

WOODWARD ENDS HOPES OF LUTON

Sheffield Utd. 3 Luton 0

SHEFFIELD UNITED'S young outside-right, Woodward, scored two dazzling goals at Bramall Lane to prevent Luton becoming the Swindon or the Queen's Park Rangers of this year's League Cup.

Luton could hardly have been given a sharper lesson in the difference between the top of the Second Division and the top of the Third, though they can reasonably argue that they missed Nicholl, their new centre-half.

Branston showed all his years under a barrage from the Sheffield attack. With Tudor scoring Sheffield's third, he and Woodward now have seven goals each this season, and one can see why Sheffield, who beat Fairs Cup-holders Newcastle in the second round, have made such a fine start.

Davie beaten

Luton were in with a chance only for the first quarter of an hour, when they attacked persistently with Tees and MacDonald repeatedly embarrassing Colquhoun and Powell with their interchanging.

After MacDonald had twice gone close and Hodgkinson had done well to hold a hard drive from Collins, Woodward scored in the 28th minute. A surging tackle by Colquhoun won the ball, Staniforth slid it between a square defence, and Woodward pounded through to beat Davie with a glorious shot.

Either side of half-time one or two determined runs by French might have put Luton back in the game, but in the 55th minute Woodward got his second, controlling a low centre from Reece at the back of the penalty area, and scoring with another crisp, low shot.

He might have had a third soon afterwards, but grazed the outside of the post. Then Luton brought on Laurie Sheffield for Tees, and he made a couple of brave efforts to save a lost cause, before Tudor put it even further beyond reach with 13 minutes to go.

Sheffield Utd.—Hodgkinson; Badger, Heaton; Barlow, Colquhoun, Powell; Woodward, Addison, Tudor, Staniforth, Reece.

Luton.—Davie; Dougan, Bannister, Keen, Branston, Slough, Collins, MacDonald, Tees, Allen, French.