

# Dive By Dyke Saved Full Points For Yeovil

Yeovil Town, 2; Gillingham, 1.

Yeovil had to fight every inch of the way for the two points they gained from their 2-1 home victory over Gillingham.

THE visitors deserved to share the spoils. They played clever and entertaining football and their quick-tackling halves and fast-moving forwards often had the home defence in a tangle.

Had the Gillingham forwards been able to finish off their moves, the home goal would have fallen more than once.

Nevertheless, credit is due to the home halves and backs for the way in which they stemmed and broke up the concerted movements of their opponents and found time to keep their forwards serviced.

Less polished than their opponents, Yeovil had more scoring chances than Gillingham. Phillips, Mansley, and Hamilton all missed the easiest of opportunities. Phillips was a keen and forceful leader, but was inclined to be over-eager.

Best in the Yeovil defence were Blizzard and Davis.

Hamilton gave Yeovil the lead in the first minute. Russell equalised a few minutes before the interval.

Foulds got Yeovil's second goal in the 70th minute.

Only a masterly save by Dyke in the closing minutes prevented the visitors from levelling the scores. He dived at the feet of Warsop and saved a certain goal.

CELTIC BEATEN

## Yeovil Snap Up Chances

Yeovil, 2; Glasgow Celtic, 0.

For a non-League club like Yeovil to beat the famous Glasgow Celtic full Scottish League side, which included four internationals (three Scottish, one Irish), by 2-0 may be regarded as a first-rate achievement.

NEVERTHELESS, while giving the Yeovil players full marks for their victory, it would be idle to suggest they were ever in the same class as their opponents. For three parts of the game Yeovil were on the defensive, and only a masterly display by Goalkeeper Dyke and Centre-half Blizzard, well supported by Full-backs Hickman and Davis, kept the talented visitors from scoring.

At no time could it honestly be said that Yeovil matched the craft and speed of their opponents. Celtic's ball control and the way in which they found their men with streamlined passes provided the 5,000 crowd with football at its best.

### The Goals

Celtic's fault lay in the fact they overdid the close passing in front of goal. On the other hand, Yeovil showed good approach work, and their occasional onslaughts brought them two goals.

The first came in the 15th minute, when Hamilton slammed the ball into the net from a Foulds corner kick.

The second was scored four minutes from the end from another corner kick by Foulds, who passed the ball to Mansley who flicked it into the net wide of the visiting goal-keeper, Bonnar. In the last 20 minutes, Celtic's young team (the oldest was 24) crammed everything into an effort to penetrate the Yeovil defence, without success.

McPhail, the visiting leader, was kept subdued by the experience and skill of Blizzard who invariably had the measure of his international opponent. Yeovil owe much to their defence and the splendid play of their half-backs.

Jimmy Hogan, Celtic coach, told an Evening Post reporter after the match: "Yeovil have a very useful side, and I was greatly impressed with their play." He thought that in Dyke, Yeovil had a goal-keeper who is fast approaching the top class.



GLASGOW CELTIC, who ventured "south of the border" to play Yeovil Town, were beaten 2-0 by the Somerset team. Picture shows Bonnar, in the visitors' goal, beaten by a shot from Hamilton.

OF FOOTBALL.

Celtic officials who travel clearly amazed after the match.

non-league football coming to, if Yeovil can beat us like this?" Manager George Paterson was congratulated on the standard of his team's football by several of the Celtic players, and in particular, Dickie Dyke, Yeovil's goalkeeper, was complimented for his splendid display.

There was no question of Celtic "pulling their punches" during the match; in fact, after Hamilton netted Yeovil's first goal, the play became quite aggressive and it was quite clear that the Scotsmen were trying their hardest to equalise.

Though Celtic pleased spectators with an excellent display of "copy-book" football, it was interesting to note the difference in class and style between the two teams.

### Direct Football

Yeovil played their usual, forceful, direct football and although they owed much to a splendid defence put up by Blizzard and full-backs Hickman and Davis, it was obvious that Celtic were disconcerted by the amount of vigour and thrust they had to counter.