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### Welcome to FENERBAHCE S.K.

From A. V. ALEXANDER





success of last season . . . European football. This has become one of the necessities of achievement for a club like ours, aiming as we do to supply our supporters with the opportunities of seeing the best players and the best competitions. Although this is a new venture for us, the City of Manchester was the first representative from England in the European Cup-and that of course was our great rivals and friends Manchester United. It is unwise to predict and to hope for too much in this game. We cannot be the first English club to win the European Cup but we can become the first European City to have two clubs as winners.

That, of course does not make light of our first visitors for tonight, our opening night in European football. The FENERBAHCE club of Turkey are distinguished representatives of their Country and of football. Last season they won five competitions. Tonight we are delighted to welcome Club Officials. Players and supporters to Maine Road. And we hope they will be the first of many foreign clubs to be seen here in serious competition and in friendship."

# CITY

By GERRY HARRISON

The veceran French footballer, Gabriel Hanot—and the Parisian sports paper he worked for—L'Equippe—really started something when they had an idea about getting clubs who have won their National Championships to fight out a championship of their own.

That idea is now the major club cournament in the world and the 1968-69 version locks off here tonight at Maine Road. The European Cup has been dominated by Spain, won by Italians, and the Portugues and now Britain has had the Cup in its possession for two years. And tonight almost every Englishman in a

And tonight almost every Englishman is a City supporter as the club takes on its first representative responsibility as the National Champions. But if you think winning the First Division championship is a responsibility then Fenerbahea are weighed down with successes of last season. They won then the National Leavue They won then the National Leavue

They won then the National Lague championship in Turkic Cup, the Foot-ball Foot Cup, the Freshering Cup and the Salkan Cup, in the sinty-mey spars since and professional—with quite a string of honours: element cannel and expensional for its tabul, also times champion of the salkul, also times champion of the company of the salkul, also times champion of the company of the salkul, also times champion of the company of the salkul, also times and the salkul and the s

Of the players in the squad tonight the best known in Turkey are Yavuz Simsek, the goalkeeper, who has nine interestional caps; the right-back Sukru Birant, 24 caps; the center-half Ercan Aktuna, 19 times an international; the captain and right-half is Seref Has, with 48 caps; lon Nunweiler has captained the Ru

manian National side 41 times; and insideforward Can Bartu has played for Venezia, Fiorentina and Lazio in Italy.

But after an outstanding season they began the new one uncertainly in league matches and against specially selected foreign opposition. There's something familiar about that story.

Done It: A City supporter, D. E Eccle. of Almetries Road, Maccination for uneasurally called in on the Fore-balce Stadius which he was in Irubay on holding recently, the state of the Stadius of the Sta

Extra : Apart from their football stadium, Fenerbahoe have facilities for athletics, basketball, volleyball, a cowered gymnasium, a yachting dub, a guest house and a camping site. They also have table tennis, wrestling, judo, weight-lifting and rowing facilities.

The Band: As part of the European

band is putting on a marching display here at Maine Road. The band consists of girls aged 12 to 17, spare from the Captain who is 23. It was formed ten years ago and is good enough and popular enough to be entirely self-upporting. Their display here is part of an eight day programme in Machester, the first city they have voited in Britain—yet another first.

Lucke of the Irish 7 Mr. and Mrs. Gibbons,

parents of amateur David Gibbons told the manager that City were sure to break the lean scoring spell against Hadderfield last week as they had made the trip from Belfast for the game. There's been a move to bring them over from Ireland for tonight's game.



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Bestles, winners in 1961 and 1962, were knocked out in the preliminary round of their first tournament in 1957-58; A.C. Milan, kings of Europe in 1963, and comneighbours Manchester United, current Champions, both made three abortive stempts before they succeeded. It is clear that experience counts for an

It is clear that experience counts for an awful lot in European competition today: If City do manage to win the trophy then our performance would go down as one of the finest in the history of European tournaments.

This is the first time a British city has had

This is the first time a British city has had two entrants in the European Champion Clubs' Cup, though this has happened several times in other countries. Real Madrid and Attesteo Madrid compated together in 1958-59 and 1966-67; Benifica and Sporting 1958-59 and 1966-67; Benifica and Sporting Liston, and the International Company of the International Company of the International Company of Inte

when Real failed at the quarter final stage and Atletico went at round one, did a dual attempt fail completely. But there has as yet been only one occasion when city clubs have clashed in this

competition—in 1959 Atletico took Real to three games in the semi-final before losing 2-1.

One of the biggest victories in the Champions Gup was recorded in Manchester.

12 years ago. Manchester United ran upa 10.0 success over Anderfecht; this was later equalled by Ipawich (10.0 v. Florinan of Maria in 1924-20) and Benfia (10.0 v. Stode Dudelings of Luxembourg in 1955-60; by white the other leg 6.0 serfices witcory of 18-0 over Dudelings, Best away vitcory was Anderfecht's 10-1 win at Valkeokosken in Finland during 1966-87. Six players have hit five goods in one and the service of the service was a first player last in the service was a first player last in the service was Atlatfin (A.C. Milas) with 1 in 1942-81. Saxt season Existin (Benfia)

became the only man ever to lead European of Cup scores outright or two occusions—
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### TALKING POINT . . .

when a City man puts his point of view

### ★ Tonight: Team manager Joe Mercer

- We have played foreign teams on tours, in friendly matches, in representative matches and at clab level, tonight we begin European competition in earmest. And it's nice to be giving this sort of football a send-off at home.

  Furnment competition presents new problems for us practically—the home and away.
- European competition presents new problems for us practically—the nome and away tie, the change and extremes of atmosphere, playing surface and temperament. You can only azother experience of these things by playing this sort of football. It is an
- You can only gather experience of these things by playing this sort of football. It is an exciting prospect for us.

  But there is another problem which teams like ours competing in European Football must consuce. It's one that has assessed in the game more frequently . . . It's the problem
- I think you'll agree that our players have conducted themselves well on the field lately under some provocation I might say. Fenerbahce, I am told, pride themselves on their own reputation. For both of us, then, I hope this won't be a big problem, and may we see a truly secreties game to fit the occasion.

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### FENERBAHCE S.K. Turkey

BY TONY PULLEIN

Champions of Turkey, make their fifth excursion into the European Champion Clubs' Cup tonight but they have yet to progress beyond the first round. They have won only one tie, that being in the preliminary round of their first venture in 1959/60 when they beat Csepel Budapest 3-2

away after drawing I-I in Istanbul. Yet in Turkey, Fenerbahce are one of the country's star sides. They have 16 full international players on their staff at the moment and, in fact, since Turkey played her first international match in 1923-when there were seven Fenerbabce players in the line-up-there have been less than a dozen occasions when the national seam has performed without a player from this club.

The club was formed in 1907 and initially won the Istanbul championship in 1912-the first of 11 successes in this competition. Since the adoption of professionalism in 1952. Fenerbahce-together with Besiktas and Galatasaray, also of Istanbulhave virtually controlled the destiny of the major trophies in very much she same manner as Celtic and Rangers command affairs in Scotland or the moment. No one else gets a

The three clubs from the capital last season once again took the first three places in the table:

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One of the key men behind Fenerbahce's outstanding successes of the past decade is Ignace Molnar, one-time national coach of Hungary and Bulgaria who is now in his third spell in charge of Fenerbahce. Acknowledged as the top coach in the country, Molnar has had coaching experience in many European countries.

On the field one of their outstanding players is 32-year-old club captain Seref Has, a veteran of 48 internationals for Turkey, Seret originally made his name as a winger or centre-forward but it was the wisdom of Molnar, who transformed him into such a brilliant half-back. which has enabled him to remain one of his country's top personalities

Seref is the club's level top scorer, with three goals, in European Cup ties-the same number as Can Bartu. another big name in Turkey. Can first played for the Turkish national side when he was 19 and for much of his earlier career he was in two minds whether to take up soccer as a profession or to remain true to his love, as an amateur, for basketball, Fortunately, he chose football and later he spent six years in Italian football with Florentina, Lazio and Venezia. If he's on form tonight, we may well be in for a treat from this tall, elegant inside-forward with the

Can, incidentally, made headlines in another direction in 1960 when he "forgot" to report for national service on the appointed day and he

deadly shot.

was sentenced to 100 days in the glasshouse!

Centre-half Ion Nunweiller is a Rumanian international (41 caps), but the remainder of the club's men who have been capped won them for Turkey. The possible line-up for tonight is:

Goolkeeper: Yavuz Simsek, aged 21; a junior and Under-23 international: Full-backs: Sukru Birant (23) and

internationals and Yilmaz Sen (24), all Turkish caps; Forwards: From Nedim Dogan (24),

Levent Engineri (22), both Turkish Half-backs: From Seref Has (32). Selim Soydan (25), Ercan Aktuna (28)

> Csepel Budapest (h) Crapel Budapers (a)

Can Bartu (32), Ziya Sengun (24), Yasar Mumcu (25), Fuat Saner (25) and Birol Pekel (29), again all inter-

The rest of the club's professional staff comprises: Gog/keepers: Ali Filibeli (28) and

Rasim Erten (20):

Full-backs: Ozcan Koksov (28), Numan Okumus (27) and Yaviz Cimen (19);

Holf-backs: Umran Kosar (19); Forwards: Appullah Cevrim (27), Salim Gorur (26), Cenap Genc (24), Erdinc Sandalci (21), Rasit Karasu (19), Serkan Acar (20) and Huseyin Cenap Genc (24).

or Seref Avni

#### FENERBAHCE'S RECORD IN **EUROPEAN COMPETITIONS** Champion Clubs' Cup Preliminary Round Result

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Quarter Final MTK Budapest (a) MTK (in Rome) So Fenerbahce have lost their last

nine European ties away from home. will depend very much upon our though they have only twice been beaten on their own soil. Clear Indication, then, that City's prospects of progress in our first venture into

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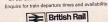
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1957/58	Manchester U. (SF)
1958/59	Wolves (1)
1959/60	Wolves (OF)
1960/61	Burnley (QF)
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1962/63 Ipswich (1) Liverpool (SF)

Everton (Preliminary) 1963/64 1965 66 Manchester U. (SF) Liverpool (1) 1966/67 Manchester U. (Winners) 1967/68

Summary of each club's performance:

Representative (Round)

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Fenerbahce (1) Galatasaray (QF) Galatasaray (1) Fennerbahoe (Preliminary)

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