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CELTIC
v.
KILMARNOCK

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP
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Kick-off 3 p.m.

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1926, 1936, 1938, 1954, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969,
1970.

Scottish Cup winners (20 times)

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

Scottish League Cup (7 times)

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

Empire Exhibition Cup 1938

Coronation Cup 1953

European Cup 1967

JOCK STEIN says...

We approach this our twelfth league match of the season in a position that encourages us to believe that the future is bright—brighter than we could reasonably have expected. Despite striking brilliant form in some games, or in parts of some, Celtic have not played consistently well. Yet look at the comparison between this season and last.

1969-70—Played 11, points 15, goals scored 27, goals lost 14.

1970-71—Played 11, points 20, goals scored 29, goals lost 5.

So without having maintained champions' form we have improved results-wise quite considerably. This prompts me to suggest that when we do regain the consistency of which we are capable we shall really consolidate our position at the top of the table.

MORE AUTHORITY

The period ahead of us, the time when there is little or no interruption to the league programme until the start of the Scottish Cup—this is the time when leagues are won and lost.

We seem to have got over an injury and illness bogey and now that we have all our players available for the first time in many weeks, we should play with more confidence, more authority.

It is good to realise that the challenge for the championship has all the appearance of being far from one-sided. Celtic welcome the efforts of Aberdeen and St. Johnstone and look forward to meeting them again.

Kilmarnock, our opponents of today, have been going through a bad spell—they too have had an unfortunate run of injuries—but they are not used to being in so lowly a place in the league table as they are, and I am certain they won't be subdued easily. Our players will be treating them as they would have done the Killie of a year or two ago—a very good side indeed. One thing is



certain—nobody will be able to say, whatever the outcome of this afternoon's game, that any Celtic player took the game or his opponents too lightly.

The number 63

The number 63 has a special significance for both Celtic and Kilmarnock. Do you know why?

(See page 8)

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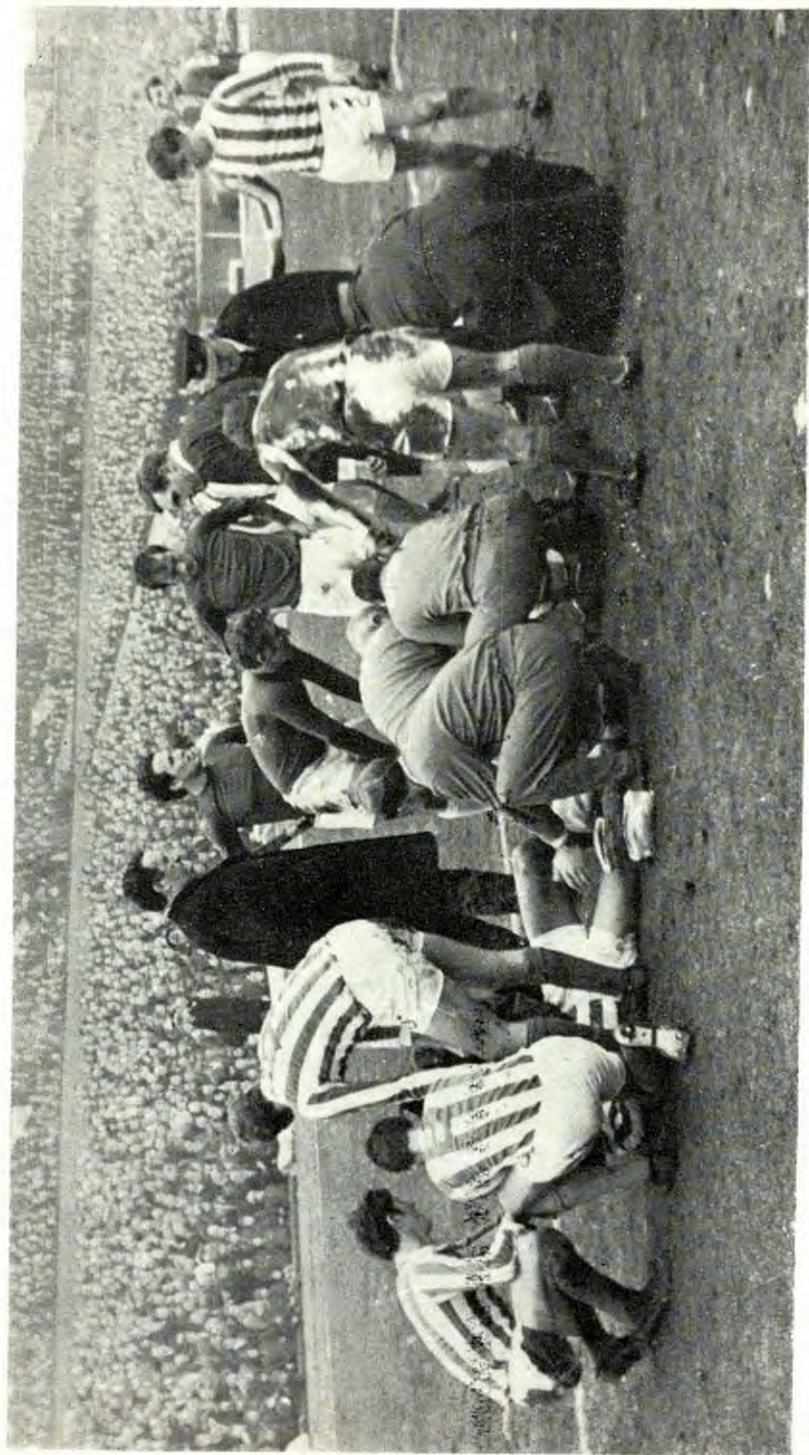
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Two players lie injured at Celtic Park in the Celtic - Kilmarnock league game of last season. They are Frank Beattie and Jimmy Johnstone, the Kilmarnock player having been seriously hurt (see page 6).

Frank Beattie Recovers from Injury

Eleven months ago on exactly this part of the programme we paid tribute to Frank Beattie, the Kilmarnock wing half. The opening words were:—"No football club in the world have had a more loyal, conscientious player...". Many of you who attended the Celtic-Kilmarnock league game (on December 21, 1969) for which the programme was produced saw Frank Beattie seriously injured; it was the saddest kind of coincidence that we chose that day to draw attention to his qualities.

Frank suffered a very bad leg break in that match and has not played since. It is hoped that he will be able to return to the game in a reserve match within the next few weeks. In the meantime he has been doing his utmost to regain fitness and has also been assisting his club by scouting.

SEVENTEEN YEARS

Beattie is by several years the longest-serving player at Rugby Park. He joined Kilmarnock from Bonnybridge Juniors 17 years ago and he is the only one of the present playing-staff who has been in a winning Killie side in a league match at Parkhead.

That was in December, 1955, when the visiting team won 2-0. Centre-forward Davie Curlett scored both goals, and the teams were:—

Celtic—Beattie; Haughney, Meechan; Conroy, Evans, Peacock; Higgins, Fernie, Sharkey, Collins, Mochan.

Kilmarnock—Brown; Watson, Rollo; Taggart, Toner, Mackay; Mays, Harvey, Curlett, Beattie, Fletcher.

Referee—J. S. Devine (Aberdeen).

We feel certain that every Celtic supporter will wish Frank Beattie well whatever his future is to be.

The 1955 game is the only league fixture Kilmarnock have won at Celtic Park since the resumption after the Second World War. Of the 14 league games between the clubs at Celtic Park since the 2-0 victory Celtic have won ten and drawn four.

Last season the result was 3-1 for Celtic. John Hughes (2) and Tommy Gemmell (penalty-kick) scored for Celtic and Eddie Morrison for Kilmarnock. Teams:—

Celtic—Fallon; Hay, Gemmell; Murdoch, McNeill, Brogan; Johnstone, Hood, Wallace, Auld, Hughes (Sub. Craig).

Kilmarnock—McLaughlan; King, Dickson; Gilmour, McGrory, Beattie; McLean, Morrison, Mathie, Waddell, Cook (Sub. Strachan).

HALF-TIME SCORES

A	AYR UNITED ABERDEEN	
B	COWDENBEATH FALKIRK	
C	DUNDEE AIRDRIEONIANS	
D	HEARTS DUNDEE UNITED	
E	MORTON DUNFERMLINE ATH.	
F	MOTHERWELL ST. MIRREN	
G	RANGERS CLYDE	
H	ST. JOHNSTONE HIBERNIAN	
J	ALBION ROVERS PARTICK THISTLE	
K	EAST STIRLINGSHIRE EAST FIFE	

KILMARNOCK QUIZ

- From which clubs did Kilmarnock sign Ronnie Sheed, Brian Rodman, Alan McDonald, Andy King, John Gilmour?
- Who of the Kilmarnock players have gained a full Scottish International honour?
- When Kilmarnock won the Scottish Cup whom did they beat in the final?
- Have Kilmarnock won the League Cup?
- Two well known Celtic players became manager of Kilmarnock in the past 30 years. Who were they?
- Who scored the goal or goals that knocked Kilmarnock out of last season's Scottish Cup?
- Before Mr. Walter McCrae became the Kilmarnock manager what was his post in football?
- Who scored Kilmarnock's last goal?
- When did Kilmarnock last gain a point or points at Celtic Park?
- What is the Christian name of these Kilmarnock players—Hunter, Waddell, Cook, Mathie?

(Answers on page 8)

PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS FOR TODAY'S GAME

CELTIC

(from)
WILLIAMS
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BROGAN
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(from)
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KING
MAXWELL
DICKSON
GILMOUR
McGRORY
RODMAN
McLEAN
MORRISON
FLEMING
MATHIE
McDONALD
COOK



A sight that has been missing for many a day — Tommy Gemmell scoring from a penalty-kick. Sandy McLaughlan (Kilmarnock) is the goalkeeper; the match was the league game at Celtic Park last season.

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ANSWERS TO KILMARNOCK QUIZ

1. East Kilbride, Bellfield B.C., Hearts, Saxone Amateurs, Hamilton Academicals.
2. Billy Dickson, Jackie McGrory, Tommy McLean.
3. Albion Rovers (1920), Rangers (1929).
4. No.
5. Jimmy McGrory, Malcolm Macdonald.
6. Derek McKay (Aberdeen).
7. Trainer of Kilmarnock.
8. Mathie.
9. December, 1968: 1-1 draw.
10. Alastair, William, Jim, Ross.

THE RECORD 63 . . .

Celtic hold the record—63—for the succession of Scottish League matches played without defeat. The run began on November 13 1915, and ended on April 21, 1917, when Kilmarnock won 2-0 at Celtic Park.

Next first-team match at home
League Championship

CELTIC v. ST. MIRREN

Saturday, November 28

Kick-off 3 p.m.



Tommy Gemmell's Hope

This is the day, I hope, that I shall be able to make a comeback in the Celtic team. The "Boss" has already given me a feeling of optimism in this matter and I am really looking forward to my return.

Many of you may remember that I have been out of the "big time" through injury since the very first Saturday of the season. It was against Morton at Parkhead in the opening league game that I got this very troublesome ankle injury—an injury which affected most of all the ligaments.

I reckon that in the weeks I was out of the first team I missed about 20 matches; when you get a bad knock in the early part of a season and the team makes headway in the League Cup and European Cup you miss a couple of games a week, never mind one.

Games in the reserve side have helped me in the process of recovery. After a really hard morning's training on Tuesday I felt ready for anything and now I'm rarin' to go and eager as ever before to play my part. I've never been off for a long spell before, and I sincerely hope I never shall again, for I'm a very bad watcher.

Division I Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Celtic	11	10	0	1	29	5	20
Aberdeen	11	8	2	1	25	7	18
St. Johnstone	11	6	4	1	24	12	16
Rangers	10	6	2	2	19	6	14
Falkirk	11	5	3	3	14	12	13
Morton	10	5	2	3	15	10	12
Dundee	11	5	2	4	17	16	12
Motherwell	11	6	0	5	16	16	12
Airdrieonians	11	4	2	5	16	21	10
Dundee Utd.	11	3	4	4	16	22	10
Hibernian	9	3	3	3	15	14	9
St. Mirren	11	2	5	4	12	16	9
Clyde	11	4	1	6	11	22	9
Hearts	11	3	2	6	13	15	8
Kilmarnock	11	3	2	6	14	25	8
Ayr United	11	2	2	7	15	23	6
Cowdenbeath	11	2	1	8	10	24	5
Dunfermline Ath.	11	0	3	8	11	26	3

KILMARNOCK IN THE LEAGUE

Kilmarnock were founded 101 years ago as a Rugby-playing club (hence the reason for the name of their ground). They played in the first division of the Scottish League for the first time in season 1899-1900 and retained first-league status until the end of 1946-47 when they were relegated. Seven years later they were promoted along with Motherwell, who won the second division championship that season, and they have been in the top league ever since.

The club's finest year was 1965 when they won the first division championship in a tremendous finish. Their final match was at Tynecastle and only Hearts and Kilmarnock were in a position to win the title. A draw would have been sufficient for Hearts; indeed they could have afforded to have lost 1-0 and yet become champions on goal average. As it was Kilmarnock won 2-0 which enabled them to win the

title with goal average of 1.88 to Hearts, 1.84.

Kilmarnock are having their poorest season for many years. Since they regained first-division status at the end of season 1953-54 their league positions have been:

10th (of 16 clubs), 8th, 3rd, 5th, 9th, 2nd, 2nd, 5th, 2nd, 2nd, 1st, 3rd, 7th, 7th, 4th, and (last season) 7th.

The Celtic Season so far

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

			F	A
Aug.	29	(h) Morton	2	0
Sep.	5	(a) Clyde	5	0
"	12	(h) Rangers	2	0
"	19	(a) Hibernian	0	2
"	26	(h) Dundee	3	0
Oct.	3	(a) Dunfermline Ath.	2	0
"	10	(h) St. Johnstone	1	0
"	17	(a) Airdrieonians	3	1
"	28	(h) Hearts	3	2
"	31	(a) Motherwell	5	0
Nov.	7	(h) Cowdenbeath	3	0

LEAGUE CUP

Aug.	8	(h) Hearts	2	1
"	12	(h) Clyde	5	3
"	15	(h) Dundee United	2	2
"	19	(a) Clyde	2	0
"	22	(h) Hearts	4	2
"	26	(a) Dundee United	2	2
Sep.	9	(a) Dundee (quarter-final)	2	2
"	23	(h) Dundee (quarter-final)	5	1
Oct.	7	(n) Dumbarton (semi-final) (after extra time)	0	0
"	12	(n) Dumbarton (semi-final) replay (after extra time)	4	3
"	24	(n) Rangers (final)	0	1

GLASGOW CUP

(1969-70 final)

Aug.	10	(n) Rangers	3	1
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EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS' CUP

Sep.	16	(h) K.P.V. (Finland)	9	0
"	30	(a) K.P.V. (Finland)	5	0
Oct.	21	(a) Waterford	7	0
Nov.	4	(h) Waterford	3	2

SCORERS

11	—Macari Johnstone Wallace (2 pen.)
10	—Lennox Hood (2 pen.)
7	—Hughes
4	—Gemmell (2 pen.) Connelly
3	—Wilson Davidson
	—Murdoch
2	—Hay Callaghan
1	—McNeill Quinn
	own goal (McHugh, Clyde)



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