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We should all feel rather flattered by the appointment of our Torquay United Manager, Frank O'Farrell, to First Division Leicester City, one of the great clubs of the land.

The work that Frank did here to revitalise professional soccer in Torbay earned him his chance in the big-time and he has left us a legacy of a progressive, modernminded club. Quite apart from his achievements with the team, which were considerable, he did a great deal to educate us all in the very latest soccer methods, particularly with his excellent articles in the local Football Herald and in this programme.

So when we say congratulations Frank, and our very best wishes in your new post, we are being utterly sincere. We greatly regret his departure but are proud that the Manager of Torquay United has taken a rightful place among the top-liners. I know that every one of us will follow his career at Leicester City with the closest of attention, confident that his ability and dedication will take Leicester up the First Division table.

It was in the summer of 1964 that Frank O'Farrell moved from Southern League Weymouth to take command here. He had, of course, earned a great name as a player with West Ham, Preston North End and the Republic of Ireland but to most of us his managerial potential was virtually unknown.

The message O'Farrell preached was dedication and it was what he practised as well.

By working around the clock, he and chief trainer-coach Jack Edwards moulded together a team of super-fitness and injected most of them with a real sense of urgency. That first season ended with Torquay United stepping out of the shadows of the Fourth Division and into the Third Division.

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In his stay with Torquay United, O'Farrell turned down attractive offers from six other clubs—Bolton, Plymouth, Bristol City, Carlisle, Rotherdam and Ipswich, underlining his high regard for Torquay United and its supporters.

Now we wish good fortune to Jack Edwards, who controls the club as caretakermanager until the appointment of a new Manager. This is not likely to be made before the New Year.

This is the final match before the Christmas festivities and we take this opportunity of wishing you all a very happy Christmas. See you on Boxing Day.

THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP FINAL The Empire Stadium, Wembley Saturday, 15th March, 1969 Kick-off 3.30 p.m.

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It is doubtful if any Torquay United player has a higher personal work rate than John Benson, a truly dedicated footballer who joined us at one of the highest fees paid by the club from Manchester City about $4\frac{1}{2}$ years ago.

Born in Arbroath, Benson spent his boyhood years in Stockport, starring with Stockport and Cheshire Schoolboys before signing for Manchester City as a 15-year-old amateur.

He became a full professional at 18 and made his first team debut in 1961. While with City Benson made a total of 55 First Division appearances and had between 10 and 15 Second Division outings.



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Tonight we welcome to Plainmoor the players and supporters of Swindon, also a big welcome to one of our old favourites, J. Smith. We hope their stay with us is an enjoyable one. On behalf of the president and committee we would like to wish all our supporters "A Happy Christmas" and hope our team can make it a happier one. We would also like to congratulate our Manager on his new appointment and wish him all the best of luck and now we all look forward to his successor.

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P. R. WALTERS

Mr. P. R. Walkers started refereeing in 1952, graduating to the Football League via the South Western League and the Football Combination.

He was appointed a linesman to the Football League in 1962-63 and was promoted to the Referee List (supplementary) in 1965-66. Two seasons later he went on the Full Referee List.

Highlights of his career include: linesman, F.A. Cup Semi-Final Leeds v. Chelsea, 1966-67; linesman European Cup Winners Cup Gyori (Hungary) v. Standard Liege (Belgium) 1966-67; Referee Youth International Wales v. Ireland 1966-67; Referee F.A. Youth Cup Semi-Final, Southampton v. Birmingham.

The headmaster of a primary school in Bridgwater, Mr. Walters is a married man with three children. His hobbies include cine photography and gardening, specialising in the cultivation of roses and dahlias.

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Day Date	Opponents Southport Swindon T. (F.L.C.) Mansfield Town	K.O.	Gd.	R	es
Sat. 10 Aug.	Southport	7.30	h		0
Tu. 13	Swindon T. (F.L.C.)	7.30	a		2
Sat. 17	Mansfield Town	3.00	a	î	2
Day Date Sat. 10 Aug. Tu. 13 Sat. 17 Sat. 24 Wed 28	Barrow	7.30	h	3	1
Wed. 28	Barrow Brighton & Hove A. Oldham Athletic Gillingham	7.30	a	1	î
Sat. 31	Brighton & Hove A. Oldham Athletic Gillingham	3.15	a	î	3
Sat. 7 Sept.	Gillingham	7.30	h		0
Sat. 14	Rotherham United	3 00	2		1
Mon. 16	Tranmere Rovers	7.30	я		ô
Sat. 21	Barnsley	7 30	h	3	1
Sat. 28	Luton Town	3 00	9	0	1
Mon. 30	Gillingham Rotherham United Tranmere Rovers Barnsley Luton Town Walsall	7.30	h	4	2
	Plymouth Argyle Brighton & Hove A. Crewe Alexandra Swindon Town			2	1
Wed. 9	Brighton & Hove A.	7.30	h	1	1
Sat. 12	Crewe Alexandra Swindon Town Shrewsbury Town	7.30	h	2	0
Sat. 19	Swindon Town	3.00	a	1	2
Sat. 26	Swindon Town Shrewsbury Town Northampton Town Bournemouth & B. A. Stockport County Hereford Utd. (F.A.C.) Hereford(F.A.C.replay) Reading Watford Reading (F.A.C.)	7.30	h	2	0
Sat. 2 Nov.	Northampton Town	3.00	a	1	1
Wed. 6	Bournemouth & B. A.	7.30	a	0	3
Sat. 9	Stockport County	7.30	h	0	1
Sat. 16	Hereford Utd. (F.A.C.)	3.00	a	0	0
Wed. 20	Hereford (F.A.C. replay)	7.30	h	4	2
Sat. 23	Reading	7.30	h	1	0
Sat. 30	Watford	3.00	a	0	0
Sat. 7 Dec.	Reading (F.A.C.)	3.00	a	0	0
Wed. 11	Reading (F.A.C. replay)	7.30	h	1	2
Sat. 14	Crewe Alexandra	3.00	a	1	
Sat. 21	Swindon Town	7.30	h	-	-
Thu. 26	Plymouth Argyle	11.00	h	_	-
Sat. 28	Reading (F.A.C. replay) Crewe Alexandra Swindon Town Plymouth Argyle Shrewsbury Town	3.15	a	-	-
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Sat. 4 Jan.	Hartlepools United Northampton Town	3.00	a	-	-
Sat. 11	Northampton Town	7.30	h	-	-0
Fri. 17 Sat. 25	Northampton Town Stockport County Bournemouth & B. A. Bristol Rovers Reading	7.30	a	-	-
Sat. 25	Bournemouth & B. A.	3.00	h	-	-
Sat. 1 Feb.	Bristol Rovers Reading Watford Walsall Southport	7.30	h		_
Sat. 8	Reading	3.00	a	-	-
Cot 15	Wattond	7.30	h	_	-
Sat. 22	Walsall Southport	3.00	a	_	_
Fri. 28	Southport	7.00	a	_	_
				_	_
Fri. 7	Mansfield Town	7.30	h	_	_
Γu. 11	Hartlepools United Mansfield Town Bristol Rovers	7.30	a	-	_
Sat. 15	Barrow	3.00	a	-	-
Sat. 22	Oldham Athletic	7.30	h	_	_
Sat. 29	Gillingham	7.30	a		-30
Fri. 4 April	Hartlepools United Mansfield Town Bristol Rovers Barrow Oldham Athletic Gillingham Luton Town	7.30	h	-	-
Mon. 7	Oldham Athletic Gillingham Luton Town Tranmere Rovers Orient		h		-
Tu. 8	Orient Barnsley Orient	7.30	a	-	-
Sat. 12	Barnsley	3.15	a	-	
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Sat. 24.	Dorchester Town	3.00	a	2	0
Sat. 31	Bridgwater Town	3.00	h	_ 1	4
Sat. 7 Sept.	launton	3.00	a.	Pos	
Sat. 14	Bristol City Barnstaple Town Weston-super-Mare	3.00		0	4
Wed. 18	Darnstapic Town	5.45	a	2	2
Sat. 21				0	1
Sat. 28	Andover	3.00		3	0
Sat. 5 Oct.	Bath City	3.00		3	2 0
Sat. 12	Devizes Town	3.00	a	1	2
Sat. 19	Yeovil Town	3.00	h	7	
Wed. 23	Bideford Frome Town Glastonbury St. Luke's College Minebead	7.30	h	2	0
Sat. 26	Frome Town	3.00	a	1	2
Sat. 2 Nov.	Glastonbury	3.00	h	0	6
Wed. 6	St. Luke's College Minehead	7.30	h	3	0
Sat. 9	Minehead	3.00	a	0	2
Sat. 10		NAT WARREN			
Sat. 23	Bridport	3.00		1	0
Sat. 30	Welton Rovers	3.00	h	1	2
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Sat. 14	Portland United	3.00	h	1	0
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Sat. 8	Weston-super-Mare	3.00	h	-	-
Sat. 15	Yeovil Town	3.00	a	_	-
Sat. 22	Dorchester Town	3.00	h	-	-
Sat. 1 Mar.	Yeovil Town Dorchester Town Bristol City Glastonbury	3.00	a	-	-
Out.	Chastonouty	2.00	a	-	-
Wed. 12	Bideford	7.15	a	-	-
Sat. 15	Frome Town BathCity	7.15 3.00	h	-	-
Sat. 22	Rath City	2 00	a	-	-
Wed. 26	St. Luke's College Devizes Town	7.30	a	-	-
Sat. 29	Devizes Town	3.00	h	-	-
Fri. 4 April			a	-	-
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Mon. 7	LESTELL .		a	-	-
Sat. 12	Bridport	3.00	h	-	-
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Sat.	25		Bournemouth & B.A., F. V. Helmore
Sat.	1 F	Teh	Bristol Rovers. Coombes of Preston
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oat.	13		Watford
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Fri.	7		Mansfield Town 'Ardent Supporter'
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Mon. Wed.	7 16	Tranmere RoversA. L. Holman Orient R.N.I.B. Manor House,
Sat.	19	RotherhamMr. & Mrs. S. Wilson

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The Men from Swindon

Peter Downsborough—was signed in August 1965 from Halifax.

Owen Dawson-joined from Portsmouth in 1962. A former Youth International

Rodney Thomas—was a youth player with Swindon, signing from Gloucester City in 1964. Has Welsh Under 23 Caps and full Welsh Caps.

Joe Butler—joined in 1965 from Newcastle United where he graduated from the club's junior team.

Frank Burrows—was recruited from Scunthorpe United where he played three seasons. Formerly with Raith Rovers.

Don Heath—signed from Norwich in September, 1967. Formerly with Middlesborough where he served as an apprentice professional.

Roger Smart—is a local player who joined the club direct from Swindon Schoolboys, making regular appearances in the Reserve team at centre-forward.

John Smith—well known to us for his splendid service with Torquay United, moved to Swindon last summer. Previously played for Leyton Orient, West Ham, Tottenham and Coventry.

Peter Noble—was signed in January, 1968, from Newcastle where he served four years.

Don Rogers—probably Swindon's most sought after player, has been with the club since he was 15. Gained many England Youth International Caps and later played in the England Under 23 team. Was top scorer last season with 28 goals.

Willie Penman—was signed from Newcastle in September 1966 at a big fee. Formerly with Glasgow Rangers.

THE GULL'S SHOP

By popular demand the shop was opened as an experiment at the Reserve Team match last Saturday. This will be continued for a further few Reserve Team matches to see how it goes. On these occasions the shop will be opened half-anhour before the kick-off and again when the match is over.



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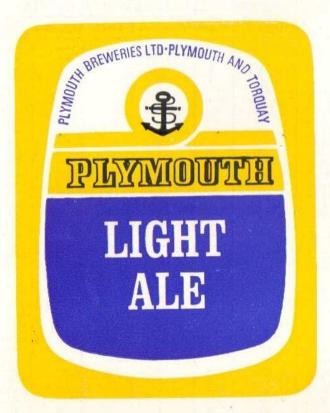
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