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NEWS FROM THE PAVILION

With two rather disappointing home league results behind them Albion to-day get a welcome break in the long awaited Cup-tie with Scotland's most glamorous cup fighters, Glasgow Celtic, this afternoon. A visit from the famous Parkhead club is an occasion at any time and Stirling folks will join with us we are sure, in welcoming our visitors and their vast following of enthusiastic supporters to Annfield in a renewal of what has always been a close and sporting rivalry. We are sure that the same sporting spirit will prevail this afternoon, both on the field of play and the terracing. Management and police request the same co-operation as given in the past to facilitate stewarding and packing the crowd.

What can we say of our visitors to-day? With a team blended of youth and experi-

ence, full of high promise, the vast Celtic support is reasonably confident that a period of great achievement is not far distant. The Celtic management has an enviable record in the finding and grooming of youngsters and although injury, illness and youthful enthusiasm and lack of repose have perhaps prevented the "Boys" from returning consistently good results, even now the Parkhead youngsters can on their day be more than a match for the best.

Despite that mid-week defeat from Airdrie, Celtic, conquerors of Rangers in the previous round, are generally regarded as certainties for the semi-final and indeed are widely tipped as eventual winners of the coveted trophy. The Celtic club, however, are too seasoned campaigners to take anything for granted for

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1958	LEAGUE CUP	F.	A.	P.
Aug. 9	BRECHIN CITY (H)	3	2	2
" 13	DUNFERMLINE A. (A) (Wed.)	1	6	0
" 16	EAST FIFE (H)	1	0	2
" 23	BRECHIN CITY (A)	5	1	2
" 27	DUNFERMLINE A. (H) (Wed.)	1	3	0
" 30	EAST FIFE (A)	2	5	0
	FIRST DIVISION			
Aug. 20	RAITH ROVERS (A) (Wed.)	1	0	2
Sept. 6	FALKIRK (H)	1	1	1
" 13	QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (A)	1	1	1
" 20	CLYDE (H)	2	1	2
" 27	KILMARNOCK (A)	3	3	1
Oct. 4	HEARTS (H)	1	2	0
" 11	ABERDEEN (H)	3	2	2
" 18	THIRD LANARK (A)	0	3	0
" 25	RANGERS (H)	2	2	1
Nov. 1	AIRDRIEONIANS (A)	1	0	2
" 8	DUNDEE (A)	0	3	0
" 15	PARTICK THISTLE (H)	1	1	1
" 22	MOTHERWELL (H)	2	5	0
" 29	ST. MIRREN (A)	2	3	0
Dec. 6	DUNFERMLINE A. (A)	2	3	0
" 13	CELTIC (A)	3	7	0
" 20	HIBERNIAN (H)	0	3	0
" 27	RAITH ROVERS (H)	2	1	2
Jan. 3	QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (H)	4	0	2
" 5	FALKIRK (A) (Mon.)	1	2	0
" 10	CLYDE (A)	2	2	1
" 17	KILMARNOCK (H)	3	1	2
" 24	HEARTS (A)	4	1	2
" 31	THIRD LANARK (H)	2	3	0
Feb. 7	ABERDEEN (A)	1	4	0
" 21	RANGERS (A)	0	3	0
Mar. 4	AIRDRIEONIANS (H) (Wed.)	0	0	1
" 7	DUNDEE (H)	0	1	0
" 18	PARTICK THISTLE (A)			
" 21	MOTHERWELL (A)			
" 28	ST. MIRREN (H)			
Apr. 4	DUNFERMLINE A. (H)			
" 11	CELTIC (H)			
" 18	HIBERNIAN (A)			
	SCOTISH CUP			
Feb. 14	FRASERBURGH (A)	4	3	
" 28	MORTON (H)	3	1	
Mar. 14	CELTIC (H)			

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We hope Albion fans give their team every vocal encouragement and that the large crowd enjoys a close, sporting contest.

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