

George saves best for United

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THE gloom deepened at the Manor ground after Oxford United slumped to their fifth straight defeat.

It leaves them with one win from the last ten and Luton's single goal was enough to give them their first double of the season.

In a bid to end a goal famine which extended back 336 minutes, manager Malcolm Shotton dropped striker Steve Anthrobus, yet to score a league goal, and brought in veteran Mickey Lewis.

But before they had time to settle, Neil Midgley put Stewart Douglas clear on the right in the third minute and his cross was turned in by Liam George for his ninth, and easiest, goal of the season.

Oxford went close after 13 minutes when Joey Beauchamp stuck a post and then 16 minutes from the end, substitute Anthrobus grazed the top of the cross bar with a header.

Oxford Utd: Arendse, Robinson, Davis, Lewis, Watson, Powell, Tait, Fear, Beauchamp, Murphy, Lilley. Subs: Lundin, Weatherstone, Anthrobus, Lambert, McGowan.

Luton: Abbey, Fraser, Watts, Johnson, Doherty, Taylor, Spring, McLaren, Douglas, Midgley, George. Subs: Sodje, McIndoe, Kandol, Locke, Ward.

Referee: G Cain (Bootle).