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Club Notes

At long last we have recorded a win at the County Ground by the first team, and in defeating Ipswich by 3-1 last Saturday the lads gave a good display and at the same time put new heart into the spectators. During the second half, with the score 2-1 in our favour but with Ipswich pressing strongly, it was evident that the supporters were apprehensive and fearing the worst. The third goal came as a very welcome relief, and it was apparent from then on that we were going to collect both points.

The Reserve team also did their part in making it a brighter day by winning at Millwall by the same score. The only team to lose was the 'A' team at Bulford, where the game finished with a victory to the home side by 3-2.

The Borough League fixture against Pewsey Vale resulted in another splendid win for the 'B' team, who ran out winners by 12-0. Over two hundred and fifty spectators watched this game and there can be no doubt that these boys are still playing attractive and high class football. They are well worth watching, and there is another opportunity for you to see them on Saturday next at the County Ground when they play Westcott Youth Centre, kick-off 6.30 p.m. We do not anticipate that they will have such an easy victory on this occasion, and it should be an interesting encounter.

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Next Wednesday, of course, they will be engaged in a match that should not be missed; that is when they meet Portsmouth in the F.A. Youth Challenge Cup Competition, kick-off 7.0 p.m.

In the absence of real news, rumours are bound to circulate, but we regret that at the time these notes are written we have no facts to place before you concerning the signing on of new players or the engagement of a manager. All we can say is that both matters are receiving every attention, and when news is available it will be given to the local Press. It is perhaps unfortunate that both the National and Local Press have within the last few days published items of news which might give our supporters false ideas of what is happening behind the scenes. We refer to the announcements in the papers concerning appointments to the managerial post and to the statement that another £1000 would probably have secured the services of two players in whom we were interested. Unless they have information which has not yet been made available to the Board, we can only say that there is no truth in these statements, and so far as the two players were concerned, negotiations were broken off because, despite continued efforts, we could get no indication from the other Club of the sum they required.

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The Rangers called upon 25 players during the season, and of these, four appeared in more than forty games. These were Angell 43, Cameron 42, Ingham 41 and Petchey 41.

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The rule as it is worded states that "A player is off-side if he is nearer his opponent's goal line than the ball at the moment the ball is last played **unless**:- (a) He is in his own half of the field of play, (b) There are two of his opponents nearer to their own goal line than he is, (c) The ball last touched an opponent or was last played by him, (d) He receives the ball direct from a goal kick, a corner kick, a throw in, or when it is dropped by the Referee."

Note particularly the deciding factor is where the player was at the moment the ball was last played by a member of his own side and **not**, as is often thought, where he is when he himself plays the ball.

Question: With the goalkeeper guarding his goal, three defenders and one attacker stand in line in front of him as a free kick is taken. The ball is kicked straight to the attacker who swivels round on one foot and, with a first time shot, crashes the ball in the back of the net. What would you say as a spectator?

Answer: No Goal. **Decision:** Off-side. **Reason:** The attacker was off-side at the moment the ball was last played, because he did not have two opponents between himself and his opponent's goal line.

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Burton; Hunt, Fox; Cross, Hudson, Pembery; Riseborough, Gibbs, Owen,
Richards, Edwards.

Result : Won 3-1.

Scorers : Owen, Edwards (2).

RESERVE TEAM v. MILLWALL.

Chandler; Williams, Hogg; McShane, Whyte, Thompson; Gibson, Agar, Cam-
bray, McGuffog, Micklewright.

Result : Won 3-1.

Scorers : McGuffog, Micklewright, Gibson.

'A' TEAM v. BULFORD.

Kyle; Howell, McCarroll; Parsloe, Underwood, Lynch; Osborne, Evans, Weston,
Edds, Biddle.

Result : Lost 3-2.

'B' TEAM v. PEWSEY VALE.

McIvor; Marks, Puffett; Dobson, Reeves, Manners; Hunt, Benwell, Siderfin,
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Result : Won 12-0.

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