

Luton goal flood keeps on flowing

Luton T. 5, Notts Co. 1

AFTER years of famine, Luton supporters are being fed on such a rich diet of goals that they must be in some danger of getting indigestion. In five home League games, all won, Luton have scored 22 times with the goals being shared out amongst the forwards.

Particular hero yesterday was Read, who began life as a goal-keeper with Sheffield Wednesday and Peterborough, but who has developed into a more than useful inside-right. Twice in four minutes midway in the second half he scored great goals.

Before that, within eight minutes of the start, Whittaker had netted for Luton, Shiels had equalised and Read had given Luton the lead again.

Great saves

O'Rourke came along with his customary contribution just before half time to make it 3-1, but if County had been able to finish better they could quite easily have got back into the game. Twice Tinsley saved Luton with great saves from Still and Shiels, but the latter, always dangerous, lacked adequate support from his inside-forwards.

Probably County's biggest handicap was their defence which played too square, leaving itself wide open to the brilliance of French. This former problem boy of football has settled down well at Luton and turned in a polished display after being asked to play at inside-left for the first time in his career.

Undoubtedly the victory margin flattered Luton. The main difference between the teams being decisiveness in front of goal. Luton had that quality in abundance.

Luton : Tinsley; Thomson, Edwards; Reid, Woods, Moore; Harber, Read, O'Rourke, French, Whittaker.

Notts Co. : Butler; Hampton, Bircumshaw; Coates, Gibson, Sheridan; Bates (B.), Mouldon, Shiels, Still, Flower.

Referee : G. W. T. Davis (Romford).