Interest In Cummins Again

By Chiltern

WAS WATCHED BY DERBY LAST NIGHT : KELLY BACK

Back into the limelight comes the Town's Eire International inside-forward, George Cummins, who has been on the transfer list at his own request almost since the start of this season.

When this first occurred several clubs took an interest in him and watched him, but there were no developments. Now, however, there is revived interest in his future on the part of at least two clubs and, with this in mind and also the knowledge that Cummins is still determined to leave Luton, he was included in the Town's team at Derby last night.

ONLY recently, Cummins has been making enquiries from the Town manager, Dally Duncan, about the prospects of making a move, and, in view of the fact that Luton does not suit his wife's health, there seems to be little hope of persuading the player to remain at Kenilworth-road.

So, faced with a similar situation as that which obtained before Jesse Pye left them, all the Town can do now is try to make it as easy as possible for Cummins to obtain another club and to try to re-coup a substantial part of the £12,000 fee which they paid Everton during the close season before last.

Two Clubs Were Watching Him

IN pursuance of this policy, Cummins was included at inside-left for last night's fixture in Derby and he was expected that two managers would be there to watch him.

A good performance from him could easily lead to a deal being made quickly and, in view of their somewhat limited playing resources at the moment, the Town might not be averse to something in the nature of a part-exchange.

Should another forward follow Pye, Scott and Mitchell, the question of a replacement for reserve strength might well become serious. With this in view, some groundwork has already been put in — in the shape of enquiries, but nothing tangible has been done and the Town will know their position better when the Cummins situation has cleared up.

To enable the Town to put Cummins in the "shop window," John Groves was rested, though he is not at all certain that he would miss the whole of the match.

Kelly Reinstated At Centre-Forward

DERBY is his native town and he travelled there with the Town party. Before the match the manager was toying with the idea of putting him in for the second half in place of Gordon Turner, so as to give each the benefit of this mid - week "practice."

The other forward change was at centre-forward where, as expected, Terry Kelly was reinstated after his four goals for the Reserves in place of Peter MacEwan.

At any rate, MacEwan would not have been able to turn out because he received a nasty kick on the shin midway through the second half at Fulham, but he will be fit by the week-end.

A successful showing by Kelly would certainly keep him in the team for the home game with Swansea Town on Saturday.

Decision About Owen Has Been Deferred

LAST night the defence remained unchanged, with Leslie Ellis still occupying the centre-half position to which Sid Owen is not yet ready to return.

However, there are hopes that he will be able to play on Saturday, as he has been able to do some training this week, but, nevertheless, a decision is being deferred until later in the week.

No team selection for the Saturday match can be expected until to-morrow afternoon so that stock can be taken of the injury position and of any knocks that might have cropped up last night.

Norman Arnison, the South African amateur, had a cartilage operation on Tuesday, on which the Town have had a satisfactory report, and there is a chance that Neville Brown, the young outside-left who has had knee trouble, may be able to play in one of the teams on Saturday.

Two Ex-Spurs In The Swansea Team

STILL looking for their first point in away matches—they have lost all seven they have played—Swansea only lost to Luton against 23 in doing so—Swansea may yet prove to be a difficult side to beat.

By the acquisition of two players from Tottenham Hotspur, Ron Burgess, the left-half, who was a regular in the Welsh team for so many years, and Arthur Willis, the full-back who played for England against France in 1947, Swansea have secured a leavening of experience to go with their young players.

For a long time now Swansea have concentrated on the development of local talent, and when the Town played on the Vetch field last season, all the players opposed to them had been born within a radius of 10 miles of the ground.

Three Inside Men Are Internationals

DESPITE the signing of the two ex-Spurs, this policy, fostered by an Irishman, Billy McCandless, and Leslie Lazarus, like football in Scotland and has spent almost the whole of his career as a manager in Wales, has not changed materially.

Most of the team to play at Luton on Saturday are "locals" and all three inside forwards have appeared for Wales.

On view, too, will be Melvyn Charles, brother of famous John Charles, and Leslie Charles. Like John, Melvyn does not mind a change of position, for although he is at right-half at the moment, he has played both at full-back and in the inside forward line.

Probable team is:

King; Willis, Thomas; Charles, Kelly, Burgess; Allchurch (L), Griffiths, Medwin, Allchurch (L), Jones (C).

In sharp contrast to their poor away record, Swansea have been most consistent at home, where they have dropped only one point out of 14.

Cullis And Humphrey In Vauxhall Team

WITH Johnston now in the R.A.F., Vauxhall Motors bring Cullis in as goalkeeper for their home Spartan League match with Harrow on Saturday.

Another change is at centre-half, where Humphrey, who asked for a rest last week, returns in place of Allen.

Once again Vauxhall will be without Tony Gregory, required on this occasion for duty with Bedfordshire's youth team, who are meeting Hertfordshire in the F.A. County Youth Shield on Dunstable Town's ground on Saturday morning.

So, Startin continues as leader of the Vauxhall attack, and the team will be:

R. Cullis; J. Burgess, W. Lawrence; J. O'Neill, J. Humphrey, A. Morgan; T. Dolan, G. Todd, W. Startin, R. Brandham, L. Franklin.

Kent's Are Making Three Changes

BACK to South Midlands League duty on Saturday, Kent's Athletic travel to Welwyn Garden City to meet Pearitree Old Boys, and are making three changes, two of them positional.

Joe Summerfield comes in on the right wing, and wing-half Jim Hull is to have a game at inside-right, with Ray Bunter taking his place at left-half. Teams:

R. Tottingham; W. Day, T. Kilby; H. Jackson, H. Naylor, R. Router; J. Summerfield, J. Hull, K. Peel, A. Dickens, P. Feakes.

Play Home Match On A Strange Ground

ALTHOUGH they have a home fixture in the English Schools' Shield against Watford on Saturday morning Luton Schoolboys will be in strange surroundings since they are playing on Kent's ground at Walnut-tree.

Usually the local boys have the use of Kenilworth-road, but on this occasion this was impracticable because the Town are at home, and they make it a rule not to play a match on the ground before a League game.

Tremendous interest is being taken in the match, and Watford are all out to avenge what they consider to be an unlucky 5—0 defeat in last season's competition.

Four-Goal Winger Has Been Displaced

THE selectors have been busy, and the Luton team shows three changes as compared with that which beat Barnet in the previous round.

Armstrong will be at right-back in place of the injured Husband, and the centre-half position goes to Wheedon, of Beech-hill. Scorer of four goals in the last tie, Brown, at centre Stopsley outside-left, is being displaced by Deane, of Old Bedford-road.

Team: **McEwan (Beech-hill); Armstrong (Beech-hill), Wheedon (Technical); Swain (Beech-hill), Woodland (Chalney), Heard (Surrey-street); Evans (Grammar), Cornwell (Icknield), Wheedon (Beech-hill), Ash (Stopsley), Deane (Old Bedford-road).**

Reserves: Bland, Day (Grammar), Brown (Stopsley) Husband (Denbigh-road).

CHANCE TO IMPROVE RECORD SLIPPED BY

Then Fulham's All-Out Attack Won The Day

By Chiltern

FULHAM ..... 3 LUTON TOWN 1

A better opportunity to improve their melancholy record at Craven Cottage has seldom presented itself to the Town than in the first half of this match on Saturday, when they had the opportunities to put themselves into a commanding position, but had to be satisfied with being on level terms after looking the better team.

Chances squandered often do not recur and that was the case in this match, for they found Fulham a vastly different proposition after the interval when their forward line lived up to the reputation they have carved out for themselves.

TERRY KELLY was leader of the Town attack last night.

From Fulham there was the sort of start that must have been encouraging to their supporters, for, right from the kick-off they were dangerous but their finishing was largely inaccurate and so became the quality of their passing.

Having come through the first 10 minutes without danger, the Town then proceeded to do something on their own account with the result that they caused some scares among a Fulham defence that certainly looked anything but water-tight under pressure.

Groves and Adam MacEwan (though it was not wholly his fault) and Turner all missed chances that should have counted as goals.

Not so clear-cut were the chances that came the way of Fulham, principally because of the close marking of the Town defenders.

COMPLETE TURN-ABOUT

Rarely has there been such a complete turn-about in a match as occurred in the second half when Fulham from the floundering team they had been earlier, suddenly struck streamlined form in which that found gaps in what had previously been an immaculate Town defence.

After STEVES gave them the lead in 52 minutes, there was no holding them. Speedy approach work cleverly accomplished made an opening for the outside-right to try a shot from the edge of the penalty area.

He aimed through a narrow gap for the far corner of the net, and succeeded helped by an in-off the inside of the post.

Following this, with the Town forwards being given little scope due to a vast improvement in the home wing-half play, nearly all the pressure came from Fulham.

Long through passes caused the main trouble and the Town goal was plastered with shots. That they survived so long without having another setback in the 76th minute was a surprise and then MEARS scrambled the ball through from close range.

That settled the issue because the Town forwards had shown little sign of a revival and then came RobSON with a great goal after another of those surging movements that pulled the defence out of position and left the inside-right with a clear shot at goal.

What happened after that was purely of academic interest, but the left-wing pair did raise a cheer when the now-disjointed Town fans by providing TURNER with an opening to beat Black in the 89th minute.

THINGS TO BE LEARNED

There were lessons from this match for the Town to digest. One is the necessity of finding increased shooting power, because to miss easy chances away from home is fatal, as they have experienced on other occasions this season.

Another is that the latest attempt to fill the centre-forward position was a failure, and it seemed, when Turner showed that he lacks ball control, did not even show the dash and fire that the Town gained on upsetting the home defence.

That there was a weakness in the middle throughout was a sore handicap, but the attack rose above it in the first half to the extent of playing some neat football that worked out scoring openings.

Groves, in particular caught the eye with clever footwork, and Turner's thrusts were a danger. Threats came from both Davies and Adam in the first half, but, somehow, the forwards got out of the game as an attacking force afterwards, and there was little material for the wings.

Until the Fulham forwards found their tearaway form, the defence had done everything asked of it, but they were harassed for almost the whole of the second half, and there was seldom a rest for them.

Morton and Shanks lost the grip they had had earlier, Hall, who had held Jezzard finely, was frequently in trouble because of the through ball, and Stevens's wanderings set a problem for Aherne.

While he could never be said to be the complete master, Dunne had quite a good day against the elusive Mitten but, in the end, it was probably Stevens, as much as anyone or anything else, that saved the Town from a heavier defeat.

FULHAM: Black; Chenhall, Lawler; Smith, Brice, Lowe (E.); Stevens, Robson, Jezzard, Haynes, Mitten.

LUTON TOWN: Streten; Dunne, Aherne; Morton, Hall, Shanks; Davies, Turner, Macewan, Groves, Adam.

Referee: E. Crawford. Doncaster. Attendance: 33,500.

FOUR FOR TERRY KELLY

Reserves Boost Goal Average

LUTON TOWN RES. .. 6
NORWICH CITY RES .. 1

Norwich City Reserves and Luton Reserves each obtained 19 points in Section III of the Football Combination first, but it was Norwich who qualified for a place in the semi-finals as they had the superior goal average.

On Saturday the teams met again, this time in a Football Combination Division II match and Luton did their goal average a deal of good at Norwich's expense.

Playing delightful football at times, Luton were worthy winners. The forward line gave one of its best displays and Terry Kelly demonstrated that he is gaining in experience as a centre-forward by scoring four of his side's goals.

CULLEN opened the scoring in the second minute and KELLY increased the lead 16 minutes later when he headed home a finely placed centre by Allen.

Norwich always hard fighters, improved after this and Luton did not have any more scoring opportunities until after the interval.

Then KELLY and ALLEN scored within five minutes of the start of the second half and to add to Norwich's misfortunes, Norman, their centre-half was injured and after leaving the field for treatment he returned to take up a position in the forward line.

LUTON SHOT OFTEN

Again Norwich improved, and KEARNS reduced their arrears after a well-placed corner by McMillan, but in the closing stages KELLY scored two more goals.

Play was always entertaining and it was refreshing to see Luton showing for goal whenever an opportunity presented itself. Norwich, too, were always ready to shoot but their finishing was weak and many of their attempts went wide than were fielded by Baynham who, was completely confident and unbeatable when the ball was in the air.

Other defender who took the eye was Thompson, who tackled hard and put McMillan right out of the game.

Jones, gave his winger little scope but he was prepared to go over-confident. The half-back line was very strong with Dallas improving after a rather shaky beginning.

Kelly, of course stole most of the limelight in the forward line, but Allen was also working hard and Cummins showed flashes of his best form. Cullen was the better of the two wingers, but Taylor did not get a lot of the ball.

LUTON TOWN RESERVES: Baynham; Jones Thompson; Pemberton, Dallas Smith; Cullen, Allen Kelly, Cummins, Taylor.

NORWICH CITY RESERVES: Oxford; Holmes Hepple; Cleary, Norman Englefield; McMillan, Spence, Kearns, Coxon, Collins.

500 TIMES A GOOD ONE

Leyton Orient Beat Bedford Town By Two Goals To Nil

Leyton Orient 2, Bedford Town 0

Bedford Town, who had not lost a game since Christmas, were beaten by a good Leyton Orient side in the Eastern Counties' Championship match under floodlights on Headington United's ground on Monday night.

It was only in the last ten minutes, following a harsh decision by the referee, that Oxfordshire, by means of a penalty, shared the honours.

When the ball was swiftly centred from the home right wing, a defender was struck on the hand and, despite justifiable protests, the referee awarded a penalty.

Bedfordshire were a workmanlike side who swung the ball about on a slippery pitch, and there were times when the Oxfordshire defence was kept at full stretch in dealing with crisp shots from the left-hand forward pair of Gregory and Slade featured prominently.

Cross, who came in at centre-forward for Bedford, was fit despite an injury, and scored the best goal of the match, and Smyth, enjoying an outside-right for Bleaney, justified himself.

Bedfordshire were well served by the defence, Collier giving sound display in goal, and Walby impressing as a sound centre-half. Both teams fought resolutely to take the lead, but several chances were missed until Bedfordshire scored in the 30th minute.

Gregory sent over from the left, and BRANDHAM stretched out a foot from which the ball rocketed into the net at great speed.

Oxfordshire replied strongly, and after Collier had made a number of first-class saves he was beaten eight minutes from the interval.

A shot from Love was blocked on the line, but could not be cleared, and DUESTER ran up to grounge. Oxfordshire had narrow escapes before Bedfordshire, halfway through the second half, re-established the lead. After Smyth had hit a crossbar, CROSS ran on to a pass from Brandham and drove through a powerful cross-shot. DEAN converted the disputed penalty, and put Oxfordshire on terms.

Bedfordshire: A. Collier; E. White (Luton Town), A. Greene (Bedford Town); A. Abraham (Bedford Avenue), M. Walby (Bedford Town), R. Leach (Biggleswade Town); P. Smyth (Shefford Town), R. Brandham (Vauxhall), J. Cross (Kempston Rovers), A. Gregory (Vauxhall), D. Slade (Amphill Town).

HOLDERS HAD COMFORTABLE WIN

Arlesey's Defeat A Big Surprise

Both the holders and last season's beaten finalists encountered no difficulty in getting through the preliminary round of this season's Bedfordshire Senior Cup competition.

The holders, Vauxhall Motors, beat Bedford Avenue 5-2, and Shefford Town, who reached the final last season, beat Elstow Abbey 8-1 away from home.

Biggest surprise of the round was the defeat of Arlesey Town—now in the Partneon League—by Cranfield United (South Midlands League), and there was another shock when Electrolux (S.M. League, Division I) beat Wootton Blue Cross (S.M. League, Premier Division).

There were two draws, Langford and Eaton Bray United and R.A.F. Henlow and Hunting Percival finishing on level terms.

RESULTS

Bedford Town "A" 2, Waterlow's 3; Arlesey Town 0, Amphill T. 3; Cranfield Utd 4, Arlesey T 3; Elstow Abbey 1, Shefford T 8; Langford 3, Wootton B.C. 0; Houghton Rangers 0, Kempston Rov 5; Luton Town 5, Queen's Works 0; Lansford 2, Eaton Bray 2; Leighton Utd 1, Skefko Ath 4; Marston Moretaine 2, Stotfold 3; Potton Utd 3, Dunstable Town Res 1; R.A.F. Henlow 1, Hunting Percival 1; Vauxhall Motors 5, Bedford Avenue 2.

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LOST LEAD BY PENALTY

Beds Disputed The Award

Oxfordshire 2, Bedfordshire 2

Often faster and more constructive in attack, Bedfordshire were unlucky not to have beaten Oxfordshire in a Southern Counties' Championship match under floodlights on Headington United's ground on Monday night.

BIG ADVANCE BY LAST YEAR'S WOODEN-SPOONISTS

Luton Social Make Presence Felt In Premier Division

An even situation continues to exist at the top of Luton and South Beds League's Premier Division, with four teams grouped together with eight points—a position that scarcely presents a true picture, because Glendale and Stopsley, who may emerge as strong challengers, have played fewer matches than their rivals.

No team has made a more notable advance than Luton Social, last season's wooden-spoonists and, from five matches they have gained only one point less than they had in the whole of last season.

Grouped at the top with them are Woburn Athletic, Pioneer Corinthians, who had a setback against Social on Saturday, and Leagrave Athletic, who show a marked improvement.

Next in line are Caddington, who had to yield a point against Napier Sports, who thus opened their account at the fifth attempt, and this leaves Eaton Bray as the only team yet to gain a point.

No one is maintaining their unbeaten record in Div. 1 was experienced by Bells Park against the Hospitals, who have had a most unfortunate start to their entry into the League with seven defeats on the run.

Close behind Bells Park are Luton Town "C", whose win at Lilley Bangs that they will be a power here and these two teams, together with Leagrave Ath., have taken most limelight so far.

One hundred per cent records are becoming few and far between now and that of Luton Social Reserves went by the board when they lost to Sundon Park, who take over the leadership. For Sundon, there was the unusual experience of conceding a goal, only their second in six matches.

After their defeat the previous week, Warden Hill come back into the reckoning here, as do Robin Hoods and Caddington "B". For Caddington, there was the outstanding solo scoring feat of the day, for H. Austin obtained all their seven goals, a performance that Blaxill came within one of equalling for Glendale Reserves.

Against Leagrave Press, Glendale showed a remarkable recovery, for they were five goals down at half-time and went on to win 8-5.

Still maintaining a hot pace in Division III are Hayward Tyler, who gained their 12th consecutive victory and have established a lead of four points.

Sundon Park leaders in Division IV, beat that for their 9th win, was their seventh on the run. Another 100 per cent record here is that of Wilsdon Athletic, but they have played only three games so far.

PREMIER DIVISION

DAGNALL 5 (A. Cutler 2, K Munt, F. Reed, D. Osborn), TODDINGTON ROVERS 2.

LUTON TOWN "A" 4 (Davidson 2, McLaughlin, Hampshire), PIONEER CORINTHIANS 1 (Parrott).

WEST PARK 2 (Rowland, Fisher), TOTTERNHOE 3 (Abrahams, Hubbocks (Dunton).

NAPIER SPORTS 1, CADDINGTON 1 (Fullerton).

DIVISION I

LILLEY RANGERS 1 (Martin), LUTON TOWN "C" 4 (Wheelhouse 2, Lovell, Nelson, Jenkins).

LAPORTE 1 (Lamb), SHILLINGTON 1 (McGowan).

LEAGRAVE ATH. 4 (Clarkson, Tansley, opponents 2), LEAGRAVE B.L. 2.

HOCKLIFFE 2 (Milburn, Burgess), LUTON TOWN 1 (Oliver).

LUTON UTD. HOSPITALS 1 (Coggin), BELLS PARK 7.

GLENDALE 8 (Austin 5, Dorrington 3, Francis), WEST PARK 0.

DIVISION II

SKEFKO ATH. 2 (Douglas, Snowling), SPANDIT SPORTS 2 (Tompkins, Tomlin).

WARDEN HILL ATH. 3 (Wilson 2, Stanton), DAVIS ATH. 2 (Henderson, Mair).

GLENDALE RES. 8 (Blaxill 3, Bossock, McHattie), LEAGRAVE PRESS 5 (Abbott 2, Parker, Payne, Hurst).

COLINDALE ATH. 2 (Dimmock 2), OLD FOOTMEN'S 0 (Parrott 2, Bates, Abbott, Rowlands).

CADDINGTON "B" 7 (H. Austin 7), R.A.F. HENLOW 0.

ROBIN HOODS 7 (Fitt 2, Knapton 2, Smith, Burgess, opponent), HUNTING PERCIVAL 0.

SUNDON PARK 5 (Dixon 3, Smith, Hutchinson), LUTON SOCIAL RES. 1 (Smith).

DIVISION III

ALLIANCE FOUNDRY 0, WALCOT ATH. 3 (Hyde 2, Ray).

SUNDON PARK 3 (Hall 2, Hillyard), BIDWELL 3 (S. Bird 2, Tomlin).

BOYS' BRIGADE O.B. 8 (Young 3, Clifton 2, Bunyan, Bird, Hopkins), LUTON WOODWORKING 2 (Turner 2).

BARNFIELD 2 (Hall 2, Glimister, Gutteridge), LUTON SPARTANS 5 (Baterfield 3, Butterfield 2).

SHAFTESBURY 2 (Robinson, Higgs), HAYWARD TYLER 4 (Simpson 2, Bailey).

DIVISION IV

TOTTERNHOE RES. 1 (Dixon), HITCHIN ROVERS 2 (Bailey, Rowe).

(Collett, Evans, Bland).

ATH. 1 (Radon), WILSDEN ATH. 3 (Gaward, Odell, opponent).

WALDEN RANGERS 1 (Spicer), LUTON SPORTS 3 (Evans 3, Peddar).

LUTON O.B. RES. 2, LILLEY RANGERS RES. 1 (North).

ENGLISH ELECTRIC RES. 2 (Williams, Lee), LUTON TOWN "A" (Sinfield 4, McCabe, Fletcher).

TODDINGTON ROVERS RES. 6, BOYS BRIGADE O.B. RES. 1 (Gibbard).

SUNDON PARK RES. 4 (Cook 3, Lake), ROOTES SPORTS RES. 2.

CUP CAUSED INTERRUPTION

With only one match in the Premier Division and Division I of the South Midlands League on Saturday the spotlight was turned on Division II and the Reserve Section.

Leighton Utd 6, Shillington Athletic and Barton Rovers, who are in their first season in the League, cruised home to easy victories against Lynton Works and Stewartby Works respectively. Shillington won 10-1 and Barton scored 9-0, without trouble.

Wootton Blue Cross still lead in the Reserve Section, where results went very much according to form, although there was a mild upset when Potton United Reserves were beaten by Stotfold.

PREMIER DIVISION

Pearitree Old Boys 2, Biggleswade T 1

DIVISION I

Rootes Sports 1, Bletchley B.B.O.B. 2

DIVISION II

Bletchley Central 1, Bedford St Cuthberts 3

Flitwick Ath 6, Bedford North End 4

Shillington 10, Lynton Works 1

Stewartby Works 0, Barton Rovers 7

RESERVE SECTION

AC-Delco 9, Flitwick Ath 0

Ampthill T 4, Cranfield U 1

Bletchley B.B.O.B. 1, Marston Shelton 2

Hunting Percival Ath 1, Kent's Ath 3

Stotfold 2, Potton U 1

Wootton Blue Cross 5, Shefford T 3

13 GOALS FOR SKEFKO JUNIORS

Skefko scored 13 goals against Houghton Rangers in a Chiltern Youth League match on Saturday.

R. Benham, the Skefko outside-left, had a very successful time, scoring seven of his side's goals.

RESULTS

14—18

CENTRAL YOUTH CLUB 4, FARLEY HILL YOUTH 8 (Williams 3, Andrew 2, Atkinson 2, Akred).

SKEFKO 13 (Benham 7, Dimmerson 3, Smith 2, Halliwell), HOUGHTON RANGERS 1.

OLD BEDFORD ROAD O.B. 3 (Quinn 2, North) SHILLINGTON 0.

LUTON HOTSPUR 2, LUTON BOYS' CLUB 1 (Stokes).

BISCOT MILL B.C. 9 (Price 5, Daniels 2, Lawson 2), D.Y.P.S. 3.

4—16

BISCOT MILL B.C. 10 (Davis 5, Ellis 3, Blythe), MANOR PARK B (Church).

FOOTBALL

LUTON TOWN F.C.

SATURDAY, 30th OCTOBER

League — Division II

LUTON TOWN

versus

SWANSEA TOWN

Kick-off 2.45 p.m.

Admission: Centre Stand (Season Tickets only): Wing Stands (Unreserved) 5/-: Enclosure 3/6, Boys 2/-: Boldyers' Stand 2/-, Boys 1/-, Terraces (not covered) 1/9, Boys 1/-.

WINNER FOR EACH TRAP AT LUTON ON TUESDAY

There was a winner for each trap at Luton Stadium on Tuesday night.

Favourites won five of the events—including the first four—but there were also 6-1 and 7-1 winners.

The 7-1 winner was Jimmy's Lil in the last race, at 10 to 1.

Totalisator forecast was £10 15s. 3d.

Betting: 6-4 Bitter Boy, 7-4 JOYFUL, 9-2 Cabby, 5 Too Young.

Forecast: 12s. 9d.

VII (470yds).—5 SLIPALONG (5); 2, The Builder (6); 3, Lynne (3); 4, Julie's Boy (2). 25-5. Dish (1); 6, Dale (4). 10, 5, 2, 3, 3. 28.31. Off 9.39.

Betting: Evens SLIPALONG, 3 The Builder, 5 Flight, 7 Julie's Boy, 8 Lynne, Dale.

Forecast: 10s. 9d.

VIII (410yds).—1, JIMMY'S LIL (5); 2, Nigger (3); 3, Ronald (6); 4, Fire Chief (2). 7-1. Dreadnought, Mrs. G. Bella's Joy (1); 2½, 4, 2, 6, dist. 24.88. Off 9.53.

Betting: 2 Ronald, 9-4 Nigger, 4 Whipped Cream, 5 Pipe Down, Bella's Joy, 6 JIMMY'S LIL.

Forecast: £10 15s. 3d.

RUNNERS AND SELECTIONS FOR SATURDAY

6.30 (410yds).—344 Fossil Base, 1/64 Dinkydoo, 463 Halfway, 433 Pebble, 413 Romous, 652 Vic, reserve 532 Dancing Bear.

6.50 (470yds). —312 Bantam, 311 Born Tired, 351 Core Note, 333 MacNab, 321 Porcelain, 345 Shillyshally, reserve 254 Foxlaw.

7.10 (410yds).—214 Bunter, 443 Crooner, 4 Gay Linda, 455 Kath, 324 River Bank, 431 Rodney.

7.30 (470yds).—152 Bella, Murphy (Oct 7, p 5, 24.68; Oct 9, p 3, 24.40), 114 Blue Velvet, 162 Porcelain, 143 Tracer, 131 Trial Spin (Oct 16, p 2, 24.37), 341 Wild Sweet, reserve 12 Tensing (Oct 7, p 5).

7.50 (470yds).—151 Arm In Arm, 34 Blue Cross, 142 Core Silk, 2 Jackdaw, 161 Jolly Maria, 224 Signal Box, reserve 121 Alice.

8.10 (410yds).—Blanket (June 2, p 1, 24.31; June 3, p 3, 24.39; Oct 21, p 1, 23.94), 244 Legion, Little Shrimp (Oct 21, p 1, 24.13), Oct 19, p 6, 24.111), 66 Luton Pride (Oct 21, p 6, 24.60), 121 Summerhill, reserve 55 Mimi.

8.30 (470yds).—332 Black Falcon, 65 Jackie, 553 North Star, 365 O.d Glory, 63 Clearasmith, 75 Red Crime, reserve 664 Summer Time.

8.50 (410yds).—6 Dennis D., 622 Exp Cat, 612 Bonnie Bee, 323 Silver Dollar, 644 Tala, W.T.R. (Oct 21, p 2, 24.63; June 23, p 1, 24.75), reserve 441 Nutty Slack.

SELECTIONS

6.30, Romous (Vic, Dinky-Doo); 6.50, Care Not (Born Tired, MacNab); 7.10, Rodney (Bunter, Gay Linda); 7.30, Porcelain (Tracer, West Meads); 7.50, Corn Silk (nap) (Santa Maria, Arm In Arm); 8.10, Shillyshally (Legion, Wildmere); 8.30, Red Crow (Jackie, Black Falcon); 8.50, W.T.R. (Tala, Silver Dollar).

Hockey

WATSON'S THREE FOR THE O.Ds

Old Dunstablians 4, Kettering 2

In the first half of this game the Old Dunstablians made some experimental positional changes in their defence. These changes were not, however, completely successful, as Kettering opened the scoring and looked the more dangerous.

However, WATSON equalised and LEWIS gave the Old Boys the lead just before half-time.

The Dunstablians took a firm grip on the game after the interval and Brown switched back to centre-half. WATSON increased their lead and although Kettering reduced their arrears when they scored after a penalty bully, WATSON scored his third goal after good work by Blake.

OTHER RESULT

Old Dunstablians III 10, Barnet III 1.

Greyhound Racing

FOOTBALL

Rugby

PAID PRICE OF TOO MANY EASY MATCHES

Wasps, Vandals 8, Old Lutonians 5

At Sudbury on Saturday Old Lutonians paid the price of too many easy matches on their fixture list. The experienced Wasps Vandals exposed the weaknesses and limitations of the Luton pack and had for a superlative display of tackling and defensive covering by their backs, the Old Boys' first half of play in Luton would have been much heavier.

A splendid if undeserved, last-minute try by Walters made the final score appear much closer than the run of the play warranted.

It was obvious from the kick-off that the Old Boys would be hard pressed to maintain the pace they had set. The Vandals knew how to use their extra weight in the scrums and their height in the lineout, and the visitors' backs saw little of the ball.

All attempts to break through on the part of the home backs were, however, thwarted by the Lutonians' fine defence in which Fenwome was outstanding. After 20 minutes a rare defensive error was exploited by the Vandals, one of their forwards touching down. The try was converted.

Hitting back strongly, the Lutonians pressed the Wasps in for a spell, and Bunter, who was a big forward, succeeded in scoring.

But the home side survived and were soon back in the Luton 25.

In the second half, with the wind behind them, the Wasps were even more dangerous. Every allowance for the greater experience of their opponents, the Lutonians' forwards did not strike their best form except for Kelly and Young, were slow and lethargic.

The Wasps increased their lead with a long-range penalty goal.

So sound was the Wasps' defence that the Old Boys had almost given up hope of scoring. Then, Walters gained possession, rounded the full-back at speed and scored between the posts, after a 70-yards dash. The final whistle blew as Heanue kicked the extra points.

VAUXHALL SECOND HALF SUPERIORITY

Vauxhall Motors 29, E.A.C. 3

After two weeks' absence because of injury Lawrence three returned to the Motors' team and opened the scoring against E.A.C.

Intercepting a pass on the half-way line, he broke through to score an interval goal. Dawson added another for E.A.C. but just before the interval Gudain broke away from a loose maul and touched down. Dawson converted brilliantly from the touch-line.

In the second half, Vauxhall really got on top, and Buckingham (2), Giles, Steval and Long added tries, two of which were converted.

Buckingham, the Motors' veteran forward, had an outstanding game.

OTHER RESULTS

Luton 11, Old Towneians 6

Old Towneians "A" 27, Luton "A" 6

Hitchin 0, Luton Extra "A" 9.