

WITHOUT CREDIT

PLAYER SENT OFF

Luton 3 Northampton 2

Barely had the match been started when there began a sequence of incidents that was a discredit to the game.

The players got right out of hand, and in spite of the frequent admonitions of the referee, the reckless charging and tackling grew worse and worse, until about 15 minutes from the end the men were gathered in midfield and warned. There was little improvement until Thayne, after bringing down Roberts not very violently, was sent off the field.

Many players were injured and Mackey was a hopeless passenger and consigned to outside-right after a quarter of an hour's play. The pity of it was that these players could give good football. The crowd demonstrated frequently against players and the referee, yet when Thayne was dismissed he was sympathetically applauded by a section of the spectators.

Northampton began in determined fashion, but **they were** two goals down after ten minutes, Payne and Roberts heading splendid goals from passes by Finlayson and Dawes.

Fellowes put through his own goal a minute before change of ends. Tolland levelled the scores with a grand shot, but Payne drove home a penalty kick, and then Tolland had a like opportunity for Northampton, but failed.

Luton: Dolman; Mackey, Smith; Finlayson, Nelson, Fellowes; Hancock, Dawes, Payne, Roberts, Parris.

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