

**Injury News:** John Dempsey, who has been troubled since the start of the season by an Achilles tendon injury, played his first match for three months in the Reserves at home to Bristol City last Saturday. He came through the test satisfactorily, standing up well to several tackles, and we hope he will now proceed to get in further match practice on the way back to full recovery. Skipper Eddie McCreadie missed last Saturday's match at Wolverhampton because of a recurrence of back trouble, and another victim of a back injury is Bobby Brown, injured in the Reserves last Saturday. Micky Droy has his left foot in plaster after breaking a bone two weeks ago against Norwich, but there is encouraging news of Peter Bonetti. He has recovered so well from the stomach operation that followed his injury in the League Cup-tie at Bury on October 31 that he was back in full training by the end of last week. The ankle injury Steve Kember received last Saturday did not improve in time for him to play at Norwich on Wednesday, when Ian Hutchinson was again absent because of fluid in the knee. Steve Sherwood is fit again after a shoulder injury.

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**Two-weeks today:** We shall not be running the Chelsea Train to Manchester for the match against City on January 6, but British Rail will operate a "special" that day as follows: Depart Euston 10.45, arrive Manchester Piccadilly 13.37; Return, depart Manchester Piccadilly 17.45, arrive Euston 20.32. Fare £2.50 return (children 3-14 £1.50). Buffet facilities will not be available on this train.

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**Good for Steve:** Steve Finnieston, our leading Youth team scorer, has been in the Canaries since last Sunday, playing in an International Youth tournament for Scotland. He is due back tomorrow.

#### THE CHELSEA LIGHTER

**W**E are now awaiting delivery of the newly-designed Chelsea F.C. pocket lighter—limited quantity—in brush chrome, complete with engraved Club crest.

The lighter is wind-proof, and therefore ideal for use on terraces and stands. Price £2.95, including postage. Please write direct to: The Secretary, Chelsea F.C., Stamford Bridge Grounds, Fulham Road, London SW6 1HS.

## Front cover shot

**T**HE picture that told the Football world: "Hutch is back!" After battling for 22 months against injury, it all came right again for Ian in our last home League match. The fact that he was once more playing First Division football was itself a tribute to his courage and determination to overcome adversity. No wonder Stamford Bridge rose in salute as Hutchinson shot this our second goal of that game against Norwich City. Then he got another, and only the goalpost prevented him completing a comeback hat-trick. Instead, those two goals made it a coat-trick, because only three days earlier Manager Dave Sexton promised his brand-new Danish overcoat to the next Chelsea player to score twice in a match. Said Dave: "After a comeback like that, Hutch can have the shirt off my back if he wants it!"

*(Central Press picture)*

### F.A. Cup—Third Round Draw

BRIGHTON v. CHELSEA  
 Arsenal v. Leicester  
 Peterborough v. Derby  
 Bradford City v. Blackpool  
 Burnley v. Liverpool  
 Carlisle v. Huddersfield  
 Charlton v. Bolton  
 Chelmsford v. Ipswich  
 Crystal Palace v. Southampton  
 Everton v. Aston Villa  
 Grimsby v. Preston  
 Luton v. Crewe  
 Manchester City v. Stoke  
 Margate v. Tottenham  
 Millwall v. Newport  
 Newcastle v. Bournemouth  
 Norwich v. Leeds  
 Notts County v. Sunderland  
 Orient v. Coventry  
 Plymouth v. Middlesbrough  
 Portsmouth v. Bristol City  
 Port Vale v. West Ham  
 Q.P.R. v. Barnet  
 Reading v. Doncaster  
 Scunthorpe v. Cardiff  
 Sheffield Wednesday v. Fulham  
 Stockport v. Hull  
 Swindon v. Birmingham  
 Watford v. Sheffield United  
 West Bromwich Albion v. Nottingham Forest  
 Wolves v. Manchester United  
 York v. Oxford United

(Ties to be played on January 13)