

Banks slams brake on Yeovil title drive

HUNDREDS of Yeovil Town supporters made the long trek to deepest Essex yesterday hoping to witness the Yeovil Town victory which would give them the ICIS Premier championship – but it was not to be.

And with their big rivals Enfield winning at home, the champagne had to stay on ice.

The dice are still heavily loaded in Yeovil's favour, however.

They now need one point to go up and have two matches in which to get it.

Even if they lost at Bromley on Tuesday they still have a home game against rock-bottom Chertsey next Saturday.

Heybridge Swifts have a habit of doing well against top sides. They have taken four points from Enfield and six from third placed Sutton this season.

They defended well but it was

ICIS PREMIER DIVISION

Heybridge Swifts 0, Yeovil Town 0

Attn: 875

Yeovil who always looked the more likely scorers. Howard Forinton, who had netted two goals in each of the last four games, again had the best chances but in the first-half he was robbed by one excellent save from 'keeper Kingsley Banks.

Throw

Banks again came to the rescue in the 48th minute when Steve Browne knocked in a tremendous drive, and when Forinton had the ball whisked off his toe when he seemed certain to score, Yeovil realised it might not be their day.

Colin Fielder chipped the ball

narrowly over the bar after 76 minutes and when Dean Birkby came on as substitute, he was narrowly wide with an overhead kick following a long throw-in.

Statistically, it was Yeovil's 16th league match without defeat, and manager Graham Roberts, despite being anxious to tie up the title, had his wish not to return home empty handed.

Yeovil Town: Pennock; Gill, White, Browne, Harvey, Cousins, Fielder, Turner, Patmore, Forinton, Puttnam (sub., Birkby, 63 minutes). **Subs.,** Clement, Adams.

★ **Star man:**

Steve Browne
(Yeovil Town).



● A GRIMACE from Steve Browne as Yeovil Town go on the attack against Heybridge Swifts on Saturday. Picture by Len Copland.