LUTON ON SPOT

KEITH BARBER. the Luton 'keeper, kept the scoreline respectable with a series of brilliant saves—one by diving full-length to beat out a ferocious shot from Plymouth striker Brian Johnson.

Steve Buckley mounted a number of promising moves for Luton, overlapping smartly down the left. Following one of his runs he found Ron Futcher with a good cross to the far post, who headed the ball back into the Plymouth goalmouth where it was scrambled away by Harrison.

Dixie Deans actually had the ball in the Plymouth net five

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minutes before the interval but referee Derek Nippard of Bournemouth had alreay blown for offside.

Midfielder Alan West speculated with a long-range shot which flew just over the Plymouth crossbar and another lively Luton raid saw Deans put the ball tamely behind.

The goal needed to bring the game to life came three minutes after the restart with a penalty for Plymouth after Hall had been fouled by Alan West just inside the Luton penalty area.

It looked a harsh decision and Luton players protested, but Johnson calmly hit the ball home.