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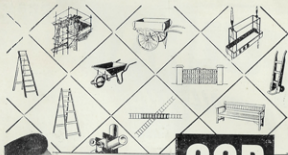


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INSIDE THE COTTAGE

WELL, we've seen some thrillers at the Cottage this season, but we defy contradiction when we say that our game with Notts County just about capped the lot.

Three-two down and four minutes on the clock. And then we won 4-3. If it's thrills you're after what more can you want for your money?

Yes, give the boys credit for a fighting finish, but don't imagine we are claiming this as one of our best displays of the campaign. It wasn't, and we all know it. There were too many gaps in front of our goal in the first half, and the Notts County forwards filled them before we did.

That, indeed, was how they scored their three goals—all in the first half.



CHARLIE MITTEN

*A great goal against
Notts County*

**Johnny Campbell's
benefit match: turn
to page 5 for full
details.**

BOGOTA, HERE WE COME!

WHEN our players told Frank Osborne recently that they fancied a tour this summer, the General Manager got cracking at once.

It was not easy to arrange a tour because of the World Cup matches in Switzerland during the close season, but to everybody's delight he has fixed up a trip to Bogota.

No one, though, was happier than Charlie Mitten who, despite the punishment he received when he came home, has many happy memories of the time he spent in Bogota and has promised to show the lads all the sights.

For the record... there's no danger of any of our lads staying there even if they wanted to, because Bogota are now members of F.I.F.A.

The itinerary has not yet been mapped out.

And those goals were bitter pills, because, while our forwards were playing much more intelligent and craftier football, Notts County made three attacks and scored from each one.

We are not blaming anyone but

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Johnny Campbell's Benefit

OUR "OLD BOYS" IN BIG GAME AT CRAVEN COTTAGE

AT the beginning of the season we told you that at some time we would be staging a match for the benefit of Johnny Campbell, our great-hearted Irishman whose playing days, we are very sorry to say, are completely over because of a serious breakdown in health.

Well, that match has been arranged. It will take place on this ground on TUESDAY, APRIL 27. KICK-OFF 6.30. Make a special note of that date and time because we honestly think that you will not want to miss this game under any circumstances. Why?

Because our full League side will oppose a team comprised entirely of old Fulham players who are still very much to the fore in the game. EIGHT OF THEM WERE IN OUR CHAMPIONSHIP SIDE!

This will be the team (with the clubs they are with now):

Doug. Flack (Walsall); Harry Freeman (Dover), Dave Bewley (Watford); Len Queston (Huddersfield), Jim

Taylor (Queen's Park Rangers), Pat Beasley (player-manager, Bristol City); Bob Thomas (Crystal Palace); Jimmie Bowle (Watford), Arthur Rowley (Leicester City), Bobby Brennan (Norwich City), Ernie Shepherd (Queen's Park Rangers).

What finer attraction could you want than that? And needless to say, each player has said that he is more than willing to take part in any game that will benefit Johnny Campbell.

Unhappily, though, Johnny had to go back into hospital again a few days ago for yet another operation, and it is almost certain he won't be present.

But we sincerely hope that YOU will, ALL OF YOU. We are

convinced you will see a great game, and at the same time you will be supporting a very worthy cause. So far as we are concerned, Johnny deserves to be assured of his future.

So remember the date—April 27 at 6.30 p.m.



JOHNNY CAMPBELL

ourselves for those goals, but at the same time you couldn't possibly fail to note how that boisterous wind blowing straight into our goal was carrying the ball for the County and making our defensive measures doubly difficult.

Of course, we had the advantage of the wind in the second half, and made as much use of it as the County had done. But it was a near thing even though there was not a shadow of doubt at any time that we were always the County's masters in the arts and crafts of the game.

And those time-wasting tactics indulged in by our visitors in the second half were hard to swallow. No wonder they got the slow handclap.

We had Tommy Cronin making his League debut at right half, and a very fine first appearance it was after the team had settled down. Jimmy Hill moved forward to inside right and was

asking everybody after the match how he'd missed scoring a couple of goals.

The opening minutes of the game seemed to augur another crop of goals

for us. The County had the greatest difficulty in getting the ball out of their half, and indeed it was only a desperate tackle by centre-half Leuty that prevented Johnny Haynes from taking the ball right up to the

keeper after a high-class movement with Charlie Mitten.

Again a goal seemed to be in the offing when Cronin nodded a through



ARTHUR STEVENS

Back to the side—
and top form

WELCOME TO

EVERTON

ONCE upon a time Everton Football Club were nothing more than a team of cricketers associated with a church at Liverpool. These cricketers wanted to take up some winter activity to keep them fit for the summer, so they turned to football and thereby originated one of the most powerful and successful clubs in the Football League.

With Blackburn Rovers and Notts County, they are one of the three original members of the Football League who are now in Division 2, but the greater part of their football has been played in Division 1.

It was in 1879 that they came into being, and until they joined the League upon its formation in 1888, they met all the neighbouring clubs and gradually built up their playing strength. So much so, indeed, that they won the League championship in 1890-91.

Not long afterwards, however, dissension among members of the club crept in over the matter of headquarters. About half of them were in favour of a move wanted to stay put at Anfield Road. The outcome was that those who wanted to go to Goodison Park and still called themselves Everton F.C., while those who wanted to stay at Anfield Road did so and called themselves Liverpool F.C.

So in actual fact those faraway church cricketers were the forerunners of not one famous football club, but two.

Strangely enough, Everton were not weakened by the split. By 1892-93 they had twelve internationals in their books when they met Wolverhampton in the Final of the F.A. Cup. But the Wolves beat them and thereby registered one of the earliest of the many form upheavals the game has produced since.

Everton were again in the Final four years later, and this time another Midland club, Aston Villa, beat them. However, they were in the Final yet again in 1905, and at the third time of asking were successful, beating Newcastle United.

Again the next season Everton got to the last stage, but this time they fell to Sheffield Wednesday.

Season after season Everton provided football that was grand to watch, and won the League championship for the second time in the last season before the 1914-15 war.

The war, however, set them back somewhat, and they went to the 1927-28 campaign before they made their mark yet again by winning the championship for the third time. That was the season when the great "Dixie" Dean scored 60 of Everton's 102 goals.

From that point, however, Everton fell away somewhat rapidly. In fact two seasons later they were relegated to Division 2, but one season was enough for them to win the championship and the very next season they carried off the championship of Division 1 yet again.

In the following season Everton completed a very fine hat-trick by winning the F.A. Cup once more, and at the end of the 1938-39 season were yet again at the top of Division 1.

But, as was the case after the First World War, so after the second, Everton's fortunes slumped, and they were back in Division 2 at the conclusion of the 1950-51 season.

LAST SEASON we took three points from Everton, winning 3-0 at home on November 1st and drawing 3-3 away on March 21.

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TOMMY CRONIN

(Wing-half or Forward)

Q.—What did it feel like when you made your League debut a fortnight ago?

A.—Well, I've no need to tell you I was on edge at first. You could probably see that yourself. But I felt much happier in the second half, and quite honestly I thoroughly enjoyed the game.

Q.—Looking forward to some more?

A.—You bet I am. And as a matter of fact, I feel a bit more confident about my future in the game now.

Q.—You've been at Craven Cottage some time, haven't you?

A.—Since I was 161 years of age. You can say that I've been built up here—so far as I have been built up, that is.

Q.—You are a local boy, aren't you?

A.—Yes, I was born at Richmond and went to St. Mary Magdalene School at Mortlake.

Q.—Get any football there?

A.—Yes, but not until after I returned from evacuation at Teddley, Monmouthshire. I was ten years old then, and went straight into the junior team at St. Mary's. A season later I got into the senior team.

Q.—What was your position in those days?

A.—Inside left. In fact I played there all the time I was at school.

Q.—Get many goals?

A.—A few. I was put at centre-forward in my last game for the school and we beat East Sheen 10-0. I got six that day.

Q.—What sort of work did you take up when you left?

A.—I became an apprentice at a sheet metal works at Barnes and also became a member of Barnes A.T.C.

Q.—Were you still playing football?

A.—Yes, for East Sheen Athletic F.C. on Saturdays and the A.T.C. on Sundays.

Q.—Did you get into any representative teams?

A.—I had some luck in that direction. Before I was 16 I was playing inside right for both Surrey and Eastern

Command A.T.C. and for a complete season I played for All-England A.T.C.

Q.—Were you still getting goals?

A.—I got some against both Wales and Scotland A.T.C.

Q.—How did you arrive at Craven Cottage?

A.—Well, a friend of mine named Frank Jackson was already here and he told me he was sure it would be all right if I came and asked for a trial. So I plucked up courage and came to the ground.

Q.—Get your trial?

A.—Yes, I was given a game against Leyton Orient in the "A" team and the following Monday I was invited to join the ground staff. I jumped at the offer.

Q.—What have you done since then?

A.—After I had been here three months I went on a tour of the Continent with the English Catholic Youth XI to play France and Belgium in a triangular tournament. That was in 1949-50.

Q.—What about your National Service?

A.—I was put in the R.A.M.C.

Q.—Play much football then?

A.—Yes. First I played for the Regiment against R.E.M.E. and I also played for an Army XI against the Civil Service. There were plenty of Unit games as well, of course.

Q.—You returned straight to Fulham after your service?

A.—That's correct. I went into the Reserve team as a half-back, but this season I have played regularly in the forward line, first at inside left but for the last few months at centre-forward.

Q.—What are you going to do with yourself this summer?

A.—Get in a lot of swimming, I hope. I want to improve my distance. So far the most I've done is two miles.

Q.—What about the future?

A.—Well, I'm beginning to feel that there may be a regular place in our first team for me one day, and that's my immediate ambition. In fact it's all that matters at the moment.

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INSIDE THE COTTAGE

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defence and piled in a rising shot which cut the 'keeper right out of the picture. Two minutes later Jezard got the winner and set a new individual scoring record for himself and the club, which we hope he'll beat next season!

Fastening on to the ball like a leech, he defied all challengers to rob him and then, from the right of goal, put in the shot which won the match. We CAN ONLY SAY THAT JUSTICE WAS DONE.

Reserves Win Again

WE told you a fortnight ago that the football our Reserve team was playing belied their lowly position in the League table. They have the same idea at Cardiff, too.

After our lads had won there 2-1 a fortnight ago, a home director went into the dressing room and told them he just couldn't understand why they were not much higher in the chart.

The only goal of the first half was scored by our Roy Dwight, who was moved from the right wing to centre-forward. Given the ball during a sweeping raid, he left the centre-half behind, beat the back who came over to tackle, drew the goalkeeper and slipped the ball past him.

With a quarter of an hour to go we forced a corner on the left, and when Trevor Chamberlain dropped the ball in well from the flag, Terry Golden headed straight into the net.

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Blackburn	38	20	9	9	81	46	49
Everton	37	17	14	6	83	56	48
Notts F.	38	19	10	9	80	54	48
Birmingham ..	38	18	9	11	75	53	45
Rotherham	38	19	5	14	70	64	43
Luton	38	16	11	11	59	55	43
FULHAM	32	16	9	13	92	76	41
Bristol R.	37	12	15	10	58	49	39
Leeds	38	14	11	13	82	74	39
Doncaster	37	15	8	14	54	51	38
Stoke	37	11	15	11	63	51	37
West Ham	37	15	7	15	61	59	37
Lincoln	38	13	8	17	58	73	34
Bury	39	10	14	15	49	66	34
Notts C.	38	11	11	16	46	70	33
Hull C.	37	14	4	19	57	61	32
Derby C.	38	10	10	18	57	78	30
Swansea	38	11	8	19	50	76	30
Brentford	39	9	11	19	35	71	29
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