

KEMBER RESCUES CHELSEA ^{74/75}

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Luton 1, Chelsea 1

A SERIOUS error by Horn, the Luton goalkeeper, which earned the strictures of Harry Haslam, his manager, enabled Chelsea to win a point they scarcely deserved in this crucial relegation struggle. Ironically, it probably prevented a riot.

There had already been a small invasion of the pitch—quelled quickly by athletic and uncompromising stewards—while Luton were leading 1-0, and groups of hooligans were moving ominously towards a fresh assault when the equaliser came.

That did not, however, prevent shopkeepers being terrorised later and part of a special train being set on fire.

Luton maintained their recent improvement—seven points out of eight—except in the important matter of finishing.

Dominant Dempsey

For Ron Futcher, the recent goal-scoring hero, there was a distinct comedown to earth. Dempsey, who had to retire with damaged knee ligaments after 32 minutes, set the pattern by dominating him in the air.

This time Futcher's twin brother Paul, took the eye.

Chelsea, as their manager, Ron Suart, admitted, did not start playing until Luton went ahead after 63 minutes when Cooke's bad back-pass enabled Ron Futcher to send through Husband for his first goal of the season.

The equaliser came when Horn failed to collect Cooke's corner and Hutchinson nodded downwards. The ensuing scramble ended with Kember touching the ball home.

Luton Town.—Horn; John Ryan, Buckley, Anderson, Faulkner, Futcher P., Jim Ryan, Husband, Futcher R., West, Aston.

Chelsea.—Phillips; Locke, Harris, Hollins, Dempsey (sub. Houseman 32min), Hay, Kember, Wilkins, R., Garland, Hutchinson, Cooke.