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## INSIDE THE COTTAGE

### CONGRATULATIONS, JIM!

Once again we congratulate our Captain, Jim Taylor, but this time upon acknowledging the highest honour of his career, Jim has been chosen as England's centre half against the Argentina on May 9th. This is a distinction he has thoroughly earned. In fact, many people have wondered why he has not been called upon by his country before.

On your behalf, besides speaking for ourselves, we wish him the very best of luck and many more games in the England jersey.

OUR list of retained players has been announced, and no one will be surprised to learn that every member of the staff has been asked to re-sign. Every form has, in fact, now been signed, and there is, therefore, every reason to look forward to greater success next season than this.

The feeling inside the Cottage is that this has very largely been a season of consolidation—one in which young players have been given fair chance to show their ability and promise—and the satisfaction of the management is reflected in the fact that everyone on the books will be here next season.

We are confident that many of

our players have a long way to go, and we are just as confident that they will do even better next season.

In many ways this has not been a lucky campaign for us, but more than anything else injuries have spoiled our chances and have resulted in so many changes in the side that we have not been able to field the same team for more than four matches at a time, and quite often less than that. Not unnaturally this has often led to lack of balance and a failure to carry out plans.

The players who will represent the club on our tour sponsored by the Dominion of Canada Football Association are:

Black, Bacuzzi, Freeman, Reg. Lowe, Quested, Taylor, Eddie Lowe, Pavitt, Lawler, Stevens, Bowie, Brennan, Thomas, Jezard, Campbell, Macaulay and Robson. The officials who will make the trip are Mr. Frank Osborne, general manager, Mr. Bill Dodgin, manager, and Mr. Frank Penn, trainer.

This, as we have already pointed out, is in the nature of a

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goodwill tour, and if it was to have nothing to teach our lads so far as football is concerned, it will, at least, be a pleasant and instructive visit abroad for them.

We are happy to be able to say that the injury Johnny Campbell received against Chelsea last Saturday is not as serious as it appeared to be when he was carried off. However, he received a nasty crack, and it was unfortunate for us and no doubt lucky for Chelsea that he became a "passenger" at a time when we needed him most.

Chelsea came to The Cottage desperately in need of both points. They fought hard for the whole ninety minutes and never gave our boys the chance to settle down to the high standard of play they had provided in their three preceding games.

It was bustle and thrust all the time for our visitors, and that was how they won. As the game went, we had the first half and Chelsea the second, but we seemed to have had enough chances to have won the game in the initial 45 minutes.

Certainly Jimmie Bowie was right out of luck with his shot which hit the post when he had only Robertson to beat after he and Arthur Stevens had skillfully worked the opening. But no forward on the field tried harder than Jimmy, even though he always had Chelsea's Mitchell practically standing on his toes.

When Bedford Jezzard gave us the lead after 22 minutes with as neat a header from Eddie Lowe's free kick as we have seen this season, we had good reason to expect more to follow. At that stage the game was undoubtedly going our way, but the goal only had the effect of driving Chelsea to more desperate tactics.

It was first time all the time

for them, and it amounted to weight of numbers when they stormed our goal in the 32nd minute and Armstrong put them on terms.

From then on spoiling tactics prevailed, and one had to give Chelsea credit for their endeavours. They played as any team would when their Division One status practically hung upon the result.

What little good football there was came from our team, but it just wasn't allowed to get us far. Then in the second half, with the scores level and the game in that state when anything could have happened, we lost Campbell. Although he came back after treatment it was obvious that it was useless to give him the ball, and so Dickson, the Chelsea right half, was practically released from his own job to come forward with his attack and make the task of our defenders even more difficult.

It was a fighting goal which the Pensioners scored via Armstrong again to put them in front with twenty minutes to go. There was a headlong rush on our goal in which none of our defenders could get the ball away, and it was driven home from close range.

It should also be pointed out that not only was our left wing unable to function smoothly after Campbell's injury, but that for most of the second half Arthur Stevens was playing with an injured groin.

These notes had to be written before this evening's team was chosen, but Stevens was very keen on being fit enough to turn out because he would then have shared with Ian Black the distinction of playing in every match this season.

## TODAY'S REFEREE

**MR. RALPH E. TARRATT**, of Horsham, Sussex, who referees our game today, has happy memories of Fulham. He says one of the finest League games he has so far had the pleasure of controlling was that between Fulham and Southampton in the 1948-49 season, when both clubs were fighting for promotion.

Cartilage trouble turned Mr. Tarratt towards refereeing. He was a useful amateur until one of his knees went back on him, so in the 1933-34 campaign he took to the whistle. Three seasons later he was on the League list of linesmen, and in 1948 was promoted to the highest sphere.

His experience of refereeing was considerably extended in the Middle East during the war while serving with the R.A.F., for among many other games he was in charge of the match between The Wanderers, the official M.E.F. team that did so well, and the Egyptian Police, and also the match between the Navy and the R.A.F. at Mombassa.

Mr. Tarratt has refereed several important games during the last two seasons. Earlier this season he was a linesman in the international between France and Belgium in Paris, and then refereed the game between the F.A. and the Army at Highbury. Both this season and last he has officiated at important F.A. Cup ties.

By profession Mr. Tarratt is a commercial traveller, but he believes in plenty of walking to keep fit. Furthermore, he likes to take at least two games a week to keep his eye in.

Nearly all his spare time, however, is taken up with football appointments. He has been secretary of Horsham Referees' Association for 17 years, is chairman of Sussex Referees' Association and appointments secretary of Horsham F.A.

He has a long list of "don'ts" for up and coming referees, and to quote just a couple: "Don't be showy: remember you are the last person the crowd has come to watch" and "Don't be a 'home'."

## GOALSCORERS

**Fulham—League Division 1:** Thomas 14, Stevens 10, Jeppard 9, Brennan 4, Quested 4, Bowie 3, Campbell 2, Macaulay 2, Freeman 1, Hinchelwood 1, MacDonald 1. Total 51.

## FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION 1

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Tottenham	41	24	10	7	79	43	58
Man. Utd.	41	24	7	10	71	39	55
Blackpool	40	20	9	11	78	51	49
Middlesbrough	41	18	11	12	76	64	47
Arsenal	41	18	9	14	72	56	45
Newcastle	40	16	13	11	60	53	45
Bolton	41	19	7	15	64	57	45
Portsmouth	40	14	15	11	65	66	43
Liverpool	41	16	11	14	52	56	43
Burnley	41	14	14	13	47	41	42
Stoke	41	13	14	14	48	53	40
Sunderland	41	12	15	14	63	73	39
Derby	40	15	8	18	79	74	38
Wolves	40	15	7	18	74	60	37
West Brom.	42	13	11	18	51	61	37
FULHAM	41	13	11	17	51	64	37
Charlton	41	14	9	18	62	78	37
Huddersfield	42	15	6	21	64	92	36
Aston Villa	41	11	13	17	60	66	35
Everton	41	12	8	21	48	80	32
Chelsea	41	11	8	22	49	65	30
Sheffield W.	41	11	8	22	58	83	30

## THE FOOTBALL COMBINATION CUP COMPETITION

Results up to and including 28th April, 1951

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Charlton A.	14	9	3	2	37	16	21
Southampton	14	7	2	5	28	20	16
Millwall	14	6	4	4	26	23	16
Portsmouth	13	6	2	5	24	21	14
West Ham U.	13	5	1	7	17	23	11
FULHAM	13	4	3	6	16	25	11
Reading	13	3	3	7	16	24	9
Leyton Orient	12	3	2	7	18	30	8

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A Dinner and Dance is to be held on May 12th; please hand in your names by 8 p.m. Monday, May 7th, at the Bridgeway Club. Dance only 3/6d.

As these are the last notes for this season, the committee take this opportunity of thanking you and wishing bon voyage to the boys.

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MID-WEEK LEAGUE

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THURSDAY, MAY 10th 1951

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# FIXTURES

## FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION 1

Date	Opponents	Ground	Result
Aug. 19	Manchester Utd.	Away	0 1
" 23	Charlton Athletic	Home	1 0
" 26	Wolves	Home	2 1
" 30	Charlton Athletic	Away	0 0
Sept. 7	Sunderland	Away	0 0
" 14	Blackpool	Away	0 4
" 14	Aston Villa	Home	2 1
" 13	Blackpool	Home	2 1
" 20	Durby County	Away	2 3
" 23	Liverpool	Home	2 1
" 30	Portsmouth	Away	0 1
Oct. 7	Everton	Home	1 1
" 14	Sheff. Wed.	Home	1 1
" 21	Huddersfield Tn.	Home	1 1
" 28	Millwall	Home	1 1
Nov. 4	Newcastle Utd.	Away	2 1
" 11	Sheff. Wed.	Home	0 1
" 18	(1) Arsenal	Away	1 0
" 25	Barnley	Home	4 1
Dec. 2	(2) Chelsea	Away	2 0
" 9	Manchester Utd.	Home	2 2
" 16	Wolves	Away	1 1
" 23	Bolton Wm.	Home	2 1
" 30	Bolton Wm.	Away	1 0
" 30	Sunderland	Home	1 1
1951			
Jan. 6	(3) Sheff. Wed.	Home	1 0
" 13	Aston Villa	Away	0 3
" 20	Durby County	Home	3 0
" 27	(4) Millwall	Away	1 0
Feb. 3	Liverpool	Away	0 8
" 10	(5) Chelsea	Away	1 1
" 17	Portsmouth	Home	3 0
" 24	(6) Blackpool	Away	0 1
" 24	Everton	Home	2 0
March 3	Sheff. City	Home	2 0
" 10	(R.F.) Millwall	Away	2 1
" 17	(R.F.) Millwall	Home	0 1
" 24	Tottenham H.	Home	0 1
" 31	Went Bm.	Home	0 1
" 31	Tottenham H.	Away	1 2
April 7	Newcastle Utd.	Home	1 1
" 14	Sheff. Wed.	Home	3 2
" 21	Barnley	Away	3 0
" 28	(7) Chelsea	Home	1 2

## COMBINATION CUP COMPETITION

Date	Opponents	Ground	Result
1951			
Jan. 27	West Ham Utd.	Home	0 0
Feb. 3	Southampton	Away	1 0
" 10	West Ham Utd.	Away	0 0
" 17	Millwall	Home	0 2
March 3	Leyton Orient	Home	2 2
" 10	Reading	Away	1 3
" 17	Portsmouth	Away	1 0
" 24	Charlton Athletic	Home	1 0
" 31	Southampton	Home	1 0
" 26	Charlton Athletic	Home	2 4
" 31	Millwall	Away	1 1
April 7	Leyton Orient	Home	2 1
" 14	Reading	Away	1 2
" 21	Portsmouth	Home	4 0

## MID-WEEK LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	Ground	Result
Sept. 14	Tottenham Hotspur	Home	2 0
" 18	Leyton Orient	Away	1 2
Oct. 4	Southampton	Away	2 1
" 18	Crystal Palace	Away	0 3
" 26	Arsenal	Home	2 1
Nov. 9	Leyton Orient	Home	1 1
" 15	Southend United	Away	1 0
" 23	Crystal Palace	Home	0 4
" 30	Queens Park R.	Away	1 1
Dec. 7	Reading	Home	0 2
" 14	Charlton Ath.	Away	0 2
" 18	Southampton	Home	0 2
Jan. 4	West Ham U.	Away	1 2
" 11	Reading	Home	1 2
" 17	Arsenal	Away	1 0
" 24	Southend	Away	0 3
Feb. 10	West Ham U.	Home	0 3
" 17	Luton Town	Away	0 0
" 24	Southend Utd.	Home	1 0
" 31	Luton Town	Home	1 0
March 7	Portsmouth	Away	4 0
" 14	Queens Park R.	Home	2 0
" 21	Watford	Away	0 3
" 28	Tottenham Hotspur	Home	1 2
April 9	Millwall	Home	1 0
" 16	Charlton Ath.	Home	1 0
" 23	Watford	Away	1 3
" 30	Millwall	Away	1 0
May 7	Portsmouth	Home	2 0

## FULHAM PERSONALITIES—No. 22

# FRANK REID



I thought I had heard all the stories of young footballers climbing to fame, from school teams, from kicking the tin can down the alley, etc. But Frank Reid, who plays regularly at left back in Fulham's "A" team, gave me something new to think about. For he told me he came from the Pictures.

He didn't tell me so in those words exactly, but that was the first meaning it conveyed to me. Frank soon cleared it up. He joined Fulham from a team composed of youngsters who used to go to the pictures on Saturday mornings. It

was called the Odeon F.C., and with that club he toured the Channel Isles.

There isn't much in sport that young Frank has not practised. At the age of 14 he was S.W. Middlesex Schools long jump champion, at 18 feet. He won the 100 yards in 10 3/5 secs. He was captain of his school cricket team and preferred fielding to batting or bowling. Nor is his all-round ability restricted in his football. He is a left back by choice, but he has played also at centre half and on the wing.

Frank started his serious Soccer as a centre half back at school. Then they were short of an outside left, and he tried there. Finally he settled down at left back, and became the captain of South West Middlesex schools.

His home is at Laleham, near Staines. His schoolmaster recognised his football potentialities and recommended him to Bob Thomas, Fulham's centre forward. Bob passed the word along to Craven Cottage, and Frank Reid joined the ground staff.

That was in September, 1949, when he was only 15. Frank will be seventeen next month. He is big with it. He stands 5 ft. 10 1/2 and weighs 12 st. 12 lbs. Good going for a youth, especially a youth who a short while ago was a sprint champion.

Frank is ambitious. He wants to be a professional with Fulham. He sees the first team as often as he can and has studied the style of that splendid master Joe Bacuzzi.

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Portsmouth were foes and rivals of Fulham in the days of the old Southern League. They used to play in salmon pink shirts, but for many years past they have played in royal blue, very much akin to Chelsea's colours.

As League clubs go, Portsmouth cannot claim the antiquity of many of their rivals. They were founded in 1898, to take the place of the Royal Artillery club which used to supply Portsmouth with its good football. When Portsmouth was launched, with two local sportsmen, Mr. G. Lewin Oliver and Mr. W. Wigginton as the prime movers, nearly £5,000 was raised in a few weeks. Fratton Park was purchased, and in 1899 the club started in the Southern League. From these humble beginnings Portsmouth have risen to be one of the most powerful clubs in the land.

On three occasions they have reached the Cup Final. The first was in 1929, the third of Bolton's three successful appearances at Wembley in six years. Five years later Portsmouth were at Wembley again, to be beaten 2-1 by Manchester City. But third time was lucky. In 1939 Pompey won the Cup, beating very strong favourites, Wolverhampton Wanderers, by the surprisingly large margin of 4-1. This was one of the biggest surprises there has been in the Final, but Portsmouth were thoroughly good winners.

The League championship was not carried off until 1949. Then, as I have said, Portsmouth won it two years in succession. Their first championship came hard on their Golden Jubilee celebrations, an event to which football people from all over the country went to pay their respects to a club whose name stands very high for its good play and its good sportsmanship.

Jim Dickinson, Pompey's left half back, has been a regular member of England's team since his first selection for his country in 1949. Peter Harris, outside right, and Jack Froggatt, outside left (but who has in recent weeks made the difficult switch to centre half with great success), are other Portsmouth players who have appeared for England.

J. G. ORANCE

When Portsmouth visited Craven Cottage last season and were Fulham's opponents in a League match for the first time for twenty-three years, they came as proud League champions and won by a goal to nil, scored by Clarke, centre forward. At that time, with only six more matches to play, Portsmouth were fifth in the table, but they wound up in a blaze of glory and carried off the First Division championship for the second season in succession. So, for the second year running, we welcome them as Champions this afternoon.

This has not been a season so full of rich accomplishment for Portsmouth because they have been beset by an unusually large number of injuries and illnesses. It has, indeed, been an unlucky season for them. But always there has been evidence of the fine football the side is capable of playing.

Since Portsmouth became members of the Football League, London grounds have been particularly happy hunting grounds for them. Only last Boxing Day I saw them win at Stamford Bridge by 4-1. Not only have the Portsmouth side this happy knack of performing well in London, they always seem to have a

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