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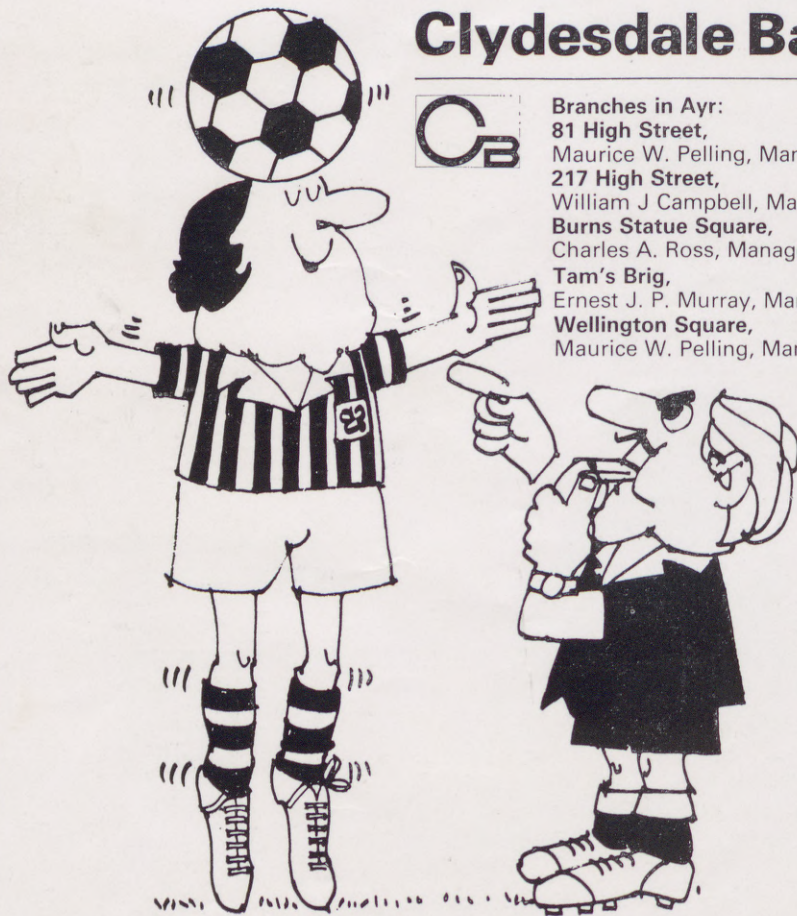
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As I see it



I am very disappointed with the result at Firhill when the team had a terrible day with, in my opinion, only 3 players gaining pass marks. The defence, in particular last Saturday, had players who have been so reliable in the past, but could do nothing right. However, it is my belief that a manager should never look back and we now must look forward to the New Year programme and a very exciting game today against Celtic.

We had a great result in our first game against Celtic at Somerset Park and even at Parkhead, we were 2-1 ahead with 10 minutes to go, only to loose narrowly that day.

The players always manage to raise their game against the Old Firm and if they can do the same today I can see no reason to fear Celtic.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all supporters a Happy New Year.

ALEX STUART (Manager).