

A DOUBLE OVER TOWN

One Goal Gave Rovers Victory

DONCASTER ROVERS 1
LUTON TOWN 0

This was Doncaster's first double of the season and was only the second time that the Town had sampled such an indignity.

A snap goal obtained by Irish International McMorran, after 39 minutes clinched the points for the Rovers in a closely-fought match at Belle Vue on Thursday.

Defences were largely on top, but both forward lines missed scoring chances, and the Town, who had their best spell early in the game, could have taken the lead during this period.

Both Moore and McJarrow failed to make the most of opportunities that came their way, and McMorran and Adey were remiss for Doncaster before the vital goal came.

Forerunner of this was a thrown clearance by Gregg to Brown, who quickly swept the ball down the middle, where McMORRAN and Owen converged on it.

The inside-left gained possession and was left facing Baynham, whom he beat with an unexpectedly placed shot that went between the goalkeeper's legs.

In the main the Town inside-forwards took too long to make ground, and Doncaster's passing was quicker and more accurate.

Yet this was a match from which the Town could easily have rescued a point, and they seemed unlucky when the referee's decision went against them after Jones had handled well inside the penalty area.

Both teams finished with 10 men as the result of a head-on collision between Owen and Lawlor 17 minutes from the end. Both had to have stitches inserted in head wounds, and neither returned.

Owen had been the strong man of the defence, and another was Smith, taking to the full his first chance this season.

Morton completed a fine middle line, and there was seldom much need for worry about the defence as a whole.

However, the forwards' liking for trying to do too much with the ball mostly made them victims to a fine covering Doncaster defence in which Paterson took a grip on Pye that he never relaxed.

DONCASTER ROVERS:
Gregg; Makepeace, Harvey;
Jones, Paterson, Brown; Tindill,
Lawlor, Adey, McMorran,
Walker.

LUTON TOWN: Baynham;
Dunne, Pemberton; Morton,
Owen, Smith; Moore, Turner,
Pye, McJarrow, Mitchell.

Referee: J. R. Dunbar, Stapleford.

Attendance: 9,500.