

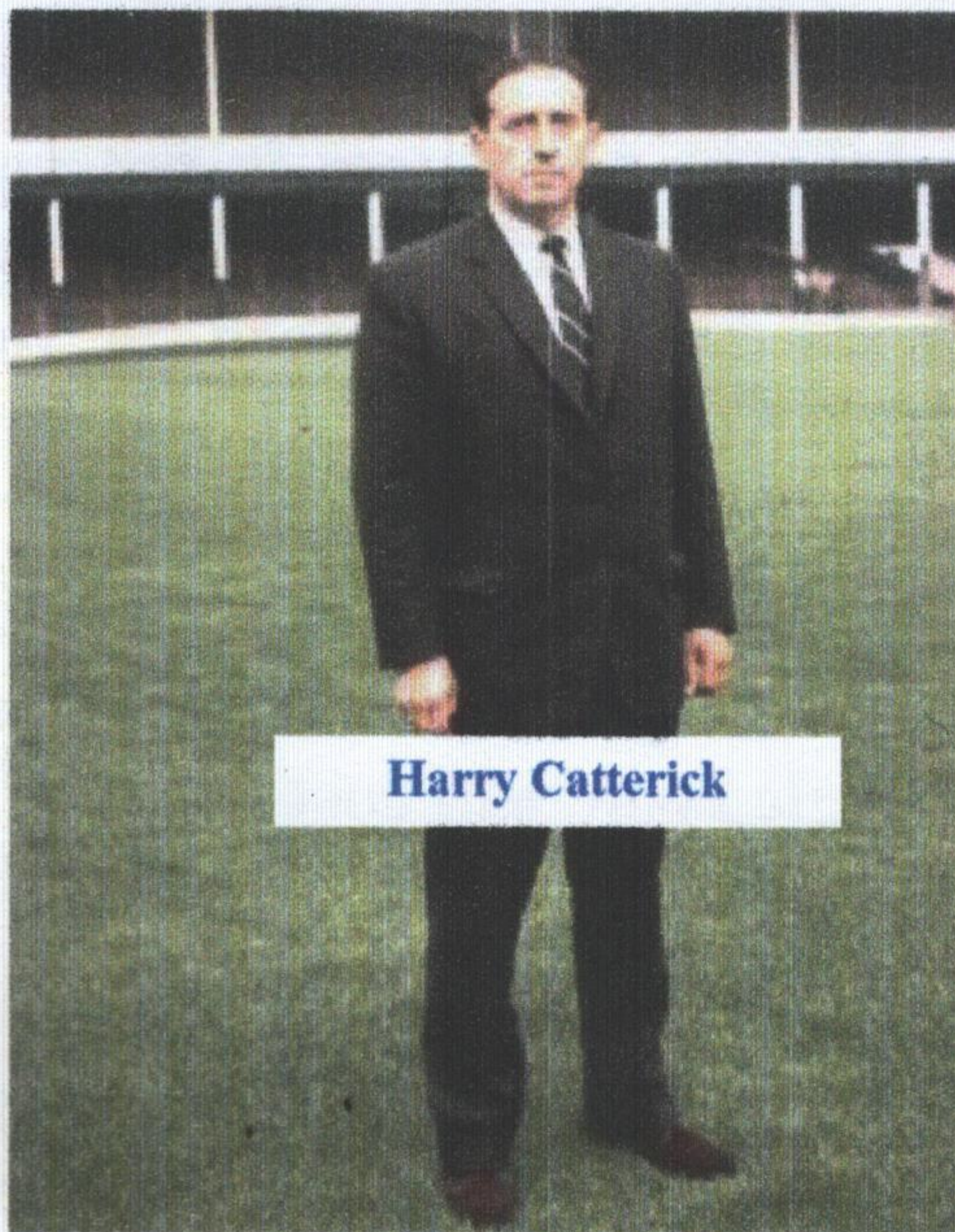
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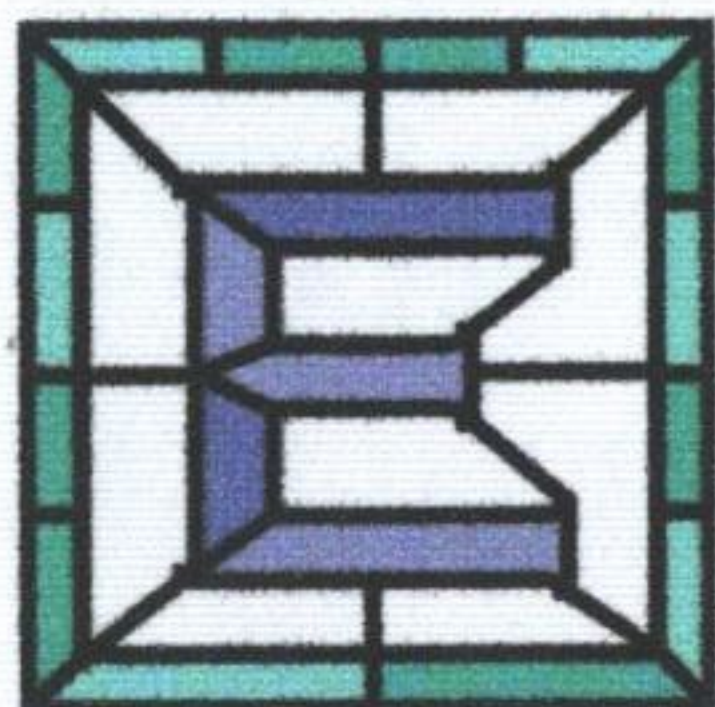
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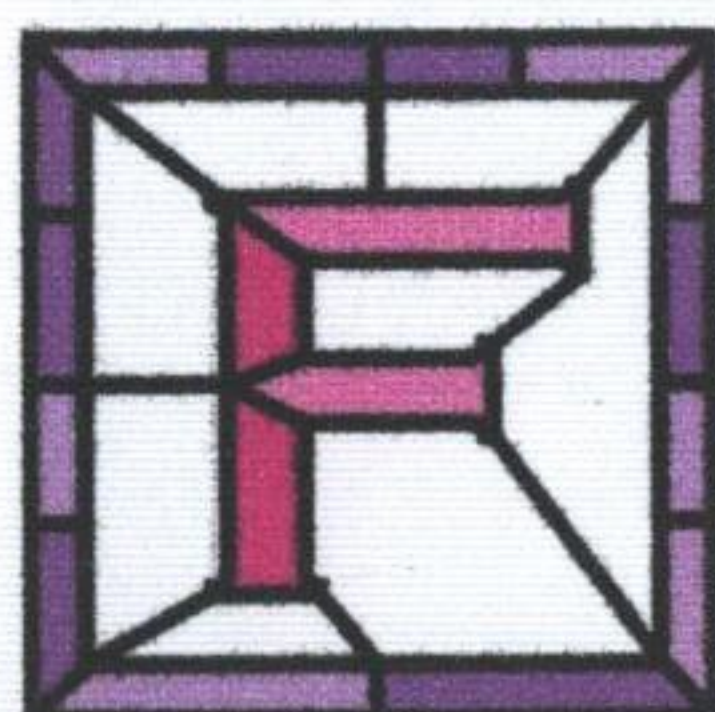
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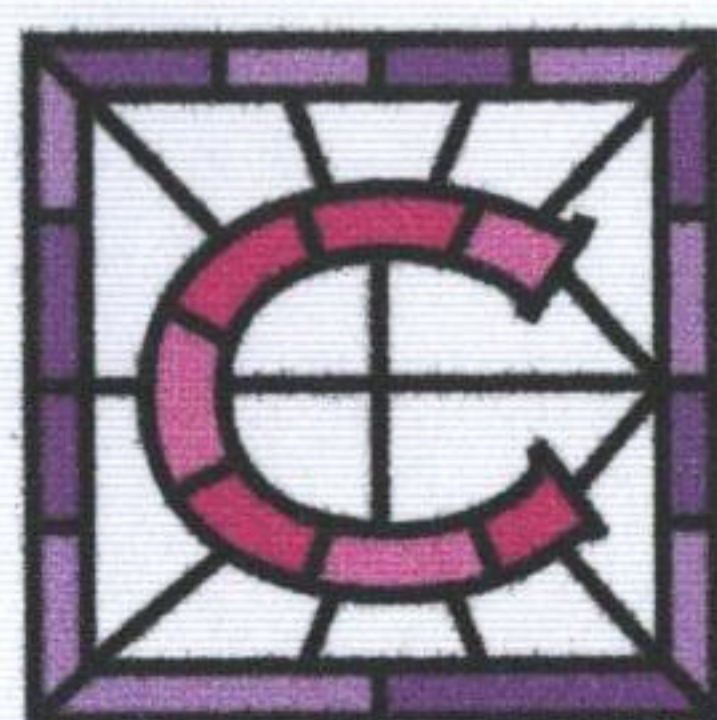
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Arthur Winterhalder
Arthur only played four games for Everton but got himself on to a cigarette card in 1907 .He was a left winger and was a deputy for the great Harold Hardman and therefore had a huge task to get a game. Bought from West Ham in 1907 he left for Preston in 1908

There might be one more issue this season for the Chelsea game ,it all depends if this issue sells well . Anyway if this is to be the last issue this season thank you to all who bought it and thanks to all the subscribers who put their money up front at the start of the season.

Next years subscription fee will remain at £16 which must be the best buy anywhere . There have been twelve issues already this season so that's a saving of £8 and I don't charge for postage. Blue Blood is a labour of love, if I was to do it for financial reasons i would have stopped a few seasons ago. Blue Blood is here to spread the word about Evertons glorious history and find lost facts , like the amazing Dixie Dean piece on pages 14 & 15.

I have been lucky enough to have known David France for many years , I consider him a friend and a great Evertonian along with Paul Wharton, Paul Simpson, Brendan Connolly, Billy Smith, Keith Wilson , John Shearon , David Starsky, Tony Heslop, Barry Hewitt, Steve Flanagan, Steve Clay all great Evertonians. We have formed the EFC Heritage Society. The aim is to let Evertonians wherever they are based, know that we can help them with any questions they might have about Evertons' History from players , games attendances etc . We might not be able to answer every question but the chances are that we will get 95% answered .

We held our first event at St Georges Hall in Liverpool over the Easter Week End , over the two days there were many people interested in our display. We talked to people who had relatives who used to play for Efc. (see page 20).

Neil Robinsons brother spoke with us and said he would tell Neil all about us so if you have any questions email info@efcheritagesociety.com another inquiry was about a player called William Kirsopp who played for Efc from 1914 until 1921 we were able to give all the details of his career and send photographs of him.

Back to the football of today , Blackburn at home and a good win, it has to be said they were a very poor team but we usually struggle against teams like that so it was good to see a comfortable home win.

Leon Osman is a player I have always liked, he gives you 100% and for a small bloke can score with his head. He is, for me more important than Arteta , who slows the game down, only scores from free kicks and penalties but now even those limited skills have left him.

Man United away and we should have taken the game to them . A weakened Man U could have been beaten but our cautious play brought us nothing but a defeat. Some fans think 1-0 at Old Trafford isn't too bad, I am not one of them, for me Everton should go out to try and win every game not try to keep the score down to a respectable one.

We didn't get a penalty that we deserved but if you got stabbed at Man United you wouldn't get a penalty so there was nothing new there .

Wigan away and surely a game we will win but once again a different Everton turn up, Cahill and Arteta are back, neither look fit but that's what happens at Everton , we looked lost and Wigan had a go at us, they made Howard work for his cash and he played well. If the goalkeeper is Man Of The Match at Wigan then that tells you the story of this game. Once again Arteta grabs the ball to take the penalty, Moyes has said in the past he doesn't know who will take any penalty we are awarded , to me that's bad management and its also Captain Phil's responsibility to say who takes it.

Harry Catterick Player / Manager / Evertonian

Harry Catterick, the forgotten Manager? It is sad but true that the media has for the last 50 years ignored a Manager who stood alongside and sometimes towered over the so called greats of the Nineteen Sixties. Catterick was his own worst enemy, a dour man with little charisma but a brilliant tactician. The so called Genius across the Park Shankly never matched Catterick when it came to Derby Games. Harry Catterick was the first Everton player to wear the Number 9 in a League Game, on August 31 1946 n Saturday at Goodison against Brentford

CATTERICK, HARRY

Centre-forward: 71 apps, 24 goals (plus a Second World War record of 71 apps and 55 goals)

Born: Darlington, 26 November 1919 – *Died*: Goodison Park, 9 March 1985

Career: Stockport County (amateur, May 1934), Cheadle Heath Nomads, EVERTON (professional, March 1937); guest for Manchester United during the Second World War; Crewe Alexandra (player-manager, December 1951; retired as a player, May 1952), Rochdale (manager, June 1953), Sheffield Wednesday (manager, August 1958), EVERTON (manager, April 1961; general manager, April 1973), Preston North End (manager, August 1975–May 1977)

Harry Catterick – one of the great football club managers of the post-Second World War era – reached the pinnacle of his success with Everton during the 1960s and 1970s. As a player at Goodison, he understudied Tommy Lawton, then Jock Dodds and his appearances were also limited owing to the war. When peacetime soccer returned, he broke his arm twice in a short space of time, but, despite some tempting offers, remained loyal to Everton until becoming player-manager of Crewe. He made his first-team debut for the Blues against Manchester City in a Western Regional League game in March 1940 and had to wait until August 1946 before his first League match, against Brentford, although he did play in two FA Cup matches against Preston seven months earlier. Catterick learned the managerial trade the hard way – in the lower divisions. He helped Sheffield Wednesday gain promotion from Division Two (1959), reach the FA Cup semi-final a year later and then finish runners-up to Spurs in the Football League in 1961. Frustrated by a lack of money to spend on new players, he left Hillsborough for Goodison, where he earned a reputation as being the 'silent gentleman of football'

The Everton directors allowed him to buy and sell as he wished and in 1963 his efforts were rewarded when the Blues won the League title. He followed up with victory in the 1966 FA Cup final (against Sheffield Wednesday) but suffered defeat in the same competition two years later when WBA won in extra time. A second League title was secured in 1970.

Among the quality players he brought to Everton were Gordon West, Tony Kay, Ray Wilson, Fred Pickering, Alan Ball (for a record fee) and Howard Kendall, and he developed many more, including Colin Harvey, Jimmy Husband, Joe Royle, John Hurst and Tommy Wright.

After a couple of disappointing seasons, Catterick suffered with illness, including a mild heart attack (January 1972). This reduced his ability to carry on looking after the team and subsequently he became Everton's general manager (1973), but two years later returned to team management with Preston. He died shortly after watching Everton play Ipswich in an FA Cup-tie at Goodison Park.



HARRY CATTERICK, Everton's centre forward.



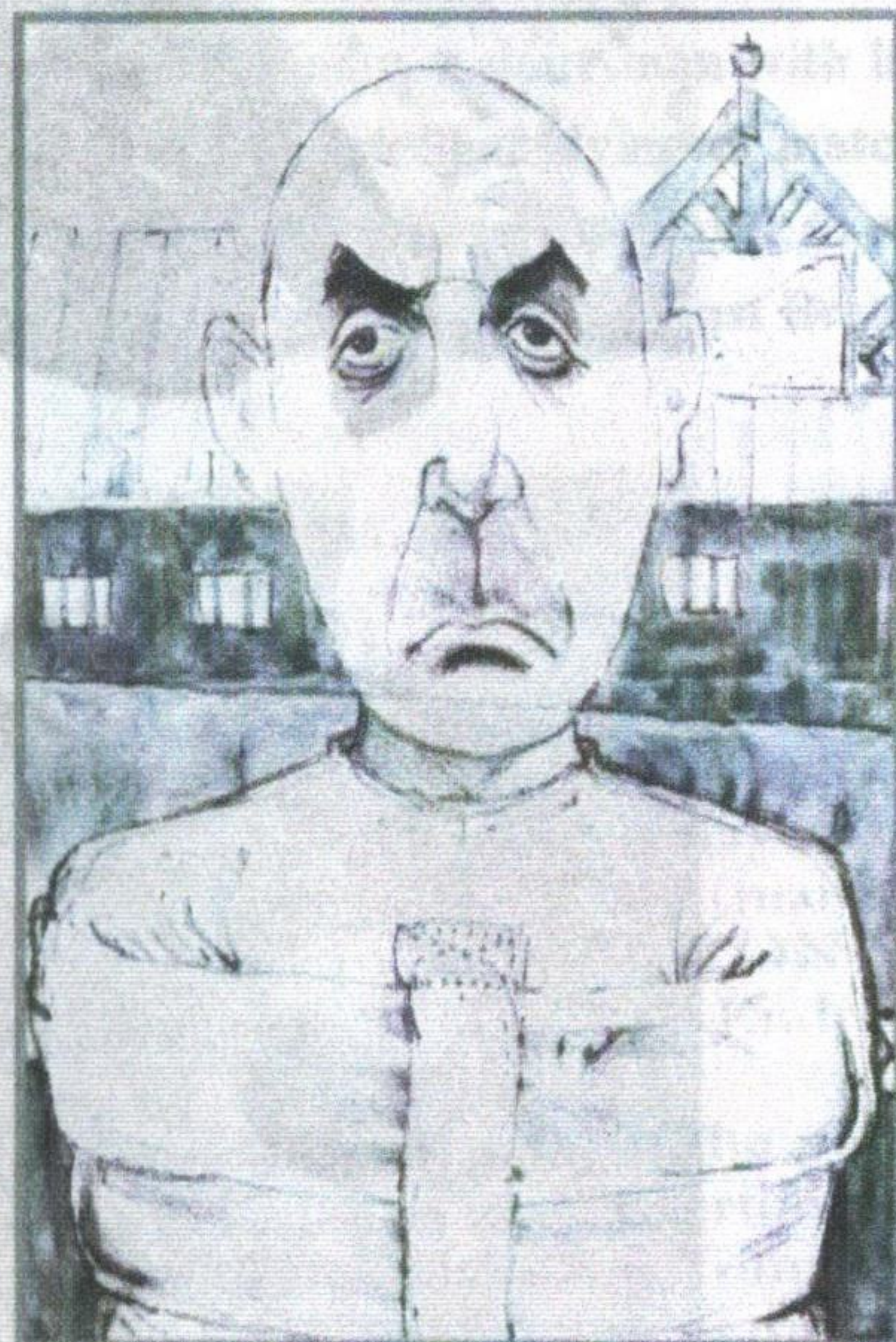
Back row: Stevenson, Lindley, Saunders, Sagar, Hedder, Farrell, T. Cook (Trainer)
Front row: Carr, Bentham, Catterick, Fielding, Eglington, Jones

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No other individual, never mind a football club, would spend in excess of 14 years illuminating the men who made football what it is. Throughout this period, he has been working with the award-winning artist Peter King in completing one original drawing a week since the days of Peter Johnson.

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Blue Blood- will provide information on how to order this tremendous book closer to its publication date. In the meantime, we would like to share a few opinions from the true Blues who have been privileged to review the manuscript.

EVERTON CRAZY

Dave Prentice, deputy head of sports - Liverpool Echo: *'Dr Everton's sparkling memoirs of his remarkable journey capture the passion and commitment of being a Blue.'*

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private, Hardaker knew Pointer was right, he and millions of others had only three weeks to wait for the *People* to reveal the first of a truly shattering series of articles which would expose, at last, the real conspiracy.

'SOCCER BRIBE SENSATION' read the headline, and so it was. Esmond Million, the twenty-five-year-old Bristol Rovers goalkeeper, confessed to the *People* that on the previous Saturday he had deliberately allowed his opponents to score two goals in Rovers' away match at Bradford Park Avenue.

According to Million he was telephoned before the game by a go-between, who said that a friend wanted Bradford to win the game. Million was in debt at the time, having been transferred from Middlesbrough the previous summer without being able to sell his bungalow on Teeside. So when the caller offered him £300 to throw the match, Million accepted. On the day before the game he was handed £50 by the go-between in Doncaster and was told to return the money if Bradford lost.

On Saturday the game went badly for Bradford, and the fixers, as Rovers comfortably built up a two goal lead. Million was forced therefore into making two obvious errors. First he let a back pass slip through his fingers, then he missed a cross, both mistakes resulting in goals for Bradford's young striker Kevin Hector. But after the equaliser Million had no further chances to let in another goal and so the game ended in a 2-2 draw. The fix had failed.

Anger with Million in the Rovers' dressing room afterwards fermented into rumour and suspicion during the following week. By Friday the facts were known and the Rovers manager Bert Tann called the players together in the board room at Eastville, where he bluntly accused Million of taking a bribe.

'I have never felt so small in my life', Million told the *People*. He confessed his guilt, was immediately suspended by the club, and now no one was talking to him.

'It looked so easy', he was reported as saying, 'I thought I'd be £300 better off without having to do anything for it. But it didn't work out that way. Now I face the sack and I haven't even got the money.'

Ironically, three days after the game Million's bungalow in Middlesbrough was sold and his money worries were solved, but his was not the only sad tale. Also suspended by Rovers was their inside forward, twenty-six-year-old Keith Williams, who, it was revealed a week later, was approached by Million to help him fix the game. Together they shared the £50 advance.

But Million made the mistake of trying to involve another Rovers player, full back Gwyn Jones, who refused the bribe and confronted

Million twice during the Bradford game. 'I hope you are not trying to throw it Es', Jones warned him.

Williams also turned out to be a reluctant fixer. When first approached by Million he refused the offer, but on returning home he found his wife had tried to commit suicide by taking an overdose of aspirin. She was depressed about their financial difficulties. So Williams accepted Million's offer, but when it came to the actual game he had yet another change of heart on the pitch and decided to put all his efforts into winning. In fact it was his pass that led to Rovers' first goal, and the press generally praised his overall performance.

The immediate reaction of bookmakers and the Football League to the *People* story was cautious. They had read enough lurid confessions in Sunday papers to sense that even this one might have been dressed up to suit the 'Frank, Fearless and Free' style of the *People*.

As to the actual bribe, the first reaction was that perhaps a rich and fanatical Bradford supporter had offered the money in a desperate attempt to keep his club from relegation to the Fourth Division. This was quite feasible. It was near the end of the season and Bradford and Bristol Rovers were both fighting to avoid twenty-first place (Bradford did eventually go down).

To add credence to this theory, the bookmakers pointed out that there had been no heavy betting on the game nor any noticeable pairing of it with another result. Partly as a consequence of the October 1961 scare, at the request of the League the bookmakers had virtually eliminated all betting on single games and were now only accepting Fixed Odds bets on doubles. It was a relatively simple task therefore to determine that few doubles bets had included the Rovers v Bradford fixture. (It was later discovered that the match had in fact been part of a four match plan by the syndicate.)

One thing was certain. Neither Rovers nor Bradford had anything to do with the fix. The Yorkshire club was naturally stunned to discover how it had managed to draw, while public-spirited Rovers, in exposing the two mens' behaviour, had at a stroke deprived themselves of key players at a crucial period of the season.

Although they survived in the Third Division Rovers were also quick to point out that Million and Williams had cost a total of £10,000. The League offered them no compensation, nor would it help Rovers by allowing them to sign new players after the deadline. Might it have been, therefore, that other clubs knew of guilty players within their midsts but said nothing publicly for fear of weakening their teams?

A week after the *People*'s first revelation, on May 5 the newspaper shocked the footballing world a second time by revealing who Million's contact in Doncaster had been. He was Brian Phillips, the thirty-



Everson F.C. **TONY KAY** Left Half
England

Tony was ice cool, a brilliant player and would have certainly gone on to reach the very top of English football.

Harshly treated and used as a scape-goat, Everton suffered because of the punishment but never received any compensation as far as I am aware.

two-year-old Mansfield Town centre half, who made his confession only hours before playing an excellent part in Mansfield's home match against Gillingham. Phillips and Million had been team-mates at Middlesbrough between 1956 and 1960.

The People's article came as great personal shock to Phillips, who later told the police, 'I was so depressed at the time I nearly committed suicide . . . I have not slept for three weeks.' But Phillips really was only a go-between, acting, he said, for a syndicate of professional gamblers.

For the time being the most important consequence of these admissions was that in July 1963 Million, Williams and Phillips found themselves in Doncaster magistrates court, where all three were found guilty under the Prevention of Corruption Act of being party to an attempt to fix the Rovers v Bradford game.

All three, it was said in court, were of previous good conduct but were in financial trouble. They were fined the maximum of £50 each, with costs, and three weeks later, as expected, received the ultimate penalty from the FA, permanent bans from football and football management.

'These are isolated cases', announced the FA after its decision. 'The amount of bribery in existence is negligible compared with the great mass of football being played, which is free from any taint of corruption.' This was quite true, but there still remained a strong suspicion that neither the FA nor the Football League was doing enough to stamp out corruption. In the House of Commons, for example, the Labour MP for Barnsley, Roy Mason, badgered the Government to take action on bribery in football. 'The Attorney General ought to be taking an interest. This is a national matter', said Mason. He also said that the problem was too important to be dealt with solely by private commissions at the FA and Football League.

Alan Hardaker's response was defensive. 'Nothing new has been said that we have not either suspected or investigated, and the Management Committee are entitled to resent anyone suggesting that this sort of thing is rife unless they come forward with concrete evidence in support of their allegations.'

Whether it was rife or not was hardly the issue. Criticism of the League was founded upon the fact that while it had investigated without success, a Sunday newspaper had apparently tracked down some of the guilty men and obtained 'concrete evidence'. That confessions might possibly had been 'bought' was unfortunate, but at least it brought results. Of course the stories also added considerably to the People's circulation.

The League did however, take one important step in May 1963, and that was to ban any further Fixed Odds bets on doubles. From then on

the minimum number of matches linked to a single bet was to be three. The League had the power to do this because it held the copyright for fixtures included on Fixed Odds coupons (see Chapter Seven).

For the three banned footballers there was a sudden, and painful change in their lives. From being the centre of so much attention as professional sportsmen they now found themselves as outcasts.

'They might as well cut off my feet', said Williams to the *Daily Mail*. 'I expect I will finish up as a labourer.' This was the job Phillips had taken on since his suspension. Million had returned to Middlesbrough and became a bus driver.

These broken men had but one small consolation, and that was the generally recognized fact that they were not the real culprits. But Detective Chief-Superintendent Joe Smalley of the Nottinghamshire CID said that the police had still been unable to trace the mastermind, the mysterious 'Mr X' who was undoubtedly behind this betting ring. Little did Smalley realize then that once again it would be the *People* who would lead the police to their man, albeit in a most unorthodox way.

During the early 1960s the *People* enjoyed one of its most active and effective periods as a campaigning newspaper. Under the editorship of Sam Campbell it frequently exposed public scandals both at home and abroad, and was well equipped to give its reporters the secret identities and cash resources often needed to investigate difficult matters.

The *People* decided that the prerequisite for its investigation into soccer bribery was evidence so solid that they could print the names and addresses of the players involved, plus the details of the matches which had definitely been fixed. Thus one of the *People's* most determined young reporters, Michael Gabbert, then aged twenty-seven, found himself embarking on a twelve-month investigation around the country with a ready-made kit for obtaining affidavits and a comprehensive list of solicitors. Backed up by a small team of freelance journalists, Gabbert also had with him one of the newspaper's football experts, Peter Campling. (Gabbert himself knew little about the contemporary football scene, although he had been offered a trial by Portsmouth when he was fifteen.)

Before the *People* could reveal who 'Mr X' was, another player had yet to be exposed.

After Million, Williams and Phillips came the turn of Ken Thomson of Hartlepool United. His confession was published in the *People* on 4 August 1963 and it showed that the Aberdeen-born centre-half had agreed to bet with the mysterious syndicate on his own team losing a game at Exeter in March of that year. His winnings amounted to £200. But, said Thomson, 'I took bribes, but I fooled the syndicate. I never had

to "throw" a match because we were well beaten anyway.' (Hartlepool finished bottom of the League that year.)

In fact Thomson was eventually acquitted of having 'conspired to fix' the Exeter game, but although he claimed never to have played badly on purpose he was found guilty of the charge relating to two other Hartlepool games played in April 1963, against Stockport and Crewe. On the first game, which was linked with another game as a double, Thomson won £327. On the second, which was part of a four team accumulator bet, Thomson lost his £50 stake because two of the games ended in a draw. One of those was the match which Million tried to throw for Bristol Rovers. A week after the *People* had exposed that fixing attempt the police began to question Thomson.

Although it was barely recognized at the time a pattern of contacts between footballers was slowly emerging. Thomson's previous club had been Middlesbrough, where he was a team-mate of Esmond Million and Brian Phillips. A week later, on August 11, Thomson confessed in the *People* that it was Phillips who had first approached him.

Later articles revealed that Thomson had wanted to win the money to help finance his entry to Durham University's Bede College, where he was about to start a teacher's training course. But he never was allowed to coach schoolboy footballers, because on 2 September 1963, as a result of the *People's* articles, Thomson was banned for life by the FA.

After being told his fate by a commission in Sheffield Thomson said, 'I knew I was breaking the rule.' But he earnestly hoped that the FA might reconsider his ban in future years, and that he might win the pools to enable him to repay Hartlepool the £4000 fee they had paid Middlesbrough for his transfer. With that he went off to study, and he hoped, to forget the whole affair.

Returning to the *People* of August 11, apart from Thomson's admission the most important disclosure yet made was the announcement that the newspaper knew the identity of the 'shadowy' boss figure, the 'mastermind' behind the bribes ring.

He was named, at last, as Jimmy Gauld, the 'astute individual' who the League's investigators had apparently dismissed as innocent two years before and the man who Hardaker thought was lying but could not prove it.

Born in Aberdeen, after joining his local club Jimmy Gauld was first noticed while playing for Waterford, in Eire. Charlton brought him into League football at the age of twenty-four and in forty-seven games for the London club as an inside-forward Gauld scored the useful total of twenty-one goals. Everton showed an interest, and in October 1956 he went to Goodison Park for a fee of £10,500. This was a period when

MY RECORD-BREAKING GOAL.

September 3, 1936. The Evening Express.

By 'Dixie' Dean.

("Dixie" Dean last night became the greatest goal-scorer in the history of the Football League, with 353 goals to his credit).

Well, I have done it at last. I have reached the goal at which I have been aiming for many years and now a big burden seems to have fallen off my shoulders. It is almost impossible, of course, to give you a really true idea of my feelings at this moment. You see, I have been striving towards this objective for so long, that at times I am afraid I might waken and find it is merely a dream. I do want to say straight away, however, that it was the proudest moment of my life when the referee pointed to the centre of the field and I realised there was no disputing the legality of the goal I had just scored.

When I was a boy, I used to think how grand it would be to set up a new goal-scoring record. I tried to visualise what a football star must feel like. Now, I know that feelings one does get after breaking a big record. And I am almost too full for words. You want to know what it feels like to score a goal of this type?

Let me try and give you some idea while I still feel the thrill of that precious moment. When we were awarded the corner kick on the left, I thought it might provide me with just the opportunity for which I had been waiting. So I edged slightly to the right of the goal-mouth and quietly waited for Coulter's splendidly-taken kick to send the ball dropping perfectly into the goalmouth. Hardly ever taking my eyes of the ball, I leaped up and steered it into the net past Brown, the Sheffield Wednesday goalkeeper, with a flick of my head.

For a moment I forgot everything. I could not believe it was true. When my team-mates crowded round, feverishly shaking my hands, and the crowd began roaring, and my old school-mate, Ellis Rimmer, the Sheffield Wednesday winger, also came dashing up to congratulate me, I knew I had achieved my life-long ambition....the roar of the crowd sent a thrill through me. You see, I have wanted to do this for years.

It is 13 years since I scored my first goal in Football League match. That was for Tranmere Rovers. Ever since that day, I have had my heart set on putting up a new goal-scoring figure.

Looking back, the time seems to have been short, although now and again it has seemed years and years longer than it actually was. It is when one gets really near to an objective that the energy and time spent in reaching that stage seems to tell.

Last night, for instance, the minutes appeared to flash away and I was afraid I might have to disappointed myself and the crowd who had come to see me score the goal.

I have had thousands of good wishes lately from friends in all parts of the country, and I knew I had the best wishes of the Goodison "fans." I could not let them down. No, Not any of them, especially the crowds at Goodison, where I have always received the best of everything in the way of encouragement. That was what I was thinking of mostly when I Led my team out on to the field for the match with The Wednesday.

I knew they were all expecting me to break Steve Bloomer's long standing record of 352 goals. And what is more, Steve himself told me not long ago that he would rather it was me who broke his record than anyone else. It is amazing what an effect a cheering crowd of 40,000 or so has on one's nerves. I was keyed up before I left the dressing room, but my goodness, by the time I had reached the field and was listening to the cheers of the crowds gathered all round the pitch, it struck me more than ever that I simply must not let them down.

That was one of the thrills I received on scoring the goal. It gave me enormous satisfaction to realise that I had not let my friends down. I also derived much satisfaction from the knowledge that I had done it in Everton's colours, which will always rank first with me. Somebody once asked me which goal I considered the most important of my career.

I studied for a time, but could hardly give them an answer straight away. Now I can I am certain that in my mind at any rate, last night's goal against The Wednesday's will always remain clearly defined in my memory.

Before I forget, let me disclose a little secret. Perhaps you will able to gauge my pre-match feelings when I tell you that it meant so much to me to break that record that I decided to do everything so the memory of it would forever remain fresh. So, after obtaining the necessary permission, I brought one of my own special footballs with me, and, therefore, as you will see, it was with my own football and not the club's that I scored the goal! It isn't often a player scores goals with footballs provided by himself, is it?

I did, though, and so you can see I have derived the utmost satisfaction out of my feat. 353. That number seems a big one. I can hardly realise I have put so many scoring balls into the net. But, however, big it is, I want to tell my friends that I hope to go on scoring for a long time yet.

If I am going to retain this record for any length of time it is up to me to set up a figure which will not be overhauled in a few years time. I intend doing that.

Now, I thank all of you for giving me such a square deal, not only on my own ground but on grounds in all parts of the country. And I thank Coulter for giving me the opportunity to beat Steve Bloomer's record.

This amazing story was uncovered by Everton Historian Billy Smith author of the wonderful books The Blue Correspondent, 1888/1889 & 1889 /90 Billy can be contacted on his web site or email address which is on page 24 .

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ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th, 1886.

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Goal: Jolliffe.

Right Backs: Dick.

Left Backs: Dolson.

Half Backs: Corey, Gibson, Higgins, Fleming, Centre: Wilding, Left Wing: Costloy, Briscoe, Farmer.

Left Wing: Richd. Elston, Robt. Elston, R. Walsh (Capt).

Centre: Watson.

Half Backs: T. Parr.

Right Wing: Jefferson, Almsworth, Heaton.

Right Back: Dakin.

Goal: Langley.

Umpire: M. JOHNSON.

▶ **SOUTH SHORE TEAM.** ◀

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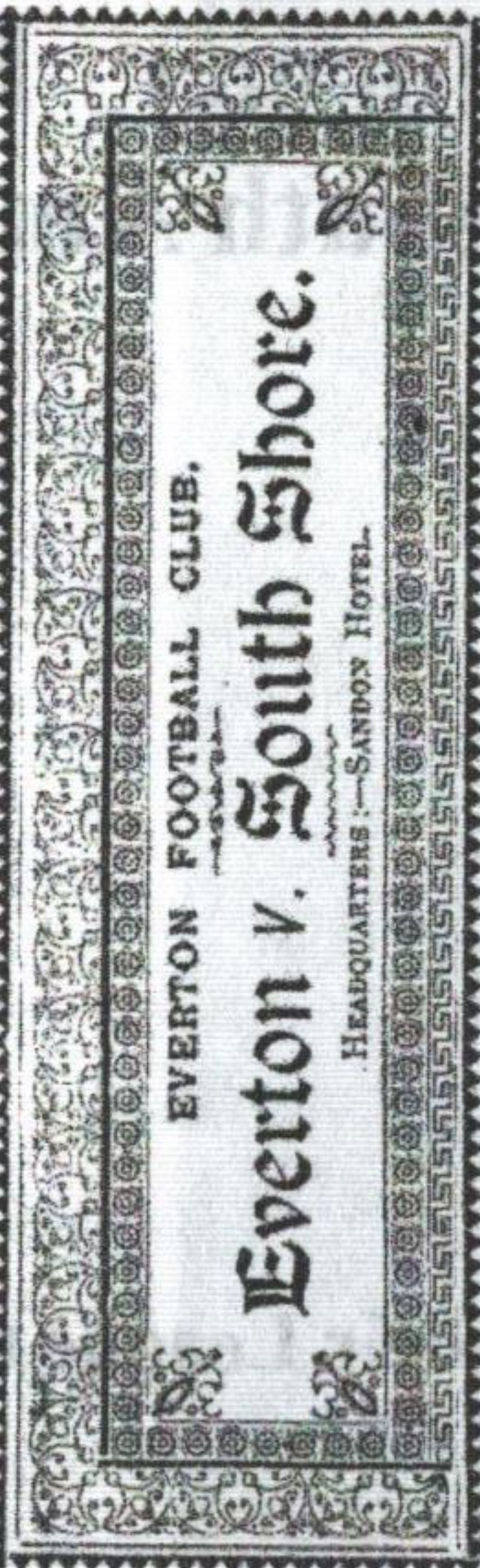
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In the next few issues I will be reproducing programmes from the 1886 /87 season. These programmes were only printed on a single card but were so important as the crowd could follow the play and know who was who. Everton were at the forefront of match day information. The cards in the forthcoming series were kindly given to me by John Rowlands Author of "Albert Geldard The life & times of a Professional Footballer & "Everton Football Club 1878-1946"

OFFICIAL CARD.

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Everton v. South Shore.

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These are the shirts we sent out to Chile, Argentina and Uruguay from the Former Players Foundation, 900 shirts are out in South America.

Paul Wharton

Everton Shareholders Association

The photo shows Argentina Everton, who won their League this year





This photo was sent to me by David France, it shows Evertons Jackie Coulter on a Donkey. What David and I would like to know is "Who are the other men on the photo?" Email me if you know.

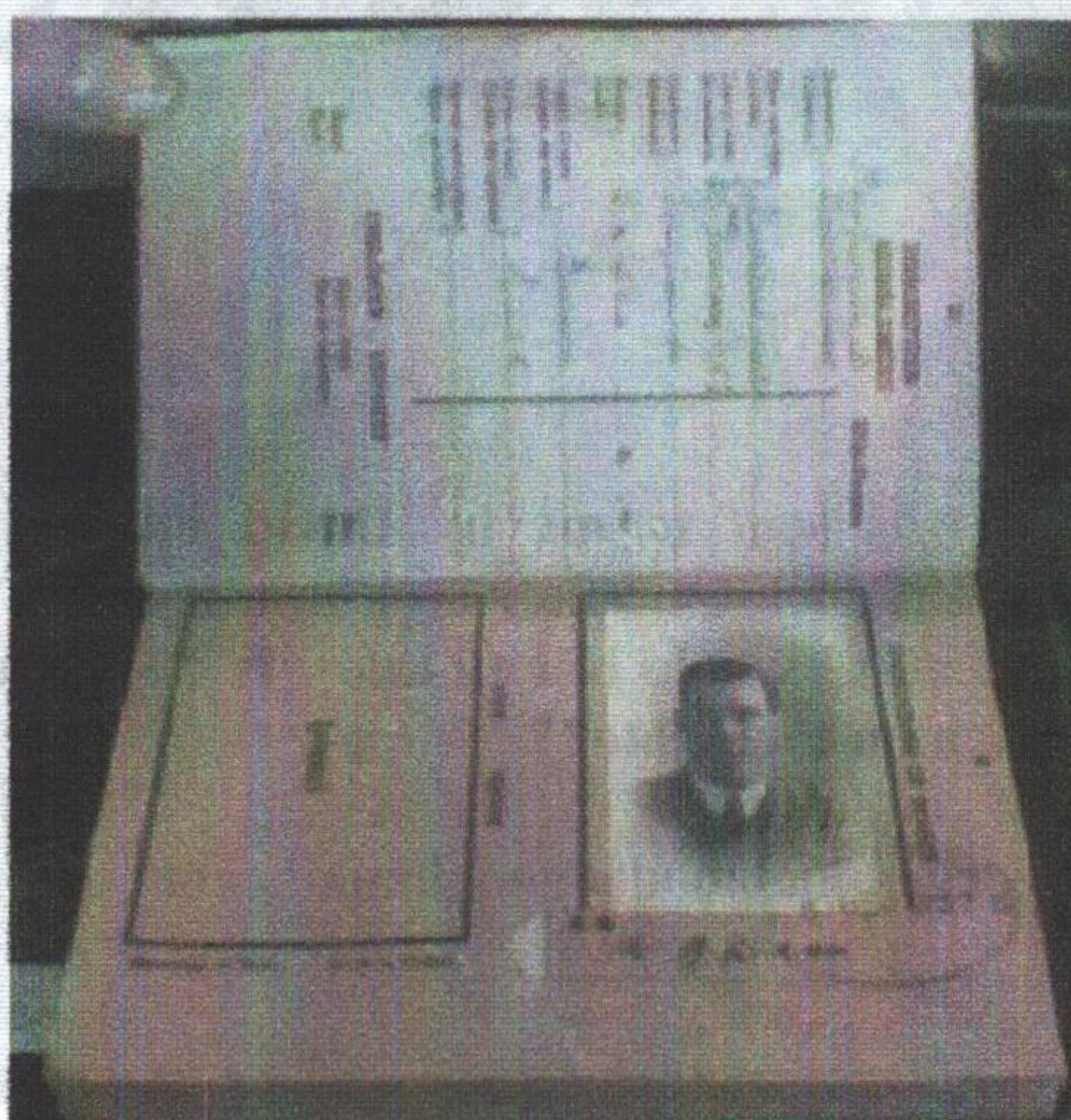
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**Paul Wharton
At the
Big History
Week End
St Georges
Hall.**

Over the Easter Week End I was at St Georges Hall in Liverpool with Paul Wharton, Keith Wilson, Barry Hewitt, Brendan Connolly, David Starsky, Tony Heslop, all members of the Everton Heritage Society. We have formed this group so when Evertonians wherever they are based can contact us if they need information on any aspect of Evertons History. We will try to answer all inquiries about Everton, we are also planning to do presentations and talks for any interested Supporters Clubs or Organisations who are interested in the History of EFC. Send your questions to the email address below
Both days saw good crowds and many people were interested . On the Saturday we had my collection of Cigarette Cards and other items , Chile Everton , posters etc. On Sunday Brendan brought some amazing items, Dixie Deans Passport , Tommy Wrights World Cup 1970 England Cap. A 1933 Cup Final Medal and many other brilliant items .



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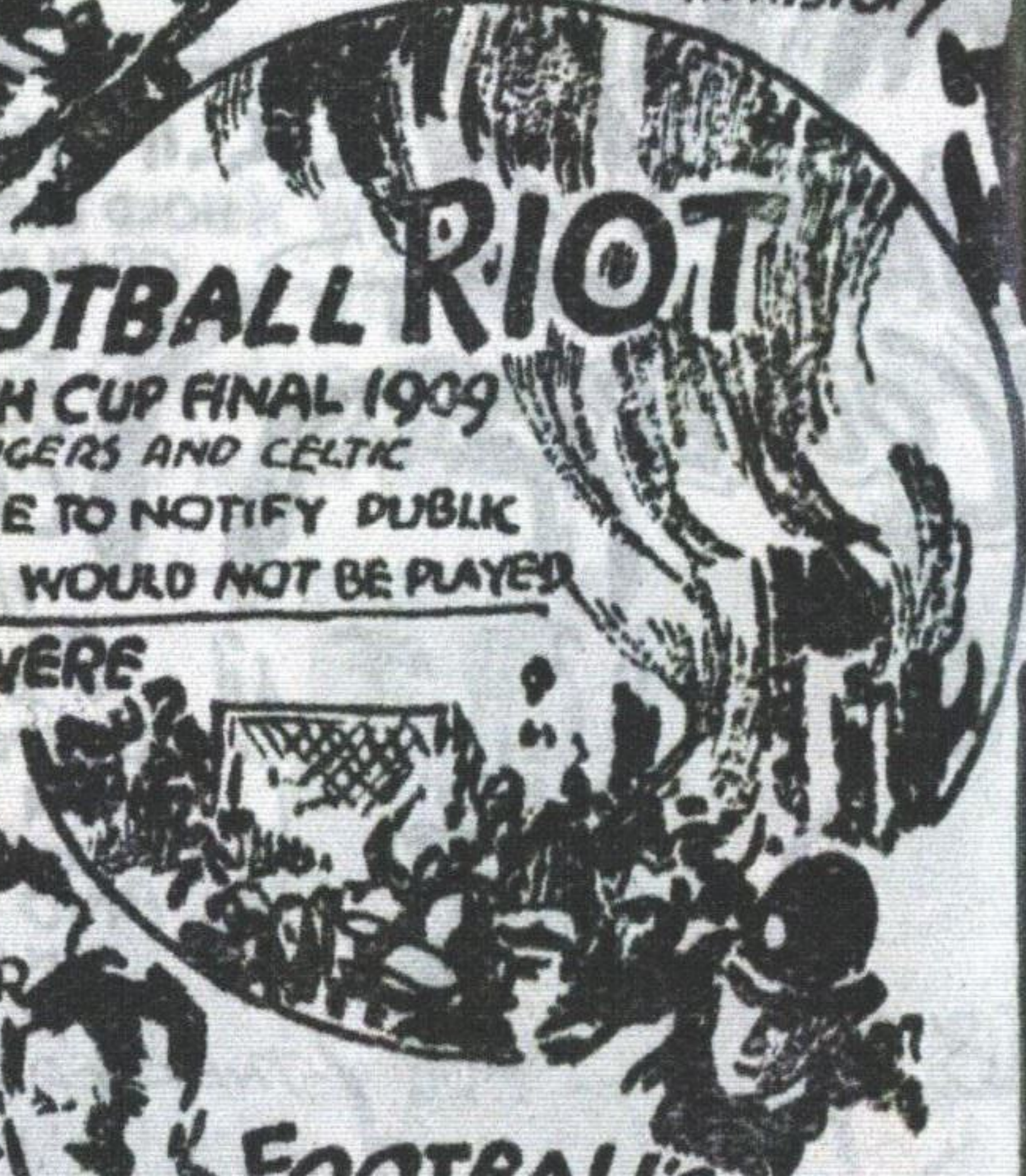


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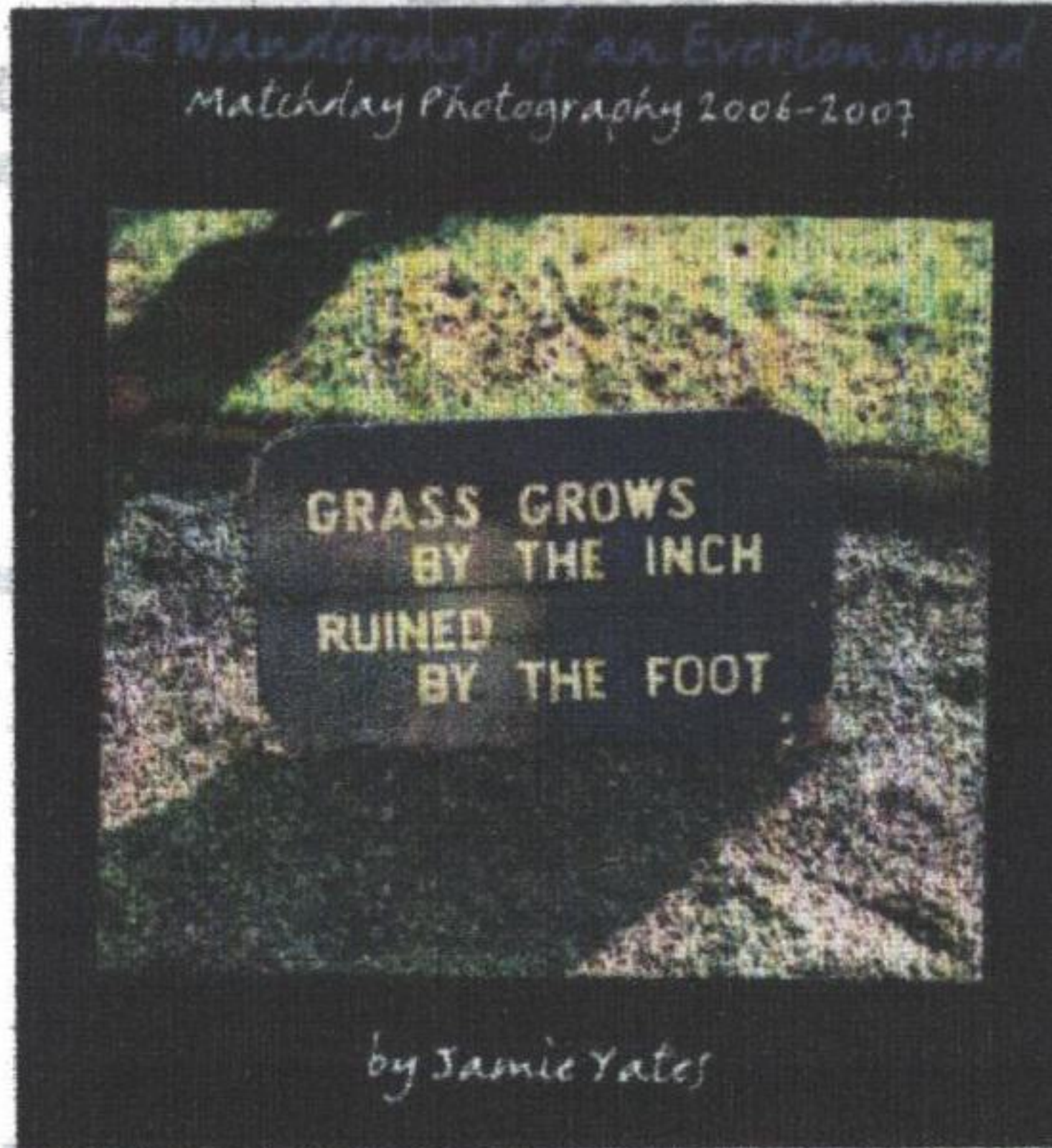
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Book Review

“The Wanderings of an Everton Nerd” Matchday Photography 2006 –2007 By Jamie Yates



This glossy little book is delightful, full of match day views and scenes from around the ground.

Bullens Road , Gwladys Street, Goodison Road, all get great coverage, Jamie has used his camera to do the talking there is no text or storyline just

magnificent photos.

It captures the match day atmosphere so well, most of us have a pre match ritual, we walk up the same street, go to the same shop, the same pub and talk to the same people.

That is all there to be seen in this book, it shows scenes from around Goodison Park that are not the most beautiful but the ones we have deep in our heart.

I do not know how much the book will cost but if you email Jamie on mrjamieyates@gmail.com . You will get all the info

This is the kind of book that Everton should be producing to show just what Everton Football Club is all about.



The History Of Everton season 1938-39

Billy Smith the author of the Blue Correspondence Book has spent years researching Everton's History from Newspaper archives. Although there are a few spelling mistakes due to limited time I am sure you will enjoy the information. Billy can be contacted by email bluecorrespondent@bluebottle.com

that once more the Everton remained in tact, and Everton are still the 100 per cent. Lawton was brought down in the penalty area and should have had a penalty, but it did not matter as great deal then for the game had been won. Final result Aston Villa 0 Everton 3.

Aston Villa, Biddlestone, Callaghan Cumings Massie,, Allen Iverson, Kerr, Haycock, Moss, STERLING, Houghton

Everton; Sagar, Cook Greenhalgh Mercer,, Jones (tg) Thomson (captain), Gillick, Bentham Lawton, Stevenson, Boyes.

NO CHANGES AGAINST ARSENAL

September 7 1938 daily post

For the match against Arsenal at Highbury on Saturday. Everton will have the side that has gain fullpoints from four games

THE CENTRAL LEAGUE

Derby County reserves 0 Everton Reserves 1

September 8 1938 daily post

Though superior in the first half Everton reserves were fortunate to beat Derby County by a goal scored by Bell in seven minutes. That was the only chance the visiting centre-forward. Got all through, but Trenham and Wyles failed when well placed. The eager young Derby forwards were foiled by the generalship of Gee, after the interval when the Everton attack was rarely seen and the defence had a gruelling time. Jones did duty later hit the bar.

EVERTON DAZZLING DISPLAY

Arsenal 1 Everton 2

September 12 1938 daily post by stork

Best play for years "in town"

"the best football seen in London for years." That was unanimous verdict of all after Everton had beaten the Arsenal at Highbury. The score 2-1, is not quite fair to Everton, for they were that, and a lot more superior to their opponents. The Arsenal for some years have been put on a pedestal as being the last word whenever soccer is played, but on Saturday they were made to look not second, but fourth rate by Everton for forty-four minutes. Yet the League Leaders almost lost their proud boast of being the only 100 per cent team in the first division, because of a change of tactics in the second half. Their football had been an object lesson to one and all, and I heard nothing but high praise for the Merseysiders. "they are showing, the Arsenal how soccer should be played." Come from a thousand, Arsenal supporters throats, yet that one flaw in their armour. It is a flaw for it has been present in each and every one of their five matches played. Nearly let in the Arsenal, who had previously been bewildered and dazzled by Everton, marvellous display of football. **Change of Front.** That the Arsenal, were not beaten by a much greater margin, can be placed at Everton's door more than any great brilliance of the part of the Champions for even when they were pressing made in an effort to pull the game out of the fire. They never touched the heights of a artistry shown by their rivals when they (Everton) were calling the tune it was just that Everton changed over from being a high powered, progressive attacking force for a defensive organisation, and it was only natural that Arsenal took advantage of Everton's change of front. Nevertheless, not even the Arsenal, could steal, Everton's thunder. They fought a good flight in the second half, and with the slightest bit of luck might have taken a half, but the memory of Everton's first half exhibition of copybook football will live long. Not for many years have I seen the Arsenal defence so riddled and rotted, and by sheer football ability. One cannot help but, as a why do Everton take to defence in the second half? I put it to one or two of their players and all they can say is: "it just pans out that way." That does not satisfy me, for it has always been my contention that a side, which can beat an opposition for 45 minutes, can do it for 90 minutes. If they are determined to do so, it was not because they had run themselves out in the first session, for a take on that returned to the attack and were well on top once more. They had played with such ease and grace in the first half that they had not taken a lot out of themselves, but I must admit that they look a very ordinary side until well on in the second half. The Arsenal undoubtedly looked like pulling the game out of the fire, and had they had Kirchen and Drake in the attack, I feel that they would have done so. **Object Lesson Goals.** Twice the Londoners struck the woodwork during their hectic movement, and Sagar made several saves. This experience should be a lesson to Everton not to change their winning tactics. Having taken two goals-two object lesson goals. By Stevenson and Lawton they seemed satisfied that all was well. Then came Bryn Jones's goal: just a shot at a venture which beat Sagar because he was unlighted, at this point Everton were crowding their goalkeeper. They had

fallen so far back that they were getting in each other's way in their keenness to hold the Arsenal forwards. Stevenson and Bentham had left the forward line for the sake of defence, and this enabled the previously harassed Arsenal defence to gain confidence. **Team Spirit.** Why did Everton hold such a first half mastery? this is easily explained. Thus tackling was deadly and quickly made so that Arsenal men were never allowed to get into anything like combined order. Even the great Bryn Jones was just an ordinary footballer until he got his goal, and Bastin, while being the best of the line could do little against Mercer and Cook. No the Arsenal were simply throttled down by a team which was imbued with team spirit of the highest grade. It was a great victory for Everton but by right it should have been a "slaughter." And would have been so had they carried on as they started. The passing was the same as perfection. The backing up of the half-backs relentless so that the work of the defence was "eased" then came the change and the same defence was not newly so certain of itself. Sagar seemed jumpy, and was once saved by Cook, who kicked off the goal line. Everton's two came in the first half the first a brilliant effort Thomson to Lawton, Lawton to Stevenson, who side stepped a defender and places the ball right away from Swindin. The second, a left footed drive by Lawton who picked up Gillick pass. It was a team victory and Everton have left a grand impression in London.

Teams:- Arsenal; Swindon Male Hapgood Craystone, Yob Copping, Nelson Jones (l), Carr Jones (b), Bastin

Everton; Sagar, Cook, Greenhalgh, Mercer, Jones (tg), Thomson (captain), Gillick, Bentham,, Lawton, Stevenson, Boyes

CENTRAL LEAGUE

Everton Reserves 3 Sheffield Wednesday Reserves 2

September 12 1938 daily post

At Goodison park Everton were Worthy Winners of a hard game. The home team received a shock when Mulligan gave Sheffield Wednesday the lead straight from the kick-off. Cunliffe (2) Wyles however gave the blues a commanding lead at the interval. Drivers scored a second for the visitors near the end. Jackson, Gee, Wykes and Cunliffe played well for the home side. Bell washed by Millership thoughtout. Westlake and Lester were sound at the back for the Sheffield Wednesday, whose forwards were ably led by Driver.

LIVERPOOL COUNTY LEAGUE

Everton "A" 2 south Liverpool reserves 1

September 12 1938, daily post

At sandforth road, both sides displayed clever combination but Everton proved better finishers. Greenwood having a busy time. Caterick netted in the first minute. Cppack failed with an easy chance of drawing level. Barber netted a second. Everton's interval lead was a true reflection. The visitors played much better in the late stages, and Jones reduced the lead. Good defensive play featured the second half. Edwards Lindley and Davies were prominent for Everton and Greenwood,, Dodd and Jordan, good workers for the south.

CENTRAL LEAGUE

Wolverhampton Reserves 5 Everton Reserves 1

September 13 1938, daily post

A feature of the game at Molyneux, was the opportunise of Westcott the wolves leader. Who scored four of the five goals. Gee had a busy time and for long spells the visitors were pinned in their own half. Britton and Jones (je), played well for Everton, but Morton in goal had an off-day. Westcott give the Wolves the lead Midway through the first half. McIntosh adding a second shortly afterwards. Wykes reduced the arrears. Shortly before the interval and Westcott got the hat-trick for the Wolves in the second half.

SAME ELEVEN TO FACE PORTSMOUTH

September 14 1938, daily post

Portsmouth are among the strongest teams of the season so far, and they will make a big effort to lower Everton's colours on Saturday at Goodison Park. Everton have a high standard to live up to, and the same eleven players that defeated the Arsenal will endeavour to make the visitors into six.

E BARBER AND G BURNETT SIGN PROFESSIONAL FORMS

September 16 1938, daily post

Barber, the inside forward who went to Everton on a month's trial from Weston-Super-Mare, and Burnett the eighteen-year-old ex-Liverpool schoolboy goalkeeper, have signed professional forms for

The History Of Everton 1938/39



During the first half of the 1938/39 season, Gordon Watson was the regular reserve and kept Harry Cooke company on the trainers' bench. On his birthday, whilst at Harrogate, the players bought him a cushion and presented it with great ceremony. Plans had already been made for him to move to Chesterfield when Jock Thomson was injured and Gordon replaced him. He played so well that at the season end he won a League Championship medal and selection for the FA tour. Joe Mercer was named as *The News Chronicle* Player of the Year. This photograph after training was taken at Harrogate. From left to right: Gillick, T.G.Jones, Stevenson, Lawton, Sagar, Watson, Thomson, Bentham, H.Cooke (trainer), Mercer, Cook, Greenhalgh, Boyes.

These two great photos are taken from "Images Of Sport Everton Football Club 1878-1946 by John Rowlands, its hard to find but I think there are some copies in the Everton Shop but if not try Waterstones, Smiths etc it's a brilliant book



It seems that the professional footballers' card school is by no means new and, judging by the expression of Wally Boyes, Alex Stevenson, Terry Gillick and Ted Sagar, it is taken extremely seriously. Gordon Watson and the club captain, Jock Thomson, are interested onlookers.

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Everton. Burnett is the goalkeeper who played in the second half of the Everton second practice match and did so well.

CAN EVERTON MAKE IT SIX ?

September 17 1938, daily post, by John Peel.

I have no doubt supporters of the Everton club will turn out in large numbers to-day. To welcome the team who preformed so magnitantly this season. the play of the present combination has earned high praise everywhere, and as Portsmouth their opponents at Goodison Park also adopt a high Standard of football, the game should be well worth seeing. To win five matches in succession is a trump for the team spirit which prevails, and supporters of the Everton club hope that the players will be able to make the record into six wins by beating Portsmouth. A most entertaining matcgh is expected. Everton will have the side which played so well at Highbury. Portsmouth will be without capatin and right back Guthrie, he twisted his ankle against Huddersfield Town, and Smith will fill the vancancy.

PORTSMOUTH FAIL TO STOP EVERTON

Everton 5 Portsmouth 1

September 19 1938, daily post by stork

Recovery after shock goal.

Six victories in succession-that is Everton proud distinction. Where will it end ? no one can tell, for Everton are playing in such a manner that they are likely to go on winning indefinitely. They were shocked by Portsmouth, who scored the first goal of the day at a time when Everton were not the well knot team they have been this season. they had not settle down when Bagley rushed through a surprised and uncertain defence to beat Sagar in 7 minutes and put Everton in arrears for the first time this season. that goal brought a rather lacksdaisical- Everton to its senses, for they gave me the impression that they were feeling the strain of their record breaking endeavour. Nothing would go right for them during those first few minutes. Passes failed to reach their man, tackles, did not bring the desired result, and the half-backs line was often surprised by Portsmouth's sweeping methods.

One-Way-Traffic. It was a blow to their spectators, who were looking for a repeat order, of their Highbury display. Well, while it did not reach those heights, Everton were soon treading the high road, to victory. They took stock of themselves after that Bagley goal, and when Bentham equalised it was a one-way traffic, after Portsmouth trying to put up the "stop" signal against a team which had Learned its lesson, and were determined to benefit by it, so that in the end "Pompey" were crushed 5-1.

Everton were inclined to be too clever in the opening 10 minutes. Portsmouth played quite well, untill Everton got into their stride. Then it was, one-sided affair, and had Everton taken 10 goals they would not have been flattered. Twice they struck the wood-work; a dozen times Walker. The Portsmouth goalkeeper barred their way, and several rather simple chances were missed. Walker was the strong man in Portsmouth team., had he not been secure in his defence. Stevenson, himself would have taken high toll with some rasping drives. The Irishman, was one of the smartest forwards on the Everton's side, yet he was the only one not to score. He shot with amazing power early on, and kept Walker constantly on the watch. Every one wanted to see a Lawton quick-fire goal; he had two changes to make them, but missed fire, and showed his disappointment with himself. He got a goal; the leading one of great value, with his head after Walker had failed to stop Gillick cross with his hands, Lawton being hang on the spot to nod the ball into the empty net. There, and then the game was won, Everton took complete charge and by brilliant combination cut through the Portsmouth team, with ease. The Southerners defence was so heavily pounded that forwards had to, full backs to lend a hand., so that their attack was reduced to three, sometimes two forwards which of course, could do little damage to the Everton defence. Two week's ago, Gillick was the subject of the spectators jibes. On Saturday, he became their favourite with an excellent display, quite his best since he joined Everton. For a change the right wing of Mercer, Gillick and Bentham overshadowed Boyes and Stevenson. **BENTHAM'S SKILL.** It was Bentham's best game and he produced some fricks and glides usually associated with a James or a Buchan. Gillick scored the third goal by shooting through Walker's leg. He had earned, his reward and applause. Lawton was rather harshly dealt with by Rowe, the Portsmouth centre-half who used his arms, too, much. So harrassed were the Portsmouth defence that Morgan the right back, placed the ball from a Stevenson centre into his own goal and close on time Boyes banged home Everton's fifth goal. Portsmouth were a weary lot at the call of time. They had been run off their feet in the second half. Result: Everton 5 Portsmouth 1, teams:-

Everton; Sagar, Cook, Greenhalgh, Mercer, Jones (tg), Thomson (captain), Gillick, Bentham, Lawton, Stevenson, Boyes

Portsmouth; Walker, Mersha, Ruchford, Smith (a), Rowe Wharton,, Worrall, Groves, Beattie,, Bagley, Parker. Attendance 43,913, referee AJ Jewell.

CENTRAL LEAGUE

Bury Reserves 1 Everton Reserves 2

September 19, 1938, daily post

Everton Reserves had a hard struggle at Bury, and had many shocks before Winning 2-1. Bury, who have gained only one at from six games played quickly open football, but they had not nearly so much method as their opponents. Britton was a clever schemer. For the winner, with Gee a great help to the steady defence. Bell missed two easy chances, but led the attack aggressively, and Sharp and Barber were useful forwards. Windle scored first for Bury., Barber and Bell replying for Everton.

Everton team, Morton, Saunders, Jones (je) Britton, Gee (captain), Watson, Barber, McMurray, Bell Sharp, Davies (j)

LIVERPOOL COUNTY LEAGUE

Wigan Athletic Reserves 4 Everton "A" 1.

At Springfield Park, the home sid egave a much improved display, Thomas Littler, and Pearson being outstanding for Everton, Lovett was excellen While Hesketh Wyles and Merritt were the pick of a hardworking side. Thomas (2), Pearson, and Shirley scored goals for Wigan, and Merritt replied with a late goal for Everton.

EVERTON STILL UNCHANGED AGAINST HUDDERSFIELD

September 21 1938, daily post, by john peel.

Everton go to huddersfield on Saturday, and will endeavour tp preserve their 100 per cent record. The Yorkshire side is not so powerful these days as in former seasons., but they are always liable to strike their best. Everton for the seventh time, fird the same team. This side, providing the players escape injury, will oppose Aberdden, at Aberdden on Monday in a friendly game.

LAWTON SCORE'S FOUR FOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE

September 22 1938, daily post

Four goals by Lawton in a 8-2 victory against the Irish League at Windsor Park., Belfast, in front of 15,000, in a grand debut.

Emulating Dean, Lawton is proving himself a worthy successor to Dean., and it is a remarkable fact that last time the Irish League snuffered a heavy loss of goals such as that of yesterday, Dean scored four- this was at newcastle in the 1927-28 season when the football league ran up 9-1, at st James Park on that occasion.

EVERTON SCORE SIX IN LANCASHIRE CUP VICTORY

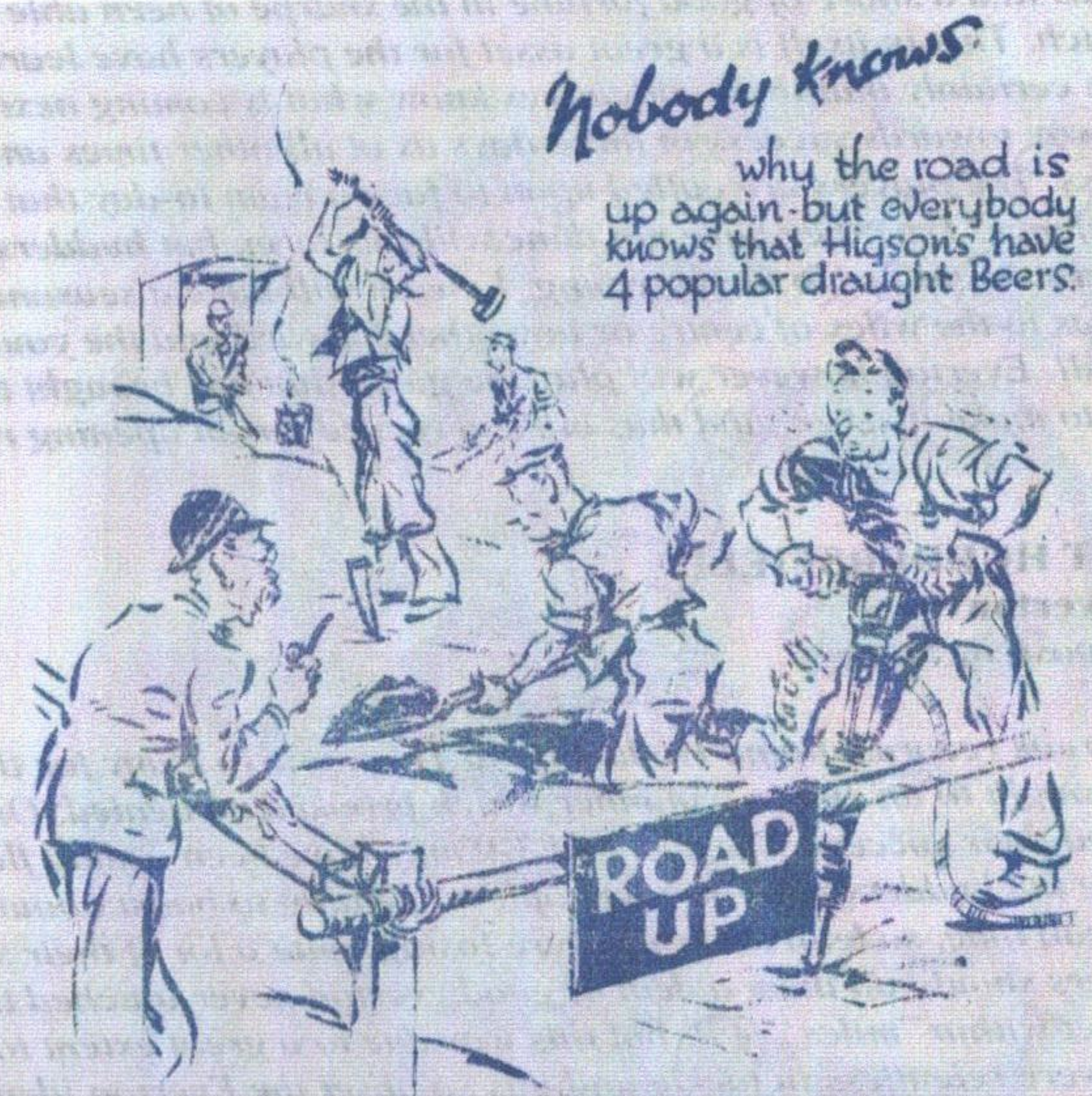
Everton 6 Burnley 1

September 22 1938, daily post by Stork

Nothing succeeds like success, and any Everton team nowadays seems to be able to win as it likes. An Everton side yesterday took six goals out of Burnley-with but one by way of reply-in the lancashire senior cup-tie a competition that seems to have outlived its popularity. There was only 1,300 spectators at Goodison Park to see this very one sided match, and some of these could not help passing a comment or two, on having paid one shilling to see a game they considered was not worth more than half that amount. Burnley played a first team with some experimental moves in the attack., but the measure of the defeat showed them to be of exceedingly ordinary second division class. The winners-who had a goodly sprinkling of former first teamers in defence and some live young material in attack, found success coming easliy all along the line. Only towards the end, when there was no use in their straining for extra goals, did Burnley really come into the game. "Half- Back Superiority" the scoring was done by Barber (2), Bell (2), Davies (jw), abd Davies (j) with the Burnley goal from Brocklebank coming when Everton led 4-0. There was much to enthuse about on the play of Barber in particular and this young Weston-super-mare right winger who has just turned preofessional, showed ability and judgement besides a strong and, for the most part, accurate chat. On the other wing the long-legged davies (j) had his moments and his namesake partner who came to the club from chester as a half-back, showed some nine touches and a well-taken goal. Everton's marked supriority was at half-back. Here Watson played exceedingly well and the ripe experience off Gee and Britton led to the undoing of slyaway forwards who presisted in doing everything save go forward and short. Jackson and Jones both enjoyed themselves at the expense of the type of negliabile play, and Jones hardly put a foot wrong from end to end. His first half dsipaly being as near pfect as makes no matter. As a match it was unenjoyable. Since it was so obviously a cake of Everton forst. Burnley nowhere teams:-

Everton; Morton, Jacksom, Jones (je), Britton, Gee (captain), Watson Barber, McMurray, Bell, Davies (jw), Davies (j)

EVERTON OUT FOR FULL LEAGUE RECORD
September 24 1938, daily post, by john peel.
An Everton keep it up, this is an incredible question with a team making the pace so that it prepared a tremendous lot of skill training and a considerable amount of luck in making a record such as Everton have achieved. The club has had a number of players in the ranks of reserve players to fit in their places with the regulars. Team spirit and professional play are the main factors in the success of Everton.



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Burnley ; Adams, Woodruff, Chester, Marttidale, Johnson Smith, Taylor (F), Miller, Robson, Brocklebank, Hornby

EVERTON OUT FOR FULL LEAGUE RECORD

September 24 1938, daily post, by John Peel.

Can Everton keep it up? This is an inevitable question with a team making the pace so that if required a tremendous lot of skill stamina and a considerable amount of luck, to maintain a record such as Everton have achieved. The club has had a share of good fortune in the sharp of been able to field the same eleven players in each match. This in itself is a great asset for the players have learned to fit in their moves with the reasonable certainty that their colleagues know what is coming next. Team spirit and positional play go a long way towards success in these days as at all other times and these are the secrets of Everton's success. The players are called upon to face a team to-day that has always held a reputation for powerful defence. True they have not done well this term, but Huddersfield will be all out this afternoon to stop Everton's gallop. In facing young Lawton will have a seasoned opponent who knows all the counter moves to the wiles of centre or any other forward and the young Everton leader will thus be tested to the full. Everton however will play the game that has brought them six victories on the run, and they hope to make it seven, and thus make a record for an opening run in the whole history of the league.

EVERTON'S CRASH AT HUDDERSFIELD

Huddersfield Town 3 Everton 0

September 26 1938, daily post, by Stork

Collapse of Half-Backs

Everton who were out to break records, found Huddersfield Town one to many for them, so that their long run of success was brought to an end in a manner which brooked no denial. On the day's play Huddersfield rightly enjoyed their success. The score of 3-0 may have been a shade flattering but it was nevertheless on which gave the Huddersfield town people something to boast about. This season Huddersfield have had a lean time, so lean that they were losing quite a lot of their spectators, so that this success over the Leaders should do them a deal of good. Everton never touched their Highbury form. In fact they did not yet within "miles" of it, but this was due to a great extent to the team spirit of Huddersfield Town. They were relentless in tackle and this so upset the Everton ideas that they never got into that smooth running method, which had brought them 6 victories in succession. It was not until the second half that Huddersfield started their scoring, and then they took two goals in a space of 3 minutes, the scorer in each instance being, Hincliffe, an inside forward by the way whom was figuring at outside left. These two goals came at 50 and 53 minutes and they so upset the Everton side that for some time afterwards Huddersfield swarmed round the Everton goal, and had it not been for Sagar and one or two others more goals would have followed at a natural outcome. **SHOOTING POWER LOST.** The Everton halves collapsed they lost their grip of things, so that Huddersfield for sometime did practically as they liked. Gradually Everton got back to something more like normal, but there was still the absence of shots. They could carry the ball into the Huddersfield goal area by sound and good football but once there, there was no finality about them. For one thing Lawton was too well held by Young who to my mind, was the hero of the game. Many times he stepped in when all appeared to be lost. Late on he certainly saved a goal when he intervened to take the ball off Lawton's toe as the latter was moving up for a certain goal, four minutes from the end after Everton had been attacking for a period of 15 minutes. Price and Isaac broke through and with the Everton defence spreadeagled, Price slipped the ball over to Isaac who beat Sager with a fast low drive. Hesford was not without work. In fact he made one or two fine saves from Gillick and Stevenson, but there was no question that Huddersfield had fully earned their Victory. The forward shuffle of the two sides had brought result expected of them, but I do not anticipate for one moment that anybody in Huddersfield Town expected their team to win by such a handsome margin. Baird who was signed from Manchester United by Town on Friday met with success, but the Town's secret was team spirit and, of course the dominating power of Young at centre-half. **LEFT WING OUT OF JOINT.** The Hoyes-Stevenson wing was strangely out of joint. This was due to a great extent through the pair display of Stevenson. Who did not find the ball run kindly for him, and as I have explained Lawton was never out of the grip of Young and I should say Gillick was the best of the forwards. The half-backs once there had suffered the pangs of a goal fell to pieces for a matter of 10 minutes or so, and when they came back to their game it was too late for Huddersfield had won. The attendance of 27,710 tells of the value of a winning side at Huddersfield. It must be some time since such a fine attendance gathered at the Leeds Road ground, but should Huddersfield maintain the form such a figure is not unlikely for sometime to come. Teams:-

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A very rare Baines Card showing Hugh Adamson , a strange choice for any card as Hugh only played 25 games for Everton and was hardly a household name. Born in Scotland in 1881 Hugh played for Dunfermline Athletic and Lochgelly United before moving to Everton in May 1907 .

Hugh was a well built lad, he played at wing half but was really only used as cover for Harry Makepeace .

Hugh moved on to Bolton in December 1909 playing 15 games for them . He ended his career at South Liverpool where was captain in 1910.

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