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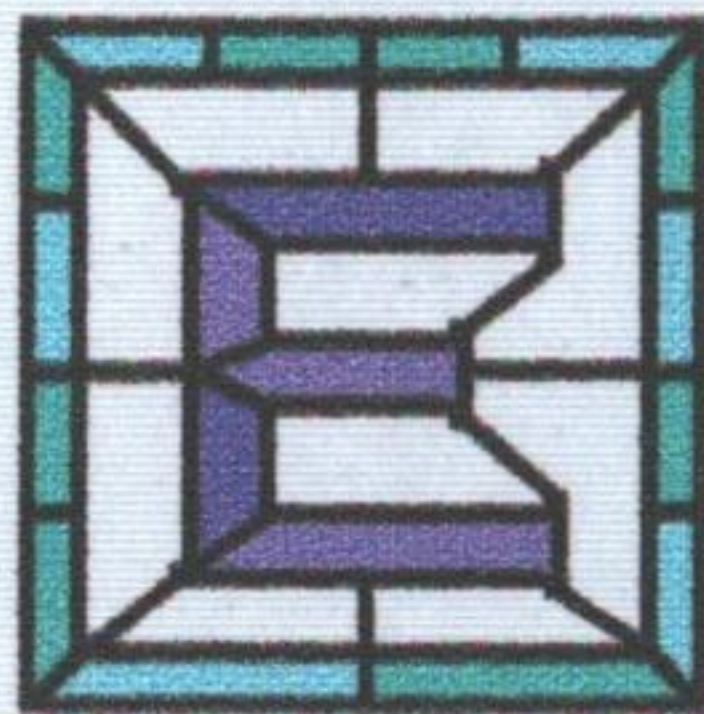
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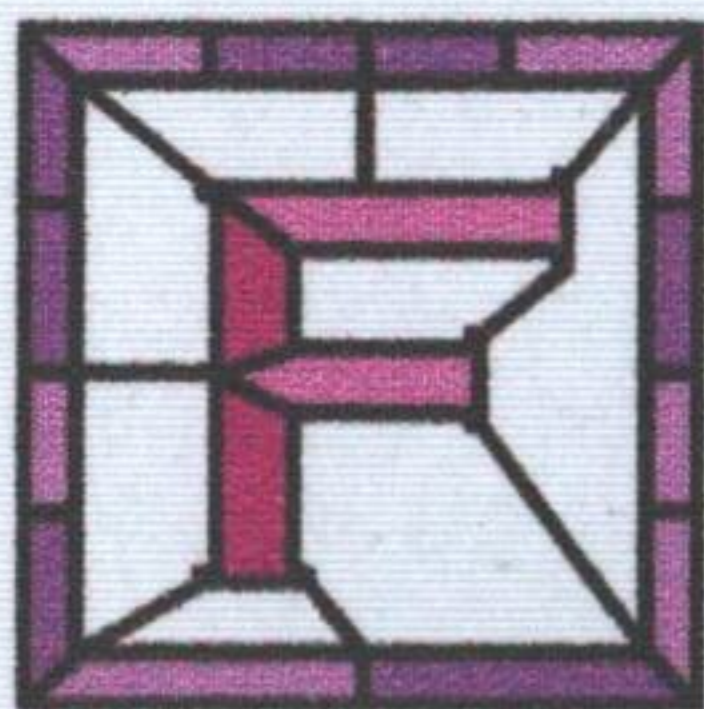
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William Scott
Brother of Liverpool's Elisha Scott and brilliant Everton goalkeeper. Born in Belfast joined Everton in 1904 and stayed 10 years played in 289 games. Played 25 times for Ireland ten of those games whilst he was a Blue.

The sad death of Rhys Jones has had some positives, the response from the public and the united front by Liverpool and Everton Fans. It must be said that those Liverpool supporters at Anfield paid their respect in a tremendous manner. To accept the playing of 'Z' Cars was something I personally thought would not happen but I was totally wrong, they should all be congratulated on their behaviour. There is a good article on page 13 read it and act on it.

Blackburn at home and we were outfought by the better team, lucky to get a draw, Bolton away and we outfought the opposition this time, a great win and a brilliant debut from the Yak plus the Return Of Metal Tommy Gravesen, he played well but I think it is a mistake to bring him back. He is a loose cannon, undisciplined and does not score enough goals from midfield. We have enough non goalscoring midfielders and don't need another one.

Man United at home and Moyes goes all defensive, I know some of you don't agree but ask yourself why was Hibbert brought back? He was back for one reason, it allowed Moyes to play Jagielka, Neville, Arteta, and Osmond in the centre of the Park. Why didn't he put Neville at right back? Because in the centre of the pitch he is awful, he passes to the opposition more than to Everton players, he also tackles recklessly.

Hibbert was to blame for the goal, don't say Yobo was slow getting across, Joe was marking the forwards, he is a centre back, it is not his role to cover the near post, that is Tony Hibbert's job. When Joe realised Hibbert was not marking Vidic he tried to help but it was too late by then.

Moyes sees nothing wrong with Neville, but I and those who sit by me see everything wrong with him, he needs to be dropped and the Captaincy taken from him. Harsh? No, it would be harsh if all the effort that the others put in is then thrown away by one of Neville's loose passes.

Metalist Kharkiv or Metal Mickey what went wrong? Well Moyes trying to be very clever and confuse everyone including his own players went with a 4-3-3 formation. It was pointless as the Ukrainians easily dealt with Yak and Johnson. Two penalty misses should have made sure Johnson was dropped for the Villa game but hey no, Moyes drops Yakubu, the man who scored on his debut and has only played one home game!!

Moyes praises Neville for being good in midfield? Now the story is that Moyes will be given a new five year contract????? Unbelievable, he can not organise a Cup run, in the League he has blown £25 million on Beattie, Johnson & Yakubu but according to his supporters he has not had any money to spend!!

Don't mention Wright, Kroldrup, Van Der Meyde Pistone, Valente etc I have watched Moyes for nearly six years and to be honest I have not got a clue how Everton will play in the next match because there is no regular pattern of play. In the 60's the ball was put to Young at the near post, he back headed it towards the goal and we sometimes scored. It was a set piece, the same as Tricky Trevor, Reid and Bracewell when they played their little triangle move.

Moyes does not have one move or tactic that you can quote to me, write in if I am wrong. It is off the cuff football, wherever the ball bounces it is up to that player to make the play. The midfield couldn't pass a driving test never mind a ball. They are abysmal, don't take my word for it, listen to the radio commentary next time and hear how the commentator tries to diplomatically avoid saying that Everton can not play football. The basics of holding a ball, trapping a ball and passing a ball are beyond us. Five more years of Moyes, no way, it's time to cut our losses and get someone in who is not scared of losing and wants to try to win.

Someone who doesn't stay loyal to his donkey players (Carsley, Neville, Valente etc) whilst he drops the young and upcoming Anichebe, Vaughan, etc.

How can West Ham, Blackburn, Middlesboro, Bolton and Wigan all get to Cup Finals while in the same years Moyes can not get into the fourth round of any Cup? The answer is that all the Managers of those Clubs make the best of what they have got and they try to win every game not draw or go for a replay, they are tactically aware, something our Davy Moyes isn't.

Moyes will never win a trophy in his career never mind as Everton manager, I am writing all this before the Sheff Wed game and hopefully Moyes will prove me wrong.

STABIL I SIN PSYKE

As well as the welcome addition of striker Yakubu the recent transfer window also heralded the return of old favourite Tommy "mad dog" Gravesen on a season long loan from Celtic. The title of this article is a sentence attributed to Danish coach Bo Johansson when selecting Tommy for his Euro 2000 squad despite feeling he was not "psychologically stable" enough. I make Tommy the 13th player lucky enough to have a second spell with the Blues and make a second debut. For this reason I have not included the likes of Mark Ward, Phil Jagielka and Leighton Baines who were released as juniors only to return at a later date. Let's hope Tommy has a happier return than some of the others ;

1. Jack Angus Played 5 games as a forward in the first Football League season. After leaving the blues he rejoined from Sunderland Albion by which time he had been converted into a goalkeeper. He made 12 appearances in this role in the 1891 Championship season, which makes him the only player in the clubs history to start both in goal and outfield roles in official games. After a period of illness he was still on the clubs books when he died prematurely at age 23

2. Bob Kelso A cultured full back or wing half Bob was a Scottish international who played in the losing 1893 FA Cup Final side during his second spell with the club.

3. John Bell Renowned Scottish international winger. Famed for his dribbling skills he played in the losing 1897 FA Cup Final team. Famous for saving the life of a stricken opponent during a match, when he repositioned a neck dislocation. Was also a prominent figure in attempts to form the first ever players union.

4. Joe Donnachie Another Scottish international winger who was unable to claim a regular place in the team in either of his two spells at the club.

5. Dave Hickson Legendary centre forward signed from junior football. His fearless, all action style soon confirmed him as a fans favourite. His second spell ended with a transfer across the park which nearly caused riots amongst Evertonians and Kopites alike. Dave was still playing football in his seventies and to date still works as an ambassador for the club, working mainly on ground tours.

6. Terry Curran After a loan spell which ended when Sheff Utd and Everton could not agree a fee enigmatic winger Terry finally joined the blues in Sept 1983. He was a back up member of the all conquering 1984/5 side, but was released at the end of that season. Spasmodically brilliant Terry was a bit of a wanderer playing for 16 clubs during his career.

7. David Johnson Junior product famed for scoring on his debut at all senior levels for Everton. Also assumed to have scored the fastest ever goal timed at Goodison Park, scoring after 6 seconds in an FA Youth Cup tie against Manchester United. Inexplicably swapped for journeyman Rod Belfitt David earned international honours for Ipswich and Liverpool. On rejoining Everton he looked a shadow of his old self and after a couple of loan spells was allowed to join Manchester City in 1984.

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8. Andy King Feisty midfielder and fans favourite famous for scoring a derby winner in 1978 only to be unceremoniously shoved off the pitch mid interview by an over zealous policeman. (He must have been a red. After leaving for QPR Andy rejoined his beloved blued from WBA but was never able to reach his previous heights. Bitterly disappointed at not being any part of the 1984 FA Cup Final team Andy joined Cambur in Holland. To this day a devoted Evertonian frequently seen at ex players dinners.

9. Alan Harper A versatile player signed from Liverpool in 1983. He won 2 championship medals in 1985 and 1987 and was a vital member of both squads. Howard Kendall signed him while at Manchester City and on re-joining Everton quickly added Alan to his Goodison squad. Alan later coached the clubs Academy side.

10. Peter Beagrie Skilful but frustrating winger Peter played well enough during his first spell at Goodison to play for England B. Transferred to make way for the equally enigmatic Anders Limpar. Peter returned for a short loan spell in the nearly fatal 1997/98 season making 4 more appearances. Now a Sky tv pundit.

11. Brett Angell Originally signed by Howard Kendall on loan Brett finally returned when signed by an increasingly desperate Mike Walker later in the 1993/94 season. 1 goal v Chelsea was a poor return for his effort, but really the truth was he was sadly out of his depth at the highest level, despite being a prolific scorer in the lower divisions.

12. David Unsworth Former junior David was an influential member of the 1995 FA Cup winning side. A whole hearted player David was an expert penalty taker and scored several important goal including the first scored under David Moyes, during his second spell at the club. Rejoined Everton in somewhat bizarre circumstances just days after signing and without kicking a ball for Aston Villa. David followed his heart up the M6 north to Goodison for a second term during which he was awarded a testimonial match before leaving for Portsmouth. Recently joined Championship outfit Burnley.

13 Alan Stubbs Boyhood Blue signed from Celtic by Walter Smith. The stalwart defender left for Sunderland under a bit of a cloud but Moysie resigned him six months later. Played well enough to earn another one year deal and started 07/08 as first choice until injured

So really a few hits and misses, bad luck stories. Hopefully Tommy Gravesen can have a bit more impact this season.

BARRY HEWITT

Who made their Everton Debut in the...Post-War 1940's

by: Smart Arridge.
Article 2 – 17th September 2007

This is the second article in the series on Everton Debutants that I will provide for Blue Blood throughout this season.

I have been looking at Everton's Post-War Debutants, and intend to provide you with a decade-by-decade run down of the players who have pulled on the Royal Blue Jersey. And as the articles cover League Debuts for the Post-War period, everything you read refers to Post-War League only, they should appeal to the young as well as older readers.

At the end of the season, you will be armed with some very interesting facts about the men who have made Everton Great, and also a unique reference guide that accurately details when EVERY player made his Everton LEAGUE Debut*.

I don't believe this is available in such a concise format anywhere else.....

I will start this piece with updates to the information given in the first introductory article.

- This article will reveal the 'missing' 12th 'Goal-Legend', who debuted in the post-war 40's.
- David Moyes did indeed buy more players before the transfer deadline, and all of them have already made their debuts for the Blues.
- I have made a major change to my articles; I have decided to include those players whose first OFFICIAL League game was in the 1946/47 season – even if they had played for Everton during wartime games. The effect this has, is of increasing the total number of debutants in the post-war 1940's by 12.

With the outcome being that we have now seen our 400th debutant for the Blues - in the shape of YAKUBU.

When Mr. Yakubu (there still seems some uncertainty as to how Ayegbeni / Ayigbini/ etc. is spelt) made his start, and scored against Bolton, he also became the 28th Everton player to score on his League Debut.

Everton had been Champions since the 1938-39 season, as the following season only 3 games were played before it was closed down due to the outbreak of war.

Therefore, when the League officially restarted for the 1946/47 season, Theo Kelly was still Everton's FIRST manager. A post he had held since moving from Secretary to the newly created role before the war.

However, by Christmas 1946 he had sold such legends as Lawton and Mercer, and he missed out on signing English footballs top scorer during this period, Newcastle's Albert Stubbins, who opted for Liverpool.

That first season, 4 players had never appeared for Everton in the League before, but 12 had made some sort of appearance for the Blues during the war.

Players who had played during the war years for Everton included:

- arguably our most successful manager, Harry Catterick
- one of the crowds favourites, Wally Fielding
- the father of the 60's player Gerry, John Humphreys
- and the cousin of another former blue (Ron), George Saunders

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Who Made Their Debut In The Post War 1940's

Amongst the 4 players who were officially making their League Debuts for the Toffees, was the FIRST of the 'Goal-Legends' Ephraim (Jock) Dodds.

Jock scored in his debut League game, before going on to become the first debutant to be Everton's Top League scorer the same season.

The season also saw the first official League debut of AJ to play for the blues - Albert Johnson - who appeared sporadically for a couple of seasons, adding to his few wartime games.

Everton could only finish in 10th place in this 1946/47 season, and they didn't improve on this during the rest of the decade.

During the post-war 40's two other players scored on their Everton debuts, McIntosh and Powell, but neither went on to play in more than a handful of seasons.

Farrell and Eglington however, were more successful, making over 400 appearances each for Everton. Both players had been signed from Shamrock Rovers, and both also appeared for the Eire and Northern Ireland International teams.

Then there was Tommy Clinton, who is believed to have signed for Theo Kelly at a railway station. Folklore has it that he signed the form whilst leaning from a window on the moving train.

And Peter Corr, who debuted in 1948, was a relative of the 'famous' *The Corrs* pop group.

Recently, after the near hysteria that accompanies Everton's transfer window dealings, and Blue Bill's infamously b*llocks statement "we conduct our transfer dealings the 'Everton way'..." - someone wrote ...*why can't Everton just sign a player and have him play the next game.* Well back in 1949 we did, and his name was Buckle.

Ted Buckle signed for Everton in November 1949 from Manchester United, and just 18 hours later made his Blues debut...against United !!

Near the end of the decade management changes were afoot, and Cliff Britton, a former player who had won an FA Cup with Everton, took over from Theo Kelly. Cliff therefore became the FIRST player to both play for, and manage, Everton Football Club.

For the period from the start of the 1946/47 season to the end of the 1949/50 season, Everton's AVERAGE finishing position was 15th.

The rot had set in, and a struggling Everton had started flirting with Relegation !!

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EVERTON Post-War LEAGUE Debutants

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Manager	1940's	Season/Position	Total
T.KELLY - 1939	*DODDS*	Eglinton Farrell A. Livingstone	4/16
1946/47	10th		
Plus 12 players who had previously made a 'Wartime League' appearance			
Burnett	Catterick J. W. Davies Fielding Finnis J. Grant W. Higgins J. Humphreys Albert Johnson McIlhatton G. Saunders Wainwright		
1947/48	14 th	Dugdale Gardner Hedley Lello Lindley Pinchbeck	6
C.BRITTON - Sept. 1948			
1948/49	18 th	D.Cameron Clinton Corr Juliussen McCormick McIntosh Powell	7
1949/50	18 th	Buckle Falder Hold E.Moore	4
Average position =	15 th		21/33

LEGEND:
 Farrell = British Outfield Player
 Materazzi = Overseas Player
 Hickson = Player had two spells at EFC
 Burnett = Goalkeeper
 Howard = Overseas Goal-keeper
 Powell = League Debut Goal
 Madar = Overseas Debut Goal
 CAMPBELL = Everton's Top League Scorer for the Season
 RADZINSKI = Overseas
 ETLs
 Dodds == Everton's Top Lge Scorer & League Debut Goal
 (italics for Overseas)

Next up is the 1950's...
 You know you Want to Know your History...so keep reading!
 SMART
 *If you believe there are any errors or omissions please contact George who will pass on your comments to me for investigation. Thanks.

Who Made Their Debut In The Post War 1940's



TOMMY EGLINTON (Everton and EFC)



The Everton Squad 1946/47



EDDIE WAINWRIGHT - EVERTON

Referee

I was just sitting here watching England playing Russia and I drifted off into thinking about referees that have left a mark on me over the years.

Who better to start with than old Bamboo Legs Mike Riley, probably the worst one of the lot although he has some stiff opposition. Darling Mike likes nothing better than to give a good old blow on his whistle, in fact he blows it more often than a policeman in an old Sherlock Holmes Movie. The game isn't allowed to flow, he must be the centre of attention at all times, players can tackle each other draw blood and leave scars that's fine but don't call him an idiot or you will see a Red Card. He loses control when it gets hectic and he loves Man United with a passion, who else would give them seven penalties in six games?

He didn't make the World Cup I wonder why? Hopefully he will fade away into obscurity when he finally pops the pea in his whistle.

Verdict : I have seen a better brain in a Butchers Bucket.

Rob Styles, what a name ROB he has certainly done that to Everton over the years. Let's dispel a rumour, he doesn't have his own make up artist but his hair is very slick unlike his performances. He thinks he is a ladies man and wears spectacles all week until kick off when he pops in his contact lenses, maybe that's the reason he turns a blind eye to fouls against Everton.

Verdict Should never have become a referee but he does have nice eyelashes.

Uriah Rennie oh dear I thought this piece was about referees? Rennie, indigestion etc all those jokes are not funnier than the man himself when he puts on that referee kit, surely it is fancy dress? Loves himself so much he sent himself a Valentines Card, not a Yellow or Red one though. Loves to do after dinner speeches and signing autographs. He has been thrown out of the Premiership and then kept his head down until he was reinstated.

Verdict : Couldn't control a TV Remote never mind a Premier Match.

Andy D'Urso his surname rhymes with 'Oh No' and that is the fans reaction when they hear that he is to be the official. Weak official who is overrun by the so called Stars of the Premiership.

Verdict : Once sent off the wrong man but hey he's only human, everyone has an off day but why is Andy's a Saturday.

Dermot Gallagher surprisingly he isn't that bad, let's the game flow and uses his cards sensibly. Willing to listen to the Assistant Ref. Most players and managers agree that Dermot is from the Old School and is honest and does not run onto the pitch carrying an EGO.

Verdict : More Ref's like Dermot and the League would be a finer place.

Barry Knight Arrogant and self loving seems to feel the need to lecture Players as if they are naughty Schoolboys. Loves attention and the camera.

Verdict : Pity it is not Good Knight From him and Good Night from me.

Mark Clattenburg Another Referee who isn't too bad, does not think it is a criminal offence if a player swears at him. Young enough to improve and maybe teach others how to do it right.

Verdict : Not a bad Ref and hardly ever involved in controversy.

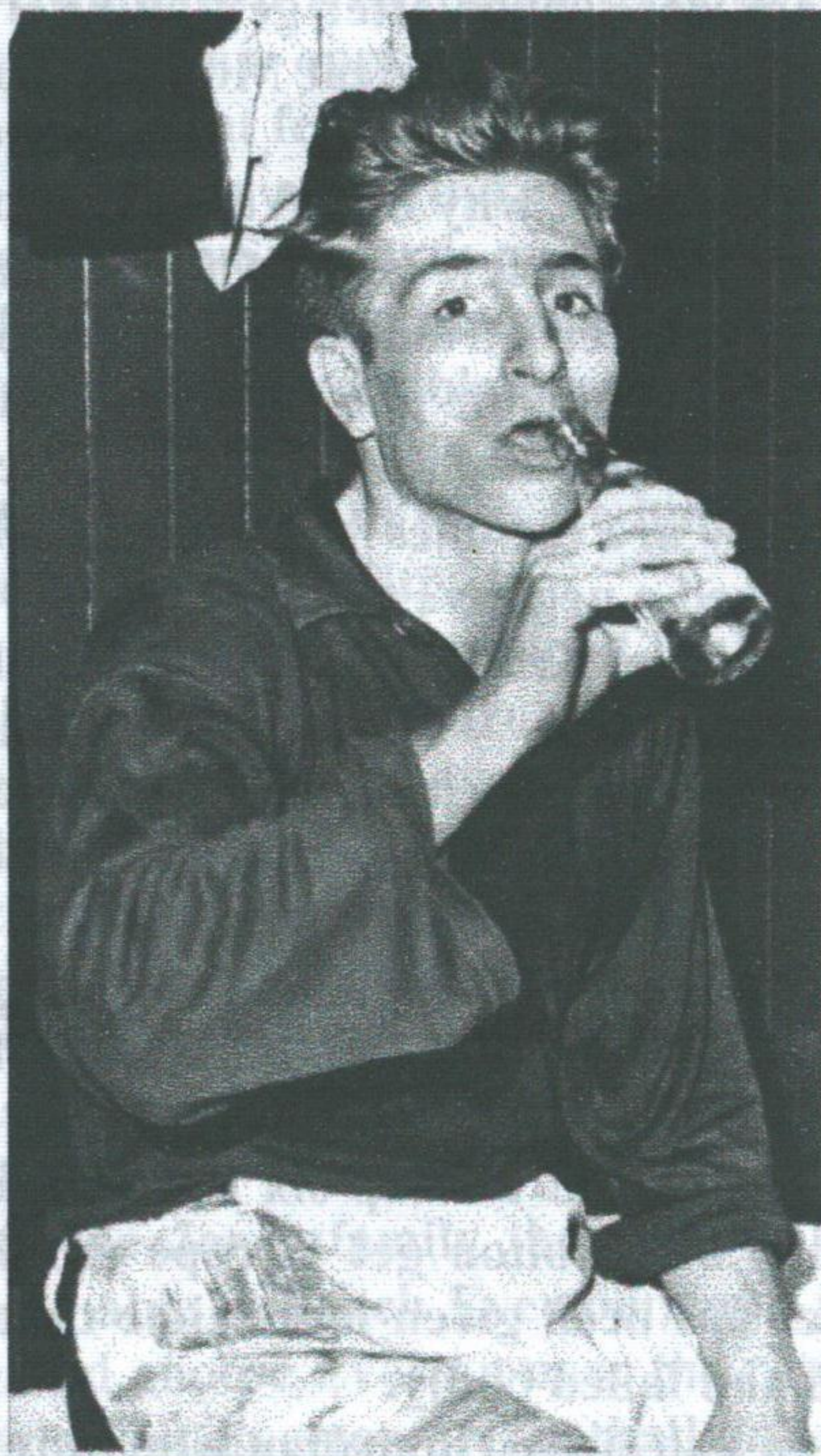
That's all for this issue but if George allows it I will do some more of the Best / Worst Referees .

Paul Bailey.

(Paul's article will be continued in the next issue if space is available)



Smiling Everton players watch manager Cliff Britton congratulate their captain, Peter Farrell, after the conquest of Aston Villa, which put Everton into the semi-final.



A bottle of lemonade for Dave Hickson, Everton hero, after he has been mobbed (below) by eager fans at Villa Park.

Two great photo's from the 6th Round of the F.A. Cup 1953 when Everton travelled to Villa Park to win 1-0 goalscorer Hickson. Everton went into the Semi Final at Maine Road Manchester against Bolton

The Lone Ranger.

I suppose I am the only one who still wants Moyes out? Six Years no Cups, no Cup runs, no hope, no class.

We struggled to beat a rubbish, Wigan, looked lost against a pitiful Reading and were clueless against Blackburn and Man United. Ok we played well at Sprs but look where they are, they are not a good team, Bolton likewise, we won but they are crap and prop up the League.

Man United at home and the Moyes I know and hate turned up, the nervous, let's not lose, Moyes. Hibbert is brought back so he can flood the midfield and try to stifle an under strength United. Even the players they had were not on form, but we treated them as Brazil. McFadden had been away on International duty and had played well, in fact very well. He was in his natural position, Centre Forward, Moyes uses him as a winger. Anyhow the on form McFadden got four minutes to show what he could do!!

Yakubu off Victor on, identical players no chance in tactics from Moyes. Osmond off Pieneer same again,

Hibbert leaves the near post gets caught out but that's Yobo's fault isn't it? Neville gives more passes to Man United than he did when he played for them. Captain, that's his reward for being useless.

Moyes is immune to criticism he has not had a sniff of success at Goodison no wonder he wants to go to Kirkby. Bingham was sacked after getting Everton to a Semi Final. Walter Smith was sacked after a quarter final defeat Moyes has never been to either and never will.

Is my rant over the top? Well explain this, why has Wigan, Bolton, Blackburn, Boro and West Ham all got to finals over the last few years when we haven't? It is because they have had managers who have not been afraid to lose and took the game to their opponents. Moyes panics if it is a big game, he goes into his shell, retreat is his first option. I know you will argue against this but please listen, it's the players who are up for the big occasion not Moyes. They are the ones who run their legs off trying to attack when Moyes has obviously picked a negative side.

He has wasted millions on crabs, Beattie, Kroldrup, Wright, Van Der Meyde, Pistone, Valente, Neville and others.

Johnson isn't a World beater, he got two against the Red ones and is a hero, what has he done since? Little is the answer and will Yakubu do any better in a team that at times plays like strangers.

Fool yourself if you like but we are no better than Aston Villa, Newcastle, Blackburn, Man City and some others. Remember that most of those teams haven't had managers who have had six years and millions to spend.

We have finished in the top four once and the top six but Reading after one season nearly managed that!!! Blackburn and Bolton get Europe more than we do, so do Boro and now Tottenham. Moyes has been given more time than any other Everton manager in History, he has failed and failed badly.

He is only here because we have an indecisive Chairman who didn't want to sack Walter Smith despite being humiliated on live TV at Boro.

Write in and tell me that I am talking rubbish but before you do watch Everton in their next game as if you were a scout wanting to buy their best player and to copy their tactics, and then write in, you might have changed your mind.

Clayton Moore. (Editors Note This article was sent in before the Man United, and Metalist games)

Time To Start Again

The cold blooded murder of young Rhys Jones has done something that seemed impossible, it has united most Everton & Liverpool supporters.

The playing of the Z Cars Theme at Anfield was truly special, the fact that Liverpool fans stood and showed respect was also special.

Ask yourself, 'Would Evertonians have stood as silently if You Never Walk Alone was played over the Goodison loudspeakers'?

Bitter & Twisted we have become and sadly some stay, some chant Murderers other rattle on about Heysel and how it cost us the Earth. How much longer do we have to hear this drivel? Even if it were true, it is so long ago it is time to forget and if there is anything to forgive then forgive it.

We have seen that the Reds know how to show respect, we need to learn that lesson. We need to turn the other cheek, forgive and forget, if not for ourselves then for the parents of Rhys Jones. Imagine how they would feel if Evertonians stood as one and applauded the Visiting Anfield Fans at the Derby on the 20th October, maybe they would think that even though their loss is irreplaceable it has done something tremendous it has united a City, Two Teams and Two sets of fans.

What better tribute can Evertonians give to the Jones family? It is time to move forward, gab this opportunity know and let all the young fans go to Derby matches without fear.

You can still hurl your abuse during the game as long as it isn't vile abuse, you can still call them Spaniards or Americans but not Murderers.

Some will call me a traitor, some will say I have no right to say these things but I am neither I am a sensible passionate Blue who wants to get back to the old style of 'Ribbing' . We have fans that are crying over leaving the City but in their next breath they are hurling unprintable things about our neighbours from the same City.

Evertonians say we are the 'Peoples Club' What people? The people from this City, or just certain people from this City?

We have seen a rise in hatred over Man United because a certain player left to play for them, he is called Judas and some 'Fans!!! Would physically assault him if they could. Is this the Everton we want the World to see? Is this how we should act in the 21st Century? If your answer is yes then please get some professional help and soon.

It is only a game of Football, yes a very important game of Football but still only a GAME.

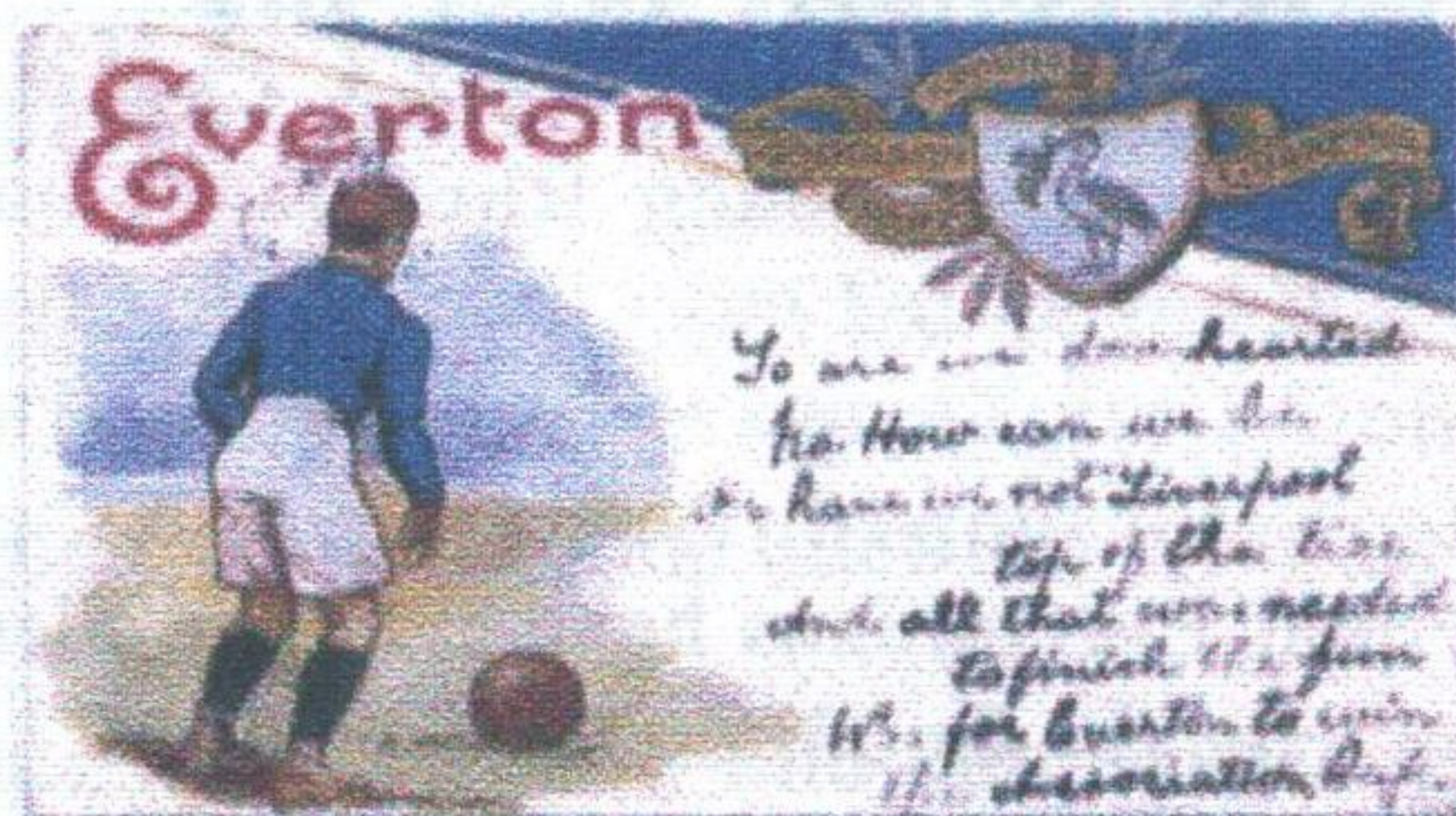
If you said to the Jones family that they could have Rhys back but they would never be able to watch Everton again in their lives, do you honestly think they would choose Everton over the return of Rhys? No they wouldn't give a toss about Everton or Football or anything else except the return of their beloved son Rhys and that my friends is a natural, normal thing.

Please drop the hatred, respect the Reds who respected Rhys and put the pride back into Everton.

Ignore the bigots, they are a lost cause, lonely and sad.

Dave Simpson

Letters



E-Mails

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Thank God the vote went to Yes because I am fed up with the pompous KEIOC crowd. They talk to you as if you are a three year old who knows nothing and you are not an Everton supporter because they do not recognise you from away games.

They even thought it was a success to lose by 60% to 40% because 11,000 didn't vote. They probably didn't vote because they too did not want to be intimidated by the loud mouth militants associated with KEIOC.

To all those who will not accept defeat I say wake up, people are laughing at you, you are now trying to get another company to overthrow Tesco and the democratic vote because it didn't go your way, pathetic.

Call all the meetings you want, amuse yourself with your We Are The Real Fans all the others are Woolybacks jibes

There are two good things about the outcome of the vote first of all we will be leaving the hovel that is Walton, secondly the stupid KEIOC supporters are saying, like naughty school-children, they are not going to go to Kirkby, so there bah boo. Well I am glad that you are not going to Kirkby because you are all a pain in the bum.

I can't wait to get to Kirkby to find a parking space without a chair blocking the way then drink in a nice pub that doesn't look like it is condemned like all those around Goodison Park do.

The future is calling us, we must be ready, forget the head in the sand KEIOC crowd they would have you walking from Lime Street to Scotland Road because there is no where to park in the loop proposal.

Alan Sanders Blackpool.

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George sorry to say this about a fellow Blue but Phil Neville is useless, he couldn't pass the 11 plus never mind a ball. He is so lazy in his distribution that he costs Everton possession. If his passing doesn't give them the ball then his stupid free kicks do.

I think David Moyes must drop him, he needs to be rested not only for the sake of the fans and the team but for himself.

George Rumson

Blue Blood

Moyes has got to go, there is a story that Kenwright wants to give him 5 more years! This can not happen, he has made us into the most boring team in the Premiership. Tactically useless and embarrassing. Nine Ukrainians laughed us off the pitch at Goodison. Villa didn't break sweat and Moyes decides to drop Yakubu because he had one bad game, Johnson missed two penalties, hasn't scored in 14 games and he gets a game? Tell me that Moyes knows what he is doing?

AT the end of my tether Huyton Jimmy.

Blue Swayed Views

The Ray Wilson Story

Continued from issue 43

Only the tiniest minority guessed that young Harvey would be brought in for his baptism. The story of his introduction is now a legend within the Everton club and although I was still with Huddersfield at the time I have heard so much about it ever since that it is worth re-telling.

Evidently Mr. Catterick whispered to him on the afternoon of the match that he would be playing and that Denis Stevens would drop back to right-half to enable Colin to come in at inside-right. Colin never batted an eyelid as the players sat on the terrace outside their hotel in Monza, a dozen miles or so up the autostrada to the North of Milan.

Perhaps he was unaware of the hostilities awaiting him at the notorious San Siro Stadium. Everton had been told to allow plenty of time in order to get to the ground and they set off with the clock well on their side. They had reckoned without a coach driver who fancied himself as a Juan Fangio, mark II. The Everton party found themselves outside San Siro more than two hours before they were due to kick off and manager Catterick curtly ordered the driver to take the party on a leisurely tour. He was worried about too much tension building up, but young Harvey continued to stare out of the window with unshakeable nerves. Even under the noisiest, most frightening stands in Europe there was a set look of determination etched indelibly into his youthful countenance.

Inter were a side crammed with international players ... world names such as Sarti, Facchetti, Mazzola, Suarez, Corso littered their team. By comparison Everton, especially the almost juvenile Harvey, were complete novices in the matter of European competition.

Yet it did not bother him. He played as though he could take all the fireworks and smoke bombs without even noticing them.

The fans who cram San Siro are a crazy crowd. They are fenced in by high, spiked palings but they are deadly accurate

at lobbing their bombs and rockets in the direction of the enemy. They were no different this night, but young Harvey rolled up his sleeves, gritted his teeth and tackled them with manly courage and skill. He won a rare accolade from his manager and although he went out of the first team again there was no doubt in anyone's mind that one day this boy would wear the white shirt of England as well as the blue of Everton.

Since that night in 1963 he has emerged as one of the game's true professionals. A credit to the sport, the very essence of courage, skill and team work. He is the home-produced youngster who is such a vital part of that otherwise expensive midfield triangle he forms with Howard Kendall and Alan Ball.

He has yet to play for England, although it is only a matter of time before that honour comes his way. Although he has Under-23 caps he has not made the full international squad simply because of the consistently outstanding form of the men already in possession.

His great asset, apart from unquestioned ability and enthusiasm, is his appetite for work. I well remember him coming back after a bad injury to play in the 1969 FA Cup semi-final against Manchester City at Villa Park. I was watching from the sides and while Everton had newly restored their midfield three, both Colin and Howard had been injured in the weeks before and could not honestly be expected to toil with their customary zeal and fearlessness for the full ninety minutes.

Kendall, in fact, was injured and had to leave the field, but Harvey's performance had me shaking my head in disbelief. In the end, Everton were defeated by a last minute goal from City's brilliant young centre-half Tommy Booth—a goal that had nothing to do with Colin and was a sad pay off for all his endeavours.

Harvey launched himself into the match as though he had been propelled from a dressing-room catapult and completely cast aside the pain and tiredness that built up against

him and would almost certainly have overwhelmed lesser men. There have been many reasons for Everton's emergence as a major power under Harry Catterick and right at the top of the list must be the example and inspiration of Colin Harvey.

Harvey has never hogged the headlines during his six years in the first team and another youngster who has had even less praise and publicity is John Hurst, the quiet man. John was a midfield player until Everton decided to try him in the back four and now he is one of the soundest players in the First Division.

He still lines up in the No 10 shirt but never strays far from the side of Brian Labone, the centre-half, where they stand firmly in the middle of defence and combine to thwart the best forward lines in the country. John is a Blackpool boy who was discovered quite by accident when Mr. Catterick went to watch another player. As soon as he saw the cultured strides of the boy Hurst his attention was diverted and from that moment John was on his way to becoming an Everton player.

Even now John is as quiet as the moment when he first joined Everton. He gets on with the game, says little and is one of the nicest fellows you could wish to meet. It is very easy to cast your eyes around the Everton dressing-room and nominate so many of the youngsters for future England positions. John Hurst, I must say, looks the part in everything he does.

But the youngster who has given football its biggest talking point for some time is Joe Royle, the centre-forward who was a first teamer at sixteen and an Under-23 international less than three years later.

Sometimes I think that even manager Catterick cannot make up his mind about Joe. He is a 1969 version of the old-time centre-forward ... big, strong, good in the air. One minute he seems absolutely brilliant, another he looks a total novice.

As such a player he is obviously headline material. The

fans and critics alike, either love him or hate him. In my opinion, and I have watched him train and play as much as anyone, it is quite unfair to categorise him in any way. Although he had a tremendous season in 1968-69, scoring more than 30 goals, he must still be regarded as a learner on account of his age.

Surely, as he grows older and wiser and stronger, he will realise far more about the game. His added experience will send him into scoring positions out of second nature. I see him as a future Everton centre-forward in line with the high ideals laid down by those former Goodison leaders William Ralph 'Dixie' Dean and Tommy Lawton. Both of those players were England regulars and talk of them reminds me of a wonderful story they still tell around Everton whenever the old-timers get together.

It was the day Tommy Lawton won his first international cap. 'Dixie' was still on the playing staff and the lads were in the dressing-room when Lawton, suave, elegant and with that jet black hair sleeked back, came bouncing in. He was full of himself. He was going on about his cap, his England status and the honour seemed to have produced a rich, new degree of brashness.

'Dixie' tapped him gently on the shoulder and said: 'Right Tommy, you just sit down there.' Lawton sat down as he was told on the dressing-room bench.

Dean went on: 'Now, will all the international players please stand up.' I am told that no less than fourteen sprang to their feet leaving Lawton rather alone and deflated.

I tell that story because I feel that before very long there are going to be many more international players in the Everton dressing-room once again. And while Joe Royle may not be there for a season or two there is nothing more certain than the fact that he is an England player in the making.

No man can have worked harder at his game than this youngster. After our Cup final defeat by West Brom in 1968 we all drifted off for holidays ... but not young Joe. Al-

though he was a regular first teamer—he played thirty-eight League and Cup games and scored 19 goals in the season—Joe was told to report back to Bellefield throughout the summer for training. He was given the fortnight's break that any factory worker would feel entitled to but, apart from that, it was football training all the way through the sunny months.

Sometimes I felt sorry for him, pounding a lonely track and constantly being fed a diet of lectures and crosses by the training staff. I think Joe was rather fed up at times, but he was big enough to admit that it was all to his advantage as soon as the goals started flowing in the next season.

I like Joe. He is still a bit of a Corinthian at heart; a former Grammar School boy who just lives for the game. We often have a joke with him in the Everton dressing-room before a match. The lads try to catch him out with such questions as 'Who plays left-back for Gillingham?' We rarely succeed for Joe has the photographic memory that could tell you where Barrow Reserves are placed in the Lancashire Combination and the name of their leading goalscorer.

I am sure he must buy and devour every Soccer magazine that is ever printed. He is maturing now, for his boyishness was a disadvantage when he first stepped into the first team, and he is learning to live with the wide and varied publicity he is attracting. If he gets a couple of goals the headlines scream his name; if he misses he is a failure.

Jimmy Husband is another player who did not find first team football a bed of roses when he first embarked on a career in the First Division but he has come through well and his intelligent and unselfish running in the No 7 shirt have made him a real worry to most defences. I have lost count of the number of matches when opponents have said: 'That fellow Husband was the biggest danger. He was all over the place. It was difficult to pin him down and he kept drawing our men out of position and so creating space for your other forwards.'

These, then, are the young players on whose shoulders the future of the Everton club is rested, and, indeed, looks assured. There are others behind and in front. There are youngsters fighting to come through from the reserves and then there are the experienced men supporting them in the first team... players such as Gordon West, Brian Labone and John Morrissey. These three despite their length of service still have plenty of top flight football within them.

Whenever Mr. Catterick has felt compelled to buy he has swooped with devastating secrecy and his two biggest signings are two of the most skilful players in the game, Howard Kendall and Alan Ball. These lads are the hub of a team that gets by in the grand footballing manner that has always been Everton's tradition.

It is only a pity that I shall not be with them as they embark on the great crusade that is going to take them undeniably to the very top of the tree both at home and on the Continent.

European football is something that every footballer aims at these days. To play in the two major European competitions—the European Cup and the Cup winners' Cup—is a major reward for winning either of the domestic competitions. Deep at heart footballers are still the lads who kicked a ball about in their home town back streets and playing fields.

Footballers perform above all for the love of the game. They enjoy the big occasion. They want to win Cups and medals. Professionalism naturally puts a different complexion on the way we go about our tasks. To compete in such high circles as the First Division means that fitness and skill and the mind must be sharpened to a precise point.

Diets are planned, tactics plotted and every player makes sure he gets sleep and rest to go with the intensity of the training. This is the Everton pattern and one that, because of my age, I cannot expect to be a part of for much time to come.

Yet for the youngsters there is a magnificent future, especially in Europe where teams such as Manchester United,

Celtic, Real Madrid, Benfica and the Milan and Budapest teams have earned themselves such fame and fortune. The whole world knows about Manchester United and its players. Since before the Munich air crash Sir Matt Busby's club has been the most famous of all.

Bobby Charlton has told me of occasions all over the world when he has been overwhelmed by the interest shown in his club, his team, his colleagues. Even deep behind the Iron Curtain, in Katowice, Poland, he met fans who had queued for hours to get a glimpse of the Englishmen and probably snatch a few autographs. Bobby tells me they all have coloured photographs from magazines and are able to recognise the entire team without needing to refer to the pictures. That's fame for you.

It is a fame that has sprung from such annual campaigning in Europe and was there before their magnificent European Cup triumph in 1968 when they defeated Benfica at Wembley by four goals to one.

This is the sort of international recognition I would love to see befall the Everton lads and I am sure that it is just around the corner. They are gaining in experience with every season and are still obviously short of their peak. If there is a flaw it could possibly be that there is too much football in the team.

There are so many players of pure skill that sometimes I have found myself wishing for one or two real hard men; the diggers. I think it is only a minor point and that bite will develop with maturity. Then we can look forward to Everton establishing themselves among the great teams of the Continent.

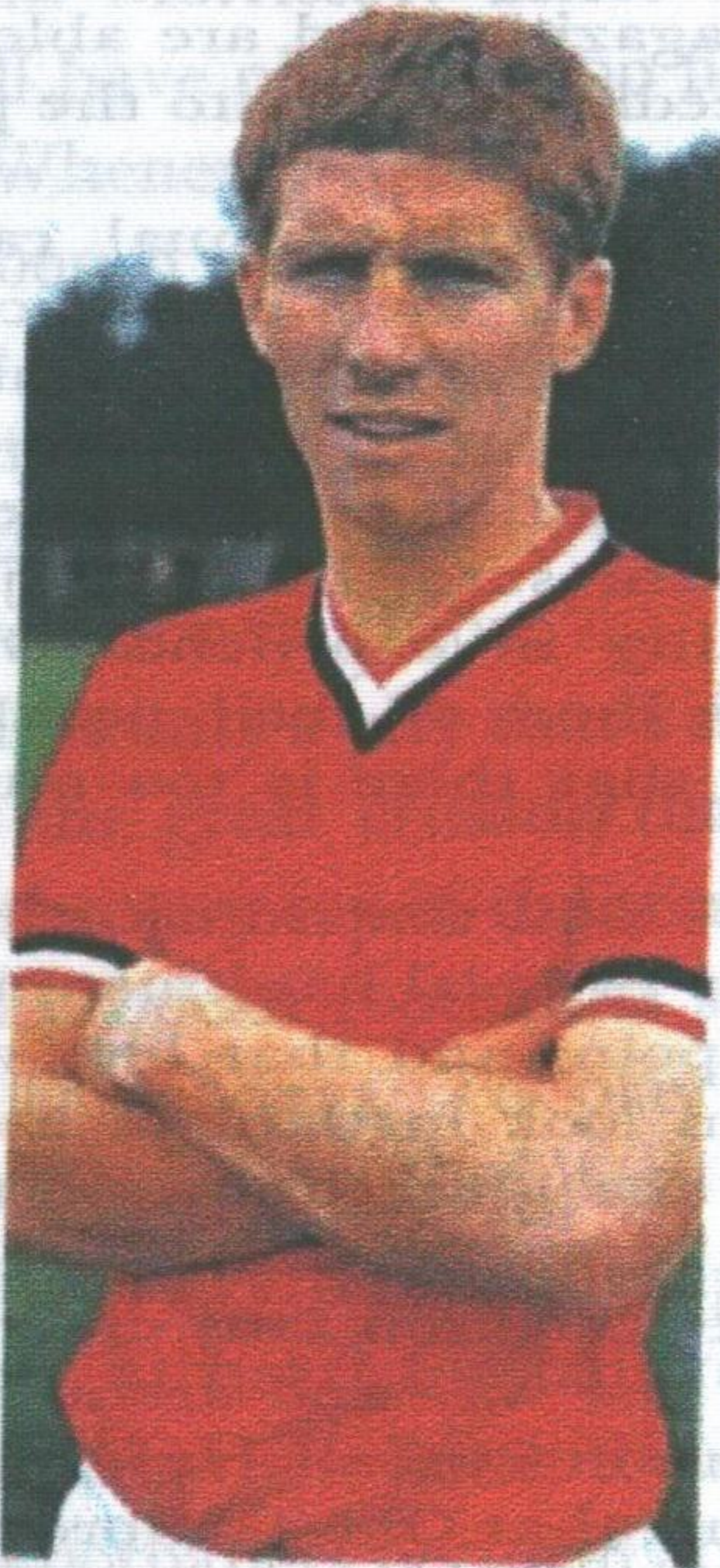
This is the sort of competition the Goodison fans deserve. They have been behind Everton all the way and are accepted in the dressing-room as the best fans in football. How could I ever forget that moment of our arrival at Old Trafford for the semi-final against Leeds in 1968. It was as though there were only Everton supporters in the ground. They really

touched my old heartstrings and I suddenly realised that these were the people I was playing and trying for.

Let them see the great teams of Europe. Let Goodison be the theatre to stage such footballing magic under the floodlights so that the Continent will sit up and take heed of a warning as tall and forbidding as the Alps... a warning that says 'Beware Everton'.

I have travelled the world and seen all the great players. And I see no reason why I should not stress once again that Everton can now stride forward to assert themselves as a mighty power in international club football.

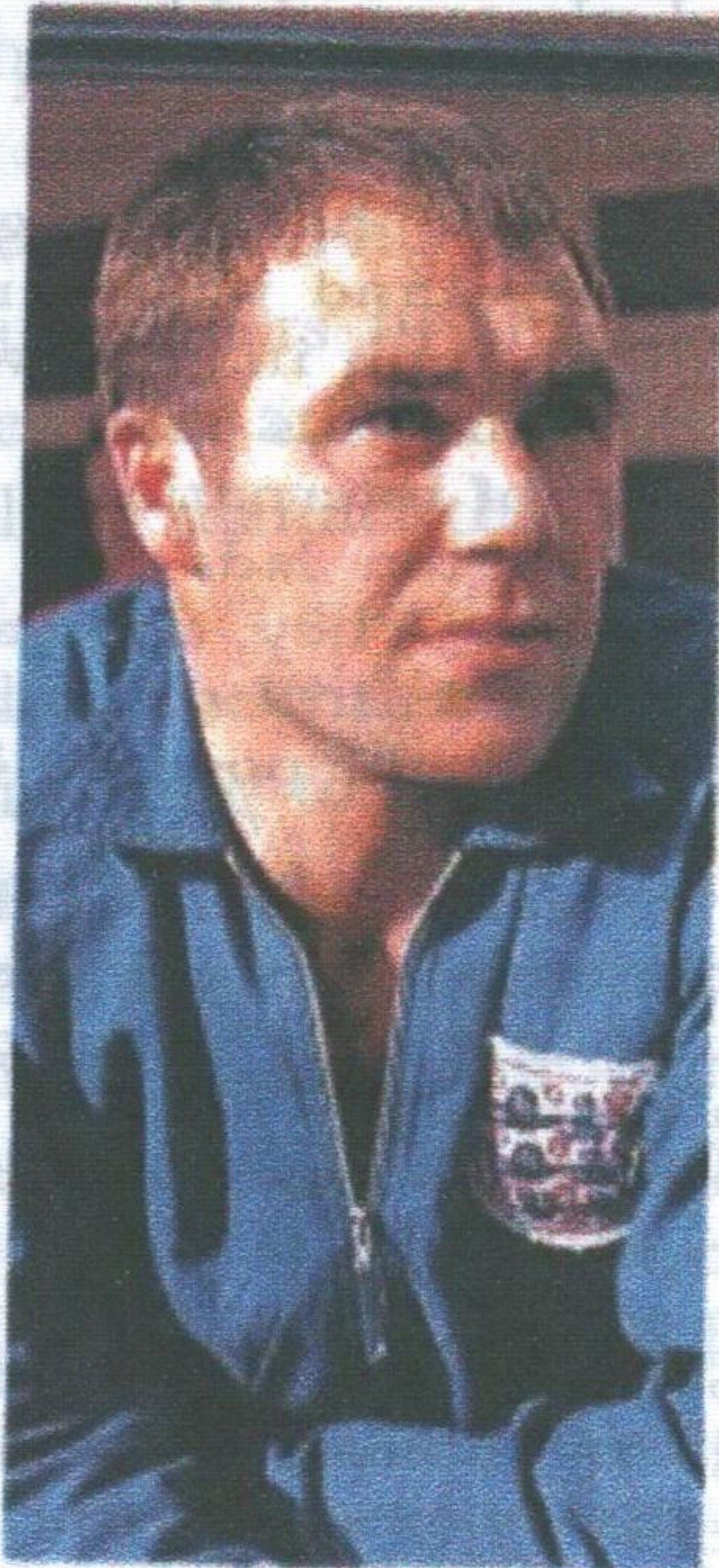
The Ray Wilson Story



ALAN HALL - Everton and England

A skilful full player with tremendous stamina. Came to prominence with Blackpool in 1954 and first played for England a year later. Has 18 caps. Everton's record goal last year. Member of England's victorious World Cup team.

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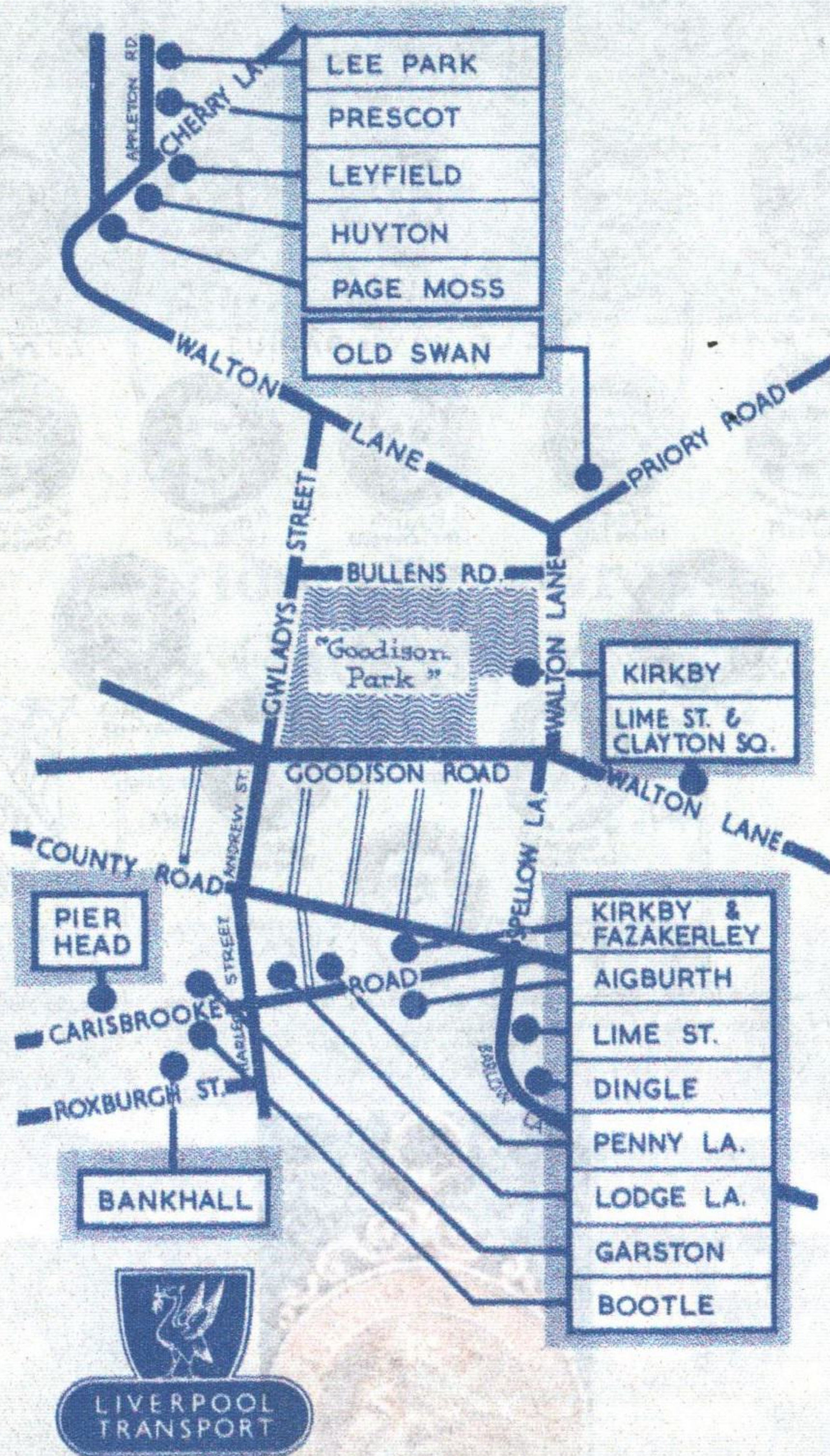
RAY WILSON - Everton and England

A strong tackling defender. Began his career with Huddersfield and joined Everton in 1952. First capped for England in 1955. He has 51 caps. A member of Everton's Cup winning team last year. Member of England's victorious World Cup team.

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Getting Home After The Match In The 60's

After Match Loading *Everton F.C.*



Everton v Newcastle Cup Final 1906

TO-DAY'S GREAT CUP TIE **THE OPPOSING TEAMS**

The opposing teams, Everton and Newcastle United, in the great match for the Football Association Cup, which will be played to-day at the Crystal Palace. (Photographs by J. Edes, and Thomson and Lee.)



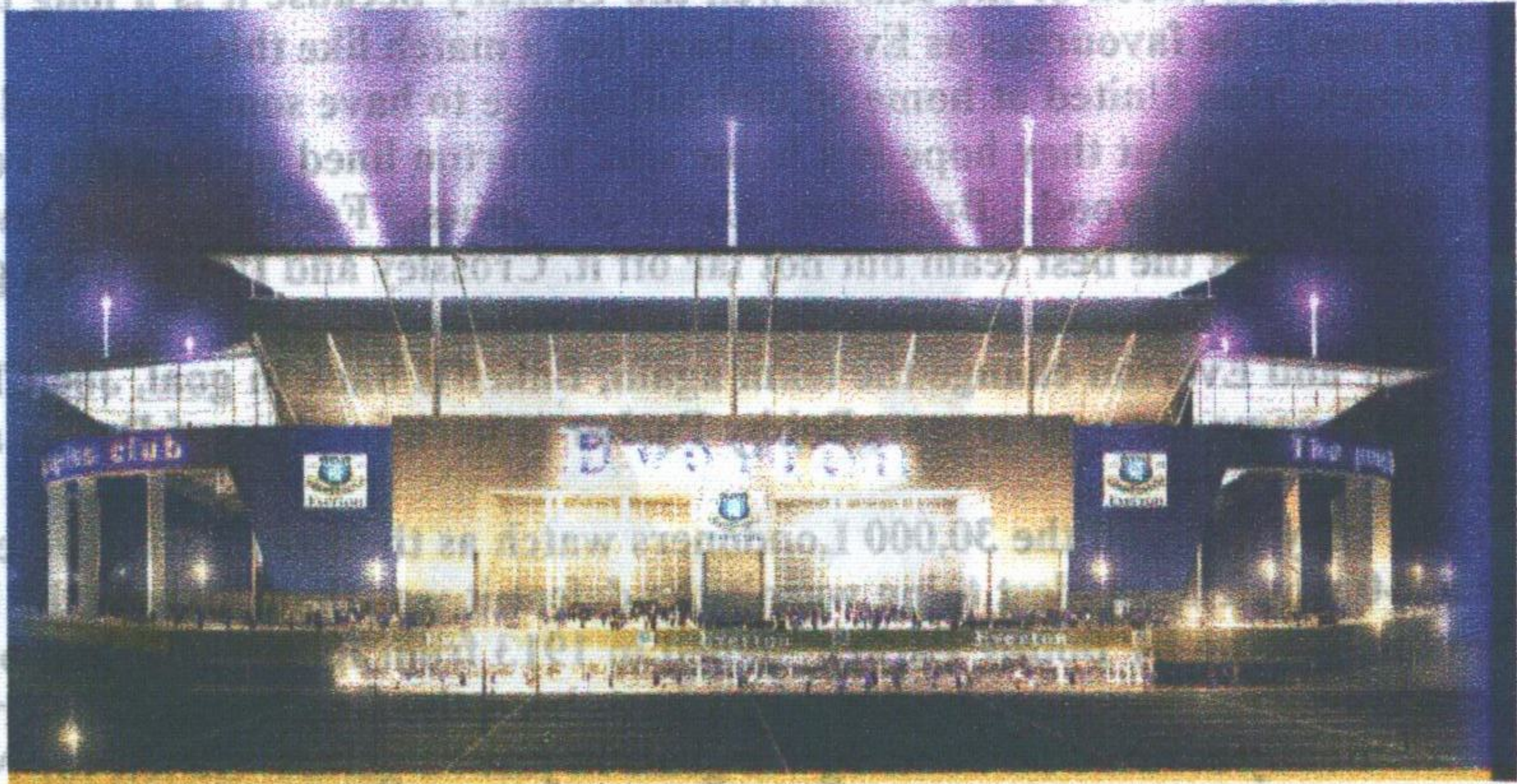
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Everton's New Ground? Pick One That You Like

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Bolton away

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Stan started well, he scored on his debut much to the delight of the 35,000 crowd, Crossley added another two and Everton won 3-0.

One week later an away to Manchester but not City, United, Parker comes back and the unfortunate Davies gets dropped. 30,000 watch as Everton get another two points in their quest for the League Title. Bobby Parker get both goals in a 2-1 win.

19th February and it the F. A. Cup again yet another home tie but no easy Second Division outfit this time, oh no, we get Newcastle united, a team bang on form and riding high in the League. Davies replaces Parker and the crowd wonder what the hell is going on, Davies scored the other week and got dropped Parker replaced him and scored twice now he is dropped??????

54,205 are cheering the Blues on and they get what they want, a home win and into the next Round, Crossley gets two goals and Davies one, it ends 3-0.

Manchester City away, 33,000 watch this game, it is very important for Everton, they are doing well in the Cup and the League but City are above them in the League and they can not afford to drop two points today but they do. From not having more than one team change for most games Everton are now changing quite a lot, this game saw Thompson, Reid, Kirsopp, Jones Davies and Brewster all come into the team six changes from the last league outing. Everton lose 2-0 and this is a big set back to their title hopes.

Chelsea away 44,000 watch a good crowd considering that the Londoners are not doing too well in the League, Everton make an amazing change Howard Benjamin Baker comes into the side in goal replacing the ever percent Tom Fern , Everton keep faith with Davies and they get a great win 1-0 thanks to Crossley.

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Back to the League Man United at home 38,000 still mangle to have some faith and arrive at Goodison to see what they hope is a home win. Everton lined up like this Fern, Downs, McDonald, Fleetwood, Brewster, Grenyer, Jones, Fazackerley, Davies, Crossley, Harrison. Not the best team but not far off it. Crossley and Davies get a goal apiece and Everton win 2-0.

Tottenham away and Everton change the team again, Baker is back in goal, Joe Clennell plays his first game for over a year, Bobby Parker is back in place of Davies and Weller comes in .

Everton do not play well and the 30,000 Londoners watch as their team win two easy points with a 2-0 win. The saddest thing wasn't the defeat it was that this was the last game played for Everton by Bobby Parker signed in 1913 from Rangers he had been an amazing player. The War ruined what might have been the Greatest ever Everton players carrier. Bobby scored an amazing 71 goals in just 92 games. He left for Nottingham Forest were he stayed for the next two years.

Bolton away



A poor Quality Postcard from 1920 /21 but worth the inclusion here because of it's rarity

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The History Of Everton Football Club

Bolton away and 42,000 watch what is an important game for Everton and just as important to Bolton who had ambitions of winning the League.

Everton line up is Fern, Downs, McDonald, Brown, Fleetwood, Peacock, Chedgoy, Fazackerley, Davies, Crossley, Harrison. There is plenty of action and goals but unfortunately for Everton not all are theirs. Bolton win 4-2 and the goals from Crossley and Davies do nothing to lift the gloom.

Oldham Athletic at home a team that were struggling and it should be a Home Banker. Brewster, Reid and Weller are all recalled in a hope to stop the rot, it works and 30,000 Evertonians jump for joy, five times in all as Everton win 5-2. Crossley gets two goals, Chedgoy, Davies and Reid get the others. At last there is hope, Everton can get their season back on track and maybe lift the title. Two days later on the 28th March 1921 Everton have another home game against Bolton are the opposition and they also are in the title chase, it will not be easy Downs and McDonald have been recalled at right and left back, the two most experienced defenders on the books next to Fleetwood, Everton hope to keep a tight defence but it does not work out that way. 40,000 Blues are shocked to see Bolton take the points with a 3-2 win. Crossley and Reid score for Everton but to no avail. The Championship is lost, we can not hope to win it now.

It is disappointing because Crossley has been banging the goals in, he has got six in the last six games.

Oldham away 21,251 turn out, Everton had put five past them only a few weeks ago Andrew Moffat made his debut at centre forward in this game, A Scottish lad signed from East Fife it was to be his one and only appearance in a Blue shirt, he left at the end of the season returning to east Fife.

Everton didn't get five today but the one they did get was enough to take both points, Reid was the goalscorer.

Chelsea at home 25,000 come along to watch, Fazackerley is put in at centre forward Jones replaces the injured Chedgoy and McDonald is back after missing the last game. Fazackerley certainly enjoyed being the centre forward, he got a hat trick Harrison and Reid also got a goal apiece and Everton won 5-1.

30,000 are inside Goodison Park for the next home game against Preston North End, a team that had struggled all season and were towards the bottom of the table. Fazackerley stays at centre forward and there is only one change from the last game Thompson coming in for Crossley, it was to be Thompson's last game for Everton. Unbelievably Everton lose 1-0.

One week later and it's the return at Preston, time to get revenge and two much needed points 20,000 watch as Preston do the 'Double' over Everton again it is only 1-0 but it is two points lost.

Burnley at home, the surprise team of the season, they are riding high at the top and look like the likely Champions. 40,000 Blues know how important this game is, they cheer Everton on and the game ends 1-1 Fazackerley scores.

Four days later Tottenham at home only 23,000 turn up, Everton can now only try to finish as high as possible to pacify them, we need to beat Spurs to get into 6th place a draw is not enough. But a draw it is and a fairly drab 0-0.



FERN EVERTON 1921

Thomas Fern
Everton goalkeeper spent
11 years at Goodison Park.
Greta safe goalie. Nick-
named 'Evergreen'

The History Of Everton Football Club

The last game of the Season and it is away to new Champions Burnley 40,000 Lancastrians are inside the ground to celebrate, Everton are only bit part players in this scene, Chedgzoy gets a goal and earns a creditable draw 1-1. The season is over an Everton finish in Sixth place, disappointing after all the hopes at the start of the campaign. Crossley had finished top scorer with 15 goals, Parker 11, Fazackerley 8. The finances were doing better than the team, £44,598 came into the clubs hands and wages were only £24,599

1921 /22 Season

The squad was to increase from 24 to 26 but some good players had left the club. Kirsopp, Parker, being the main two, Parker was a legend and would be sorely missed. The new players included Hunter Hart a Glasgow man who was signed from Airdrieonians for £4,000 a tidy sum and amazingly he only had one eye, losing the other in a schoolboy accident. A strong tackling defender who would go on to Captain and coach at the Club.

Booby Irvine a Irish lad was a brilliant dribbler of the ball and was sure to entertain the Goodison crowd, a centre forward or inside forward. Dugald Livingstone, signed from Celtic a hard tackling steady full back. Better know as Duggie a committed football man who would end his career as a manger winning the F. A. Cup for Newcastle in 1955.

John McDonald is named as the new club captain and his first game in charge was against Manchester United at home. August 27th 1921 is the date the Everton team is as follows Fern, Downs, McDonald, Brown, Brewster, Peacock, Chedgzoy, Fazackerley, Davies, Crossley, Harrison.

The surprise is that Davies is at centre forward now that Parker has left the club. 30,000 fans are at the game and what a game!! Everton get five and united get nil yes 5-0 to Everton Davies starts with a hat trick, Brewster and Fazackerley one each. Newcastle away and this time the crowd is a strong 40,000. Everton keep the same line up from the brilliant win over United, it didn't work in this game though. Newcastle win 3-0.

Manchester United away at Old Trafford, Duggie Livingstone makes his debut in place of Dickie Downs, Local lad John Blair gets a rare game at centre forward in place of the injured Davies. 25,000 are at Old Trafford, most of them dreading another hiding from Everton. Harrison scores but Man United get two, Everton lose 2-1. Newcastle at home 30,000 attend, Weller comes in at right half, Reid is in at inside right, Local lad John Blair gets a rare game at centre forward in place of the injured Fazackerley, Everton lose 3-2. Blair gets a goal and so does Davies.

10th September and Birmingham are the visitors to Goodison, Henry Spencer makes his debut an inside right from Southampton, mainly to be used as a reserve for Fazackerley. Grenyer plays, the reliable player who has been at Goodison for many years. 30,000 Evertonians watch this new line up and are fairly happy with what they see. Everton win 2-1 with goals from Fazackerley and Reid. Birmingham away and another 30,000 gate, they see a 1-1 draw as the points are shared, Spencer gets his first goal for Everton.

Arsenal at home 30,000 once again, the third game on the trot for that amount of people. Downs in for Livingstone is the only change and Everton can only manage a draw 1-1 Fazackerley.

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