

LUTON WERE ALWAYS IN COMMAND

Eased Up After Three Goals

Luton 4, Bristol City 0

LUTON took command from the kick-off and harried the City defence persistently right to the interval.

Stephenson was the only scorer to count, however, and he deserved a brace for one shot thundered against a goalpost and then rebounded to strike the other before coming into play.

Many held it was a goal and the referee seemed to think so when he saw the shot beat Wilson, but he turned and walked towards the centre, only to find the players still at it before he had gone many strides and so the game went on. Stephenson scored with a shot that struck a defender on route.

Ball butted in a centre from Hodge three minutes after the interval and two minutes later rammed in a shot which swerved just inside the post. Luton then dropped their aggressive tactics and the City forwards had a little of the spotlight, but not many shots.

Hodge scored one just before the end and very neatly, too, after a sharp spring.

Luton's combination was very good. Their finishing was less meticulous, though they had dozens of shots repelled, sometimes in wonderful fashion, by Wilson, while Roberts, Blundy and Pearce frustrated numerous efforts.

Dryden and Armstrong were the only City forwards with dangerous look-out or spear.

Luton were well served by Smith and Nelson in defence. Mackey was not so safe. Finlayson and Fellows were very helpful to an alert and clever attack in which none was outstanding, but all moved in harmony and at great speed.

Luton—Dolman, Mackey, Smith, Finlayson, Nelson, Fellows, Hodge, Payne, Ball, Roberts, Stephenson.

Bristol City—Wilson, Roberts, Hodge, Morgan, Pearce, Branton, Peters, Armstrong, Blundy, Dryden.