

Two Goals Disallowed, But Town Still Won

LUTON TOWN	2
Duggan (2)	
LEICESTER CITY	1
Dewis	

By Chiltern

FOR a long time at Kenilworth-road last night Luton Town kept 17,587 excited spectators in suspense, for it was not until 14 minutes from the end that they took the lead for the first time in the match.

There should not have been this uncertainty, for they had sufficient chances in the first half to have removed any doubt about the ultimate destination of the points. During this period their approach work often reached the heights, but the finishing touch was just not there.

At the same time they had two goals disallowed, and the start was almost sensational in that the ball was in the net four times in 17 minutes, and only two counted.

The City were first to score after seven minutes, through DEWIS, who took advantage of hesitancy by Gager and Hughes to nip in and beat Streten from close range.

A minute later the ball was in the City net, Duggan shooting through during a scramble.

"Hands" was the reason given to me by the referee for not allowing this goal.

DUGGAN'S EQUALISER

However, three minutes later DUGGAN got one that counted when Driver made a clever flick which left the inside-right with a chance which he seized.

Next unfortunate was Duncan, who headed past Major. Offside it was this time, a decision which referee Barrack adhered to despite appeals from the Town that he should consult the nearest linesman, who had not signalled.

The Town put on terrific pressure and the copy-book football of the forwards meant heavy work for the City defence, but chances were frittered away.

Duggan missed a couple of easy-looking ones, but the lively ball made them in actual fact, not quite so simple.

THE WINNING GOAL

Turning round on level terms, the Town were expected to go all

out for an early goal. They gave promise of it, but for a time lost their grip, and the City began to cause some anxiety at the Town end.

Still the more chances continued to fall to the Town, whose shooting was far from accurate enough.

Despite his lapses, DUGGAN was always the most likely man to win the match, and he it was who eventually obtained the winner from another fine pass by Driver.

FINISHING FAULTS

The Town deserved their victory, but were not completely impressive. Main faults were in finishing, though Driver worked hard in the middle and kept the line together well. Waugh had another good match, and Dally Duncan gave us glimpses of his best form in the first half, when he had the beating of Frame.

Connelly had some brilliant spells, and three of his long range drives were gems. Duggan was always on the job when goals seemed likely.

The half-backs were a strong line, with Gager dominating the middle and Soo and Owen continually driving on the attack. Both full-backs have played better, and were hesitant against two dangerous wingers, but they generally managed to come through in the end.

Streten had another grand match, and there was no question of hesitation where he was concerned.

Luton Town: B. Streten; Cooke, Hughes; Soo, Gager, Owen; Waugh, Duggan, Driver, Connelly, Duncan.

Leicester City: Major; Frame, Harrison; Smith, McArthur, King; Griffiths, Revie, Dewis, Hernon, Adam.

Referee: C. J. Barrick, Northampton.