

Oldham drop a clanger

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AFTER their confidence-boosting mid-week win against Peterborough, Oldham attacked from the kick-off, but the first shock came after seven minutes from Luton inside-left Reid with a spot-on goal.

Centre forward O'Rourke had passed to Reid, who slotted the ball past an unsighted Bollands in the Oldham goal.

Then a shot from O'Rourke ricocheted off the outside of the Oldham post.

A Ledges centre to Harris

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was cut off by Fincham, then Bowie was robbed as he raced into the Luton box. Baynham made a fantastic diving save to stop a rocket shot from point-blank range by Jimmy Harris.

Bollands pulled down another dangerous O'Rourke shot after a Luton breakaway. Another long-range effort—this time from Reid—was well wide.

McCall tried for the elusive equaliser and his shot rocked woodwork behind the Luton goal.

Half-time: Oldham Ath 0, Luton 1.

Oldham's first attack of the second half left the visitors' defence at sixes and sevens, and a header by Harris was just deflected over the top. Oldham got no return from two successive corners.

Then Bollands intercepted a centre from Luton's Pleat. As Oldham desperately sought an Dearden, Frizzell, and Ledger were all blocked by a panicky Luton defence.

OLDHAM ATH.—Bollands; Cameron, Martin; Frizzell, Williams, McCall; Ledger, Bowie, Harris, Colquhoun, Dearden.

LUTON T.—Baynham; McBain, Bramwell; Pacey, Fincham, Lownes; Pleat, McKechnie, O'Rourke, Reid, Whittaker. Referee: W M Holian, of Chesterfield.



Oldham goalkeeper **JOHNNY BOLLANDS** put paid to "certs" from the hot-shooting Luton forward line.