

Treacy sneaks a late one

Charlton 1, Luton 1: By ARTHUR HOPKINS

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LUTON, who gave away an equaliser to basement-battlers Charlton, left the Valley bitterly protesting the referee's refusal of two penalties.

Stroked into a six-minutes lead by Don Givens, goal No. 2 looked certain twenty-eight minutes later when high-scoring Malcolm MacDonald was brought down by Paul Went and Peter Reeves.

Amazingly, referee Edward Jolly awarded an indirect free kick to Luton inside the penalty area.

It was MacDonald, who

laid on Givens' goal, who protested for a seventy-sixth minute penalty when Paul Went—"booked" five minutes before—demonstrably handled inside the area.

Referee Jolly gave a free kick inches from the eighteen-yards line.

But Luton should still have had the two points had not full back Alan Slough essayed a forty-yards back-pass five minutes from time.

It stranded advancing keeper Tony Read yards from goal.

Charlton's striker, Dicky Plumb stabbed for goal twice—Chris Nicholl fended off the line—and finally recalled Ray Treacy slotted home between two defenders from three yards.

Charlton 'keeper Charlie Wright, who played with a pain-killing injection in an injured leg, used his legs heroically in the seventy-seventh minute.

Givens crashed a shot at Wright, which rebounded off the 'keeper's legs, and his second try was also cleared by Wright's legs.