

LUTON CLINCH VICTORY IN DELUGE

Luton 4 Charlton 1

JUST how the players managed to get through the deluge of rain in the last half an hour, and still manage to produce a semblance of entertainment almost passes comprehension.

Charlton manager Mr. Jimmy Trotter, said the game should have been stopped for conditions in the last half-hour were ludicrous. The pitch was almost awash and, in places, it was deep enough to stay the progress of the ball completely.

Any semblance of construction ended with the coming of the rain. At that point Luton had built up a laborious 2-1 lead after Werge had put Charlton ahead after eight minutes. Legate pushed in a cross by McNally on the stroke of half-time for the equaliser and Ashworth put Luton ahead after an hour.

REFEREE PERSEVERES Two Goals Added

Then came the start of the aquatic larks which seemed bound to halt the game, but the referee persevered and, with the conditions at their worst, Ashworth and Legate added further goals.

Footballing in conditions like this is a sorry affair and it was just as well nothing of importance was attached to the result.

The players did their best and Charlton certainly did not deserve to lose by three goals, though Luton were undoubtedly worth both points.

Luton : Baynham; McNally, Bramwell; Pacey, Collins, Groves, R. Chandler, Ashworth, Morton, McGuffie, Legate.

Charlton : Duff; Sewell, Townsend; Hewie, Hinton, Tocknell; Lawrie, Edwards, Leary. Werge, Summers.