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● Derek Johnstone clears the danger for Rangers in the first half as Provan and McGarvey move in for Celtic.

RANGERS HEAD FOR SWEDEN

Light Blues plan for next season

NEXT SEASON is the furthest thing from most Rangers fans' minds at the moment as they look forward no further than May 9 and the Light Blues' Scottish Cup Final clash with Dundee United at Hampden.

But, already, manager John Greig is making plans for next term and negotiations are currently being conducted which will take the Ibrox players to Sweden for a pre-season tour.

"No details have been finalised yet," says Greig, "but I expect us to fly out sometimes around July 20 and we'll stay in Sweden for about a week.

"During that time we'll play two or three matches and those games should get us near to full match fitness before we return to complete our build-up to the start of the League Cup campaign."

The trip to Sweden is a tried and tested formula which has served Rangers well in the past and it's worthy of note that on the previous occasions they have gone to Sweden, Rangers have gone on to make their presence felt on the trophy front.

In season 1971-72, they lifted the European Cup-Winners' Cup; in 72-73 it was the Scottish Cup which was Ibrox bound; the 74-75 term saw the League Championship won by Rangers and on their last close season Swedish jaunt in 1977, the Light Blues went on to sweep the boards domestically.

But manager Greig prefers to look forward rather than back and he points to the team's current form after a visit to Portugal as an indication of the vlaue of such trips.

"There's no substitute for getting away from it all and living together as a team," says Greig.

"After last season's trip to Canada there was too much of a gap before the start of the season proper and I feel we have suffered for that in the course of the term.

"I don't want that to happen next season and having seen our form improve after going to Portugal, I'm sure the trip to Sweden will help us enormously."

Details of the pre-season tour will be finalised in the course of the next week or so and when they are, the 'News will carry all the relevant information.

YOUR 'NEWS'

● DUE to the Easter holidays this week's News' has been published a day later than usual.

ABERDEEN TONIGHT

RANGERS make the trip north tonight to meet Aberdeen at Pittodrie in the Premier League match which was cancelled due to the Light Blues involvement in the Scottish Cup semi-finals on April 11.

Admission to all parts of the ground will be by cash at the turnstiles at the following prices: STAND – £2.60. SOUTH TERRACE – £2.00. PADDOCK – £1.50.

Kick-off is 7.30 p.m.

FIRHILL PRICES

ADMISSION to Saturday's Premier League match between Rangers and Partick Thistle is by cash at the turnstiles for all sections of the ground. The following prices will apply. Stand – £2; Terracing – £1.50; Transfer to Enclosure – 25p; Boys and O.A.P.s – £1.



A REAL EASTER 'NEST-EGG' FOR NEIL

EASTER is the traditional time for eggs, but the weekend provided a real 'nestegg' for Neil Sutherland of Littleton Drive, Summerston, Glasgow.

For Neil was the sole winner in pool one of last week's Rangers pools and that means he is now richer by some £31,000!

"It's a big amount in anybody's language," said a delighted Neil, "and I honestly don't know what I will be doing with the cash."

Mr Sutherland, who is 44, lives alone with his two dogs and there will certainly be a couple of juicy bones for his two best friends!

Another client in the money is Neil's agent — and even then the cash will be kept in the family. His agent is his 23 year old niece Charlotte who stays with her father in Anniesland Road, Glasgow. She will receive £3,100 for selling the winning ticket.

The money couldn't have come at a better time for her — she is due to be married in December.

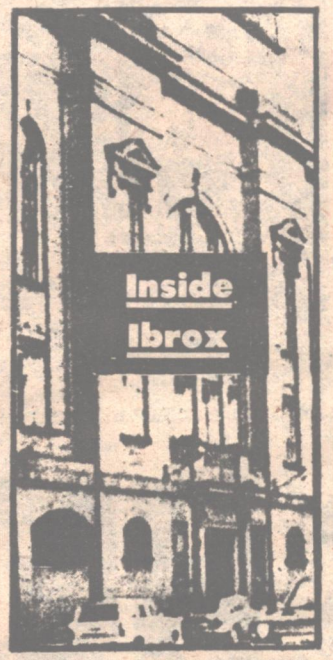
● This week's full pools check is on page eight.

★ **No holds barred for either Ian Redford or Tom McAdam as they challenge each other for this high ball in the first half of Saturday's 'Old Firm' match. More pictures and match slant on centre pages.**

'Bud' out?

RANGERS winger Willie Johnston could miss this evening's re-arranged league fixture against Aberdeen at Pittodrie. He pulled a muscle in his back during the first half of Saturday's "Old Firm" match at Ibrox, and manager Greig rates him "doubtful" for this evening's encounter.

GERMANS WERE SO KEEN TO SEE IBROX ...



ONE OF THE more illustrious visiting parties to Ibrox last week came all the way from West Germany to see the Stadium and in particular, to watch Rangers, their distant idols in action.

The party was an amateur German football team called Volksmarsen, who hail from the town of the same name, just a few miles outside of Dortmund.

The team had contacted an ever-growing organisation known as the Euro-Sportring, which organises playing holidays for all types of sporting clubs and it was through this company Volksmarsen found themselves being shown round the Stadium they've heard so much about for so long.

As the club desperately wanted to see Rangers in action, they were delighted when they found out they'd come at just the right time to see the most famous club match in the world — an 'Old Firm' encounter!

Last Friday night, the German side played the Glasgow club, Drumchapel Amateurs at Duntocher, their only Scottish game.

The Euro-Sporting Organisation are also in the process of bringing a German hand-ball team over to Scotland to compete in a tournament and what's the first place the Germans want to visit when they arrive? You're right, Ibrox!

Euro results

WEST GERMANY: Kaiserlautern 4, Bayer Uerdingen 2; 1860 Munich 3, Schalke 04 1; Cologne 2, Borussia Munchengladbach 3; VFB Stuttgart 2, Bayer Leverkussen 1; Karlsruhe 1, Eintracht Frankfurt 1.

PORTUGAL: Cup quarter-finals: Oliveira 0, Belenenses 2; Esperanca 1, Benfica 2; Vitoria 1, Braga 1.

HOLLAND: Roda JC Kerkrade 4, Wageringen 1; Go Ahead Eagles Deventer 4, NAC Breda 0; Willem II Tilburg 2, Excelsior Rotterdam 1; Feyenoord 3, Groningen 3; Twente Enschede 4, The Hague 4; Mvv Maastricht 1, AZ 67 Alkmaar 3; Ajax 2, Pec Zwolle 1; Nijmegan 2, Sparta Rotterdam 2.

SPAIN: Real Madrid 2, Athletic Madrid 0; Zaragrosa 1, Valladoid 1; Salamanca 2, Almeria 1; Barcelona 0, Athletico Bilbao 1; Hercules 5, Sevilla 1; Betis 1, Murcia 1; Real Sociedad 2, Espanol 1; Las Palmas 3, Gijon 1; Osasana 2, Valencia 0.

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With the recent good weather we've been having, it's no wonder that all the parks and golf-courses have been avalanched with high numbers of T-shirted people desperate to take advantage of the sun.

One of the Ibrox playing staff, however, has not seen much of the weekend sunshine, GRAHAM WATSON, or 'Winker' as he's known down Ibrox way, is decorating his Clydebank home just now and things have been hectic for the youngster. It's one way of stepping up the ladder!

It's a well-known fact that Rangers receive many invitations from all over Europe and America to play in glamour tournaments and competitions.

Last week, though, a rather unusual invitation was forwarded to the Stadium, one which would have certainly made a 'refreshing' change for the Ibrox men.

The request was from a Division of the Glasgow Fire Brigade, who asked if any of the Rangers playing staff would be free sometime in May to play against a Brigade select.

Unfortunately, Rangers had to turn down the request but we're sure if the game had gone ahead, the Ibrox side would have quickly 'extinguished' any hopes the opposition harboured of gaining a victory!

COLIN McADAM would seem to be in more demand than Ronnie Biggs these days judging from the number of Rangers Supporters Clubs who would like to get their hands on him.

But all they want Colin for is to attend their dinner-dances in order to accept their 'Player of the Year' awards.

On Saturday, he was at the Old Monklands annual dance as their 'top man'. BILLY MACKAY was the 'Young Player of the Year!

And this coming Saturday, Colin will be out at Linwood's function as their 'Player of the Year' for season 1980-81.

Among the guests at Saturday's "Old Firm" game was former England international Sir STANLEY MATTHEWS.

Scotland boss JOCK STEIN was also at the match.

Rangers fine 5-0 win over Airdrie in the Scottish Cup earlier in the season was again admired by fans at the weekend when BBC television selected two of the goals as candidates for their "Goal of the Season" competition. The "Sportscene" team picked the efforts by Ian Redford (the second on the day) and Jim Bett (the third) and they will be among 12 goals which will again be screened on Cup Final day before the winner is selected.

Rangers chief scout DAVIE PROVAN was among those personalities who took part in a special UNICEF charity match at Grangemouth on Sunday. He was in the Scottish All-Stars XI which defeated another Scottish XI was six goals to five. Sir Stanley Matthews was in the same side as Davie, as was Willie Henderson, an ex-Ibrox favourite.



● Here is the Peterhead Club's delegation, with Billy Stephens handing over the silver platter to Willie. The other members in the picture are (left to right): Dougie Glennie, Robert Good, Walter Peat and Stuart Hogarth.



● The members of the Forth R.S.C. presenting Willie Johnston with his award. Jim Gregory is the man shaking hands with 'Bud' while, in the background, are: Jake Wilson, Jim Wood, Bobby Allan, Derek Roberts, Billy Gardiner and Lance Harrison.

'BUD' VOTED NO. 1

ONE OF THE Rangers men in fine form at the moment is that 'Light Blue' dynamo, Willie Johnston and last week two Rangers Supporters Clubs honoured him by awarding 'Bud' their 'Player of the Year' awards.

The Clubs concerned were the Forth and the Peterhead Rangers Supporters Club, who gifted the Ibrox winger with a large Statuette and a beautiful silver platter respectively.

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FORGET THE CUP FINAL!



● JOHN GREIG . . . 'we give our all in EVERY game'

HAVING SECURED their place in the Scottish Cup Final, the Rangers players could, quite justifiably, pat themselves on the back and look forward to their appearance at Hampden on May 9.

But, as far as manager John Greig is concerned, the Cup Final is a long way away and he has told his men that he expects them to forget the Hampden match and put as much into their remaining league encounters as they will into the big game on May 9.

"There's no way I will tolerate anyone hanging back as our league programme draws to a close," says Greig.

Momentum

"The players owe it to the fans to give their all in EVERY game, be it a league game in front of a few thousand or a Cup final in front of a capacity crowd.

"Besides, I don't believe players can switch on and off, depending on what sort of match it is.

"They've got to build up some momentum, getting into the habit of winning and gaining confidence all the time.

"And that's what I want them to do as the Cup final approaches."

Worthy

The remaining league games will also give Greig the chance to closely examine the players at his disposal because, when Cup final day arrives, it will be the men on form who win a place in the Hampden line up.

"Nobody is guaranteed a place in the Cup final," says the Boss, "so the players have got to convince me that they're worthy of a place.

"The way to do that is produce the goods in the remaining matches."

'BOMBER' TIMES IT JUST NICELY

THERE WAS NO mistaking the delight on Colin Jackson's face when the long serving Ranger saw his 40th minute header loop over Morton goalkeeper Roy Baines' head and drop into the net to put the Light Blues ahead in last week's semi-final at Parkhead.

That goal was 'Bomber's' first of the season and it ended a 15 month goalless spell for the Ibrox defender and, by coincidence, his last effort was also in the Scottish Cup, against Clyde at Shawfield in the third round last season.

"It was great to get a goal at last," says Bomber, "and with it coming at such a vital stage of a semi-final, I couldn't have timed it better.

"But, really, I'm in the business of stopping people from scoring and any trips upfield are purely bonuses."

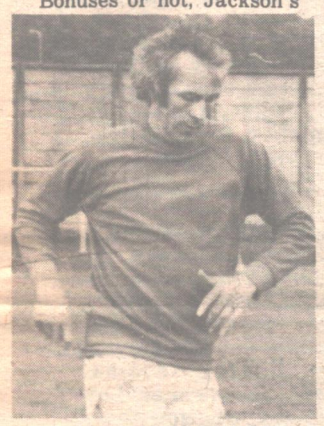
Bonuses or not, Jackson's aerial ability is a powerful weapon when Rangers force a corner and it was from a Willie Johnston flag kick that Bomber headed home last week.

Now in the twilight of his career, Colin is still enjoying his football as much as ever and it is to his credit that he can still hold his own against younger players out to make a name for themselves.

"There's no shortage of young players breaking through in the game," declares the man who joined Rangers in 1963, "but in all modesty, I don't think I've coped too badly.

"And getting a goal against Morton proved that, didn't it?"

Now, having got over the semi-final hurdle, Colin Jackson and his team-mates are looking forward to the Scottish Cup Final and a fourth winners' medal is at the top of Colin's list of priorities.



● COLIN JACKSON

KEEP UP TO DATE

MONDAY

ABERDEEN announce plans for a proposed £250,000 glamour competition to be held at Pittordrie on August 1 and 2. Four teams are involved in the tournament, whose sponsorship is still to be decided but big name Oil companies are the forerunners. The four teams competing are Aberdeen, West Ham, Southampton and Manchester United.

Northern Ireland's international squad may be called 'strikebreakers' if they play in the forthcoming World Cup tie with Portugal at Windsor Park later this month. The Irish Professional Footballers Association announced part-time Irish players intend to form a picket in support of their claim for an increase in the present £10 maximum wage for part-timers in Ireland.

TUESDAY

Hibs reveal they have been approached by a South African agent concerning a challenge match in Lagos, Nigeria. So far, nothing has been definitely arranged.

RESULT: Scottish Second Division: Brechin 1, Queen of the South 0.

WEDNESDAY

Partick Thistle announce plans to take the part-time club into full-time football. The plan, drafted by manager Peter Cormack, would mean bringing in the players for two full days per week.

RESULTS:

Scottish Cup, Semi-Final replay: Dundee United 3, Celtic 2. Premier Division: Rangers 1, St. Mirren 0; Kilmarnock 0, Morton 0. First Division: Dunfermline 2, Motherwell 1; Hibs 3, Clydebank 0.

Second Division: Cowdenbeath 4, Alloa 2.

Cannes Youth Tournament: Scotland 0, Italy 2.

THURSDAY

Judge Henry Ruttle upholds the recent injunction regarding the selling of England-Scotland tickets north of the border. Charles Bent, the chairman of the National Federation of Football Supporters Clubs, said this decision would only lead to more trouble.

Hearts announce they will be putting shares up for sale. Next month the present 700 shareholders are to be asked by the Directors to issue an extra 350,000 £1 shares and also to abolish the ruling that no-one should be allowed to own more than 1000 shares.

They are at present £200,000 in the red.

WHY YOUNG IAIN WAS BANNED FROM IBROX



● IAIN STIRTON

YOUNG Ibrox Reserves striker Iain Stirton isn't the sort of lad who is of a quiet disposition, but last week Iain was certainly struck dumb!

Iain was the victim of a flu virus which stopped him training all last week and left his throat aching. It also meant that he missed the Colts match against Motherwell on Saturday.

"I'd recovered from the worst of it by last Wednesday," said Iain, "but then I found I'd been banned from attending the Rangers-St. Mirren game, just in case I passed the 'bug' on to any of the other players.

"I've not spent a more frustrating week all this season."

Iain's first bout of training was on Friday but he was only fit enough to do one or two laps round the Ibrox park. After that, Tommy Craig, the Ibrox physiotherapist sent him home.

The youngster, however, should be fully fit by next week and will be able to resume training. No-one is more relieved by that news than Iain himself.



REALLY GREGOR!

RANGERS STAR Gregor Stevens recently entered the 'market' to make a new signing. Not, however, the two legged type.

Gregor, who was purchasing a new car, decided on this year's 'Car of the Year', the Ford Erika, better known as the Ford Escort.

And the colour? No, not light blue, Gregor plumped for the colours of our opponents in the Scottish Cup Final — bright orange!

Gregor's colleagues, however, have threatened to give it a respray . . . FREE of charge!

WHAT IS THE SCOTS' RECORD VICTORY?

COULD YOU PLEASE give me details of the officials who were in charge of Rangers' Cup Winner's Cup tie with Borussia Munchengladbach at Ibrox in November, 1973? Raymond Walker, Harrison Drive, Glasgow.

The referee's name was Francesco S. Lobo from Portugal. Lobo was also in control of Rangers Cup Winner's Cup Quarter Final tie against Torino on March 22, 1972. The linesman were Armando Miranda Castro and Antonio Porem Luis.

What has been Scotland's highest victory over Ireland at international level, and how many Rangers men were in the Scotland team? Hugh Johnstone, King Street, Hamilton.

It was on February 23, 1901, and Scotland won the match 11-0. That day, five of the Scotland team were selected from the ranks of Rangers. Those were N. Smith, A. Smith, J. T. Robertson, R. C. Hamilton, and J. Campbell. Hamilton netted four of Scotland's goals that day.

Could you please give some details concerning Eric Caldow? John Kennedy, Lanarkhall Street, Airdrie.

Eric, who hails from Cumnock, signed for Rangers in July 1952 and stayed for 14 seasons. He played 436 first team matches, including 40 European ties, and scored 24 goals.

It is felt by many that the event which put an end to his playing career was the first half of the Scotland-England game at Wembley, on April 6, 1963. Eric's leg was broken in three places after a clash with England's Bobby Smith. Eric, who was then 28, went on to play just another 31 first team games with his Club until he left Ibrox and the end of season 1965-66.



● Morton goalkeeper Alex Brown can only look in dismay as the ball enters the net for yet another goal in Rangers' five goal trouncing of the Cappielow club in the 1963 League Cup Final. This was the goal scored by Alex Willoughby and the victory was Rangers best ever in a final in this competition.

Could you please list the date, teams and scorers from Rangers highest Scottish League Cup Final victory? Gordon Simpson, Great Western Road, Glasgow.

It was on October 26, 1963, when Rangers beat Morton 5-0, with four gaols coming from Jim Forrest and the remaining effort from Alec Willoughby. The teams that day were: RANGERS: Ritchie, Shearer, Provan, Greig, McKinnon, Baxter, Henderson, Willoughby, Forrest, Brand and Watson. MORTON: Brown, Boyd, Mallan, Reilly, Kiernan, Strachan, Adamson, Campbell, Stevenson, McGraw and Wilson.

Could you please, if possible, give details of Rangers run in the 1934-35 Scottish Cup competition? Gavin Hulme, Clement Place, Exeter.

FIRST ROUND: 3-1 v Cowdenbeath (Ibrox); SECOND ROUND 2-2 v Third Lanark (Ibrox); THIRD ROUND 1-0 v St. Mirren (Ibrox); FOURTH ROUND 4-1 v Motherwell (Fir Park); SEMI-FINAL 1-1 then 2-0 v Hearts (Hampden); FINAL 2-1 v Hamilton Academicals (Hampden).

Have you any information concerning former Rangers player, Alex O'Hara. When was his last game and goal for Rangers also when was he born? Mary Harrison, Pollokshaws Road, Glasgow.

Alex's last game for Rangers was in the Reserves side against Dundee United on October 8, 1977. His last game for the first team was against Aberdeen on January 19, 1977, when he was substituted by Alex MacDonald. His last first team goal was scored in Rangers 3-0 victory over Kilmarnock on January 8, 1977. Alex, now with Partick Thistle, was born on October 21, 1956.

How many League appearances did Jim Stewart make for Middlesbrough and have you a list of how many times he turned out for Kilmarnock? How many other goalkeepers did Middlesbrough have last season, and how many first team league matches did Jim Stewart play during 1979-80? David Armstrong, Leyton Road, Glasgow.

In total, Jim made 32 first team appearances for Middlesbrough and 175 for Kilmarnock. Last season, Middlesbrough had three goalkeepers, including Jim. The other two were Jim Platt and Kelham O'Hanlon.

Last season, Jim turned out on five occasions for the 'Boro against Brighton (1-2), Bristol (1-3), Nottingham Forest (0-0), Southampton (1-4) and Arsenal (5-0).

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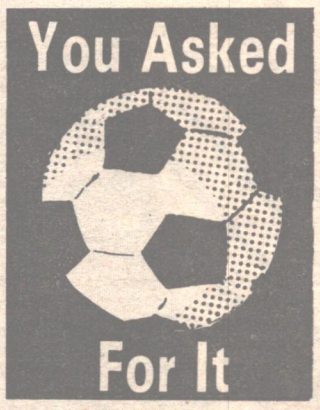

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

WEDNESDAY (April 22)
SCOTTISH LEAGUE
PREMIER DIVISION
ABERDEEN v RANGERS, Dundee United v Celtic.
DIVISION ONE
Clydeband v Raith Rovers, Dunfermline Althletic v Berwick Rangers.
DIVISION TWO
Montrose v Cowdenbeath.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25
SCOTTISH LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION
Airdrie v Hearts, Celtic v Kilmarnock, Dundee United v Aberdeen, PARTICK THISTLE v RANGERS, St. Mirren v Morton.

DIVISION ONE
Ayr United v Dumbarton, Clydebank v East Stirling, Dunfermline v Raith Rovers, Falkirk v Dundee, Hamilton Accies v Berwick Rangers, Motherwell v Hibs, St. Johnstone v Stirling Albion.

DIVISION TWO
Alloa v Meadowbank Thistle, Arbroath v Queen of the South, Clyde v East Five, Montrose v Albion Rovers, Queen's Park v Cowdenbeath, Stenhousemuir v Brechin City, Stranraer v Forfar.

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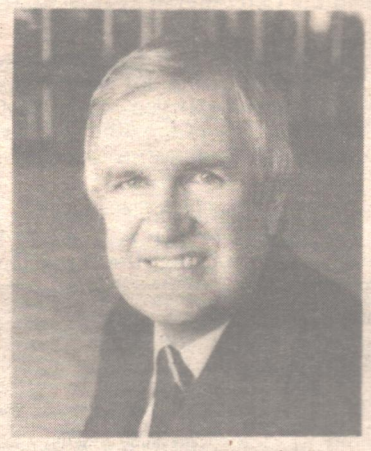

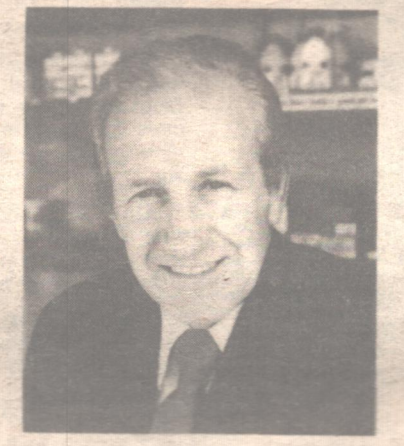

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NEWS OF THE WORLD

YOU WON'T THROW IN THIS TOWEL!

THIS WEEK the 'News' is offering a pair of special towels, embroidered with the Rangers crest and printed, red, white and blue . . . just the think to add a touch of colour to any Light Blue fan's bathroom!

Now when you are told to go to the bathroom and wash your hands before dinner, you'll be only too glad to oblige!

As usual, all you have to do to qualify for the draw, which will take place on Friday, May 1st, is to answer one simple question.

Ally Dawson is at present the captain of Rangers, and has been since the Dundee United match a few weeks ago, but, can you tell us when Ally was first given the role?

To help, we can tell you it was sometime last season.

Once you think you know the answer drop a postcard to: 'Towels,' Rangers News, 19 North Claremont Street, Glasgow, G3 7NR.

Please try and write your entries in your neatest handwriting and don't forget to include your FULL name AND address.

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● ALLY DAWSON

HE CHASED REFEREE ALL ROUND THE TOWN!

NO GREEK HOLIDAY FOR THE RUMANIANS

IT'S BEEN said on numerous occasions that Scotland's international team don't spend enough time together before vital matches.

One country who don't want that kind of situation to happen to them are Rumania, whose international side have just returned from a short working holiday together in sunny Greece!

After their 2-1 victory over England over England back in October, which surprised 75,000 spectators, the Rumanians, under their manager Stanescu, have played various friendlies in preparation for the return World Cup qualifying game on April 29 at Wembley.

The Rumanian squad have just returned from that Spring holiday in Greece, where they stayed for 12 days. In that time, they played three matches, with 2-0 and 3-0 wins over Kreta and Panathaniakos, and a 0-1 defeat against Apolon, and this gave Stanescu the perfect opportunity to judge which of his players are on form at the present time.

Careful preparations indeed for a country whose last appearance in the World Cup Final stages was in Mexico, 1970. And all of these steps have been sanctioned personally by the new President of the Rumanian Football Federation Andrei Radelescu.

Radelescu finished his playing career with Rapid Bucharest in 1954 and once achieved an astonishing feat, in a league game against Timisoata which Rapid won 8-2. He netted all EIGHT of his side's goals . . . and they were all scored within the first 45 minutes of the game!

RUMMENIGGE CITY 'FIRST'

YOU'D THINK a player of such international renown as Karl Heinz Rummenigge would be well used to receiving awards. Not a week goes by without some sports magazine or private firm presenting the Bayern Munich striker with a statuette or clock/radio for his services to German football.

One distinction, however, which took Rummenigge completely, and pleasantly, by surprise the other week was a request from his native town of Lippstadt.

The citizens asked Rummenigge, along with the Mayor of the small town, to unveil a bronze statue in the centre of Lippstadt. This will be the first time anyone born in Lippstadt, but not holding some sort of council office, has performed any public ceremony.

RELATIONS between referees and players have always been closely connected with the decisions made by the 'men in black'.

Incidents in British football between players and referees are mainly low-key affairs with the official producing either of his two coloured cards in the event of any argument.

In Europe, and also South America, it's not unusual for the referee to come off the worst in confrontations, which lends weight to the belief that Britain has the most civilised football in the world. There have even been cases in Brazil and Argentina of referees being shot for making unpopular decisions!

It would seem this violent behaviour is creeping ever nearer our shores when we heard last week of a case in Spain involving three players from the provincial Spanish club of F.C. Valleguerra.

During a recent game, their behaviour shocked the football fans and Spanish authorities when they proceeded to beat up a referee during a game.

As this was a precedent in Spanish football, the Football Authority had no laid down procedure for dealing with the three players' conduct. They decided to give them a 25-game ban . . . and that to many people seemed a rather lenient sentence!

Another player from the same club thought a referee's performance was so bad during a game that, after the 90 minutes had transpired, he chased the ref through the streets of the town! After the Police let him go, the Spanish Football Authorities promptly slapped a 24-game suspension on him.

But it's not only the players who show their opinions through violence.

Before a recent league match in the town of Monzanega in Columbia, two linesmen started an argument over which side of the pitch they would patrol. One thing led to another until it developed into a full scale fist-fight — flags included!

The referee had no choice but to send both offenders off the park and as there were no replacements available at so short notice the match was abaondoned!

Who'd be a ref?

Gary No. 1

GARY BLACKLEDGE of Glentoran is Northern Ireland's "Player of the Year". He has scored 32 goals this season and several English First Division sides are now interested in his services.

BIG DAY FOR THE IRISH

Saturday sees the Irish Cup Final take place between Glenavon and Ballymena United and, due to the World Cup clash between Northern Ireland and Portugal being scheduled for Windsor Park on Wednesday, the cup final will be played at the Oval, home of Glentoran.

This year's final will be the first since 1974 in which no Belfast club has played and it is interesting to note that, on that occasion, Ballymena finished as runners-up to Ards.

But the Ballymena men are confident of victory on Saturday, although both clubs can look back over history pointing to previous wins over their cup rivals.

Ballymena beat Glenavon in the 1940 final but the Lurgan side gained their revenge by dumping Ballymena by a similar score in 1959.

SUCCESS AT LAST FOR VIENNA . . .

Rapide Vienna have been suffering something of a rough time in their local 'derbies' against FK Austraia, failing to win on the last nine meetings, but Rangers' old European opponents put the record straight in the latest battle between Vienna's 'Big Two' when they dumped their rivals 5-1.

ANDERLECHT ARE TOPS

ANDERLECHT'S recent 8-2 home win over struggling Beerschot clinched the Belgian title for the famous Brussels club, taking them well out of the reach of nearest challengers Beveren.



● THOMAS ALLOFS . . . on the move?

ALLOFS WANTED . . .

A few weeks ago we told you about Eintracht Frankfurt's need to rebuild their side following the departure of stalwarts Bernd Holzenbein and Jurgen Grabowski and the German club certainly don't appear to be prepared to let the grass grow under their feet in their quest for new faces.

The name being linked with the Frankfurt side is Fortuna Dusseldorf's Thomas Allofs who, of course, faced up to Rangers in the 'Cup-Winners' Cup tie of last season.

The fee mentioned is one million marks, around £250,000.

SOMEBODY'S RECORD HAS TO GO...

West Germany's hopes of reaching the finals of yet another World Cup tournament (they have NEVER failed to qualify), took a big step forward when they beat Albania 2-0 in Tirana on April 1.

Both goals were scored by Barcelona's blond haired ex-Cologne star Bernd Schuster and that victory has set up a real crunch clash when the Germans meet Austria at Hamburg on April 29.

Austria have six points from three games and West Germany have maximum points from their two matches to date. Something will have to 'give' when the two battle it out at the Volkspark Stadion.

The Duetscher Fussball Bund (the German F.A.) have decided that the German Cup Final between Eintracht Frankfurt and 1.F.C. Kaiserslautern will be played at the Neckerstadion in Stuttgart on Saturday, May 2.

FOOTBALL WORLDWIDE

BOOKED — FOR BEING BORED!

THERE ARE funny moments in football, of that there is no doubt. It's just that you don't always appreciate them at the time.

Take two recent incidents which happened in Brazil and Spain.

Brazilian goalkeeper Ramon Toja was a bit bored watching his team winning 14-0 in a league match and, to give himself something to do, he started to swing on the crossbar!

The referee, up at the other penalty spot, spotted him and promptly stopped the match. He then raced the full length of the pitch and booked Toja for ungentlemanly conduct!

Another incident which didn't exactly leave people smiling was in Spain. After playing Sporting Gijon in a league game, Hercules Alicante were returning home by train, but a snowstorm forced them to stay aboard the train for two full days and two nights!

When they eventually managed to get back to Alicante they could have been forgiven for making hasty exits to their homes to catch up on some lost sleep. But there was no chance of that — their manager promptly ordered them to the training ground to sharpen them up.



● MIKE ENGLAND . . . his team lead the group.

CZECHS MOVE UP . . .

AS EXPECTED, Czechoslavakia took both points in last week's Group Three World Cup qualifying match against Turkey in Istanbul. Janecka, Kozak and Vizek were the scorers and that puts the Czechs on four points from three games. But Wales, managed by Mike England, stil lead the group.

The full table is:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
WALES	4	4	0	0	10	0	8
RUSSIA	2	2	0	0	7	1	4
CZECHOSLAVAKIA	3	2	0	1	5	1	4
ICELAND	4	1	0	3	4	12	2
TURKEY	5	0	0	5	1	13	0

Next match: Czechoslavakia v Iceland (on May 25).

JUST NOT RAN



● Agony for Ally Dawson as he is treated by phsyiotherapist Tom Craig after being injured in a tackle with Tommy Burns.



● Derek Johnstone is beaten to this cross by Pat Bonner.



● Charlie Nicholas is tackled by Colin Jackson in the first half.



● Ally Dawson just gets a foot to the ball as Davie Provan tries to round him in the first half.

Match slant

THE disappointing nature of this season's Premier League campaign was confirmed on Saturday when Celtic rubbed salt into Rangers' wounds by virtually clinching the title with a 1-0 win over the Light Blues at Ibrox.

And as the Parkhead men celebrated, Rangers looked back over a season which saw their championship challenge die, not against their great rivals at the weekend, but against the league's struggling outfits over the course of the past nine months.

Points conceded to Kilmarnock, Hearts, Morton and Airdrie have proved to be costly ones and it is the team's failure to get results in such games that will command a lot of manager John Greig's attention as he looks ahead to next term.

On Saturday, Celtic were by far the more purposeful outfit and it was evident they were out to get the two points they required to clinch the flag. The visitors' play had an edge which Rangers' lacked and it was only when Celtic went in front that the Ibrox men looked dangerous.

An almighty scramble on the goal line looked like producing the equaliser but when Tom McAdam cleared off the line, then Bett hit the crossbar, it was clear to all that this was Celtic's day.

Now Rangers must put the disappointment of Saturday behind them and finish their league programme in style, clinching a place in Europe and whetting the fans' appetites for the Scottish Cup Final on May 9.

Saturday was Celtic's 'cup final'. RANGERS' HAS STILL TO COME.



● The closest Rangers came to scoring on Sat after Russell had headed a rebound from the ba cleared in this penalty box incident. Tom McA play



● An unusual touchline view as Davie F

SCORERS

WITH Rangers drawing a blank against Celtic at Ibrox on Saturday, Bobby Russell's midweek winner against St. Mirren is the only change to the Light Blue's scorers.
The table reads: Colin McAdam 23; John MacDonald 16; Ian Redford 12; Derek Johnstone 7; Bobby Russell 7; Sandy Jardine 5; Jim Bett 4; Davie Cooper 3; Alex Miller 3; Ally Dawson 2; Gregor Stevens 2; Gordon Dalziel 1; Colin Jackson 1; Willie Johnston 1; Own Goals 2.

FACT-FILE

SATURDAY, APRIL 18.
Premier League.
RANGERS 0, CELTIC 1.
Scorer: Nicholas (56 mins.).

RANGERS: Stewart, Miller, Dawson, D. Johnstone, Jackson, Bett, McLean, Russell, C. McAdam, Redford, W. Johnston. Subs: Jardine (for W. Johnston), MacDonald (for Bett).

CELTIC: Bonner, McGrain, MacLeod, McDonald, T. McAdam, Aitken, Provan, Conroy, McGarvey, Burns, Nicholas. Subs: Reid, Doyle (not used).
Referee: B. R. McGinlay (Balfron).
Booked: Bett, D. Johnstone (Rangers).
Attendance: 34,000.

Premier Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Celtic	33	25	3	5	79	31	53
Aberdeen	33	19	9	5	61	24	47
Rangers	34	15	10	9	56	33	40
St Mirren	34	16	8	10	52	47	40
Dundee Utd	32	15	8	9	57	36	38
Partick Th	34	10	9	15	29	44	29
Airdrie	33	9	9	15	31	47	27
Morton	34	10	7	17	34	54	27
Kilmarnock	34	5	7	22	21	64	17
Hearts	34	5	6	23	25	66	16

ERS' DAY . . .

PREMIER LEAGUE

Aberdeen	3	Airdrie	0
Hearts	1	St Mirren	2
Kilmarnock	0	Partick Th	1
Morton	2	Dundee Utd	0
Rangers	0	Celtic	1

FIRST DIVISION

Ayr Utd	1	Stirling Alb	0
Berwick	1	Falkirk	2
Dumbarton	2	Dunfermline	1
Dundee	1	Clydebank	0

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

East Stirling	2	St Johnstone	2
Hamilton	1	Motherwell	2
Hibernian	2	Raith Rovers	0

SECOND DIVISION

Albion Rov	0	Stenhsmuir	2
Alloa	1	Qn of South	5
Cowdnbeath	1	Arbroath	0
Forfar	1	Queens Park	2
Meadowbnk	1	East Fife	0
Montrose	3	Brechin	2
Stranraer	1	Clyde	1



The ball is cleared off the line by Aitken
Bett and Colin McAdam also had efforts
and Murdo MacLeod are the other Celtic



● Mike Conroy and Ian Redford in a race for the ball in the second half.



prepares to take on Ally Dawson.



● Derek Johnstone and Tom McAdam have a 'quiet word' as they wait for a corner from Tommy McLean.



● Ian Redford shields the ball as Tom McAdam moves in.

First Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
ian	38	24	8	6	65	24	56
stn	38	19	11	8	63	45	49
e	37	20	8	9	61	39	48
Rov	37	19	10	8	48	29	48
rwell	37	19	10	8	61	48	48
d	38	17	11	10	58	40	45
ion	38	14	7	17	57	56	35
arton	37	12	10	15	47	49	34
k	38	13	8	17	38	50	34
iring	36	6	16	14	39	51	28
bank	35	8	11	16	42	56	27
rmline	37	9	6	22	38	56	24
g Alb	37	6	11	20	18	44	23
k	37	5	11	21	29	77	21

Second Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Queens Park	37	15	17	5	59	41	47
Qn of South	36	15	13	8	62	51	43
Cowdnbth	35	17	8	10	59	42	42
Alloa	38	15	12	11	60	50	42
Brechin	36	13	13	10	48	44	39
Forfar	37	15	9	13	56	56	39
Clyde	37	13	11	13	59	58	37
Montrose	36	15	6	15	62	53	36
Stnhsmuir	37	13	10	14	62	55	36
Arbroath	37	12	11	14	55	53	35
East Fife	37	10	14	13	42	47	34
Albion Rov	37	13	8	16	58	68	34
Medwbnk	37	11	7	19	41	61	29
Stranraer	37	7	7	23	33	77	21

JIM PROVES HIS WORTH...

RANGERS took a giant step towards ensuring a place in Europe next season when they beat St. Mirren 1-0 at Ibrox last Wednesday to go two points clear of their rivals in third place in the Premier League.



● JIM STEWART . . . several fine saves.

And, although a 'Cup-Winners' Cup spot has got to be the Light Blues' main aim, the Ibrox men had to keep their options open. That meant the midweek win against the Paisley side was very important.

Going for their fourth successive win, it was essential Rangers got a result and it was a very competent, workmanlike performance from John Greig's team.

Jim Stewart again proved the wisdom of the manager's swoop for his signature by making several fine saves as the visitors pressed for the equaliser which would keep their European hopes alive.

The goal which won the game was one of the highest quality. A clever build-up on the left ended with an Ian Redford cross being met on the volley by Bobby Russell and the power of the shot carried the ball past the diving Thomson, despite the 'keeper getting a hand to it.

Thereafter, the Light Blues endured some Saints' pressure, but the Ibrox men were always dangerous on the break and both Colin Jackson and Colin McAdam came close in the second half.

FACT-FILE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15
Premier League.
RANGERS 1, ST. MIRREN 0
Scorer: Russell (44 mins.).
RANGERS: Stewart, Miller, Dawson, D. Johnstone, Jackson, Bett, McLean, Russell, McAdam, Redford, W. Johnston. Subs: MacDonald, Jardine (not used).
ST. MIRREN: Thomson, Young, McAveety, Copland, Fulton, Abercromby, Bone, Stark, Somner, Richardson, Logan. Subs: Speirs (for Bone), Beckett (not used).
Referee: B. Robertson (East Kilbride).
Booked: Abercromby (St. Mirren), Jackson (Rangers).
Attendance: 10,000.

THEY'RE IN THE MONEY . . .

● Here are some of the larger winners in the windfall lottery during March:

£1000

Helen Kennedy, 1D Dunvegan Quad, Renfrew; Mrs Isabella McInnes, 37 Westerton Ave, Larkhall; K. McPhee, 8 Carbeth Road, Milngavie; G. Williams, 127 Abbeyhill Street, Glasgow; N. Ferguson, 9a Dunsmuir Court, Dalmuir; Shonah Campbell, 8 Oak Street, Kelty; M. McLeod, 50 Kennishead Ave, Glasgow.

£250

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Lucky kids . . .

Yesterday was a very special day for six lucky Young Rangers Club members because they spent the day at Ibrox with their favourite Light Blues.

That's right, the entire day and next week you'll be able to see pictures and stories of these young fans super day — only in the 'News'.

It's 'Battling Boss' Davie!

VLADIVAR Vodka recently sponsored the National Amateur five-a-side Championship at the Glasgow Kelvin Hall and some of the novelty events held to add a light hearted flavour to the evening featured several well-known faces down Ibrox way.

Former Rangers stars Billy Ritchie and Davie Wilson teamed up with some Celtic 'Old Crocks' to form an 'Old Firm Golden Oldies' side who played a 'Rugby Rovers' team consisting of several players more acquainted with the oval ball game.

And after a 2-2 draw, the 'Golden Oldies' emerged winners in a penalty play-off.

Ibrox Chief Scout Davie Provan was also in action, playing for a team of 'Battling Bosses' who beat a 'Press Gang' of football writers by a 2-0 scoreline.



● Not a bad line-up, although it's only fair to say that all, but one (which one?), are past their best. The photo shows (left to right), Celtic manager Billy McNeill, Vladivar Vodka's Douglas Welsh, Bill Munro the Clydebank boss, the lovely Lynn Bone, Davie Provan, Albion Rovers manager Harry Hood and Hibs' chief Bertie Auld.



● The Ibrox delegation at the tourney at the Kelvin Hall. Chief Scout Davie Provan poses with, left to right, Douglas Welsh (Vladivar Vodka's Scottish Sales Manager), former Ibrox winger Davie Wilson and goalkeeper Billy Ritchie.

★ YOUR COMPLETE POOLS GUIDE

POOL ONE: 3 possibles, 22 goals, 1 winner receives £31,851.25.

Winner: Neil Sutherland, 3 Littleton Drive, Glasgow, G.23.

POOL TWO: 1 possible, 6 goals, 1 winner receives £1,000.

Winner: Mrs M. Hall, 13 Woodside Road, Banchory.

POOL THREE: 56 possibles, 10 goals, 50 winners each receive £20.

Winning combinations: Any 5 from 01, 03, 04, 06, 09, 12, 30, 36.

POOL FOUR: 2 possibles, 28 goals, 1 winner receives £1,000.

Winner: R. Doherty, 47 St. Mungo Avenue, Glasgow.

POOL FIVE: 21 possibles, 0 goals, 15 winners each receive £66.66.

Winning combinations: Any 5 from 13, 15, 21, 29, 32, 38, 42.

POOL SIX: 1 possible, 11 goals, 1 winner receives £2,000.

Winner: Mrs M. Osborne, 13 Brittania Way, Renfrew.

● Agent's Golden Bonus: Not won, now stands at £2,800.

FOLLOWING is the check for Saturday's results — Game 01—3-2; 02-2-1; 03—2-2; 04—1-2; 05—1-1; 06—1-2; 07—2-1; 08—1-1; 09—1-2; 10—0-1; 11—3-0; 12—1-2; 13—0-0; 14—2-0; 15—0-0; 16—1-1; 17—6-1; 18—6-1; 19—0-1; 20—2-0; 21—0-0; 22—1-0; 23—0-1; 24—2-0; 25—3-1; 26—2-0; 27—0-1; 28—1-0; 29—0-0; 30—0-2; 31—1-0; 32—0-0; 33—2-1; 34—2-1; 35—1-1; 36—1-2; 37—2-1; 38—0-0; 39—4-1; 40—2-1; 41—2-1; 42—0-0; 43—1-0.

This week's numbers

THE FOLLOWING is the offical list of teams for Saturday, April 25th, 01 Airdrie, 02 Celtic, 03 Bristol City, 04 Derby, 05 Blackpool, 06 Brentford, 07 Aldershot, 08 Bournemouth, 09 Dundee United, 10 Partick Thistle, 11 Grimsby, 12 Luton, 13, Carlisle, 14 Chesterfield, 15 Bradford City, 16 Bury, 17 St. Mirren, 18 Ayr United, 19 Notts County, 20 Q.P.R., 21 Fulham, 22 Gillingham, 23 Darlington, 24 Mansfield, 25 Clydebank, 26 Dunfermline, 27 Sheffield Wednesday, 28 Swansea, 29 Hull, 30 Newport, 31 Peterborough, 32 Port Vale, 33 Falkirk, 34 Hamilton, 35 Wrexham, 36 Oxford United, 37 Plymouth, 38 Rochdale, 39 Wigan Athletic, 40 Motherwell, 41 St. Johnstone, 42 Portsmouth, 43 Walsall.

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Lyall 'cracker' cheers Colts

THREE quality goals enabled Rangers Reserves to finish their competitive season with an impressive 3-0 victory over Motherwell at Fir Park on Saturday.

The disappointment of the previous week's exit from the Second Eleven Cup was put to the back of the Colts mind by a superb goal after just 14 minutes and it really was a pity so few fans witnessed the spectacular effort.

Billy Mackay made a fine run down the touchline and his cross was met first time by Kenny Lyall and the youngster hit a fierce volley from 20 yards which gave the goalkeeper no chance.

Not surprisingly, coach Stan Anderson was raving about the goal afterwards.

"A great goal, a really great goal," he enthused. "In recent weeks we haven't managed to get an early goal for all our efforts and the head has dropped a little as a result. But today Kenny's goal set us up early on."

It wasn't until the second half, however, that the reserves cashed in on their excellent outfield work. Davie Cooper rounded a couple of Motherwell defender in the second half and his cross was met by Gordon Dalziel who netted with a close range header.

That goal was quickly followed by another similar effort. This time Graham Watson did all the leading work and Douglas Robertson finished off, again with a header from no more than a few yards range.

"There were a few good things for us today, and you always try to take someting positive from a match," added Stan. "One of the plus points was that Douglas Robertson made his first full appearance since his cartilage operation and he got a goal, which will obviously boost his confidence," added Stan Anderson.

RANGERS: McCloy, McIntyre, A. Forsyth, Watson, McPherson, Clark, Mackay, Dalziel, Robertson, Lyall, Cooper. Subs: McIntosh (for Dalziel), Richardson (for Watson).

FOCUS ON SATURDAY'S LEAGUE CLASH AT FIRHILL

DON'T KNOCK ROUGH!

— says big Colin

IN RECENT years there have been few more maligned figures in Scottish football than Partick Thistle and Scotland goalkeeper Alan Rough.

The critics have never been slow to nail Rough and, for a time, it appeared to be the accepted practice to dismiss him as the 'weak link' in the national side but, to Alan's credit, he ignored the knockers and has silenced them with some superb goalkeeping.

Scotland's recent World Cup jaunt to Tel Aviv was one such occasion and few would deny that it was only because of Rough's brilliance between the posts that the Scots went in at half-time still on level terms.

One of the big 'keeper's greatest admirers is his former Thistle team-mate Rangers' striker Colin McAdam, who will be all out to give Rough an uncomfortable time when the Light Blues and the 'Jags' meet at Firhill on Saturday.

"Alan's a great man to have in your side," says the Ibrox top scorer, "and, when I played with him at Thistle, 'Roughie' was worth at least ten points a season to the team.

"And when you examine the league tables, those ten points were the difference between holding our own and being relegated.

"So I could never understand why everyone was in such a hurry to knock him.

"Okay, so he may lose the odd daft goal now and then but, let's be honest, the goalkeeper who hasn't lost a daft goal hasn't yet been born."

A very valid point from the big Ranger and it could be that more people are coming round to that opinion.

Already established as Scotland's most capped goalkeeper with 39 honours, Rough is now in line to register another fine achievement when this season's 'Player of the Year' awards are announced.

He is one of the main contenders for the Football Writers' award, and he also got a number of votes from Ibrox when the players were casting their votes for the Players Union award.

Rough is one of the four nominations and it mirrors the respect in which he is held by his fellow professionals that this is the third time he has made the 'final four'.

"He'll get my vote," says Colin McAdam, "and I know I'm not the only admirer Roughie's got at Ibrox.

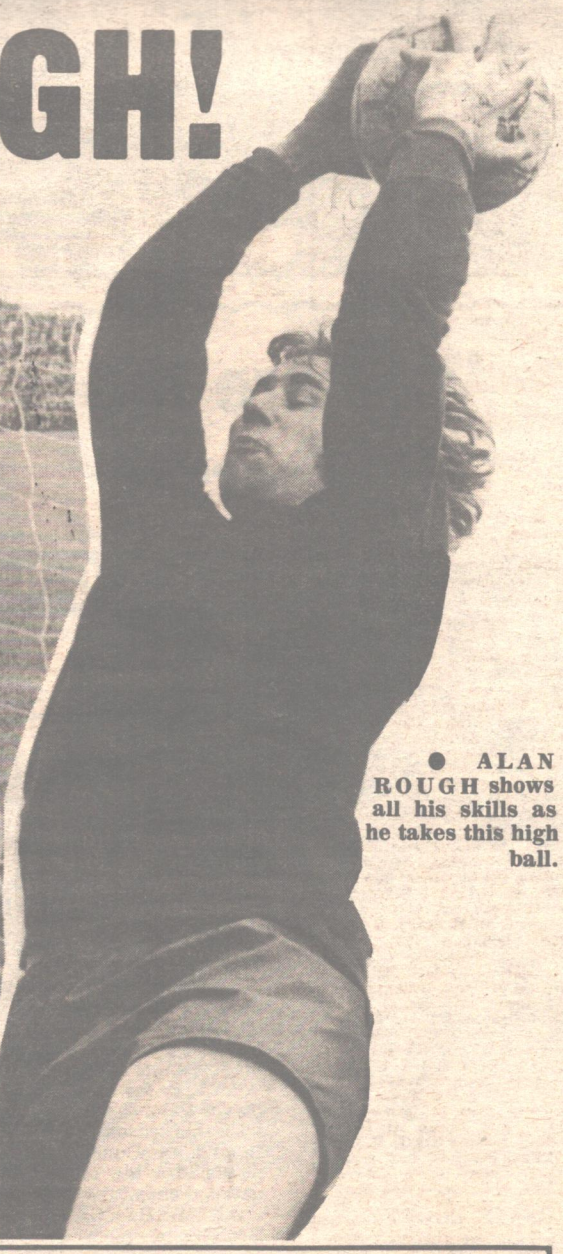
"But then that's not surprising because he's had one or two stormers against us."

However Colin will be hoping that Saturday is not one of those occasions and if anyone makes it hot for Rough at the weekend it will be the self same Mr McAdam!

FOOTNOTE: Should Alan Rough succeed in lifting both 'Player of the Year' awards he will be only the second player ever to do so, the other being none other than Rangers' star Derek Johnstone who swept the boards in 1978.



● ALAN ROUGH, the way we all want to see him on Saturday . . . picking the ball out of the net.



● ALAN ROUGH shows all his skills as he takes this high ball.

CLUB NOTES

THRINGSTONE (LEICESTER): Dinner Dance will be held on April 25 at 6.30 p.m.

Names for Scottish Cup Final to Billy Melvin. Thringstone would also like to thank the Corby R.S.C. for their party which visited the club recently.

DUNDEE LOYAL: Bus v Partick Thistle leaves Lindsay Street at 10.30 a.m. Wales v Scotland: bus leaves Lindsay Street, May 15th at 7 p.m., returns 2 a.m. May 17th.

HELEN STREET: No bus to Aberdeen, Partick Thistle bus leaves Ibrox Garage at 2 p.m., club 2.05 p.m. Seats available.

KINNING PARK LOYAL: Members in arrears must clear dues. Saturday Red Lion Bar, 1.30 p.m. Partick Thistle bus leaves McLean Street at 2 p.m., seats non members. Other deposits now due. Seats Phone J. Finnan 041 427 1389.

IAN REDFORD: (STRATHKELVIN) Regular meeting 12.30 at Community Centre. Bus v Partick Thistle leaves Queenzieburn 12.00. Non members welcome.

BALLINGRY LOYAL: Bus v Partick Thistle leaves Auld Shank, Ballingry at 11.30 a.m., picking up at the usual places and times. Non-members welcome. Names now required for the Scottish Cup Final. Contact D. Wilson on Ballingry 860678.

NITHSDALE: Bus to Aberdeen leaves Torrisdale Street at 2 p.m. Bus to Firhill leaves Torrisdale Street at 2 p.m., picking up at Devon Street at 2.15 p.m. Non-members welcome both games.

Rangers hit 'Jags' for 17 — in their first season!

● **Partick Thistle's inaugeration year in the Scottish League was during season 1897-98. In that season, Rangers beat them 6-1 at Ibrox and then 5-1 at Firhill. To add further humiliation, the Light Blues won 6-0 in the first round of the Glasgow Cup too.**

● ***Firhill's record attendance was achieved during a match with Rangers on February 1, 1922, when 49,838 people crammed into the ground to see the Light Blues win 1-0.***



● COLIN McADAM . . . Rangers' top scorer.

● When Rangers set up their never-equalled record of winning every league game played during season 1898-99, the Light Blues met Thistle twice and registered a 6-2 victory at Ibrox and a 5-0 win at Firhill.

● ***The oldest player at Firhill is John Lapsley, who was signed from Airdrie at the end of last season. He was born on November 24, 1951, just one day before Alan Rough.***

● ***Of the six occasions on which Rangers and Partick Thistle have met this season, only one Thistle man has managed to score twice against the Light Blues . . . and he was a former Rangers man himself! Alex O'Hara has scored twice for his club against the Ibrox side this season, once in the Anglo-Scottish Cup and once in the Premier League.***

● ***Since becoming a Rangers player at the beginning of this season, former Thistle man Colin McAdam has scored no fewer than four goals against his last club.***

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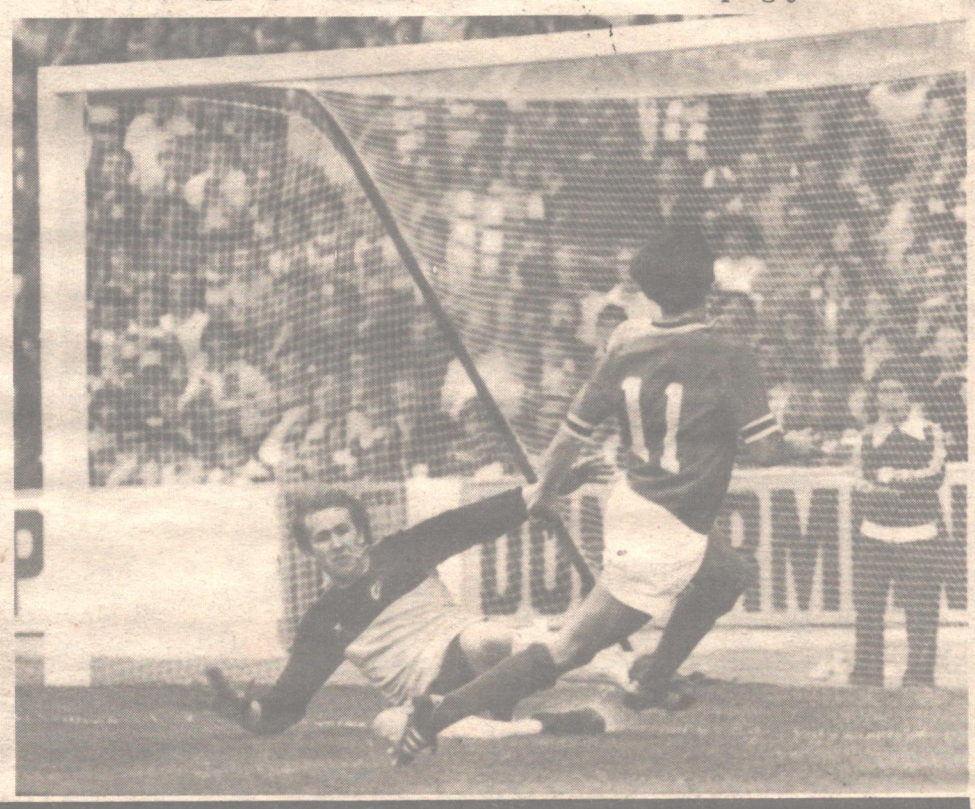
THE YOUNG RANGERS CLUB PAGE

IT'S IN THE BAG, IF YOU'RE RIGHT!

IF YOU PLAY on a Saturday for a local BB or youth football team, then you'll know how easy it is to misplace a football boot or sock during the hectic pre-match preparations in the dressing room. No doubt you've also thought what an asset a large bag would be; both for carrying your kit to the match and keeping your clothes together when you're out on the park.



If you have, then this week's competition should appeal to you, for we are offering a very special hold-all. This particular bag has the added attraction of being decorated in your favourite team colours — red, white and blue.

You don't have to be a footballer, however, to appreciate this prize, for the hold-all will accommodate tennis gear, fishing gear or even your school books equally well.

As usual, you have to answer only two questions correctly to stand a chance of winning this great prize.

The picture on the left shows John McDonald's great goal against Partick Thistle in the first Premier League encounter between the two of season 1981-81, Rangers winning the encounter by four goals to nil.

All we want you to tell us is in what competition John played his first match for the Light Blues against the 'Jags' and what was the final score.

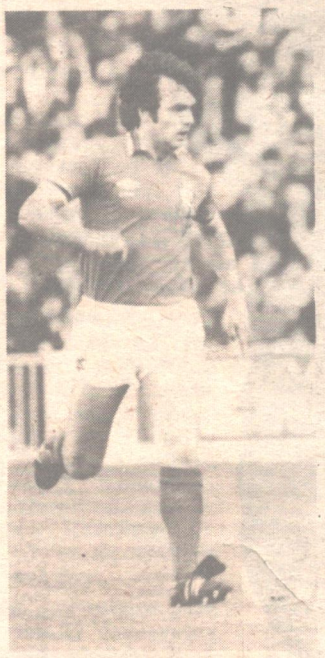
When you think you know the answer, write it down on a postcard and send if off to "Rangers Bag," Rangers News, 19 North Claremont Street, Glasgow G3 7NR.

Please try to write in your neatest handwriting and remember to include your FULL name AND address AND Young Rangers Club membership number with your entry.

The closing date for entries is Friday, May 1.

The Editor's decision is final in all matters.

Who are the 'Gunners'?



● DAVIE COOPER . . . see question 7

QUICK QUIZ

1. Malcolm MacDonald is the manager of which team?
2. With which side do you associate Trevor Cherry?
3. If Erich Schaedler and Sandy McNaughton were playing in a match, which teams would be competing?
4. Which English First Division side are nicknamed the "Gunners?"
5. How many times have Rangers won the Scottish Cup?
6. From which side was John Greig signed?
7. In which year did David Cooper sign for Rangers?
8. Against which team did Rangers notch up their highest score this season?
9. Who is the only Rangers player to have scored a hat-trick this season?
10. Which Dundee United player has the most international caps?

ANSWERS ON BACK PAGE.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MEMBERS

● The following Young Rangers Club members will be celebrating a birthday in the coming week.

TODAY 22nd April

DAVID ADAMS, 20 Oakvale Park, Bally Solly, Coleraine, Co. Londonderry, N. Ireland, who is 11.

RICHARD FREEDMAN, 12 Belmont Drive, Giffnock, who is 10.

FIONA CRAWFORD, 120 Ochil View, Denny, Stirlingshire, who is 12.

STUART DUNCAN, 83 Drumond Place, Blackridge, who is 10.

SCOTT LINDSAY, 36 Arduthie Gardens, Stonehaven, Kincardineshire, who is 17.

ROBERT KYLE, 36 Weaver Avenue, Newton Mearns, who is two.

MURDO STEWART, 47 McAllister Avenue, Airdrie, who is 14.

JAMES HOOD, 3 Duntarvie Place, Easterhouse, Glasgow, who is 16.

ELAINE KELLY, 31 Dunbar Avenue, Johnstone, who is 15.

DAVINDERPAL VIRDI, 2 Willowbank Crescent, Glasgow, who is 15.

COLIN LOWLIE, 156 Millgate, Winchburgh, West Lothian, who is seven.

THURSDAY

JAMES CRICHTON, 28 Eden Drive, Rothesay, Bute, who is 12.

JOHN CAMERON, 13 Mount Crescent, Dufftown, who is 16.

KATHLEEN COUBROUGH, 8 Murrayfield, Fochabers, Moray, who is 17.

GORDON PATTERSON, 48 Burnside Avenue, Port Glasgow, who is 13.

MARGARET BROWN, 47 Ardencraig Drive, Castlemilk, Glasgow, who is 17.

ALLAN MACLEOD, 30 North Elgin Street, Whitecrook, Clydebank, who is 17.

SEAN GLENDINNING, Gateside of Isle, Holywood Road, Dumfries, who is 13.

STEVEN FREW, 29 Racedown Road, Blandford Camp, Blandford Forum, Dorset, who is 11.

HUGH SCOTT, 40 Barbieston Road, Auchinleck, Ayrshire, who is nine.

JAMES HAMILTON, 252 Linthaugh Road, Pollock, Glasgow, who is 12.

ALEXANDER PHILIP, 154 Clunie Road, Dunfermline, Fife, who is 13.

GREIG WATT, 83 Greig Court, Aberdeen, who is three.

FIONA COPELAND, 6 Woodholm Avenue, King's Park, Glasgow, who is 16.

ISHFAG MOHAMMOD, 12 May Terrace, Glasgow, who is 17.

CALLUM KOBB, Sands Holiday Centre, Gairloch, Ross-shire, who is 17.

JOHN CAMERON, 134 Earl Street, Scotstoun, Glasgow, who is 12.

FRIDAY

COLIN SEMPILL, Briar Bank, Glencruitten Road, Oban, Argyll, who is 11.

CRAIG McFARLANE, Cranslagmory Farm, Rothesay, who is two.

ALAN PARKER, Dykes Farm, Shelmorlie, Ayrshire, who is 14.

WILLIAM HOUSTON, 240 Roystonhill, Flat 19/1, Glasgow, who is 14.

RAGHBIR PANESAR, 28 West End Park Street, Glasgow, who is 15.

SCOTT JORDAN, 54 Lomond Crescent, Dunfermline, who is 11.

IAN CHERRY, 51 Ballylone Road, Ballynahinch, Co. Down, N. Ireland, who is 17.

DAVID CURRIE, Glenfoot House, Balfron Station, Balfron, who is 13.

LEWIS GIBSON, 12 Thornhill Drive, Dromore, Co. Down, N. Ireland, who is 17.

ANGUS REID, 15 Souter Drive, Holm Mills, Inverness, who is 17.

SATURDAY

ROBERT CARTLEDGE, 924 Tollcross Road, Glasgow, who is four.

ROBERT SIMPSON, 24 Gardenside Crescent, Carmyle, Glasgow, who is seven.

SIMON KERR, Saetersdale, Kilbowie Road, Clydebank, who is 12.

IAN MARTINEZ, 12 Bartlands Place, Eaglesham, Glasgow, who is 10.

LYNN CAUGHIE, 80 Lane Crescent, Drongan, Ayrshire, who is 17.

ALEXANDER YONILISON, 20 Johnston Place, Hilton, Inverness, who is 15.

STUART ROBERTSON, 4 Pict Avenue, Inverness, who is nine.

TOM IMISSION, 34 Wilson Street, Largs, Ayrshire, who is 15.

MARK CHISHOLM, 27 Bridgend Avenue, Port Glasgow, who is 11.

JAMES McGEUCHAN, 12 Corran Brae, Argyll, who is 13.

DAVID McDONAGH, 113 Mackintosh Road, Praigmore Estate, Inverness, who is 10.

JOHN DOLAN, 188 Bridgeburn Drive, Moodiesburn, Glasgow, who is 12.

SUNDAY

PHILIP YEAMAN, 4 Victoria Square, Stirling, who is 13.

ANDREW IRONS, 45 Dunbae Road, Stranraer, who is 11.

GRAEME MacDONALD, 3 Beauford Gardens, Beaully, Invernesshire, who is 16.

ROSS HUNTER, 12 Glen Tennant Street, Leonards, East Kilbride, who is 10.

ROBERT FLANNAGAN, 59 Aussyard Avenue, Cumnock, who is 13.

ANDREW McKNOCKITER, 65 Mowatshill Road, Peterhead, Aberdeenshire, who is three.

JIM JOHNSTON, 21 Stanolane, Bowmore, Islay, who is 12.

COLIN CASKIE, Jamison Street, Bowmore, Isle of Islay, who is 15.

EILEEN STEWART, 108 Coal Place, Dunoon, Argyll, who is 10.

DAVID CORBEIT, 69 Old Manse Road, Netherton, Wishaw, who is 13.

RAYMOND FITZPATRICK, 12 Staffin Street, Summerston, Glasgow, who is nine.

CHARLES McCURDAY, 4 Aspen Place, Johnston, Renfrewshire, who is two.

MONDAY

JOHN DOBBIE, 53 Newton Crescent, Rosyth, Fife, who is 12.

ROBIN WAITT, 18 Holmwood Drive, Langholm, Dumfries, who is 10.

PAULINE PARKES, 1 Hazel Road, Grangemouth, Stirlingshire, who is three.

GARY McLEAN, 269 Dyke Road, Knightswood, Glasgow, who is five.

DAVID TRAILL, 53 Carron Place, Castlepark, Irvine, who is eight.

ROBERT SMITH, 1 Frain Road, Glasgow, who is 13.

LINDA WATSON, 17 Mendlar Road, Cumbernauld, who is 15.

JAMES MITCHELL, 93 Inchfad Drive, Drumchapel, Glasgow, who is 11.

CLIFFORD SHAW, 96 Parker Avenue, Portrush, Co. Antrim, who is 14.

DAVID ROBERTSON, 68 Glenfeshie, Saint Leonards, East Kilbride, who is 15.

CAROL MUNRO, 27 Robert Street, Port Glasgow, who is 13.

NEIL IRVINE, 46 Cairnfield Road, Lerwick, Shetland, who is 13.

GARY DUNSMORE, 13 Chacefield Street, Bonnybridge, who is six.

JAMIE CRAWFORD, 120 Ochilview, Denny, Stirlingshire, who is 11.

STEPHEN LIDDELL, 697 Duke Street, Glasgow, who is 13.

NEIL PATON, 17 Islay Place, Wardneuk, Kilmarnock, who is two.

STEPHEN HEPTON, 52 John Street, Helensburgh, who is 17.

STEPHEN CUMMING, 13 Belmont Drive, Giffnock, Glasgow, who is 10.

KEVIN CULLEN, 12 Whiteslade Street, Provanhill, Glasgow, who is 10.

TUESDAY

DAWN SEATON, Laurel Bank, Collin, By Dumfries, who is 15.

BARRY ALSTON, 23 Mayview Avenue, Anstruther, Fife, who is 13.

BRIAN INNES, 88 Strathmore Avenue, Forfar, Angus, who is 14.

SCOTT PATON, 27 Birch Court, Old Monkland, Coatbridge, who is 14.

CAMPBELL THOMSON, 40 Mackenzie Place, Maryburgh, Conon Bridge, Ross-shire, who is nine.

GREIG WALKER, 32 Newton Avenue, Westburn, Cambuslang, who is 14.

ALAN LAVERIE, 3 Sun Street, Glenluce, Wigtownshire, who is 10.

GARY MCEWAN, 18 Meufield Square, Glasgow, who is 11.

SCOTT MALINSON, 275 Archerhill Road, Glasgow, who is 15.

ALEX SIM, 18 Connel View, New Cumnock, Ayrshire, who is ten.

CHRISTOPHER ATKINS, 159 Feorlin Way, Garelochead, Dunbartonshire, who is 12.

GORDON ANDERSON, 4 Coronation Road East, New Stevenston, By Motherwell, who is 17.

LEE DREVER, 78 White Street, Glasgow, who is eight.

DEREK BANKS, 48 Holytown Road, Holytown, Motherwell, who is eight.

DOUGLAS GALLOWAY, 28 Howford Road, Cardonald, who is 12.

● If you are a member of the Young Rangers Club and have a birthday coming up in next few weeks which you would like to see mentioned in the "Birthday Greetings" column then all you have to do is write to us about it.

Just jot down on a postcard in your neatest handwriting, your full name and address, along with your date of birth and send it off to "Birthday Greetings", Rangers News, 19 North Claremont Street, Glasgow G3 7NR, to arrive at least two weeks in advance of your birthday.

Remember that before every home game at Ibrox these days Rangers Football Club pick out two lucky Young Rangers Club members from the birthday list to receive a personal birthday gift from the club as well as a record from the HMV Record Shop. So if you would like to have a chance of winning one of these gifts send in your birthday greetings . . . now!

I WANT YOU FOR MY TEAM



— says John Greig, Honorary President of the YRC

All you have to do to join the Young Rangers Club is to send off just 60p (by Postal Order only) to: — The Young Rangers Club, "Rangers News", 19 North Claremont Street, Glasgow G3 7NR.

In return for this we will post to you three items:

1—A membership card with your name and membership number.
2—A smart blue and white members' badge.
3—A Young Rangers Club ballpoint pen.

You must be 17 years old or under.

Name .....

Address .....

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Date of Birth .....Age.....

Please send my Membership Card, badge and pen.

Alasdair's gone all Stateside!

YOUNG Alasdair MacTaggart will certainly be going down to the local playing fields in style sometime this week when his prize reaches him.

Alasdair, of 52 Hardridge Road, Corkerhill, Glasgow, won a recent 'News' competition in issue 489 and he is now the proud owner of a complete New York Cosmos rig-out.

Alasdair's correct answer of Derek Johnstone was enough to win him this super strip, so he'll really be a 'Yankee Doodle Dandy!'



HOW LIGHT BLUES TAUGHT BENFICA — And those Lisbon Eagles sure learned their lesson!

BENFICA. The name commands respect throughout the world of football, the Eagles of Lisbon being ranked alongside the illustrious names of Real Madrid, Inter Milan, Ajax and Bayern Munich as the game's aristocrats.

Being European Cup winners on two occasions and runners-up a further three times has established Benfica as Portugal's number one club and their place in tonight's 'Cup-Winners' Cup semi-final against Carl Zeiss Jena confirms their right to that and many more meritorious titles.

But it was not always so.



● **The Rangers team which gave Benfica that football lesson in 1948 line up before the kick-off. The players are (left to right): Jimmy Duncanson, Jimmy Caskie, Sammy Cox, Willie Thornton, Bobby Brown, Jock Shaw, Ian McColl, Willie Woodburn, Torry Gillick, George Young, and Willie Waddell.**

In the immediate post war years, Portugal was something of a football backwater so, in a bid to spark off interest in the sport, the local clubs regularly invited foreign opposition to visit Portugal.

Such visits did not, however, have the desired effect and the lack of success prompted the Portugese newspaper 'O Seculo' to cast the net wider and bid for a leading British outfit to visit the Iberian nation.

And 'O Seculo' reckoned that the team all Portugal wanted to see were none other than the Rangers.

So, in 1948, the Light Blues flew out to Lisbon to meet Benfica in a friendly and such was the high esteem in which Rangers were held that 5,000 Portuguese football fans turned up at Lisbon Airport to welcome the Ibrox men to that country.

That warm reception continued throughout the Club's trip with several thousand turning out just to watch Rangers train.

But there was something of a shock for Bill Struth and his players when they asked their hosts to water the pitch to take some of the fire out of it.

No sooner had they made their request than a group of 'groundsmen' appeared with hoses — but the Light Blues were taken aback to see that the 'supervisor' in charge of the operation was watching his workers down the barrel of a rifle!

It wasn't until later that Rangers were informed that the men who'd hosed down the pitch were convicts from the local pri[illegible] who had earned the [illegible]e pallege of treating th[illegible]



● **WILLIE WADDELL . . . Ibrox man who met his wife, than an air hostess, on the trip to Lisbon in 1948.**

The game itself took place in front of 60,000 spectators in the Estoril Stadium on Tuesday, February 10, 1948 and such was the unknown image of Benfica that they were referred to, in certain sections of the Press, as 'Bonifica'.

Officials of the Lisbon club soon saw that such an error was corrected but, while they taught some journalists how to spell, their players taught Rangers absolutely nothing about playing football.

Neat ball work, short passes and an almost suicidal insistence of carrying the ball too far were the features of Benfica's play and the Light Blues with their 'Iron Curtain' defence, were obviously a class above the local side.

The swirling wind and the bumpy surface did not suit Rangers and the Portuguese side had plenty of possession, but the Ibrox players were quite prepared to let the home side do all the work so long as they didn't threaten to score.

And that's exactly what transpired.

Benfica, with winger Melao, particularly worthy of attention, set up camp in the Rangers half of the field but, when it came to getting shots in at goal, the Eagles of Lisbon just couldn't make any impression on the Ibrox rearguard.

What effrorts eluded the defence were confidently dealt with by Bobby Brown and it was no surprise when Rangers punished the home side's lack of the 'killer touch' by showing them just how it should be done.

A superb through ball from Willie Waddell sent Willie Thornton clear and, despite a brave attempt by 'keeper Machado to save at the Ranger's feet, Thornton shot the Light Blues into the lead.

The silence which greeted that goal was a combination of disappointment and healthy respect for the Ibrox men's professional ruthlessness.

The score remained unchanged for the greater part of the game and the pattern of play was similar to that in the early stages, although a young inside forward called Mario Coluna was making many telling passes which would have troubled a lesser defence than the Ibrox 'Iron Curtain'.

Coluna was just starting a career which would span more than 20 years, with him playing in all five of Benfica's European Cup Final appearances, and in this match against Rangers there were signs of the talent he was to show in future years.

But, the Light Blues' defence was equal to all Coluna and his teammates' best efforts and, just as in the first half, Rangers were to give the home side another exhibition of finishing skill before the end.

With 85 minutes played, Torry Gillick foxed the Benfica defence with a lovely 'dummy', Jimmy Duncanson raced on to the ball and shot into the net from 12 yards.

And, while the Portuguese were feeling aggrieved to have lost another goal after having so much of the game, Rangers struck again with Jimmy Duncanson repeating his goal grabbing act.

A 3-0 win over Benfica in Lisbon would have the whole world talking these days but, back in 1948, few noticed the Ibrox men's triumph and, indeed, what attention was focused on the match reckoned that the scoreline flattered Rangers!

That opinion is, however, a little unfair to Bill Struth's side because the object of Rangers' trip to Portugal was to show the locals how the game was played at the highest level and the Light Blues brought home to the Portuguese that it's goals that count.

Having scored three, despite allowing Benfica to do all the pressing, Rangers showed up the Portuguese sides's failing in that department.

It was a lesson which the Eagles of Lisbon put to their advantage in the years ahead but, despite all their conquests, when the Portuguese champs came to Ibrox for a friendly in 1965 they again took something of a hammering from Rangers, the Light Blues' winning 3-1 on that occasion.

The Ibrox men who inflicted that defeat on Benfica in 1948 were: Brown, Young, Shaw, McColl, Woodburn, Cox, Waddell, Gillick, Thornton, Duncanson, Caskie.

'GREAT' GOAL BOBBY ALMOST MISSED!

WHEN BOBBY RUSSELL scored Rangers' only goal with that half-volley shot against St. Mirren in the league last Wednesday evening, it marked another mile-stone in the career of the young Ibrox midfielder.

This was the first time Bobby had scored in three consecutive games for the Light Blues since he made his debut in 1977, a fact appreciated even more by Bobby when he admits he almost missed the first goal in that run!

"The first of the three goals was against Dundee United at Ibrox. I can remember running onto a pass from Derek Johnstone and going with it into the United penalty box," said Bobby.

"When I went to shoot with my left foot, I completely lost my footing, and I felt myself falling. All I could do was stab at the ball with my right foot. This fooled Hamish McAlpine and the ball slipped past him into the net.

"I can remember two seasons back I'd scored a goal against Dundee in the Scottish Cup, and it then took 14 games before I managed to get my name on the scoresheet again . . . with a hat-trick against Hearts!

"I think the main reason behind the three goals is the fact the Boss is playing me in a much more attacking midfield role at the moment. This means I can get much nearer to the oppositions' goal and those three efforts seem to justify my being there."

As Bobby's first goal in the present scoring run was against Dundee United, the 24-year-old hopes it will continue and that his last goal of the season will also be against the Tannadice men — in the Scottish Cup Final.



● The goal Bobby Russell almost missed . . . but despite a stumble the Ibrox midfield star calmly stabs the ball past the diving Hamish McAlpine for Rangers' equalising goal in the 2-1 win over Dundee United.

HAMPDEN ALL TICKET?

AT TIME of going to press, the S.F.A. had still to decide whether the Scottish Cup Final at Hampden on May 9 would be all ticket. But prices have been set as follows. South Centre Stand — £6; South Wing Stands — £5; North Stand — £4; West Terracing and Enclosure — £2.50; East Terracing — £2.

A REAL TOPSY-TURVY WEEK FOR ANDY . .

HAT-TRICK, INJURED, THEN HE SIGNS FOR RANGERS!

THE RECENT Easter holidays will be remembered mostly for the wonderful weather which had us all basking in the sun and, for one young lad from the Stirling area, the Easter break certainly won't be forgotten in a hurry.

Andy Kennedy, a 16-year-old striker with Stirling Boys Club, took advantage of the holidays by training with Rangers and, in the space of three days last week, it all happened for the youngster.

On Tuesday, he was in action for a Rangers youth side who met Glasgow Schools at Scotstoun Showgrounds and Andy made his mark by rattling home a hat-trick in the Light Blues' 7-3 win.

Next day, he took part in a practice match at Ibrox and went over on his ankle and the injury brought Andy's training to a close.

The youngster spent the rest of the week hobbling around the Stadium but his holiday had an exciting climax when,



● ANDY KENNEDY

on Thursday, he put pen to paper, joining Rangers!

"I'm delighted that Andy has joined this club," said Chief Scout Davie Provan after signing the lad.

"Aston Villa, Hibs and Celtic were all wanting to sign him but the boy wanted to play for Rangers.

"That pleased us no end and in getting a hat-trick against Glasgow Schools last Tuesday, Andy showed he's got the goal touch."

Meanwhile, the latest Ibrox signing is keeping physiotherapist Tom Craig very busy, requiring regular treatment for his injured ankle but there are no complications and Andy should be back to his goal-grabbing best in the not too distant future.

Gordon injured ...again!

IT WAS A disappointed Gordon Dalziel who shuffled out of Fir Park last week after a recurrence of the groin strain which had sidelined the youngster for a lengthy spell.

"I'm sick," said Gordon

"I was feeling a lot of stiffness in my groin and I'd hoped to run it off, but it just got worse and now it looks as though I'm right back where I started."

That is indeed a great disappointment to the Ibrox staff who had worked really hard to get the Motherwell youngster back to full match fitness.

But now it looks as if the prolific goalscorer will be sidelined for a further spell and, sadly, Gordon Dalziel will remember season 1980-81 as one in which he spent too much time on Tom Craig's treatment table.

TENNENT'S T LAGER

YOUTHS TURN ON STYLE

AS PART OF their build-up to the Croix Festival Youth Tournament in June, a team of Rangers 'S' form signings and trialists lined up against the Glasgow Schools Under-15 side at Scotstoun Showgrounds last Tuesday and we're pleased to report that the Ibrox youngsters won 7-3.

"It was an excellent work out for the boys," says Chief Scout Davie Provan, "and it was good to see them score so many goals on what was a hard, bumpy playing surface.

Impressed

"I was particularly impressed by full-back Gordon Brown and forwards Eric Ferguson and Andy Kennedy, but special mention must go to David McPherson who made great use of the experience he has gathered with the reserves this season."

The Ibrox goals came from Kennedy (3), Ferguson, McPherson, Gary Climson and Robert Fleck and there were times when the young Rangers looked like registering a cricket score.

But they had to settle for seven and the only disappointing thing about the game was the bad goals which the Light Blues conceded.

However, such mix-ups are inevitable when players only play together on the few occasions that Davie Provan has managed to fix up games and the get-together over the Easter holidays should help to prevent such occurences.

The team at Scotstoun was: Bruce; Pirie, Stevenson, Nisbett, Brown; A. Davies, McPherson; Hamilton, Ferguson, Climson, Kennedy. Subs: Fleck (for Climson), Gillies (for Nisbett).

Quiz Answers

1. Fulham. 2. Trevor Cherry is the captain of Leeds United. 3. Dundee and Dunfermline. 4. Arsenal. 5. 23 Times. 6. Whitburn Juniors. 7. 1977 from Clydebank. 8. Kilmarnock, with an 8-1 win. 9. John MacDonald. 10. Dave Narey, who has eight.

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