reason that **Bobby Barnes** was substituted in our 'Ovenden Papers' Football Combination fixture with **Charlton Athletic** at the **County Ground** on **Wednesday January 11th** was because the former **Aldershot** and **West Ham United** player had lost a contact lens. Despite efforts to retrieve the vital optic it was to no avail, and Bob had to leave the field of play.

HOW THEIR VALUE HAS INCREASED

Have you noticed how the value of former Swindon Town players has increased? **David Bamber** left the Town for a tribunal settled fee of **£105,000** when he joined Watford. Recently Dave was transferred from the **Vicarage Road Club** to **Stoke City** for **£190,000!**

More recently it was reported that Third Division **Cardiff City** had rejected bids from both **Bristol City** and **Scarborough** for former Town striker

Jimmy Gilligan of **£120,000**. Now **Queens Park Rangers** were reported to be interested at **£200,000**. Jim left the **County Ground** for a fee of **£32,500** when he moved to **Lincoln City**.

Jim had joined the Town from **Grimsby Town** on **June 5th 1986** for a fee of **£31,500**. Jim left the **County Ground** for **Sincil Bank** on **March 4th 1987**. Jim spent a period on loan with **Newport County** while he was at the **County Ground**.

PHIL SIGNS ON

Phil King has signed a new two and a half year contract with the Club. After talks with Town Chairman **Mr. Brian Hillier** and Town Coach **'Chic' Bates**, the former **Exeter City** and **Torquay United** defender decided to put pen to paper and continue his link with **Swindon Town**. Phil is the second player to sign a new contract with the Club, joining **Neil Tomlinson** who settled his future with the Club earlier this month.

BLACK MONTH

It is generally accepted that players are usually dismissed from the field of play by referees if they are wearing the colours of the away team!

Certainly not the situation here at **Swindon Town**. **Phil King**, **Steve White** and **Peter Coyne** all received their marching orders here at the **County Ground** during January. **Phil** against **Manchester City** in our **Barclay League** Division Two match on **January 2nd**, while both **Steve** and **Peter** were dismissed in reserve team matches against **Porstmouth** on **January 10th** and **Wimbledon** on **January 17th** respectively.

LIVE TELEVISION

Forthcoming matches due to be televised include:

Sunday February 5th
Manchester Utd v Tottenham Hotspur
ITV

Sunday February 12th
Littlewoods Cup Semi-Final, 1st Leg
ITV

Sunday February 19th
F.A. Challenge Cup 5th Round Proper
BBC

Sunday February 26th
Littlewoods Cup, Semi-Final, 2nd Leg
ITV

Sunday March 12th
To be decided ITV
Sunday March 19th
F.A. Challenge Cup 6th Round Proper
BBC

WILTSHIRE PREMIER SHIELD

In the **Semi-Final** of the **Wiltshire Premier Shield** competition we have been drawn against **Chippenham Town**. This match will be played at **Calne Town F.C.** on **Tuesday February 28th 1989**. The **kick-off** will be at **7.30 p.m.**

The referee will be **A. D. Dansken** and the linesmen are **P.G. Taylor** and **K.M. Little**.

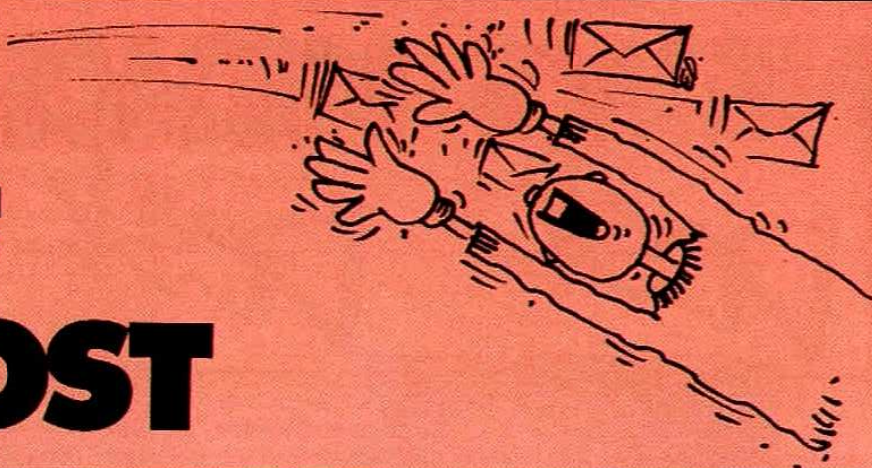
The other **Semi-Final** will be between **Westbury United** and **Trowbridge Town**. This match will be played on the ground of **Melksham Town F.C.** on **Wednesday 22nd February 1989**. The **kick-off** will be at **7.30 p.m.**

The referee will be **R.W. Pellatt** and the linesmen are **A.F. Pidgeon** and **D.R. Ledbury**.

Extra Time will be played if necessary. **Penalties** will decide the match if the scores are level after extra time.

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IN OFF THE POST



Miss S Cobern
Secretary, STFC Supporters Club
12 Deburgh Street, Swindon

Dear Mr. Hillier

As by now Dave King would have told you that the Supporters Club would like to donate all funds raised during 1989 towards the improvements to the Invalid Enclosure.

To help us make this year as profitable as possible there are a number of events that with your permission we would like to organise, the proceeds of which would go in total to this venture. I have listed these events below:

1. **February** on a Monday evening of your choice in the Rendezvous Club. As previously discussed a Forum with Directors, Management and the Club Captain in attendance.

2. **March 26th - Easter Sunday.** As we have in the past we would like to hold a Photographic Session/Open Day. Although the Commercial Office have also held this event we feel that if this was held at two different times of the year one would not prejudice the other.

3. **April** - Again on a Monday evening of your choice. Our Annual Quiz with teams from Directors, Players, Media and Supporters.

We will of course be holding other events as usual and look forward to your favourable response and confirmation of the suggested dates as early as possible, as the organisation will take some time.

Yours Sincerely
Sandra Cobern

Calder Close
Greenmeadow, Swindon

Dear Sir

I am a season ticket holder at Swindon Town F.C. and sit in the yellow section of the North Stand and would like to make the following comments and observations regarding the emergency fire evacuation that took place on Saturday 15th January. Evacuation steps are situated in front of my seating position but when we stood up we were told by the Stewards to turn right which meant that we had to walk across the back of the Directors/Rendezvous Box enclosure towards the next flight of Fire steps. This procedure took me exactly 10 minutes to reach the bottom of the Fire steps between the main stand and running track, and I might add there were a lot of people behind me so I think the reported 9½ minutes to clear the stand was widely inaccurate. There was also a problem when we reached the area at the bottom of the Fire steps because the advertising hoarding was still in place and very little gaps are left to enable people to get through onto the pitch and this caused quite a snarl up. I would suggest that 'God forbid' in the case of a real emergency a Steward should be designated to this area and the responsibility of removing some or all of these obstructions.

I hope you accept these comments in the manner in which they are meant and may I take this opportunity of praising you and the Football Club for having the foresight to carry out the practice.

Yours faithfully,
B. Phillips

Queens Drive
Swindon

Dear Sir,

The decision of Swindon Town F.C. to triple the amount of West Ham supporters on Saturday 28th January, gives us, the Drakes Roundabout area residents, grave cause for concern and anxiety as the greater majority of these will approach the ground from the M4, see the ground lights, and attempt as usual to park in this area.

As clearly shown by the visit of the comparatively far fewer numbers from Portsmouth on 10th January, when **NOT** one (repeat, **NOT** one) Officer or Park Ranger was placed in or patrolled this area to prevent blocked drives, illegal grass parking and consequential environmental damage, parking on children's play areas, etc., whilst groups of four or more Officers stood rooted to the same spot for over 2 hours within 100 yards of the ground, doing absolutely nothing except, presumably, acting as a 'deterrent' factor, these numbers fill us with apprehension. Patrolling for the benefit and protection of *all* within the ground's catchment area was non-existent, to the extent that as far as we are can ascertain not one ticket was issued to the many offenders. The current Senior Police Management attitude appears to many residents to be 'protect the Club - to hell with everybody else'.

We are full aware that the decision will not be reversed, so we call on the Police to urgently review their strategy for the 28th and all subsequent major crowd games and positively suggest: (a) full Police patrolling of Walcot and Park North areas adjacent to Queens Drive; (b) specific areas be opened up for visitor parking, i.e. Drakes Way playing fields, school playgrounds, etc; and (c) no hesitation in charging offenders (in place of verbal warnings currently used).

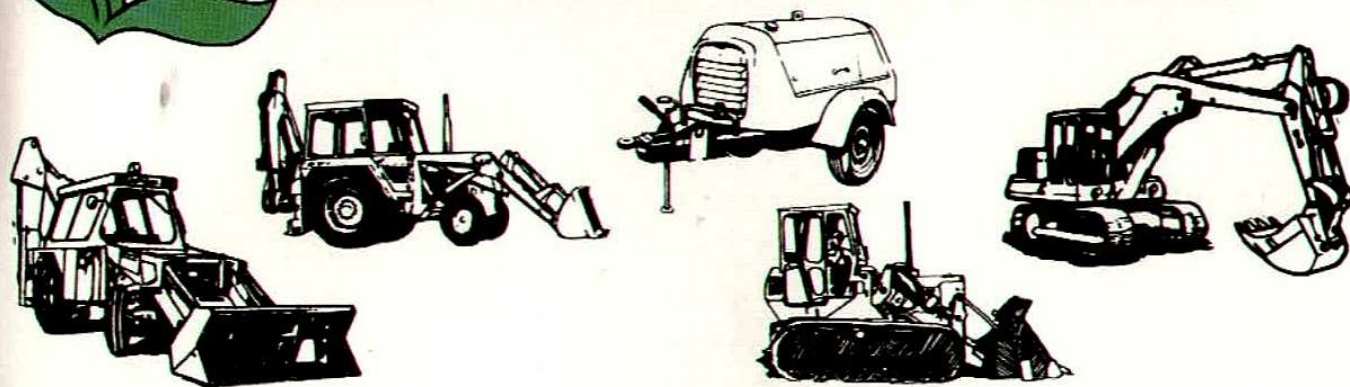
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Yours faithfully,
B. Smith

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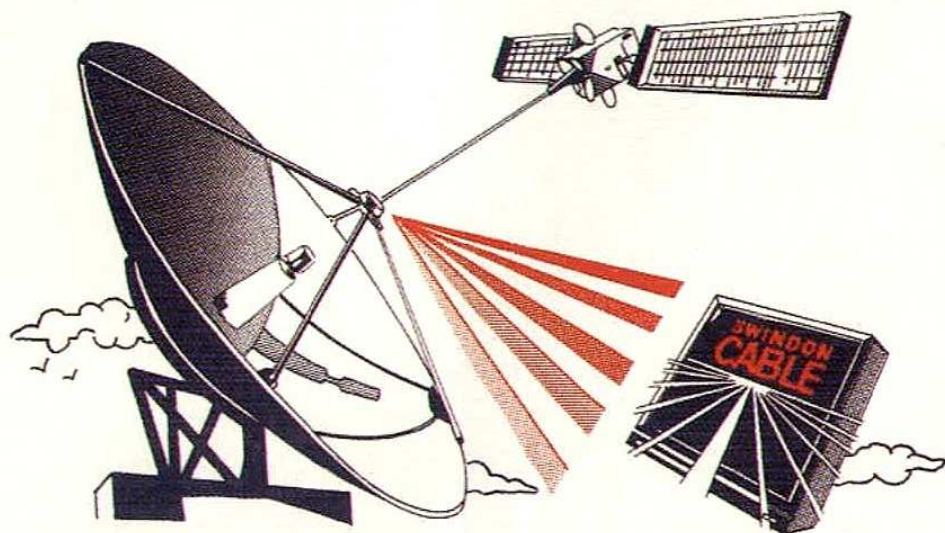


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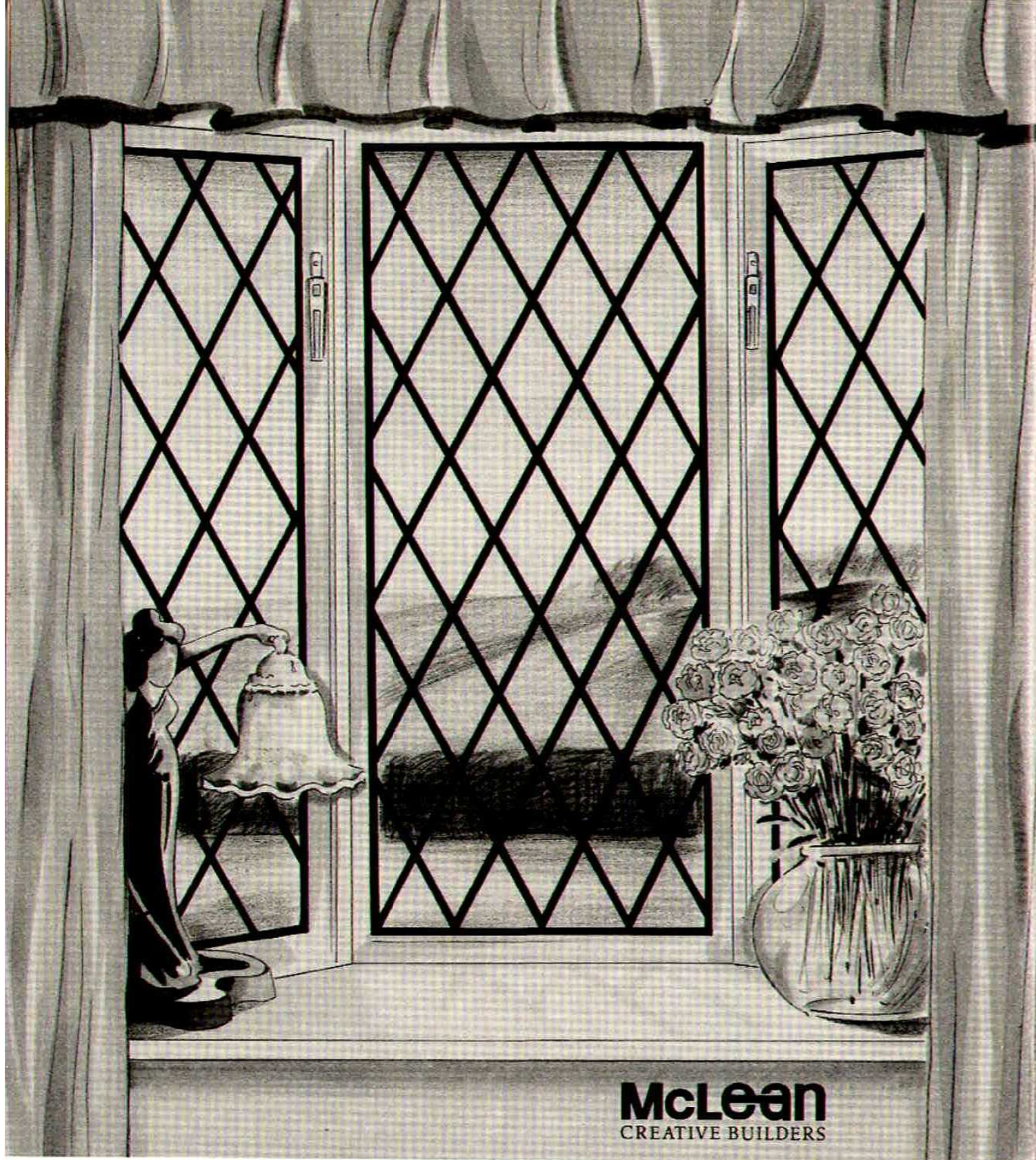
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VIEWPOINT

ONE OF A FEW

I shall probably be one of the few players in today's F.A. Cup tie to have been not only lucky enough to have played at Wembley, but also to have appeared in an F.A. Cup Final.

That is a memory that can never be taken away and few players are lucky enough to appear in an F.A. Cup winning team like I have. My lucky day came when, at 19 years of age, I appeared for Ipswich Town in their 1-0 win against Arsenal in the 1978 F.A. Cup Final. Some of you may recall that Roger Osborne scored the winning goal. We could have won 5-1 that day with the chances we had, we were worth that scoreline.

SLEEPLESS NIGHTS

There was no real build-up to my selection in that Ipswich team. It was the Thursday before the big day before I knew that I was playing. I was told that I was playing in our pre-match stay at Bisham Abbey.

I have to admit that I then spent two sleepless nights thinking about the match to come. Most players admit that they cannot remember much of the day or the game. For me it was different. I can recall the day and the match quite clearly in my mind. Perhaps deep down I knew it was going to be a one-off occasion for me and really I knew I was a lucky player to have the chance at so young an age. Strangely it isn't until someone mentions the Cup-winners medal that I remember I've got it tucked safely away!

PLENTY OF COMPETITION AT PORTMAN ROAD

Despite the fact that I appeared in the Ipswich Cup winning line-up, I knew there would be no real future for me with the Club. There were plenty of emerging players at Portman Road.

Alan Brazil was one of those players and it was quite easy in those days to find yourself pushed out of contention for a first team place. There always appeared to be four or five players in line for the position that I was seeking. Injury did not help my situation and I soon began to realise it was time to move on.

NOTHING TO PROVE AT VILLA PARK

Eventually I joined Aston Villa for a £300,000 fee and although I was bought to replace the departed Andy Gray there was no real pressure for me to prove

No. 15 DAVID GEDDIS

myself despite Andy's £1.2 million price tag.

I reasoned that my fee was just a quarter what Wolves were having to pay Aston Villa. For that money they must have thought they were signing a player who was as quarter as good!

VILLA ON TOP

When I reflect on my time at Villa Park it can appear that I may have wasted my time with the Club. When I think deeper I realise that I was part of Aston Villa's most prestigious period.

Villa had not had any success for a long time and then suddenly everything came to fruition for them. European success was achieved by the high standard of player available at Villa Park. On a personal note again I found some stiff competition for the strikers role, for both Peter Withe and Gary Shaw were top class players. It was success all the way at Villa Park in those days for they also captured the First Division Championship.

THOUGHTS ON BOBBY ROBSON

I am often asked about my thoughts on England Manager Bobby Robson. In my time at Portman Road he was a young Manager who was guiding a Club to their first European Cup. The young players at Ipswich were of an extremely high standard.

Bobby Robson's success at Ipswich was well deserved and I will always be grateful for the fact that he had faith in me as a young player. Bobby Robson bred good habits. I find it nauseating to see a good man pilloried by certain sections of the tabloid press. He does not deserve that. Bobby has visibly aged since accepting the England Managers position.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION

Several players have likened Swindon Town to my first Club Ipswich, mainly



• DAVID GEDDIS

because they are isolated country towns. It is suggested that this Club could achieve the same level of success. I have to disagree.

In the days of Ipswich Town's success money was more readily available and although their success came mainly due to a Youth policy, the financial climate was different. It is more difficult today, overall a great deal of finance is required to not only obtain First Division football but also to sustain it.

FLIRTING WITH RELEGATION

I have had a varied career and I probably spent too long with one or two Clubs who were always flirting with relegation. Birmingham City was such a Club, while Shrewsbury Town have to struggle for most of the time.

They have struggled more since Chic Bates departure and have a hard battle to stay up this season.

STICKING WITH THE 'STYLE'

Enough of League prospects. Today's game is all about the Cup and our best chance against West Ham United is to stick to our playing method.

They have some fine players and they are not only the easily recognised stars like Liam Brady and Alan Devonshire, also players such as Alan Dickens can play with style. A lot to be admired about West Ham, but today we have to set about disrupting their natural flowing style and impress our way of playing on their defence. Enjoy the match and please back us all the way.

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● Action shot of the fire drill evacuation of the North Stand implemented by the Emergency Services following the recent home match with Barnsley.

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DATE	OPPONENTS	V	Attnd	Result	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
29.8.88	MON BARNLEY	A	6,034	1-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Maclaren	Parkin	Gittens	McLoughlin
3.9.88	SAT WEST BROM	A	7,512	1-3	Digby	Hockaday	King	Maclaren	Parkin*	Gittens	Bodin
11.9.88	SUN PORTSMOUTH	H	11,443	1-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Maclaren	Calderwood	Gittens	Foley (1)
17.9.88	SAT BLACKBURN ROVERS	A	7,622	0-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Maclaren	Parkin	Calderwood	Foley
20.9.88	TUE A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH (7.45)	H	8,055	3-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Maclaren (1)(p)	Calderwood (1)	Gittens	Foley
24.9.88	SAT BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	H	6,585	3-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Maclaren	Calderwood (1)	Gittens	Foley
27.9.88	TUE CRYSTAL PALACE (7.45) (LCC1)	H	7,064	1-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Maclaren	Parkin	Gittens	Foley
1.10.88	SAT WATFORD	A	11,657	3-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones (1)	Parkin	Gittens	Foley
5.10.88	WED OXFORD UNITED	A	9,398	1-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin (1)	Gittens	Foley
9.10.88	SUN CHELSEA	H	11,927	1-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	McLoughlin	Gittens	Foley
12.10.88	WED CRYSTAL PALACE (8.00) (LCC1)	A	6,015	0-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Gittens	Henry	Jones	Foley
16.10.88	SUN LEEDS UNITED	H	9,234	0-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin	Gittens	Foley
22.10.88	SAT SUNDERLAND	A	13,520	0-4	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin	Gittens	Foley
26.10.88	WED LEICESTER CITY (7.45)	A	9,754	3-3	Digby	Hockaday	King (1)	Jones	Parkin	Gittens	Foley
29.10.88	SAT BIRMINGHAM CITY	H	6,937	2-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin	Gittens	Foley
5.11.88	SAT HULL CITY	A	5,192	0-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin	Gittens	Foley
9.11.88	WED NORWICH CITY (SIMOD CUP)	A	5,014	1-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Maclaren	Parkin	Gittens	McLoughlin
12.11.88	SAT IPSWICH TOWN	H	7,246	2-3	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin	Gittens (1)	Foley
19.11.88	SAT STOKE CITY	A	9,339	1-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones (1)	Parkin	Gittens	Foley
26.11.88	SAT WALSALL	H	5,328	1-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin	Calderwood	Foley (1)
3.12.88	SAT SHREWSBURY TOWN	A	3,626	1-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin	Calderwood	Foley
10.12.88	SAT OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H	5,540	2-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones*	Parkin	Calderwood	Foley
17.12.88	SAT BRADFORD CITY	A	9,462	2-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin	Calderwood	Foley
26.12.88	MON PLYMOUTH ARGYLE (3pm)	H	7,883	1-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin	Gittens	Foley
31.12.88	SAT MANCHESTER CITY	H	10,776	1-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin	Gittens*	Foley
2.1.89	MON PORTSMOUTH	A	11,681	2-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Parkin*	Calderwood	Foley
7.1.89	SAT PORTSMOUTH (FA Cup R3)	A	10,582	1-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Jones	Cornwell	Calderwood	Foley (1)
10.1.89	TUE PORTSMOUTH (FA Cup R3)	H	11,457	2-0	Digby	Hockaday*	King	Jones	Calderwood	White	Foley (1)
14.1.89	SAT BARNLEY	H	10,201	0-0	Digby	McLoughlin	Bodin	Jones	Calderwood	Cornwell	Foley
21.1.89	SAT CRYSTAL PALACE	A	8,109	1-2	Digby	McLoughlin	Bodin	Jones	Calderwood	Cornwell	Foley (1)
28.1.89	SAT WEST HAM UTD. (FA Cup R4)	H									
5.2.89	SUN OXFORD UNITED	H									
11.2.89	MON CHELSEA	A									
18.2.89	SAT SUNDERLAND	H									
25.2.89	SAT LEEDS UNITED	A									
28.2.89	TUE LEICESTER CITY (7.45)	H									
4.3.89	SAT IPSWICH TOWN	A									
11.3.89	SAT HULL CITY	H									
14.3.89	TUE BIRMINGHAM CITY	A									
18.3.89	SAT A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH	A									
25.3.89	SAT WEST BROM	H									
27.3.89	MON PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	A									
1.4.89	SAT BLACKBURN ROVERS	H									
4.4.89	TUE BRADFORD CITY (7.45)	H									
8.4.89	SAT MANCHESTER CITY	A									
15.4.89	SAT WATFORD	H									
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29.4.89	SAT WALSALL	A									
1.5.89	MON SHREWSBURY TOWN	H									
6.5.89	SAT STOKE CITY	H									
13.5.89	SAT OLDHAM ATHLETIC	A									
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THEY HAVE APPEARED IN THE F.A. CUP FINAL

Seven members of the staff of today's Clubs have appeared in the F.A. Cup Final. Swindon Town's **David Geddis** appeared for **Ipswich Town** in their 1-0 win against **Arsenal** in **May 1978**. Appearing for Arsenal was none other than **Liam Brady**.

The **Eire International** midfielder was back at Wembley a year later when **Arsenal** defeated **Manchester United** 3-2. Appearing in the Old Trafford line-up was Town boss **Lou Macari**.

The following year **West Ham United** defeated **Arsenal** in the **1980 Cup Final**. **Liam Brady** completed a hat-trick of Cup Final appearances appearing in the Highbury Club's 1-0 defeat. For the 'Hammers' there are still four players who can claim present day allegiance. They are **Ray Stewart**, **Phil Parkes**, **Billy Bonds** and **Alan Devonshire**. Incidentally West Ham United were the last Second Division Club to win the F.A. Cup with their 1980 triumph.

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I'VE BEEN HERE BEFORE!

Did you know that when John Sissons played for West Ham United against Preston North End in the 1964 F.A. Cup Final at the age of 18 years and 214 days it was his fourth appearance at Wembley? Once for England schoolboys and twice for England at Youth team level.

IN THE CHARTS

The song adopted by West Ham United followers 'I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles' managed to reach the charts when West Ham United appeared in the 1975 F.A. Cup Final against Fulham.

BUSY KEN

Current Plymouth Argyle Manager Ken Brown was a former player with West Ham United and even when he left the Club he retained his links with the 'Hammers'. At one time he played for Torquay United and was also working for the Upton Park Club's pools promotion office!

VIC LIKED LEEDS UNITED

Former West Ham United record goalscorer Vic Watson certainly had a liking for Leeds United! During the 1929-30 season, Vic scored nine of ten goals in two League matches and an F.A. Cup match. He scored four in the Cup-tie and also a hat-trick in the home League match.

WHO ARE THEY? NEVER HEARD OF THEM!

West Ham United have been showing no respect for reputations in Cup matches this season. In the Littlewoods Cup they smashed five goals past England International Peter Shilton when they defeated Derby County 5-0. In the next round they crushed mighty Liverpool 4-1.

ALMOST CUSTOMARY

During the past five seasons, West Ham United have not been eliminated from the F.A. Cup before the fifth round. They have won the F.A. Cup three times, in 1964, 1975 and 1980.

GOAL, GOAL, GOAL, GOAL, GOAL

If goals are an advert for any Club then West Ham United certainly know how to hit the high spots. Amazingly they have three times shared ten goals in a match! All three were First Division encounters, on January 3rd 1931, when they drew 5-5 with Aston Villa at home, again on December 10th 1962 in a 5-5 draw away to Newcastle United and on December 17th 1966 when they drew 5-5 at Stamford Bridge against Chelsea.

ALMOST EVER PRESENT

Former West Ham United captain Bobby Moore, who led England to World Cup success in 1966, was absent on only 12 occasions during his entire International career, which lasted from May 20th 1962 to November 14th 1973 and embraced 108 appearances!

OMEN!

Swindon Town have proved a happy omen for the 'Hammers' on the way to two of their three F.A. Cup trophy successes. The London Club defeated the Town during their 1964 and 1975 campaigns!

BRIAN ONE OF EIGHTEEN...

Only 18 players have scored five goals or more in a First Division Football League post-war match and one of those was West Ham United's Brian Dear, who scored five goals against West Bromwich Albion on March 16th, 1965, at Upton Park.

...AND GEOFF

England's World Cup hat-trick hero Geoff Hurst went one better when he scored six goals for West Ham United against Sunderland on October 19th 1968. Geoff became one of four players to score two hat-tricks in one game in post-war League football.

VIC STILL IN FOURTH PLACE

While the late Dixie Dean of Everton, with 349 goals, is the highest aggregate goalscorer for a Football League Club, Vic Watson of West Ham United notched 306 goals between 1920 and 1935. Only George Camsell of Middlesbrough, with 326, and John Atyeo of Bristol City, with 315, scored more for their Clubs!

STILL GOING STRONG

John Lyall is the Football League's longest-serving Manager with one Club. John took over at Upton Park in August 1974 and he has led West Ham United in more than 700 first class matches.

WHAT A RECORD

William Thomas, who supports West Ham United, is 90 years of age! William has been supporting the 'Hammers' since he saw his first game at Upton Park in 1919 against Lincoln City. That was United's first match in the Football League, since then he has missed just one home match! More than 1,300 games over a 69 year period!

FIRST DIVISION IS OUR PRIORITY

John Lyall on West Ham's recent Cup form: "Survival in the First Division is our priority. Still the Cup games definitely stimulate us, so perhaps the longer we stay in the competitions the more our League form will benefit."

SECOND FAVOURITES

Following their 2-1 win over Aston Villa in the quarter-finals of the Littlewoods Cup, bookmakers William Hill have made West Ham United second favourites to win the competition at 11/4. Nottingham Forest are evens favourites while Bristol City are 14/1.

A THOUSAND!

West Ham United achieved their 1,000th League victory when they defeated London rivals and First Division newcomers Millwall 1-0 on December 3rd. Paul Ince scoring the vital goal.

IT'S GAME No. 106

West Ham United will be playing their 106th away match in the F.A. Cup today. They have won 26, drawn 27 and lost 52. In the process they have scored 114 goals and conceded 180.

HAMMERS COMPLETE RECORD IN THE F.A. CUP

West Ham United's overall record in the F.A. Cup reads: played 241, won 104, drawn 61, lost 76. Goals scored 387 and goals conceded 326.

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4. Tommy Jones
5. Colin Calderwood
6. Jon Gittens
7. Steve Foley
8. John Cornwell
9. Duncan Shearer
10. Ross Maclaren
11. David Geddis
12. Charlie Henry
14. Alan McLoughlin

WEST HAM UTD.

Team Changes

1. Allen McKnight
2. Steve Potts
3. Julian Dicks
4. Tony Gale
5. Alvin Martin
6. Alan Devonshire
7. Liam Brady
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9. Leroy Rosenoir
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