

Luton in a scrumdown

Luton 1, Leeds 1. By JIMMY GUTHRIE

LUTON made this their 15th home game without defeat. But there was little else to cheer about. 60/61

Referee Dawes whistled time and again as players committed nearly every infringement in the book—nothing vicious or dangerous, but pushing and shoving that was more suitable for a Rugby scrum.

It didn't please the crowd, who gave them two rounds of slow handclapping.

Leeds centre-half Goodwin had his name taken as he threw his arms around left-half John Groves as he was going through.

With both teams free from relegation worries I expected to see better football.

Although there was some clever, close mid-field play by both teams, the moves generally fizzled out near the goal area.

Players got in each other's way or made their final pass to an opponent. All very frustrating.

Leeds took the lead after seven minutes with a simple goal.

Inside-right Bremner dashed through, shot along the ground from about 20 yards, and caught Luton 'keeper Baynham doing the splits. The ball went in past his right foot.

Shortly afterwards Baynham made a great save from a 20-yard drive by left-half McConnell.

It looked as though the strong Leeds defence was going to hold out in the second half.

Then Luton were awarded a penalty after 77 minutes. Centre-forward Turner, who was brought down by Goodwin and Smith, scored from the spot.

Full marks to Luton's great half-back line of Lawton, Kelly and Groves.

LUTON.—Baynham 7; McNally 7, Branwell 7; Morton 7, Kelly 7, ★GROVES (J.) 8; Noake 6, McGussie 7, Turner 7, Cummins 6, Fleming 6.
LEEDS.—Carling 7; Hair 7, Kilford 7; Smith 7, Goodwin 7, ★McCONNELL 8; Francis 5, Bremner 6, Charlton 7, McCole 7, Hawksley 7.
Referee: T. W. Dawes (Norwich) 8.