

HAPPY TRIP TO TORQUAY

Luton Town Again Successful At Plainmoor

(By CRUSADER)

LUTON TOWN showed their liking for Torquay by succeeding for the third time on the Plainmoor ground after a fairly hard game. The only goal was credited to Rennie about six minutes before the end, but was the outcome of a determined attack in which forwards and halves took part. Reece received from Fraser and swung the ball across to the right for Pease to return it into goal; Maggs beat out the ball, but with the Town inside forwards well up, he could not get it away, and RENNIE promptly shot into the net.

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AN appeal was made against the point by the home players, but the referee consulted a linesman as requested, and the decision was confirmed. It was difficult to see what grounds there were for protest, since the goalkeeper played the ball, and there was quite a scrimmage in the goal-mouth as he did so. It was well earned, and in spite of the extraordinary reports in the Sunday papers there was no question at all as to the better side.

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THE difference was in the methods of the sides, for while the Town played their customary skilful game, the home team went in for kick-and-rush, and seldom showed much judgment in the use of the ball. Moreover, there was not a lot of energy put into the Town attacks, and it appeared as if players were acting under orders in view of the big engagement this week.

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TIME after time the home team slogged the ball into the Luton territory, but they met a rock-like defence, and although Harford had quite as much work as he wanted, only on two occasions was he very severely tested. On the other hand, Maggs was frequently in action, and although the finishing of the Town still left a good deal to be desired, they gave the home defence a lot of anxiety.

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HARFORD and his backs were safe, and both Kingham and Mackey were at their best, the tackling being very quick and effective. Now and then the latter had to use his weight to hold up the mercurial Stabb, but almost invariably he was master of the situation. All the halves played finely, the combination with the forwards being attractive, and leading to many bright movements. The forwards also played well without undue exertion, and the team as a whole fully merited success.

LUTON TOWN 1

TORQUAY UNITED 0

TORQUAY: Maggs; Fowler, Tapp; Lievealey, D. Welsh, Pickersgill; Stabb, Walters, Flavell, Kennedy, Bird.

LUTON: Harford; Kingham, Mackey; Kean, McGinnigle, Fraser; Pease, Martin, Bell, Rennie (A.), Reece.

Referee: Mr. L. E. Gibbs, Reading.