

IRELAND V. SCOTLAND,

Ireland (in light shirts) are off to a flying start when they welcome Scotland to Belfast. It's seven years since they defeated the Scots, and they're determined to break the spell. But the visitors are on their toes too. Here's Scottish centre-forward Reilly attacking - but no luck.

Now an Irish attack, from Jackie Blanchflower - and it's in! Ireland's one up in the first six minutes!

But Scotland's not discouraged. Evans kicks up field to Johnstone and the battle sweeps towards the Irish goal. Goalie Uprichard's there - he's the hero of the match, this boy!

Ireland again - Coyle to Smith - he shoots 0 and it's two nil!

Scotland start the second half, and Johnstone gets it away.

If it weren't for goalie Uprichard, Scotland might be leading now. Not much gets past the quick-witted Portsmouth star. But even he's not infallible. Reilly shoots and the ball trickles over to give Scotland their first goal.

Ireland 2, Scotland 1 - and no matter how hard they try, the visitors can't wipe out that lead. It's almost a one-way traffic now; the Scots are making all the running. They nearly score again, but it's disallowed.

Hard luck for Scotland - but a great day for Norman Uprichard, the boy they once said would never play again after an injury. What a come-back!