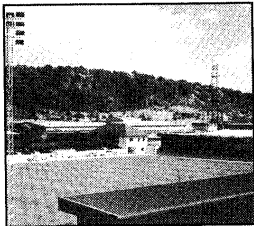


Wycombe ready for Trophy battle

WITH injuries decapitating Blues current squad, manager Martin O'Neill was on the verge of signing Cheltenham centre forward Mick Nuttall this week.

With Dave Carroll rated as doubtful with an ankle injury and Nicky Evans on the transfer list, Wycombe enter the FA Trophy tomorrow with a rapidly diminishing squad.

Simon Stapleton, a week away from playing, and Gary Smith are definitely out of the first round clash with Wealdstone (Adams Park, ko 3pm) with long term in-



juries, while Martin Blackler's groin injury makes him very doubtful.

O'Neill was hoping to sign

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Nuttall, not eligible for tomorrow's game, for a nominal fee.

Not currently in the Cheltenham first team, Nuttall, 22, scored five

goals in 27 Conference games last season.

"I'm very interested in him, and I've spoken to the manager. He holds it up reasonably well, but the boy Casey's keeping him out at the minute. I might get him at next to nothing, and we need bodies," said O'Neill. "Cover for Evans and West is needed. Lambert, Moussadik and Robert Thorpe would have played against Bracknell last night."

O'Neill almost bought a winger from Boreham Wood last week until the player came back with increased personal demands.

Wealdstone, managed by for-

mer Blues boss Alan Gane until he departed last month, are the only side to have achieved the league/Trophy double when they won the 1985 Gola League.

They beat Boston 2-1 at Wembley when a certain Vinny Jones, now with Sheffield United, could not make the first team.

Brian Hall, manager then before three years with Yeovil, is back in the hot seat at the club who finished 13th in the Beazer Homes Premier Division last season.

Wealdstone (from): Coles, Watson, Smart, Tapley, Morris, Harrison, Donnellan, Goyette, Cordice, Blackman, Kelly, Gipp, Browne