

SIX FOR LUTON TOWN

ANOTHER HANDSOME VICTORY

(By Crusader)

LUTON TOWN again rejoiced their supporters by a fine win, Torquay United being the victims on Saturday. In more than one way the game was very different from the big success over Norwich. Whereas in the latter game the Town swept all before them in the first half-hour, it was not until the later stages of the game that Torquay were well and truly beaten. The visitors had evidently derived extra confidence as a result of their triumph over Bristol Rovers, and it was only by strong, determined and skilful play that the Town eventually overplayed the United.

AN early goal was a better tonic to the crowd than to the Town. SLICER sprinted hard to capture a forward pass from Loasby less than two minutes after the start, and his centre, from an acute angle, had such swerve that the ball curled right into goal after passing well above Millsom's head, struck the upright, and went into the net, as much to the surprise of the scorer, perhaps, as to the amazement of Millsom and Co.

THE Town showed more intelligence in the subsequent play, but the visitors were grim fighters, and worked with rare courage and enthusiasm, and as the Town defenders could not gauge the run of the ball nicely on the lifeless ground, there were several dangerous moments for Imrie and his backs. Chances were badly missed for lack of sharp control at the other end, but the United shot well, and their wingers put in many good centres. At the end of half-an-hour HUTCHINSON headed a splendid equaliser from a capital centre by Birkett. There were more troublous times for the Town before the change of ends, which came with the visitors fully deserving equality.

LUTON	1 goal
TORQUAY	1 goal

THERE was a cheering restart by the Town, for they began at a fine pace, the left wing being prominent. After one attack had been beaten off the right wing made a strong raid, and Bryce forced a corner and placed the ball so well that TAIT converted with his head. Still the visitors worked hard, and only a magnificent save by Imrie at full length prevented Hutchinson levelling the scores again. Bright play by the Town halves then altered the run of the game, and to the end the Town were the more aggressive side.

THE third goal came when Kean opened up a movement, and after Loasby had been foiled, TAIT rushed in, gathered the ball and wormed his way

through the defence to give Millsom no chance with a shot from close range. There was a spell of hard defensive work by the visitors, and a few threatening raids, but the Town were improving all the time, and the forwards were playing finely, and receiving grand support. Eventually Fraser slipped inside with the ball at his feet, and gave Tait a nice pass; the inside right drew the defence, and then passed for LOASBY to score the fourth goal.

THERE was no holding the Town after this, and following several hot assaults, the ball was taken through on the left, and TAIT again headed a fine goal. RENNIE came into the picture with clever work and strong shots, and at last he got in one of his very best, the ball crashing into the net from well over twenty yards' range, the goalkeeper making a desperate but futile attempt by flinging himself across goal. This was the best shot of the match, and though the Town came near on several occasions, they could not beat Millsom again.

THOUGH their best came late, the Town again gave their supporters full value for their money in that last half-hour. The cohesion of halves and forwards was masterly, and there was no holding them. Tait and Rennie were in splendid form, and their work merited more goals than were scored. Bryce and Slicer responded well, and Loasby did a lot of work without meeting with as much success as he might have done. The halves were magnificent, Kean and Fraser being the pick, and they were well backed by McGinnigle. For once in a way the backs were not so safe as usual, but Imrie was as good as ever.

TORQUAY were a team of triers, showing any amount of pace and pluck. Their defence worked very hard and did well to counter so many attacks. The backs kicked strongly, and the halves were resolute, but the forwards were the best, all five showing skill and pace. Hutchinson, the former Town player, was always conspicuous, and to him was due the major credit for opening out the game for his colleagues, while Clayson and the wingers required a lot of watching.

LUTON	6 goals
TORQUAY	1 goal

LUTON TOWN. — Imrie; Kingham, Hodgson; Kean, McGinnigle, Fraser; Bryce, Tait, Loasby, Rennie, Slicer.

TORQUAY UNITED. — Millsom; Fowler, Webster; Hewitt, Anderson, Smith; Birkett, Hutchinson, Clayson, A. A. Griffiths, Waller.

Referee: Mr. E. R. Westwood, Walsall.