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George Young has been Rangers' captain since 1948. He has captained Scotland against England on six occasions. Altogether 20 Rangers' players have captained Scotland.

Over 800 caps have been won by Rangers' players-an easy record for any club.

And here, to refresh you in the facts, are pen portraits of the men who are JOHN LITTLE. P.T. Instructor Little signed "John Hubbard. Sometimes called wearing the light blue to-day.

GEORGE NIVEN. The goalkeeper from Coupar Angus. Born Blairhall. He joined Rangers in 1947 and he has missed only one game

1941 and had a long spell at centre half before SAMMY COX. Has been a Ranger since 1946. taking over the right back position on Dougle Gray's retiral. George has won three Scottish Cup medals already. Young has won a big name in world football. Ht.—6ft. 1\frac{1}{2}\text{in.} Wt.—14st. 3 lb.



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NIVEN

and back he comes to the old homestead to play in his first Scottish Cup Final. Born in Calgary and described by a notable the other day as the

Rangers in 1947 and he has missed only one game in the first team this season—the first one, in which Hearts scored five times. George has certainly maintained the Ibrox traditions for fine keepers. This will be his first experience of a Scottish Cup Final. Ht.—5ft. 10in. Wt.—1st. 5lb.

GEORGE YOUNG. The Rangers' captain and the man who has made 48 appearances in representative matches. Born Grangemouth. The season, lan already holds three Scottish Cup Joined Rangers as a left back from Rob Roy in 1941 and had a long spell at centre half before Sammy COX. IAN McCOLL. Born Alexandria in the Vale 8st. 10lb.

Born Darvel. Previous clubs—Queen's Park and Dundee, and with the latter he was an amateur. Sammy has 26 representative honours and three Scottish Cup medals. He is the most versatile player on Rangers' books. Mostly he is at left half for his club. With Scotland he is best known as a left back. Ht .-- 5ft. 8in. Wt .-- 10st. 7lb.





GRIERSON

HUBBARD

DUNCAN STANNERS. The big chap from Denny who has come into the Cup Final team—and the prospect of his first Cup medal through the suspension of Willie Woodburn. A big test for Duncan, who joined Rangers from Denny Y.M.C.A. in 1947, and also a big opportunity. He came into the Rangers' first eleven against Partick Thistle two weeks ago and here he is in his first big Hampden occasion. Ht.—6ft. 01 ins. Wt.—12 st.

left Strathclyde for Rangers and in the interval he has played 20 times for Scotland, won a Scottish Cup medal, toured in America and on the Continent, and missed a penalty kick against the Moscow Dynamos. One of Scottish football's

DEREK GRIERSON. Joined Rangers from Queen's Park last August and here he is back at Celtic Park.

Hampden already in his first Scottish Cup Final tie. Was a member of the British Olympic soccer team at Helsinki last summer, is doing his National Service in an Ayrshire mine, and is Rangers' leading goal-scorer with 25 goals. Belongs Edinburgh. Ht.—5ft. 5in. Wt.—10st.

WILLIE PATON. A Ranger since 1943 when he joined the Ibrox Club from Rob Roy. Willie has been a real handy man and has played in all the forward positions. This will be his first appearance in the Scottish Cup this season and he is also making his debut in the Final. In league games this season he has scored six goals. Ht.—5ft. 9in. Wt.—Ilst. 6lbs.

JOHN PRENTICE. The inside left reached lbrox via Carluke Rovers and Hearts. Was transferred from the Tynecastle club in 1951, helped to beat his first senior love in the Semi-Final, and is now taking part in his first national Cup Final. A Lanarkshire boy—born in Shotts, and one of Rangers' full-time players. Ht.—5ft. Ilin. Wt. 12st. 10lb.

JOHN LITTLE. P.T. Instructor Little signed "Johnny" and sometimes "Hubby," the for Rangers from Queen's Park two years ago Ranger's outside left is another lad making a first acquaintance with Hampden on Cup Final Day. Born Pretoria, he was brought all the way from South Africa in 1949 and this season he made and described by a library letter the Scottish game. The left wing position have a library and the season in the left wing position have represented the left wing position have represented by a library and the left wing position have represented by a library and the left wing position have represented by a library and the left wing position have represented by a library and the left wing position have represented by a library and the library as well as with his club. Ht.-5ft. 51in. Wt.-





PRENTICE

WADDELL

PRESENTATION CEREMONY

The Cup presentation ceremony will be held immediately after the game. The players, led by the captains, will ascend the stairs to the Royal Box, where the Cup will be handed over to the winners' captain by Mr. Harry Swan, President of the S.F.A. Mrs. Swan will present the medals.

68th FINAL

To-day's Final is the 68th of the Scottish Football Association's Challenge Cup. First Final was in 1874 between Oueen's Park and Clydesdale and. except for the suspensions of the tournament during the two world wars, the Final has been one of Scotland's WILLIE WADDELL. It was in 1938 Willie biggest sporting events every year.

Since New Hampden was opened in 1904, only eight Finals have been played best-kent players. Injury kept him out of previous away from the Queen's Park's great finals and to-day is his second appearance in the ground. The 1906, 1910, 1911, 1912, last round-up. Born Forth. Ht.—5ft. 10½in. 1914 and 1924 Finals were played at Ibrox and the 1913 and 1921 games at

The Men from the North-East

The Aberdeen Scottish Cup story is told on another page. To-day they are in the Final for the third time and they hope to "double" their successes by winning the trophy for the second time.

Here are the men who mean to ride back in triumph to the Granite City. It won't be their fault if they fail.

FRED MARTIN. Born in Carnoustie and in 1936, when 17 years of age, left the Panmure for the Dons as an inside forward, if you please. While in the forces Fred became a goalkeeper, a decision neither he nor Aberdeen have regretted. In form, there is not a better in the land. Ht.—6ft. Wt.—12st. 6lb.

JAMES MITCHELL. Glasgow boy. Had long spell with Queen's Park before turning professional with Morton, and from the Greenock club he was transferred to Aberdeen in the summer of last year. Played for Morton against Rangers in the Scottish Cup Final of 1948. Served his apprenticeship as a joiner. Ht.-5ft. 8in.

DAVIE SHAW. The brither o' Jock o' the Rangers. Native of Bedlay. Junior with Grange Rovers from whom he signed for Hibernian in 1939. Has caps against England, Ireland, Wales, France, Switzerland and Belgium. Transferred to Aberdeen in 1950 and is now trainer and coach as well as captain. Played for Hibernian





YORSTON

HATHER

THE REFEREE

To-day's referee is Jack Mowat of Burnside and perhaps he is making a record in the refereeing business, for this will be his fourth Final in a row. He had charge of the Rangers-East Fife match in 1950, Celtic and Motherwell in 1951, and Motherwell and Dundee last

Jack has a world rating-he is on the F.I.F.A. list. Among memorable matches abroad, he has refereed Portugal and Spain at Estoril, and at home we reckon he would name the England v. Italy game at White Hart Lane, and England v. Austria at Wembley as his most dramatic assignments.

As usual on a Hampden occasion like this, we want to pay tribute to Queen's Park for the lovely condition of the ground and for the general arrangements.

Mr. James B. McAlpine has been appointed as the new Queen's Park president in succession to Mr. Robert Gillespie, whose term of office expires this year.



HARRIS

BUCKLEY

against Aberdeen in the 1947 Scottish Cup Final. Davie is no stranger to Hampden. Ht.—5ft. 8in.

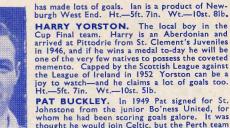
JOHN ("TONY") HARRIS. Another Glasgow man. Dentist by profession. Signed from Queen's Park in 1946. As an amateur he was a noted goal scorer from centre forward. In Aberdeen's 1947 Cup Final he was at outside right. Now he is found at right half. It's all the same to Tony. One of the best-built men in the Scottish game. Ht.—5ft. 10in. Wt.—12st.

ALEC YOUNG. From Blantyre Vics in 1950, the Aberdeen centre half was a much-capped junior. Has made the position his very own since Thomson was transferred to Stoke City. One of the game's most likeable players, and how he would love to win a Scottish Cup medal. He already holds a Scottish Junior Cup medal, won when he captained Blantyre Vics in 1950. Ht.—5ft. 9in. Wt.—11st. 3lb.

JOHN ALLISTER. Transferred from Chelsea in October of last year and here he is in a Scottish Final already. Jack was a junior with Tranent in the East of Scotland, and he left there for Chelsea in 1949. A big strong chap who has quickly made his mark in the Scottish game. Ht.—5ft. Ilin. Wt.—12st.

IAN RODGER. Transferred from Forfar Athletic in March, 1950, this young player had made a reputation as an inside man before the Dons made him an outside right. He had scored 18 goals for Forfar, and although he has not been quite so sore on the nets in the top league, he





joy to watch—and he claims a lot of goals too. Ht.—5ft. 7in. Wt.—10st. 5lb. PAT BUCKLEY. In 1949 Pat signed for St. Johnstone from the junior Bo'ness United, for whom he had been scoring goals galore. It was thought he would join Celtic, but the Perth team butted in and for three seasons Pat "piled them on "in Division B. Aberdeen paid a stiff fee to St. Johnstone for Pat's transfer in April of last year and he carried his scoring prowess and his tremendous enthusiasm for the game into the

top league as well. Ht.-5ft. 6in. Wt.-11st. GEORGE HAMILTON, Irvine born and reached Aberdeen via Queen of the South, with a spell for Hearts in between. One of Scotland's most distinguished players and clubmen. Toured with the Scottish team in the United States and Canada in 1939, and has caps against Ireland, Canada in 1737, and nas caps against rie and, Belgium and Austria, and for the Scottish League against the English League. On the field a super enthusiast. Off the field a delightful companion. That's our George. Ht.—5ft. 10in. Wt.—11st.

JOHN HATHER. The flying Englishman from Annfield Plain in 1948, and one of the most popular lads the "Dons" have ever brought to their northern stronghold. John packs quite a shot in his make-up, and is one of the game's most consistent scorers among extreme wing forwards. Ht.—5ft. 6in. Wt.—10st. 4lb.

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The Rangers' Route

FIRST ROUND

RANGERS 4 ARBROATH 0 (Hubbard, Prentice, McCulloch, Simpson)

SECOND ROUND DUNDEE 0

RANGERS 2 (Grierson, Hubbard)

MORTON I (Gourlay)

RANGERS 4 (Simpson, Grierson 2. Prentice)

FOURTH ROUND

RANGERS 2 (Prentice, Grierson)

SEMI-FINAL (Hampden) **RANGERS 2** HÉARTS I (Grierson, Prentice)

(Wardhaugh) Goals For, 14; Against, 2

Scorers—Grierson 5, Prentice 4, Hubbard 2, Simpson 2, McCulloch 1.

RANGERS

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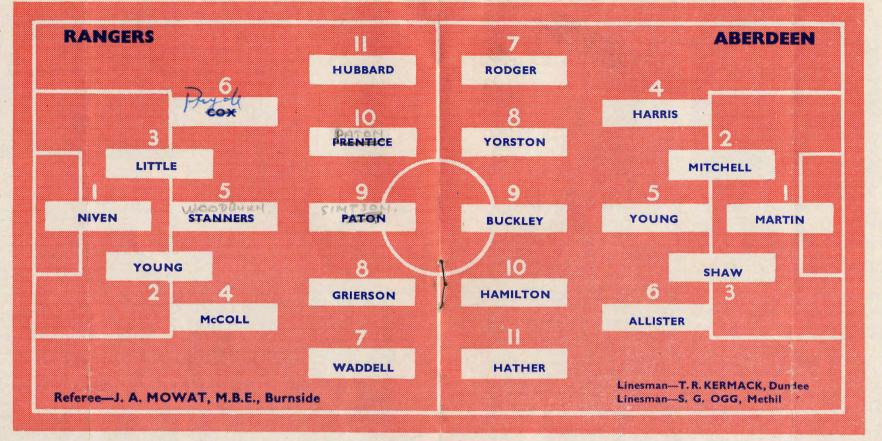
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On their trip to the Final Rangers have called on thirteen players. Here they are:-Niven, Young, Little, McColl, Woodburn, Cox, McCulloch, Waddell, Paton, Grierson, Simpson, Prentice, Hubbard. * *

Mr. William Mitchell, the Aberdeen chairman, has presided over the Aberdeen board for seventeen years.

During their fifty years as a top class club Aberdeen have had three managers -the late James Philips, Pat Travers (now with Clyde) and David Halliday.

On their way to the Final, Aberdeen have called on thirteen players -Martin, Mitchell, Shaw, Smith, Harris, Young, Allister, Rodger, Hamilton, Yorston, Buckley, Hay and Hather.

SCOTLAND v. SWEDEN

Reserved stand seats for the Scotland v. Sweden match at Hampden on May 6, are priced 21s., 10s. 6d., 7s. 6d. and 5s. Admission to the terraces and enclosure will be by payment at the turnstiles. Enclosures 3s., and Terraces, 2s.

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Aberdeen's Record

FIRST ROUND A BYE

SECOND ROUND ABERDEEN 2 ST. MIRREN O

(Hather 2) THIRD ROUND

ABERDEEN 5 MOTHERWELL 5 (Allister 2 (2 pens.), (Kelly, Aitkenhead Buckley 2, Yorston) (p.), Humphries, Shaw, Cox)

Replay (Fir Park)

ABERDEEN 6 MOTHERWELL I (Yorston 3, Rodger, (Aitkenhead) Buckley, Hather)

FOURTH ROUND HIBERNIAN I ABERDEEN I (Buchanan) (Rodger)

Replay (Pittodrie) ABERDEEN 2 HIBERNIAN 0 (Hamilton 2)

SEMI-FINAL (Ibrox)
ABERDEEN I THIRD LANARK I (Buckley)

(Buckley) (Cuthbertson)
Replay (Ibrox)
ABERDEEN 2 THIRD LANARK I (Yorston 2) (Dick)
Goals For, 18; Against, 8
Scorers—Yorston 6, Buckley 3, Hather 3,

Allister 2, Hamilton 2, Rodger 2.

Final

ABERDEEN RANGERS



The Rangers' Cup Final Story

Rangers twenty-third appearance in the Final of the Scottish Cup! It was away back in 1877 they started making acquaintance with the last stage of the national trophy, and ever since they have liked to frequent this glamorous

It is not a record number of appearances all the same, among Scottish clubs. Celtic have made 24 appearances and have won the Cup 16 times against 13 for Rangers.

The complete list of Rangers' Cup Final successes reads:-

1894 Rangers 3 Celtic I—At Hampden. 1897—Rangers 5 Dumbarton I—At Hampden. 1898—Rangers 2 Kilmarnock 0—At Hampden. 1903-Rangers 2 Hearts 0-At Celtic Park

1938—Rangers 2 Partick Thistle I—At Hampden, Hampden, after draw farer draw from the first term on Rangers I—At Hampden for Rangers 3 Kilmarnock 0—At Hampden, on Rangers declining to replay (first first f

after draw—I-I.

1934—Rangers 5 St. Mirren 0—At Hampden.

1935—Rangers 2 Hamilton Acads I—At

Hampden.

1936—Rangers I Third Lanark 0—At Hampden.
1948—Rangers I Morton 0—At Hampden, after draw—I-I.

1949—Rangers 4 Clyde I—At Hampden.

1950—Rangers 3 East Fife 0—At Hampden.

THE FINALS

And here are the Finals in which Rangers did not succeed:-

1877—Vale of Leven 3 Rangers 2—At Hampden after two draws—0-0 and 1-1 at Hamilton Crescent.

You will see that nine of Rangers' 13 Cup triumphs have been since (and Crescent.

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on Rangers declining to replay (first game I-I) following an unsuccessful protest by Rangers to the S.F.A.

1899—Celtic 2 Rangers 0—At Hampden.

1904—Celtic 3 Rangers 2—At Hampden.

1905—Third Lanark 3 Rangers I—At Hampden after draw—0-0.

1909—Celtic I Rangers I—At Hampden.

Cup withheld after draw-2-2.

1921-Partick Thistle I Rangers 0-At Celtic

1922—Morton I Rangers 0—At Hampden. 1929—Kilmarnock 2 Rangers 0—At Hampden.

NINE SINCE 1928

including) 1928, and as those Finals will be in the lifetime of most of us at Hampden to-day, we thought it would be a good idea to give the teams which carried the Ibrox colours in those nine

1928 (Rangers 4 Celtic 0)—T. Hamilton; Gray and R. Hamilton; Buchanan, Meiklejohn and Craig; Archibald and Cunningham; Fleming; McPhail

1930 (Rangers 2 Partick Thistle 1)—T. Hamilton; Gray and R. Hamilton; MacDonald, Meiklejohn and Craig; Archibald and Marshall; Fleming; McPhail and Morton.

1932 (Rangers 3 Kilmarnock 0)-T. Hamilton; Gray and MacAulay; Meiklejohn, Simpson and Brown; Archibald and Marshall; English; McPhail and Fleming.

1934 (Rangers 5 St. Mirren 0)-T. Hamilton; Gray and MacDonald; Meiklejohn, Simpson and Brown; Main and Marshall; Smith; McPhail

1935 (Rangers 2 Hamilton Acads 1)—Dawson; Gray and MacDonald; Kennedy, Simpson and Brown; Main and Venters; Smith; McPhail and Gillick.

1936 (Rangers I Third Lanark 0)—Dawson; Gray and Cheyne; Meiklejohn, Simpson and Brown; Fiddes and Venters; Smith; McPhail and

1948 (Rangers I Morton 0)—Brown; Young and Shaw; McColl, Woodburn and Cox; Rutherford and Thornton; Williamson; Duncanson

1949 (Rangers 4 Clyde I)—Brown; Young and Shaw; McColl, Woodburn and Cox; Waddell and Duncanson; Thornton; Williamson and Rutherford.

1950 (Rangers 3 East Fife 0)—Brown; Young and Shaw; McColl, Woodburn and Cox; Rutherford and Findlay; Thornton; Duncanson and

Coming Events

May 2-English Cup Final at Wembley-Blackpool v. Bolton Wands.

6-Scotland v. Sweden at Hampden

23-Scottish Junior Cup Final at Hampden

Glasgow Charity Cup

FIRST ROUND

April 27-Partick Thistle v. Queen's Park at Firhill 28-Celtic v. Clyde at Parkhead Byes-Rangers and Third Lanark

SEMI-FINALS

May 2-Rangers v. Partick Thistle or Queen's Park at Ibrox Stadium

Third Lanark v. Celtic or Clyde

9-Final at Hampden

Coronation Cup

May II-Celtic v. Arsenal at Hampden-7 p.m. Scottish League Champions v. Tottenham Hotspur at Ibrox Stadium-7 p.m.

13-Rangers v. Manchester United at Hampden-7 p.m. Aberdeen v. Newcastle United at Ibrox-7 p.m. 16-Celtic or Arsenal v. Rangers or Manchester United at

Hampden-3 p.m. Scottish League Champions or Tottenham Hotspur v. Aberdeen or Newcastle United at Ibrox-3 p.m.

20-Final Tie at Hampden Park-7 p.m.

Will It Be Third-Time Lucky?

Aberdeen and Rangers make a completely new Scottish Cup Final pairing, and for Aberdeen it is simply perfect. Meanwhile, let us point out it is the Dons' Jubilee year-they were fifty on April 14th-and what more appropriate way of celebrating the birthday than a national Cup Final tie with Rangers ?

It was thirty years after Rangers came into existence that the old Orion and Victoria United clubs joined up to form Aberdeen F.C. Two years later they were admitted to membership of the First Division of the Scottish League and they have been in that department ever since.

They have never won the League Championship, but were runners-up twice—in 1911 and 1937. Twice the Dons have reached the Final of the Scottish League Cup. They defeated Rangers in the 1946 Final by three goals to two, and the following year lost to Rangers by four goals to nil.

As for the Scottish Cup Final, this will be Aberdeen's third appearance in the Hampden festival.

In 1937 they made history by playing to 146,433 spectators—the record Final crowd-against Celtic, a match which the Celts won by two goals to one.

Then, in 1947, the Cup went to the the Final by two goals to one.

To make their jubilee celebrations win to-day!

In all the years that Aberdeen and

This is the record in brief:-1906-Aberdeen 2 Rangers 3-At Pittodrie (Second Round). 1934-Aberdeen 0 Rangers I-At

Ibrox (Fourth Round). 1936-Aberdeen 0 Rangers I-At Aberdeen (Fourth Round).

In the League, of course, the clubs have been frequent opponents. They have met 78 times. Rangers have with a team drawn from far and wide.

out like a beacon is the League Cup is not a hot-bed of the minor grades. Final success of 1946, and to be sure, Still the club has always kept a keen the "Dons" are at Hampden to-day look-out for local talent, and to-day's confident they can do it again.

you wait for the teams to appear, you might include goalkeeper Fred Martin will be recalling other Finals and teams. too. He is from Carnoustie, which before that record crowd in 1937:- frae Aiberdeen. Johnstone; Cooper and Temple; The West of Scotland has always been and MacKenzie; Armstrong; Mills and ground. Precious few players in Lang.

feated Hibernian in the 1947 Final:- about. Johnstone; McKenna and Taylor; A former generation will remember



Mr. WILLIAM MITCHELL Chairman of Aberdeen F.C.

Harris and Hamilton; Williams; Baird and McCall. And we think we ought to assist the

recollections by giving Celtic's 1937 "Granite City" for the first and only time, when Hibernian were beaten in and Buchan; McGrory; Crum and

There are no men of the 1937 team complete, the "Dons" have just got to still playing in first class football, although you may be sure many of the players will be looking on this afternoon Rangers have been on the road, they and from the 1947 team, Harris and have met only three times previously in the Scottish Cup competition.

Hamilton are back again—having another shot at adding to their Cup medal shot at adding to their Cup medal collection.

As you will see elsewhere in this programme, the Aberdeen road to the Final has not been an easy one. They have met and defeated four First Division clubs. They are the only club in this season's tournament who have met clubs of their own class all along the line.

The "Dons" are worthy finalists, won 44, lost II and 23 have been drawn. It is difficult, if not impossible, for So, over those fifty years, Rangers Aberdeen to be otherwise, for their have had the best of matters, but sticking district, on the outposts of the game,

eleven includes Harry Yorston from This is always a memory day, and as the St. Clement's juveniles, and we Do you remember the Aberdeen team you'll reach by haudin' a bitty sooth

Thomson, Falloon and Dunlop; Benyon a favourite and successful recruiting Glasgow and round about with senior And the Aberdeen team which de- potential that Aberdeen does not hear

McLaughlin, Dunlop and Waddell; such great fellows as Donald Colman

from Maryhill, Alec Jackson from Vale of Leven, Jock Hutton from Bellshill, and Willie Mills, who came from "doon the Vale " too.

To-day's team is no exception. David Shaw-trainer, captain and coachcame from Hibernian, but he is a Lanarkshire man. Jimmy Mitchell and Tony Harris are former Oueen's Park lads: Alec Young is from Blantyre Victoria and, of course, the ever-green George Hamilton is an Irvine lad.

And the Pittodrie nets spread even wider than Glasgow-much wider. The club has never been loathe to go into England, and there have been many noted "Saxons" on the books down through the years.

The team to-day has its Englishman. John Hather, the outside left, was signed from Annfield Plain in 1948.

Manager David Halliday is from Dumfries.

With the exceptions of Harris and Hamilton all the Aberdeen players to-day are sampling Hampden on Cup Final day for the first time.

That is, of course, as Aberdeen players. There are two Dons who have been in this big event before. Jimmy Mitchell was at right back for Morton in the 1948 Final against Rangers, and Davie Shaw team:-Kennaway: Hogg and Morrison; was at left back for Hibernian against Aberdeen in the 1947 Final.

