

Town Are More At Home When Playing Away

By Chiltern

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That the Town are more at home on away grounds than they are at Kenilworth-road is one of the curious features of their record this season and, at Vetch Field on Saturday, they emphasised their power as visitors.

Swansea, fresh from a 5—0 victory over League leaders Rotherham, had no answer to the direct methods of the Town in the first half and it was then that the destination of the points was decided.

Any fears there might have been that the sudden departure of Willie Davie might upset the rhythm of the Town's attack were removed by the way in which the much-changed line moved in the first-half.

Once they settled down, they kept Swansea's defence at full strength by utilising direct methods and moving the ball about quickly and accurately.

Goals in the 15th and 18th minutes from STOBART and HAVENGA put them well on top and a glorious effort by STOBART eight minutes before half-time sealed a grand first-half display which might have given them an even bigger lead.

SWANSEA TOOK OVER

Just as the Town had been in command during the first-half, Swansea took over at the start of the second, but their effort came too late, for the Town defence was in no mood for capitulation.

Intensive pressure in which wing-halves and even Weston, the centre-half, joined, harried the Town defence, but produced no signs of panic.

Certainly, there were some narrow escapes and some brilliant saves by Streten, but having survived the dangerous first quarter of an hour after the interval, there was no real danger of the the Town's substantial lead being whittled away.

Hard though Swansea tried, they were beaten off by doughty defensive work and when the Town forwards got moving again, they might well have added a couple of goals to their total had Mitchell's marksmanship been up to his usual standard.

NEW LINE MOVED WELL

There was much satisfaction about the way in which the new forward line functioned in the first-half and Turner showed a great deal of promise and accomplished much good work on his first appearance in the senior team's attack.

Havenga, too, made a satis-

factory comeback and Taylor and Mitchell formed a quick-moving left-wing. But the main danger man was Stobbart, who was often too clever for the home defenders.

Bearing the brunt of the second-half work, the defence put up a valiant display with Owen, Streten and Morton outstanding.

Not that there was the slightest hint of a weakness, for Cooke, Aherne and Watkins, did their jobs most successfully. Owen barred the middle completely, Morton did the fine service of blotting out Allchurch, and Streten's spectacular goal-keeping earned him an ovation at the end.

SWANSEA TOWN.—King; Keane, Beech; Lucas, Weston, Williams; O'Driscoll, Scrine, Turnbull, Allchurch, Bellis.

LUTON TOWN.—Streten; Cooke, Aherne; Morton, Owen, Watkins; Havenga, Turner, Stobbart, Taylor (J), Mitchell.

Referee.—A. W. Smith, Aldershot.