

SCOTLAND ONLY:

SCOTTISH SEMI-FINAL.

St. Mirren's captain spun the coin, Peacock called correctly winning choice of ends for Celtic. So the crowd saw Baker kick off for St. Mirren. The Saints played in vertical stripes, Celtic in horizontal ones. In the vast setting of Hampden Park there seemed every promise of a vintage semi-final. Early on, Celtic had a narrow escape when Haffey only half-cleared. St. Mirren's fire looked too hot for Celtic. Cutting in, outside left Miller took a pass from Rodger and put the ball over Haffey's head. Goal for the Saints.

Celtic's counter attacks came to nothing though once or twice they seemed likely to score. The Saints' goal was intact, but back came Celtic and once again goalkeeper David Walker kept them out.

Alistair Miller was on the Saints' war path again. Trying to narrow the angle Frank Haffey came out to meet him but the ball rolled in. St. Mirren two, Celtic Nil.

This wasn't at all what the mighty Celtic had expensted. They couldn't cope with the tricky swirl of the wind. Foul here against Celtic. Baker beat Haffey and it was three nil for St. Mirren at half time.

Even after the interval there was no stopping St. Mirren. Right half Jacky Neilson sized up the position passed to Baker, but this time Haffey saved.

Now Celtic attacked, but when it came to the danger point nobody had the right shooting boots and without difficulty Walker cleared his charge.

Celtic tried another attack on the left wing. There was a dangerous looking pass inside but the shot went over.

Back came St. Mirren. More danger for Celtic, but no score this time. Almost on time Bryceland scored goal number four for the Saints. What a victory for St. Mirren!