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purely about football, but will also be about a German judgement on the standards of behaviour of Scottish supporters generally. As individual nations Germany and the United Kingdom are working together through their joint membership of the Common Market to formulate even closer links based on culture, business and related interests. Football and its National Associations' relationships rises above petty politics and the past and is all about fellowship and the future.

Do not pay any attention to supposed newspaper comments regarding possible rudeness by Bayern's staff as I am sure there is no substance in it and we should rely on our own players to continue the good work that they commenced at Tynecastle.

I would also confirm that the Club will have its own Stewards and Security Officers in Munich and we are also grateful for the attendance of Mr McFarlane from the Scottish Football Association.

Enjoy the trip and the whole occasion, but please remember every supporter reflects the good name of

Dear Supporter,
This note is being handed out to everyone attending the match at Tynecastle today and will also be incorporated in the match programme. Its purpose is to wish everyone well who will be visiting Germany next week for our match against Bayern Munich and also to ask for your assistance in ensuring the success of our Club's visit. The Directors hope that the supporters will behave with the same standard of dignity which was displayed earlier this season in Dublin. I need not remind supporters that Munich is a twin town with Edinburgh and this visit is not

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Newsdesk

FLOODLIGHT OPENING

The Club sent a team out to Broxburn on the 20th February to celebrate the official opening of the Junior Club's Floodlights. A team of fringe players and many of our promising youngsters beat the local side, coached incidentally by ex-Heart **Derek O'Connor**, by four goals to nil...

Twenty one years ago in 1948, Hearts also sent a reserve team to Albyn Park, Broxburn and officially opened the ground, playing a match against Rangers reserves watched by a crowd of 2,000.

FRIENDLY K.O'D

Hearts proposed friendly match at Sunderland last week was called off when the Scottish League declined to give the Club permission to take part in

the game on the grounds that supporters of other clubs might attempt to infiltrate the match and cause crowd trouble. The Scottish League are clearly wary of allowing any game to take place that might attract adverse publicity off the field and cause problems for clubs north of the border.

MIKE ON CALL

Despite suffering minor injuries in a car crash last weekend, **Mike Galloway** was fit to join **Alan McLaren** in the Scotland U21 squad that played France at Tannadice last Tuesday when printing deadlines deny us reporting on the match.

CONGRATULATIONS

It's belated congratulations to **Mary** and **Walter Kidd** on an addition to the family, a girl,

Sarah, a few weeks ago... and to **Elaine** and **Neil Berry** who celebrated the birth of a son ten days ago, named **Michael Neil David**.

MALKY GOES AGAIN

Malcolm Murray, who recently completed a month's loan period with St Johnstone is off on his travels again. He joined English Second Division side Hull City on Monday, also on a month's loan.

JOHN'S 150th

John Colquhoun played his 150th (146 + 4 subs) League game for the club at Aberdeen in what turned out to be a disappointing day, for as well as a three goal defeat, John was carried off with a knee injury following a clash with Don's 'keeper **Theo Snelders**... fortunately, the injury was not serious and he was in his usual place in the team three days later against Bayern Munich and played a big part along with all of his team mates in a great victory against the Germans.



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Manager's Page

The next week which covers three games is so vital at such an important time of the season.

We were the talk of Europe ten days ago, and rightly so, following our UEFA Cup Quarter Final win over Bayern Munich here at Tynecastle. The players were magnificent in a superb team performance when they did everything that was asked of them. I never usually single out individuals but Iain Ferguson, with his super strike and Alan McLaren, for showing such composure, on his European debut deserve special praise. It was important not to lose a goal at home and although we know it will be difficult in Munich there is no reason for us to be afraid. The victory over Partick Thistle here at Gorgie three weeks ago also set up a Scottish Cup Quarter Final against today's opponents in Glasgow next week. Thistle, as I thought they would, proved stuffy and



determined opponents but there was never any chance of a Cup upset and the tie was over as soon as we scored the first goal.

It's one game at a time however and today it's Celtic who visit Tynecastle on League business. Once more this is a difficult match against a Club who still have a chance to win the championship if the leaders slip up. We also will be looking for the points with an eye on moving up the table for a fifth place in the table.

The Club and everyone at Tynecastle received a boost when Alan McLaren and Mike Galloway were both included in the Scotland U21 squad that played against France at Tannadice last Tuesday night. Unfortunately this page was prepared before the match was played but I am sure both the lads would do well.

I hope you enjoy today's match.

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Our Visitors

Celtic

Although Celtic never give-up the challenge, with only nine League fixtures left, it appears that the Premier Division Championship title is now beyond the Parkhead team, who are currently in 4th position, 6 points behind leaders, Rangers. Like Hearts, it looks as if the Scottish Cup is now the principal target for Celtic this season.

Our visitors have found it difficult to recover from an indifferent start to the League campaign which resulted in 5 defeats from their first 8 fixtures. In addition, Celtic have also lost a few very important matches against their main Championship rivals this term, Rangers, Dundee United and Aberdeen. Although they would not seek to make this an excuse for their current League position, the Parkhead men have suffered more than their share of long-term injuries with men such as Andy Walker, Derek Whyte, Peter Grant, Tommy Burns and Joe Miller being sidelined. The loss of these players and the resultant disruption to the team pattern, has made the task of pulling back the points difference just too much for Celtic, although they will undoubtedly battle on until the League is mathematically outwith their reach.

These injuries have led Manager, Billy McNeill to make two significant signings in recent weeks, namely Steve McCahill and Tommy Coyne, and indications are that further new faces may shortly arrive at Parkhead. In the meantime, the Premier Division's top scorers will be as formidable opponents as ever, both this afternoon and in next Saturday's Cup Quarter-Final tie.

PAT BONNER: Goalkeeper. Age 28. Height 6'2". Born in Donegal, Ireland. Big, athletic keeper who dominates the goal area for both Celtic and the Republic of Ireland International side. Pat has now played over 300 League games, since signing from Keadue Rovers in 1978. Has fully recovered from the back injury which sidelined him during the opening 3 months of the season.

CHRIS MORRIS: Defender. Age 25. Height 5'11". Born in Newquay. Tenacious and pacy full-back who sets-up many attacks down the right with his long runs from defence. Chris was signed in 1987 from Sheffield Wednesday for £125,000 and has been in such impressive form for Celtic, that he has now earned a regular spot in the Republic of Ireland side.

ANTON ROGAN: Defender. Age 22. Height 5'11". Born in Belfast. Hard-working, attacking full-back who was signed in 1986 from the Belfast club, Distillery. Now well established in the Celtic side and his impressive form has been rewarded by inclusion in the Northern Ireland International team.

ROY AITKEN: Defender. Age 30. Height 6'2". Born in Irvine. Experienced and inspirational captain of Celtic and Scotland who is always a key-man in the Parkhead side. Roy can either hold the defence together or provide drive in midfield and has played well over 400 League matches since stepping-up from Celtic Boys Club in 1975.

MICK MCCARTHY: Defender. Age 30. Height 6'2". Born in Barnsley. Rugged, hard-tackling defender who is exceptionally strong in the air. Although born in Barnsley, Mick began his career in the Republic of Ireland International team for whom he was outstanding in last years European Championship Finals. Mick began his career with Barnsley, moving to Manchester City in 1983 and Celtic in 1987.

PETER GRANT: Midfielder. Age 23. Height 5'9". Born in Bellshill. Aggressive, hard-working midfielder ball-winner who has had a difficult season due to the effects of a virus which

kept him out of the side for several months. The former Under-21 Internationalist, who was signed in 1982 from Celtic Boys Club, is now back to his battling best.

BILLY STARK: Midfielder. Age 32. Height 6'1". Born in Glasgow. A goalscoring midfielder who was a bargain £75,000 signing from Aberdeen in 1987. His passing ability is matched by his scoring flair and Billy is one of only 5 men to have hit 100 Premier League goals (now 101), 12 competitive goals this season.

PAUL McSTAY: Midfielder. Age 24. Height 5'10". Born in Hamilton. Scotland's most creative midfielder player and the man behind so many of Celtic's attacking moves. Paul's immaculate distribution is also a feature of the International side for whom he has appeared 33 times. Is a regular goalscorer for club and country.

FRANK McAVENNIE: Forward. Age 29. Height 5'9". Born in Glasgow. Sharp, incisive striker who is unlucky not to have gained more than 5 caps. He is currently the top scorer in Scotland with 17 competitive goals, this despite being sidelined for over a month with a broken arm. Prior to joining Celtic in 1987 Frank played for St. Mirren and West Ham.

MARK McGHEE: Forward. Age 31. Height 5'10". Born in Glasgow. Aggressive, all-action striker who has excellent control of the ball and is difficult to dispossess. Mark has scored 12 League goals this season, in which he has returned to form after a period of injuries. Has played for Bristol City, Morton, Newcastle, Aberdeen, Hamburg, Celtic (since November 1985) and Scotland.

TOMMY BURNS: Midfielder. Age 33. Height 5'10". Born in Glasgow. Strong and skilful midfielder who has one of the best left feet in the game. Tommy has given Celtic outstanding service since signing from Maryhill Juniors in 1975 and has earned every domestic honour. He has also played 8 times for Scotland.

ANDY WALKER: Forward. Age 23. Height 5'8". Born in Glasgow. Despite being sidelined



by a groin injury for a long period this season, Andy has netted 13 competitive goals, 7 in the League. The all-action striker has been capped once by Scotland, following his transfer from Motherwell during the summer of 1987.

STEVE McCAHILL: Defender. Age 22. Height 6'2". Born in Greenock. Former Youth International centre-half who was signed from Dumbarton last month for £100,000. Steve started his senior career with Dumbarton, signing for them in 1984 from Gleniffer Thistle. Has the potential to do well at the top level and was once on trial with St. Etienne of France.

DOUG McCARRISON: Forward. Age 19. Height 5'11". Born in Lanark. Signed from Celtic Boys Club in 1987, Doug made one appearance for the first team last season and has recently won a place in the squad again. A fine goalscorer in the reserves.

TOMMY COYNE: Forward. Age 26. Height 6'. Born in Glasgow. Signed this month from Dundee for £500,000, Tommy will add considerable fire power to the Celtic squad, although Manager, Billy McNeill thinks that he could also feature in other positions at Parkhead. Tommy started with Clydebank and joined Dundee United for £60,000 in 1983. He moved to Dundee for £70,000 in 1986 and last year he was the top scorer in the Premier League with 33 goals.

OWEN ARCHDEACON: Forward. Age 23. Height 5'9". Born in Greenock. An entertaining left winger in the traditional mould who has been in the Celtic squad for the past 5 seasons and who has been regularly used as a substitute this term. Was signed in 1982 from Gourock United.

LEX BAILLIE: Defender. Age 22. Height 6'2". Born in Hamilton. Signed in 1982 from Burnbank Boys Club. Lex has once again been a vital member of the first team squad this season. Has yet to fully establish himself in the side, however.

JOE MILLER: Forward. Age 21. Height 5'8". Born in Glasgow. Elusive, goalscoring winger who began his senior career with Aberdeen, moving to Celtic Park in November 1987. The former Under-21 Internationalist has been out of the side recently due to the effects of a virus. Has scored 6 Premier League goals this season.

DEREK WHYTE: Defender. Age 20. Height 5'11". Born in Glasgow. Good on the ground and strong in the air, Derek has all the qualities of a great central defender. Indeed, he has already earned two Full International honours to add to his Under-21 caps. Derek, who has been troubled by injury in recent weeks, was signed from Celtic B.C. in 1985.