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## Jock Stein's Page

**W**ITH every club in the league now faced with a backlog of games we can consider ourselves fortunate that the league fixture with Partick Thistle, postponed on the second Saturday of the year because of the weather, was played last Monday evening. Perhaps I should say fortunate that it was played AND WON by Celtic, for it would have been a bad night indeed if we hadn't taken two points.

Rangers, our chief rivals in the league championship race—with all due respect to Hibs and others, our only rivals now for the title—didn't get the chance to play their league game on the following evening and are now four points behind Celtic but with a game in hand.

### INCENTIVE

Falling that little bit further behind in the league competition will no doubt make Rangers put in even more than their usual effort against us in the Scottish Cup. If, however, we can take that for granted, we can promise them that their effort will be no greater than ours.

I have maintained for some time that Celtic no longer think of a match with Rangers to the exclusion of everything else. We don't, for instance allow a forthcoming match against Rangers, whatever the competition is, to affect our planning for more immediate matters. But when the day comes for the "Old Firm" to meet we concentrate on trying to beat Rangers, just as they concentrate on trying to defeat us.

As these words are prepared for print I cannot forecast what the state of the ground will be. My great hope is that Celtic Park will be as suitable as possible for real football to be played and not in a condition that tends to make luck the deciding factor.

### TRIBUTE TO PLAYERS

To revert to the match at Firhill, the heavily sanded pitch played better than I imagined it would — or perhaps Celtic played so well that



they mastered the difficulties. Some of you who were in the ground some time before the kick-off saw the Celtic players not only testing the pitch but trying out moves on it. I think you will agree that the "touch-and-run" rehearsal proved to be of great value during the match.

I feel sure that every Celtic supporter was well satisfied with the display. Speaking for myself, I must pay the players a special tribute. Not only did they win the match in most convincing manner, they provided a great deal of fascinating, entertaining football. When all is said and done, we have a responsibility to our supporters to do just that—as well, of course, as winning.

Now, without being boastful, I believe our men are in the proper frame of mind to tackle Rangers. No two games are alike in the way they are played, but I am sure that if Celtic repeat their performance of

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Billy McNeill (5) heads Celtic's first goal in last season's Scottish Cup final at Hampden Park.

# CELTIC AND RANGERS IN THE SCOTTISH CUP

**T**HE 1970 Scottish Cup third-round tie between Celtic and Rangers will be the twenty-fourth occasion on which the clubs have been paired in the national knock-out competition. It will also be the thirtieth Scottish Cup match between them, six of the previous games having been drawn.

The score, if one may so describe the up-to-date position, is: Celtic won 12, Rangers won 10. One meeting of the "Old Firm" in the Cup did not produce a result, the trophy having been withheld after two draws in the final of 1909.

When Celtic beat Rangers in last season's final they moved one ahead of their rivals in the Cup-winning tally. Celtic have won the trophy 20 times compared with Rangers' 19.

## FIRST AND LAST

The first "Old Firm" Scottish Cup tie was played at Celtic Park in season 1890-91. It was a first-round tie and Celtic won 1-0. The last, in April 1969, was won 4-0 by Celtic,

Billy McNeill, Bobby Lennox, George Connelly and Steve Chalmers scoring the goals. The teams were:—

**CELTIC**—Fallon; Craig and Gemmell; Murdoch, McNeill and Brogan; Connelly and Chalmers; Wallace; Lennox and Auld (substitute, Clark, played in place of Brogan late in second half).

**RANGERS**—Martin; Johansen and Mathieson; Greig, McKinnon and Smith; Henderson and Penman; Ferguson; Johnston and Persson.

Referee—J. Callaghan (Glasgow).

The attendance was 132,000.

Celtic and Rangers have been drawn to play at Celtic Park seven times altogether. Rangers have won twice—in the third round in 1903

and in the fourth round in 1905. (The latter game was abandoned eight minutes from time when Rangers led 2-0, because of hooliganism by a section of the crowd. Celtic, straightaway conceded the tie, which in due course was officially awarded to Rangers.)

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**Kai Johansen (left) and Ron McKinnon in action during the Celtic-Rangers league match on January 3. (The result was 0-0.)**

# PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS FOR TODAY'S GAME

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**SMITH**  
**HENDERSON**  
**PENMAN**  
**CONN**  
**STEIN**  
**JOHNSTON**  
**MCDONALD (A)**  
**JARDINE**

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<b>D</b>	<b>AIRDRIEONIANS</b> <b>AYR UNITED</b>	
<b>E</b>	<b>CLYDE</b> <b>DUNFERMLINE ATHLETIC</b>	
<b>F</b>	<b>HEARTS</b> <b>ST. MIRREN</b>	
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# DAVID HAY says . . .

**T**HIS has been a very good season for me — for two main reasons.

First of all I am getting a fairly regular game in the first team; secondly I am getting the chance to learn in top-class company how to play in different roles and positions.

I had only three first-team matches last season. As a matter of fact, I did not play a Scottish League game in 1968-69.

I am very grateful to the club, and to Mr. Stein especially, for giving me the chance to play in more than one position. I am grateful too to my more experienced team-mates, whose skill and intelligence have greatly helped me.

## AMBITION

Anything I can do for Celtic will be done to the very best of my ability. I have yet to score a goal for the league side, and it will be a very happy day for me when I do. But I'll be trying not to let that ambition affect my part in the team's play in general. When it comes it will be great. All that matters now is that I am thought good enough to be in the first team; I could hardly ask for more.



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## Jock Stein's Page (continued from page 1)

Firhill we shall have reason to be pleased.

### CONFIDENT

Always when Celtic and Rangers meet, appeals come from all kinds of sources for good behaviour by the spectators. I have no intention of making a special appeal to Celtic supporters who have behaved creditably for some time now, even in circumstances that have annoyed them. All I shall say now is that Celtic Football Club are pleased with

the general conduct of their supporters and are confident that the standard of behaviour will be maintained not only for this Cup tie but for all other games we play.

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Next First Team Home Game

Scottish League

**CELTIC**

v.

**AIRDRIEONIANS**

Saturday, February 28

# Celtic and Rangers in the Scottish Cup

(Continued from page 4)

Celtic have won four of the seven ties at Parkhead, the last of which was played in February, 1959. The result was 2-1, John Divers and Matt McVittie scoring for Celtic and Max Murray (one minute from time) for Rangers. Teams:—

**CELTIC**—Haffey; MacKay and Mochan; Smith, Evans and Peacock; McVittie and Jackson; Lochhead; Wilson and Divers.

**RANGERS**—Niven; Shearer and

Caldow; Davis, Telfer and Stevenson; Scott and McMillan; Murray; Wilson and Matthew.

Referee—J. A. Mowat (Burnside).

The solitary Scottish Cup draw at Celtic Park took place two years earlier. Rangers made a great late rally and scored twice in the last seven minutes for a 4-4 draw. The teams were—

**CELTIC**—Beattie; Haughney and Fallon; Evans, Jack and Peacock; Higgins and Fernie; McPhail; Mochan and Collins.

**RANGERS**—Niven; Shearer and Caldow; McColl, Davis and Baird; Scott and Simpson; Murray; Morrison and Hubbard.

Referee—J. A. Mowat (Burnside).

Billy McPhail (10 minutes), John Higgins (15), Bobby Collins (75) and Willie Fernie (81) scored for Celtic; Bobby Morrison (7), Billy Simpson (14), Johnny Hubbard (83, pen.) and Max Murray (85) were Rangers' scorers.

Celtic won the replay at Ibrox by 2-0. Rangers' last victory over Celtic in the Scottish Cup was by 1-0 in the replay of the final in 1966.

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