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#### **CLUB NOTES**

This afternoon we entertain what is probably the outstanding team in Division III, and one which is undoubtedly favourite for the Championship; it is therefore most interesting to compare the record of Ply-

mouth with that of Swindon.

To date, the Devonshire Club has played 31 games, scored 63 goals, against 38. Total points 43. Swindon, 30 games, scored 36 goals, against 35. Total points 30. The difference in the two teams is obvious—scoring of goals. Many spectators will nevertheless remember most vividly the game at Home Park on 11th October, 1958. We are sure they will all agree that the Town was unlucky to surrender both points that day, being beaten by three goals to two. The first goal was scored from a rather harsh penalty decision, and the third goal, an individual effort by Gould in the last few seconds of extra time allowed by Referee Baxter for injuries. Swindon were also very unfortunate to have what appeared a good goal disallowed. The team was Burton, Neale, Bingley, Morgan, Jack, Owen, Corbett, Micklewright, Kelly, Edwards and Chamberlain. Micklewright and Edwards scored for Swindon and Gould (2), Carter for Plymouth.

By strange coincidence, the Reserves played at Plymouth the following week, and won by 4 goals to 2 after being 2 goals down with thirty minutes to go. The side on that occasion was Chandler, Thompson, Lee, Fountain, Hudson, Tilley, Stephens, Sampson, Roost, Moore,

Jackson. Moore scored 3 goals and Sampson 1.

Swindon usually rise to the occasion the better the side, the better we play. May it be so to-day, and that we return to winning ways. The result of the game last season was a win by one goal (scored by O'Mahony) to nil, after Fountain had been injured in the first ten minutes.

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Pen pictures of the players expected to do duty to-day are :-

GEOFFREY BARNSLEY Goalkeeper—a native of Bilston, Staffs., and joined Plymouth from West Bromwich Albion just over 12 months ago. Played in 18 first team matches last term.

GEORGE ROBERTSON (right back)—a native of Stirlingshire. Now in his eighth season with Argyle. Played in 45 first team matches last season.

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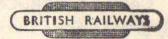
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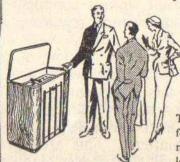
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We have received several comments of late, both from Swindon Supporters and from visitors, regarding a mild form of bad manners recently exhibited by some boys who are in the habit of watching matches, at the Stratton end. Some of them indulge in a little jeering when visiting goalkeepers are taking goal kicks. True, there has been nothing more than this mild taunting, but it seems advisable to mention it before it develops into something more serious. We feel that what has taken place so far is due solely to thoughtlessness, and that a timely word will rectify matters. This afternoon, and on future afternoons, boys, we hope you will show better manners to our visitors, and we hope that any adults near the Stratton goal who have the opportunity to do so will intervene if any ill-manners are displayed. Thank you in advance, boys.

We all hope that, with the end of February, the fortunes of the Team will change. It has been a very bleak month, but it has been known for the luck to change when the opposition is of the best, so, with the visit of Plymouth Argyle, there is a good opportunity to-day. CONTINUED ON PAGE 11

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- R. G. WYATT—a centre-half who dominates the centre of the field, and another of the Plymouth Players who was attracting attention last term.
- G. T. BARRETT, left-half—transferred from Manchester United twelve months ago, and proving a fine attacking half-back.
- P. D. ANDERSON—can play equally well on either wing. A local product, and scores a goal unexpectedly quite often.
- J. GAULD—formerly played for Charlton, Everton and Waterford. A native of Aberdeen, and noted for his many bursts through when on the run towards goal.
- T. G. BAKER (centre-forward)—played for Wales last year, and quite a coming lad. Played in 23 first team matches last year.
- W. CARTER (inside-left)—came to Plymouth from West Bromwich Albion twelve months ago, and scored 24 goals for his side last season.
- H. PENK (outside-left)—another player who can play equally well on either wing. Joined Argyle from Portsmouth twelve months ago.

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