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BRIAN JOHNSON IN FINE FORM IN COMFORTABLE WIN OVER ROBY.

DEFENCE PLAY WELL. HARRISON AND FRECKLETON
HAVE GOOD GAMES.

After the excitement of last weeks game against Quarrybank this game seemed a little of an anti-climax. At no stage was there real urgency in the play and although Roby played some good football 5 second half goals brought them defeat.

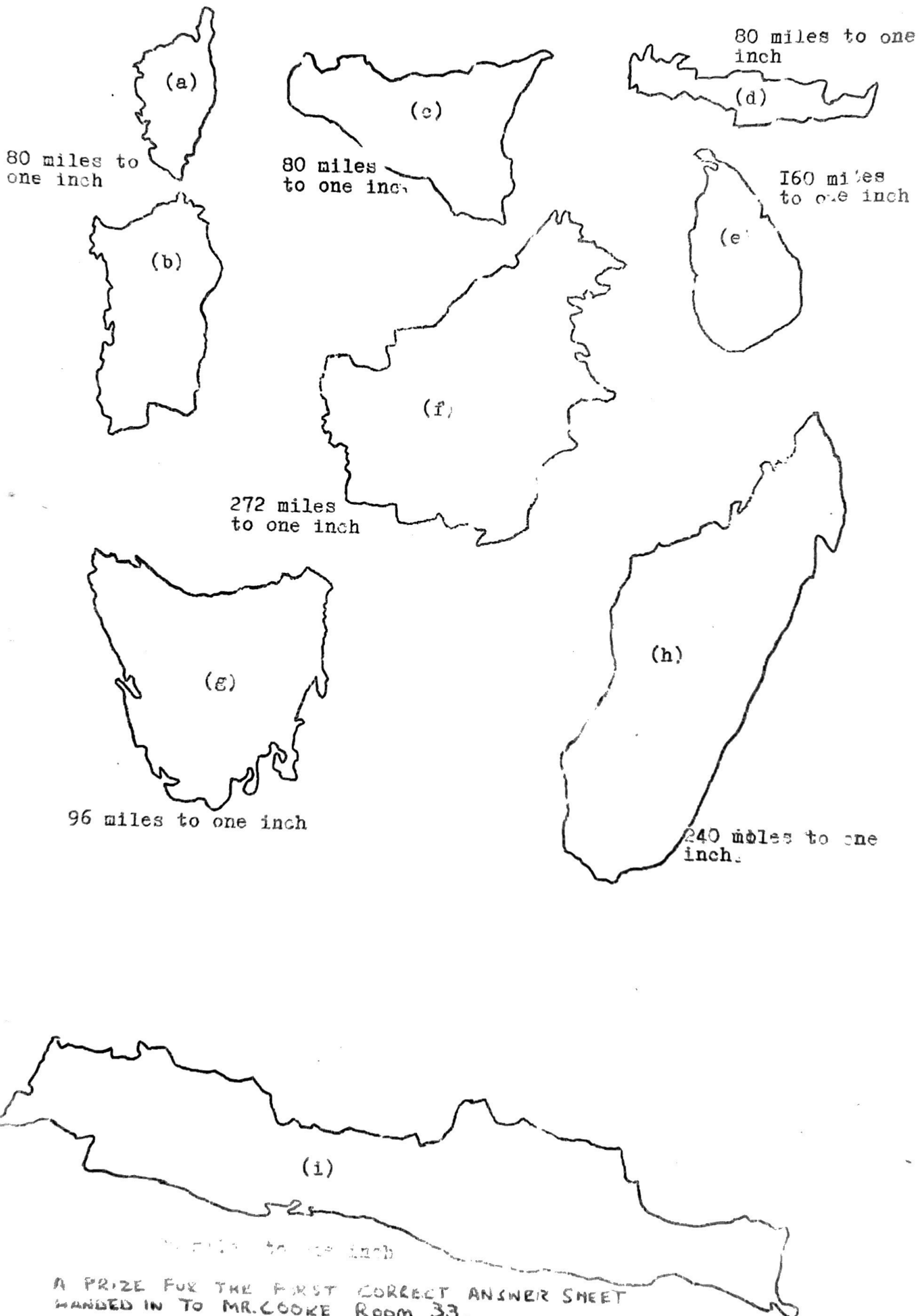
Without splendid work from the groundstaff this game would never have taken place. Overnight, senseless vandals had pulled down goalposts and this was only corrected by hard work by Mr. Wass and his assistant. The weather was mild and there was no wind as the game kicked off. It was a quiet start and all through the first half there was little real action. Warburton had a good shot but the finishing was generally poor. This was a shame as Lawson and Mansley several times played themselves into good positions. Rogers should have scored just before half time when all was needed was a final shot. Regan showed up well in midfield, playing more in defence. Chellew had almost nothing to do in goal.

At half time the team were instructed to play with more urgency, and Halewood replaced Mansley and Phair replaced Lawson. Regan moved up into attack. Right from the kick off Institute took the lead. Warburton played the ball down the left flank and crossed from the bye line. The goalkeeper made a mess of his save and the ball ran loose to Halewood who tapped the ball home with his first kick of the match. After ten minutes the best moment in the game took place. From a corner on the right from Warburton Johnson, unmarked, rose to send a bullet like header into the goal. This was just reward for Johnson who is really playing well at this stage of the season. Five minutes later Roby scored a goal from a 30 yard lob that sailed over Chellew's head into the net. For a moment it looked as if our casual play might prove our downfall but almost immediately a bad mistake by the Roby goalkeeper gave Rogers the easiest of scoring chances. This goal more or less made the result a certain win, but Roby kept on playing football and only a brilliant save by Chellew prevented them from scoring. Chellew's handling of the ball was most impressive and this part of his game has been noticed by several people this season.

Ten minutes from the end Regan scored from ten yards and near the end Warburton found the back of the goal from a similar distance. O'Shaughnessy again played well in midfield and Johnson took the man of the match award for some fine defensive play and his fine goal. One particular aspect of our play must be corrected. There is far too often a large gap in the middle of the field between defence and attack. Too many balls are not being picked up in this region. If this can be rectified we should do even better in future. The next game is against Holt (away). Remember we beat Holt last season in an exciting cup tie 2-1.

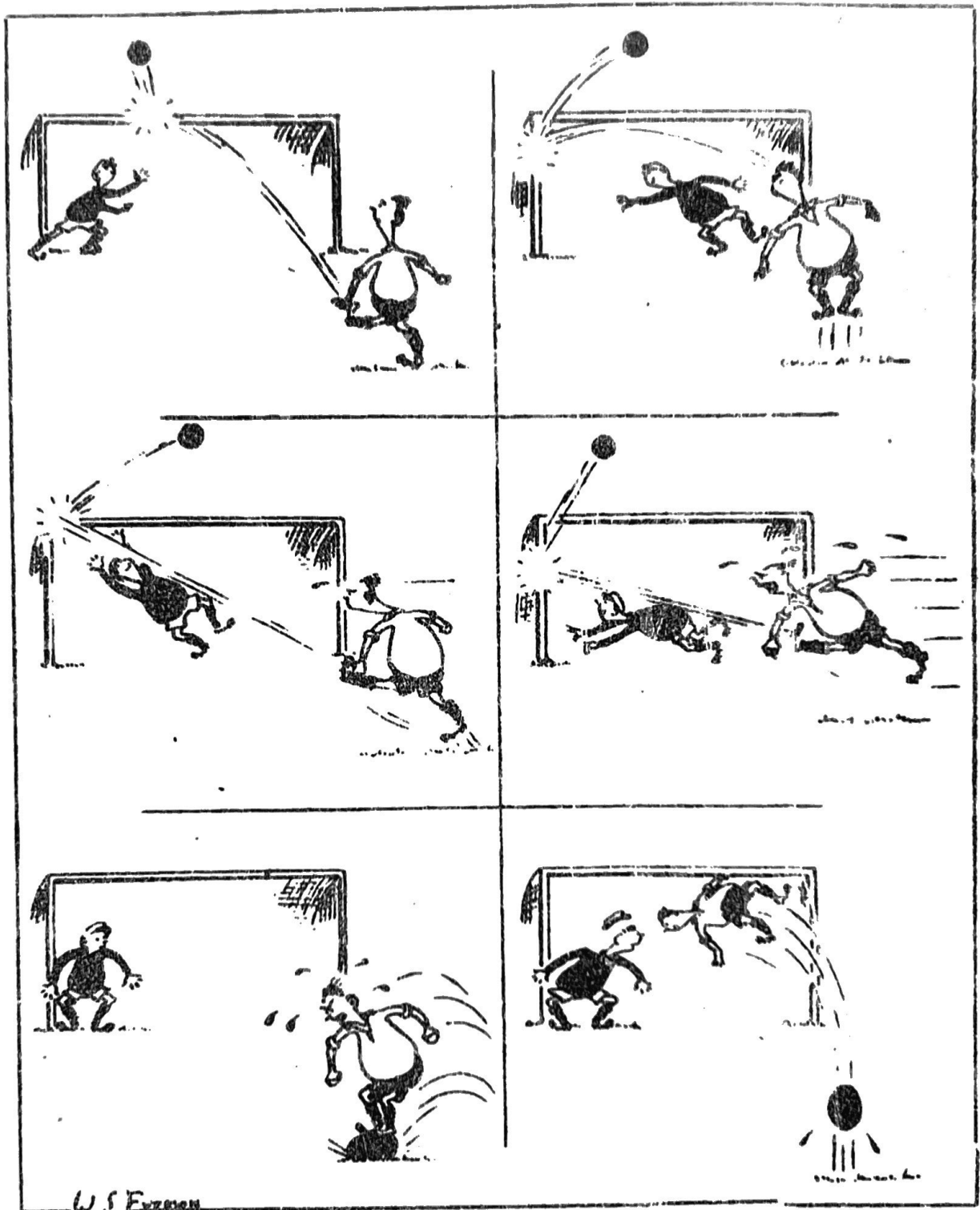
QUIZ PAGE ONE

Below are a number of islands in the world. On a piece of paper name each island. (You will need an atlas to do this quiz.) Alongside each island is the scale of the map.



A PRIZE FOR THE FIRST CORRECT ANSWER SHEET
HAND IN TO MR. COOKE Room 33.

LANGFORD STRIKES AGAIN



UNDER - 12 FOOTBALL

POOR FINISHING LEADS TO UNDESERVED DEFEAT

ROBY 4 INSTITUTE 2

TEAM :

HARRISON	WAYDOCK	JARMAN	POULKES
VIRTUE	HARPER (WOODS)	MITCHELL	ELLISON (ROBERTS)
LAWLOR	CURLETT	CONNEELY	

The team incurred only its third defeat for the season, although the opposing manager had to admit that the result did not accurately reflect the play. However, Roby put away their chances well, whereas the Institute squandered many scoring opportunities in the second half, and so the team have only themselves and perhaps a little bad luck to blame for this setback. It was a game of two halves, Roby being on top in the first, and the Institute dominating the second. Right from the kick-off it was clear that Roby would provide much stiffer opposition than Quarry did last week. Indeed, for about ten minutes Roby penned us into our own half. On one of the few occasions on which the Institute were in the Roby half, Mitchell dribbled his way through the defence, but with only the goalkeeper to beat, he chose the wrong side to aim at and saw his shot go just wide of the post - an uncharacteristic error from the skipper. He made up for this just afterwards, however. Once again he slipped through the defence and sent in a cracking shot from just inside the area. This goal gave the team heart and they started to play better. But Roby fought back and equalized with a well-judged lob over Waydock's head - he could not be faulted for this goal. The defence were having trouble coping with the lively Roby attack and too often the hurried clearances went straight to Roby men. Before half-time Roby went 2-1 ahead with a nicely placed shot which gave the keeper little chance. Just before half-time, centre-back Harper had to limp off with a leg injury, and he was replaced by Woods. Poulkes moved into the middle of the defence and Woods took over as full-back. The main problem in this unhappy first half seemed to be in midfield, where there was little cohesion, and it was obvious that the team were missing the left-footed Manifold badly, for, although Ellison tried hard, he is a right-sided player and was having difficulty on the left. Therefore it was decided to take him off: Roberts went on at centre-forward, Curlett switched to left-wing, Woods moved into midfield and Conneely retired to left-back. This tactic seemed to have the desired effect as the Institute dominated the half. However, Roby were presented with a third goal by sloppy work in defence; instead of clearing, Woods tried to dribble, was robbed and Roby put the ball in at the third attempt. A stupid goal! However, Woods made up for this by some neat work in midfield. As the midfield began to get a grip on the game, winger Lawlor was given an opportunity to show his speed and the Institute's second goal came from a cross from the right, Curlett heading in. It seemed that we were set for a victory after all as Roby were now penned into their own half. But they showed some fine opportunism when on a rare breakout into our half, they netted a fourth goal. I am sure that Waydock will be able to hold such shots once he gains a little confidence. The Institute did not give up and Mitchell hit the bar with a tremendous drive. This incident typified the bad luck of the team, the ball always just eluding the forwards when just a touch would have put the ball in on several occasions. Conneely had an excellent game in his improvised role at full-back, and centre-half Jarman was all over the field in the second half in an effort to prompt his forwards, tackling well and distributing it skillfully. Poulkes and Harrison also did excellent work in the heart of the defence. It is to be hoped that the team will learn from this unnecessary defeat: chances must be taken against the better sides, for however much a team dominates, it's goals that count. But comfort can be taken from the fact that so many chances were created in the second half.

FIRST YEARS.

RESULTS SO FAR

	For	Against	
HIGHFIELD (A)	6	5	
hillfoot (A)	7	0	
SHOREFIELDS (H)	5	2	
GATEACRE (A)	3	0	
ST.MARGARETS (H)	3	1	
BLUECOAT (A)	7	1	
COLLEGIATE (A)	4	3	(CUP)
NEW MEYS (H)	2	2	
HALEWOOD (A)	1	4	
COLLEGIATE (H)	1	2	
PALLINGTON (A)	12	0	
ST.ANDREWS (H)	4	0	Ø (CUP)
SPEKE (A)	5	1	
QUARRYBANK (H)	10	0	
ROBY (A)	2	4	

STATISTICS:

<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>
15	11	1	3	72	25

NEXT MATCH:

Saturday 24th January.

Quarter Final of the Cup

At Mersey Road, kick-off at 10 a.m

Our opponents are Fazakerley.

This should be a very good match and I am sure the team would be glad of the support of anyone who can come along. It would be nice to see you supporting the efforts of the team for the school. There are no matches on in Liverpool in the afternoon, as Liverpool are away, and nobody would actually go and pay to see Everton anyway! So come to see some ~~good~~ good football at Mersey Road.

K.WILLIAMS
W.ROBINSON

EDITORS NOTE.

Thanks to JIMMY BATTLE (SD) WHO HAS KINDLY CONTRIBUTED A LARGE NUMBER OF FOOTBALL PROGRAMMES THAT WILL BE USED AS PRIZES FOR FUTURE COMPETITIONS.

ALSO Thanks to MR. ROBINSON & MR WILLIAMS For their contributions for the 1st Year team.

Remember all contributions are welcome for future editions.

Anyone who requires any back editions of the Football News See Me as I have some spare copies.

RJ Cooke
EDITOR.

A team goalscorers 1975-76.

Langford	20	O'shaughnessy	2
Warburton	11	Woods	1
Diable	9	Bestock	1
Halewood	8	Harrison	1
Regan	6	Rogers	1
Mansley	4	Hassell	1
Johnson	2		

Next match Vs. Holt team as follows.

Whelley
Harrison
Freckleton
O'shaughnessy captain
Johnson
Woods
Regan
Diable
Langford
Warburton
Halewood
Subs.
Bennett
Hooper.

AT HOLT. A TEAM MEETING WILL
BE ANNOUNCED IN THE WEEK.

SPOT THE BALL.

PUT ONE X WHERE YOU THINK THE BALL IS.
CUT OUT AND HAND TO MR. COOKE.
PRIZE FOR NEAREST ENTRY.

CUT HERE.

NAME.....FORM.....

