



■ **BITTER END** — it's absolute agony for Luton midfield ace Danny Wilson as he is helped off . . . and very possibly out of the Hatters' grim fight for First Division survival

BAND OF HOPE

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THE win that keeps alive Luton's slender hopes of survival was tarnished by a potentially serious injury to Danny Wilson.

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 Skipper Wilson was carried off eight minutes from time with a leg injury.

And there is a real danger the influential Northern Ireland star will miss the vital last two games against Crystal Palace and Derby.

Manager Jim Ryan moaned: "It could be a bad one."

"He might well have ligament damage, and that would be serious. We are hoping it is just a strain that will take three or four days to clear up."

UNLUCKY

Wilson was carted out of this match after helping his team establish a First Division life-line against dreadful Arsenal.

Not even with 10 men did Luton's lead look in any jeopardy in what Ryan described as Town's best performance of the season.

And their victory now brings

Luton sweat over Wilson

Derby into the relegation battle along with Sheffield Wednesday.

"We were two goals up in that match, then fell apart in the last half hour."

There was no danger of a repeat yesterday. Arsenal's awful performance was summed up by manager George Graham. He was asked about the fitness of the six Highbury men on England duty this week — Tony Adams, Lee Dixon, Nigel Winterburn, David

Rocastle, Michael Thomas and Alan Smith.

He replied: "The way we played there was never any danger of them being injured."

"This week sums up our season. Against Liverpool on Wednesday we played well. Today we did not do ourselves justice."

Ian Dowie prodded in the first goal and the unlucky Wilson crossed for Kingsley Black to thump the second.

SUNDAY BEST: Breacker

LUTON: Chamberlain, Breacker, McDonough, Beaumont, James, Dreyer, Wilson, Rees, Dowie, Preece, Black. Subs: Johnson, Elstrup.
ARSENAL: Lukic, Dixon, Winterburn, Thomas, Bould, Adams, Davis, O'Leary, Smith, Merson, Campbell. Subs: Hayes, Rocastle.