

FOUR-GOAL REHEARSAL FOR ALLAN!

Luton slaughter Forest

Luton 5, Forest 1

THIS Cup Final rehearsal last night was a game of four-goal glory for Luton forward Allan Brown.

It makes him a "must" for Wembley on May 2, after missing two finals there with Blackpool because of injury.

Every Luton fan is convinced inside right Allan is the man to clinch a repeat of this slaughter of Forest.

And his team-mates' confidence was boosted sky high by his wonder display.

But the fans, exuberant in their happiness last night, could be wrong.

While Luton fielded their full Cup team for the first time since the semi-finals, Forest left out four first-team men and made six changes from the team which has played throughout their Cup run.

Unselfish

It was not until the twenty-fourth minute that Luton's attack got on the target.

George Cummins, inside left, slipped the ball to centre forward Bob Morton.

Unselfishly the Luton leader passed for inside right Brown to set off on his four-goal trail.

Forest appealed vainly that he was offside, and it was their reliance on this offside trap which gave Luton an unshakeable grip on the game five minutes later.

As Brown moved on to another long, thrusting pass and cracked in his second, Forest stood for a moment in open-mouthed protest.

Desperately they tried to clip the lead, but were foiled by the confident goalkeeping of Ron Bayn-

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ham. Luton's third goal came three minutes before the interval, when Billy Bingham, outside right, leaped to a cross from the left and nodded the ball just under the bar.

Although Forest moved with a little more menace at the start of the second half, they were quickly beaten back into defence by confident Luton.

Brown got his third goal with a great first-time drive.

He completed his night of triumph by side-footing

the ball in again ten minutes from the end.

Forest snatched their goal just sixty seconds from time when John Quigley, inside right, touched in a centre from the right.

Success not only boosts Luton Cup morale sky-high, but rubs out the shadowy fear of relegation.

Now they dream of a Wembley repeat. But Forest manager Billy Walker told me:

"No one should place too much importance on this result.

"In my playing days with Aston Villa, we beat Newcastle 6-1 in a League game, and then lost 2-0 in the Cup Final."