

Dressing-Room Tactics Were Aid To Victory

[By Chiltern]

LUTON TOWN 4

(Daniel 3, Waugh)

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 1

(Robinson)

Much can be done towards winning a match before the players take the field. Tactics talked over in the dressing room have become a part of modern football, and they helped in the defeat of the Wednesday.

It was decided beforehand that the Wednesday would concentrate their defensive plan on keeping a close watch on Billington.

Obvious answer was to send someone upfield to help him and make use of the gaps which were bound to occur. DANIEL was detailed for the job, and made such use of his opportunity that he became the man of the match with three grand goals.

His first, after three minutes, set the 21,000 crowd cheering, though hopes were somewhat dashed nine minutes later when ROBINSON levelled the scores.

WAUGH SET UP A ROAR

For a time, the Wednesday played so well that they caused some apprehension, but it was not long before Luton regained their stride, and WAUGH gave the crowd something to roar about when he headed in from Steen's free kick.

That was five minutes before the interval, and the Town began the second half in rip-roaring style. Even so, there was always the possibility that the Wednesday, dangerous in their breakaway, might steal another equaliser.

That possibility was disposed of completely when DANIEL took a pass from Billington, and ignoring appeals to the referee by the Wednesday defenders, slammed the ball into the net.

After that, it was all Luton, and DANIEL helped himself to another goal 15 minutes from the end, when Billington provided another opening.

TEAM WORK A BIG FACTOR

Splendid team work was a big factor in the Town's success, and they showed all-round strength. Wing halves, Soo and Cooke, were in grand form and gave the forwards plenty of material with which to work.

The attack made the most of their opportunities and, if Daniel was marksman-in-chief, the others pulled their weight in grand style.

Outstanding in a sound defence was Sanderson, who on his first appearance in the Luton colours showed deadly tackling, admirable positional sense, and the ability to use the ball.

Gager and Beach contributed to the general solidity, and Duke pleased everyone by his quick anticipation and fearless clearances.

LUTON TOWN: Duke; Beach, Sanderson; Soo, Gager, Cooke; Steen, Daniel, Billington, Connelly, Waugh.

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY.—Goodfellow; Westlake, Swift; McKenzie, Turton, Cockcroft; Rogers, Robinson, Ward, Froggatt, Tomlinson.

Referee: W. H. Dixon, Lincoln.