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ENGLAND - LACKING LAWTON AND MATTHEWS - UPSET BY EIRE

It's a great day for the Irish! At Goodison Park, 50,000 see the soccer sensation of the season: England's first-ever home defeat by a foreign team. Pathe sports cameras tell the full story of how eleven men from Eire upset the white shirts of England. With goalie Williams and his defenders facing early bombardment, the golden-lined England team fail to find their feet. Brilliant players that we know them to be, they shed their skill with the sun and turn a vital international into a kick-and-rush hurly burly.

Man-of-the-match is veteran Johnny Carey. His shrewd pass signals Eire's first goal. Peter Desmond is tripped in the forbidden area and Scottish referee Mowat blows up for a penalty. The Goodison crowd is hushed as Con Martin takes the kick. Only just over the line!

Portsmouth's Peter Harris starts off an all-out England attack in the second half. But there is no one there to finish off the promising approach play. Pys, Mannien, Morris, they've all left their shooting boots in the dressing room! The crowd sighs for a Lawton or a Matthews to show them how! Inspired by their one-goal lead, Eire profit from some lucky escapes and draw still further ahead, when Everton's Peter Farrel slams in No. 2!

The England forwards keep plugging away, but Lady Luck favours the Irish. Say the critics to the selectors: How about bringing back Lawton and Matthews?