Fear wrecks Luton hopes

Luton 1, Bristol C. 3

LUTON'S fans have given this season as over and done with after their Cup dismissal. This was evident yesterday when only 7,102 of them turned up for the home game with Bristol City.

They had the tonic of a goal lead after 34 minutes when Garner powered the ball into the net from an Aston corner, but failed to capitalise on it although they ripped the Bristol defence apart and should have had two goals more before half-time.

They allowed Bristol to take command from the restart and their deficiencies at the back were exposed when Gow scored a timely equaliser in the 47th minute, pushing the ball into the net when a Fear corner was headed down to him by Rodgers.

Bristol called the tune after this, and ran out deserving winners. Gillies had netted their second in the 55th minute—his first goal for the club—with a fierce drive from the edge of the area before Luton's last chance came and went.

City's final goal came after 68 minutes, when Fear timed his run perfectly to beat the Luton off-side trap, and race on to a through pass by Gould and take it half the length of the field before beating Horn.

Luton: Horn: Shanks, Thomson: Ryan, Garner, Moore; Fern, Anderson, Busby, Hindson, Aston, Sub.: *Hales, Bristol C.: Cashley: Sweeney, Drysdale: Emanuel, Rodgers, Collier; Fear, Ritchie, Gillies, Gow, Gould, Sub.: Woods,

Referee: J. Wrennall (Chorley, Lancs).