

TOWN AMONG THE GOALS AGAIN

FOUR WERE SHARED BY PYE AND MOORE

Fast Moving In Attack And Strong In Defence

By Chiltern

Not for a considerable time have the Town scored goals so readily and consistently at Kenilworth-road as they have in the last three matches there, which have netted them 13 goals and six points.

The punch which the attack has achieved and their constant hunt for goals has blown across the Luton football scene like a cool breeze on a summer's day and their feats have set the fans talking in something of the same vein as they were during last season's successful Cup run.

Freedom from injuries during the last few weeks and the ability to field a settled team has worked miracles for the Town who are now brushing aside opposition in completely confident style.

For Lincoln there will be poignant memories of their two Second Division visits to Kenilworth-road, for on the first occasion, they lost 6-0, and their fate might have been of equal severity on Saturday.

Always the Town attack carried the more punch, played the better football and made more accurate use of the ball.

Pye's 100th Goal Worthy Of Occasion

A FEW chances went astray, perhaps as much due to the difficulty of the heavy going as anything else and this, added to some stubborn work by the Lincoln defence kept the score down to 2-0 until 10 minutes from the end.

The closing stages were fraught with excitement, for during them, the Town doubled their lead and the last goal three minutes from the end gave Pye the opportunity to complete his century of goals in League football.

The goal, as good a one as we have seen on the ground this season, was worthy of the occasion and there was a tremendous round of applause from the crowd to greet the feat.

Have Team Spirit In Full Measure

THE acclamation was a tribute to a great player who has achieved tremendous popularity

during his short spell with the Town and the crowd could not have been more pleased than it had been a vital goal that had brought promotion.

Further than that, the congratulations that came from his colleagues—even Streten ran more than half the length of the field to shake Pye by the hand—are indicative of the fine spirit that obtains in the team.

Team spirit is a jewel that a manager treasures above all others and the Town have got it in full measure.

Fast Moving Despite Heavy Going

THAT is evident in the general play of the team in the complete unselfishness of the forwards and the way in which the defenders are covering and helping out each other in difficulties.

With this factor achieved, the Town can go a long way this season, especially as this spirit is allied to good, go-ahead, clean football which is being produced consistently.

Despite the mud, the Town forwards were a fast-moving line showing a readiness to have a crack at goal whenever the opportunity offered, which is in marked contrast to the lack of confidence in front of goal that was seen in some of the early matches.

Understanding Of Pye And Moore

MOST of the successful marksmanship is coming from Pye and Moore, who have developed a fine understanding, and of the 19 goals that have

been scored in the last six matches, they have been responsible for 15 between them.

Apart from his shooting, Pye's wealth of experience is a valuable asset in the forward line, for he is holding the ball when necessary and distributing it in canny fashion.

Moore is benefiting from this and has developed into a ranging, dangerous inside-forward, eager to snap up scoring chances and showing the capacity for taking his opportunities.

Two Goals Came From Corners

MOORE it was who opened the scoring after 16 minutes with a well-directed header after Jones had punched out an accurate corner by Mitchell.

Pye's first goal, 19 minutes later, also followed a Mitchell corner-kick and he applied the finishing touch after Davies had returned the ball into the goal-mouth from the other wing.

To score twice so quickly from corner-kicks is something of a novelty in these days of packed goalmouths and tightly covering defences and it is worthy of note that both Mitchell's corners were directed for the far post and, on each occasion, Jones could not quite reach the ball to catch it.

Graver Unlucky With A Fine Effort

APART from an early shot by Finch that Streten saved brilliantly and a pairing shock just before the interval when Graver made a brilliant bid to reduce the arrears, Lincoln were not much in the game in the first half as an attacking force.

Graver was unlucky not to score, for his shot struck the cross-bar, after which the ball bounced over to safety.

Lincoln had a good spell of 10 minutes or so midway through the second half and both Johnson and Whittle wasted scoring openings, but in the main, it was the Town who looked the more likely to score for their attack was always better together.

Two Goals In The Last 10 Minutes

MOORE obtained his second goal 10 minutes from the end and again it was Mitchell who put the ball across, but from the right-wing this time.

Pye flicked it back to Moore, who was left with a difficult chance as the ball was almost knee high. However, he judged his shot with his left foot perfectly and it flew into the net.

At even greater velocity though the ball hit the net when Pye obtained his hundredth goal when the ball came out to him following a corner by Moore and he cracked it first time and on the volley.

Owen Had A Grip On Graver

SO, in the end, the Town reaped the reward of their superiority in this match against a Lincoln team that can only be described as moderate.

Their attack was much of a

FOR THE RECORDS

LUTON TOWN 4

Moore (2), Pye (2)

LINCOLN CITY 0

LUTON TOWN: Streten; Dunn, Ahern, Morton, Owen (S), Shanks, Davies, Moore, Pye, Watkins, Mitchell.

LINCOLN CITY: Jones; Green, Graham; Wright, Emery, Owen (R); Ryan, Johnson, Graver, Finch, Whittle.

Referee: H. Webb, Leeds.

Attendance: 17,540.

one-man affair with Graver the only real danger and he was too well watched by Owen to have many chances of showing why First Division clubs are eager to acquire him.

In a defence that scarcely showed any loopholes at all, Owen was a strong, dominating figure and he stepped in time and time again to make successful tackles when Lincoln were trying to find a way down the middle.

Strength Of The Middle Line

STRENGTH at half-back paved the way for the forwards and Morton had another outstanding game.

Little escaped his determined tackling and the speed and strength with which he came through with the ball were often upsetting to the Lincoln defence.

Shanks completed a strong line and newcomer, Johnson, who was obviously short of match practice, had few chances to shine.

Former Arsenal man, Ryan, cut little ice against the sound Ahern, who kicked a judicious length all through the match and was rarely in any sort of trouble.

Switching Did Not Upset Dunne

THE switching of Finch and Whittle, if it was calculated to upset Dunne failed in its object, for the right back turned in an excellent display and when he was beaten, his quickness in recovery enabled him to retrieve the situation on most occasions.

There were at least three top-class saves from Streten at times when a goal might have been a marked effect on the way the game went and he gave a faultless display in which his quick anticipation was an outstanding feature.

To keep the score-sheet blank for only the second time this season was a just reward for a solid defensive display.

Better Display From Davies

WHILE Pye and Moore stole much of the limelight in attack, the others did their share too, and there was an improved display by Davies, who made better use of the ball and was a distinct source of anxiety to the visiting defence.

Three of the goals came from Mitchell's work and he is showing

signs of returning to his form of last season, though the best of support is still not coming his way.

Played Good Football In The Mud

THERE were periods in the second half when little came his way and he is a player who thrives on plenty of work.

Without being so effective as he has been in recent matches, Watkins still left his mark on the game in his quiet way.

He fits into the scheme of things and the line as a whole is moving and played some surprisingly good football in view of the somewhat treacherous nature of the going.

In all, it was another Luton triumph and as there were no injuries, it is an odd one but the same team will take on Hull City on Saturday.

7-1 Away Win By The Reserves

ONCE the Town Reserves settled down at Griffin Park on Saturday, they produced a brand of football seldom seen in Combination matches and, eventually ran out winners by the surprisingly wide margin of 7-1.

Luner (3), Taylor (2) and Cullen (2) secured the goals and although McJarow did not score, he led the line cleverly and had a hand in several of the goals.

With his craft and an all-out display by Turner, which counted as one of his best at inside forward in the Town's colours, the forwards cut a way through a shaky Brentford defence time and again.

With Cullen, Turner formed a brilliant wing to which Brentford had no answer.

Turner And McJarow Joint Top-Scorers

TURNER has drawn level with McJarow in the list of scorers.

Each has 10 goals to his credit and just behind them are Taylor and Bradley, each of whom have obtained nine.

This was the Town's 18th match without defeat and their 13th victory of the season.

They have now scored 59 goals and continue to hold a lead of one point over Leicester, who have played six matches more.

Once again, the defence was sound with the half-backs a strong line and Hall being the complete master in the middle, and there was not a weakness in the whole team.

Late Collapse By "A" Team Defence

DEFENSIVE collapse in the last quarter of an hour cost the Town "A" two Metropolitan League points when they met Tottenham Hotspur "A".

Luton's forwards played bright attacking football in the first half and Groves and Allen were particularly prominent. Bradley opened the scoring and although the young Spurs equalised soon afterwards, Allen restored the lead with a great shot before the interval.

Tottenham came into the picture, equalised early in the second half and gradually wore down the Town defence.

Their wingers were thrustful, and Luton wilted under pressure and Tottenham scored three more goals to give them a comfortable victory.

TABLE TENNIS

FINE DISPLAY BY LUTON LADIES

Barnet 3, Luton 6
A brilliant performance by Luton Ladies' table tennis team gave them victory over Barnet in the first round of the Rose Bowl competition.

Pearl Swales was on top form and won all her matches, but her display was equalled by 16-years-old Miss R. Seymour, playing in her first senior tournament. She won two singles games and a doubles with Miss Swales.

Completing the team was Miss M. Byron, who won a vital doubles with Miss Swales.

In the next round Luton meet St. Albans, who can field a strong side.

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Aston Villa v Preston North End
Blackpool v Newcastle United
Bolton W v Burnley
Charlton Ath v Liverpool
Chelsea v Cardiff City
Derby City v West Brom
Manchester U v Sheffield Wed
Portsmouth v Tottenham H
Sunderland v Stoke City
Wolves v Manchester City

DIVISION II
Barnsley v Bury
Blackburn Rovers v Leeds Utd
Brentford v Fulham
Doncaster Rovers v West Ham
Everton v Rotherham Utd
Huddersfield v Notts County
Hull City v Luton Town
Lincoln C v Birmingham
Nottingham Forest v Plymouth A
Sheffield Utd v Southampton
Swansea Town v Leicester City

DIVISION III (SOUTH)
Bournemouth v Bristol Rovers
Brighton v Norwich City
Bristol City v Swindon Town
Crystal Palace v Aldershot
Leyton Orient v Walsall
Newport County v Colchester U
Northampton T v Shrewsbury T
Reading v Millwall
Southend Utd v Exeter City
Torquay Utd v Q.P.R.
Worcester v Coventry City

DIVISION III (NORTH)
Bradford C v Chesterfield
Carlisle Utd v Wrexham
Chester v Halifax Town

Crewe Alex v Oldham Ath
Darlington v York City
Gateshead v Grimsby T
Hartlepool U v Barrow
Hibernian v Airdrieonians
Rochdale v Tranmere Rovers
Scunthorpe Utd v Accrington S
Southport v Bradford
Stockport County v Workington

SCOTTISH LEAGUE
DIVISION "A"
Celtic v Third Lanark
Dundee v St. Mirren
Falkirk v Rangers
Hibernian v Airdrieonians
Motherwell v Clyde
Partick Thistle v East Fife
Queen of South v Hearts
Raith Rovers v Aberdeen

DIVISION "B"
Albion Rovers v Dundee United
Ayr v Ayr United
Arbroath v Hamilton
Cowdenbeath v Stirling Albion
Kilmarnock v Dumbarton
Morton v Dunfermline
Queen's Park v Forfar Ath
St. Johnstone v Stenhousemuir

SELECTIONS
TEN HOME: Arsenal Sunderland, Wolves, Huddersfield, Sheffield United, Crystal Palace, Northampton, Newport, Port Vale, Stockport.

FOUR AWAY: West Brom., Birmingham, Bristol Rovers, Oldham

THREE DRAWS: Bolton v Burnley, Brentford v Fulham, Reading v Millwall.