

Luton fans salute brave Baynham

Luton Town 1 Southend 0: by GRAHAM BUXTON

CCHEERS for the home team at the end of a match are almost a forgotten thing at Luton's Kenilworth Road ground. But the cheers rang out yesterday—though they were, perhaps, tinged with relief that the long-delayed victory had been achieved, and with admiration for the display of goalkeeper Ron Baynham.

Baynham, veteran of many a Cup battle and the only member of Luton's 1959 Cup final side still in the team, suffered semi-concussion in the first half, but went on to give the finest exhibition of goalkeeping on the ground this season.

Baynham had come back after having been dropped for three matches and the applause at the end must have been music in his ears.

Despite Baynham's great display Southend had every excuse for kicking themselves for losing interest in the Cup and manager Ted Fenton was the first to agree.

"The ball has been hitting the back of the net for us but today it just would not," he said, and his brow furrowed as he thought of

Riddick had the measure of centre-half Watson—Luton's experienced forwards had no goalworthy look.

In fact, the only score came from left-half John Bramwell. And a lucky affair it was.

After 31 minutes the ball was half-cleared from a corner, and Bramwell swung at it from 25 yards.

Had Bramwell managed a full-blooded drive it was unlikely that he would have scored. As it was, he half-hit the ball, which bounced wide of the unsighted McKechnie who dived much too late.

Grim battle

In the thrilling final minutes of this grimly fought battle, as Baynham risked further injury to keep