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# J.H.'s Page

(J.H. is still here but today we're letting his co-manager Brian Scovell of the Daily Sketch write his page. Brian has been doing a daily column in his paper on how to be a manager, J.H. style).

#### How does he do it?

I see in my piece in the "Sketch" they used the headline "Wizard of Coventry". One day it was "More magic tomorrow". Well, I have to report that J.H. doesn't use a magic wand.

He seems to have got Coventry out on top by reversing the natural order of things. Most clubs train in the mornings. At Highfield Road the first team trains in the afternoons.

At most clubs to put up a new idea is sacrilege. The directors won't like it. At Coventry they take up anything. No matter how cranky the letter, if it has an idea, it is followed up.

At most clubs to show enthusiasm is dangerous. The bossman will think you're

getting too big for your boots. At Coventry they all show enthusiasm.

J.H. starts it off by doing things at such a pace that one wonders why he doesn't sprain more ankles (the last one was caused by jumping into a hole, as I reported). It's not just the number of hours he works—far longer than the average forty or forty-two in Coventry factories. It's what he puts into them.

Running a soccer club is more than telling eleven players how to play. Nowadays it's a branch of the entertainment industry and the material it feeds on is ideas.

J.H. is always thinking them up. And more than any manager in the Football League, he sells the game. You don't see many bad words about Coventry City in the papers. This is because J.H. will always do his best to help reporters, the men who are spreading the word about the game. They like and trust him. And vice-versa.

At several press conferences I saw him hold this week he repeated the same old story time and time again. Each time his delivery was the same—enthusiastic, believing, interested. He "sold" that idea about rebuilding the ground to every reporter in the Midlands.



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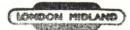
MANSFIELD

12/6

COVENTRY depart 11.30 a.m.

Similar bookings from COUNDON ROAD (11.33 a.m.), FOLESHILL (11.40 a.m.), BEDWORTH (11.50)

Return times and further information from Stations and Official Railway Agents.



To succeed, you must have everyone believing in you. You must have the rest of the team behind you

I could find no-one at Highfield Road who doubts J.H. or what he is doing. I have been with him nearly all the time and I didn't see anyone have a cross word with him.

This isn't to mean that he rules over the club like a Castro (I can assure the Coventry firm that wrote in that the picture in the Sketch from Moscow was indeed Fidel and not J.H.). If anyone has a suggestion that's good, J.H. listens. And usually accepts.

To say that the new-style Coventry City is a happy family sounds like a cliche

I know, but it's true.

The fact that the board has decided to spend so much money on the ground shows that they know where they're going — upwards.

I wish them the very best of luck. I've enjoyed my week in Coventry. I can't think of another club in the country that would have granted me the facilities I've had here this week.

A word from J.H.: Brian writes so much better than I do I am almost tempted to sign him on!

### Today's Spotlight

This evening's personality, KEN HALE, was born in Blythe and played for Northumberland boys before joining the Everton ground staff. He soon moved nearer home to Newcastle and made his first team debut as a 17 year old. Was transferred to Coventry on the 14th December, 1962, for a fee of £10,000 and made his debut for the club in the away match against Notts. County the following day. He made 15 League appearances last season and scored two goals in those games. Was plagued by an ankle injury at the end of the season, but a manipulative operation during the summer put that right and he is now playing better than ever. His hobbies include fishing and tennis.



#### TOM BILLINGHAM

We would like to bring to the notice of friends of Tom Billingham, an ex-player, that he is now in the Rylands Ward of the Royal London Homoeopathic Hospital, Great Ormond Street, London, W.C.1., and would be pleased to hear from any of you that care to write.

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Saturday, 11th January. 'A' XI v. Notts. County.

Midland Intermediate League. At Shilton. Draw 2-2.

Team: Fletcher, Cartwright, Burckitt, Oakes, Roberts,
Morrissey, Motteram, Parker, Gould, Machin, Docker.

Scorers: Parker, Gould.

Saturday, 11th January. 'B' XI v. Radford Social. Coventry & North Warwick League. Away. Draw 0-0. Team: Jones, Coop, Parr, Burbidge, Sheppard, Cox, Johnson. Chambers, Whitehead. Ravenhill, Ouigley.

Saturday, 11th January. 'C' XI v. St. James' Youth.

Friendly. At Shilton. Lost 1-3.

Team: Clamp, Mowe, Manders, Kearns, Leybourne, Walker,

Radburn, Alsford, Reynolds, Heathcote, Evans, F.

Scorer: Heathcote.

#### TICKETS FOR WATFORD

Watford have asked us to announce that Stand seats are now bookable for the match on March 7th. They are priced at 7/6d. and 5/6d. with children at half-price. Supporters are requested to send the appropriate remittance and a stamped addressed envelope, and the necessary tickets will be forwarded to them. All Stand seats are bookable and Watford would appreciate it if requests for tickets could reach them by February 29th. The address to write to is:—The Secretary, Watford F.C., Vicarage Road, Watford.

LEAGUE — DIVISION III.														
		Home						Away						
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	1 P	ts.	
	COVENTRY CITY	28	11	2	1	41	14	7	5	2	29	17	43	
	CRYSTAL PALACE	28	11	3	0	28	8	3	4	7	21	27	35	
	WATFORD	28	10	3	1	37	19	4	3	7	15	21	34	
	BOURNEMOUTH	27	10	3	2	28	11	4	2	6	15	17	33	
	OLDHAM	27	10	1	2	30	16	4	4	6	21	22	33	
	READING	27	10	3	1	27	14	3	3	7	12	21	32	
	SHREWSBURY	28	9	3	2	26	11	3	4	7	22	37	31	
	PORT VALE	27	9	4	1	23	7	2	4	7	11	20	30	
	BRISTOL CITY	26	6	5	2	22	11	5	3	5	18	21	30	
	COLCHESTER	27	7	3	3	28	15	2	8	4	18	24	29	
	HULL CITY	25	8	5	0	28	12	2	4	6	11	22	29	
	PETERBOROUGH	28	8	3	3	37	20	3	3	8	15	28	28	
	BRISTOL ROVERS	26	6	5	2	29	15	4	2	7	19	24	27	
	MANSFIELD TOWN	28	7	6	0	25	11	3	1	11	17	31	27	
	BRENTFORD	26	7	1	5	37	21	3	5	5	18	24	26	
	WALSALL	29	5	6	4	24	23	4	2	8	13	24	26	
	SOUTHEND UNITED	28	4	7	2	20	14	3	2	10	19	38	23	
	O.P.R	26	7	0	6	27	27	3	2	8	16	25	22	
	CREWE ALEXANDRA	27	6	4	4	17	14	1	4	8	14	29	22	
	BARNSLEY	26	4	6	3	19	16	2	3	8	19	36	21	
	MILLWALL	27	4	1	7	11	16	3	4	8	13	26	19	
	WREXHAM	28	5	1	8	34	33	2	2	10	18	41	17	
	NOTTS. COUNTY	26	6	2	5	17	12	1	1	11	11	37	17	
	LUTON TOWN	27	5	2	7	22	30	0	4	9	5	25	16	
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5—GEORGE CURTIS

9-HUGH BARR

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CENTRE HALF

3-MICK KEARNS

LEFT BACK

6-RONNIE FARMER

LEFT HALF

10 - KEN HALE INSIDE LEFT

11 - RONNIE REES

LEFT

OUTSIDE LEFT

Linesmen:

Mr. R. F. Johnson

(Yellow Flag)

Mr. G. H. Morris

(Red Flag)

8—TOM McKECHNIE INSIDE RIGHT

7—GORDON TURNER

OUTSIDE RIGHT

4\_DAVID PACEY

RIGHT HALF

2-BOB MORTON RIGHT BACK

Referee:

Mr. J. S. Pickles

Stockport

RIGHT

2—FRANK KLETZENBAUER RIGHT BACK

4—BRIAN HILL

RIGHT HALF

7-WILLIE HUMPHRIES OUTSIDE RIGHT

8-JIMMY WHITEHOUSE

INSIDE RIGHT

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11—HARRY WALDEN OUTSIDE LEFT

6- JOHN BRAMWELL

LEFT HALF

3-ALAN McBAIN LEFT BACK

10—JOHN REID INSIDE LEFT

5-GORDON FINCHAM

CENTRE FORWARD CENTRE HALF

9—JOHN O'ROURKE

**RON BAYNHAM** 

GOALKEEPER

LEFT

RIGHT

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Wednesday

February 12th, 1964

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Football Combination

Kick-off 7.30 pm

### Our Visitors today

This afternoon we welcome the Officials, Players and Supporters of LUTON TOWN to Highfield Road, on this their first visit for a League match since the 1951-52 season. The Club was founded in 1885 by the amalgamation of Luton Wanderers with Luton Excelsior. They were the first Club in the South to employ professional players and played in the Southern League from 1894-96. They were elected to the League Division II. in 1897. Popularly known as "The Hatters", they play at Kenilworth Road, which has a record attendance of 30,069 for a Cup match against Blackpool in 1959. Their present Manager is Mr. Bill Harvey.

#### PEN PICTURES

- RON BAYNHAM (Goalkeeper) Has been with Luton Town since 1951, being secured from Worcester City. He has represented England on several occasions; played for the Football League on two occasions and also for England 'B' Team versus Yugoslavia 'B'. Was a member of the F.A. Touring Team to South America in 1959.
- BOB MORTON (R.B.) Local born and has been with the Club since 1948. Played for England 'B' once and the Football Combination versus the Dutch XI on two occasions; also for the F.A. versus The Army. Was chosen as Reserve for England at Wembley in 1955 and again when they played Ireland in 1958. Has played in most positions for Luton.
- ALAN McBAIN (L.B.) Born in Aberdeen. Played for Carlisle last season when he attracted the Manager's attention, Transferred to Luton in exchange for J. Lornie and A. Ross. A very sound and capable defender.
- DAVID PACEY (R.H.) Born in Luton, signed for the Club in 1956. Has played for the F.A. versus the R.A.F. and was also a member of the England under 23 team against Germany and Italy. Very strong player with a liking for getting among the goalscorers.
- GORDON FINCHAM (C.H.) Transferred from Leicester to Plymouth four years ago and then to Luton in July 1963. Is the dominating Centre Half we hope will strengthen our defence.
- JOHN BRAMWELL (L.H.) Joined Luton in October 1960 from Everton and has proved a very capable player worthy to be considered for International honours.
- GORDON TURNER (O.R.) Joined Luton as a Wing-half upon his demob from the Navy. Represented the English League against the Scottish League in 1955 and also played for the F.A. XI versus the Army in 1958. The Town's leading goal-scorer for eight seasons, he is a skilled player with a tremendous shot.
- THOMAS McKECHNIE (I.R.) Born Glasgow and joined Luton direct from Rob Roy (Scotland) at the end of season 1960-61. Played consistently in the First Team the past two seasons, except when injury prevented him.
- HARRY WALDEN (O.L.) Joined Luton from Kettering in January 1961 and stepped straight into the First Team. Severely injured at a crucial part of last season's programme which prevented him from taking any further part in the struggle against relegation.

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FOOTBALL LEAGUE				Feb.
1963	F.	A.	Gate	1 Hull City H
Aug.				8 Mansfield Town A
24 Crystal Palace H	5	1	26,037	15 (5) Brentford H
29 Notts. County A	3	0	18,669	22 Wrexham A
31 Walsall A	3	0	17,440	29 (6) Bournemouth H
Sept.		Mar.		
7 Reading H	0	0	24,992	7 Watford A
10 Notts. County H	2	0	27,796	14 (S.F.) Southend U. H
14 Luton Town A	3	1	14,539	21 Bournemouth A
17 Crewe Alex H	5	1	29,572	28 Oldham H
21 Hull City A	1	2	12,315	30 Port Vale A
28 Mansfield Town H	0	3	22,903	31 Port Vale H
Oct.				April
2 Crewe Alex A	2	2	7,385	4 Bristol R A
5 Brentford A	3	2	15,830	11 Q.P.R H
8 Bristol City H	2	1	23,884	18 Millwall A
12 Wrexham H	3	0	23,692	20 Peterborough U A
15 Bristol City A	1	0	13,582	25 Colchester U H
19 Colchester Utd A	1	2	7,189	May
22 Shrewsbury T H	8	1	27,294	2 (Cup Final)
26 Watford H	2	2	25,910	2 (Cup Final)
30 Shrewsbury T A	0	0	13,669	
Nov.				FOOTBALL COMBINATION
2 Southend Utd A	2	1	12,012	Dec.
9 Peterborough U H	3	2	29,663	4 Watford H 3 3
16 Trowbridge F.A. Cup A	6	1	6,542	11 Portsmouth A 0 2
23 Bristol R H	4	2	23,901	18 Fulham H 2 0
30 Q.P.R A	6	3	10,997	21 Charlton A A 1 6
Dec.				1964
7 Bristol R. F.A.Cup H	1	2	26,248	Jan.
14 Crystal Palace A	1	1	18,942	8 Southampton H 1 0
21 Walsall H	1	0	19,563	15 Leyton O H 4 0
26 Barnsley A	1	1	12,308	21 Millwall A
28 Barnsley H	3	1	26,922	29 Southampton A
1964				Feb.
Jan.				1 Brighton & Hove A
3 Millwall H	3	0	27,437	12 Birmingham City H
11 Reading A	2	2	16,923	18 Brentford A
18 Luton Town H				26 Q.P.R H
22 Oldham A				29 Swindon Town A

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