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1893, 1894, 1896, 1898, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908,
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Scottish Cup Winners (21 times)

1892, 1899, 1900, 1904, 1907, 1908, 1911, 1912,
1914, 1923, 1925, 1927, 1931, 1933, 1937, 1951,
1954, 1965, 1967, 1969, 1971.

Scottish League Cup Winners (7 times)

1957, 1958, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970.

Empire Exhibition Cup 1938

Coronation Cup 1953

European Cup 1967

JOCK STEIN says...

The month of November has been a very good one for Celtic and their supporters. When you consider that we were most unlucky not to beat the then league leaders, Aberdeen, and that we have had very convincing wins against Dundee United, Falkirk, and Partick Thistle, the month has been very rewarding.

Last Saturday gave all of us the greatest satisfaction, however. Not only did we turn the tables decisively on Thistle but Aberdeen lost at the same time, and so Celtic went to the top of the table.

INTENTION

I have no wish to boast, but I can tell you that we have every intention of staying there. The way our lads played at Firhill reminded me of our best days in the league championship.

It is in a way sad that only three and a half years after the European Cup triumph in Lisbon nine of the winning side were for one reason or other not wearing the Celtic colours last Saturday. Yet I think we have shown that we have built towards another splendid pool of players that will do the club great credit.

I would like to say at this point that no result gave me greater pleasure at the weekend than Hamilton Accies's first win of the season and their first win under their new manager, Ronnie Simpson, one of our famous Lisbon Lions.

Now to our newest player, "Dixie" Deans. In one match the stocky little ex-Motherwell centre forward has set many of us wondering how far and how profitably the striking partnership of Dixie and Louis Macari can develop, I have much confidence in the combination. Deans has worked very hard to make the big team and he is delighted at the help and encouragement the other players and the supporters have given him.

DAY TO REMEMBER?

This is the day when he plays in a Celtic jersey at Parkhead for the league team; it could be a day to remember for all of us.

Kilmarnock have shown good improvement in recent weeks and from all accounts they did not have much luck when they



lost their last game to Hibs by the odd goal after leading at half-time. Walter McCrae's men usually play with spirit and skill against us, though they have not found Celtic Park one of their luckiest grounds. I am sure they will contribute a great deal to this afternoon's entertainment. We for our part will be all out to consolidate our place at the top of the table and in doing so to maintain our reputation for providing top-class football—the skills and thrills of the game.

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Tommy Gemmell, Harry Hood, Victor Davidson, and John Hughes are the Celtic players (left to right) in this picture of the league match against Kilmarnock last season at Rugby Park. The Kilmarnock players (left to right) are Billy Dickson, Jim Whyte, Brian Rodman, and (behind Davidson) Jackie McGrory.

New Peaks to Climb for Stein and Celtic

There are always new peaks for Celtic and Jock Stein to climb. Who would have realised, for instance, that this is the first season of Jock's managership in which Celtic have won all seven of their first away league fixtures?

Celtic have dropped only three of the 26 points at stake so far. At precisely the same stage of the last season they had dropped the same number—all away from home (two to Hibernian and one to Falkirk).

In Mr. Stein's six full seasons as Celtic manager, in all of Mr. James McGrory's period as manager, and for many years back in that of Mr. William Maley you'll find only one run of away victories from the start of the season that take in as many as the seven of the present day.

The extraordinarily curious fact is that though Celtic had won the first 10 of their away fixtures in season 1957-58 (during Mr. McGrory's managership) they finished only third in the league table. Of their remaining seven they lost three and drew two and they won only seven of their 17 home games!

SIXTEEN IN A ROW

Four seasons ago Celtic were beaten in their first away league game of the season (at Ibrox) but they won 16 in succession thereafter.

That is the best away performance ever in the 18-club league.

ON THE THEME

Keeping on the theme of Stein, we commend to your attention the remarkable statistics of the 1953-54 championship—the season in which Jock captained Celtic to the league flag.

It is difficult to credit that Celtic won that flag though of their first 10 away fixtures in the first division of 16 clubs they won only one game and lost seven!

Yet at the end of the competition they had won the league by no fewer than five points, having won their last five away matches and having completed the league fixtures with 29 home points won of a maximum of 30.

Kilmarnock at Celtic Park

Kilmarnock have played 18 Scottish League matches at Celtic Park since the Second World War—one in season 1946-47 and (after a period in which they were in the second division) from 1954-55 onward.

Celtic have won 13 of the 18 games and four have been drawn. Kilmarnock's one success was in December, 1955, when they won 2-0—the only time in many years that Celtic have failed to score in a league match at home against Killie for many years.

Killie's last draw at Parkhead was in December, 1968. The clubs drew both league games in that season—2-2 at Rugby Park and 1-1 at Celtic Park. The teams in the latter match were:—

Celtic—Fallon; Craig, Gemmill; Murdoch, McNeill, Brogan; Johnstone, Callaghan, Chalmers, Auld, Hughes (Sub. Wallace).

Kilmarnock—McLaughlan; King, Dickson, Gilmour, McGrory, Beattie, McLean (T), Queen, Morrison, McLean (J), McIlroy (Sub. McFadzean).

Referee—W. Anderson (East Kilbride).

Kilmarnock finished thirteenth in the league table last year—their worst position since they were relegated in 1947-47. In the 17 successive seasons in which they have been in the first division their positions have been:—

10, 8, 3, 5, 9, 2, 2, 5, 2, 2, 1, 3, 7, 7, 4, 7, and 13.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Twenty years ago almost to the day there occurred a Celtic happening which seemed at the time of minor importance but which in the fullness of time led to greatness. What took place in December, 1951?

Answer on page 10

PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS FOR TODAY'S GAME

CELTIC

CONNAGHAN

HAY

QUINN

CALLAGHAN

McNEILL

CONNELLY

JOHNSTONE

DALGLISH

DEANS

MACARI

HOOD

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(Edinburgh)

Linesmen:

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(Dunfermline)

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(Lenzie)

KILMARNOCK

(from)

HUNTER

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CAIRNS

MAXWELL

RODMAN

McGRORY

McSHERRY

GILMOUR

MATHIE

MORRISON

COOK

McCULLOCH

Kilmarnock Quiz

- Two Kilmarnock centre halves have played for Scotland within the past 12 years. Who were they?
- Who scored Kilmarnock's last goal in a match at Celtic Park?
- When Kilmarnock won the Scottish League first division championship in 1965 they did so because they had better goal average than Hearts, who had the same number of points. What was the points total of both clubs and what were the goal averages?
- Can you name the Kilmarnock player who was seriously injured in a match at Celtic Park two years ago?
- Who was the Kilmarnock full back of the late 1920's and early 1930's who played three times for Scotland against England and gained altogether nine caps?
- A director of Kilmarnock played twice for Scotland in wartime (1939-45) Internationals. Who is he and what was his club at the time he was capped?
- How many matches did Kilmarnock win last season?
- From which clubs did Kilmarnock sign Alistair Hunter, Jackie McGrory, Ross Mathie, Jim McCulloch?
- Who was the well known Celtic player of recent years whose first senior club was Kilmarnock?
- Kilmarnock ended a remarkable Celtic league record. What was it?
(Answers on page 9)

Division I Table

	P	W	D	L	GOALS			PTS
					F	A		
Celtic	13	11	1	1	40	10	23	
Aberdeen	13	10	2	1	38	8	22	
Hibernian	13	8	2	3	26	12	18	
Hearts	13	7	4	2	26	17	18	
Rangers	13	8	0	5	33	18	16	
Dundee	13	6	4	3	24	17	16	
St. Johnstone	13	6	3	4	25	21	15	
Partick Thistle	13	3	6	4	18	26	12	
Dundee United	13	5	1	7	27	34	11	
Ayr United	13	3	4	6	12	16	10	
Morton	13	5	0	8	19	21	10	
Kilmarnock	13	4	2	7	19	26	10	
Falkirk	13	4	2	7	18	30	10	
Airdrieonians	13	3	4	6	18	35	10	
Motherwell	13	3	3	7	16	28	9	
Dunfermline Ath.	13	2	4	7	10	19	8	
Clyde	13	3	2	8	12	26	8	
East Fife	13	2	4	7	11	28	8	

The Celtic Season so far

LEAGUE CUP		F	A
Aug. 14	(h) Rangers (at Ibrox Stadium)	2	0
" 18	(a) Morton	1	0
" 21	(a) Ayr United	3	0
" 25	(h) Morton	0	1
" 28	(a) Rangers	3	0
" 30	(h) Ayr United	4	1
Sep. 8	(a) Clydebank	5	0
" 22	(h) Clydebank (quarter-final)	6	2
Oct. 6	(n) St. Mirren (semi-final)	3	0
" 23	(n) Partick Thistle (final)	1	4

LEAGUE		F	A
Sep. 4	(h) Clyde	9	1
" 11	(a) Rangers	3	2
" 18	(h) Morton	3	1
" 25	(a) Airdrieonians	5	0
Oct. 2	(h) St. Johnstone	0	1
" 9	(a) Hibernian	1	0
" 16	(h) Dundee	3	1
" 27	(a) Dunfermline Ath.	2	1
" 30	(a) Ayr United	1	0
Nov. 6	(h) Aberdeen	1	1
" 13	(a) Dundee United	5	1
Nov. 20	(h) Falkirk	2	0
" 27	(a) Partick Thistle	5	1

EUROPEAN CUP		F	A
Sep. 15	(a) B 1903 Copenhagen	1	2
" 29	(h) B 1903 Copenhagen (first round)	3	0
Oct. 20	(h) Sliema Wanderers	F	A
Nov. 3	(a) Sliema Wanderers (second round)	5	0
		2	1

SCORERS

15—Macari, DalGLISH
13—Hood
12—Lennox
4—Callaghan
3—Wallace, Hay, McNeill, Johnstone
1—Hughes, Murdoch, Gemmell, Brogan, Deans
3—own goals: Clark (Morton), Ruddy (Clydebank), Strachan (Partick Thistle)

RESERVES

League Cup		F	A
Aug. 14	(h) Rangers	1	1
" 17	(h) East Fife	1	1
" 21	(h) Ayr United	3	1
" 25	(a) East Fife	2	1
" 30	(a) Rangers	2	0
Sep. 2	(a) Ayr United	1	1
Oct. 6	(a) Dundee United (semi-final)	0	2

League

Sep. 4	(a) Clyde	7	1
" 11	(h) Rangers	4	1
" 25	(h) Airdrieonians	1	0
Oct. 2	(a) St. Johnstone	5	0
" 9	(h) Hibernian	1	0
" 15	(a) Dundee	2	1
Nov. 6	(a) Aberdeen	3	6
" 13	(h) Dundee United	3	0
Nov. 20	(a) Falkirk	1	5
" 25	(h) Partick Thistle	4	1

Second XI Cup

Oct. 30	(h) Ayr United (second round)	3	1
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SCORERS

9—Franchetti
7—Hood
4—Wilson
3—Gemmell, Hancock, Davidson (V)
2—Mitchell, Wallace, Hughes, McLaughlin, McCluskey
1—White, O'Hara, Johnstone, Quinn, Deans

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DAVID THE VERSATILE

Who is the most versatile footballer in Scotland? No one has a better claim to the title than one of Celtic's younger men, Davie Hay, despite the fact that he has yet to complete his fifth year with Celtic, whom he joined from St. Mirin's Boys Guild in 1966.

During the Scottish team management of Bobby Brown and in the new reign of Tommy Docherty Davie Hay has been a regular member of the International team pool. He has been capped at full back and at wing half; he has been used on the left as well as the right side of the field.

He has worn the no. 2, 3, 4, 6, and 8 shirts in important matches for his club. This week he has played in his third International of the season—against Belgium, Portugal, and Holland. On the past three Saturdays he has been no. 4, no. 5, and no. 2. Which fits the best?

"If I were to give a preference," says Davie, "it would be for the no. 2 or no. 3. Probably because I have most experience of the full back jobs and because I like to overlap into an attacking position.

"But I have no hard-and-fast preference. As a matter of fact I enjoy football so much that I always look forward to getting another job to do.

"I think the boss is developing all-round players rather than specialists nowadays. I'm very happy to come in where he and the club want me. In any case who could possibly be other than enthusiastic the way our team plays?"



BE CAREFUL!

The Celtic management have been informed by many reliable sources that spectators at Parkhead have been consistently accepting the club's advice to avoid undue haste in entering or leaving the ground. The supporters are due credit for the part they have played in ensuring the absence of injuries, especially when spectators are anxious to hurry.

The general behaviour of the supporters continues to be good, though now, as always, there can be further improvement.

Answers to Kilmarnock Quiz

1. Willie Toner and Jackie McGrory.
2. Eddie Morrison (December 20, 1969)
3. 50 points; Kilmarnock 1.88 goal average, Hearts 1.84.
4. Frank Beattie (December, 1969).
5. Joe Nibloe.
6. Bob Thyne (Darlington)
7. Ten.
8. Johnstone Burgh, Kilmarnock Ama-

teurs, Cambuslang Rangers, Lanark United.

9. Joe McBride.
10. Celtic played 63 Scottish League games in succession without defeat, starting November 13, 1915. That is a record for the competition. Kilmarnock ended the great run by winning 2-0 at Celtic Park on April 21, 1917.

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TWENTY YEARS AGO

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