ALL PLAYERS WARNED AT LUION

CAPTAIN SENT OFF FIELD

Luton 3, Northampton 2

SO desperately did the players begin their job that they were soon in trouble with the referee, and they and he were in trouble with the crowd.

The game continued in an uproar of disapproval, as the players did everything but fight openly. The whistle was continually in action; players were laid out by fierce charges and worse tackles, and Mackey was so badly crippled that he had to hobble about on the right wing after a quarter of an hour.

Midway through the second half the referee called the players to the centre and warned them, and shortly afterwards Thayne, the Northampton captain, received marching orders.

Thayne had brought down Roberts, but so many worse actions had taken place that the dismissal came as something of a shock to the crowd, and especially to the Northampton side.

Two Penalties

Up to a point they had played well, but their methods at the start were hardly commendable. and the concentration of stopping Payne did not pay. Payne scored, and two minutes later Roberts added another, both goals coming within ten minutes of the start.

Fellowes put through his own goal in a remarkable fashion, and soon after the interval Tolland swept home a grand shot. Parris was pulled aside by Russell during a dribble, a penalty-kick was awarded, and Payne made no mistake. Then a penalty kick was given against Nelson, when he stopped Lauderdale, but Tolland, after an elaborate preparation for the spot kick, drove the ball the wrong side of the post.

Gormlie, Russell, Thayne and Little played finely in the Northampton defence, and Lyman

sparkled in attack.

For Luton, Finlayson was as good a back as a half, and Smith also played a stout game. Hancock was the inspiration of the forwards. and Roberts and Dawes also did well.

Smith: Luten.-Dolman; Finlayson, Mackey. Nelson, Fellowes; Hancock, Dawes, Payne, Roberts,

Northampton.-Gormlie: Russell, Little; Riches, Thayne, Simpson; Rawlings, Tolland, Allen, Lauderdale. Lyman.