

IT'S A LONG, LONG TRAIL, BUT AFTER 5½ HOURS OF STRENUOUS BATTLING—

TOWN DESERVED THEIR GREAT VICTORY

MORTON SCORES DECIDING GOAL

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LUTON TOWN 3 BRENTFORD 2
(after extra time)

By "Chiltern"

IN the 112th minute of the second replay at Highbury yesterday, Bob Morton became the hero of the hour by scoring a glorious goal that will be talked about as long as football is played in Luton.

It was good enough to win a Cup final, let alone to give the Town the right to meet Swindon Town at Kenilworth-road in the 5th round on Saturday, and he was nearly mobbed by his excited colleagues.

Picking up a loose ball in midfield, he made a run of nearly 25 yards, taking the ball through as the Brentford defence backed away. Then, from the edge of the penalty area, he left Gaskell helpless with a sizzling drive that entered the corner of the net.

Only a minute before that happened a steward had come into the Press box to say that the third replay had been fixed provisionally for next Saturday at Stamford Bridge.

Morton's great effort meant that there was no need for the continuance of this marathon Cup-tie that lasted five-and-a-half hours.

The Town deserved to win.

There was no doubt about that and they looked likely to qualify without the necessity of another spell of extra time, for they were leading 2—1 until eight minutes from the end.

Then, under desperate Brentford pressure, with the Town driven right back on the defensive, DARE rushed the ball over the line from close in.

With Taylor limping heavily at outside-right, the Town's pros—
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Bob Morton—the "hero of the hour"—scored the winning goal.

SOME OF THE REPLAY THRILLS IN PICTURES

Luton Deserved Their Great Victory

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peels in extra time did not look as bright, but they held this strong, steady Brentford team during the first period, and then when Taylor switched to centre-forward for the second period, the Town forwards swung back into their smooth stride.

Mitchell hit the side of the post with a terrific drive and then came Morton's tremendous winner.

The Town took the lead first, with the game only half a minute old, through a curious sort of goal, which was officially credited to TAYLOR, though the ball actually went in off Horne.

Taylor deserved the credit, though, for his long run with the ball at his feet started the movement in which Stobbart also joined.

Finally, his shot was diverted past Gaskell, lying full length on the ground, and rolled over the line.

After 32 minutes Hall made his one mistake when he was caught going forward by a through pass from Coote and Dare slipped through unchallenged.

AHEAD AGAIN

With only Stretton to beat, he hit the post and Aherne booted the ball behind for a corner. It was from this that the equaliser came when Coote gained possession and slipped the ball to DARE who promptly banged it in.

Only four minutes passed before the Town were ahead again, through MOORE, who beat Gaskell with a grand, low shot from inside the penalty area, again after great work by Taylor, whose own shot had been beaten out.

For ten minutes or so at the start of the second half the Town were thrown back on defence, but gradually they came back again, and two or three chances went astray.

Brentford had their opportunities, too, and Sperrin scraped the top of the bar.

It looked as if the Town would take a winning 3-1 lead 17 minutes from the end, when Taylor slipped through the whole defence, including the goalkeeper.

He was just about to tap the ball into the empty net when he was pulled down from behind, but to everybody's amazement no penalty followed.

It was in this incident that Taylor received his injury which made him a plucky passenger for half-an-hour.

SEVERAL LIMPING

When he went into the middle during the second part of extra time he seemed to have recovered to some extent and opened up problems for Brentford.

It was another thrill-a-minute, terrifically hard-fought struggle on a muddy surface watched by a crowd of 37,269 who paid £4,905.

Several players left the field limping at the end, and apart from Taylor, Moore looked as if he had injured a groin muscle, and Cooke received a shaking up, too.

In attack the Town were superior to Brentford, for they had the more constructive ideas, due to the cleverness of their inside forwards, Taylor and Stobbart, both of whom played brilliantly, especially in the first half.

Moore fitted into the scheme of things very well, worrying Greenwood, often getting the ball in the air, and using it well.

Towards the end he and Stobbart switched and one almost lost count of the number of forward switches made by Brentford, who, after the Town's third goal, had their danger man, Hill, up in the forward line.

Davies gave a much improved display and Mitchell had a fair game.

Hall definitely did not let the side down. To come in for a match like this, after his limited League football this season, was a severe test, but he lacked it magnificently and was a stout, staunch defender.

The defence as a whole had its shaky moments, but there was a grand fighting spirit right through, and nobody ever flagged or gave up.

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The steadier back was Aherne, for Cooke was a little troubled by the nippy Ledgerton, but his determination carried him through.

There was not a lot for Stretton to do, but he made some daring dives at the feet of oncoming forwards, and probably saved the game when he threw himself at Sperrin's feet during the second part of extra time.

Altogether it was a triumph for team spirit and the Town came through this very, very hard struggle with enormous credit.

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With Moore in close attendance, Brentford goalkeeper Gaskell gets his fingers to a high shot during one of the frequent attacks by Luton in the Cup re-play. G3597G

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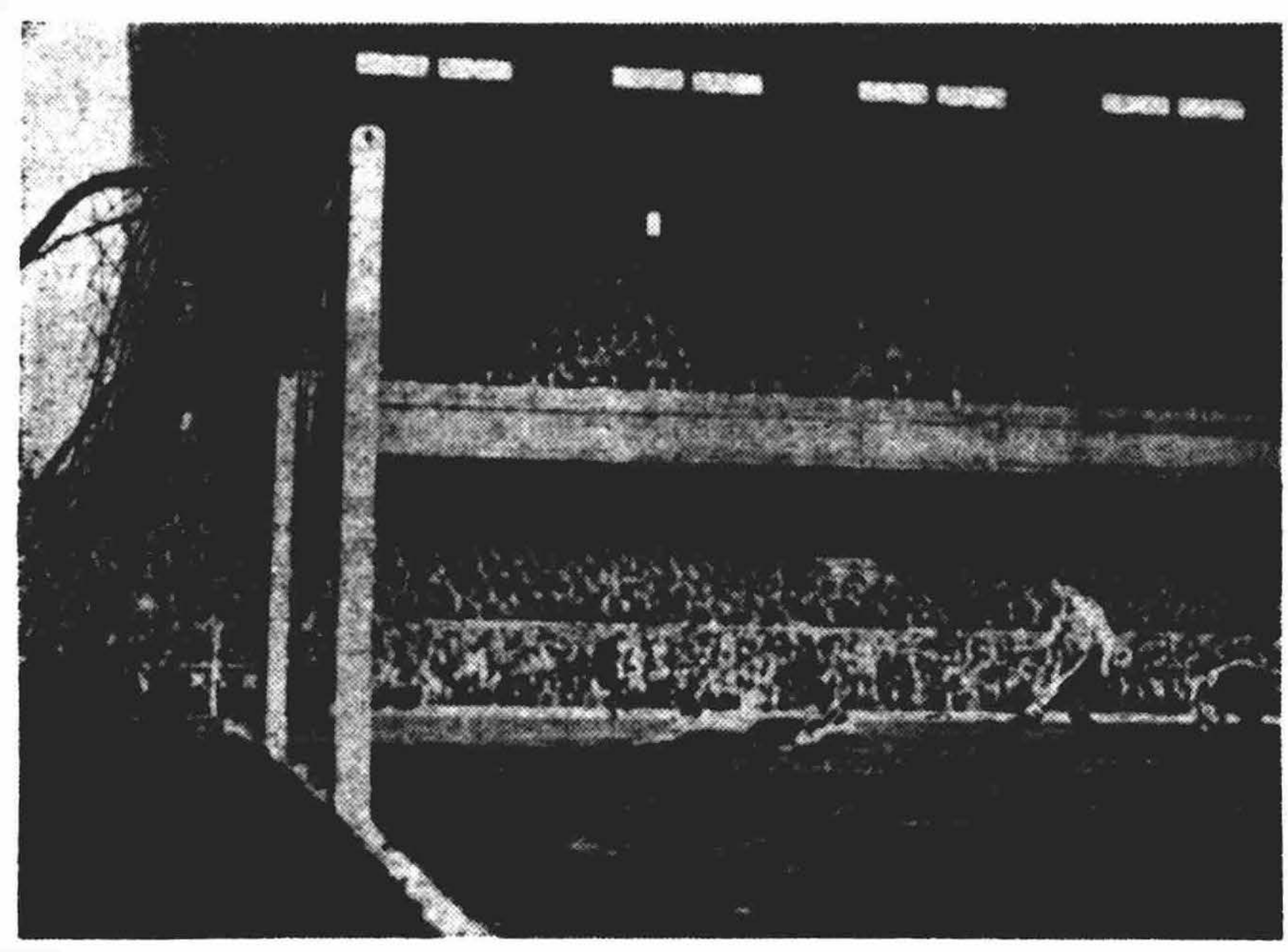
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In the extreme right of the picture, in a crouching position, is Bernard Moore, Luton's centre-forward. He had taken the ball on the turn to crack it into the corner of the net for the Town's second goal. Gaskell dived across his goal, but too late to save. G3598G

SUCCESSES BY THE DOZEN

Rabbits being exhibited by Mr. A. W. Armitage, the well-known Luton fancier, are gaining awards numbered in dozens.

At Berkhamsted Open Show on Saturday Mr. Armitage was awarded first and certificate and spoon for the best English rabbit, first breeders' class, and first in fancy challenge, and was also awarded a diploma for the best fancy rabbit in the show.

This rabbit has now won 25 firsts, 20 seconds, eight spoons, and eight certificates.

At Royston Open Show on Saturday the same owner was awarded first and certificate for the best fox, first challenge, and second, any variety dog, with his silver fox.

This exhibit has the necessary wins to qualify for a champion, its record to date being 25 firsts, 17 seconds, and 15 certificates and spoons.

THE MINISTRY OF HEALING

Luton's Medical Officer of Health, Dr. R. M. Dykes, read the lesson, and Dr. D. B. Cater, of Cambridge University, gave the address at the evening service at King-street Congregational Church, Luton, on Sunday evening.

The service, the theme of which was "The ministry of healing," was attended by Dr. Charles Hill, M.P. for Luton, Mrs. Hill, representatives of local hospitals and health departments, and members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and the British Red Cross Society.

It was conducted by the King-street minister, the Rev H. L. Hensman.

Inquest To-day

The Coroner is to hold an inquest at Luton this afternoon on Mrs. Alice Maud Pratt, 45, of 51, Fenny-clay-street, Luton, who was found dead in the kitchen of her

DEATH OF MRS. E. FRANKLIN

The funeral takes place to-day of Mrs. Susan Rolf Sarah Franklin, wife of Mr. Edgar Franklin, builder and undertaker, of 28, Kingscroft - avenue, Dunstable.

Aged 65, Mrs. Franklin, who had been ill for a long time, was secretary of the Priory Church Mothers' Union for 12 years and formerly treasurer of the women's section of the Dunstable Conservative Association.

She died on Thursday and will be cremated at Golders Green to-day at 3 p.m., the cortege leaving the house at 1.30.

LOCAL VICTIM OF AIR CRASH

First Officer Peter Ian Robert Irving, who was a member of the crew of the Viking aircraft which crashed in Sicily on Saturday killing all 31 occupants, was the 25-years-old only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Irving, of "Little

HIGH PRAISE OF HIS SERVICE

At yesterday's meeting of Luton Chamber of Commerce Transport (Goods) Committee, Mr. T. Anness was unanimously re-elected chairman.

"He has given us excellent service," said Mr. P. W. Currant, moving his re-election. "I feel that the general opinion of our Chamber is that this committee has done excellent work."

Replying that "what has been done in the last 12 months, your work, perhaps more than mine," Mr. Anness said he endorsed Mr. Currant's remarks about the Council of the Chamber appreciating the work done.

Mr. M. E. Hooper was unanimously re-elected vice-chairman.

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