

DEATH OF COLIN VEITCH

Colin Veitch, a great England and Newcastle United footballer, died in Switzerland on Saturday after being taken ill while on holiday.

Veitch was capped six times for England, and was also captain. He could play in almost any position on the field. Veitch, who was born in Newcastle, played for the United in every position except outside-left and goal. While he was with Newcastle the club reached the F.A. Cup Final five times between 1905 and 1911, winning it once, in 1910, when they beat Barnsley after a drawn game. In these ties Veitch occupied four different positions. He received his first cap in 1906, when he played against Scotland, Ireland, and Wales. The following season he was chosen against Scotland and Wales, and in 1909 he received his last cap—against Wales.

During the reign of Veitch as one of the finest footballers in the country Newcastle, in addition to successes in the F.A. Cup, won the League Championship three times. Veitch was captain and right-half the first time Newcastle won the Cup. Veitch gained chief fame as a half-back, and in internationals he played at centre-half and left-half. In four inter-League games he appeared at centre-half, right-half, left-half, and inside-left. Veitch used to be fond of pointing out that he was chosen as reserve almost as frequently as he was included in the representative elevens.