

Luton took five short of their available strength to Newport on Thursday, and the team acquitted themselves remarkably well in winning by 3-1, seeing that Newport is one of the three grounds on which the Blues have suffered Second Division defeats this season. Both the Hawkesses were rested from the half-back line, Wilson taking the right position, while in Bob's place there was tried Joe Clark, who has done so well for the Clarence this season. In the forward line Durrant and Wileman both stood down in consequence of the injuries sustained in the Barry match the previous Saturday. Stevens and Brewis forming the wing, while Wilkie reappeared at outside left in place of Hoar. Enright, the Newport forward who was ordered off with Jarvis in the first meeting at Luton, was playing, as his case has not yet been dealt with by the Welsh F.A., but in contrast to the previous meeting, the game was throughout of the pleasantest description, and no one seemed to get at all ruffled. As at Luton, the Welsh team scored in the first minute, Lindley heading through from a corner kick, but by half-time the Blues claimed a well deserved lead of two goals, Simms scoring twice and Brewis once. So far Luton had had the best of matters, but Newport were the superior team after the change of ends, more particularly in the last quarter of an hour, when they simply penned Luton in. They could not, however, get the upper hand, and although they were awarded a penalty against E'vey, Mitchell saved Butler's shot. The defence did splendidly, and in the forward line Stevens and Brewis made a particularly fine pair. The Clarence amateur was not quite so successful as some of his confreres have been. He worked hard, but was a trifle out-classed.