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FALKIRK v CELTIC

SATURDAY, 12th FEBRUARY, 1955

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TO-DAY'S TEAMS

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2	PARKER	3	RAE
4	BLACK	5	MCKENZIE
6	CAMPBELL	7	ORMOND
8	MORRISON	9	DAVIDSON
10	MCCRAE	11	TAYLOR

Referee—
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Linesmen—
 G. LEVACK, Kirkcaldy.
 F. SCOTT, Paisley.

11	MOCHAN	10	FERNIE	9	FALLON	8	WALSH	7	COLLINS
6	PEACOCK	5	STEIN	4	EVANS	3	MEECHAN	2	HAUGHNEY

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BROCKVILLE JOTTINGS

Last Saturday, the Scottish Cup fifth round ties took pride of place and in addition to the usual thrills there were quite a few "surprise packet" results.

Celtic (our opponents to-day) had a tough fight at Recreation Park. Rangers could only draw at Ibrox but got through in mid-week by a goal scored by Dundee's Tommy Gallacher. Then we had B Division Hamilton and Third Lanark administering the k.o. to "A" opponents St. Mirren and Queen of the South.

Another Division A team, Motherwell, had a gruelling 90 minutes at Forres where the local Mechanics were just pipped by a 4-3 defeat. Inverness Caley did a good job of work by beating Ayr United at Ayr in Wednesday's replay. Their 4-2 win after extra time means that we travel to Inverness in the sixth round next Saturday. Inverness is sure to be all agog, for Caley and Buckie Thistle (who meet Hearts) are the only "outsiders" left in the Cup, so we can expect the home team to put up a good show.

'Muir Defeated

Nearby neighbours, Stenhousemuir, despite a plucky performance were beaten by 4 goals to nil in last week's cup-tie at Brockville. Johnny Davidson added a hat-trick to his goal tally and Bert Ormond scored with a clever header.

The 'Muir rallied in the second half but they found the 3-goal deficit too big a task and their fate was sealed when Johnny Davidson completed his hat-trick 8 minutes from time.

The Sixth Round

Scottish soccer fans will look forward with interest to next week's sixth round ties, for some of the pairings are most attractive. Celtic's visit to Rugby Park should pull out the crowds and provide an abundance of thrills. Rangers are faced with the task of disposing of Aberdeen at Pittodrie Park, and with the league leaders in top form the Ibrox eleven will have to pull out something extra even to earn a draw. Other two interesting games are Clyde v. Raith Rovers and Airdrie v. Dunfermline.

Back to League Duty

This afternoon our visitors are Celtic and the very name conjures up thoughts of cup-tie thrills, records and famous names. In recent seasons they have been getting the better of exchanges, giving us the k.o. in the Scottish Cup. We opened this season with a 3-0 defeat in the League Cup at Parkhead and were again defeated there in a league game in October by 3-1.

The onlookers should see a thrilling game this afternoon and may the better team get the verdict.

Our Opponents' Record for 1953-54

LEAGUE CUP RESULTS

Celtic	0	Aberdeen	1
East Fife	1	Celtic	1
Airdrie	2	Celtic	1
Aberdeen	5	Celtic	2
Celtic	0	East Fife	1
Celtic	2	Airdrie	0

LEAGUE RESULTS

Clyde	1-0	7-1
Aberdeen	3-0	0-2
Raith Rovers	3-0	0-2
Hearts	2-0	2-3
Hibernian	2-2	3-0
Airdrieonians	4-1	6-0
Partick Thistle	2-1	3-1
St. Mirren	4-0	3-1
Rangers	1-0	1-1
Falkirk	1-0	3-0
Queen of the South	3-1	1-2
Dundee	5-1	1-1
East Fife	4-1	1-4
Stirling Albion	4-0	1-2
Hamilton Acas.	1-0	0-2

GOALSCORERS

Mochan	20	Haughney	4
Collins	10	Hemple	2
Fernie	10	Duncan	1
Higgins	8	Stein	1
Walsh	5	Peacock	1
Fallon	5	Tully	1
McPhail	4		

PLAYERS' APPEARANCES

Peacock	30	Fallon	12
Evans	29	Tully	11
Haughney	28	Bell	6
Stein	27	Duncan	6
Fernie	26	Hunter	4
Collins	25	Hemple	4
Meechan	24	McIlroy	3
Mochan	22	Boden	2
Bonnar	20	Ryan	1
Walsh	19	Baillie	1
McPhail	15	Rollo	1
Higgins	14		

Winners of Scottish Cup and League

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

1954		For	Agst	
* Aug. 14	Celtic	0	3	A
* " 18	Hearts	2	6	H
* " 21	Dundee	1	3	A
* " 28	Celtic	2	2	H
* Sept. 1	Hearts	1	4	A
* " 4	Dundee	4	0	H
* " 11	Motherwell	1	1	H
* " 18	Stirling Albion	1	1	A
* " 25	Partick Thistle	3	1	H
Oct. 2	Hibernian	1	0	A
* " 9	East Fife	...	...	H
* " 16	Dundee	0	2	A
* " 23	St. Mirren	0	1	H
* " 30	Celtic	1	3	A
Nov. 6	Hearts	3	5	A
" 13	Rangers	0	3	H
" 20	Kilmarnock	5	3	H
" 27	Aberdeen	0	1	A
Dec. 4	Clyde	2	1	H
" 11	Raith Rovers	2	1	H
" 18	Queen of South	2	3	A
" 25	Motherwell	3	0	A

1955

Jan. 1	Stirling Albion	3	1	H
" 3	Partick Thistle	2	2	A
" 8	Hibernian	3	1	H
" 15	East Fife	...	...	A
" 22	Dundee	...	...	H
" 29	St. Mirren	0	1	A
† Feb. 5	Stenhousemuir	4	0	H
" 12	Celtic	...	...	H
† " 19	...	...	...	H
" 26	Hearts	...	...	H
† Mar. 5	Rangers	...	...	A
" 12	Kilmarnock	...	...	A
" 19	Aberdeen	...	...	H
† " 26	Clyde	...	...	A
Apr. 2	Raith Rovers	A
† " 9	Queen of South	H

† Scottish Cup Tie Dates.
 * League Cup Tie Dates.

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ANDREW FORRESTER,
 Social Secretary.

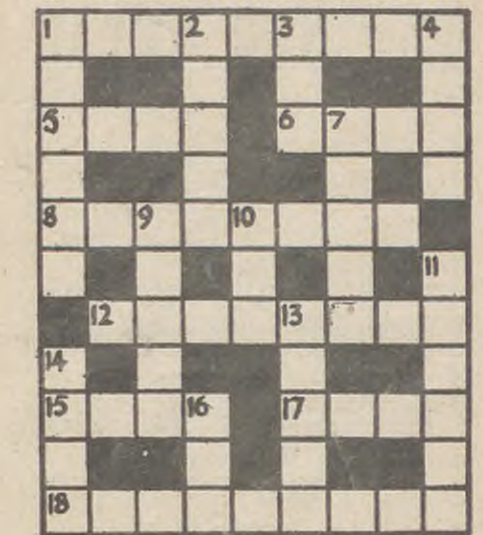
CLUES ACROSS

- 1—English Division II team (9).
- 5—The foreman (4).
- 6—Robust (4).
- 8—Half-time (8).
- 12—English Division III North team (8).
- 15—Clever (4).
- 17—A valley (4).
- 18—English Division III South team (9).

CLUES DOWN

- 1—Preserves leather (6).
- 2—Actors in a play (5).
- 3—Scottish Football Association (3).
- 4—Kind of knot (4).
- 7—Expresses something well done (5).
- 9—Black substance in Scottish senior Rovers team (5).
- 10—Aberdeen play in this colour (8).
- 11—Advertisement (6).
- 13—Football played at sports meetings (5) (5).
- 14—Brainwave (4).
- 16—Found on golf course (8).

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Our Opponents

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J. WALSH (Inside Right).—5ft. 10ins., 10st. 7lbs. An ex-Bo'ness United junior, and joined the Parkhead club in 1950. A sweet-moving player, he is a grand ball worker, superb passer, and packs a good shot.

S. FALLON (Centre Forward).—Came to Celtic in 1950 from the Irish club Glenavon. Played left back before taking over centre forward position. A real ninety minutes' player, he revels in hard work.

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