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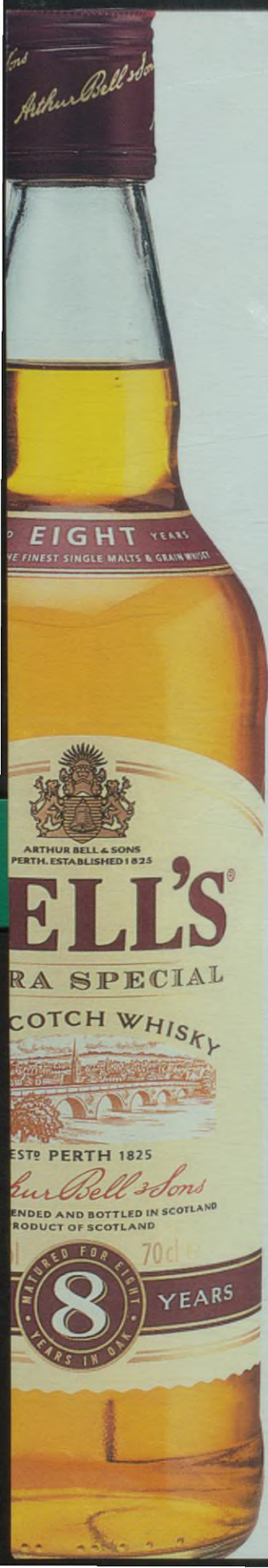
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The Dugout View



Against Dundee United last weekend I felt we produced our best performance for several weeks. We knew that this would be a very tough fixture against a side who had been very unfortunate not to take something from Celtic in the previous midweek. In the first half we showed a real hunger for the game and deserved more than a solitary goal lead at the interval. United, who played well during the match, put us under some pressure in the opening twenty minutes of the second half particularly from set pieces where they pose a significant aerial threat, but our defence weathered that storm well and we went on to win comfortably in the end.

It was our first game without David Weir, who has been a very important player for us this season, but his replacement Dave McPherson had an exceptional game for someone so short of match practice and his experience was vital in guiding what was a very young defence through the match. It was also pleasing to see Colin Cameron scoring two goals. Colin's workrate and effort can never be questioned but we felt that his form had shaded a bit recently and rested him from the starting line-up the previous week. He re-acted well to that and returned with a vengeance and could have had a hat-trick but for a brilliant save by Dykstra tipping his shot onto the bar. His confidence will be high after that and indeed the whole team should be

pleased after ninety minutes where we did not have a failure, proving again that on his form Hearts are more than a match for anyone.

This season we have shown a great deal of consistency and that is why we are still sitting at the top of the table. It is constantly being pointed out to us that, as yet, we have failed to beat either of the Old Firm. What has happened in the past though is irrelevant and while three points for either side today does not win or lose the title there is no doubt that as we enter the final third of the season, these fixtures have a greater significance with the winner this afternoon receiving a psychological boost for the heavy programme which lies ahead. The table could not be tighter and if we want to stay at the top of the League tonight we know that we must produce our best for the full ninety minutes.

Jim Jefferies

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Runners-up 13 times

SCOTTISH CUP

Winners 1891, 1896, 1901,
1906, 1956
Runners-up 6 times

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YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SPORTSMANS DINNER



The next major fund-raising event from the committee will be a Sportsmans Dinner to be held in the new Gorgie Suite at Tynecastle on Saturday 14th March, the date of the home fixture against Kilmarnock. Speakers lined up for what promises to be a highly entertaining evening are Scotland coach Craig Brown (pictured), former Motherwell player John Gahagan; agent Bill McMurdo and former top referee Brian McGinlay. Half the tables have already gone for this big event and the others are expected to go fast. Tickets cost £25 with tables of ten available at £250. Anyone interested should make contact with Bobby Jenks in the Community Office 0131-200 7242.

DANCE A GREAT SUCCESS

The Disabled Hearts Supporters Club fund raising gala which took place in the new Gorgie Suite on Saturday proved to be a great success with over 300 people in attendance including many of the playing staff. Jose Quitongo took the prize for sartorial elegance with an outfit which would certainly not have been out of place on a pop star. Jose incidentally stated on Friday SportsScene that he saw music as an alternative career and we wonder just how long it will be before he is persuaded to burst into song at a Supporters dance! The highlight of the evening came in the early hours of Sunday morning when one supporter, Stuart Caie grabbed the microphone to make a proposal of marriage to his girlfriend Jenny Main. After a short pause for thought Jenny accepted. A first for the new suite which is now expecting the booking for the reception!



HALF CENTURY

Colin Cameron's opening goal against Dundee United last weekend was Hearts 50th League goal of the season



ARCHIE MILLER

A special guest in the suite today is former Hearts and Scotland player Archie Miller now aged 85. Archie was born in Larkhall in 1913 and signed for Hearts from Royal Albert in 1932. The midfielder player had a great physique being described as "powerful in the tackle with great pace and passing ability". Archie won ten local cup medals during his time at the Club and was capped for the Scottish League in 1935 and for Scotland against Wales in 1938. He captained the side during the War Years and led the team out in the 1941 Wartime League Cup Final. He also played for Scotland against England in the 1943 Wartime International. Archie held his place in the side after the war and played in the 1946/7 League Cup semi-final side. The following season he lost his place to David Laing and was transferred in November 1947 to Blackburn Rovers after making 325 competitive appearances for the first team. He later played for Kilmarnock, Carlisle and Workington. We hope that he enjoys his return this afternoon.



FIRST TIME FOR FORTY YEARS

Next Saturday's Tennents Scottish Cup Fourth Round tie against Albion Rovers will be the first time Hearts have faced the Coatbridge side in any competition since 1957/58 when Hearts recorded a comfortable 4-1 win in front of a crowd of 23,451 thanks to goals from Alex Young (2) Bobby Blackwood and Jimmy Wardhaugh.

In the event of any postponement the tie will be re-scheduled for Tuesday 27th February at 7.30 p.m. Any replay required will take place at Almondvale on Wednesday 28th February, kick-off 7.45 p.m..

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MERSEYSIDE MOVE



Steven Frail left Tynecastle last week to join English First Division side Tranmere Rovers for a fee in the region of £100,000. Making his debut in a 0-0 draw with Manchester City on Saturday. Steven was signed from Dundee by Sandy Clark just before the transfer deadline on March 1994 and in the next twelve months became a firm favourite with the fans producing scintillating

form which seemed sure to bring him international honours. Steve suffered a serious knee ligament injury at Tannadice in March 1995 and it took Steve until the start of the present campaign to get back to full fitness. However Steve has found it difficult to claim a regular first team slot. Steven played 66 competitive games for the Club scoring 4 goals. A very popular figure at the Club he heads south with all our best wishes.

ON THE MEND

David Weir is making satisfactory progress after the recent operation to remove a small piece of bone in the upper part of his leg which was restricting some joint movement. He is expected to re-start light training next week. Also on the mend is Gilles Rousset who was back in training this week. Alan McManus is still out with his hamstring injury.



Alan McManus hoping to be back soon.

BURNS SUPPER

The fourth Youth Development Dinner was held at the Gyle Park Hotel on Sunday evening where top table guests included Chris Robinson, Billy Brown and Neil Pointon, who appeared to understand a bit more of proceedings this year and did finish his haggis! The evening raised in excess of £1,500 for the funds and Billy told the assembled company, "The importance of Youth



Development cannot be overstressed and a look at yesterday's (last Saturday's) side shows how well this club has done in this respect in recent times. Five of the players who played against United came through our youth system and three others were in the squad of eighteen. All of these lads have been with us since their early teens and have benefited from the money raised by the Committee to provide kit for the Youth sides and to send them to tournaments abroad. This is the way forward for this Club and we are all determined to ensure further progress".

NO DEAL ON PRUNIER

Former French international defender William Prunier will not be joining Hearts. The defender played in the Reserve game against Hibernian at Easter Road last week and although he came through the match well it was clear that he had some way to go in fitness terms. Jim Jefferies said, "William is a very good player but as he has not played competitive football for several months and knows that he would take around six weeks to reach a satisfactory level of fitness and at this stage of the season that would not really be of any real use to us."

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Half time Quiz



- 1 Who were Hearts last Sunday opponents?
- 2 Which Scottish referee will be going to the World Cup this summer?
- 3 Which Club is former Hearts and Celtic player Tosh McKinlay now on loan with?
- 4 Who are the only undefeated side at home in the English Premiership?
- 5 With which side did Roddy McKenzie win a League Challenge Cup medal?
- 6 Who scored Hearts opening League goal of the season?
- 7 Stefano Salvatori scored his first League goal against Dunfermline. Against which side did the Italian midfielder player score in a pre-season friendly?
- 8 From which side did Celtic sign Alan Stubbs?
- 9 With which side did Paul Lambert start his senior career?
- 10 Who was the last player to join Hearts from Celtic?
- 11 Who was the last player to join Celtic from Hearts?
- 12 Who is the manager of Leicester City?
- 13 Name two of the countries England will face in the World Cup?
- 14 Who is the second division's top scorer?
- 15 Hapoel and Beitar are the top sides in which nation's league table?
- 16 With which side is Nicky Walker now playing?
- 17 Which former Celtic player is now manager of Greenock Morton?
- 18 The bottom side in the Highland League are also the westernmost. Name them.
- 19 At which ground did Albion Rovers play Livingston in their Cup Replay?
- 20 Who is the manager of Arbroath?



Stefano Salvatori
See Question 7

(1) Kilmarnock (2) Hughton Dallas (3) Stoke City (4) Derby County (5) Stenhousemuir (6) Colin Cameron (7) Hull (8) Bolton (9) Motherwell (10) John Colquhoun (11) Tosh McKinlay (12) Martin O'Neill (13) Tunisia, Colombia, Romania (14) Iain Stewart (15) Israel (16) Ross County (17) Billy Stark (18) Fort William (19) Firs Park (20) David Bakke.

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