

LUTON RESCUED BY SUBSTITUTE

By A Special Correspondent

Luton 3 Bristol R. 1

Ricky Hill, 17, called off the substitute's bench for his League debut only minutes from the end of this untidy, wind-spoiled match, ended Bristol Rovers' hopes of a point in two decisive strokes.

In the 86th minute, Hill sent Chambers away to put Luton 2-1 ahead, and within a minute, the youngster had crowned a remarkable introduction to the Second Division by scoring himself.

Not surprisingly Hill, of West Indian descent, drew the cheers of the 7,646 crowd, Luton's lowest of the season, at the end; earlier, they had had precious little to enthuse over.

Wasted chances

Bristol Rovers struck the only blow of a poor first half when Britten headed in from close range three minutes before the interval. That goal taught Luton the lesson of wasted chances; they had already passed up three good opportunities to take the lead.

Luton equalised in the 58th minute when Price, a defender, headed in from West's corner kick to score his first League goal.

Luton.—Barber; Price, Bucklev, Chambers, Faulkner, (Hill, 68 mins), P. Futchers Husband, Fuccillo, R. Fatcher, West, Ryan.

Bristol R.—Eadie; William, Parsons, Day, Taylor, Pulis, Britten, Smith, (Stephens, 65 mins), Staniforth, Fearnley, Evans.