

WHY did Luton win ?

Because they were the better side.

How were they better than the Second Division leaders ?

They had more fire, resolution and ideas ... and they took nothing for granted.

It was Luton's best performance since their November draw at Liverpool. But for three superb saves by giant £20,000 goalkeeper Furnell it would have been a more convincing win.

Another reason for Luton's 100 p.c. improvement was the new sense of security brought by centre-half Kelly, their most under-rated player, who was preferred to Cope.

The experiment of playing wing-half Morton on the right wing was not a success. But, on the left, Fleming impressed Scotland team manager Ian

McColl, checking on Liverpool's Yeats and St. John, and may have played himself into an Under-23 place.

Yeats, big, strong, and not half as clumsy as he looks, is a fine centre half, but won only half the honours against Luton's Ashworth—the nearest thing to perpetual motion I have seen on a football field. St. John was well held by Kelly.

A bigger disappointment was Hunt who plays for England on Wednesday.

Liverpool are too good to be worried by this set-back. They will shrug it off and continue their march to Division I.

Pacey's clever header in the 14th minute scored the only goal.

Luton : Standen, McNally, Bramwell, Groves, Kelly, Pacey, Morton, Turner, Ashworth, McKechnie, Fleming.

Liverpool : Furnell, Byrne, Moran, Milne, Yeats, Leishman, Callaghan, Hunt, St. John, Melia, Acourt.



McKechnie picks up a pass from Ashworth, but he lost the ball to some desperate Liverpool defenders.