

Sheff Utd 2

Luton 1

UNITED are flying high now sharing the top of the table with Hull — and after this thriller it would be a Soccer tragedy if they don't go up. 70/71

They proved themselves so much better than close promotion rivals Luton, who were lucky to get away with conceding just two goals from Alan Woodward.

For Dearden headed against the bar and a Currie drive was pushed on to a post. And busy goalkeeper Tony Read made a superb backward save to stop an overhead shot by Dearden.

On top of all that Currie drove a penalty kick on to the bar.

The result was never in doubt once United made the vital breakthrough after forty-seven minutes with a bustled-in goal by Woodward.

Ironically, Luton had the best chance of the first half because of a bad back-pass by Trevor Hockey. It let in Malcolm Macdonald, but his shot hit goalkeeper John Hope's body.

Mac the Knife wasn't the same menace who hit three goals against Sheffield Wednesday in October.

United began to take Luton apart. Woodward shot no. 2 in the sixty-sixth minute. Then Luton got a consolation goal when goalkeeper Hope dropped a free kick by Alan Slough for Jimmy Ryan to score in the sixty-eighth minute.