

'SHADOW' HELPS MAC TO SAVE IT

Forest 1, Luton 1: By HAROLD MAYES

NOTHING was clearer about this third round tie than the pains Forest took to keep the ball from Malcolm MacDonald's dangerous left foot.

Only once in the first half—in which McIntosh gave Forest a seventeenth minute lead—did Luton's ace striker get the ball on that boot.

Then, with only a yard to spare, he shot on the turn and was only inches wide.

LUCKY

All credit to O'Kane for the way in which he shadowed his target.

Yet it was because O'Kane stayed so close that MacDonald was able to collect his twentieth goal of the season to earn the Second Division side a replay.

Twenty minutes from the

finish Ryan burst past Winfield and found MacDonald. O'Kane was there to see the ball never reached Mac's left foot.

So MacDonald volleyed it with his right and the ball spun upwards off O'Kane and MacDonald arched his back to head over O'Kane and past goalkeeper Barron.

In the Forest-dominated first-half MacDonald was indirectly responsible for a goal post falling.

It was in one of Luton's rare first-half assaults that MacDonald took advantage of an indecisive headed back-pass by Chapman in the thirty-second minute to nip in and fire a shot just wide.

Seconds later a goalpost was leaning at an angle of 45 degrees for Winfield, racing back to try to cover MacDonald's shot, had finished in the net and

pulled down everything with him.

It took almost sixteen minutes for the ground staff to repair the goal. And it gave Luton the opportunity for a dressing room pep talk earlier than they could have expected.

It must have been effective because it was from that time that they really got into the game.

PUT OFF

And that was when Forest lost their rhythm.

Luton might well have been on terms however before the interval but for an amazing save by Cormack.

The Forest striker, back to bolster his defence for a corner, showed remarkable reflex action as he got up to make contact with a header from Hoy and help it over the bar.

It was such a great effort that even the Luton players applauded.