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MATT BUSBY *talking...*

by **MATT BUSBY, C.B.E.,** Manager, M.U.F.C.

This evening it is my pleasure to extend a sincere welcome to our visitors from Hungary, Ferencvaros, for the semi-final (first leg) of the Inter-Cities Fairs Cup competition.

We all hope that they will enjoy their first visit to Old Trafford and there is little doubt that this famous club will prove a formidable hurdle to our hopes of winning our first European honour at senior level.

Ferencvaros undoubtedly are one of Hungary's top clubs. They have a wonderful record at home and in the Fairs Cup this winter have added to their considerable reputation.

Accordingly, we will look forward to your vocal support this evening, particularly with so much at stake, and as this will be our final home appearance of 1964-65 I want to take this opportunity of thanking all our

supporters for their efforts throughout the season.

Without spectator-support, the game as a whole would be all the poorer and I can assure you that the players, staff and directors sincerely appreciate your enthusiasm and interest.

We look forward to hearing you all this evening and I feel confident in predicting that tonight's match will prove to be one of the most memorable in what has been such a successful and exciting season.

Our best wishes to you all for a good summer and I need hardly add that we look forward to meeting you all again next August when, by virtue of our success in the League Championship, we will be taking part in the European Champion Clubs' Cup tournament.

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Greetings to Ferencvaros of Hungary,

from H. P. HARDMAN,
Chairman, M.U.F.C.

One of the most encouraging signs in a trouble-torn world is that sport knows few boundaries. The big cup competitions that exist nowadays embrace almost the whole of Europe and we meet footballers, their officials and supporters from countries where ordinary travel does not often take us.

So it is that tonight we link up with yet another country new to Old Trafford and it is with particular pleasure that we welcome Ferencvaros from Budapest, the world famous capital of Hungary.

We hope our visitors have a happy stay in Manchester and we shall do our best to extend our hospitality to try and ensure that both clubs will look back with satisfaction and warm memories of this rare meeting between Budapest and Manchester.

Mention of Hungarian football always commands immediate respect from Englishmen. We remember only too vividly, even now, the 6-3 win by the great Hungarian side of 1953. That match was England's first defeat in this country by a Continental team.

It has already proved to be a significant milestone in the development of the game both here and on the Continent. It was a fair indication of the rapidly developed strength of football abroad and it prompted a stocktaking of soccer at home.

Now we are proud to have as visitors one of the leading clubs from Hungary, and a club who are still playing a major role in the supply of players for their national team.

Ebben a zaklatott világban egy igen biztató jel, hogy a sport alig ismer ország határt. A jelen időben létező nagy kupa versenyek egész Európát felölelik és olyan országok labdarugóival, hivatalos személyeivel és rajongóival találkozunk ahova nem mindennap utazunk.

Igy ma este egy újabb országgal teremt kapcsolatot Old Trafford; nagy örömmel üdvözljük a Budapesti Ferencvárost, a Magyar Népi Köztársaság világhírű fővárosából.

Reméljük, hogy vendégeink jól fogják magukat érezni Manchesterben és mindent megteszünk annak érdekében, hogy mindkét klub meglegezővel és boldogan gondoljon majd vissza erre a ritka találkozásra Budapest és Manchester között.

A magyarlabdarugás pusztá említése azonnali tiszteletet parancsol az angolokra. Még most is nagyon élénken emlékszünk a magyarok 6:3 győzelmére 1953-ban. Akkor volt először, hogy Anglia vereséget szenvedett egy külföldi csapattól a saját országában.

Az a találkozó egy fontos mérföldkőnek bizonyult a játék fejlődésében úgy itt mint a Kontinensen. Arra mutatott, hogy külföldön a labdarugás gyorsan és erősen fejlődik és arra készítetett bennünket, hogy számot vessünk az itteni helyzettel.

Büszkék vagyunk arra, hogy a Magyar Népköztársaság egyik vezető klubja a vendégünk, egy olyan klub amelynek nagy szerepe van abban, hogy a magyar válogatott csapatot játékosokkal ellássa.

T.C. FERENCVAROS (HUNGARY) — 1965

Back row (left to right): Mészáros (coach), Orosz, Aczél, Dalnoki, Novák, Perecsi, Mátrai.

Front row (left to right): Juhász, Varga, Albert, Rákosi, Dr. Fenyvesi.

**T.C. Ferencvaros
(Hungary)
PLAYING
PERSONALITIES**

By **DAVID MEEK**

of the

"Manchester Evening News and Chronicle"

Istvan Geczi (goal-keeper)

Considered one of Hungary's up-and-coming goal-keepers, he is only 21. Capped for the first time in 1964 against Czechoslovakia. Football writers in Hungary refer to him as another "G-man" because there have been a succession of great keepers with that initial like Gellert, Grosz and Gellei.

Laszlo Horvath (full-back)

Tall and strong, he has an ideal build for the defence. He is also a hard and speedy defender after beginning his career as a forward. Came into the team in 1964 and has settled into the position of left-back. A qualified butcher, he works in the abattoir. A Beatles fan, he hopes to buy their latest records when he is in England.

Dezso Novak (full-back)

He is 26 and an international, winning the first of half a dozen caps in October, 1959, against Switzerland. Began his career as a forward and still retains a good attacking shot which has brought him two goals in international matches. Was captain of the Hungarian team that won gold medals at the Olympics in Tokio. Works in the administrative department of Budapest abattoir.

Istvan Juhasz (half-back)

Came into the team two years ago as an inside-forward and on his debut scored four goals in a 5-1 win. This season converted successfully to wing-half. Works as a store-keeper in the Budapest Conserve factory. Also studying and shortly will take matriculation. Loves films and one of his favourites is the TV series "The Saint".

Sandor Matrai (centre-half)

Played against England at Wembley last month. The club's most experienced defender with 63 international appearances. Represented Hungary in the World Cup competitions in Sweden and Chile. He is 33 and also began as a forward. Began his sporting career in athletics and competed for his country in the 1952 Helsinki Olympics as a long jumper and sprinter. Works in a Budapest factory, on the youth committee.

Pal Orosz (half-back)

He is 31 and a clerk in the Budapest abattoir. When he was younger he played as a forward and has creative skill. Now a wing-half good in the air and a lively attacker. He was in the Hungarian national side at the 1960 Rome Olympics and also won his gold medal in the Tokio Games last year.

Janos Karaba (outside-right)

Joined Ferencvaros this season from Dorog although played in Budapest before with Spartacus. A quick, explosive winger he often switches positions with inside-forward Varga. A quiet, reserved player, he likes the cinema. He is a clerk in the Budapest Brewery.

Gyula Rakosi (inside-forward)

A fast, enthusiastic forward who at 26 is already a veteran in the Ferencvaros team. Has great fighting spirit to compensate for any lack of a classic style. Shoots well. Won Under-23 and junior honours. Won a bronze medal for Hungary in the 1962 Rome Olympics.

Florian Albert (centre-forward)

Started his football with Ferencvaros in 1952 when he was 11 and playing in their junior teams. Made his first team debut when he was 17 and just eight months later was leading Hungary's forward line against Sweden in Budapest. He has scored 25 goals in 45 international appearances and was joint top scorer in the 1962 World Cup in Chile. He is a sports reporter with the Hungarian News Agency.

Zoltan Varga (inside-forward)

Promising player of 20 who has already attracted international attention. He played for Hungary in the Under-23 match against England last year. He was also in the winning Hungarian team at the Tokio Olympics and won a full cap in the Nations Cup final against Spain last year.

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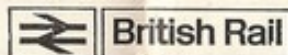
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Manchester United PLAYING PERSONALITIES

by **DAVID MEEK**

of the "Manchester Evening News and Chronicle"

Pat Dunne (goal-keeper)

Dublin born and joined United last summer from Shamrock Rovers after completing a highly successful season with the Eire club. Had trials at Old Trafford as a youngster and was also an Everton junior for a season before going back home to Dublin. Made his United debut at Everton on September 8th to begin a long run in an unbeaten side.

Shay Brennan (right-back)

Born in Manchester, but of Irish parents which under a new rule has recently brought him international honours with Eire. Joined United straight from school, and made his senior debut in February, 1958, immediately after the Munich air disaster, as a winger. Later had a spell at wing-half but now successfully settled at full-back. Gained F.A. representative honours before his first Eire honour this month against Spain.

Tony Dunne (left-back)

Born Dublin and recruited from Shelbourne in the latter part of the 1959-60, season. He has since added full international honours to those he won as an amateur for Eire. A constructive defender who made his senior debut at Burnley nearly five years ago. One of the speediest full-backs in the game.

Noel Cantwell (full-back)

Born in Cork, Eire. Noel joined United from West Ham in November 1960 making his debut the same day in the friendly match against Bayern of Munich. An accomplished cricketer. A regular International, currently captain of the Eire team, is United's versatile Reserve. Played twice - centre-forward - in the last lap towards winning the league Championship.

Pat Crerand (wing-half)

Glasgow-born and United's joker-in-chief. A brilliantly constructive half-back who was starring with Celtic and Scotland when United brought him south in February, 1963. It is frequently said that when Crerand plays well, United play well. Back for Scotland on their recent tour.

Bill Foulkes (centre-half)

Recruited from a Lancashire junior club in

the 1949-50 season, he is St. Helens-born and United's longest-serving player. An England "cap" at full-back, is now an always reliable centre-half who has passed the 500 mark in League and Cup for the club.

Nobby Stiles (wing-half)

A local born player and former Lancashire and England schoolboy star, he joined United in 1957. He is also a youth international, Under-23 player with League honours, and is now a full cap for England. A versatile player, he has switched frequently to inside-forward with great success.

John Connelly (outside-right)

United signed this quick moving winger from Burnley in April, 1964, and he made his League debut on the opening day of this last season. Born St. Helens, he spent eight years with Burnley at Turf Moor and won 10 England "caps". Undoubtedly a great capture, he has added a great deal of thrust to United's right flank and this month won back his international place.

Bobby Charlton (inside-forward)

Most successful of United's "home-grown" products, he held the England scoring record for a spell in season 1963-64. He joined United straight from school. He has completed 250 League and Cup appearances for the club and is well on the way to the 150-goal mark for United as well as playing many notable international games. A most graceful player.

David Herd (centre-forward)

A Scottish international who, brought up in the Manchester area, played with Stockport County and Arsenal before coming to Old Trafford in July, 1961. David is the son of Alec Herd, a famous player in his day, and has a terrific shot and a fine scoring record in a lengthy league career.

Denis Law (inside-forward)

A British record transfer fee changed hands when Denis joined United from Italian club Torino, on 12th July, 1962. An Aberdonian, Denis is a world-class forward and to his dazzling dexterity he has added a scoring flair with United, for whom he is consistently leading marksman. A leading light for Scotland, he played for F.I.F.A. against England at Wembley in 1963.

George Best (outside-left)

Born Belfast, he joined Old Trafford's staff after leaving school. At first he was thought to be too frail for football, but great skill has now made him one of the finest prospects in the game. He made his senior debut in September, 1963, and shot so rapidly into notice that he was capped for Ireland the following April. Has been a regular international ever since.

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Back row (left to right): J. Crompton (Trainer), W. Foulkes, D. Sadler, P. Dunne, S. Brennan, G. Moore, P. Crerand,
N. Cantwell, M. Busby, C.B.E. (Manager).

Front row (left to right): J. Connelly, N. Stiles, R. Charlton, D. Law, A. Dunne, D. Herd, G. Best.

CLUB Comments

by

PETER SLINGSBY

of the

"SUNDAY MIRROR"



Is it going to be a case of third time lucky in this memorable season for Manchester United in a top European Cup competition?

This is a question many United fans have been asking in the last few weeks, for an honour at Continental level is the only distinction which has eluded the club in a success-strewn post-war spell.

For outright consistency here at home, United stand alone. But twice before - in 1957 and 1958 - they have faltered at the last-four stage in Europe, going down to Real Madrid and Milan in successive seasons.

Now, United are again on the threshold of success in Continental competition and after last winter's "Champion" performances in the First Division most critics feel this will be the club's year in Europe, too.

What is most needed is vocal encouragement . . . a wave of sound upon which Denis Law and company can sail to their top target and set the seal on a magnificent season.

Denis himself thinks YOU can be the side's inspiration tonight. Don't disappoint him!

FACTS and FIGURES

I have received many requests for a breakdown on players' appearances in the Fairs Cup. Here it is:

Pat Dunne 8; Shay Brennan 8; Tony Dunne 8; Pat Crerand 8; Bill Foulkes 8; Nobby Stiles 8; John Connelly 8; Bobby Charlton 8; David Herd 8; Denis Law 7; George Best 8; and Maurice Setters 1.

Indeed, in all but the first round first leg match against Djurgardens in Stockholm way back in September, United have been able to field the same side.

On that occasion, Nobby Stiles deputised at inside-left for Denis Law and Maurice Setters (now with Stoke) played at left-half. Indeed, almost immediately after that 1-1 draw, the side took on a settled look - an essential ingredient in the surge to the Championship which was climaxed by a winning six-match run.

Prior to tonight's big clash, some 25 goals have been netted by Denis Law and company in the eight matches while the defence has only been beaten five times.

Here's the scorers' chart for United: Charlton 8, Law 7, Herd 4, Connelly 4, and Best 2.

The highest attendances in matches in which United have played were - perhaps not surprisingly - in the games against Everton in the third round when United triumphed on aggregate 3-2.

Then, on January 20, there were 49,075 spectators at Old Trafford to see a 1-1 draw and three weeks later 54,397 fans saw Fred Pickering again on the mark, as was John Connelly, with David Herd getting the vital winning goal.

In the same context, the lowest Fairs Cup crowd was at Stockholm where the attendance was a disappointing 6,537 for a 1-1 draw in which David Herd (87 minutes) got United's late equaliser.

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FERENCVAROS PERSONALITIES—continued

Dr. Mate Fenyvesi (outside-left)

A veterinary surgeon, he won his diploma in 1962. His job is checking meat quality in Budapest market hall. Also a distinguished international who has made 68 appearances for Hungary, including two World Cup competitions. Now 32, he won his first cap in 1954. A clever winger, but not a great marksman with only six goals in all his international matches.

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Ferencvaros in action...



Florian Albert (centre)
centre-forward

Dr. Mate Fenyvesi (left)
outside-left



(See page 5 for details
of the players)

MANCHESTER UNITED INTER CITIES FAIRS CUP 1964-5

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Sept. 23rd	United v. Djurgardens	A 1—1	Jan. 20th	United v. Everton	H 1—1
Oct. 27th	United v. Djurgardens	H 6—1	Feb. 9th	United v. Everton	A 2—1
Nov. 11th	United v. Dortmund	A 6—1	May 12th	United v. Racing Strasbourg	A 5—0
Dec. 2nd	United v. Dortmund	H 4—0	May 19th	United v. Racing Strasbourg	H 0—0
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Supporters approaching the ground from Chester Road will have noticed that the bridge over the railway is being reconstructed. This has resulted in the width being very much reduced and

spectators going away from the ground in that direction are asked, where possible, to delay their departure at the end of the game to reduce any congestion that may arise.



UNITED
Notings
 by
DAVID MEEK
 of the

"Manchester Evening News and Chronicle"

Ferencvaros have had a tough time reaching the semi-finals of the Inter Cities Fairs Cup. Twice now they have been involved with a play-off before they were able to go through to the next round.

Incidentally the competition as a whole seems to have produced a series of clashes between well balanced teams. Perhaps this is because qualification depends on finishing in a high place in their League competitions.

This implies a fairly high consistent performances as compared with say the European Cup Winners Cup where a team that wins a national cup competition is not necessarily one of the best all-round sides.

In the opening round, Ferencvaros beat the Czechoslovakian side, Spartak Brno, 2-1 on aggregate. Then they needed three games in the next round before beating Wiener SK of Austria.

After that, the Hungarians slammed Italian club Roma, beating them in both the home and away legs.

Then came their second close tussle, needing three games with Bilbao the Spanish club United once had a thrilling encounter with in the European Cup.

The two legs were drawn on aggregate, but Ferencvaros made no mistake in the play-off after winning the toss for the right to play in Budapest. They sailed through 3-0 winners.

Ferencvaros are undoubtedly the outstanding club in Hungary.

Honved are their big rivals and the



pair of them have been fighting it out for the Hungarian championship, but Ferencvaros have a record of honours that cannot be matched.

They have been champions 18 times and won the Hungarian Cup on 10 occasions. They also won the Mitropa Cup in 1928 and 1937 which was the pre-war predecessor of the European Cup, and was of course before the English League champions took part.

Ferencvaros also have a distinguished international record and Hungary look to them to supply about half the national side. In the party of players who were at Wembley to play England earlier this month, were five from Ferencvaros.

They range from the young to the experienced. Florian Albert for instance is still only 23 yet he has played for Hungary 45 times and must be ranked as one of the world's leading centre-forwards.

Then there is Sandor Matrai who has played in TWO World Cup competitions and is still playing at full-back for his country as well as centre-half for his club.

This famous Hungarian club also have a proud record in the amateur field. Most of their players have jobs outside football which enables them to stay as amateurs which many of them do.

Several of their players helped Hungary to win a gold at the Olympic Games in Tokio last year and also a bronze for finishing third in the Rome Olympics of 1960.

Certainly we shall be seeing a team of talented individuals this evening and the opposition will be as tough as you would expect at this semi-final stage of the Fairs Cup. *flck.hu*