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EDITORIAL COMMENT

It is back to league business again to-day against the mighty Celtic who this year are carrying all before them in the national competitions. Under the generalship of Mr. Jock Stein they have moulded themselves into undoubtedly the most entertaining and successful side in Scotland this season. Already they hold the Scottish League Cup and are joint top of the First Division. Much of their success is built on their tremendously strong half-back line of Clark, McNeil and Murdoch, the latter often acting as an extra forward.

At the time of writing, it appears that the Albion are one of the two sides selected to be relegated from the First Division in the proposed new league reconstruction, irrespective of their position in the league at the end of the season. Surely any right-minded person would consider this a mockery of this year's competition, and if passed, would immediately remove any element of interest in the remaining games this season, both for the teams fighting to avoid relegation and for teams striving to achieve promotion from the Second Division. It is said that the lists have been compiled on a combination of merit and drawing power over the previous two seasons, a system which must weigh heavily against Stirling Albion and Hamilton, who both operated in the Second Division then. This club never have believed that drawing power, or lack of it, should have any bearing on league status which is rightly decided on playing merit in the national competitions. If, as the Management Committee have proposed, three leagues be formed, then it must be at the end of Season 1966/67 with four clubs going down from the First Division and two clubs being promoted from the Second Division at that time.

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Aug.	14—RAITH ROVERS (A).....	1	3	0
"	18—QUEEN'S PARK (H)*.....	0	2	0
"	21—ARBROATH (A).....	3	1	2
"	28—RAITH ROVERS (H).....	1	2	0
Sept.	1—QUEEN'S PARK (A)*.....	1	2	0
"	4—ARBROATH (H).....	4	1	2
	FIRST DIVISION			
Aug.	25—ABERDEEN (A)*.....	2	2	1
Sept.	11—MOTHERWELL (H).....	1	0	2
"	18—FALKIRK (A).....	3	2	2
"	25—CLYDE (H).....	0	6	0
Oct.	2—RANGERS (A).....	2	3	0
"	9—KILMARNOCK (H).....	2	4	0
"	16—MORTON (H).....	1	3	0
"	23—HAMILTON ACAS. (A).....	1	6	0
"	30—CELTIC (A).....	1	0	2
Nov.	6—ST. JOHNSTONE (H).....	0	0	1
"	13—ST. MIRREN (A).....	1	2	0
"	20—HIBERNIAN (H).....	1	4	0
"	27—DUNDEE (H).....	1	5	0
Dec.	11—DUNFERMLINE A. (A).....	2	2	1
"	18—HEARTS (H).....	2	2	1
"	25—DUNDEE UNITED (H).....	2	4	0
1966				
Jan.	3—MOTHERWELL (A)†.....	1	0	2
"	8—ABERDEEN (H).....	2	1	2
"	15—CLYDE (A).....	1	0	2
"	22—RANGERS (H).....	0	2	0
"	29—KILMARNOCK (A).....	1	2	0
Feb.	12—MORTON (A).....	1	2	0
"	26—CELTIC (H).....			
Mar.	5—ST. JOHNSTONE (A).....			
"	12—ST. MIRREN (H).....			
"	19—HIBERNIAN (A).....			
"	26—DUNDEE (A).....			
April	9—PARTICK THISTLE (H).....			
"	16—DUNFERMLINE A. (H).....			
"	23—HEARTS (A).....			
"	30—DUNDEE UNITED (A)*.....			
"	—PARTICK THISTLE (A).....			
"	—FALKIRK (H).....			
"	—HAMILTON ACAS. (H).....			
	SCOTTISH CUP			
Feb. 23	—DUNFERMLINE A. (H).....	0	0	0

*Wednesday. †Monday.

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SCOTTISH LEAGUE TABLE Division 1

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pt
Rangers	22	17	2	3	66	20	37
Celtic	22	18	3	1	74	23	37
Dunfermline A	21	13	3	5	60	28	31
Kilmarnock	23	14	7	2	52	34	30
Dundee Utd.	22	13	6	3	55	31	29
Hearts	22	10	4	8	41	32	28
Hibernian	22	10	9	3	57	37	23
Aberdeen	21	8	7	6	41	34	22
Dundee	19	8	8	3	37	37	19
Clyde	21	8	10	3	39	38	19
Falkirk	21	8	12	1	28	47	17
Morton	22	6	12	4	28	48	16
St. Mirren	23	7	14	2	31	56	16
Partick Th.	20	5	10	5	28	39	15
Motherwell	22	6	13	3	32	51	15
Stirling Albion ..	22	6	13	3	26	52	15
St. Johnstone ..	20	5	11	4	33	54	14
Hamilton A.	21	1	19	1	16	82	3

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