



# Was Touch and Go Towards the End

## LUTON T. v. TOTTENHAM H.

**P**ROSPECTS of a record crowd at Luton to-day for the visit of the Spurs seemed set fair long before the start.

An hour before the kick-off at least 8,000 were in the ground and the number was increasing as fast as the turnstiles could take them.

Half an hour later the crowd had grown to 18,000. It looked as if the gates might have to be closed.

Luton were confident of figuring as giant-killers to the Spurs, who before to-day, had played 12 consecutive games without defeat. The Town fielded the same side as brought a point from Burniey last week.

The Spurs had the same team for the third consecutive week.

Luton Town: Bywater; Make and Black; Daniel, Gager and Soo; Waugh, Duggan, Billington, Driver and Duncan.

Tottenham Hotspur: Ditchburn; Willis and Nicholson; Ludford, Woodward and Burgess; Cox, Berrett, Foreman, Dix and Stevens.

Referee: R. N. Porter, of Cambridge.

There was Luton's biggest crowd of the season, numbering about 25,000.

There was a sensational opening, Spurs going ahead within half a minute.

Stevens tricked Mate and centred for BENNETT to head in.

Brilliant footwork and a pass inside to Waugh enabled Duncan to force a corner.

Ditchburn then had to kick over from Duncan, and from Waugh's corner kick DUNCAN equalised. This was after five minutes' play.

Daniel made a through pass to Billington to beat two defenders, but found himself unable to shoot first time.

For the Spurs Cox had a chance to shoot in from a corner by Stevens, but dallied too long.

Spurs began to press hard and were giving a lot of the ball to Stevens, who seemed to have the beating of Lake, the Luton right-back.

A free kick to Luton 10 yards outside the penalty area was taken by Soo, but it brought nothing.

### FAST AND THRILLING

The football was fast and thrilling with play reaching top class. A free kick to Spurs saw the ball go out to STEVENS, who got in a troublesome shot just below the bar. Stevens was proving to be Spurs' most dangerous forward.

Three minutes from half-time BILLINGTON gave Luton the lead from Duncan's pass, and two minutes later DUGGAN increased the lead.

Half-time:  
Luton ..... 3  
Tottenham ..... 1

Luton defence did well to cope with fast-moving attacks. Luton replied with an attack in which Ditchburn saved from Duggan and then Bywater had to bring off a brilliant one-handed clearance from Cox. It was touch and go many times if Luton could hold out. Luton were lively when they broke away with Duncan the danger man.

Result:  
LUTON ..... 3  
SPURS ..... 2