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WOLVES V. SPARTAK.

Here it is, the match of the year. Spartak (in light shorts) kick-off against Wolverhampton Wanderers at the Molineux Ground, Wolverhampton, before a full-house of 55,000. Veroshilov beats big Bill Slater but his shot goes well wide of the target.

At the other end, Swinbourne tries a back-heel, but a Spartak defender is there. Not a good clearance, and Leslie Smith takes over and lines up to centre. But Pirsov's acrobatics keep Spartak free from danger. A hefty clearance by the "gleezy goalie" and Veroshilov takes up the running with Billy Wright after him. A brilliant tackle - but Wright is hurt.

Simonyan shoots high! A lucky escape for the Wolves. Simonyan, (the Spartak captain) takes a throw-in and gets the ball back again at once. Tatouchine and he team up for a raid.

But the Wolves defence holds firm. With honours more or less even, half-time comes and there's still no score. Sedev and Hancocks fight for possession, but an unfair charge by Sedev leads to a free kick. A very sporting match on the whole with few penalties, but another free kick against Spartak gives Bill Shorthouse a great chance. Pirsov fails to punch clear, and Wilshaw forces it home! First blood to the Wolves.

The Wolves pile on the pressure in the last minutes. Wilshaw draws Pirsov, but he's robbed. Nevertheless, a corner for the Wolves. Hancocks takes it from the right wing.

The Wolves defence get to work and send the ball away towards the Spartak goal. Hancocks has it, and there's goal number two!

A minute later, Swinbourne chases a pass from Hancocks, and his shot from twenty yards smacks into the net for another. With the Spartak defence thoroughly rattled, down sweep the Wolves again.

Hancocks receives, and there's the fourth goal for the Wolves! 4-nil is the final score, a superb victory that lays the Russian bogey and puts British Football back on the world map.