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WELCOME to one of the biggest days in the sporting calendar, if not THE biggest. The Scottish Cup Final.

For many years the main criticism of this occasion was that it didn't have the style and glamour of the English Cup Final. However, having been to several Wembley Finals, I'm well qualified to state that a Hampden Final more than matches what goes on in N.W.9.

Over the years the SFA have become more and more aware that the Scottish Cup Final is a gala occasion. Now the pre-match entertainment culminating with the massed pipe bands makes this a spectacle second to none.

Today's occasion is even more special in that it brings together the two biggest teams in the land. Celtic and Rangers.

These two have fans flung to the four corners of the globe. That's why today fans will be making special pilgrimages from North America, Australia and Europe as well as the usual numbers who travel most weeks from London, Belfast and Dublin to watch the Old Firm.

In recent years, such is the prominence of this occasion it



hasn't taken the big two to virtually fill Hampden. St Mirren and Dundee United attracted 51,782 in 1987. The previous year 62,841 watched Aberdeen v Hearts.

However today's first Old Firm Final since 1980 was a guaranteed sell out from the minute the semi-finals were decided. Tickets are like gold dust.

Fortunately for those unable to lay their hands on a ticket, the game is live on television. However well the cameras cover

the game, they can never capture the special atmosphere of Hampden. An atmosphere which can only be truly appreciated by being in the crowd.

So let's hope the teams join in the occasion and make this a day to remember.

Since the very first Scottish Cup Final, away back in 1874, this has been a competition full of surprise and drama.

Today will be Celtic's 45th Final with 28 wins to their credit. It's also Rangers' 40th Final, having won on 24 occasions.

Celtic and Rangers both won the Scottish Cup while celebrating their Centenary year. Tom Forsyth grabbed the Rangers winner in a 3-2 victory over Celtic in 1973. Then Frank McAvennie scored a late winner against Dundee United last season to ensure both Old Firm sides had silverware to celebrate their 100th birthdays with.

I'm sure today's Final will be just as dramatic as any of the 102 which have gone before. Enjoy yourselves and have a good day out, no matter which side you support.

By **BILL McFARLANE**
(*Sunday Post*)

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Paul McStay . . . "beating Rangers in the Cup final would be a super ending to the season."

CELTIC

THIS far it has been a depressing and barren season for the people who play their football on that patch of green just off the London Road, but this afternoon's extravaganza provides Celtic with a final opportunity to tie their ribbons around one of the game's shiny prizes and bask in some glory exactly as they did last year.

This time the traditional enemy, Rangers, awaits them on the country's biggest stage, which means, of course, that the Scottish Cup final will be played out against a seething, raucous, multi-coloured backdrop.

An almost stultifying tension will be hanging heavily in the air and again us lesser mortals will marvel at the miracle which allows players to perform as normal despite the oppressive atmosphere. It is beyond average comprehension.

Inevitably, there are some who fail to cope and end up broken men long before the final whistle ends their suffering. All roads may lead to Hampden today, but for these unfortunates, deserted by touch and

confidence, the old place will have become a cold and lonely arena.

Few grounds can be as intimidating as the national stadium when the Old Firm support is in residence. It is to be hoped all, players and fans alike, retain a sense of propriety ensuring that this game is the perfect end to the season.

The final should be remembered for the right reasons and each side has a few players capable of drawing applause and capturing attention. Celtic possess one who is a cut above and who has performed to a consistently high level despite his team's difficulties.

The season just consigned to the ledger was a dismal and fraught one for Celtic, but it may have helped make Paul McStay a more complete player. "I believe you learn your trade when the going is tough," he said. There was no need to elaborate on how tough the defence of their league championship became. Today's opponents eventually made off with the goodies.

CELTIC'S 1988 HEROES!

FINAL —
Celtic 2, Dundee United 1

Celtic — McKnight, Morris, Rogan, Aitken, McCarthy, Whyte, Miller, McStay, McAvennie, Walker, Burns. Substitutes — Stark, McGhee. Scorers — McAvennie (2).

Dundee United — Thomson, Bowman, Malpas, McNally, Hegarty, Narey, Bannon, Gallacher, Paatalainen, Ferguson, McKinlay. Substitutes — Clark, Sturrock. Scorer — Gallacher. Referee — G.B. Smith, Edinburgh. At Hampden Park. Attendance — 74,000.

A few moments of reflection were required as some wretched memories swirled around inside McStay's head. "The way things went this season . . ." the voice trails off for a second or two before he can resume. It's still not easy to talk about certain matches.

"They (Rangers) gave us a couple of heavy defeats. But beating them in the Cup final would be a great way of ending the season. It might help wipe out the bad memories.

"It's been an anti-climax for us. In fact, in two seasons we experienced the highs and lows. In the league we seemed to start off on a slippery slope and it was difficult to get off."

Celtic's struggle helped disguise the fact that McStay had a superb season, one in which he finally proved he has what it takes to step forward and assume command in the frenetic midfield zones. His tackling and work off the ball, his ability to close players down, are parts of his game which have improved dramatically.

It is typical of him that he directs all credit to others, the manager, Billy McNeill, and his assistant, Tommy Craig. "They've worked hard on these things," he pointed out.

McStay feels there is a greater consistency about his game, which means he is more confident about



taking control. "In the last few seasons I felt I was getting there and now I believe I can do it against any team," he added.

He has two Scottish Cup winners' tokens already, but claiming a third would give him immense pleasure after the disappointments experienced in other competitions. McStay and his team-mates, who were heroes this time last year, are in desperate need of a victory this afternoon.

So, too, are their followers. The faithful, who have stood on slopes all over the country watching the league championship slip away, will man the Hampden terraces urging Celtic to hold on to the cup. Victory would convince them that life is not so gloomy after all.

McStay, a slight, introverted individual, remains the player in green and white who can break free of the midfield throng and point the way to a long night of celebration. "It's a nice thought," he said quietly. Half of today's audience hope he can make it become a reality.

By JIM TRAYNOR (*Glasgow Herald*)

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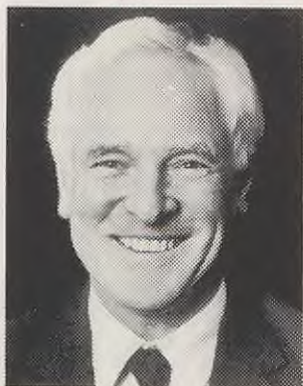
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AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE SPONSORS



Stanley C Mitchell

Few of us would doubt the high levels of fitness and health needed by the professional footballers taking part in today's Cup Final.

As spectators, we don't necessarily need to have similar reserves of stamina, or to be a "Mr Superfit" ourselves.

But it still makes very good sense to be reasonably fit, and to look after your health. In other words, to make the most of your life and to "be all you can be", it's better to be fit, and to be sensible about personal health.

And it's never too late — or too early — to start thinking about your health.

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Director of the Scottish Health Education Group

REFLECTIONS!

Arthur Montford, who retires soon after 25 years as anchorman with Scottish Television, looks back at his personal memories of the Scottish Cup.

SOME Scottish Cup finals end with the full-time whistle... if it's a "big" club which wins — and you can't get much bigger than to-day's two finalists — then the celebrations are usually fairly private — a meal somewhere with the cup on the table and a glass of wine, with the wives and girlfriends sitting in and that's about it.

But when one of our "smaller" clubs wins the Scottish Cup, the celebrations can be a bit special. And there are one or two of THOSE which certainly stick out in my memory.

When St. Mirren defeated Aberdeen 3-1 in the 1959 Cup final to win the trophy for the first time since 1926, the celebrations in the dressing room were a bit special, but when I interviewed Davie Lapsley the Saints' captain after the match (he wouldn't let the trophy go) he reckoned that there would be a few hundred fans waiting for the team bus to arrive in the middle of Paisley. He was wrong — there were THOUSANDS there to acclaim their heroes!

It took the bus an age to get through the crush of people to get to the Town Hall, with the Scottish Cup being passed over the heads of the crowd. When the team finally appeared on the balcony (the building itself has long since gone) it was like the roar which greeted Tommy Bryceland's opening goal. A microphone was magically produced and when skipper



Jock Stein... holding the cup and waving to fans at road-side.

Lapsley appeared with the trophy the place went wild. Our film cameras had managed to get up beside the players and a piece of football history was captured on film for generations of Paisley Buddies to enjoy!

Two years later there were similar scenes in Dunfermline when Jock Stein's team defeated Celtic 2-0 after a goal-less draw to bring the famous trophy to the town for the first time. Again our film unit had gone on ahead and when we stopped for petrol just short of Kincardine Bridge the team bus swept past with manager Stein holding the cup on the steps of the bus waving to a group of fans, standing by the road-side!

The town itself had more or less come to a complete standstill by the time the bus arrived. The town band was there, the police stopped all traffic and after the players had transferred to an open-top bus it was cheers all the way to the Town House where big Jock did his Master of Ceremonies and introduced his players one by one.

The celebrations went on late into the night and our film of the match, the welcome back, the speeches etc is now part of Dunfermline Athletic's permanent archive.

But it seems to be harder for our provincial clubs to break into the exclusive group of teams who win the Scottish Cup. After Dunfermline's second victory in 1968, no team other than Celtic, Aberdeen or Rangers won the trophy until St. Mirren shocked Dundee United in 1987. For Jim McLean's side it seems to be a desperately hard mountain to climb. They were in three finals in four years between 1985 and 1988 and lost out to Celtic, St. Mirren and Celtic again.

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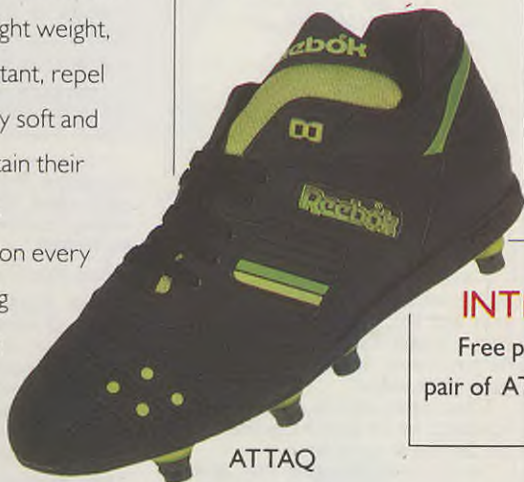
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