

FOOTBALL NEWS

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Editorial.

Fog

Well the weather certainly dealt us a cruel blow on Saturday and it threw our football fixtures into chaos. In fact the only person who came through it all smiling was Mr. Meckler who was rewarded for his efforts in horrible weather by two valuable points. The second years cup match was postponed and will have to be rearranged, probably next week.

I certainly missed my football this last weekend and hope the weather will treat us more kindly in future.

Well what exactly happened? Let me run through the details for you. There was bright sunshine in north Liverpool but in the region of Prescot Road it was very thick. One or two bright patches were passed in the Menlove Avenue area but Hillfoot school was well and truly covered in a blanket of fog. A great pity for all the 3rd year players and two subs. were present and raring to play. The 2nd XI were also all present and two exciting games never had chance to get off the ground.

Mr. Cooke, Freckleton and Halewood searching for action dashed off to Mersey Road where they were amazed to find 2 games in progress in conditions if anything worse than at Hillfoot.

It really was amazing. I could not see the centre circle from the halfway line and how the referees managed is quite beyond me. Several times I heard players "screaming at each other" where is it? Where is the ball? Nevertheless everyone seemed happy so the games went on.

It got worse instead of better and after Mr. Meckler had blown the final whistle in his game the fog became so thick that the end of the 3rd year B team game was quite farcical. Still the lads gave all they had and are to be congratulated on playing in such appalling conditions.

The 1st years won 5-3 and as the conditions were the same for both sides it is only fair to regard this as a perfectly valid score for the school league. Unfortunately the latter stages of the 3rd year B team game were so farcical that it seems unfair to burden them with a defeat. (4-6) To be fair I don't think anyone saw the last two goals.

Nevertheless the game (refereed by a Salesian master) did go it's full course and to prove my complete impartiality I shall include it in



the records.

The goalscorers were Ventre, Timblett, Hassell and an own goal.
The team was Roberts. Phair. Hooper, Bestock Hassell Ventre
Timblett. Rogers. Stuart. Harrison. McGee.

I cannot award ratings as I could not see the players except on rare occasions. Phair impressed me with his hard running and Rogers blotted his copy-book by getting himself sent off 3 minutes from the end.

The school league.

The school league is stirring up a lot of competition and I think it is time that the editor wrote something to keep it all in perspective. I think we should just regard the league as a form of 'friendly' competition. I have to write this as I have just found out that the 1st year manager has been negotiating a series of games against Paddington Comprehensive in order to pick up a 'hatfuk' of points. No, joking apart, the league is good fun but of course our ideal aim is not to win it but to see all the school teams end up joint champions. Mr. Lea and Mr. Owen might need divine assistance to reach this happy conclusion but then that is another matter.

Having said all this the editor must have his little gleat.

(accusations of being two faced are just not deserved)

Last season the league ended up thus.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Points.
3rd year	22	14	3	5	70	43	33
4th year	22	14	4	4	109	31	32
2nd year	22	14	5	3	84	34	31
3rd year B team	7	3	3	1	26	20	7

1st and 2nd XI too embarrassing to mention.

Of course this makes this years 3rd years league champions.

Remember lads play hard play fair, keep smiling and let us see all
institute teams going from strength to strength.
Up the green and blacks.

The editor's column of "having a dig".

How about this for an introduction to a football report?

Atrocious conditions - bad luck - excellent goalkeeping from
opposition - inclement woodwork - waterlogged pitch -
Well I ask you ?.....

Owing to unfortunate circumstances the duplicating machine is broken.
Therefore 3 of this weeks pages will have to hold over until next
week. All being well I shall be back to normal printing production by
then.

3 rd year cup team v Collegiate on Saturday.

Phillipsen
Chellew
Freckleton
O'shaughnessy
Johnsen
Hanlon
Regan
Diablo
Langford
Kilwood
Sennett

Subs Lawson. Warburton.

FIRST YEARS WIN IN FOG.

INSTITUTE 5 HILLFOOT 3

In very foggy conditions at Hersey Road on Saturday the first year team found themselves two goals down to Hillfoot after only ten minutes. Institute fought back well and went near to scoring on a number of occasions, the closest being a fierce shot by Eyo which went just past a post. They pulled a goal back after twenty minutes when Flanagan passed to Bailey, took a return pass and beat the Hillfoot goalkeeper. Just before half time the scores were level. Jamieson passed to Bailey and his through ball was fired home by Flanagan.

Institute got well on top in the second half but a series of incredible misses kept the scores level until twelve minutes from the end when Parry centred to Flanagan who scored to complete his hat trick for the second week running. Five minutes later the Institute defence was caught pushing too many players forward in search of further goals and Hillfoot broke away to equalise. Institute continued to attack and five minutes from time Jamieson scored his first goal of the season with a powerful shot from the edge of the penalty area. Two minutes later Bailey made the game safe when he scored from close range following a cross by Flanagan.

In very difficult conditions Institute played very well after taking a little while to settle down. Eyo fought hard in midfield as usual, Jones had a good first game despite playing in an unfamiliar position and Jamieson gave his best performance of the season, tackling strongly and making some good runs, although the cover behind him was a little thin on occasions. The forwards played well until it came to putting the ball in the net. Although five goals were scored, double figures would have been reached if all the chances were taken but at least the openings were being created.

TEAM: Richardson, Flynn, Jones, Whittaker, Jamieson, Wells, Bailey, Lintott, Wright, Eyo, Flanagan. Subs: Parry, Carter, Hassell.

Appearances (as substitute in brackets)

Eyo 8
Jamieson 8
Bailey 8
Lintott 8
Flanagan 7
Parry 6 (2)
Sillitoe 6 (1)

Flynn 6
Wright 5 (3)
Carter 4 (2)
Wells 4 (2)
Richardson 4 (1)
O'Hara 4
Fearon 2 (1)

Nanley 2
Long 2
Hassell 1 (2)
Pimblett 1 (1)
Whittaker 1 (1)
Jones 1
Barker (1)

Scorers

Flanagan 9
Bailey 4
Parry 3
Eyo 2

Lintott 1
Carter 1
Wright 1
Jamieson 1

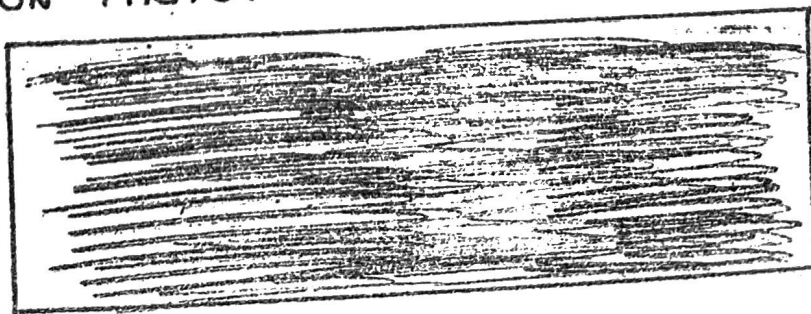
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League table including all matches

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	Points
Third Year	7	5	1	1	21	9	11
Second Year	6	5	0	1	22	9	10
Fourth Year	6	4	0	2	20	14	8
First Year	8	3	1	4	22	27	7
Third Year B Team	6	1	1	4	19	30	3
1st XI	7	1	1	5	9	31	3
2nd XI	1	0	1	0	2	2	1

ACTION PHOTO.

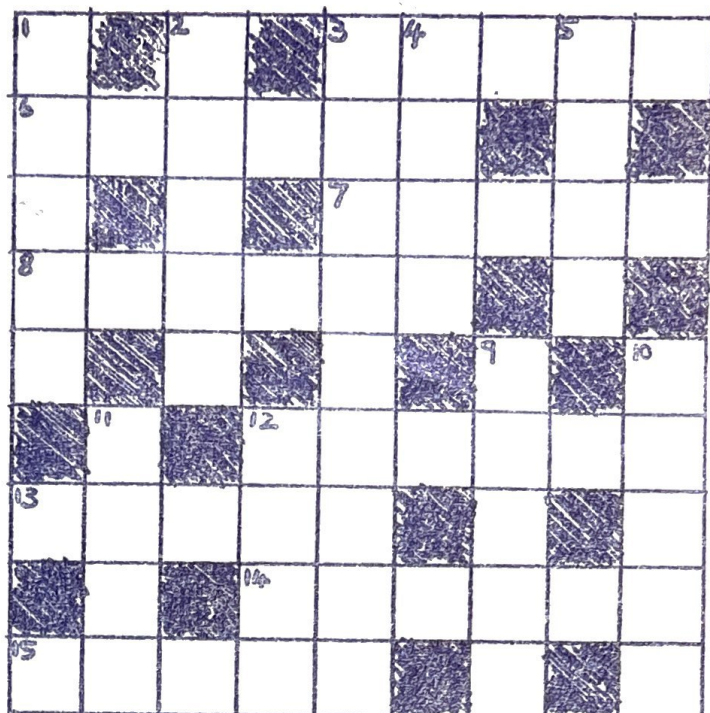
FLANAGAN SCORES
WITH A "CRACKING"
SHOT



SPECIAL GUEST CROSSWORD

ACROSS.

3. You have these to go to at 3-50.
4. A bird that has trouble breathin'?
7. It's scarce but a hundred less and it's frightening.
8. 'Ere cat! Make something of that!
12. Sir Galahad's attire.
13. Proof that you weren't there.
14. Comedians aim to get these.
15. Outnumbered in this school.



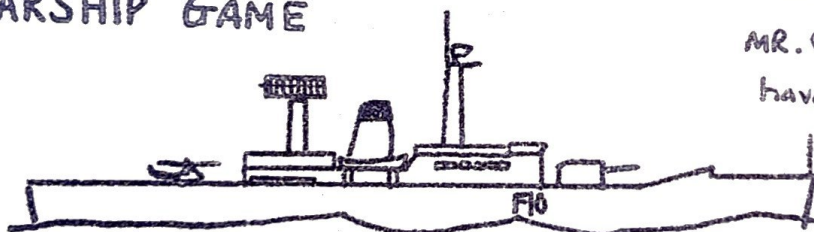
DOWN.

1. Enterprising space traveller.
2. Not infrequently.
3. You could say Mr. Deveraux is one.
4. Three times twice less five times.
5. Merit by hard word.
9. A bit more than a tickle (in the throat).
10. Sounds like an award you get when you use a ~~lever~~ lever.
11. As well as in addition to, too.
12. Was Mr. Cooke such a bodied seaman?

SMALL PRIZE FOR WINNER.

MANY THANKS TO THE KIND DONATOR OF THIS CROSSWORD.

WARSHIP GAME



MR. COOKE'S NAVAL AIR ARM have been very busy this week.

Here we go

A10 A12 B3 B5 B7 C1 C2 C3 D2 D5 D10 N2 N5
N9 N12 S1 S16 Z16 Δ12 Δ13 Δ14 ?1 ?12 ?13 ?14.

Lots of sunken ships — Pieces of eight — Ahoy shipmates.

Here's a curiosity. Take any number from one to nine. Write the number down nine times in a row. Now divide that line by nine times the number itself. The answer is always 1.2345679. Example: 888.888.888 divided by 9 times 8 — 72. Divide by 72 and the answer is 12345679.

COMING SOON — SECRET CODES. BY MR. COOKE.
IN WEEKLY INSTALMENTS.

Solutions to recent quizzes will be explained in a forthcoming edition.

IN THIS YEARS BUMPER XMAS EDITION, SPECIAL, THE SEQUEL TO "WHATEVER HAPPENED TO PERKINS MINOR" 'THE SAD STORY OF ARTHUR JONES' DONT MISS IT.

