

KENNON WAS THE HERO

says Ralph Hadley

IT was all Luton in the first half. What a great fight-back Norwich made in the second! All the City players agreed they all played well below their best form.

Said manager Archie Macaulay on their behalf: "We were only a shadow of the team which beat Manchester United and Sheffield United. Yet we pulled back from being a goal down. We must stand a great chance in the replay."

I agree. Now that Norwich have had a good look at Luton they won't be suffering first-half nerves again.

Apart from Sid Owen, the hero of the game was Sandy Kennon, the goalkeeper who had taken over from Nethercott in the Norwich goal.

He made at least a dozen great saves with the best of them just a minute before the end.

It looked odds-on on Bingham's shot going in, but somehow Kennon grabbed the ball as he dived.

"Even though I say it myself, it was a good shot," said Bingham afterwards. "Snag was it was a better save."

Mind you, Kennon fumbled a ball or two, but there was real guts about the way he dropped at the feet of first Gregory and then Morton in quick succession in the first half.

Owen must become "Player of the Year" after this display. Only once did he make even the semblance of a mistake and then Bly missed his chance.

It was a sad mistake of Norwich's to starve Brennan in the first half. "I hardly got a ball" he admitted. And the proof came when he got the equaliser.

Let Roy McCrohan tell the story. "I got the ball from a quick Crossan throw-in. Then I crossed it to an open space. Bobby was there and hit home a great shot."

Allan Brown got the Luton goal, but frankly apart from that he had a poor game.