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Celtic v. Hearts

CELTIC PARK

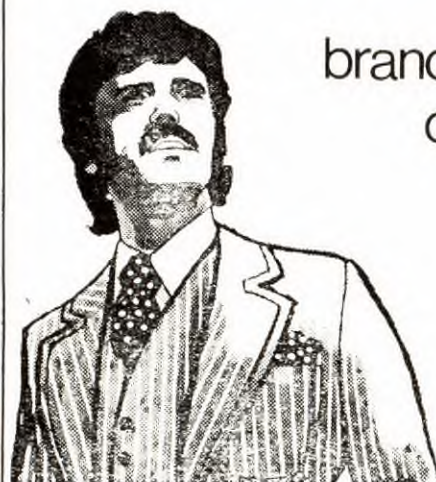
SCOTTISH LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

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JOCK STEIN says...

With our hopes and aspirations of winning a tenth successive league flag left in ashes, due to our own carelessness, we must now focus our attention in retaining the Scottish Cup.

So much has been said about the ten-in-a-row world record that our failure to achieve this goal seems to have taken on a greater significance than our feat of winning the title in nine straight seasons.

If we are honest and realistic however, it is perfectly clear that our run had to end some time and if we retained the title this year we would have been castigated next season if we hadn't won the first Premier Division title.

Admittedly in recent weeks we have had more than our fair share of injury, illness and bad breaks on the park—but our players haven't shown the fight, determination and ability our supporters expect and demand from Celtic footballers. Our successful teams over the last ten years fought for what they won and had the type of never-say-die spirit that seems to be lacking in the team at present. In spite of this I am confident of our cup prospects.

Celtic teams have never been more dangerous than when they appear to be on the ropes and the cup is their last chance of glory for this season.

Today we entertain Hearts and we will be looking for a morale-boosting



performance in preparation for our cup semi-final tie in midweek.

Hearts, under the guidance of new boss John Hagart have climbed from second bottom place in the league to sixth position which is a phenomenal transformation in any language.

Celtic meetings with Hearts have invariably been exciting affairs and I am sure that today's encounter will be no exception to that rule.

Spectators are requested to avoid undue haste in and around the ground and especially when leaving at the end of the match. They are also requested to cooperate with police and stewards in the interests of safety.

Monday, 31st March
AT
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TEAMS AND OFFICIAL

CELTIC HONOURS

Scottish League Champions (29 times)

1893, 1894, 1896,
1898, 1905, 1906,
1907, 1908, 1909,
1910, 1914, 1915,
1916, 1917, 1919,
1922, 1926, 1936,
1938, 1954, 1966,
1967, 1968, 1969,
1970, 1971, 1972,
1973, 1974.

Scottish League Cup Winners (8 times)

1957, 1958, 1966,
1967, 1968, 1969,
1970. 1974/75.

CELTIC

(from)

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McNEILL 5
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S FOR TODAY'S GAME

CELTIC HONOURS

HEARTS

(from)

CRUICKSHANK	1
KAY	2
CLUNIE	3
CALLACHAN	11
ANDERSON	5
MURRAY (D)	6
GIBSON	7
BROWN	8
BUSBY	9
DONALDSON	10
PRENTICE	14
PARK	
MURRAY (T)	12
JEFFRIES	4

Scottish Cup Winners (23 times)

1892, 1899, 1900,
1904, 1907, 1908,
1911, 1912, 1914,
1923, 1925, 1927,
1931, 1933, 1937,
1951, 1954, 1965,
1967, 1969, 1971,
1972, 1974.

European Cup

1967.

Coronation Cup

1953.

Empire Exhibition Cup

1938.

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TODAY'S VISITORS

Hearts are today's league visitors to Celtic Park and if the corresponding games over the last ten years are any criterion, we should see a fair number of goals this afternoon.

Looking over the last ten years (results are shown at foot of page) we find that, with the exception of last year's single goal win for Celtic, goals are generally plentiful when the two teams meet and they haven't produced a drawn game in that period.

A SIZZLER

The game we highlight today was played on Christmas Day of 1971 and it turned out to be as big a sizzler as any Festive Day turkey.

Although Celtic could field all but two of their team on parade that day Hearts show a bigger change in personnel since then.

The teams lined up as follows:

Celtic—Connaghan, Hay and Quinn, Dalglish, McNeill and Connelly, Johnstone and Lennox, Deans, Callaghan and Hood. Substitute: Craig.

Hearts—Cruickshank, Sneddon and Oliver, Brown, Veitch and Thomson, Fleming and Renton, Ford, Winchester and Murray. Substitute: Wood.

Celtic were a goal in front before more than half the players on the

park had touched the ball. In their first raid upfield Jimmy Johnstone set Davie Hay off on an overlap. The cross was headed strongly by Dixie Deans and although the ball was palmed out by Jim Cruickshank, Harry Hood followed up to score. Time 60 seconds.

Kenny Dalglish was prompting all Celtic's attacks from the right half position but all against the run of play. Hearts scored an equaliser. A high cross was headed down by Ford and Renton blasted the ball on the drop into the Celtic net. Hearts' joy was short lived however for within four minutes Jimmy Johnstone had beaten two defenders and lobbed the ball over the keeper to restore Celtic's lead.

Twenty minutes into the second half Dixie Deans scored to increase the lead and despite a Jim Brown goal for Hearts in the closing minutes of the game the match ended with a 3-2 win for Celtic.

Last ten results of Hearts' visits to Celtic Park for league matches.

Celtic	1	Hearts	2	64-65	Jan. 16
"	5	"	2	65-66	Oct. 9
"	3	"	0	66-67	Nov. 26
"	3	"	1	67-68	Dec. 9
"	5	"	0	68-69	Feb. 1
"	0	"	2	69-70	Nov. 8
"	3	"	2	70-71	Oct. 24
"	3	"	2	71-72	Dec. 25
"	4	"	2	72-73	Nov. 18
"	1	"	0	73-74	Mar. 2



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