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Celtic v. Arbroath

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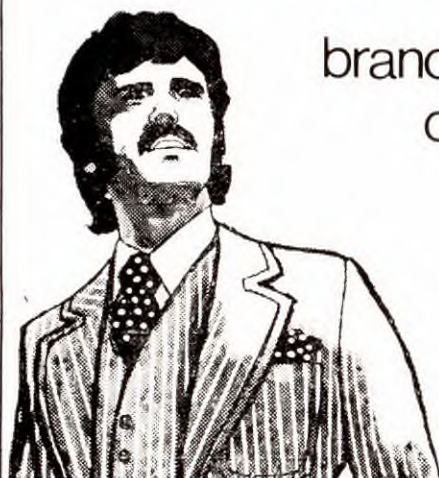
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JOCK STEIN says...

Since we last played a home fixture—against Ayr just two weeks ago—we have played three games in different competitions and obtained two wins and incurred one defeat.

The game we lost, against Olympiakos in Greece, put paid to our European Cup aspirations for this season and following our 1-1 draw with the Greek champions at Celtic Park our defeat in Athens wasn't too surprising.

During the course of the game we created and missed at least two very good scoring chances but all things considered we didn't do enough, particularly in our game at Celtic Park, to merit a passage into the next round of the competition.

The game following our return from Greece was a league fixture with Dumbarton at Boghead.

This had all the symptoms of a dangerous fixture following a disappointing result and all the travelling and upset routine of a match on foreign soil.

SUBSTITUTION

In spite of this and one or two enforced changes, we got the result we wanted and got it with something in hand despite an early substitution because of an injury to Billy McNeill.

On Wednesday night at Hampden Park Steve Murray scored the only goal of the League Cup semi-final match with Airdrie and booked the club's place in the eleventh successive final of the competition.

We didn't set the heather on fire in beating Airdrie but the Broomfield side played well in defence and the two sides were hardly inspired by the crowd of just under 20,000.

With Hibs qualifying for the final by defeating Falkirk by the same margin at Tynecastle—we now face



two games with the Easter Road side on successive Saturdays with a league game at Parkhead just seven days before the Hampden confrontation.

However, before our meetings with Hibs, we have a game today with Arbroath and at present that is the most important game for Celtic.

The Gayfield team at present share the eleventh place in the league and are therefore on the periphery of the 'Top Ten' group.

Our players will be warned not to be complacent against a team which has already provided a couple of shock league results this season.

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.

TEAMS AND OFFICIALS

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 (7 times)

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

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PLAYS FOR TODAY'S GAME

CELTIC HONOURS

ARBROATH

Referee:
PATERSON
(Dunfermline)

Umpires:
McCALLION
(Glasgow)

Scorers:
McKNIGHT
(Glasgow)

(from)

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WILSON
MILNE
RYLANCE
BUCHAN
CARGILL
CARSON
MURRAY
SELLARS
CANT
REID
PENMAN
FLETCHER
YULE

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

Arbroath are our visitors to Celtic Park this afternoon and if our recent games with the Gayfield Park side are any yardstick—the match should be a closely fought contest.

Celtic have won their last three League games against Arbroath by an odd goal. The last two away games have resulted in Celtic victories by 2-1 and the last meeting at Celtic Park saw the Angus side beaten by the only goal of the game.

The game with Arbroath last season was played just four days before that ill-fated meeting with the unforgettable Atletico Madrid.

Team line-ups for that match just six months (and two European Cup Competitions) ago, were:—

Celtic—Connaghan, McGrain and Hay; Murray, McNeill and McCluskey; Johnstone and Hood; Deans, Callaghan and Dalglish. Substitutes—Brogan and Wilson.

Arbroath—Marshall; Milne and Rylance; Cargill, Waddell and Murray; Sellars and Cant; Fletcher, Penman and Walker. Substitutes—Carson and Mitchell.

Only goal

Celtic seemed to be playing with one eye on the Atletico visit and it took them an hour of trying all sorts of ploys before they eventually produced a goal. Steve Murray was sent away on the wing after some clever play by Jimmy Johnstone and the final cross was despatched past a helpless Gordon Marshall by Kenny

Dalglish. That was the only goal of the game, but it still won two valuable points for Celtic.

Arbroath's visit to Celtic Park in the previous season was on April 21, 1973, and although they held Celtic to a no-scoring first-half they were comprehensively beaten in the second 45 minutes period.

Teams that day were:—

Celtic—Hunter; McGrain and Brogan; Murdoch, McNeill and Connelly; Hood and Deans; Dalglish; Hay and Callaghan. Substitute—Lennox.

Arbroath—Marshall; Young and Rylance; Cargill, Waddell and Winchester; Sellars and Penman; Pirie; Cant and Payne. Substitute—Fletcher.

Eighth title

At the start of the game Celtic and Rangers were locked at the top of the League with 53 points each and just two games to play. As it happened, Celtic won and Rangers only drew at Aberdeen and on the following Saturday Celtic clinched their eighth title at Easter Road with a win over Hibs.

In the first half of the match Gordon Marshall looked to be unbeatable in Arbroath's goal, but seven minutes into the second half he was beaten by a Harry Hood header. Celtic then proceeded to score three more goals via Davie Hay, Dixie Deans and Kenny Dalglish to win the match by four goals to nil.



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