



In this scene from the Town's 2-1 victory on Saturday, Tommy McKechnie, scorer of Luton's second goal, anxiously waits his chance with the Reading defenders in a tangle.—FK1158B.

BAD LOSS

Luton 2, Reading 1

● Loss of left back Colin Meldrum with a badly strained ankle after twenty-five minutes was a body blow for Reading. They had to pull Jim Wheeler out of the forward line to fill the gap.

● For Luton it was a couple of welcome points in their bid to avoid relegation but their display left something to be desired.

● They started well enough to take a deserved lead after fifteen minutes when a cross from Tom McKechnie found Gordon Turner all

on his own. Turner made no mistake.

● Ten minutes later Meldrum fell heavily in the penalty area and had to be carried off. At that stage it looked as though Luton were going to have a runaway win.

● Luton got their second goal four minutes after the interval when McKechnie blasted one in after an opening had been created by John Reid who was making his first home appearance.

● Just when Luton appeared to be coasting to victory Reading hit back. In the 56th minute they got a good goal when Webb nipped in to head a centre from Jones past Tinsley.