

# Wexford girls in bid for third senior Camogie title

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The girls of Wexford take the first step on Sunday in their bid to take the All-Ireland senior camogie crown for an historic third successive year when they meet old rivals, Dublin, in the Leinster semi-final at Parnell Park (Dublin).

Until recent years, Dublin have always had a "jinx" on Wexford camogie aspirations. Year after year, they crushed the hopes of the Model County girls in the provincial decider, and they dominated the scene by taking the All-Ireland title a record number of times.

## BOGEY LAID.

But that is no more. In 1968 Wexford made the big breakthrough. Kilkenny disposed of the Metropolitan in the semi-final and then fell to Wexford in the Leinster final. Wexford went on to record their first-ever All-Ireland win by defeating Cork. Last year they re-affirmed their supremacy, and this time they defeated Dublin before taking the title for the second time by beating Antrim in an epic final.

So the bogey has been smashed, and Wexford will face their old rivals with confidence on Sunday—the confidence of reigning champions. The team shows a number of changes from last year's successful combination. Bridget Doyle, an inspiring captain, a centre-back, and winner of the Power's Sports Star Award, will be out of the game for a few months.

Annie Foley is also missing, as she is now living in England, and Bernadette Murphy (St. John's) and Peggy Moore have been dropped. But Josie Kehoe, who was sensationally suspended after an incident in last year's All-Ireland semi-final against Tipperary, makes welcome return in the corner of the attack. Cathy Power, who took over that berth in Josie's absence, is now amongst the substitutes. It will be remembered that Cathy scored the winning goal in last year's All-Ireland final.

The reshuffle in the Wexford team sees the return of Mary Dinan (formerly Mary Sinnott), at right corner back; Margaret O'Leary moves from midfield to centre-back in place of Bridget Doyle, with Bridie Jacobs, promoted from the junior team, filling her berth; Kitt Codd is on for Bernadette

Murphy, and, of course, Josie Kehoe returns to the exclusion of Cathy Power.

## STRONG TEAM.

This is still a very strong Wexford team and one that should emerge victorious on Sunday. It has a great deal of experience and some individuals who can always be counted upon to rise to the occasion when needed.

Theresa Sheil in goal has proved herself over the past couple of years, and is a safe and capable custodian. She is fronted by Joan Murphy at full-back, and these two have struck up a good understanding.

The other three backs form a formidable line. Mary Sinnott is not prone to making mistakes, and Margaret O'Leary and Bridget O'Connor are two magnificent players. It will need all the wiles of the Dublin forwards to get through that lot, and one cannot see such a defence yielding sufficient scores for a Dublin victory.

At midfield, Mary Walsh is the only member of last year's trio remaining, but she is a hard-working and industrious player. Bridie Jacobs earned her place with some good displays in the junior county team, and Kitt Codd, on the other wing, is another very competent player.

The Wexford forward quartet looks really impressive. Josie Kehoe, Annie Kehoe and Mary Doyle are names that would strike fear into any defence in the land, and full-forward Mary Shannon is an expert at scoring goals from the most unlikely situations.

But Dublin are also taking this game very seriously and have recalled some of their star players of other years. However, Wexford should beat them, and so be off once more on the trail of the Sean O'Duffy Cup.

This is how Wexford will line out:

Teresa Sheil

Joan Murphy

M. Dinan M. O'Leary B. O'Connor

K. Codd B. Jacobs M. Walsh

J. Kehoe A. Kehoe M. Doyle

M. Shannon.

Subs.: Theresa Shannon, Peggy Doyle, Annie Kent and Cathy Power.

# All-Ireland Champions In Action

By AGNES HOURIGAN

Wexford, All-Ireland camogie champions through the past two years, start their bid for the third title in a row, when at Parnell Park on Sunday next they meet old rivals Dublin in the Leinster semi-final.

Through most of the past decade, the Wexford girls, though winning the Leinster intermediate title with almost monotonous regularity, could never get past Dublin in the senior grade.

Then in 1968, Kilkenny beat Dublin, and Wexford quick to avail of their opportunity, first beat Kilkenny and then went on to take the Leinster and All-Ireland titles.

Last year, Wexford achieved an even greater ambition. They beat Dublin in the Leinster final, for the first time in the history of the game and then went on to retain their All-Ireland crown.

## HOPES FOR BACK

Though they will be without their captain of last year Bridget Doyle, one of the famed Kehoe sisters, they will have the assistance of three others of the family not available for last year's final, Josie, Annie and Kit, who has already won three All-Ireland medals in the Dublin colours.

In addition, Wexford hope to have their great full-back of 1968, Mary Sinnott, who missed last year's campaign, back in action.

They will still of course have the tireless Margaret O'Leary to inspire a seasoned side, and

even at Parnell Park will have no fears of Dublin this time.

The Dublin selectors have once again put their faith in experience, and the side to a great extent reads like a line-out of some of the greatest camogie stars of the past decade.

Kay Lyons has come out of retirement to play at mid-field.

Defenders Mary Ryan, Alice Hussey, Patricia Timmins and Brid Keenan are All-Ireland winners several times over. Maureen Brennan and Orla Ni Shiochain are experienced winners, while centre forward Anne Sheehy is flanked by two players who captained Leinster to interprovincial victory, Mary Sherlock and Judy Doyle, with the famed Una O'Connor at full-forward.

The only real newcomers to this Dublin side, goalkeeper Sheila Murray has plenty of experience too and played on the victorious U.C.D. Ashbourne Cup team last February, and Anne Sheehy, who has played well for Stacks.

So Dublin have immense reserves of craft and experience, but they may lack the dash and determination of Wexford, who defending their All-Ireland title, look more likely to come through with a little to spare in what should be a most exciting game.

After a thrilling game at Kilkenny, Dublin have qualified for the Leinster junior final in which they will meet Louth, surprise winners over Wexford in the other semi-final.



● ORLA NI SHIOCHAIN, on the left wing for Dublin.



● KIT KEHOE, Wexford



# Dublin halt Wexford's bid for third camogie title

WEXFORD'S BID for their third All-Ireland senior camogie title in succession was abruptly halted at the first hurdle when they crashed to old rivals Dublin in the Leinster semi-final at Parnell Park (Dublin) on Sunday evening by 4-3 to 3-3.

So, Dublin, winners of 31 Leinster titles previous to 1968, have once again proved to be Wexford's 'bogey team'. Last year the girls from the Model County broke the stranglehold which the Metropolitans held over them for so many years, and they approached this game with confidence.

But, although they enjoyed a territorial advantage, they could not break through a solid Dublin defence for the vital scores and so had to bow the knee to their arch-rivals once again.

## LEVEL AT INTERVAL

Wexford played with the strong breeze in the first half and almost completely dominated the play, everywhere except in front of goal. Even the most optimistic supporters must have been shaking their heads in doubt and frustra-

tion at half-time when Wexford had only one score to their credit, a good Mary Shannon goal midway through the period. But even this slight advantage was wiped out by a Judy Doyle goal for Dublin, and so the sides were level at the interval.

Wexford still got more than their fair share of the play in the second half, but it was Dublin who piled on the scores, and after 2-3 by their very dangerous corner forward Judy Doyle and a further goal by Una O'Connor, seemed to clinch the issue. However, the Wexford girls attempted to stage one of those comebacks for which the county teams have become so famous, and although it brought two goals, it just was not enough.

## SURPRISE INCLUSION

There was one surprise when the

Wexford team took the field, Bernadette Murphy (St. John's) lined out at centre-field. When the team was picked originally, she had been left out of the team, and Kit Codd was included at right midfield, but there was a meeting of the selectors on Sunday morning and the positions were reversed. Bernadette Murphy was brought on to the middle of the centre-field trio, and Bridie Jacobs was moved to fill Kit Codd's position.

In the opening half, Peggy Doyle was substituted for Bridie Jacobs. Mary Dinan moved from the centre-back line and Miss Doyle took up her position. At the time the midfield trio were playing well and had given their forwards the lion's share of the ball. Many thought that Bridie Jacobs was a little unlucky to be taken off on her senior debut.

When the forward line, which looked so good on paper, had not grabbed the scores while the wind was in their backs in that first half, Wexford were obviously in trouble, and so it turned out. Dublin pressed home their advantage after the interval, and late goals by Margaret O'Leary and Mary Walsh, whose shot was deflected to the net by a Dublin defender, could not prevent defeat.

The game itself was quite entertaining with some very good camogie, and Dublin now go on to meet Kilkenny in the final.



MARY WALSH, who gave a good display at centrefield.



BRIGID O'CONNOR, Star defender.

# Model County attack couldn't get going

Teresa Sheil in the Wexford goal had quite a good game and was fronted by an in-form Jean Murphy at full-back. Brigid O'Connor was the star of the defence, giving a faultless display and Margaret O'Leary, heroine of many great Wexford victories gave another competent display. She normally operates at mid-field for the county team, but she adapted herself well to the centre-back role.

Mary Dinan (formerly Mary Sinnott) made quite a good return to the inter-county scene even though her opponent, the brilliant Judy Doyle, was Dublin's chief scorer.

At centre-field, the Wexford trio more than held their own and gave the forwards enough of the ball to win comfortably, had they made proper use of it. Mary Walsh, in particular, had a fine match.

What of the forwards? Josie Kehoe, making her return to the game after her period of suspension last year, was not very impressive. Annie Kehoe, one of the stars of last year's All-Ireland triumph, could never get going and the same can be said for Mary Doyle. Mary Shannon tried hard, but could not make much headway.

## COULD HAVE WON

So, Wexford's hopes of the

magical 'three in a row' have been dashed, in a game which they could have won. But it is no disgrace to be beaten by Dublin, the doyens of the camogie world for so long. One can only hope that this is not the beginning of another long period of supremacy by the Metropolitans, such as they enjoyed for over thirty years until Wexford broke through and came out of Leinster in 1968.

Scorers for Dublin were: Judy Doyle (3-3) and Una O'Connor (1-0).

Wexford replied via Margaret O'Leary and Mary Shannon (1 goal each), and a Mary Walsh shot was deflected to the net by a Dublin defender.

Wexford—Teresa Sheil (goal), Joan Murphy, Mary Dinan, Margaret O'Leary, Brigid O'Connor, Bridie Jacobs, Bernadette Murphy, Mary Walsh Josie Kehoe, Annie Kehoe, Mary Doyle and Mary Shannon. Sub. Peggy Doyle for B. Jacobs.

Dublin—S. Murray, M. Ryan, B. Keenan, K. Murphy, P. Timmons, M. Murphy, K. Lyons, Orla Ni Shochain, M. Sherlock, A. Sheehy, J. Doyle and U. O'Connor. Subs: F. Whelan for K. Murphy

# Dublin Craft Beats Wexford

DUBLIN ..... 4-3  
WEXFORD ..... 2-0

All-Ireland champions, Wexford, lost their chance of winning three All-Ireland titles in a row when they were defeated by their old rivals Dublin in the Leinster Senior Camogie championship semi-final at Parnell Park yesterday.

There was little between the sides individually but Dublin won because they surpassed Wexford in craft, combination and precision.

The champions played with a strong wind in the opening half and had slightly the better of the exchanges but they were well covered by a very sound Dublin defence with an outstanding goalie in Sheila Murray.

The Dublin officials must have been very happy at half-time when they were on level terms with the visitors at 1-0 each.

Dublin resumed with great dash and determination and Judy Doyle, the Dublin captain, put her side 1-2 ahead. Una O'Connor added a further goal followed by another goal from

Judy Doyle, to leave the winners leading 4-2 to 1-0 with eight minutes left for play. Wexford rallied and reduced the arrears by two goals but Judy Doyle had the last score, a point for Dublin.

The Dublin defence were outstanding in the first half when they were hard pressed. Orla Ni Shochain and Kay Lyons were prominent at mid-field while the hard working Anne Sheehy did trojan work at centre-forward.

Judy Doyle, Una O'Connor and Mary Sherlock were too clever for the Wexford defence and produced some great movements in attack.

For Wexford Margaret O'Leary and Brigid O'Connor tried hard in defence. Annie Keogh got the chances in attack but failed to find the target while Mary Shannon and Mary Doyle were well marked.

Scorers: Dublin — J. Doyle (3-3), U. O'Connor (1-0).

Wexford—M. Shannon (1-0) M. Doyle (1-0), M. O'Leary (1-0).

Referee — Miss L. Spence (Antrim).

## LIMERICK FOR CAMOGIE FINAL

Limerick 6-4; Kerry 1-1.

Limerick qualified to meet Cork in the final of the Munster Junior Camogie championship on July 12 when they defeated Kerry 6-4 to 1-1 at Kildimo last evening after having led 2-3 to 1-1 at half-time.

Scorers—Limerick: J. Hayes (2-3), C. Clancy (2-2), R. Garry (1-1); C. Murphy (1-0), E. Neville (0-1). Kerry: J. Shannon (1-1).



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# Roscommon Camogie—Getting The Facts Right

The Editor,  
Gaelic News.

Dear Sir,

I should appreciate it immensely, if you would afford me the opportunity of referring, through the columns of your esteemed paper, to an article published in your May issue entitled "The Progress of Camogie" by Aine Meagher.

While the article in question was in general terms quite a commendable one, I would like to point out some gross inaccuracies in it.

Your columnist in a reference to Camogie affairs in Connacht states that "Galway leads the way, while Mayo, Sligo and Roscommon are active to lesser extents, but there is

only one Club in Roscommon." We in Roscommon do not dispute that Galway may be to the forefront west of the Shannon, but we very definitely take issue with the latter two phrases of Aine Meagher's statement. Indeed we deplore the fact that somebody should attempt to produce an assessment of the Camogie position in Connacht without first having done the necessary research and thereby possess herself of the relevant facts.

The Camogie revival in Roscommon dates to 1966 when a group of dedicated people having done over a year's research on the matter realised the vast potential for the game in the county and decided with a nucleus of four clubs to

form a Co. Board. The number of clubs and consequently of members, has shown a steady annual growth since, until in 1969 we were in the happy position of being able to register ELEVEN CLUBS. This was no small achievement in a county which had been dormant for some years.

Each year we play off our Senior and Junior championships with a full participation of clubs. We organise subsidiary leagues to ensure that our clubs get the games that are vital for their growth and development. Last year we played in excess of one hundred games within the county and this figure looks like being exceeded this year. We are one of the few counties in the count-

ry who have organised a Post-Primary Schools competition at County level. The 1969 competition the final of which has just been played, attracted an entry of six schools.

Our other activities too bear ample evidence of an active and enthusiastic county. Two years ago we pioneered the holding of Co. Coaching Courses with 100% success. We were one of the first counties in Ireland to implement a Congress '69 motion to appoint Co. Organisers. On the inter-county scene we have contested the Connacht championship each year, reaching the final in 1968 to be defeated by Galway in the decider. Our players have figured on the Connacht Gael Linn teams for

the past four years. But our activities are not confined to the playing fields. We are deeply conscious of the obligation placed on us to encourage our girls in cultural pursuits, and activities of a suitable nature are arranged. Our clubs play an important role in the social life of their respective parishes.

Let me hasten to add that we do not seek undeserved publicity. However, we feel it necessary to list our achievements in order to correct in some way the completely false impression which we regret has been created in the minds of your readers. We feel that an injustice has indeed been done to Roscommon by what may be

taken by some to be an authoritative article and we trust that you will give this prominence to this correction.

May we wish yourself and your paper continued success.

Mise, le meas,  
Maire Ni Threabhail,  
Runal Chonnadae,  
'Beechlawn',  
Elphin St.,  
Boyle,  
Co. Roscommon.

Aine Meagher writes: My apologies to the hard-working Co. Sec. Mary Travers, and also to my good friend Fonsie Tully, both of whom rightly took a dim view. As for Leitrim Co. G.A.A. Sec. Tommy O'Riordan is doing his utmost to improve the position in the county.

# Junior Camogie team mastered by Louth

WEXFORD bowed out of the Leinster junior camogie championship race at Drogheda on Sunday, when, despite a spirited late rally which brought them two goals, they went down by two points (3-2 to 3-0) to Louth, in the semi-final.

The Wexford team was well below their best form and if they had played as well as at club level, they would have advanced to the final without a great deal of trouble.

They trailed at half-time by 2-2 to 1-0, which was scored by Breda McClean, the Boolavogue girl who lines out with Buffers Alley. Wexford fared somewhat better in the second period, holding their opponents to a single goal, but they found the path to the Louth goal a very rugged and well protected one.

## LOUTH HELD OUT

The Louth defence held out until the final ten minutes when Wexford really piled on the pressure. Breda McClean had her second goal, and Breda Tobin slammed home another, but the Wexford girls could not get through again for the score that would have won their passage to the provincial final.

They never displayed the form of their previous outing when they knocked out the holders, Kildare, and indeed only very few of the girls will remember this game with pleasure. Louth earned their success with some very sound defensive work, particularly in the second half.

Peggy Doyle had a good game in the right corner of the defence for Wexford, and she held the back line together very well. At centrefield, Bridie Jacobs and Teresa Gordon worked indus-

triously throughout, but the forwards were not able to capitalise on the good supply given them. Breda McClean did take her two goals well, however.

Wexford — Theresa Shannon (Campile), Peggy Doyle (St. Ibar's), Breda Finn (St. Abban's), Greta Kehoe (do.), Kathleen Walsh (Buffer's Alley), Bernie Kehoe (St. Abban's), Bridie Jacobs (Buffer's Alley), Teresa Gordon (St. John's), Margaret Hearne (Buffers Alley), Breda McClean (Buffer's Alley), Peg Cash (do.), Bridie Tobin (Kilrush), Sub: Breda Murphy (St. Anne's, Rathnure) for M. Hearne.

## U.C.C. CAMOGIE CLUB A.G.M.

At the annual general meeting the following officers were elected: Hon. President, Ide Bean Uí She, M.A.; Hon. Vice-Presidents: Dr. Emer Ni Mhuirthille, Prof. L. Ni Dhugaín, Bean Uí Neill, M.Sc.; Bean Uí Mhuirthille, M.Sc.; S. Ni Bhrannain, B.Comm.; Dr. Scott, Bean Uí Shuilleabhain, Bean Tyers, Bean Uí Fhoghláin, Staff Representative, Cait Bean Uí Mhaidín, B.Comm.

Senior Captain, Mairead Ni Longaigh; Vice-Captain, Honor Ni Longaigh; Runal, Maire Ni Bhrain; Junior Captain, Helena Ni Longaigh; Junior Vice-Captain, M. Ni Raghallaigh; Coisde: M. Ni Chaochlaigh, Nora Ni Longaigh.

Though defeated by U.C.D. in the Ashbourne Cup at Belfield the team had victories over Athlone (Limerick), U.C.G. and Drishane.

The Ashbourne inter-varsity will be held in Cork in early February with the draws as follows: U.C.C. v. Queen's, Belfast, U.C.G. v. U.C.D.

An intensive training programme is arranged to annex the cup at the home venue, to this end, a series of challenge matches is being arranged, beginning with a match against the graduates.

Michael Dowling, B.A., the popular trainer of the team, was the recipient of a presentation as a mark of appreciation from the club.

## EASY FOR CORK CAMOGIE TEAM

Cork 4-5, Kilkenny 0-1.

The Cork senior camogie team produced a happy augury for their tilt with Tipperary in the Munster championship next weekend when for the second week in succession they defeated Kilkenny in a challenge game, this time at Togher on Saturday evening. Cork, despite the absence of four star players, Ann Comerford, the captain of the side, Liz Garvan, Ann McAuliffe and Mary Jo Ryan, experienced little difficulty in overcoming Kilkenny in this game.

Producing controlled stick-work they were fast into their stride and Glen Rovers star Ann Crotty netted twice and Mary Costin from Cloyne added two points to give the Leesiders a 2-2 to nil lead at the interval.

On the changeover Kilkenny went on the attack and Lena O'Neill tipped over a point but weathering the early storm with confidence and ability, the Cork girls piled on the pressure and Miss Crotty added a goal for her hat-trick and Miss Costin hit another to leave them convincing winners.

Scorers: Cork, A. Crotty (5-1), M. Costin (1-3), B. Hennessy (0-1), Kilkenny L. O'Neill (0-1).



## Provincial Camogie Finals

# Cork Bidding For A Double Over Tipperary And Limerick

So far this season the Munster Colleges and the Munster Secondary titles have come to Cork. At the Mardyke next Sunday the Rebel County can add to their collection when they take on Limerick and Tipperary in the junior and senior provincial finals.

The senior side, who contested the 1968 All-Ireland final, were eliminated by Tipperary last year. On that occasion Tipperary, with the advantage of a home venue, had a two-point winning margin. In order to reverse that defeat Cork have put in serious preparation for next Sunday's encounter. This included home and away challenge games with Kilkenny. Cork, who got the better of Kilkenny in both contests, showed considerable improvement in the return match.

Tipperary will provide much sterner opposition. If they can produce the form which they displayed against Wexford in last year's semi-final they will be very hard to stop. They will undoubtedly miss Sally Long, Anne Graham, Mary Graham and Margaret Phelan who are not included in the panel. Sally and Anne were outstanding members of Tipperary sides in recent years and it will be difficult to find replacements of their calibre. It is interesting to note that the Tipp. selectors have brought back veterans like Kathleen Downes and Alice Perry to fill the gaps rather than introduce young players.

Jo Marshall is the only survivor in the Tipp. back line and a new defence will have to be built around her. At centre-field Tipp. will have their youthful star Margaret Cleary, Deirdre Lane and Monica Ryan. Their attack will probably comprise Beatrice Lawrence, Siobhan Tynan, Peggy Graham and Margo Loughane, all of whom are well able to score.

### CORK CHANGES

The Cork team shows a number of changes from the side which failed to Tipp. 12 months ago. Melon Cummins retains her position in goal where she has performed with distinction over the past few years. Her clubmate, Hannah Dinneen, returns to the side at full-back. Their knowledge of each other's play should help

both. Interprovincial Mary Joe Ryan is selected at right-back but is a doubtful starter for Sunday. The defence is completed by two useful players, Betty Sugrue and Sheila Dunne.

Pat Moloney, who held her own with the famed Anne Carroll on Saturday night, makes her senior championship debut. She, together with Anne Comerford and Anne McAuliffe, should form a strong centre-field. Forwards Liz Garvan, Rosie Hennessy, Marie Costin and Honor Lynch should be able to build up a good score if given a plentiful supply of the ball.

### CORK JUNIORS' BIG TASK

In the junior final Cork also have a difficult task on hands. Limerick were allowed to go junior this year. Therefore, all their players who fielded against Tipp. in the senior final last season are eligible. This is a tremendous advantage to Limerick. They brushed Kerry aside to reach the final. In Cary Clancy, Joan Hayes, Margery Burke, Christina Murphy and Eithne Neville, they have very able performers.

Cork have lost Pat Moloney and Rosie Hennessy to the senior side but their replacements, Blanch Gibbons and Mary Murphy, have plenty of experience in the Cork colours. The majority of the Cork side have been together since March. Since then they have won the Secondary Cup and recorded good victories over Tipp. and Clare. They, too, have their stars. Marion McCarthy, Marion O'Leary, Nuala Guilley, Peg O'Brien and Deirdre Sutton possess the ability to put Cork on the road to victory.

Cork certainly have two difficult hurdles to clear. But if each player goes out determined to win a Cork double could be on the cards. With the All-Ireland champions already beaten and a home venue for the semi-final with the Ulster champions, Cork should make an all-out effort to reach Croke Park this year.

### TEAMS

**Cork Seniors** — M. Cummins, H. Dinneen, S. Duine, B. Sugrue, M. J. Ryan, A. Comerford (captain), A. McAuliffe, P. Moloney, H. Lynch, L. Garvan, R. Hen-

nessy and M. Costin. Subs.: M. Moran, M. McCarthy and A. Crotty.

**Cork Juniors**—D. Sutton, P. O'Brien, M. Whelton, M. O'Leary, M. Higgins, J. Buckley, B. Gibbons, M. McCarthy, M. Mahon, M. Murphy, K. Ryan, N. Guilley. Subs.: K. Dunne, R. O'Sullivan and M. Murphy.

**Tipp. (panel)** — J. Marshall, B. Lawrence, B. Dowd, M. Loughane, P. Graham, K. Boland, B. Loughane, A. Perry, B. Conroy, M. Cleary, B. Corrigan, M. Ryan, S. Tynan, K. Downes, A. Browne and D. Lane.

### FIXTURES

Sunday, July 12—At Mardyke, Munster Championship finals: 3 o'clock, Junior, Cork v. Limerick; 4 o'clock, Senior, Cork v. Tipperary.

## Cork Girls On Scoring Spree

**CORK** ..... 4-5  
**TIPPERARY** ..... 0-7

Cork completed a double when their seniors and juniors won the Munster Camogie Championship finals at the Mardyke yesterday.

In the senior tie, they regained the title held by Tipperary, but only after a thrilling second half performance which saw them come from a point behind after five minutes to completely overwhelm the visitors with a scoring spree in the last quarter.

Star forward Liz Garvan was the inspiration Cork needed when eight minutes after the interval she sent in a 40-yards shot which deceived the Tipperary goalkeeper for her side's second goal.

Minutes later the same player tried a similar effort but this time the ball hit the upright and rebounded to the einrushing Anna Crotty who had no trouble in scoring.

**Scorers—Cork:** L. Garvan (1-2), A. McAuliffe, A. Comerford, A. Crotty (1 goal each), M. Costin (0-3). **Tipperary:** M. Loughane (0-5), K. Treacy (0-1), P. Graham (0-1).



● Camogie history was made, at Croke Park last evening when Most Rev. Dr. Birch, Bishop of Ossory, threw in the ball to start the Leinster senior final between Dublin and Kilkenny. He was accompanied onto the field by Mrs. Corcoran (Kildare), Chairman, Leinster Camogie Council. Kilkenny made the occasion even more historic by winning their first title.

**KILKENNY** ..... 5-3  
**DUBLIN** ..... 4-3

History was made on the double at Croke Park last evening when Kilkenny became Leinster Senior Camogie Champions for the first time when they defeated Dublin.

Rev. Dr. Birch, Bishop of Ossory, threw in the ball to start the game, the first time that a bishop has done so.

This was a most exciting clash with the issue in the balance almost until the final whistle, when after one side or the other going ahead and the other drawing level Kilkenny led by the vital goal at the final whistle.

Dublin started with wind advantage but it was Kilkenny who went a goal and a point ahead. Dublin then got going and led 2-2 to 1-1 at half time.

### See-saw Scoring

After the interval the winners equalised; Dublin went a point ahead; Kilkenny equalised; then both sides exchanged goals before Kilkenny had the winning goal, an advantage they held to the final whistle.

The winners were best served by goalkeeper Jo Golden, who brought off some great saves,

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while Nuala Duncan and Maura Kennedy were also outstanding in defence. Liz Neary was brilliant at midfield while the four forwards combined well to take their scores.

Sheila Murray, in the Dublin goal, was also in fine form. Mary Ryan, Patricia Timmins and Alice Hussey defended well, Orta Ni Shiochain and Kay Lyons were best at midfield. The hard-working Anne Sheehy, Judy Doyle and Una O'Connor were always dangerous in attack.

**Scorers: Kilkenny** — H. O'Neill (2-0), M. Cassin (2-0), B. Cassin (1-0), A. Carroll (0-2), M. Fennelly (0-1). **Dublin** — Una O'Connor (2-0), A. Sheehy (1-1), J. Doyle (1-0), O. Ni Shiochain (0-1), K. Lyons (0-1).

**DUBLIN** — S. Murray; M. Ryan; B. Keenan, A. Hussey, P. Timmins; M. Brennan, K. Lyons; O. Ni Shiochain; M. Sherlock, A. Sheehy, J. Doyle (capt.); U. O'Connor.

**KILKENNY** — J. Golden; N. Duncan; A. Phelan, M. Kennedy, J. Kelly; L. Neary, C. O'Shea, M. Fennelly, H. Drennan, A. Carroll, B. Cassin; M. Cassin.

Referee — Miss L. Spence (Antrim).

### Ends In Draw

**DUBLIN** ..... 2-1  
**LOUTH** ..... 2-1

In the curtain-raiser, the Leinster Junior Camogie Final, between Dublin and Louth ended in an exciting draw.

Louth, who had the advantage of a strong wind, ran up a 2-1 total before Dublin had their opening score of the half a point to leave the half time score 2-1 to 0-1.

**Scorers: Louth**—R. Brantigan (1-1), A. Murphy (1-0). **Dublin**—V. Fingleton (2-0), V. Feely (0-1).

## And Cork Juniors Complete Double

**CORK** ..... 3-4  
**LIMERICK** ..... 1-1

In the Junior Championship game both Cork and Limerick were well matched for the first half with the latter narrowly in front at half time on the score 1-1 to 1 goal.

On the change of ends, however, it was a different story and with Cork superior in all departments to score a further 2-4 without reply thus ensuring a double for the county.

**Scorers—Cork:** K. Ryan (2-0), R. Hennessy (1-3), M. Murphy (0-1).



# ALL ROADS LEAD TO GORMANSTON

By AGNES HOURIGAN

**T**HE Camogie Association has made a lot of forward moves during the past couple of years, but none that is likely to have as far-reaching or as beneficial an effect on the whole future of the game as the National Coaching Course which is scheduled to take place at Gormanston College this month.

Camogie, as any regular reader of this column will have realised, has been making remarkable advances during the past few years. The setting up of the Junior All-Ireland series and the All-Ireland Colleges championship have immensely strengthened the game in parts of the country where if it existed at all, only did so through a couple of summer months, but as the game has been spreading so has been the demand for coaches who could teach aspiring players to enjoy their game, and play it properly and effectively.

Only with the spread of competitive camogie did a great number of people suddenly come to realise that hurling camogie was not simply hurling played by girls, but that it was an entirely distinct game, based on hurling certainly, but with its rules differing from hurling rules, particularly as regards some very important aspects of tackling and bodily contact.

It was then that the demand for competent coaches began and the Ulster Council, aided by the

Belfast Education Authority and, oddly enough, the Northern Ireland Milk Board, instituted the first such courses at Orangefield in Belfast. Under the guidance of Miss Nell McCarthy, the Dublin trainer, Maeve Gilroy and Moya Forde, of Antrim All-Ireland fame, these courses were a tremendous success. It may be recalled that Antrim not too long afterwards beat Dublin in an All-Ireland final.

The couple of Southern representatives who made the trip North were very much impressed, and in the following year or so, the County Boards of Dublin and Kilkenny held coaching courses on a less elaborate scale, but which did a great deal towards improving the all-round standard.

This year further new ground was broken when the Leinster Colleges Council held a residential course for members at Presentation Convent, Mountmellick. One of the most heartening things about this gathering was the fact that such a high proportion of nuns and physical training teachers attended, even from schools that have not yet affiliated to the Council, which proves the ever-growing interest in the game in the schools. Moreover, yet another way of providing coaches has been tapped by the setting up, under the auspices of the Dublin County Board, of a competition for Colleges of Higher Education.

And this was won, very fittingly

and significantly by a team drawn from the pupils of St. Raphael's School of Physical Education, Sion Hill.

Now we have the National Coaching Course to which each affiliated County Board can nominate three representatives, while each Provincial Colleges Council can nominate six candidates.

The course will be conducted and supervised by the three men who have been associated with the very successful G.A.A. courses at Gormanston down the years, Des Ferguson, Donie Nealon and Rev. Fr. Tom Maher. They will of course have the full assistance of leading camogie coaches and Physical training teachers and this will be from every aspect the most thorough course of its kind yet scheduled under camogie auspices.

It should prove a new landmark in the advance of the Association and it should be a big first step towards supplying the crying need for trained coaches.

Moreover, the fact that all these coaches will have the same instruction on the basic skills and the basic rules means that we shall soon have a similar interpretation of these rules all over the country, and players will no longer be mystified as to why they are penalised for pushing, elbowing, or direct-contact tackling.

So all roads lead to Gormanston this month!

By AGNES HOURIGAN

The defeat of All-Ireland champions Wexford last Sunday will have whetted the ambitions of all the counties remaining in the camogie title-race.

It lends greatly added interest to the two provincial finals scheduled for Sunday next, Dublin v Kilkenny in the Leinster decider at Croke Park, and Cork v Tipperary in the battle for Munster honours at the Mardyke.

By virtue of their clear-cut victory over Wexford on last Sunday Dublin must start favourites to regain the Leinster crown they last held in 1967.

This despite having to field without centre-back Allie Hussey, who was delayed on a flight back from Spain, Dublin were well in command against the All-Ireland champions until the closing minutes.

And even then a sound defence in which goal-keeper Sheila Murray and full-back Mary Ryan were particularly prominent safely contained Wexford's forwards.

## BROKE EVEN

Orla ni Shiochain on the wing and Kay Lyons in the centre were in flying form at mid-field, while Anne Sheehy as centre-forward not alone broke even with Margaret O'Leary, Wexford's outstanding player, but provided many openings for a very alert inside forward trio of Judy Doyle, Una O'Connor and Mary Sherlock.

On this display it is hard to see Dublin beaten on Sunday, but they will do well to remember that it was Kilkenny

## Two Provincial Titles At Stake

who, in 1968, ended their thirty year reign in Leinster.

Kilkenny will have players of talent and experience in the U.C.D. pair Anne Carroll and Jo Golden, Nuala Duncan, Carmel O'Shea and three promising young stars in Liz Neary, Anne Phelan and Helena O'Neill, aided by a couple of lively forwards in Maura Cassin and Helen Drennan.

## FAITH

Meanwhile, at the Mardyke, Cork put their faith in youth in a bid to regain the Munster title they lost to Tipperary a year ago.

Cork field three of the schools' side that beat Dublin schools last May, Liz Garvin, Pat Moloney and Rosie Hennessy. More seasoned players on the side include goalkeeper Melon Cummins, Hanna Dineen, Sheila Dunne, captain Anne Comerford and Anne McAuliffe.

Tipperary have lost some of last year's stars, but Joan Marshall, Anne Graham, Margaret Cleary, Mary Ryan, Deirdre Lane, Beatrice Lawrence, Margaret Loughane and Bernie Downes will give Cork a hard run for the honours

Both the provincial junior finals will serve as curtain-raisers to the respective senior games.

At Croke Park, Louth surprise semi-final winners over Wexford, will travel hopefully for their meeting with Dublin. A strong and fairly experienced side, they will take a deal of beating.

But Dublin, after overcoming Kilkenny in a tremendous semi-final, can take the first leg of a possible double.

In the south, experienced Limerick will have their work cut out to beat a powerful Cork side.

**Dublin** — S. Murray; M. Ryan; B. Keenan, A. Hussey, P. Timmins; M. Brennan, K. Lyons, O. Ni Shiochain; M. Sherlock, A. Sheehy, J. Doyle; U. O'Connor.

**Kilkenny** — J. Golden; N. Duncan; C. O'Shea, A. Phelan, J. Kelly, L. Neary, A. Carroll, P. O'Shea; M. Fennelly, H. O'Neill, H. Drennan; M. Cassin.

**Cork** — M. Cummins; H. Dineen; S. Dunne, B. Sugrue, M. J. Ryan; A. Comerford, A. McAuliffe, P. Moloney; H. Lynch, L. Garvan, R. Hennessy; M. Costin.



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# Cork bring off a double in camogie

Cork 4-5, Tipperary 0-7  
Cork 3-4, Limerick 1-1

IN brilliant sunshine, and with the field in perfect condition, the Munster Senior and Junior Camogie Championships were played at the Mardyke, Cork, yesterday afternoon. Cork scored a double when their seniors defeated the holders and favourites Tipperary by 4-5 to 0-7, and their juniors accounted for Limerick by 3-4 to 1-1.

In the senior tie, Cork led by 1-1 to 0-3 at half-time, but they had to sustain tremendous Tipperary pressure for the opening eight minutes of the second half. Then, in the space of three minutes, came the scores that altered the entire course of the game. In the eighth minute, Cork's livewire forward, Liz Garvan, sent in a forty-yard shot which deceived the Tipperary goalkeeper and dropped clean into the net.

Soon after, the same player tried another long-range shot which hit the upright and Anna Crotty, who went in as a sub at half-time, was on hand to tip the ball into the net. From here to the finish, Cork were well on top and added a goal and three points, while Tipperary could only secure a point.

Best for Cork were Betty Sugrue, who was outstanding at centre half; the captain, Ann Comerford; Liz Garvan and Anna Crotty. On the Tipperary side, student nurse Margaret Cleary (who travelled from London on this game) and Deirdre Leane showed

tremendous power, and Siobhan Tynan in midfield and Beatrice Laurence in the forward line were others to shine.

Scores: Cork—A. McAuliffe (1-0), Y. Garvan (1-2), M. Costin (0-3), A. Crotty (1-0), A. Comerford (1-0); Tipperary—M. Loughnane (0-5), K. Treacy (0-2), and P. Graham (0-1).

Cork—M. Cummins, S. Dunne, H. Dineen, M. J. Daly, B. Sugrue, A. Comerford, A. McAuliffe, J. Maloney, L. Garvan, H. Lynch, M. Costin, R. Hennessy. Sub: A. Crotty for H. Lynch.

Tipperary — K. Boland, B. O'Dowd, J. Marshall, D. Lane, M. Cleary, K. Treacy, M. Ryan, B. Tynan, B. Laurence, B. Conroy, M. Loughnane, P. Graham. Referee: C. Clancy (Limerick).

## GOOD START

In the junior championship, Cork got off to a good start, when they defeated the fancied Limerick side by 3-4 to 1-1. The sides were well matched for the first half with the visitors leading by one point at half time. The second half, however was a different story with Cork completely on top, and adding a further 2-3 without reply from Limerick.

Scores: Cork—R. Hennessy (1-3), K. Ryan (2-0), M. Murphy (0-1); Limerick—E. Neville (1-0), K. Clancy (0-1).

Cork—D. Sutton, P. O'Brien, M. Whelton, M. O'Leary, M. Higgins, J. Buckley, B. Gibbons, M. McCarthy, M. Mahon, M. Murphy, K. Ryan, N. Gailley. Subs: R. Hennessy for M. Mahon, B. O'Sullivan for J. Buckley.

Limerick—H. Roche, M. Hayes, K. Ryan, B. Giltinane, A. J. Dee, C. Murphy, C. Clancy, R. O'Leary, J. Hayes, B. Guirey, E. Neville, P. Darcy. Subs: J. O'Brien for M. Hayes. Referee: Kitty Flaherty (Tipperary).

# Tipperary Lose Munster Senior Title To Cork

## NO BOUQUETS

I'm afraid I cannot hand out any bouquets to the Tipperary girls for last Sunday's poor display. Perhaps I should make one exception—a very good display of net-minding by Kit Boland kept Tipperary in the game with a chance, but against that a few errors of judgement let in two vital goals at a decisive stage. There were many more defensive blunders outfield however, which could have caused Cork scores as well. There was no team-work, and the Tipperary girls were too inclined to lift the ball when first-time ground-pulling would have paid dividends. A couple of players were lacking in pace and the rule allowing three subs to be brought on was not utilised by the Tipperary selectors, and more's the pity.

So there it is—Tipperary are out and Cork march on in quest of their seventh All-Ireland, with their 21st Munster title safely tucked away.

## THE SCORING

Margo Loughnane opened the scoring for Tipperary in the tenth minute with a point from a '30'. In the fourteenth minute a free from the left corner was doubled to the net by Anne McAuliffe, to put Cork in front. One minute later, Cork's Liz Garvan pointed a '30'. In the twentieth minute, Margo Loughnane pointed another '30', and then minutes later, in injury time, Kathleen Treacy got another point from play to leave the interval scores Cork 1-1, Tipperary 0-3. A cross breeze in this half gave Tipperary a slight wind advantage, but it was Cork who dominated—a portent of things to come in the second half.

## SECOND HALF

After the turn-over, Tipperary got on top for an eight minute period. Following a point from a free by Marie Costen (Cork), Margo Loughnane tacked on three points for Tipperary in the third 4th and 6th minutes, to give them the lead for the first time. It was short-lived however, for in the ninth minute, Cork school-girl Liz Garvan seized on a Tipperary defensive blunder to send in a 30-yarder which completely deceived goalie Kit Boland, and dropped in under the cross-bar for the lead which they never subsequently lost. Three minutes later, Anna Crotty (Cork) pushed the ball home in a goal-mouth scramble and the writing was on the wall. Bridie Conroy got Tipperary's last score, a point, which she deflected over the bar.

Cork — Eleanor Cummins; Hanna Dineen, Sheila Dunne, Betty Sugrue, Mary Joe Ryan, Anne McAuliffe, Anne Comerford (capt), Pat Moloney, Honor Lynch, Liz Garvan, Rosie Hennessy, Marie Costen.

Subs — Anna Crotty for Honor Lynch; Marian McCarthy, Mary Moran.

Tipperary — Kit Boland (capt), Bernie Dowd, Josephine Marshall, Deirdre Lane, Margaret Cleary, Beatrice Lawrence, Bawn Tynan, Kathleen Treacy, Monica Ryan, Bridie Conroy, Margo Loughnane, Peggy Graham.

Subs — Anne Browne, Alice Pery and Breda Loughnane.

(By "ATLAS")

Cork 4-5; Tipperary 0-7.

GIVING one of their most disappointing displays for some years, Tipperary very tamely surrendered their Munster senior camogie title to Cork at the sun-drenched Mardyke Grounds, Cork last Sunday.

The Tipperary team, which never seemed to click confidently, appeared to suffer from "nerves" and, apart from a brief eight-minute period in the second half, never gave anyone the impression that they were going to win.

Cork had two valuable challenge games against the new Leinster champions, Kilkenny, whom they could very well beat in the All-Ireland final next September, and these had them in top form for the game.



The Cork Senior Camogie team which beat Tipperary at the Mardyke yesterday. (Examiner)

BACK: ANNA CROTTY, HANNAH DINEEN, HELEN CUMMINS, MARY MORAN, PAT MOLONEY, ANNE McAULIFFE, LIZ GARVAN & MARIE COSTIN

FRONT: MARION MCCARTHY, ROSIE HENNESSY, BETTY SUGRUE, ANNE COMERFORD (CAPT), MARY JO RYAN, HONOR LYNCH & SHEILA DUNNE



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Mrs. Chris O'Connor, vice-chairman Munster Council, presenting the trophy to Anne Commerford, captain of the Cork senior Camogie team which beat Tipperary at the Mardyke yesterday. ("Echo")



Cloyne and Youghal have often met, but never on more friendly terms... Mr. David Daly, well-known Cloyne hurler, and Miss Mary Jo Ryan, of Youghal, equally well-known in the field of camogie, on their wedding day at St. Mary's Parish Church, Youghal, with, appropriately a guard of honour of Cloyne hurlers and Youghal camogie players.



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By PADDY PURCELL

SEAN O'DUFFY, the Grand Old Man of Camogie, is in his 'eighties now, but in all his sixty years of fostering the game, he can rarely have known happier days than he spent at Gormanston last week-end when he watched one of the great dreams of that long lifetime come true.

There, hurley in hand, the breeze ruffling his white hair, he stood on the playing-fields of the Franciscan College beaming at more than one hundred camogie enthusiasts as they participated in the first national coaching course organised by the Camogie Association.

The cause of Sean O'Duffy's satisfaction was not far to seek. When, in the long ago, as Secretary of the T. F. Crokes Hurling and Football Club, he first set about organising a camogie match at an Aeridheacht, he was hard pressed to find enough players in Dublin to make up two teams.

That was back around 1909 or 1910, but young Sean O'Duffy saw no reason why Gaelic-minded girls should not have a game and an organisation all their own, independent of but dedicated to the same ideals as the G.A.A.

To that end he has devoted much of his spare time for more than half a century,

and has seen the Association grow from less than half a dozen clubs in Dublin to a nationwide body with thousands of playing members and its own All-Ireland, provincial and colleges championships.

But it was Gormanston last week-end that must have really proved to Sean O'Duffy his decades of endeavour had not been in vain. There on the playing grounds and in the lecture halls gathered, from all over Ireland, a hundred girls and women, mainly young but some not so young, mainly lay Sisters of Mercy, Ursulines, Marists, Poor Clares, Presentation, St. Louis.

All of them had given up a week-end to equip themselves to teach and coach and organise camogie throughout the country.

And the real cause for Sean O'Duffy's happiness was this. Here were not one or two, but scores of enthusiasts dedicating themselves to the very task that he had had to set about single-handed so long ago.

And of the dedication at Gormanston last week-end there could be no question just as the attendance proved how widely and deeply based camogie is today.

Thirty came players or officials or Colleges nominees from twenty-five Irish counties — oddly, the absentees included Waterford,

Longford, Offaly and Donegal — while there were nuns and teachers and Physical Education specialists from each of the four provinces.

There were some of the great stars of the present — Maeve Gilroy of Antrim, Joan Murray of Wexford, Ann Carroll and Jo Golden from Kilkenny, Orla Ni Shiochain of Dublin, Mel Cummins and Kay Duane from Cork, Kathleen O'Hagan, Derry's junior All-Ireland captain.

There were fabled players of the past, Maire Breathnach, full-back on the very first All-Ireland winning side; Lily Spence from Antrim's golden years; Eileen Duffy and Annette Corrigan from the days when Dublin's power was almost unchallengeable.

There were rising stars from the schools teams, some magnificent players from such seldom-seen counties as Clare and Mayo and Wicklow and Roscommon, one or two nuns whose prowess with the camog left the inter-county stars gasping, and a few who were beginners, but were all the more anxious to learn.

They came from all walks of life — a stock-controller, an assistant cook, an architect, and an architect's secretary (from different counties), civil servants, factory machinists, a

telephonist, a circuit-court officer, a dress-maker, a bank official, even a farm home adviser and, I suppose inevitably, a journalist.

There were teachers and students, two girls who were farmers' daughters and a quota of homesives. Indeed, one particularly youthful-looking former inter-county player wondered a little wistfully as to how her husband was coping with their nine children — but that did not prevent her going out and performing unexpected heroics in the seven-side competition.

No wonder the man in charge, former hurling-cum-football star Des Ferguson, who is also the G.A.A.'s chief hurling coach, could only shake his head in wonder at the dedication, the enthusiasm, the all-round playing standard, and the meticulous organisation by a special committee.

No wonder Sean O'Duffy stood smiling there in Gormanston, saying that that this coaching course surely marked the start of a new era for the game he once kept alive almost unaided.

And my only wonder, as I left in the July dusk, was that the foxes of Gormanston had not gathered in to watch so unique a hosting, as once they used to gather there to bid farewell to successive heads of the House of Preston.

## Kilkenny's Success Was No Fluke

feat the Metropolitans had sustained in the provincial competition for over thirty years.

Moreover, since then, Kilkenny had won two All-Ireland club championships and two All-Ireland Colleges championships, so it was obvious that if the Nore side girls were ever to break through into top inter county ranks, their opportunity should have now arrived.

**DUBLIN FAVOURED**

The trend of public opinion before the Leinster final was in favour of Dublin because of the relative ease with which Dublin had disposed of All-Ireland champions Wexford in the semi-final, but on Sunday last Kilkenny got rid of the ball far more quickly than Wexford had done.

Besides they had obviously given considerable forethought to the game, and disposed of their forces in such a way as to capitalise on their own strong points while containing the greatest strength of the opposition.

The result was that Kilkenny narrowly won a great and exciting game, one of the finest Leinster finals I have ever seen, and if I was asked to name the vital factor that carried the day for Kilkenny I would say it was the long accurate striking of their Colleges star on the wing, Liz Neary.

**CROWN REGAINED**

While Kilkenny, who next meet Galway in the semi-final, were taking their first ever title, Cork were regaining the sunnier crown from Tipperary in a very convincing style in the second half at the Mardyke.

And here again the star of the winning side was a Colleges' player, Liz Garvan, who scored or laid on the vital goals that knocked Tipperary off their throne. In the North the senior and junior championships have been held up by the political troubles, and this means that the second set of semi-finals, in which Cork play the Ulster champions, will probably have to be put back to a later date.

Cork set a record when they won the Munster junior championship for the third successive year by defeating Limerick at the Mardyke last Sunday, but Louth and Dublin who finished level at Croke Park, must meet again to decide the destiny of Leinster honours.

**COACHING COURSE**

This weekend all roads lead to Gormanston for the first National Coaching Course. More than 100 applications have been filled from County Boards and Colleges Councils, and the success of the Course seems to be already assured.

The activities commence this evening and will continue until Sunday evening and will cover every aspect of learning and imparting the skills of the game at every level.

With the G.A.A.'s top hurling team, led by Des Ferguson, in charge of the basic skills department, aided by expert camogie coaches and P.E. instructors, this Gormanston course seems to be the most promising and constructive move made for the countrywide advancement of the game since the camogie association was first founded more than sixty years ago.



● DES FERGUSON, former Dublin dual-star and the GAA's chief hurling coach, takes on an unusual assignment this weekend when he will be in charge of the Camogie Association's first national coaching course at Gormanston College.

### Galway through to final again

Galway, 4-4; Sligo, 0-4

GALWAY (holders) advanced to the final of the Connacht Junior Camogie Championship by deservedly beating Sligo at Galway yesterday.

Luck O'Brien (2-3), Grace Divilly (1-0), Mary Creshan (1-0) Alma Duane (0-1), Bernie McDonagh and Marian Farragher were outstanding for the winners who led by 2-1 to 0-3 at half time.

Martha McCann (0-4), Irene Leydon, Kathleen Mitchell and Lillian Burns did best for the losers.



# Wexford's Two Year Reign Bites the Dust

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**PLANS** for a historic three All-Irelands in-a-row by Wexford this year were unceremoniously shattered at Parnell Park, Dublin, last Sunday when the defending champions were defeated by Dublin, 4-3 to 3-0, in the Leinster semi-final.

Coming at this stage, the defeat is a bitter pill to take, yet for the duration of Sunday's game there was no doubt as to what the end result would be. It was an ill-prepared and unfit Wexford team that stepped out on the pitch to defend those hard-won titles of '69 and the first in '68. The warnings of complacency bore fruit as Wexford watched helplessly at the sparkling teamwork of the Dubliners.

It was a wonder to behold the verve and unwavering determination of Dublin, factors which we had come to associate with the Wexford girls in their two-year climb to power. But Wexford, if they had these and other factors, failed to hold on to them in this game.

#### PREPARATION PAID OFF

Dublin, who play their championship in winter and are playing practically the whole year round, on no occasion faltered in their mission. The preparation they must have put in for this game will probably never be known, but it most certainly paid off. Unlike Wexford, Dublin possessed tremendous finish, largely due to the brilliance of winger **Judy Doyle** who had the veritable 'field day.'

Allied to this, the Dublin defence played with a new-found determination that has not been evident in many games. Their midfield was sharp, decisive and to the point and went a long way in outclassing Wexford's best effort. Then there was Dublin, much the same as other years but with new heart and above all a superior degree of fitness.

And what of Wexford? Where was the team capable of hurling the best in the land, the team renowned for its fighting qualities and the talent to back this up? **Margt. O'Leary** had her usual great game but this time, because of the poorness of the front runners and

the vulnerability of the defence, she was forced to play three roles: her own position in defence which was more than a demanding task, to bring more power to centrefield, and also to move into scoring range in attack. It was a three-in-one entity which was impossible to achieve. She had put so much into the game that in the final eight minutes she could barely lift her stick.

#### IRREPLACABLE LOSS

The yawning gap created by the absence of skilful **Brigid Doyle** was evident at all times. Her presence would have steadied the whole team tremendously and would have been worth a couple of Wexford players on the day. In truth, she was an irreplaceable loss, both for her brilliant play at centre-back and also for her all-round effect on the team.

How did Wexford shockingly lose the All-Ireland crown at only the first hurdle? Goalie **Theresa Sheil** filled her role to the best of her ability, and was many times the victim of inadequate cover. The defence was poor even by the standard of previous games, loose enough to let the marauding forwards create many chances. At midfield **Mary Walsh** was the only seasoned player, but one player alone could not carry this sector. The forward line was off-form completely and their best efforts

were thwarted by a rigorous defence and a brilliant goalkeeper.

If that was Wexford's best, it was not good enough at all. As expected, Dublin were more than anxious to give Wexford a beating yet the manner in which they set about doing it was not at all anticipated. Dublin were fully-fit, fully-determined and fully-gearred to a win. I think the Wexford team as much as their followers expected another Wexford 'miracle' in which the team would come back at the last minute. But this was not to be.

#### BETTER EQUIPPED

Had Wexford been a little lucky in the first half they would surely have been a better-equipped side to deal with wind-backed Dublin in the second. But they were not lucky and so events ran out their normal course.

Fit or unfit, Wexford did not approach the game in a proper spirit but it is a little too easy to criticise a team that has given us so much wonderful pleasure and enjoyment. They had, in two years, been undefeated in 8 major inter-county games—the manner in which they 'went out' on Sunday is thus all the more sad.

As always, it is the easiest of tasks to be wise after the event yet it is true to say that with a bit more preparation Wexford would have qualified for yet another Leinster decider. However, Dublin deservedly won the game with a

display to be envied: Dublin had teamwork and fitness, Wexford had not.

If the above writing sounds like a post-mortem, it is not intended to. One is never beaten for keeps. The game bore lessons Wexford cannot ignore, and next year the Model County will be back, bigger and better than ever.

#### WIND-POWERED WEXFORD SCORED FIRST

Wexford, who took the field minus **Kit Codd** (née Kehoe) from the selected line-out, scored the first goal of the game, gladdening the hearts of supporters. From the throw-in, the exchanges were hot and heavy but, as for most of the game, were even enough. Eleven minutes had passed when, in a goalmouth tussle, **Mary Shannon** slotted in a goal from a high centre.

Aided by the wind, Wexford subjected the home defence to severe pressure but was faced with unflinching determination. Dublin did not break up the field too often but when they did looked far more dangerous than Wexford.

The Metropolitan attack played with tidy and precise play, typified by **Judy Doyle's** fine goal in the 17th minute: from the activity on the left wing, **Una O'Connor** sent the sliotar from the rack of players across the wide-open middle and all the rushing **Judy Doyle** had

to do was hit it past the Wexford goalie. This left the score 1-0 each at half-time.

#### LIFTING CRAZE

In the second half Dublin really opened up. Strangely enough, the exchanges were fairly even but there was a world of difference in the forwards of both teams. For Wexford, the full-forward line persisted in lifting the ball even, as on several occasions, less than ten yards in front of goal, where a ground-stroke would surely have had better results. The Dublin attack, on the other hand, had one single intention in mind — get the ball to the net, no matter how. For Wexford it was gloating over the situation first and trying to hit it in second instead of hitting first and then gloating.

In minute two, **Judy Doyle** was in again but her rocket-like shot hit the side netting. She made no mistake two minutes later, however, when again left unmarked she practically in the goalmouth she tapped in a harmless-looking drive that came from centrefield. The ageless Dublin star followed this up with two points in the 5th and 6th minute, one of which could easily have been a goal. Dublin now led by 2-2 to 1-0 and looked the superior side. **Una O'Connor** belted home Dublin's next goal (13th), and one minute later **Judy Doyle** slipped in another (4-2 to 1-0).

#### SIXTY YARDS' GOAL

It was now up to Wexford but all they secured in their remaining 9-minute rally was two goals, per **Mary Doyle** (16th) and **Margaret O'Leary**, from a 60 yard free two minutes from the end. As if to emphasise their superiority, Dublin had another point, fittingly by **Judy Doyle**, in minute 24, to leave them winners by 4-3 to 3-0.

All the Wexford side played at their best but only three—**Margt. O'Leary**, **Bridget O'Connor** and **Mary Walsh** turned in the performance of matchwinners. **Teresa Sheil** in goal, full-back **Joan Murphy** in the first half, and centre-forward **Annie Kehoe** in the last half were others to impress.

Scorers for Dublin — **J. Doyle** (3-3) and **Una O'Connor** (1-0). For Wexford — **M. Shannon**, **M. Doyle** and **M. O'Leary** (1-0 each).

Wexford — **T. Sheil** (gl.); **Joan Murphy**; **Mary Dinan**, **Margaret O'Leary**, **Bridget O'Connor**; **Bridie**

**Jacob**, **Bernie Murphy**, **Mary Walsh**; **Josie Kehoe** (capt.), **Annie Kehoe**, **Mary Doyle**; **Mary Shannon**; subs., **Peggy Doyle** (for **B. Jacob**), **Elsie Walsh** (for **B. Murphy**), **Cathy Power** (for **M. Doyle**).

Dublin — **S. Murray** (gl.); **M. Ryan**; **B. Keenan**, **K. Murphy**, **P. Timmins**; **M. Brennan**, **K. Lyons**, **O. Ni Siochain**; **M. Sherlock**, **A. Sheehy**, **J. Doyle**; **U. O'Connor**; sub., **P. Whelan** (for **K. Murphy**).

Referee — **Mrs. Lily Spence** (Antrim).



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# Impressive Mayo Can Take Connacht Title

By AGNES HOURIGAN  
Although all else on the camogie fields was overshadowed last week-end by the coaching course at Gormanston College, one championship game was played, the semi-final of the Connacht junior series.

In this, holders Galway got the better of Sligo and thus qualified for the final in which they meet the winners of next Sunday's Mayo-Roscommon game at Roscommon.

Some of the Roscommon players I saw in Gormanston were very promising but I was very much impressed by the Mayo contingent. Since Mayo this year are fielding their strongest side they must start favourites not alone to win this semi-final but to gain the Connacht title for the first time in this grade.

But they will have to beat Roscommon first and that may not be so easily done. However, Mayo must start favourites.

Meanwhile the northern title rests between Antrim and Down. Antrim have been

Queens of the North for a long, long time now, but Down have been steadily improving and they have brilliant individuals in Margaret Caldwell and Patricia Crangle. But I feel they will not match Antrim in teamwork and when the final is decided I expect Antrim will go through to meet Cork.

The way is, of course, already clear to the other All-Ireland senior semi-final which will provide a unique pairing, Kilkenny v Galway.

Kilkenny, it was very noticeable, sent some of their top players to the Gormanston course, presumably on the very wise assumption that even the stars can always learn something extra.

Another county that seemed to be working on the same principle was Cork, which also sent a strong contingent of current players to the course.

But what impressed me most at Gormanston was the eagerness and the enthusiasm shown by players and officials alike from counties which are rarely in the camogie lime-

light. There were some very promising players for instance from Clare. Mayo and Wicklow, and a very devoted band from Arnsagh and Kildare, while I liked the performance of the youngster from Wicklow.

Due to the holidays, the replay of the Leinster junior final between Dublin and Louth has been put back to August 9 and will be played at a Louth venue. Louth shaped so well in the drawn game at Croke Park that they will be favourites now on home ground to advance for the first time to an All-Ireland semi-final of this grade.

The winners of this game will play the Connacht champions, while Cork, Munster champions for the third successive year, will meet the Ulster winners.

As Cork have been twice foiled of junior All-Ireland victory by Ulster teams — Down in the final of 1968 and by Derry in last year's final — they will be all the more keen on overcoming the northern challenge now.

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**LOUTH'S HIGH HOPES OF TAKING CAMOGIE TITLE DASHED**

Louth's high hopes of winning their first Leinster Camogie Championship title in 30 years were shattered in the very last minute of last Sunday evening's junior final replay at Knockbridge when opponents, Dublin, had a rather surprise second goal to give them the laurels on the score of 2-1 to 1-1. It was a result which scarcely did justice to the Louth effort. For much of the way they were on top and didn't get the breaks.

Excitement ran very high at times especially in the dying stages when there was some dour defensive play on both sides. The winning goal was snatched from a melee by Dublin's Marian Coogan, who had come on as a second half substitute. About five minutes previously Louth had a point from Kitty Murphy to leave the scores level at 1-1 each, and it looked odds-on the match going to extra time when the visitors had that fortuitous winning flag of their's.

Croke Park, three weeks earlier, each side notched 2-1.

**SISTERS IN OPPOSITION**

Ann Harrington, a Stabannon school-teacher, whose sister, Clare, was on the Dublin side, put Louth in the lead on Sunday evening with a well taken goal in the 15th minute. Five minutes later, Dublin captain, Vera Feely, levelled, and two minutes from the interval, Veronica Fingleton (from a free), pointed for the lead for Dublin. As already mentioned, the second half yielded only two further scores, Kitty Murphy (0-1 for Louth) and the Dublin winner.

A big attendance fully enjoyed the match in overcast weather conditions. Louth were well served by the sisters, Rosa and Benadette Murtagh, Mary Ginney, Margaret Gallagher, Ann

Harrington and substitute, Eileen McEnteggart, while Dublin had stars in A. Cary, C. Harrington, V. Feely, M. Hayes and U. Carroll.

The chairman of the Leinster Camogie Council, Mrs. M. Corcoran, Kildare, presented the Smyco Cup to the Dublin captain amidst much cheering at the close.

Referee was Miss B. Garry, Kildare.

**DUBLIN**—Ann Carey; Ann Marie O'Loughlin, Pat Morrissey, Vera Sullivan, Clare Harrington, Vera Feely (captain), Veronica Fingleton, Maureen Hayes, Una Cormican, Rita Halpin, Una Carroll and Pauline Brennan.

**LOUTH** — Rose Murtagh; Brieger McKeown, Mary Ginney, Bernadette Murtagh, Kathleen Kelly, Collette Tumelty, Marie Donnelly, Margaret Gallagher, Joan Kelleedy, Kitty Sharkey, Ann Harrington and Annette Murphy.

Mr. P. Hoey, chairman Louth Camogie Board, congratulated Dublin on their win.

**ROSCOMMON JUNIORS FOR CONNACHT CAMOGIE FINAL**

Roscommon have qualified for their second Connacht Junior Camogie Final in four years. At St. Coman's Park, Roscommon, on Sunday last they ousted favourites Mayo from the title race and emerged winners by 3-3 to 3-0 after fifty minutes of exciting camogie.

Roscommon will meet Galway in the final at Manilla on August 9th.

Showing skill and teamwork, Roscommon impressed in this their first championship outing of the season. Starting outsiders, they were not in the least overawed by their opponents' reputation. They entered the game with a will to win and they clearly emerged the better side. Indeed, they would not have been flattered had they led by a greater margin at the final whistle.

Winning the toss, Roscommon were on the offensive from the throw-in, and in the opening minutes had by far the greater supply of the ball, but the inability of their forwards to finish off excellent approach work cost the home side at least three 'certain' goals. Mayo opened the scoring in the 7th minute with a goal by Chris Fenwick completely against the run of play. Despite this early lead, though it was evident that the Mayo side was not moving with its usual combination.

Roscommon were superior at midfield where Marie Benedetti and Marie Keane outshone their Mayo's Geraldine and Rosaleen Jordan. The striking feature of this opening period, and indeed of the entire game was the eclipse of dangerous wing forward Chris Fenwick by Roscommon's Mary Galvin. Despite this superiority, however, Roscommon's first score did not come until the tenth minute when centre-forward Kathleen O'Connor after collecting a well-timed pass from Marie Benedetti sent to the net. With the sides level, Mayo again took the initiative. Collecting the puck-out on the 50 yards line, Rosie Roane who came in as a sub sent the Mayo forwards attacking. The Roscommon de-

fence back-boned by Mary Mulhern and Patsy Smith withstood the Mayo onslaught for a time before Chris Fenwick again broke through to put Mayo ahead.

Roscommon brought Marie Benedetti to full-forward in exchange for Mary Walshe. At mid-field Maura Hagerty replaced Anne Gannon. These moves paid dividends. Roscommon forced two 30's and from the second of these Kathleen O'Connor put the sides level again—two goals each.

With just three minutes to go to the half-time whistle, Mayo had a goal disallowed for a square infringement. Then almost on half-time a high lobbing ball into the Mayo goal area dropped across the heads of backs and forwards for what would have been the lead for Roscommon, but the score was disallowed, the whistle having been blown while the ball was still in mid-air, and so the sides remained level at the interval.

Roscommon following a number of half-time switches started with rare enthusiasm. Within two minutes they were ahead when Mary Walshe sent Kathleen O'Connor through for her side's third goal, and having thus unsettled the opposition they never let them recover. Marie Benedetti sent over a point from far out to increase the lead, and this was stretched further when Kathleen O'Connor had another point.

With only ten minutes left for play however a defensive error let Mayo's Geraldine Jordan through for a goal. Two minutes from the end Mary Walshe cut in a Roscommon line ball. In the ensuing tussle for possession Maura Hagerty was grounded and Marie Benedetti made certain of victory by pointing the free, to leave Roscommon leading by three points on the final whistle.

For Roscommon, Kathleen O'Connor who had a personal tally of 3-1 was outstanding and she had good helpers in Noreen Flanagan, Mary Walshe, Marie Benedetti, Maura Hagerty and Mary Naughton.

Mayo were best served by Teresa Cavanagh, Anne Kilgarriffe, and Anne Burke in de-

**Coogan To The Rescue**

**DUBLIN** ..... 2-1  
**LOUTH** ..... 1-1

Dublin won the replay of the Leinster Junior Camogie Championship Final and Smyco Cup for the first time when they scored the winning goal against Louth in the last minute of the game at Knock Bridge, Dundal, last evening.

The winners, with wind advantage in the first half, were only a point in front at the turn when the score stood 1-1 to 1-0.

Louth equalised midway through the second half, both missing chances until Marion Coogan came to the rescue scoring the winning goal.

Outstanding for the winners were M. Feeley, A. M. O'Loughlin, V. Sullivan, U. Carroll and M. Hayes. Best for Louth were B. Murtagh, C. Tumelty, A. Harrington and K. Sharkey.

**Scorers:** Dublin — V. Feely (1-0), M. Coogan (1-0), V. Singleton (0-1). Louth — A. Harrington (1-1).

fence, while the Jordan sisters, Brid Scahill and Eileen Clarke were prominent in attack.

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**Subs:** M. Hegarty for A. Gannon and A. Gannon for S. McNeill.

**MAYO**—M. Barrett; A. Burke; B. Brogan, T. Cavanagh, A. Clarke; A. Kilgarriffe, G. Jordan, R. Jordan; M. Clarke, B. Scahill, E. Clarke, C. Fenwick; P. Gilroy. Sub: J. Ruane for M. Clarke.

**Problems for Antrim selectors**

THE postponed Ulster Senior Camogie Championship final between Down and Antrim will be played to-morrow at McKenna Park, Ballycran, Co. Down (5-30 pm). This match should have been played on the last Sunday in June but had to be postponed.

The selectors did not change the Antrim team which had been so successful against Derry but now circumstances have changed and the Antrim side is very uncertain.

Moya Forde and Christine Wheeler are on holiday, Eileen Collins is not available and some of the reserves are also not available. This leaves the selected players, T. Cassidy, C. Hughes, K. McManus, K. Kelly, P. O'Doherty, M. Diamond, M. McAtamney, A. McIvor and Lily Scullion, but for the others the selectors will have to try to find suitable alternatives.

Antrim should win this match but there is so much uncertainty that a strong Down side could catch the champions napping.

An Ulster Minor Championship match will also be played to-morrow at the Athletic Grounds, Armagh (6-30 pm) between Armagh and Derry.

The Ulster Junior final will be played in Armagh next Sunday between Armagh and Monaghan.



Kathleen O'Connor, who accounted for 3-1 of Roscommon's total score of 3-3.



# NOTABLE EVENTS LAST WEEK

By AGNES HOURIGAN

A GOOD deal of camogie history was made last weekend with two counties winning provincial titles for the first time, two sisters playing against each other in one of those finals, and Antrim winning the Ulster title for a record sixteenth successive time.

Big surprise of the day was provided by Roscommon, who not alone won their first ever Connacht title by defeating Galway at Athleague, but did so by a most convincing five goal margin.

They will now meet the new Leinster champions, Dublin, in the All-Ireland semi-final at a Connacht venue on August 23.

Dublin also won their first junior title on Sunday last, but they only did so in the closing minutes of a most exciting Leinster final replay at Knockbridge.

Indeed a Louth victory looked very much on the card when Dublin, despite having had the advantage of a still breeze, could only lead by a point at half time. But, no for the first time this season the Dublin girls played far better against the breeze.

## Decisive Goal

The issue was still in the balance when, as was the case against Kilkenny in the semi-final, Dublin brought in Marian Coogan, and as she did at Kilkenny the diminutive U.C.D. student snatched a vital and decisive goal the very first time the ball came her way.

So Dublin now go forward to represent Leinster junior for the first time.

But far and away the most unusual feature of the game at Knockbridge was to see two sisters playing against each other in a provincial final both for different adopted counties.

Anne Harrington was at left full-forward for Louth, while her sister Claire was left full-back for Dublin. What is more both those Clare-born sisters played extremely well. Both are national teachers; one is teaching in Louth and the other in Dublin.

## Facile Win

Antrim won the Ulster title yet again when they scored a most facile victory over Down last Sunday in the Ulster senior final at Ballycran. The result was a disappointment to the home following as the Down girls never posed even a remote threat to the long-continued Antrim supremacy.

Antrim has advanced to meet Cork in the All-Ireland semi-final at Cork on August 30, but the Cork representatives who travelled North for this game can have learned very little.

Back in the Antrim ranks were goalkeeper Teresa Cassidy, Chris Hughes and Kathleen Kelly, while a surprise appearance was that of Mrs. Nancy Murray, star of other days, at full-back in the absence of Moya Forde.

But one thing was certain after last Sunday's game, Antrim will be very strong contenders indeed for All-Ireland honours again this season.

DUBLIN ..... 5-5; they did manage to come back and make a match of what at this stage looked like being a rout.

At Athleague on Sunday, Dublin had an unexpectedly easy win on the Dublin goal they had the over Roscommon in the All-Ireland-junior camogie semi-final shots blaze wide of the posts after leading by 2-3 to 0-2 at the interval.

Roscommon despite their inexperience of the 'big time' had been given equal chances of winning this game, especially on their Connacht final form, but they had reckoned without the experience, fitness and fighting spirit of Dublin, who go into their first ever All-Ireland junior final because they translated all their chances into the all important scores.

Though unchanged in personnel this was indeed a vastly different Roscommon team from that which hammered Galway in the provincial decider at the same venue a fortnight ago. Even with the advantage of the home venue and a record home following Roscommon were affected all through by 'nerves' and it was this more than anything else which led to defeat.

The defence which was rock-like in all their previous outings never settled down while the attack which had been the powerhouse of the team never produced the combination and accuracy which had previously recorded big scores against strong defences.

Fit and eager Dublin set the pace from the throw-in when they broke away for an early point. First to the ball always, their superb fitness was shown in the manner they backed up the player in possession and at all times there was a Dublin player or two running into the open for the oncoming pass. With very little between the sides in basic skills, this was indeed a victory for Dublin's teamwork. Their forwards in particular combined so well with each other and with the other sectors of the field that they made the ball do the work and by thus conserving their energy were still going strongly at the end of a hard fought game played in sweltering heat.

The game was only two minutes old when centre fielder, Vera Feely, opened the scoring for Dublin with a long range point. Minutes later a crafty piece of combination sent centre half forward Pauline Brennan through for their first goal and when two minutes later the same player hammered home their second goal it looked all over. Though Roscommon never really recovered from this early setback

In a period of sustained pressure on the Dublin goal they had the experience of seeing three good while another hit an upright and was cleared.

Despite the one sidedness of the scoreline this was a game which kept the record semi-final attendance interested right up to the final whistle. The exciting start set a pattern which was maintained right through and even when Dublin stole away for their fourth goal midway through the second half Roscommon still looked capable of coming back. While Roscommon had the disheartening experience of losing a game into which they put sufficient work to win comfortably, they can be justifiably proud of their performance. They came up against a good team and to have matched them in most aspects of the game except in the vital matter of scoring was no mean feat.

## POLISHED PERFORMANCES

The defence had a trying time in coping with an elusive Dublin attack which included four U.C.D. Ashbourne Cup stars but they stuck to the task right through the game. In this sector Mary Galvin and Maura Hagerty gave polished performances when trying to subdue Nora McDonnell and Una O'Carroll. At centre half back Patsy Smyth stuck resolutely to her job of marking danger for-

ward Pauline Brennan while at full back Mary Mulhern carried out the unenviable task of policing Marian Coogan with such effect that the Dublin forward's personal tally was kept to 1-1.

Midfield appeared to be Roscommon's problem sector and here only Noreen Flanagan on the right wing produced the expected form when outpacing ex-U.C.D. star, Muireann Hayes for the entire 50 minutes. Successive pairings of Mary Walsh, Sheila McNeill, Marie Benedetti and Anne Gannon failed to subdue Vera Feely and Veronica Fingleton on the other wing.

None of the forwards reached the standard they are capable of and though they all tried hard only Kathleen O'Connor met with limited success. In addition to those already mentioned Dublin were well served by Anne Carey who was spectacularly sound in goal. Anne O'Loughlin at full back and Vera Sullivan in the left corner thwarted many Roscommon attacks.

Dublin — Anne Carey; A. O'Loughlin; Vera Sullivan, Rita Whyte, Claire Harrington; Vera Feely, Veronica Fingleton, M. Hayes; N. McDonnell, P. Brennan, U. Carroll; M. Coogan.

Roscommon — E. McKeon; M. Mulhern; M. Galvin, P. Smith, M. Hagerty; N. Flanagan, M. Walsh, S. McNeill; M. Keane, K. O'Connor, A. Gannon; M. Benedetti.

Subs. — U. Macken for A. O'Loughlin; Florence Fee for A. Gannon.

Ref. — Eithne Neville, Limerick.

Camogie Association President Mrs. Roisin McManus on her first official visit to Roscommon afterwards complimented Roscommon Co. Board on the arrangements for the game. She paid particular tribute to the stewarding on the field and the condition of the pitch which she said was a credit to the county and easily surpassed anything she had seen for semi-finals in the other provinces.

Dublin chairman, Miss Nell McCarthy also was impressed with the arrangements and particularly with the degree of sportsmanship exhibited by the Roscommon girls. She said that the kind of welcome which they had received was all too rare in championship Camogie and she added that with the brand of Camogie at present being played in the county Roscommon would go a long way towards an All-Ireland title in 1971.

## Antrim Had It Easy

ANTRIM ..... 6-5  
DUBLIN ..... 3-0

At the Phoenix Park yesterday Antrim scored a good win over Dublin in a challenge game requested by Antrim who are preparing for the semi-finals of the All-Ireland camogie championships against Cork at Cork on Sunday, August 30.

Antrim led 2-2 to 2-0 at half time. Ann Melvor who played at centre forward for Antrim scored 4-1.

Goals from Chris O'Boyle and Dolores Crawford and (0-2 each) from Mairead Diamond and Mairead McEaney completed the winners tally.

Judy Doyle (2-0) and Una O'Connor (1-0) scored for Dublin.

## Retain Title

ST. ABBANS ..... 3-2  
BUFFERS ALLEY ..... 1-3

In a very exciting County Wexford Senior Camogie final, Adamstown St. Abban's successfully defended their title for the third year in defeating Buffer's Alley at Enniscorthy yesterday. The winners led at half time by 1-1 to 0-1.

SCORERS: St. Abban's — J. Kehoe (2-0), A. Kehoe (1-1), B. Doyle (0-1). Buffers Alley — M. Hearne (1-0), B. McClean (0-2), M. O'Leary (0-1).

## Kilkenny Advance

As Connacht representatives Galway have withdrawn from the All-Ireland Senior Championship, the semi-final between themselves and Leinster champions Kilkenny originally scheduled for a Galway venue on Sunday next, will not take place and Kilkenny advance to the senior final against Cork or Antrim at Croke Park on September 20.

The All-Ireland Junior semi-final between Connacht champions Roscommon and Dublin, the Leinster champions, will be played as scheduled on Sunday at Athleague (3.30).



# Antrim, Cork

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## In Double Bid

**KILKENNY, already through unopposed by any Connacht representatives to the All-Ireland camogie final, will know their opponents on Sunday next when Antrim and Cork clash in the second scheduled semi-final at the Mardyke.**

Curtain-raiser to this game will be the junior semi-final in which Armagh and Cork do battle for the right to meet Dublin in the decider of this grade.

Cork who regained the Munster title in the senior grade this season with hard-won, but effective victories over Tipperary and Limerick, thus completed a clean sweep in the South as they had already taken the secondary and junior titles.

When Cork and Antrim last met in a semi-final, also at the Mardyke three years ago, Antrim had a well-merited victory and then went on to take the All-Ireland title.

For the game on Sunday, Cork show some changes from the side that won in Munster. Experienced Anna Crotty, whose craft proved a decisive factor when she came on as a substitute in the Munster final will be missing because of illness. And so her Glen Rovers club-mate Peggy Dorgan, star of many Cork victories in the past, is recalled at right forward.

In addition the team shows a number of positional switches, the most notable of which is the moving of Marie Costin from full-forward to full-back.

Hannah Dineen moves from full-back to left full, while Mebon Cummins is again in goal with Mary Joe Ryan retained at centre-back.

The mid-field trio of Betty Sugrue, Ann McAuliffe and the captain Anne Comerford is unchanged. Liz Garvan who should be fit from her tennis activities is centre-forward with Pat Moloney coming in at right forward and youthful Rosie Hennessy at full-forward.

### TOO GOOD

The Antrim line-out has not been finalised as I write, but assuming that they field at full available strength, the Ulster champions will take beating, even in Cork.

When they came to Dublin to play a challenge game on Sunday week last they were short several regulars but even at that they proved too good for what looked a reasonably strong Dublin selection.

However, Cork are still hard to beat on home ground and there should be very little between them at the end.

It is harder to assess form in the junior game, for while Armagh's young side proved something of a surprise packet in the North, it must be remembered that Ulster teams have thus far proved something of a hoodoo for Cork in this competition.

Cork have lost some stars to their own senior side, and they will be without Nora Gullifley who is in England on holiday. Rosie O'Sullivan comes in for

Mary Whelton, but most of the Cork side have now had a run of victories and should be good enough to reach the junior final for the third successive year.

But the winners of this game will have to achieve a high standard, for the other semi-final last Sunday in Roscommon was of exceptional quality with the home side matching Dublin in everything except team-work and combination.

Judging by the size of the crowd and the general enthusiasm, the game is in a very healthy condition at the moment in County Roscommon.

The teams for the senior game are:—

**Cork** — M. Cummins; M. Costin; S. Dunne, M. J. Ryan, H. Dineen; B. Sugrue, A. McAuliffe, A. Comerford (captain); P. Moloney, L. Garvan, P. Dorgan, R. Hennessy.

**Antrim** — T. Cassidy; M. Forde; T. MacAtamney, K. McManus, K. Kelly; A. McAteer; M. Diamond, M. McAtamney; C. O'Boyle, A. Melvor, C. Wheeler; L. Scullion.

## THE PIONEERS OF A GREAT EXPERIMENT

**T**HE Camogie Coaching Course at Gormanston College will be part of the history of the game by the time this article appears, but there is every reason to believe from the amount of work that has gone into its organisation that this course will in future be looked upon as a real landmark in the evolution of the Camogie Association. It is interesting to note who the organisers were. Well it was all figured out by a committee of five, with the assistance of the head of the G.A.A. coaching courses, Des Ferguson, whose record on the football and hurling fields needs no embellishment.

The others were Rosina McManus, President of the Camogie Association who has herself done a great deal of organising among the Grammar Schools in the North. Then there was the General Secretary Sheila McAnuly and Lily Spence, who were the founders of the Ulster Colleges competition.

All three were closely connected with the first camogie coaching courses run so successfully through the past couple of sea-

sons at Orangefield in Belfast. The Leinster representative, Agnes Purcell, was for a decade Secretary of the provincial Council, long time chairman of the Leinster Colleges Council and was the driving force behind the very successful coaching course for the Colleges organised at Mountmellick last Easter.

The Munster representative is Eithne Neville, who comes of a family not alone steeped in the Gaelic tradition but one who has done immense service to the native games not alone on the playing fields, but in the Council Chambers.

Her father, Mick Neville, played in several All-Ireland finals both with Dublin and with his native Limerick. Her brothers were all distinguished hurlers.

One of them, Fr. Earnan Neville has been both a member of the G.A.A. Central Council and President of the Handball Association.

Eithne Neville herself first came to prominence with U.C.D. a club with whom she won Dublin League, championship and

Ashbourne Cup medals. She also won an All-Ireland medal as a reserve on the Dublin team in 1958.

On her return to her native county she quickly won her place on the Limerick team, and won a Gael-Linn interprovincial Cup medal with Munster. But she has never contented herself as a playing member alone of the Association.

Eithne has been for a long time Secretary of the Munster Council and has put great work into organising camogie in Limerick at every level, but particularly among the schools.

In addition to all this she is a very well known referee, and has officiated at games at every level including more than one All-Ireland final.

It is devoted enthusiasts of this calibre who are the real striking force behind camogie and it is very interesting to note, especially for those in the G.A.A. who feel that enough of their players are not interested in promoting the games when their careers on the field are ended, that Miss Neville and Mrs. Purcell with Dublin, and Miss Spence with Antrim, are all All-Ireland medal-holders.

Considerable progress has already been made in the inter-county championships in both grades, but no champions have been crowned as I write. However, Galway are already senior champions of the West as they have not been opposed in this grade, while Antrim look virtual certainties to represent Ulster once again.

Both sets of All-Ireland semi-finals will be played this month. The Leinster champions must travel West to play the Connacht representatives, while the Ulster champions come down to play Munster.







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Pat Moloney (Cork) scores one of her three goals in the All-Ireland Senior Camogie semi-final against Antrim at U.C.C. Grounds yesterday. —("Examiner")

## Camogie

# Cork beat Antrim in sparkling game

Cork 3-5; Antrim 3-2.

DESPITE yesterday's persistent downpour at the U.C.C. Grounds, the All-Ireland camogie senior semi-final in which Cork beat Antrim was a sparkling advertisement for the sport. A relatively big crowd sat out every minute of the match, which produced highly skilled play, great courage and a splendidly exciting finish. Antrim, led from the beginning, staged a courageous come-back and contributed to a cliff-hanger finish, with Cork holding out in face of mounting pressure.

They owe their passage into the All-Ireland final, in which Kilkenny are appearing for the first time, largely because of an inspired nine minutes in the early part of the first half, when they scored three goals and a point. They never recaptured this brilliance. But they deserved to win for the manner in which they hung on doggedly to their lead in face of improving opposition.

### CHANGE IN TACTICS

But had they lost it would have been also due to a change in tactics which may have been induced by their success. Cork began with first time hurling and it was this which gave them the edge on the visitors. It helped to split up the Antrim defence and move them out of position for the openings which led to the Cork goals.

When Cork led 3-3 to 0-1 in the opening 20 minutes, they quite clearly gave way to overconfidence and began to play

the ball about. It gave Antrim a respite and helped them to get back into the game before half-time. An example of this was the manner in which Chris O'Boyle was allowed to walk through the Cork defence for a goal in the 20th minute.

It was an invaluable score for Antrim who were nevertheless 3-4 to 1-1 down at half-time, and very much up against it. There was, however, clear indication in the first half when their attack had less of the ball than Cork's, that they could be quite incisive.

It was Cork who had shown the earlier ability to get through for goals. In the 10th minute Pat Moloney whipped in one past Teresa Cassidy and after a then rampant Liz Garvan took a point, Pat Moloney was back again with a second goal in the 17th minute. Two minutes later Rosie Hennessy connected perfectly with a flying ball and Teresa Cassidy never saw it.

### GREAT GOAL

It looked as if Cork took their hang-over of confidence into the second half. But they were soon disabused. In four minutes Chris O'Boyle snatched a goal and a point and in the 14th Christine Wheeler hit a great third goal for Antrim.

She slammed it in at an angle and a very good Cork 'keeper, Mel Cummins, dived quickly but could only divert it in. Now Antrim were only two points behind and the pressure was really on Cork.

Mairead McAtamney had come storming into the game and with Kay Kelly dominant in Antrim's defence, Cork looked to be in real trouble. They responded magnificently and they survived not due to a top performance by any individual, but because all defenders tackled fiercely. The attack never really shook free again, but having missed two 30 yard frees Liz Garvan, who had faded in the second half, came storming back to snatch a point from play in the 18th minute.

It was Cork's only score in the second half but it put them a

goal in front, and gave them the renewed confidence to face a late great rally by their opponents, who had menacing attackers in Chris O'Boyle and Lily Scullion.

It would be invidious to detail the best of Cork's dogged defence, though Cork owed much to the early opportunism of Pat Moloney and Rosie Hennessy.

Scorers: Cork—P. Moloney, (2-0), R. Hennessy (1-2), L. Garvan (0-3). Antrim—C. O'Boyle (2-1), C. Wheeler (1-0), L. Scullion (0-1).

Cork: M. Cummins, M. Costine, H. Dineen, M. J. Ryan, S. Duane, R. Sugrue, A. McAuliffe, A. Comerford, P. Moloney, L. Garvan, P. Dorgan, R. Hennessy.

Antrim: T. Cassidy, M. Forde T. McAtamney, K. McManua, K. Kelly, R. McAtaer, M. Quinn, M. McAtamney, C. O'Boyle, A. McIvor, C. Wheeler, L. Scullion.

Referee: Mrs. K. O'Duffy (Dublin).

Armagh 3-4; Cork 1-3.

An inspired performance by Angela Toal put Cork out of the All-Ireland junior camogie final, when they lost to Armagh in the semi-final at the U.C.C. Grounds yesterday.

Cork played well enough in the first half when they led by 1-2 to 1-0 at half time. But they were never impressive afterwards, with the Armagh number nine finding the gaps in a wilting defence.

Cork's attack, who had their chances, had no real power in front of goal and might have conceded more scores were it not for the fine keeping of Deirdre Sutton. Armagh won their first Ulster junior championship this year.

Scorers: Armagh—A. Toal (3-3), A. McComb (0-1). Cork—N. O'Brien (1-0), M. McCarthy (0-2), M. Mahon (0-1).





The Cork team which defeated Antrim in the All-Ireland Senior Camogie semi-final at U.C.C. Grounds, yesterday. Below: The Antrim team. ("Echo")



Cork forwards Pat Moloney and Peggy Dorgan jump with joy as Pat scored the second goal against Antrim in the All-Ireland Senior Camogie semi-final at U.C.C. Grounds yesterday. ("Echo")

## Diamonds Galore!

The Diamonds from Bellaghy must have set up something of a record during eight days in the month of August. Now I'm not talking about Laurence and Tommy the Derry footballers but Laurence and his pretty wife, Mairead.

On August 23 the burly Laurence played midfield for Derry against Kerry in the All-Ireland senior football semi-final at Croke Park. Then just one week later — August 30 — Mairead, who like her hubby is a blonde, played at midfield for Antrim in the All-Ireland senior camogie semi-final against Cork in Cork.

And how does the wife of a Derry footballer come to be playing for Antrim. Quite simple. Before her marriage Mrs. Diamond was known as Mairead Quinn and she lived at Creggan, just over the county border from Bellaghy. She has played for Antrim for many years now and holds six Ulster championship medals as well as her All-Ireland ones.

Laurence and Mairead must also have set up another record by becoming the first husband and wife to win provincial medals in the same year. I'm only guessing here of course but it seems a highly likely supposition.

Whilst Mairead was playing against Cork Laurence was up in Magherafelt helping his club in the Derry senior championship final against Newbridge.

But setting up records is nothing new to the Diamond family. Tommy became the first and only one so far, to captain a county to victory in both the All-Ireland minor and under-21 championships. In 1965 he led Derry against Kerry and three years later he captained the Oak Leaf boys against Offaly.

Tommy has now followed the example of "big brother" Laurence and married an Antrim girl. On September 7, Miss Teresa Reid from Ballymena became Mrs. Tommy Diamond. Congratulations.

— TONY MCGEE.



A strong Cork attack is stopped by Armagh defenders in the All-Ireland Junior Camogie semi-final at U.C.C. Grounds, Cork. ("Echo")



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**BUFFERS ALLEY**, runners-up: At rear (left to right) — Ann McCarthy, Bridie Jacob, Josie Butler, Chris Led, Noreen French, Margaret O'Leary, Eileen Allen. In front — Peg Cash, Elsie Walsh, Breda McClean, Kathleen O'Leary and Maggie Hearne.

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The Cork junior camogie team which lost to Armagh in the All-Ireland semi-final at the U.C.C. Grounds. ("Echo")

BACK: M. HIGGINS, M. MURPHY, P. O'BRIEN,  
K. DUNNE, M. WHELTON, N. O'BRIEN  
AND D. SUTTON  
FRONT: K. O'REGAN, M. MCCARTHY, B. GIBBONS  
M. O'LEARY, K. RYAN, R. O'SULLIVAN  
J. BUCKLEY AND M. MAHON

### Kilkenny Were In Top Form

KILKENNY ..... 72  
DUBLIN ..... 24

All-Ireland camogie finalists Kilkenny were in fine form when they scored an easy victory over an understrength Dublin side in a challenge game at Phoenix Park yesterday morning in preparation for the All-Ireland final against Cork on September 20, at Croke Park.

Kilkenny who led 6-0 to 1-4 at half time were always in command.

Scorers: Kilkenny—M. Cassin (4-0), A. Carroll (2-1), H. O'Neill (11). Dublin — A. Sheehy (10), A. Carey (1-0), K. Lyons (0-3), O. Ni Schioch-ain (01).

### Good Luck

SIR — Please permit me some space in your column to express my congratulations with the Cork senior camogie team on their recent victory over Antrim in the All-Ireland camogie semi-final. The schoolgirls on the teams, Liz Gorman, Rose Hennessy and Pat Moloney were really a credit to their county with their wonderful displays. I wish Cork the best of luck in the All-Ireland final on September 20.

"WELL WISHER"  
Ballinhassig,  
Cork.





ST. ABBAN'S, county senior Camogie champions for the third time: At rear (left to right) — Josie Kehoe, May Roche (sub.), Gretta Kehoe, Mary Harrington, Annie Kent (capt.), Ann Foley, Bernie Kehoe, Kathleen McCabe, Breda Finn. In front — Kathleen Barnes (sub.), Brigid Doyle, Kathleen Whelan, Helen Power (sub.), Elly Whelan (sub.), Ann Quigley and Annie Kehoe.

## Third Title for Magnificent St. Abban's

**BEFORE** the game, everyone viewed the county senior Camogie final clash between Adamstown Saint Abban's (holders) and Buffers Alley as having the prospects of a thrilling clash. But few foresaw that the encounter, in Bellefield, Enniscorthy, last Sunday would be this and much, much more.

By the same token the challengers had gained a lot in support of their chances from the many neutral followers, though at no stage were the Adamstown callini dismissed very lightly, an Echo representative writes.

We were all in for a big shock, of course, for what no one had reckoned on was the staying power and sheer magnificence of St. Abban's. Perhaps because they have achieved so much in such a short time that I, like many others, underestimated the girls in the navy blue gymslips.

### TEAMS

St. Abban's — M. Harrington (goal); G. Kehoe; B. Finn, B. Doyle, A. Quigley; W. Whelan, A. Kent, B. Kehoe; J. Kehoe, A. Kehoe, K. Mc-

Cabe; A. Foley. Buffers Alley—A. McCarthy (goal); C. Lee; K. O'Leary, B. Jacob, E. Walsh; N. French, M. O'Leary, J. Butler; E. Allen, B. McClean, M. Hearne; P. Cash; sub., Ann Cousins (for E. Allen). Referee—Carmel Fortune (St. John's). Officials — umpires, Mary Walsh, Ita Murphy (St. Icar's), Mary Roche (St. Martin's), Breda Murphy (St. Anne's); lines, Bernie Murphy, Lily Bolger (St. John's).

### A DAY OF RECKONING

Sunday's final was a day of reckoning. For Buffers Alley the game posed the question—were they going to make further history by taking the senior crown less than a year after they had so sensationally coasted to junior success? For the defending champions, St. Abban's, the question was—was this (the much younger 'Alley') the end of their reign, a reign they really deserved?

### DID NOT CLICK—

But it was only in the last half that Buffers Alley put up a really convincing performance and gave

any indication of their power. Things just did not click for them in the first half and, breaking away from the start, Adamstown, per fleet-footed Annie Kehoe, was 1-1 to 0-1 in front at half-time.

The second half brought a nerve-tugging, feverishly exciting spell to the contest. For St. Abban's—who had missed about seven open goals in the first half—Josie Kehoe (1-0) and Brigid Doyle (0-1, from a '30'), put the holders into a 2-2 to 0-1 lead. Ann McCarthy, who had started off in goal for 'the Alley', missed an open goal, and Breda McClean had a point.

Then came the turning point of the game when Josie Kehoe lashed home a ground ball to put St. Abban's ahead by 3-2 to 0-2. Buffers Alley threw just about everything into those last ten minutes, but was allowed only a point ('30' by Margt. O'Leary). As the game entered the last few minutes, 'the Alley' had a deserved goal when Maggie Hearne's hard shot was deflected by an amazed Breda Finn (St. Abban's) into the Abban's net. But this was the end, Adamstown retaining the Battle cup for the

third successive year on scores 3-2 to 1-3.

### MAGNIFICENT DEFENCE

No matter how the Buffers Alley callini tried, they just could not crack down on a magnificent St. Abban's rearguard in the last pulsating few minutes. I found Buffers Alley disappointing as a unit—they failed to attain the heights they are capable of doing. Admittedly, their star midfielder Margaret O'Leary was more than carefully 'policed' with two and three St. Abban's players 'attending' to her at all times.

But I feel 'the Alley' lost the match themselves—open goals were missed by the forwards. However, the experience gained in senior ranks this year, as well as that gained from Sunday, should see them in with a much better chance in '71.

As I stated, to underestimate those great St. Abban's players was a mistake. Each and every member played with unerring zest and victory was well merited. In a defence that was hard pressed in the final fifteen minutes, Brigid Doyle and Breda Finn, time after time, heroically repulsed all attacks, and Ann Quigley also made some timely saves.

St. Abban's are having problems with the goalkeeper's 'spot', but after Sunday, Mary Harrington should be an automatic choice for the berth. Team captain Annie Kent gave a vastly-improved display at middle, while Kathleen Whelan (middle) and the power-packed Annie Kehoe were other players who shone.

### BRAVE ATTEMPT

It was a brave attempt by 'the Alley', who can find great consolation in the fact that they gave their best in their very first year in the grade. They were a team in which only a few played well, and here I would mention that magnificent youngster Eisie Walsh a driving force at wingback, and a very



the community of the Abbey. She had been a member of the past 24 years. She was a very successful interest until she retired years ago, due to failing health. She was succeeded by Sister M. one of her own past pupils. ever, despite falling health, retained two Art classes.

and have ordered a further grant of £10 per head will be paid. Farmers who consider they have the right type of short-horn cow or Short-horn from them, and to comply with the usual hard book requirements for marketing and birth Some weight sales (each): 530; Hereford heifers £29; Short-horn heifers £28; Friesian bulls £28; Hereford bulls £29; Short-horn cows made up to £3 per head better than the previous year. Application

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# Cork Have High Hopes Of Taking All-Ireland Title

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SUNDAY could be the biggest day for Cork camogie since 1941. On that day they take on the girls from Kilkenny in the final of this season's All-Ireland Championship and they must have a really good chance of bringing the title back to the Lee for the first time since 1941.

Cork, to reach the final, played only one game in Munster before meeting Antrim in the All-Ireland semi-final. To win the provincial title Cork beat Tipperary by 4-5 to 0-7. On that day they were not as impressive as the scoreline suggests and in fact squandered a lot of chances. However, they were a different side against Antrim. For the first twenty minutes they played brilliantly with schoolgirls Pat Moloney and Rosie Hennessy in tremendous form. They completely outplayed an experienced Antrim team with their first time pulling. However, in the second half they slowed the game down and very nearly left Antrim get a grip. This they cannot afford to do on Sunday as any slowing down of the game could prove fatal.

Earlier this season Cork played Kilkenny in two challenge games and on each occasion Cork won. However they would not want to bank too much on these results as friendly games are never as serious as championship ties and Cork must meet a very different side on Sunday.

To qualify for Sunday's game Kilkenny played only one match. However, in this tie their opponents were the mighty Dublin who had previously disposed of the holders Wexford by 4-3 to 2-0 and a 5-3 to 4-3 win over the Dublin girls must be treated with the greatest respect. In the semi-final Kilkenny received a walk-over from Galway.

Cork are no newcomers to Croke Park on final day and they should have no fear of the big occasion. On the other hand Kilkenny will be playing in their first All-Ireland final, which could effect their confidence. However, it must be remembered that most of the Kilkenny players hold either or both All-Ireland Inter-Club (with St. Paul's) and All-Ireland Colleges medals (with Presentation Convent). These victories must help as success can always be such a driving force to go a step further. Also it would be well to remember that Wexford won their first All-Ireland at their initial attempt and to do so they defeated Cork.

Cork's biggest bogey on Sunday could be over-confidence. The three big guns — Dublin, Antrim and holders Wexford—are already out of the campaign and with their two victories over Kilkenny behind them they may be inclined to believe that they must win. But all they need do is to look back a few weeks to the Cork juniors who were strong favourites to dispose of Armagh in the semi-final of the Junior All-Ireland and completely flopped to give the Northerners a well deserved victory.

Certainly this is a grand Cork team. They have a brilliant goalkeeper in Eleanor Cummins, while all four defenders in front of her — Marie Costin, Hannah Dineen,

Mary Jo Ryan and Sheila Dunne — are very sound.

The centrefield trio were really tremendous against Antrim. Betty Sugrue did a fine job in putting Antrim star Mairead McAtamney right out of the game while Anne McAuliffe and Anne Comerford gave the forwards a constant supply of the ball.

### IN FINE FORM

And, of course, the forwards did not let the side down. Pat Moloney was in tremendous form and with Liz Garvan, Peggy Dorgan and Rosie Hennessy all adding their share, this victory over Antrim was a real team effort.

Kilkenny too have their stars. Jo Golden is a fine keeper, while Nuala Duncan is a very solid full back. However, they have suffered a blow in the half back line, where they will be without Anne Phean, who is injured. However the selected trio of Carmel O'Shea, Maura Kennedy and Joan Kelly should be very sound indeed.

In the centrefield they have a wonderful player in schoolgirl Liz Neary, but here again they have suffered a loss in the person of Mary Fennelly, who has withdrawn from the selection. However, P. Carey and Helen Drennan are two very capable players who complete this sector.

What of the forwards? Anne Carroll at half forward will need no introduction to Cork followers as she will be remembered for her many grand games against Cork when she was playing with Tipperary some years back. Anne could give the Cork defenders a great deal of trouble if she is not closely marked as Helena O'Neill Breda and Maura Cassin will be very quick to snap up any chance she might create.

This then is the Kilkenny team. On paper it looks a strong one but Cork if they can repeat their form against Antrim, especially their form in the first twenty minutes, must be capable of winning. On this occasion, the good wishes of all Cork followers will go with them, with the hope that on Monday night we will be celebrating yet another Cork All-Ireland victory.

Followers anxious to get to the game may be pleased to know that there is an excursion for the game on Sunday, leaving at 9.15 a.m. (price 42/-).

### TEAMS

**Cork** — M. Cummins, M. Costin, H. Dineen, M. J. Ryan, S. Dunne, B. Sugrue, A. McAuliffe, A. Comerford (captain); P. Moloney, L. Garvan, P. Dorgan, R. Hennessy.

Subs: M. Moran, M. McCarthy, A. Crotty and N. Guilley.

**Kilkenny** — J. Golden, N. Duncan, C. O'Shea, M. Kennedy, J. Kelly, L. Neary, P. Carey, H. Drennan, H. O'Neill, A. Carroll, B. Cassin, M. Cassin.

### FIXTURES—

Sunday at Croke Park: All-Ireland Finals — Junior: Armagh v Dublin, 2.15 p.m. Referee: Vera Mannion (Mayo). Senior: Cork v Kilkenny, 3.50 p.m. Ref: Nancy Murray (Antrim).

### Meet the Cork Players.

**Melou Cummins** (South Presentation P.P.), Goalkeeper. Melou has been Cork's number one choice to guard the net for the past few years. Is a very good ball player, possesses a long clearance and is seldom beaten. Holds five Munster, one Gael-Linn, two Cork Co. Championships and a number of senior league medals.

**Marie Costin** (Cloyne), Full-back. Played full-forward against Tipperary but reverted to her usual position for the Antrim game and held star forward, Lily Scullion, to a single point. Figured prominently on the Inishilly side in the championship. Has won one senior and three junior Munster medals.

**Mairead McAtamney** in the semi-final. Has played for Munster. Won two Munster Senior, two Co. Championship and Senior League medals.

**Anne McAuliffe** (Old Abs.), Centre-field. A regular on Cork Senior side for past four years. Won an inter-provincial place last season. Captain of her Club, she possesses three Munster Senior and one Munster Secondary medals.

**Anne Comerford** (South Pres.), Left-centre. Captain of the side. A fast stylish player who has been honoured by the Munster selectors. Was a prominent Schools player. Has four Munster Senior, two Co. Championship and a number of Senior League medals. Well-known in administration side of game.

**Pat Moloney** (Youghal), Right-forward. Though still only a schoolgirl Pat showed her class by taking two great goals against Antrim. Played for Cork Schools team in 1968 and again this year. Won Munster Senior, Secondary and Junior medals with Cork this season.

**Liz Garvan** (Old Abs.), Centre-forward. Equally famous at Camogie and Tennis having represented her Province in both sports. Received 1968 Munster Sports Award for Camogie. Possesses great natural ability and skill. Her collection of medals includes two Munster Senior, one Munster Secondary, three Munster Colleges and four Cork Schools Championships.

**Peggy Dorgan** (Glen Rovers), Left-forward. Won a Cork Sports Personality Award in 1965. A regular on the Munster side for several years. Figured prominently in Glen Rovers seven in-a-row Championship successes. Was Cork's top scorer in

the 1968 All-Ireland series. Holds a large collection of medals.

**Rosie Hennessy** (Old Abs.), Full-forward. Rosie set up an enviable record this season by winning four Munster medals—Senior, Secondary, Junior and Colleges. Despite her tender years she has made her mark on the County team and scored 1-2 off the experienced Moya Forde in the semi-final. Collected a large number of medals in Schools' Camogie.

### SUBS

**Mary Moran** (Old Abs.), Goalkeeper. Won Co. Championship medals in Cork and Dublin (with Celtic). Is an effective outfield player as well as a fine goalie. Has played on the Cork team as full-forward. Is the present Chairman of the Cork Co. Board.

**Marion McCarthy** (South Pres.), Centre-field. Played in last year's All-Ireland Junior Final. Has the ability to win a place of her own on the Senior side in the near future. Holds one Munster Senior, two Munster Junior, one Munster Secondary, two Co. Championship and a Senior League medal.

**Anna Crotty** (Glen Rovers), Forward. Has won every honour in the game except the elusive All-Ireland medal. Captained Cork in 1960 Final. Won the 1967 Munster Sports Award. Anna, who has given great service to her club, County and Province, possesses a hoard of medals.

**Nuala Guilley** (Churchtown), Forward. Learned her Camogie at School in Middleton. Played in the Senior Championship with Imohilly. Won inter-county recognition this season and picked up Munster Secondary and Junior medals.



Cork scorer in chief Pat Moloney.

**Hannah Dineen** (South Pres.), Right-back. Playing in her second All-Ireland Final. Wore the Combined Universities colours on a number of occasions. Also lined out with Munster. Among her trophies with Munster Senior, one are three Munster Senior, one Munster Secondary, three Ashbourne, two Cork Co. Championship and three Senior League medals.

**Mary Jo Ryan** (Youghal), Centre-back. Featured on the Munster team last season. Her third year on Cork Senior side. Previously played with Cork in the Secondary grade. Possesses two Munster Senior, one Munster Secondary, Cork Junior and Intermediate medals.

**Sheila Dunne** (Canovee), Left-back. Third season with Cork Seniors. Has lined-out for Munster and Combined Universities. Holds two Munster Senior, two Ashbourne and one Cork Junior Championship medals. Sister of Cork hurler and footballer, Noel Dunne.

**Betty Sugrue** (South Pres.), Right-centre. One of the stars of the team this season. Played brilliantly against Tipperary and blotted out Antrim's



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# CORK START FAVOURITES

## FOR THE TITLE

By AGNES HOURIGAN

Will Cork inscribe the county name on the O'Duffy Cup for the seventh time or will Kilkenny win their very first All-Ireland title? That is the problem posed at Croke Park on Sunday next when these two famed hurling counties meet for the first time in an All-Ireland camogie final.

For good measure the fans will have a scarcely less intriguing curtain-raiser in the junior final between the shock team of the competition, Armagh and Dublin, little fancied at the start of the year, but who have won their way to this final on merit alone. Neither of these counties have ever previously won the junior competition.

In the senior game Cork must, on past performances, start favourites. Although the county has not won the All-Ireland title since 1941, they were very close to victory against Wexford two years ago, and the team that lines out in the Cork tunic this time looks better balanced.

### Strength Obvious

They have come triumphantly through Munster and they

moved very well indeed when defeating fancied Antrim in a hard-fought semi-final at the Mardyke.

The strength of their defence was then obvious. They have a great goalkeeper in Mel Cummins, and a very sound defence in Hanna Dineen, Sheila Dunne, Marie Costin and Mary Jo Ryan. The midfield trio of captain Anne Comerford, Anne McAuliffe and Betty Sugrue.

The forwards were brilliant in the first quarter against Antrim, with Pat Moloney, Liz Garvan, Rosie Hennessy and Peggy Dorgan all equally prominent, and the fact that the experienced Anne Crotty is again fit enough to take her place on the reserves bench must be a comforting thought for the selectors.

Moreover, Cork have the psychological advantage that they have already twice beaten Kilkenny in challenge matches earlier in the season.

But Kilkenny will not be daunted by the odds against them, and though they were disappointed in Galway's failure to field in the semi-final, have shown good form in challenge games recently. Moreover, their Leinster final display in defeating Dublin who had previously accounted for the All-Ireland champions Wexford, provides them with pretty good credentials.

They have a sound and experienced goalkeeper in the U.C.D. stalwart, Jo Golden, and sound defenders in full-back and captain Nuala Duncan, Joan Kelly and Anne Phelan and newcomer Mary Kennedy. Colleges star Liz Neary and the interprovincial Carmel O'Shea will pose a major problem for Cork at midfield, but it remains to be seen how the clever Kilkenny forwards, led by Ann Carroll, the Cassin twins and Helena O'Neill will fare against the strong Cork defence.

It is in Kilkenny's favour

that with the exception of Peggy Cooney and Mary Kennedy, they all come from one club, St. Paul's.

The fact that St. Paul's have been All-Ireland club champions for the past two years could be an important factor now in Kilkenny's favour, while it is worth noting that Liz Neary, Anne Phelan and Helena O'Neill were on the Presentation College, Kilkenny, side that defeated a St. Aloysius, Cork, side that included Liz Garvan and Rosie Hennessy in the All-Ireland Colleges semi-final last May.

So, if the form-book favours Cork, Kilkenny cannot be very far behind them on past performance, and will make a very brave bid indeed for their first title.

In the junior final Armagh will be endeavouring to uphold the remarkable record of teams from across the Border in this competition. In the two junior finals decided to date Down won the first and Derry the second so Armagh will be striving to take the trophy across the Border for the third successive year on Sunday.

### THREE OF THE LEESIDE GIRLS



● ANN COMERFORD



● MELON CUMMINS



● HANNAH DINEEN

### Improving Team-work

The merit of their semi-final victory at Cork over a well-fancied Cork side was outstanding, and the open spaces of Croke Park are bound to suit their two brightest stars, Marion Delaney and Angela Toal.

On the other hand, if Dublin have no stars of equal magnitude the dominant feature of their advance to this final has been their ever-improving team work. Their victories over Kilkenny, Louth and Roscommon were hard-won, and must have improved steadily their confidence and cohesion.

They will miss forward Una Carroll who is off through injury but they have been moving so well together that their combination could well upset the more individual efforts of Armagh.

For the record the standing on the All-Ireland Roll of Antrim 5; Wexford 2. In the junior series the count is: Down 1; Derry 1.



Sheila Dunne . . . on the Cork Senior team against Kilkenny



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Trainer Jack Dempsey has a talk on teamwork with the Cork camogie players during a training session for tomorrow's All-Ireland Final at Croke Park.

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# LIZ GARVAN STEALS

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56 lbs.—1. G. O'Connor (Marian); 26 ft. 3 inches; 2. T. Jones (Scariff); 23 ft. 5 inches; 3. P. Glynn (Kil-lanena) 22 ft. 9 inches.  
Long Jump—1. J. Tubridy, 19 ft.

## Cork's Seventh Camogie Title

By AGNES HOURIGAN

CORK ..... 5-7      KILKENNY ..... 3-2

LIZ GARVAN, the 18-year-old tennis champion from Old Aloysians, stole all the honours that were going in the All-Ireland senior camogie championship final at Croke Park yesterday as she steered Cork to a double-scores victory that gave the Leaside girls their seventh title in all and their first since 1941.

Not alone was school-girl Liz, who enters U.C.C. next month, the scoring machine that shattered Kilkenny—she scored three goals and six points of her side's total from frees and play—but right through the hour she was the only player who showed the style and class that characterised the great Dublin-Antrim finals of a few years ago.

Others there were who showed us polished striking in patches, but, over-all, the marking was far too close and keen for stylish play. So all the more credit to Liz Garvan.

This was a match from which Cork emerged the most clear-cut of winners. They had an early shock, when Anne Carroll

there to the end Cork were in full command. True, Kilkenny had plenty of chances through the last ten minutes, but their forwards were over-anxious and fumbled them away.

If Liz Garvan stole the show, she had a great forward helper in Peggy Dorgan, who accounted for the remainder of the Cork scores. Captain Anne Comerford, Betty Sugrue and Anne McAuliffe were always in control at mid-field, with goal-keeper Mel Cummins, full-back Marie Costin, Mary Jo Ryan and Hanna Dineen unyielding in defence.

It was not a day the Kilkenny players will care to remember, as too many of them played below their best, but Anne Phelan, Jo Golden, Liz Neary, Maura Cassin, Peggy Carey and Anne Carroll were most conspicuous.

Anna Crotty, Cork's star of other All-Irelands, came in as a substitute a minute from the end—a fine gesture to a great player who has done so much for the game.

Scorers: Cork—L. Garvan (3-6), P. Dorgan (2-1), Kilkenny—A. Carroll (2-1), A. Carey (1-1).

CORK: E. Cummins; M. Costin; H. Dineen; M. J. Ryan; S. Dunne; B. Sugrue; A. McAuliffe; A. Comerford (captain); P. Moloney; E. Garvan; P. Dorgan; R. Hennessy.

KILKENNY: J. Golden; N. Duncan (captain); A. Phelan; M. Kennedy; J. Kelly; E. Neary; C. O'Shea; M. Carey; H. O'Neill; A. Carroll; B. Cassin; M. Cassin; Subs: R. Conway for N. Duncan; N. Duncan for M. Kennedy.  
Referee—Mrs. N. Murray (Antrim).



● Cork's Sheila Dunne (extreme right) is outnumbered four to one by (from left) Kilkenny's Anne Carroll, twin sisters Maura and Breda Cassin and Helena O'Neill (No. 9).

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cracked home a Kilkenny goal from Maura Cassin's pass in the fourth minute, but the advantage was short-lived.

Liz Garvan was quickly on target with a point from a Cork free and, inside 30 seconds, Peggy Dorgan snapped in a goal to put the Munster champions ahead. Another Garvan point followed from a '30' and, after Anne Carroll had hit the Cork cross-bar with a blistering shot, Liz was again on the mark from a free.

### Cruel Blow

Peggy Carey set the sides level with an opportunist goal but Kilkenny then suffered a cruel blow, when their full-back and captain, Nuala Duncan, had to retire injured. The subsequent reshuffle did not help the cohesion of the losers' defence, which was then badly at fault in conceding a goal direct from a Garvan '30' and the same player slipped through for a further goal and point.

That left Cork seven points clear, 3-4 to 2-0, at the interval. Nuala Duncan was back for the restart and Anne Carroll briefly revived Kilkenny hopes when she blasted home a goal from a close free ten minutes after the restart but Liz Garvan promptly took care of that rally.

She completed her hat-trick of goals from a free, and from

## DUBLIN SURVIVE RALLY

DUBLIN ..... 4-2      ARMAGH ..... 3-3

Dublin, in command for forty-five of the fifty minutes, were almost caught napping by a wonderful Armagh rally that packed all the thrills into the tense concluding stages of the All-Ireland junior camogie final at Croke Park.

The Dublin girls, seeking their first title, matched their teamwork from the start against the individual brilliance of the opposition and, though missing chances, had worked themselves into a 2-2 to 0-1 lead at half-time.

Armagh piled on the pressure through the first ten minutes of the second half but Dublin broke back to snatch

two quick goals inside a minute and seemed comfortably placed with a four-goal lead and just ten minutes to go.

Then just five minutes from time Anne Cairns cracked home a goal after the ball had come back off the Dublin crossbar. Inside the minute Ann McGuinness had a similar score.

Then inside another minute substitute Joan Austin shot an Armagh goal and Angela Toal a point, and the margin was down to two points. Tension was terrific as Armagh surged to the attack but the Dublin defence stemmed the onslaught and the winners were back in attack before the close.

Goalkeeper, Anne Carey, Anne and Marie O'Loughlin, Rita White, Vera Sullivan and Claire Harrington were all outstanding in a Dublin defence that gave nothing away until those closing minutes.

SCORERS—Dublin—P. Brennan (2-0); R. Halpin (2-0); V. Fingleton (0-1); V. Feeley (0-1), Armagh—A. McGuinness (1-0); A. Cairns (1-0); J. Austin (1-0); M. Delaney (0-1); A. Beagan (0-1); A. Toal (0-1).

DUBLIN:—A. Carey; A. M. O'Loughlin; C. Harrington; V. Sullivan; R. White; V. Fingleton; V. Feeley; M. Hayes; N. McDonald; P. Brennan; R. Halpin; M. Coogan.

ARMAGH:—K. Fearon; E. Scullion; S. McKeown; A. McLone; M. Courtney; A. Toal; M. Delaney; I. Patterson; A. Beagan; P. McLaughlin; A. McGuinness; A. Cairns. Subs.—J. Austin for A. A. Beagan for A. Cairns.  
Referee: Mrs. V. Mannion (Mayo)



● Her team-mates applaud Vera Feely, captain of the Dublin junior team, as she receives the championship trophy from Mrs. Rosina McManus, president of the Camogie Association.



# Long wait ends for Cork camogie BRILLIANT TITLE WIN OVER KILKENNY

CORK 5-7, KILKENNY 3-2

AT LAST the long wait is over for Cork camogie followers. Yesterday at Croke Park they took the All-Ireland Championship for the first time since 1941 when they had a tremendous victory over Kilkenny by 5-7 to 3-2. And all those who were lucky enough to be at the game must have felt that the 29-year wait was worthwhile with this great team victory in which every member of the side played her part.

Cork suffered what could have been a stunning blow when Anne Carroll scored a great goal against them after five minutes. But such was the confidence of this Cork team that they brushed this setback aside and within a minute Liz Garvan scored the first point of her great 3-6 tally. A minute later Peggy Dorgan added a grand goal which was quickly followed by two further points from Liz Garvan.

Then Kilkenny struck again with another fine goal, this time from Mary Carey, to leave the sides level. At this stage Mary Carey, Liz Neary and Helena O'Neill were in tremendous form for Kilkenny. But Cork came back in brilliant style and before halftime Liz Garvan had added two great goals and a point to their tally, to which Kilkenny had no reply. This left the half-time score at 5-4 to 2-0.

On the resumption Anne Carroll repeated her feat of the first half with a goal for Kilkenny in the early stages, but before the losers could strengthen their challenge, Liz Garvan and Peggy Dorgan had added two further goals for the winners. Again Kilkenny tried to come back with a point from Mary Carey after 15 minutes and another from Anne Carroll soon after, but they had no answer to this Cork team, and

before the final whistle Peggy Dorgan and Liz Garvan had added three further points to leave the full-time score at 5-7 to 3-2.

#### SPECIAL MENTION

This was such a well-deserved team victory that it is difficult to single out any players for special mention. However, Liz Garvan's scoring ability cannot be overlooked. Her great opportunist goals from frees and play were a feature of this game and surely she must wear the mantle of "player of the match." Not far behind came Peggy Dorgan, who was in brilliant form at wing-forward and who with Liz shared the entire 5-7 tally.

But Cork were strong in all sectors. Eleanor Cummins brought off many great saves, while the defence of Marie Costin, Sheila Dunne and par-

ticularly Hannah Dineen and Mary Jo Ryan rarely put a foot wrong. Anne Comerford played a captain's part at centre-field, where she had two highly efficient partners in Anne McAuliffe and Betty Sugrue.

Cork, of course, had Liz Garvan and Peggy Dorgan in the forward line, but the remaining two, Rosie Hennessey and Peg Moloney, are also worthy of mention for the amount of work they put into making openings for their sharpshooting partners.

This must have been one of the fittest Cork teams for many a year, and here the credit must go to former hurling star Jack Dempsey, who took over the coaching of the team this season. Mr. Dempsey, who won minor and junior All-Ireland medals with Cork and also played on the senior Cork team, did a first-class job.

Finally, a reminder that the

Cork team will be arriving home by train this evening at 9.20 and it is hoped that Cork supporters will turn out in big numbers to welcome home this very talented side who have brought the O'Duffy Cup to Cork after that lengthy 29-year lapse.

Scorers for the winners—Liz Garvan (5-6) and P. Dorgan (2-1), while A. Carroll (2-1) and M. Carey (1-1) were on the mark for Kilkenny.

Teams:—Cork—E. Cummins; M. Costin; H. Dineen, M. J. Ryan, S. Dunne; A. Comerford (capt.), B. Sugrue, A. McAuliffe; P. Moloney, E. Garvan, P. Dorgan and R. Hennessey. Sub.: A. Cretty for P. Moloney.

Kilkenny—J. Golden; N. Duncan; A. Phelan, M. Kennedy, J. Kelly; E. Neary, C. O'Shea, M. Carey; H. O'Neill, A. Carroll, B. Cassin and M. Cassin. Subs.: M. Conway for N. Duncan; N. Duncan for M. Kennedy.



The Cork defence has the situation well in hand as Kilkenny forwards break through during yesterday's All-Ireland Camogie final at Croke Park.



# 1970 ALL-IRELAND CHAMPIONS



The victorious Cork team which defeated Kilkenny in the All-Ireland Cabogie Final at Croke Park.

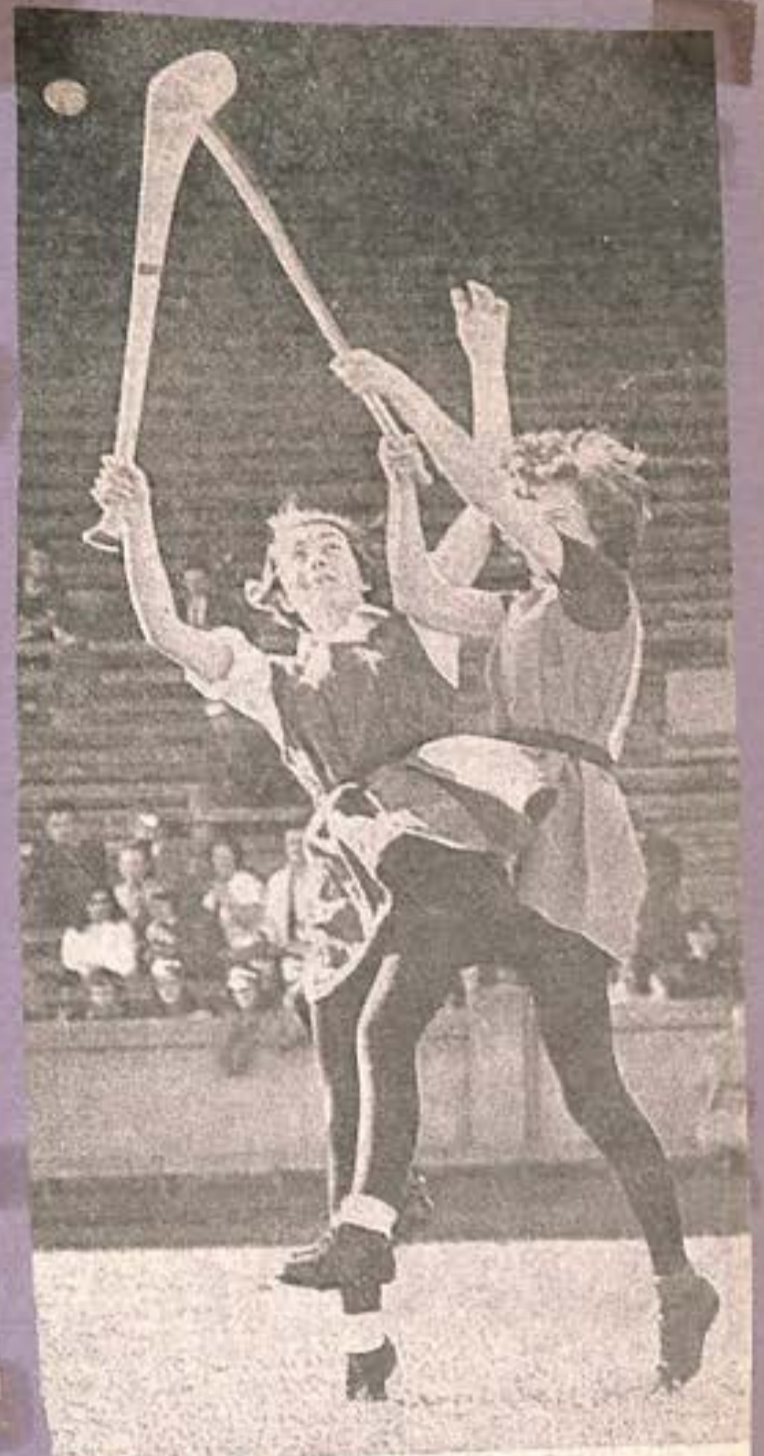
BACK:- JACK DEMPSEY, LIZ GARVAN, SHEILA DUNNE,  
ANNA CROTTY, BETTY SUGRUE, MARY MORAN,  
PAT MOLONEY, ANNE McAULIFFE & HANNAH DINEEN,  
FRONT:- MEL CUMMINS, ROSIE HENNESSY, PEGGY DOREGAN  
MARION MCCARTHY, ANNE COMERFORD (CAPT.)  
MARY JO RYAN, NUALA GUILLEY, MARIE COSTIN  
MASCOT - JOAN NEWMAN.



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KILKENNY goalkeeper, J. Golden (left) gets the ball clear at Croke Park.



A tussle for possession during the All-Ireland senior camogie final between Cork and Kilkenny at Croke Park yesterday.



↑  
P. DOREAN  
(CORK) & MARY  
CONWAY (KILK)

FROM LEFT — MARY JO RYAN, MARIE COSTIN,  
SHEILA DUNNE, ANNE CARROLL  
& HANNAH DINEEN



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Kilkenny's keeper J. Golden fails to block this ball as it goes over the bar during the All Ireland Camogie Final against Cork, at Croke Park. ("Echo")

ROSIE HENNESSY (LEFT) + PEGGY DORGAN



M. Conway of Kilkenny (No. 15) and P. Dorgan (Cork) go for a high ball during yesterday's All-Ireland Camogie final at Croke Park.

## Welcome for camogie champions



AN enthusiastic welcome was accorded the victorious Cork All-Ireland camogie team when they arrived in Kent Station last night after their Croke Park triumph on Sunday. The team was greeted by the Deputy Lord Mayor, Mr. Liam Burke, T.D., Mr. Con Murphy, secretary of the Cork Co. G.A.A. Board, D. O'Sullivan, vice-chairman, do.; Mr. D. Conroy, Miss K. O'Regan, secretary of the Cork Camogie Board and hundreds of well wishers.

A large number of followers were at hand to greet the team, and the scene was reminiscent of a similar occasion three weeks ago when two other Cork teams brought all Ireland minor and senior hurling honours back to the Rebel city.

From Kent Station the team went to the Victoria Hotel, where a reception was held. Ida Bean Uí She, M.A., presided and introduced the speakers. The Deputy Lord Mayor commended the team for what he termed their notable achievement in bringing the O'Duffy Cup to Cork for the first time since 1941.

Mr. D. O'Sullivan spoke on behalf of the G.A.A., an organisation, he said, which has always been a staunch supporter of its sister association.

Miss Mary Moran, who serves a dual role of being a player and also chairman of the Cork Co. Board, Mr. Jack Dempsey, trainer, Miss Anne Comerford, team captain, also spoke.

On Sunday night the team attended a victory dinner at the

Crofton Airport Hotel, Dublin, during which the medals were presented to the team.

The Kilkenny team, beaten All-Ireland finalists, were given a civic reception by the Mayor, Councillor Margaret Tynan, and members of the Corporation in the Presentation Convent School last night.

The Mayor congratulated the team on their display and told them that they had made history as "the first mere females to represent the black and amber in an All-Ireland final." Prior to the reception a procession through the streets was led by St. Patrick's Brass and Reed Band.

Picture above shows jubilant Cork Captain, Anne Comerford, displaying the All-Ireland trophy.

## Munster team to play Leinster

The following is the Munster Camogie team to play Leinster at Gorey in the Gael-Linn Cup on Sunday week:

Mel Cummins (Cork); Marie Costin (Cork); Jo Marshall (Tipp.); Deirdre Lane (Tipp.); Sheila Dunne (Cork); Betty Sugrue (Cork); Margaret Cleary (Tipp.); Anne Comerford (Cork); Beatrice Lawrence (Tipp.); Liz Garvan (Cork); Cary Clancy (Limerick); Peggy Dorgan (Cork). Subs.: Teresa Beidy (Kerry); Bridie Giltinane (Limerick); Anne McAuliffe (Cork); Monica Ryan (Tipp.).  
The Leinster team is: J. Golden (Kilkenny); M. Ryan (Dublin); J. Murphy (Wexford); M. O'Leary (Wexford); B. O'Connor (Wexford); L. Neary (Kilkenny); A. Carroll (Kilkenny); O. Ni Shiochain (Dublin); H. O'Neill (Kilkenny); A. Kehoe (Wexford); J. Doyle (Dublin); M. Cassin (Kilkenny). Reserves — T. Shiel (Wexford); P. Timmins (Dublin); C. O'Shea (Kilkenny); A. Sheehy (Dublin).



# Camogie Side Fails In Fi

RK ..... 5-1  
 LKENNY ..... 3-2

**KILKENNY** camogie team which fell below expectations made no impression whatsoever on experienced and crafty Cork which fully deserved the victory to 3-2 over the Leinster champions in the all Ireland final in Croke park on Sunday. The young Kilkenny girls were nervous and add to this the Ireland final nerves and you have the reason for the fumbling mishitting by the Kilkenny forwards in the first period. The game never rose to any great heights but there were some very good patches of play despite an unusually high number of free kicks often broke up good moves. Cork fired all they had at Kilkenny right from the start and the certain Kilkenny defence allowed them through for a couple of very easy scores in the first quar-



The Kilkenny camogie team—In front (from left)—Mary O'Neill, Maura Cassin, Joan Kelly, Nuala Duncan (captain), Breda Cassin, Mary Kennedy, Helena O'Neill, Liz Neary. Behind—Phil O'Shea, Patricia Coady, Jo Golden, Ann Carroll, Peggy Carey, Ann Phelan, Carmel O'Shea, Helena Drennan, Teresa O'Neill, Mary Conway.

The Kilkenny defence was desperately trying to find its feet at a stage but then came the real deadly blow when full back Nuala Duncan had to retire with a forehead injury.

Despite the injury which necessitated three stitches Nuala remained to the side in the second half and tried very hard to get the game moving.

Biggest thorn in the side of the Kilkenny defence was the blond bombshell Liz Garvan who converted three goals and six points in the winners tally.

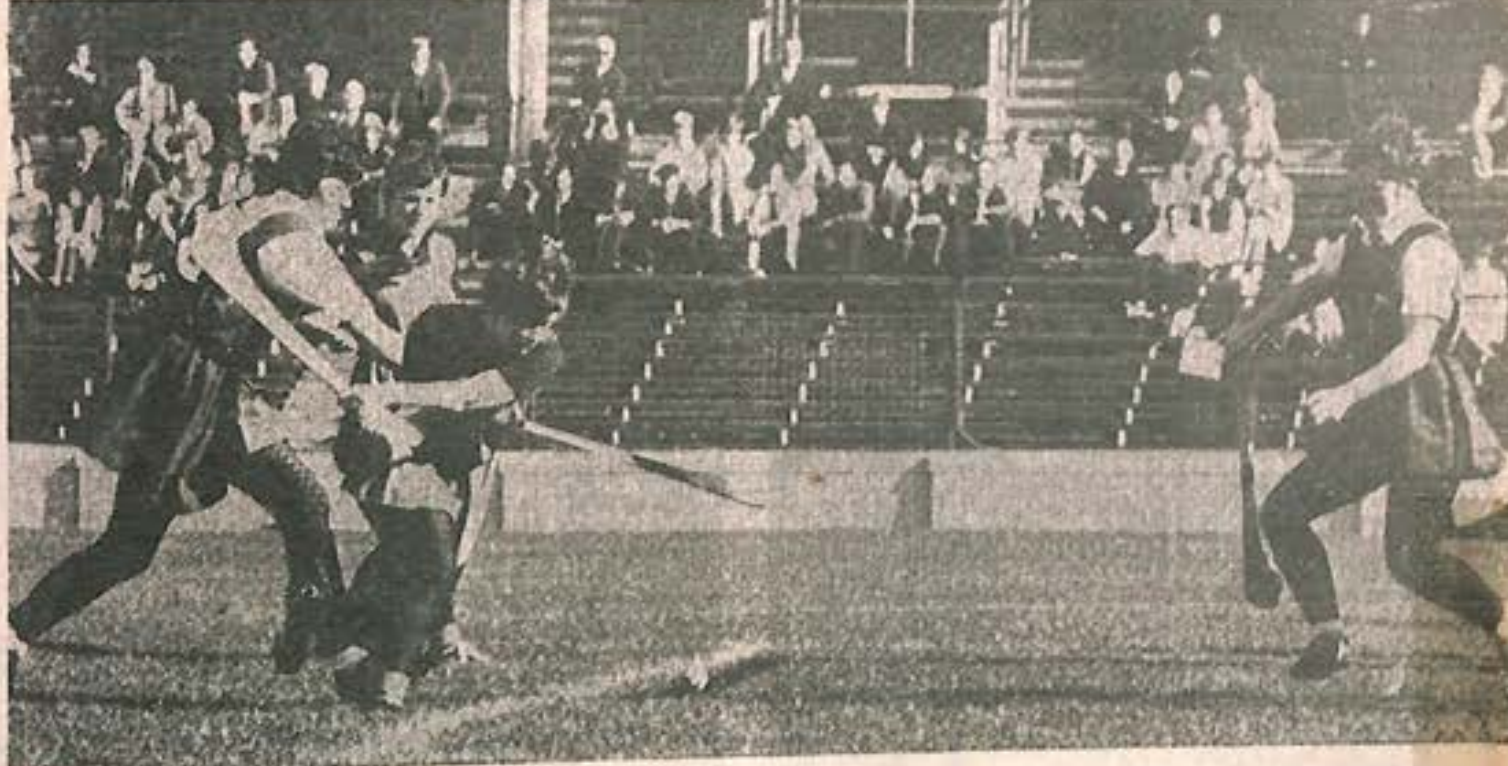
The Kilkenny defence could never keep tabs on the Cork girls despite a number of positional changes they failed to curb her driving power.

Her three goals from close in were all borne at very vital stages of the game. Her first after eight minutes came from a forty yards free. She caught the Kilkenny defence completely unprepared and blasted to the net with her defenders only forming up just before half time she struck again. This score gave Cork a 3-4 2-0 lead at the interval.

Nuala Duncan replaced Mary Kennedy at half time and Kilkenny also made a number of positional changes.

Ann Carroll put them right back in the game when she blasted to the net through a line of Cork defenders from a 30 yards free.

Despite the Cork dominance up to this Kilkenny now looked capable of getting on top of the Leesiders, but at this stage the Gerald Carthy of the Cork camogie team, Liz Garvan blasted another point to the net to restore Cork's confidence.



Kilkenny forward, Ann Carroll, breaks through to score her team's first goal.

**UNDEFENCE**  
 While the Cork forwards were making the Kilkenny defence a very tough time the Kilkenny attackers were making very little impression on the strong and very steady Cork rearward.

Most impressive was the hard-working Ann Carroll who tried everything she knew to get the Kilkenny attack moving. As well as contributing two good goals she also laid on some good passes but lighter Kilkenny forwards were unable to make use of them.

Even though they were dominated for most of the game the Kilkenny forwards managed to get in a couple of good efforts and were lucky not to have scored on a few occasions.

Ann Carroll was unlucky in the first half when her blistering shot in the crossbar and was cleared. In the second half a good shot across goal by Helena O'Neill was just wide. Maura Cassin was another Kilkenny forward who failed to score.

The Kilkenny team were kept in the ground but Carmel O'Shea and Peggy Carey, after a disappointing first half, were dismissed.

The Kilkenny captain and star midfielder Anne Comerford was the main figure in the middle of the field and her work was very hard. Betty O'Shea was also willing to lead a helping hand.

One of Kilkenny's more experienced players, Jo Golden, was mainly seen in the middle of the field.

## HOW THE SCORES CAME

**BREDA CASSIN** had a good chance of a Kilkenny goal after only a minute of play but she palmed wide. A minute later the Kilkenny goal had an escape when Nuala Duncan cleared off the line after a hopping ball beat Jo Golden.

Kilkenny's first goal came after five minutes when Ann Carroll was on hand to tap to the net after Maura Cassin sent into the goalmouth.

Almost immediately Liz Garvan had the first point of the game for the winners from a 30 yards free and a minute later Peggy Dorgan put the Leesiders ahead with a good shot to the corner of the net from 35 yards out.

Two points by Liz Garvan from 30 yard frees left Cork ahead by a goal after 10 minutes but two minutes later the sides were level. Peggy Carey availed of a slight hesitancy on the part of the Cork defence and beat Mel Cummins with a good ground shot.

After 14 minutes Nuala Duncan was replaced by Mary Conway. Ann Whelan moved back to full back and Mary Conway filled the half back berth.





# We Are The Champions —But It Was A Long Wait

Salute this week the Cork camogie girls who brought the all-Ireland championship to the Lee for the first time since 1941. Since that win, 29 years ago, Cork have started season after season with high hopes only to have them dashed time and time again. Down through the years they have had some great victories but on the many occasions in which they reached the decider they could never take that final step to glory—that is not until Sunday last, when a brilliant Cork twelve cast aside the challenge of Kilkenny to become the 1970 champions.

There were many factors to this Cork win. Firstly there was a plentiful supply of individual talent. This was put to the best possible use by the fine team work which the girls showed. Often in the past Cork had the talent but were beaten by a better-drilled side. So here comes the second factor—the appointment this season of Mr. Jack Dempsey as coach. He did a superb job with team fitness as well as getting the girls to play for the team and not as individuals. The third factor was the tremendous spirit and confidence of this Cork side. They knew they had the ability to win this game and even a goal by Kilkenny after ten minutes did nothing to upset this confidence.

## LIZ WAS BRILLIANT

Then, of course, they had Liz Garvan, to whom Kilkenny could find no answer. Liz played the best game of her career so far and those who were at the game will not easily forget her fantastic scoring ability which brought her 3-6 of Cork's total of 5-7. Peggy Dorgan too was in brilliant form in the attack where she notched the remaining 2-1 of her side's total.

But this was a team effort in which all twelve played their part. If it had not been for goalie Eleanor Cummins' great saves early in the first half, Cork could have been in real trouble. At this stage too Marie Costin did great work at full back. Then there was Mary Jo Ryan who made such a good job of marking Kilkenny's biggest danger, Anne Carroll, right out of the game, while Hannah

Dineen and Sheila Dunne, completed what must be one of the strongest Cork defences for many a day.

At centre-field too Cork won the initiative with captain Anne Comerford, Anne McAuliffe and Betty Sugrue all playing their part.

Then, of course they had Liz and Peggy in attack but lets remember their two colleagues in this sector—Rosie Hennessy and Pat Moloney. These girls worked very hard throughout to make the openings for their opportunist partners and so played their own vital roles in this win.

Finally let's not forget the reserves on this occasion. Anna Crotty was out of this game because of illness. But followers will remember that in the Munster final against Tipperary it was Anna who made such a difference to the Cork side. She came on as a reserve in this tie and was hardly on the field when she had the ball in the back of the net. This goal was the decid-

ing factor in the tie. Unfortunately, Anna was unable to play against Antrim but on Sunday last she was ready to come on again if things were going wrong. She was not needed on this occasion but in the closing minutes she was brought onto the side—a gesture which was a tribute for her long years of service to the game she loves.

For those who are familiar with the administrative side of the game none will begrudge Mary Moran an all-Ireland medal not alone for her ability as a goalkeeper but for her tremendous work for Cork Camogie since she took over as Chairman of the Cork Co. Board. Then finally we have Marion McCarthy and Nuala Guilley two fine players who would have been worthy representatives on any county team.

So again congratulations to a grand side and may this victory be the first of many for Cork's camogie girls.

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Anne Comerford, the Cork Camogie team captain, displays the trophy after her team beat Kilkenny 5-7 to 3-2 at Croke Park yesterday.



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Marie Costine (Cork), supported by Hannah Dineen (left) clears her lines, closely watched by Breda Cassin (Kilkenny), on ground, and Ann Carroll (Kilkenny), right.



Rev. Fr. J. Finn, president, Cloyne Camogie Club, presenting a suitably engraved gold bracelet to Marie Costine on the occasion of becoming the first Cloyne member to win an All-Ireland Camogie Championship Medal with Cork.



Anne Comerford, captain of the Cork County camogie team, victors in the All-Ireland, gets a presentation of flowers at a reception in the team's honour at Killeagh. Ann Doocey makes the presentation.

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# Talented Munster Side Face Leinster In Gael Linn Cup

EIGHT of the All-Ireland winning Cork camogie team will be in action again tomorrow when they travel to Gorey to play for Munster in the semi-final of the Gael-Linn Cup. Munster meet holders Leinster in this tie, and the champions will have four of the Kilkenny side which lost to Cork in the All-Ireland final.

Last season, these sides met in the final of the competition and Leinster emerged as winners by 5-4 to 2-2. In the early days of this competition, Leinster completely dominated, and although Munster have taken four titles and Ulster one, Leinster are always the big danger. However, this season, with so many Cork players on the Munster side, they could take a big step towards taking their fifth title. They last won it in 1966 and are very anxious to bring the second major trophy back to Munster this season.

There is an abundance of talent in this Munster team. Mel Cummins, who played so well in Cork's All-Ireland win, is in goal, while another Cork player, Marie Mostin, their stylish full-back, will be in front of her. The half-back line is made up of three grand defenders—Tipperary captain Jo Marshall, her teammate Deirdre Lane and Cork's Sheila Dunne.

Cork take over the centre completely, with Cork captain Anne Comerford, Anne McAuliffe and Betty Sugrue all winning places. Cork's ace forward Liz Garvan will again be at centre-forward in the side, while Cork's other scorer-in-chief, Peggy Dorgan, will be at full-forward. On the wings will be Beatrice Lawrence of Tipperary and Limerick's Cary Clancy, both very experienced forwards.

## STRONG LEINSTER SIDE.

What of the opposition? Only six of Leinster's title-winning side remain, but nevertheless, the line-up is a formidable one. Kilkenny goalie Jo Golden will once again face the Cork star forwards tomorrow. At full-back is Mary Ryan, Dublin's sound full-back. Wexford supply the entire half-back-line, which could be one of the strongest sectors of the side, as Joan Murphy, Margaret O'Leary and Bernie O'Connor are all top-class players.

Liz Neary, who played so well for Kilkenny against Cork, is in the centre, while she is partnered by her colleague Anne Carroll, and Dublin's Orla Ni Shiochain.

In attack, Leinster have plenty of scoring ability, with the Kilkenny pair, Helena O'Neill and Maura Cassin, Dublin's great opportunist Judy Doyle and Wexford's Anne Kehoe.

Not too many years ago, Dublin would have dominated the Leinster team, but now the representation is down to three. Kilkenny have the biggest representation with five players, while Wexford supply the remaining four.

Certainly, this is a strong Leinster team, but with the Cork players on the Munster side full of confidence after their great All-Ireland win, the Southerners could take their first vital step in bringing the title back to the South.

## TEAMS.

Munster—M. Cummins (Cork), M. Costin (do.), J. Marshall (Tipperary), D. Lane (do.), S. Dunne (Cork), B. Sugrue (do.), A. McAuliffe (do.), A. Comerford (do.), B. Lawrence (Tipperary), L. Garvan (Cork), C. Clancy (Limerick), P. Dorgan (Cork). Subs: T. Beldy (Kerry), M. J. Ryan (Cork), B. Götinas (Limerick) and P. Moloney (Cork).  
Leinster—J. Golden (Kilkenny), M. Ryan (Dublin), J. Murphy (Wexford),

M. O'Leary (do.), B. O'Connor (do.), L. Neary (Kilkenny), A. Carroll (Kilkenny), O. Ni Shiochain (Dublin), B. O'Neill (Kilkenny), A. Kehoe (Wexford), J. Doyle (Dublin), M. Cassin (Kilkenny).

On the local front, it's back to the Intermediate Championship, when Seandun meet Ovens at the latter's grounds. Seandun are a junior selection, and they can call on such players as Cork juniors Peg O'Brien, Rosie O'Sullivan and Julia Hickey, and should be able to field a very strong side.

However, Ovens, too, have their stars in Noreen and Marian Lucy, Eileen Abern and Nitty Sheehan, and have a very capable side. They were runners-up in the Junior Championship last season, and are determined to do well in the higher grade this season. Whatever the result, this promises to be a highly entertaining encounter.

## Fixtures—Tomorrow (Sunday).

At Gorey — Gael-Linn Cup semi-final: Munster v. Leinster, 3.30.  
At Ovens—I.C.: Ovens v. Seandun, 3.30.

## CAMOGIE

At the Gaelic Grounds, last Sunday, Ahane annexed the Senior Co. Championship, when they had a run away victory over Croagh, with the score: 6-4 to 1 point.

Special mention must be made of the excellent defensive play of Margaret Madden and the elusive and tactical display of midfielders, Cary Clancy and Betty O'Leary, who played rings around their opponents. With such excellent support, the forward combination of Peggy Duffy, Teresa Fennessy and Mary Tierney were rampant, and picked off scores at will.

The referee was Miss M. Moran, Cork.



BRIDGET O'CONNOR (Wexford) . . . a deserving choice for the Leinster side to meet Munster in the inter-provincial clash.

# LEINSTER CAN BEAT FANCIED MUNSTER SIDE

By AGNES HOURIGAN

INSPIRED by Cork's comfortable victory over Kilkenny in the recent All-Ireland final, the Munster camogie team will travel hopefully to Gorey on Sunday to play holders Leinster in the Gael-Linn Cup interprovincial semi-final.

It is some years since Munster achieved victory in this series, but with eight of the Cork champions on duty they will have every cause for confidence.

In goal is Cork's Mel Cummins and she is fronted by her sound team-mate Marie Costin, with another Cork player, Sheila Dunne, at right-back.

The other two defenders are from Tipperary, Jo Marshall on the right and Deirdre Lane at centre-back.

The midfielders are from Cork also. Betty Sugrue is on the left, Anne Comerford on the right, and Anne McAuliffe is at midfield.

## Powerful

Liz Garvan, the Cork youngster, whose brilliance dominated the All-Ireland final is in her favourite centre-forward position. Colleague Peggy Dorgan is moved to full forward and Beatrice Lawrence of Tipperary is at right forward with Cary Clancy, of Limerick, completing the team on the left.

But, if in the aftermath of the All-Ireland, Leinster will start by way of being outsiders, the holders are yet a powerful side.

The strong leavening of Wexford and Dublin players supplies the experience and know-how that Kilkenny lacked on final day and some of the Kilkenny stars are now unlikely to be afflicted by the nerves that they obviously brought with them onto Croke Park.

Goalkeeper Jo Golden will expect better luck now than she enjoyed in the All-Ireland when she was unsighted more than once, and should be familiar enough with the play of experienced full-back, Dublin's Mary Ryan.

## Experienced

The wing-backs are the experienced and solid Wexford pair, Joan Murphy and Brigid O'Connor, while at centre-back is the greatest of the Wexford stars, Margaret O'Leary who is unlikely to be overshadowed even by Liz Garvan in what should prove the most intriguing individual duel of the day.

At mid-field, Ann Carroll, with so much more room in which to move, is likely to be more effective than at centre-forward in the All-Ireland, while on the wings, Kilkenny's Liz Neary and Dublin's Orla Ni Shiochain will take holding even by their seasoned Cork opponents.



Judy Doyle, top-scoring Leinster forward.

The lively Annie Kehoe from Wexford could pose problems for the Munster defence, especially with the score-snatching Judy Doyle from Dublin, who has long been Leinster's top scorer, in her favourite left forward position. Maura Cassin, at full-forward, renews All-Ireland rivalry with Marie Costin, while young Helena O'Neill, most dangerous of the Kilkenny attack in the All-Ireland, is at right forward.

On form, it is hard to find any weak link in this Leinster team, and while Munster will start favourites, Leinster are well capable of springing a surprise.

The annual Convention of the Leinster Colleges will be held tomorrow in Arus na nGael, North Georges Street, where secretary, Miss Annette Corrigan, will have a successful year to review, and draws and fixtures will be made for the senior and junior competitions for the 1970-71 season.



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# Galie Star s Leinster Girls Win

LEINSTER ..... 3-5  
MUNSTER ..... 1-2

Leinster, the champions, secured a deserved victory over Munster in the semi-final of the inter-provincial camogie championship for the Gael Linn Cup at Gorey yesterday.

The Leinster girls played the more direct camogie getting rid of the ball quickly and with the midfield trio completely on top, the home attack had the better supply of the ball.

## Captain's Lead

The winners' defence proved much too strong for the Munster attack, with Jo Golden (Kilkenny), the captain, playing brilliantly in goal and Margaret O'Leary (Wexford), giving Cork scoring star Liz Garvin very little chance.

Mary Ryan (Dublin) at full-back kept a watchful eye on the experienced Peggy Dorgan (Cork).

Ora Ni Sheachain (Dublin), Ann Carroll (Kilkenny) and Annie Keogh (Wexford) were much too good for the Munster midfield line of which Betty Sugrue alone caught the eye. In attack Helena O'Neill (Kilkenny), Ann Sheehy and Judy Doyle (Dublin) were most effective.

Munster were best served by Marie Cotin (Cork) and Josephine Marshall (Tipperary) in defence and Betty Sugrue (Cork) at midfield, and Betty Dorgan (Cork) in attack were most dangerous.

Scores: Leinster—A. Carroll (2-1), H. O'Neill (1-1), O. Ni Sheachain (1-1), M. Cassin (0-1). Munster—Peggy Dorgan (1-0), C. Cotin (0-1), Liz Garvin (0-1).  
Referee—Miss L. Spence

# New colleges competition

A MUNSTER Colleges Junior Championship will be run in addition to the Senior Championship this season. This was decided at the annual general meeting of the Munster Colleges Council held in Limerick last Saturday.

Colleges are graded on their performances, and results in last year's competition. The five top teams, namely, St. Aloysius (holders), Drishane Convent, Colaiste Mhuire, Ennis; St. Mary's, Newport, and Loreto Convent, Killarney, will compete in the senior championship. The winners of the Senior Championship which will be run on a league basis, will go forward to the All-Ireland Colleges Championship semi-final.

Nine colleges from Cork, Limerick, Clare, Tipperary and Kerry will participate in the Junior competition. Matches will commence in mid November.

The officers of the Munster Colleges Council for the coming season are: Chairman, Miss Crios O'Connell (Limerick), Vice-Chairman, Miss Marie Hobbs (St. Als), Sec/Treas., Miss Mary Moran (Cork).

The Munster Inter-Club championship, the last of the Munster championships, gets under way on Sunday week. So far Cork have had a great season. They have won the All-Ireland senior, Cronin Cup, Munster senior, secondary, junior and colleges championships. If their representatives in the inter-club competition, South Presentation P.P., are successful Cork will have completed the grand slam of Munster titles. Such a record would be difficult to equal.

However, Sout Pres. will meet very formidable opposition. On Sunday week they will be at home to the Tipperary champions. Tipperary are the only Munster county to have won the All-Ireland Inter-Club title.

The 1969 Munster Inter-Club winners, Ahane, scored a runaway victory in the Limerick Co. final on Sunday and should, at least, qualify for this year's final.

The Munster Inter-Club draw: "A" Limerick champions v Clare champions; "B" Cork champions v Tipperary champions; "C" Kerry champions v winners of "A"; "D" Waterford v winners of "B".

# Suspension could kill camogie in Galway

By Jim Lydon

A BOMBSHELL has been dropped in Galway camogie circles with the three-months' suspension imposed on the County Camogie Board by the Central Council. The story starts with the playing of last year's All-Ireland club semi-final between Oranmore, the Galway champions, and their Kilkenny counterparts, St. Paul's.

It appears that the Oranmore club were put on a two years' probation period by the Central Council, as a result of the behaviour of some of their male supporters at the semi-final.

The Oranmore girls felt that they were being victimised, as they had no control over the spectators, who were not even members of their club, and they appealed to the Galway County Board to have the Central Council re-consider their action and to give the Oranmore club a re-hearing.

## Refused hearing

The County Board did so, but the Central Council refused another hearing, and, as a protest, Galway withdrew from the All-Ireland senior championship semi-final, in which they were to have played Kilkenny.

Now the Galway Board has been suspended for three months for failing to give twenty-one days' notice of their intention to withdraw as required by rule.

"We are stunned by the action of the Central Council," says Miss Rita O'Flaherty, the Galway Secretary, who adds that "The Council know well in advance that we were not playing in the All-Ireland semi-final as a protest against the treatment meted out to the Oranmore club."

Miss Kathleen O'Flaherty (vice-chairman), and sister of the secretary, feels that "Camogie is finished in the Galway clubs if the Central Council implement their suspension. The girls will turn to hockey or indoor football, two sports now banned by the Council."

The suspension on the Galway Board will not affect the U.C.G. club nor the various schools' club in the county.

# Camogie Lorrha Qualify For Co. Final

(By "ATLAS")

In one of the best games of this year's county senior championship, Lorrha (North) defeated Clonmel (South) in the second county semi-final at Inch on last Sunday, by 5-3 to 3-2, and so qualified to meet Thurles (holders) in the 1970 county final at Roscrea next Sunday at 3.30 p.m.

Last Sunday's "semi" was played in ideal weather conditions and before a good sized crowd.

Lorrha, champions of the North, started as warm favourites and soon went into an early lead, with scores by Mary Lane (3-0) and Deirdre Lane (0-2). Clonmel's only score in the first half was a point from a free by Beatrice Lawrence. At half-time Lorrha led by 3-2 to 0-1, and seemed set for an easy win over a Clonmel team that was at sixes and sevens.

But what a transformation in the second half as Clonmel settled down to play great stuff and match Lorrha stroke for stroke in a ding-dong struggle that switched from end to end with bewildering speed.

After three minutes, Nellie Nugent had a goal for Clonmel, but this was negated a minute later when Deirdre Kennedy goalied for Lorrha.

Beatrice Lawrence then pointed a free for Clonmel, while Agnes Brophy replied similarly for Lorrha.

Then came a Clonmel resurgence which led to two great goals off frees by Beatrice Lawrence. There was then only four points between them but Deirdre Kennedy set the seal on Lorrha's victory with a great goal from thirty yards, to leave them worthy winners by seven points, 5-3 to 3-2.

Paddy Corrigan was an impartial referee and he will again handle next Sunday's final at Roscrea.

Best for Lorrha were — Deirdre and Mary Lane, Deirdre Kennedy, Margaret and Agnes Brophy.

Best for Clonmel were — Ita O'Dwyer, Josephine Marshall, Beatrice Lawrence, Nellie Nugent and Joan Power.

The destination of the premier award in camogie was decided on Sunday last at Roscrea, when Thurles swamped Lorrha a 2-9 to 1-1. The winners fully deserved this success having led at the interval despite playing against the wind. They were helped by a great display from Margaret Cleary, the Munster inter-provincial player, Bernie Dowd, Margo Loughnane, and Peggy Graham. Deirdre Lane, sister of county senior hurler Noel, was best for Lorrha, who had other good players in Mary Lane, Deirdre Kennedy, Margaret Brophy and Agnes Brophy.

## Camogie

Leinster Senior Colleges — Presentation, Kilkenny, 9-8; Our Lady of Victories, Walkinstown, 0-0; Mercy Convent, Callan, 1-4; Presentation, Tereure, 1-1.

## CAMOGIE

PRESENTATION CONVENT ... 4-2  
MERCY CONVENT ..... 1-0  
After an even first half Presentation Convent, Kilkenny, got well on top after the interval in this Leinster Colleges Junior Camogie Championship game at Naas yesterday. The winners led 1-2 to 1-0 at half time and the scorers were: Kilkenny—M. Statters (3-0), B. Delaney (1-0), M. Kelly (0-1), M. Neary (0-1); Mercy Convent, Naas—M. Foley (1-0).  
Kildare Vocational Schools final: Kildare, 2-0; Prosperous, 1-0.

CAMOGIE: Joan Murphy, who plays with St. John's Club, Wexford, has played with the Wexford County team for 13 years. Won 7 Leinster Senior Intermediate medals, 2 Leinster Senior medals and 2 All-Irelands. She is the holder of 4 Gael Linn medals and 6 County Championship medals.

## College Pairings

Draws and dates for the Leinster Colleges camogie championships were made at the Convention in Dublin last week-end.

SECTION SENIOR  
Presentation v Sisters of Charity, Wexford, October 24. Semi-final.  
Presentation v Mercy Convent, Callan v Presentation, Tereure, October 24.  
Walkinstown v Kilkenny or November 11. Final.

SECTION JUNIOR  
Presentation v Presentation, Clontarf v Presentation, Kildare, November 7.  
Presentation v Presentation, Kildare v Presentation, Clontarf, November 7.  
Final, November 11.  
Provincial Final, December 5.

SECTION JUNIOR  
Presentation v Presentation, Naas v Presentation, Kildare, November 7.  
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SECTION SENIOR  
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**W**HILE the Gael-Linn Cup interprovincial final between the holders Leinster and Ulster at Carrickmacross on Sunday is the top event in the camogie world this weekend, there are also a couple of intriguing games tomorrow in the opening stages of the Leinster Colleges senior championship.

For the Gael-Linn Cup final the Leinster selectors in session last Saturday chose the same panel of players that had been selected for the semi-final against Munster at Gorey.

On that occasion, the Kilkenny winger Liz Neary was unable to travel, so Annie Kehoe of Wexford was brought out to play on the right wing, while Dublin's Anne Sheehy filled the then vacant centre-forward position.

If Liz Neary is now available she will probably field on the wing with Annie Kehoe reverting to centre-forward, but those are the only positional changes.

Indeed the rest of the side played so well against Munster that they must all have been automatic selections.

**FINE COVER**

Captain Jo Golden was then excellent in goal, and got fine cover from the defenders Mary Ryan, Joan Murphy and Bridget O'Connor. Wexford's Margaret O'Leary was once again in full control at centre-back, a position from which she can so readily turn defence into attack, while Anne Carroll at mid-field and Orla Ni Shiochain on the left wing were also in top form.

The full line of attack was also very good with some useful combination between the Kilkenny pair, Maura Cassin and Helena O'Neill and Dublin's clever Judy Doyle.

In addition the fact that they have already had the benefit of an outing together should be an advantage to Leinster, whereas Ulster will be having their first competitive game this year, since Connacht did not send forward a team for their semi-final.

However, the Ulster selectors have a wider range of talent on which to draw than was the

case in some recent seasons and have got together a very useful side from Antrim, Armagh, Derry and Down.

**THE PIVOT**

Antrim's Moya Forde, who captains the side is once again full-back with Teresa Cassidy in goal and a third Antrim defender Kathleen Kelly right back. Left back is Anne McClone of Armagh with Margaret Caldwell of Down pivot of the defence.

The mid-field trio is composed of Angela Toal (Armagh) Kathleen Diamond (Derry) and Mairead McAtamney of Antrim, while there are three further Antrim players in attack, Anne Melvor at centre-forward, Chris Boyle left forward and Lily Scullion in her customary full-forward berth.

The remaining position of right forward is filled by Monaghan's Patricia McGreevy.

This team look a good blend of youth and experience, and will certainly give Leinster a very lively run for the medals. Ulster won this competition for the first and only time to date in 1967 when their line-out included exactly half of the present side.

**NO EASY TASK**

Both the Leinster Colleges games tomorrow are in Section A, and both should prove very interesting. At Kilkenny Presentation College, Kilkenny who have held the Leinster and All-

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Ireland titles for the past two seasons, begin their bid for three titles in a row when they play Our Lady of Victories, Walkinstown at Kilkenny.

The champions, however, have only half of their great team of the past two years still available, and they will find themselves faced with no easy task in defeating Walkinstown who proved quite a force in Leinster junior ranks last season and will have many of those youthful stars on duty now.

In the other game, a semi-final of this section, Mercy Convent, Callan who preceded Kilkenny as the great provincial standard-bearers in this competition, and who are hoping for a return to former glories entertain Presentation Convent, Terenure, at Callan.

The Dublin side did well in the Dublin Colleges competitions last season, and should give a good account of themselves, but victory over Callan at Callan may prove a little more than they can achieve.



● JUDY DOYLE, star Leinster forward.

## Leinster Girls Retain Gael-Linn Camogie Cup

By AGNES HOURIGAN

LEINSTER ..... 12-2      ULSTER ..... 4-

**LEINSTER** won the Gael-Linn Cup and the interprovincial camogie championship for the third successive year and the tenth time in all when they proved far too powerful and experienced for an uneven Ulster team in the final at Carrickmacross yesterday.

The Leinster girls combined far more effectively, played all through as a team and showed a perfect understanding. Except for a brief period in the opening minutes, and another brief Ulster flurry at the start of the second half, the winners were in control all the way.

After Leinster had missed some early chances, Ann Carroll opened the winners' tally with a point from a '30' and Helena O'Neill added a goal.

Antrim's Lily Scullion replied with a goal, but Leinster dominated the remainder of the first half to lead 6-1 to 1-0.

Two further Leinster goals immediately after the restart fairly sealed the issue. A brief Ulster rally brought them two goals, but another Leinster scoring burst put the result beyond any doubt.

**Brilliant Display**

Margaret O'Leary at centre-back for Leinster was the outstanding player on the field and received sound support in defence from Joan Murphy and Mary Ryan.

Ann Carroll had a great first half at mid-field and had a great second half duel with Mairead McAtamney when the Antrim winger moved in after the interval. Orla Ni Shiochain, though closely marked, had some great Leinster scores as had Judy Doyle and young Helena O'Neill.

Ulster were well served by Anne McClone in defence, Angela Toal and Mairead McAtamney around mid-field and Chris O'Boyle in attack.

Scores — Leinster — 12, O'Neill

(4-0), J. Doyle (3-0), O. Ni Shiochain (2-1), A. Carroll (1-1), M. Cassin (1-0), O. Kehoe (1-0).  
**ULSTER**—C. O'Boyle (1-1), L. Scullion (1-0), P. McGreevy (1-0), A. Melvor (1-0).

**LEINSTER**—J. Golden (Kilkenny) capt.; M. Ryan (Dublin), J. Murphy (Wexford), M. O'Leary (Wexford), B. O'Connor (Wexford), L. Neary (Kilkenny), A. Carroll (Kilkenny), O. Ni Shiochain (Dublin), H. O'Neill (Kilkenny), A. Kehoe (Wexford), J.

Doyle (Dublin), M. Cassin (Kilkenny).

**ULSTER**—T. Cassidy (Antrim); M. Forde (Antrim) capt., A. McClone (Armagh), M. M. Caldwell (Down), K. Kelly (Antrim), A. Toal (Armagh), K. Diamond (Derry), M. McAtamney (Antrim), P. McGreevy (Monaghan), A. Melvor (Antrim), C. O'Boyle (Antrim), L. Scullion (Antrim).

Referee—Miss E. Neville (Tipperary).



● Kathleen Kelly, left-back for Ulster in Sunday's interprovincial final.