

LUTON CRASH

STEVE OGRIZOVIC finished with a sore head as reward for a valiant performance that helped Coventry destroy Luton's unbeaten home league record.

But Luton players were in no mood to congratulate the giant goalkeeper. They were upset at the way he crashed to the ground clutching the back of his head in the 59th minute.

Ogrizovic recovered quickly enough to complain to referee John Moules that he had been struck by something thrown from behind the goal. Police

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went to the Oak Road Terraces as play resumed.

Seconds earlier Ogrizovic had been booked for throwing the ball away in protest over an indirect free kick against him for carrying.

Afterwards Coventry manager Don MacKay revealed: "The Luton players said some very cruel things to Steve. They suggested he was feigning.

"But Steve was definitely struck by a coin and has a

lump on the back of his head to prove it."

Mackay added that his club would not be making an official protest about the incident.

There were five other bookings in a match diminished as a spectacle by Coventry's bruising, unattractive spoiling tactics.

There were few moments to please the crowd despite Luton's efforts to reproduce the stylish, attacking football that had carried them into the top 10.

Even the 35th-minute winner was a freak. Bowman's 25-yard drive was deflected and went in under Luton goalkeeper Les Sealey's body.