

UNSTOPPABLE! THAT'S LUTON

LUTON 5 CARLISLE 0 By ROGER DUCKWORTH

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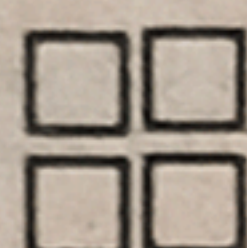
LUTON's charge towards Division One accelerated at Kenilworth Road this afternoon when they thrashed Carlisle out of sight. As the Oak Road choir sang jubilantly: "And now you've got to believe us."

They strolled to a splendid victory which they pulled off in spite of Paul Futchner missing a second half penalty. It was the first he had taken for the club.

By half time Luton were two up. Paul Futchner put Fuccillo through for the first and six minutes before half tie brother Ron smacked the ball home after taking a peach of a pass from Husband.

In spite of this superiority, there appeared to be some anxiety in the Luton makeup. Perhaps it rubbed off from Carlisle who are surely facing the big drop to Division Three.

But Luton were excellent value for their win. It was their 11th in 12 games — and they drew the other one.



With Bolton and Chelsea their main rivals, not in action today, the Town's position looked very very healthy tonight.

But they are not always going to meet such a raggle taggle defence as Carlisle turned into in the second half. It's not over yet but tonight it looks right indeed.

After an hour Jimmy Husband banged in the best goal of the match after Ron Futchner had headed on a Buckley free-kick. And from there on there was no stopping the Town.

Ron Futchner went close with a header and had a goal disallowed of offside.

Skipper West scored one of his rare goals following a clever deep corner by Aston and so when the penalty came late in the game there was little to worry about.

But unfortunately Paul Futchner was far too casual about it. He put the ball on the spot, walked back, turned quickly and hit it to Ross's right. The keeper saved it easily.

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Aston launches himself into a header