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Club Notes

These notes have, unfortunately, to be written before the result of the replay at Norwich is known. Like all our supporters—here's hoping.

The match last Saturday, despite the result, was good entertainment, hard knocks being given and taken by both sides. The result was in doubt, on either side, right to the final whistle. It was very significant there was no movement towards the exits until the game ended.

It was good to see every seat in the New Stand occupied. Nothing but praise is forthcoming from all sides regarding this Stand. Supporters are delighted with the seats and the view. In the words of many "the best sight of a game on any ground in England." The Stand is the envy of almost all our visitors, who remark on its coverage (the whole length of the ground), its height, and its most comfortable seats. They all consider it a great asset. Unfortunately the cost will finally reach a higher figure than first anticipated. New toilets and a roadway have yet to be added to the rear. Although magnificent help has been forthcoming from the Town Council (without this the project could not have been undertaken, and of course, the money has to be repaid in increased rental), a large sum has to be found by the Football Club. May the

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Tony Ingham—Left Back and Captain. Born in Harrogate; transferred from Leeds United in June, 1950; ever present for the last two seasons.

GEORGE PETCHEY—Right Half. Born in Whitechapel; signed from West Ham United in 1953; an ever-present last season; F.A. Coach.

KEITH RUTTER—Centre-Half. 6 feet; born in Leeds; signed professional in July, 1954; ever present last season.

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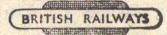
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A number of our most active workers operate in the Devizes and Melksham area, where there is a branch of the Supporters' Club. Recently, these good people held a Dance at Seend; as a result of which, a sum of £14 2s. 8d. was forwarded to us. We thank all who assisted in raising this amount and congratulate them on their enterprise. We understand that, in spite of fog, the event was very successful socially as well as financially. The two bands which were engaged kindly gave their services and have promised to appear in other villages, where it is hoped to arrange further dances for our benefit.

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We hear that a feature of the event was the decoration of the hall, in which the centrepiece was a huge Robin, which may possibly be on view at the County Ground one week.

These notes are being written before the F.A. Cup Replay at Norwich. Whatever the outcome, we feel that neither team last Saturday could grudge the other the chance to fight again. Since then the luck of the draw has added great interest to the result, at the time of writing.

As soon as the draw became known, older supporters immediately recalled the last-minute goal by Harold Fleming in 1914, by which Swindon beat Manchester United. After the match, Meredith, the Welsh International outside-right of the United, berated his team, saying (not in these words), that he had told them to watch Fleming for 90 minutes—not 89!

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