



JUDY DOYLE . . . Leinster's opportunist centre-forward in Gael-Linn Cup Final.



BREAK THROUGH . . . Dublin full forward Una O'Connor breaks through the Antrim defence in last evening's All-Ireland Camogie semi-final at Parnell Park, Dublin.



The Cork team limbering up in preparation for their All-Ireland semi-final on Sunday.



A Cork forward and Dublin defender struggle for this ball in the camogie semi-final.



"Over the hurleys" goes one of the team as the others watch on.



NUÁLA MURNEY . . . on Leinster camogie line-out at Casement Park.



UNA O'CONNOR (Dublin)



PATRICIA TIMMONS (Dublin)

1963



THE BOGA TRAIL.



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F. CLARKE; O'CONNOR; BROWN; O'CALLAGHAN; YOUNG; CLEGG; O'NEILL



Mr. J. Davis, Annamoe Park, Cabra, and Miss Betty Hughes, Landen Rd., Ballyfermot, who were married in the Church of the Assumption, Ballyfermot.

The Cork team, which drew with Dublin in the semi-final of the All-Ireland Camogie Championship at U.C.C. Grounds yesterday.



It looked dangerous, but this Cork attack was beaten off at Parnell Park yesterday in the all-Ireland Camogie semi-final, which Dublin won.



The Dublin goalkeeper, Concepta Clarke (left), makes a left hand catch to clear a Cork attack at Parnell Park yesterday. Dublin won easily.

FROM LEFT 4 HULLS (A) P. BORGAN (C), M BROWN (C) & O'CONNOR

F. CLARKE; O'CONNOR; BROWN; O'CALLAGHAN; YOUNG; CLEGG; O'NEILL

The All-Ireland Camogie Final



ANTRIM . . . went down gallantly in the Croke Park decider.

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Reports



DUBLIN . . . captured their twelfth



Audrey Geaney, who returns for U.C.G. on Sunday

A. HUSSEY ! M. JAMESON ! M. LANARY ! M. REARNS ! C. CLARKE ! S. WARE ! G. HUGHES
FIRST GOAL . . . Mary Phil Jameson about to score Antrim's first goal in the All-Ireland camogie final at Croke Park.



Bridget Keenan (Dublin) (No. 10) tries to break through the Cork defence at Parnell Park.



MARY B. O'SULLIVAN, S.P.P.'s clever forward



RENA MANLEY who captains the Old Aloysians' side on Sunday

1963



The Dublin Camogie team which qualified for the All-Ireland final by beating Cork in the semi-final (replay), at Parnell Park, on Sunday. Back row (from left): B. Hughes, P. Timmins, M. McEvoy, C. Clarke, Geraghty, A. Hussey, K. Lyons, M. Ryan, M. Sherlock, E. Leech. Front row (from left): B. Keenan, K. Ryder, H. O'Connell (capt), L. Doyle, S. West, C. O'Connell.



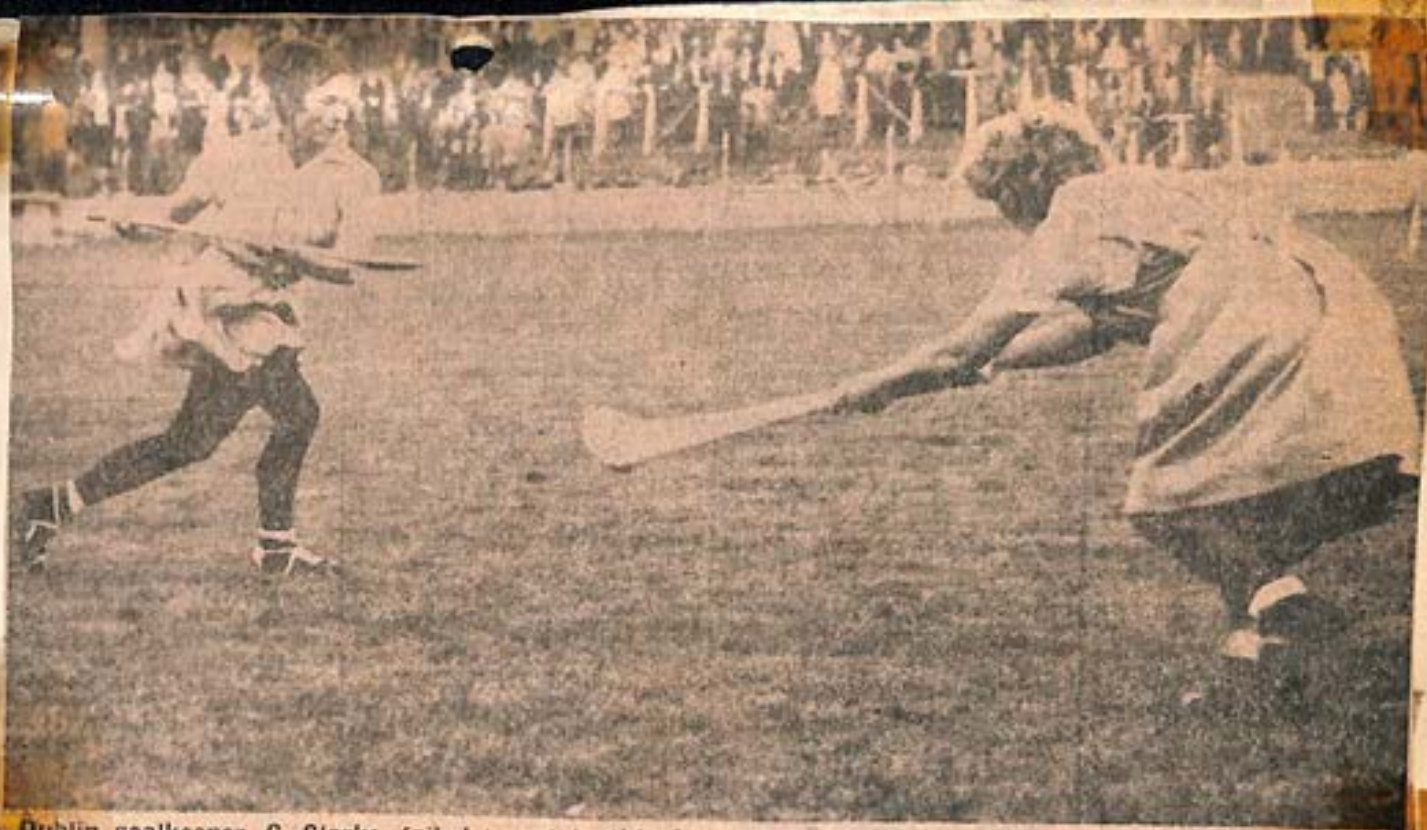
GLORIA LEE . . . who will referee next Sunday's camogie final at Croke Park. A native of Naas, she is herself a well-known player having won championships with Naas, Kildare and the Leinster provincial side. Miss Lee also refereed the recent semi-final replay between Dublin and Cork.

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second All-Ireland camogie title.



Dublin goalkeeper, C. Clarke, failed to get to this Antrim shot during the All-Ireland Camogie final at Croke Park but the ball went wide. Dublin won. *ON LEFT: H. GILROY*



*H. O'CONNOR*



Dublin camogie team members at practice in the Phoenix Park last evening for the all-Ireland against Antrim on Sunday at Croke Park. *E. LEKCH: A. HUSSEY K. LYONS: H. O'CONNOR*



NOREEN O'CALLAGHAN, capt. of Glen Rovers



Glen Rovers (holders), who defeated Old Aloysians in the final of the Cork County Senior Camogie championship at Béalrúar yesterday.



Marie Barrett, Naomh Gobrait's intercounty star.



Peggy Dorgan, stylish intercounty centre for Glen Rovers.



# WIN BEAMISH SPORT AWARDS



A. O'KEEFE

P. SUTTON

A. O'NEIL



MARY BROWNE (U.C.C.)

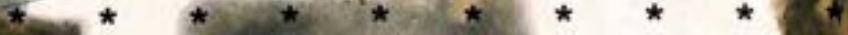


Terry Fehily, Old Aloysians sound wing back.



DUBLIN . . . All-Ireland camogie champions. Standing, from left — Kay Ryder, Kay Lyons, Alice Hussey, Millie Geraghty, Mary Sherlock, Patricia Timmins, Maireen McEvoy, Conception Clarke. Kneeling, from left: — Gail Hughel, Cora Crowe, Judy Doyle, Una O'Connor (capt.), Bridgit Keenan, Sheila Ware, Eina Leech, Mary Ryan.

1963



Mary Murphy, Old Aloysians' safe goalkeeper.



MARY RYAN (Austin Stacks)



K. GRIFFIN  
On Tipperary 1963 sports



Divisional and club officers who attended the Co. Cork Camogie Convention at Dun Laog yesterday.





CAMOGIE OFFICERS . . . at the Munster Camogie convention in Limerick on Sunday were, from left, Miss Aideen McCarthy, Cork, hon. treasurer; Miss Cris Ni Conaill, Limerick, president of the Central Council and registrar of the Munster Council; Miss Lil O'Grady, Cork, chairman, and Miss Kitty Barry-Murphy, Cork, vice-chairman



FOR CORK FINAL. The U.C.C. camogie team who qualified to meet Glen Rovers in the Cork county senior final.



ST. ALOYSIUS 1964  
Cork Schools Champions.

1964

BACK - Dorothy O. Boyle, ally Hanney, Claire Steffman, Mary Cooney, Una O'Connor, Mary Moran, Allison McGarry & Edna McNally  
FRONT - Cora Crowe, Angela Gill, Brid Hanbury, Mary O'Keefe, Derrilla Dunne & Eithne Leach.



The Celtic camogie team who beat Austin Stacks in the Dublin Senior Championship final at Croke Park. Below is the Austin Stacks team.



BACK! - Orla Steghaw, Connie Clarke, Teresa Walsh, Phyllis Campbell, Anne McAllister, Mary Ryan & Teresa Conardine (sub)  
FRONT! - Bridgie Keenan, Mollie Garrahy, Sally Blake, Mary Sherlock, Roseen Rogers, Lisa Joy & Anne Lennon (sub)



DEIRDRE SUTTON



MAURA FITZGERALD

Finalists in the Senior Captain's race in the Dublin Camogie Sports at Belfield yesterday. From left to right: Brid Banbury (Celtic), 3rd; Judy Doyle (C.I.E.), 1st, and Vera Feely (M. Ui Neill), 2nd.

JUNE 1964



Tipperary Camogie Team who won the Munster Semi-Final at Cahir, defeating Waterford by 5-7 to 1-0.



Winnie Finnerty, the Galway goalkeeper, saves a stiff shot during the all-Ireland Camogie semi-final with Dublin at Parnell Park, yesterday.

B. KEANAN ON RIGHT



Left.—Stephanie O'Connell (Cork) and Mary Welsh, the Clare 'kee per, seen in this duel for possession during Munster Championship semi-final at Togher. Right.—Mary Clancy seen leading this Cork attack as the Clare 'keeper advances. ("Examiner")



CORK 1964

- BACK:- M. A. MURPHY; E. LANE; H. COMERFORD; D. YOUNG; J. KEHILY  
 S. O'CONNELL; H. FITZGERALD; M. O'SULLIVAN & D. SUTTON.
- FRONT:- P. DORGAN;  
 K. B. MURPHY; N. O'CALLAGHAN  
 R. MANLEY; M. CLANCY & J. MURPHY

## Well-known Sports Personalities Wed



Morley-Clancy—The wedding took place, with Nuptial Mass and Pascal Blessing, at the Church of the Most Precious Blood, Glogheen, of Mr. Jack Morley, second son of Mrs. May Morley and the late Mr. Stephen Morley, 23 Evergreen Street, Cork, to Miss Joan Clancy, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Clancy, Hollymount, Lee Road, Cork. The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. Clancy, St. Finbar's Seminary (cousin of the bride), assisted by Rev. Fr. Matthew, O.F.M. Cap., Holy Trinity, and Rev. L. O'Regan, O.S.A., St. Augustine's Church. The best man was Mr. Eric Morley (brother of the groom) and the bridesmaid was Miss Mary Clancy (sister of the bride). The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a frock of beau de jour with a jacket of Gaspere lace and her bouffant veil was held in place with a spray of roses. She carried a bouquet of mixed roses and fern. The bridesmaid wore an embossed lemon brocade frock with toning accessories and carried a bouquet of bronze roses. The soloist was Mr. D. Treacy and the organist was Mrs. O'Halloran.

Following a reception at the Country Club Hotel, Mr. and Mrs. Morley left for their honeymoon in London and Bourne-mouth.

The couple are well known in sporting circles. The groom is the Cork Hibernians inter-league player and the bride is a former Old Aloysians, Cork County and Munster camogie player. They are both members of the staff of "The Cork Examiner".



A. LYONS; C. CLARKE; M. SHARLICK; H. RYAN; R. REILLY; E. LEACH; M. CASEY; A. HUSSEY; S. WARD

DUBLIN, who beat Antrim in the All-Ireland Camogie final at Croke Park, 1964.  
 P. TIMMONS; B. KENNAN; R. RYAN; O. N'SIECHAIN; A. McALLISTER.



Limbering up for the all-Ireland camogie final against Dublin are Sue Ward, Maive Gilroy, Chris O'Boyle, Marion McFritdge.



P. KENNAN; M. CARRIGANE; M. McATHARBY; C. O'BOYLE

Judy Doyle (extreme right) scores a brilliant goal for Dublin during the early stages of the All-Ireland Camogie final at Croke Park.



Chris Hughes... on the Antrim side.



Carrie Buckley, Glen Rovers full back



SUE WARD

1964



M. CARABINE (A) & B. KEARNAN (D) DUBLIN FORWARD (right) and an Antrim back in action during the All-Ireland Camogie final at Croke Park.



● The Antrim team (from left): Sue Ward (capt.), Teresa Kearns, Maeve Gilroy, Mairead McAtamney, Betty Smith, Marion McFetridge, Lily Scullion, Kitty Finn, Chris O'Boyle, Mairead Carabine, Mary Phil Jameson and Moya Forde.



ANNA CROTTY (Glen Rovers)



The Glen Rovers team and officials pictured at a function to celebrate the club's winning of the Cork County Championship for the third year in succession.



● The Dublin team, which took their 23rd All-Ireland camogie title by defeating Antrim at Croke Park on Sunday. Left to right: Allie Hussey, Sheila Ware, Mary Ryan, Mary Casey, Anne McAllister, Ethna Leech, Rosmary O'Reilly, Mary Sherlock, Concepta Clarke, Kay Lyons, Kay Ryder, Judy Doyle, Bridget Keenan, Patricia Timmons, Orla Ni Siochain, Una O'Connor (Captain).



UNA O'CONNOR



● Sue Ward led Deirdre, the Ulster champions, against Celtic, the Leinster title-holders, in the Diamond Jubilee Cup final.



MARY BUCKLEY  
(U.C.C.)



● The first public camogie practice was held at the ground at The Thatch, Drumcondra, more than sixty years ago. Here referee Seamus O'Brannigan gets ready to throw in the ball.

DEC. 1964



**CELTIC (Dublin), who beat Deirdre (Antrim) in the Jubilee Camogie Cup final at Croke Park.**



**DEIRDRE (ANTRIM) who were beaten by Celtic (Dublin) in the Jubilee Camogie Cup final at Croke Park.**



DEC. 1964.



AUSTIN STACKS, who beat U.C.D. in the Isle of Man Camogie Cup final at Croke Park.



U.C.D., beaten by Austin Stacks in the Isle of Man Camogie Cup final at Croke Park.



Celtic forwards press home an attack against Deirdre in the Jubilee Camogie Cup final at Croke Park yesterday. Celtic won by 5-2 to 1-0.

DEC. 1964



A. HUSSEY " T. MURPHY



● THEY KNEW — HE DIDN'T! Sean O'Duffy (left), National Organiser, chats with the General Secretary, Miss Sheila McAulty, the Central Council President Miss Chris O'Connell, and Sean O'Siochain, General Secretary of the G.A.A., prior to the Diamond Jubilee dinner of the Camogie Association, at which Mr. O'Duffy received a surprise presentation of a TV set in appreciation of his life-long work for the game.



The camogie adjudicators (left to right): Mrs. Kathleen Mills, Miss Maeve Gibrey, Micheál S. O'Loingsigh (Cathaoirleach, Coiste Gradaim na Réalta) and Miss Lili O'Grady.



● Three of the Cork Sports Personalities pictured at the presentation dinner . . . Miss Colette McAllister (hockey), left, Mrs. Zelig Fallon (golf) and Miss Peggy Dorgan (camogie).



ORLA NI SIOCHAIN, captain of Holy Faith Clontarf team, receiving the O'Duffy Cup from Sean O'Duffy, National Organiser, Camogie Association, after her team had beaten Maryfield College in the Dublin Senior Colleges final at Croke Park. Orla is a daughter of Sean O Siochain, General Secretary of the G.A.A.



● TERESA KEARNS

SEPT. 1965



Dublin's Gaelic All-Star camogie award winner, Alice Hussey, pictured at the Presentation Banquet.



Mr. Ronald Persse, Glенаан Road, Whitehall, and Miss Brid Hanbury, Malahide Road, who were married in the Church of Our Lady of Consolation, Donnycree.



DUBLIN PREPARE—Members of the Dublin camogie team get in some practice for to-morrow's All-Ireland final with Tipperary at Croke Park.



HILDA WALSH, ORLA NÍ SHOCHAIRN AND PATRICIA TIMMONS training for ALL-IRELAND FINAL →



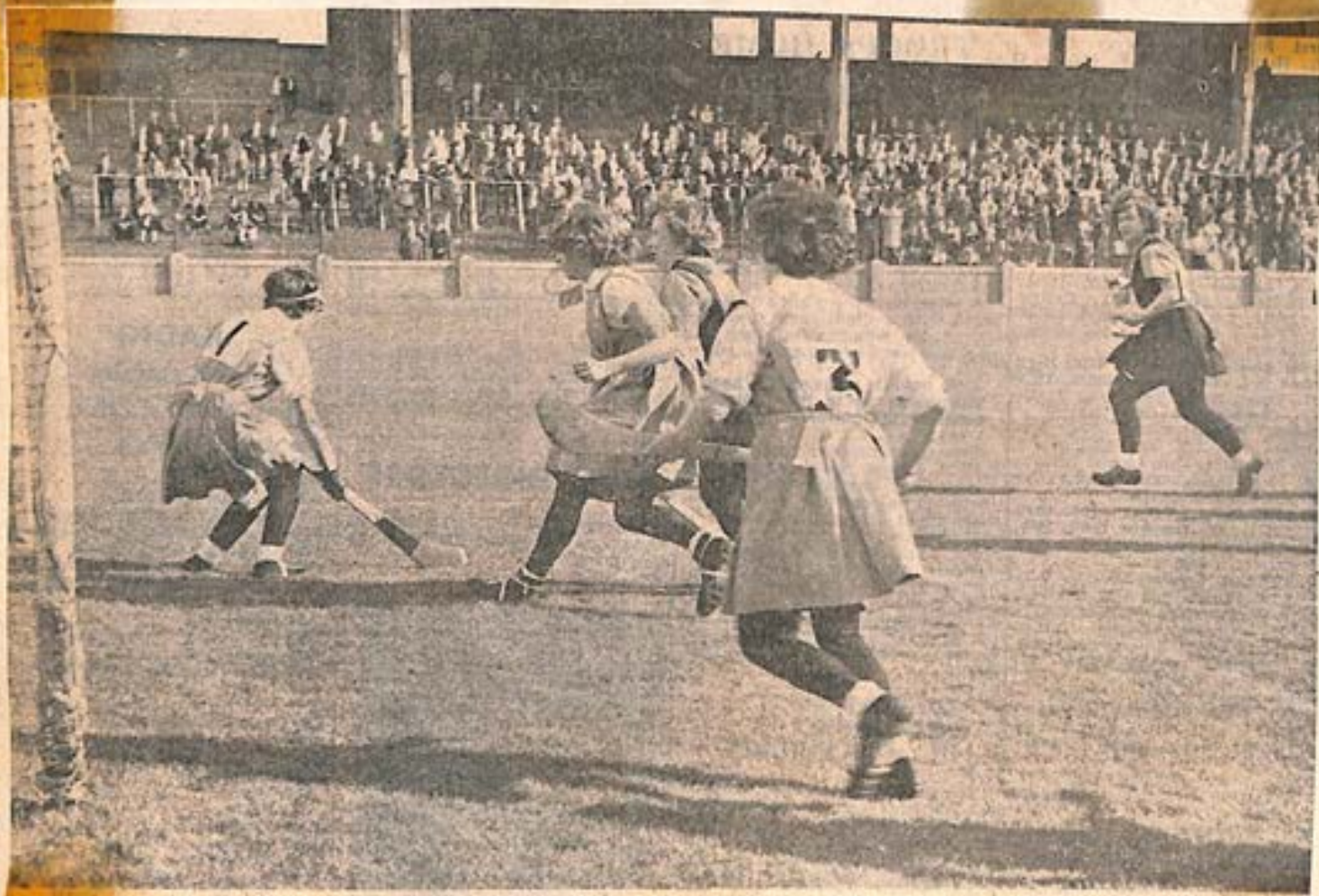
● KATHLEEN RYDER captains the Dublin team in the finals.



● ALICE HUSSEY, her return should strengthen Dublin's defence.



● ORLA NI SHIOCHAIN, All-Ireland medallist while still at school.



ALL-IRELAND CAMOGIE FINAL AT CROKE PARK—Dublin goalie, E. Leech, was well on the ball but, none the less, the first Tipp score of the game by T. Griffin got into the net.



A tussle for possession in the Tipperary goalmouth during the All-Ireland camogie final at Croke Park yesterday.

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Tipperary and Dublin players pull on a high ball during yesterday's All-Ireland Camogie final at Croke Park.



● UNA O'CONNOR, seeking her 12th All-Ireland medal.

# FINAL



● Anne Carroll prepares to pick the ball for Tipperary during the All-Ireland Camogie final at Croke Park yesterday.



● Judy Doyle beats Tipperary defender Ann Graham to palm the ball past goalkeeper Sally Long for one of Dublin's ten goals in the All-Ireland Camogie final at Croke Park yesterday.



Sept. 1965



● The Dublin camogie team which won the All-Ireland title for the 24th time by defeating Tipperary at Croke Park. At back (from left), E. Leech, M. Ryan, C. Clarke, B. Keenan, P. Timmons, F. Whelan, A. Hussey, M. Sherlock, A. McAllister. In front: K. Kehoe, J. Doyle, U. O'Connor, K. Lyons, K. Ryder, O. Ni Shiochain, H. Walsh.

## Una O'Connor



Una O'Connor, who won her ninth consecutive, and twelfth in all, all-Ireland camogie medal at Croke Park on Sunday when she played a major role in Dublin's 10-1 to 5-3 win over Tipperary.

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● The Leinster team which qualified for the interprovincial Camogie final by defeating holders Munster at Fermoy. At back (from left M. O'Leary (Wexford), M. Sherlock (Dublin), C. O'Hanrahan (Kilkenny), S. Dooley (Offaly), A. Hussey (Dublin), O. Ni Shiochain (Dublin). In front: E. Leech (Dublin), U. O'Connor (Dublin), K. Ryder (Dublin) captain, J. Doyle (Dublin), M. Hearne (Wexford), M. Sinnott (Wexford).



LEINSTER BEAT HOLDERS—Rival captains shake hands prior to the start of the camogie interprovincial semi-final for the Gael-Linn Cup at Fermoy, Kathleen Ryder, Leinster (left) and Ann Carroll, Munster, with referee Mrs. K. O'Duffy (centre). Leinster won 4-3.



● CLAIRE O'HAN-RAHAN . . . Kilkenny and Leinster forward.



Susan Dooley . . . fine defender



Judy Doyle . . . lively forward



● Two Leinster camogie stalwarts, Margaret O'Leary (Wexford) left and Mary Sherlock (Dublin).



● ANNE CARROLL, the Munster and Tipperary camogie captain, who leads her team, St. Patricks, in the All-Ireland club final at Belfast on Sunday.



Delegates pictured at the Munster Camogie convention, 1965.

SEATED L to R  
CHRIS O'CONNELL  
(Lincoln); EITHNE  
NEVILLE (Sec.) LIL  
O'GRADY (Pres. C. Council)  
KITTY BARRY-MURPHY  
(Chairman) LIL  
CAUGHTAN (Deaconess)



● KAY RYDER . . . the  
Leinster camogie captain.



● MARY SINNOTT



The scene in the Leinster goalmouth as Ulster score their first goal in the camogie interprovincial at Parnell Park yesterday.



EITHNE LEECH, Leinster goalkeeper, comes out to save this high shot against Ulster in the camogie interprovincial match at Parnell Park.



**NAOMH AOIFE** goalkeeper clears from an Austin Stack attack, in the Isle of Man Cup final at the Phoenix Park.



Among the attendance at the Kilmore United A.F.C. annual dance in Jury's Hotel, were Mr. A. Johnston, chairman, and his wife.



**Bridín Ni Dhoibne**



**ST. PATRICKS** (Glengoole-Ballingarry) . . . Tipperary and All-Ireland Club champions. Kneeling (left to right): M. Heffernan, A. Long, R. Scott, J. Kiely, M. McBride, P. Graham, L. Scott, E. Cronin. Standing (left to right): A. Graham, M. Ryan, A. Carroll, M. Gleeson, M. Maher, A. Morris, S. Long and M. Graham (Captain).

FEB. 1966



Audrey Geaney, U.C.C.'s, centre forward, breaks through during the semi-final of the Ashbourne Cup against U.C.G. at Belfield, Dublin on Saturday. —(Examiner)



A tense moment near the U.C.C. goalmouth during the final of the Ashbourne Cup between U.C.D., the winners, and U.C.G., at Belfield yesterday.



Padraig Pairséal (Irish Press), one of the Cuchulainn Award Committee, pictured with the camogie adjudicators. From left: Chris O'Connell (Limerick), Nell McCarthy (Dublin) and Lily Spence (Antrim).



Rehearsing the parts of members of Cumann na mBan for the 1916 pageant, Seachtá Fear: Seacht Lá, by Bryan MacMahon at Croke Park yesterday, were: Phyllis Campbell, Cabra; Pat Irvine, Ranelagh; Terésa Foy, Arbour Hill and Sheila McEvoy, Clontarf. And below are Seán O Slocháin, Secretary of the G.A.A. and Bryan MacMahon who attended a reception in Croke Park in connection with the pageant, which will be presented on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

## THIS WEEK'S PERSONALITY



**T**HE rain and mud of last weekend caused the cancellation of many sports fixtures but at Belfield, the Ashbourne Cup true to its tradition, went on despite the elements.

Outstanding for U.C.D. in the final on Sunday was Tipperary and Munster camogie star, Anne Carroll, whose goal from a free ten minutes from the end, was the turning point and swung the game in her side's favour.



CAMOGIE—Maura Fitzgerald (U.C.C.) races through in possession to score her third goal in the championship match against Naomh Gobnait at U.C.C. Grounds. —("Examiner")



Kathleen Downes (Tipperary), left, scores a goal against Dublin in the All-Ireland camogie final. Dublin won—7-2 to 4-10.  
PICTURE FROM 1961 FINAL



U.C.C.



Ann O'Callaghan (Glen Rovers), right, tussling with Youghal full-forward Bidy Power during the Cork Senior Camogie Championship game at Cloyne, Co. Cork.

(Sheehan)



Glen Rovers' goalkeeper Deidre Sutton (on right) looks on with dismay as the ball enters the net for Youghal's first goal and lead in the Cork County senior camogie championship game at Cloyne.



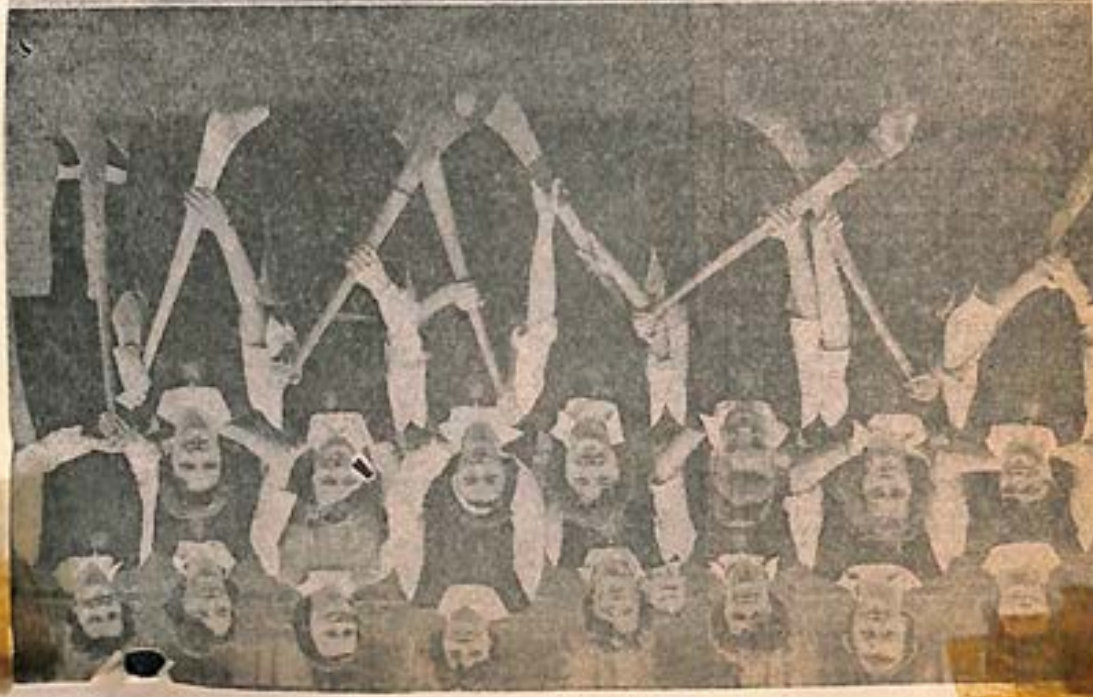
The Glen Rovers camogie team, which scored a two point win over Youghal in the opening round of the Cork County Senior Championship at Cloyne, Co. Cork.

(Sheehan)



APRIL 1966

CAMOGIE—South Presentation P.P. who had a spirited victory over Old Aloysians in the Senior Championship, played at Deep ark, Cork, with a score of 4-0 to 1-1.—(Crowley)



OLD ALS

↔  
BACK: Sheila Foran; Deirdre Young;  
Jilly O'Grady; Anne McAuliffe;  
Nora MacPhee; Anne Moynihan

FRONT: MARY MORAN; ELLIS McSWANEY;

MARY FEHLY (CAPT); MARY R. HURRY  
KATHLEEN RYAN; MARY CLANCY

H. Dineen, the U.C.C. full-back (left), failed to stop a shot from K. Brown (Clen Rvk) from entering the net during the Cork Co. Championship Camogie semi-final at Deepark. "Echo"





Mr. David Buckley, chairman of Cork Board na n-Dg. with his two daughters Carrie (left) and Margaret, who between them have won 15 Cork County Camogie Championship medals with Glen Rovers. Carrie has seven and Margaret eight. (Cummins.)



**G**LEN ROVERS camogie club set up a new record when they won the County Championship for the fifth consecutive season by beating S.P.P.U. in the final at Ballinlough. Most conspicuous player on the field was star midfielder Peggy Dorgan, who gave a scintillating display for the winners and scored 1-6 into the bargain.

Peggy began her career with St. Vincents but joined Glen Rovers in 1960 and has been one of their most consistent performers since then. She was picked for the Cork team in 1963 and won her first Munster medal the following year. Selected to play for the province in 1964, the Glen star was instrumental in bringing the inter-provincial title back to Munster that year.

Miss Dorgan was chosen as the camogie "Sports Personality of the Year" by a panel of journalists in 1964, and has continued to be one of the most impressive players in the country. She has already won five county medals with Glen Rovers, and continues in the great tradition of top class hurlers from the famous Blackpool club.



Eilish MacSweeney

MARY →  
SINNOTT  
(WEXFORD)



P. TIMMONS; A. ROGERS; F. WHELAN; M. BELL

FRONT:- B. McDONALD; T. BOYLE; S. BLAKE; K. RYDER

A. WHELAN; K. LUCEY; D. GOLDEN

M. LEAHY; N. LEVY; E. RYDER; M. DELANEY;

BACK:- Mrs. K. TIMMONS; S. NICLOSKEY; P. CAMPBELL; BETTY FORSTER

NAOMH AOIFE, winners of the Dublin Senior Camogie League and Championship.



CAMOGIE—Lily O'Grady, referee (right) presenting the cup to the captain of Glen Rovers, Nora O'Mahony. The holders, Glen, had a comfortable lead over South Presentation Past Pupils at the final whistle in the County Championship at Ballinlough.

# Camogie Player Weds



The wedding took place at St. Joseph's Church, Springhill, Glanmire, of Mr. Dermot O'Leary, Ballinrea, Carrigaline, Co. Cork, and Miss Rena Manley, Kileully, Whites Cross, Co. Cork. The bride is a prominent member of the Cork and Munster camogie teams.



● Kit Kehoe  
(Dublin)



● Kitty Murphy  
(Dublin)



● Judy Doyle  
(Dublin)



● BETTY SMITH  
(Antrim)



● Maeve Gilroy  
(Antrim)



● Eileen McGrogan  
(Antrim)



● Anne Marie Finn  
(Antrim)



● TERESA KEARNS  
(Antrim)



● BRID KEENAN  
(Dublin)



● ORLA NI SHIOCHAIN  
(Dublin)



● KATHLEEN KELLY  
(Antrim)



● MARY JAMIESON  
(Antrim)



● KAY LYONS  
(Dublin)



● MARY RYAN  
(Dublin)



● UNDER PRESSURES . . . Moya Forde in the Antrim goal looks anxiously on as the ball comes dangerously near. She is fronted by teammates Ethna Dougan (left) and Kathleen Kelly. Next in Dublin's Judy Doyle and in front of her are (from the extreme left) Anne McAllister (D) Kit Keogh (D), Orla Ni Siochain (D) with Mairead McAtamney (A).



The Dublin goalkeeper comes out to clear an Antrim attack in the senior camogie final at Croke Park yesterday, but ball went wide.



A Dublin player (centre) tries an overhead shot near the Antrim goal in the senior camogie final at Croke Park yesterday.



● The Dublin camogie team which set a new record at Croke Park by winning the All-Ireland title for the tenth consecutive year. From left, in front: O. Ni Shiochain, K. Murphy, K. Kehoe, M. O'Connor, K. Ryder (captain), J. Doyle, E. Leech, J. Quinn. At back: S. Creevy, K. Lyons, C. Heffernan, F. Whelan, C. Clarke, A. McAllister, M. Ryan, P. Timmons, B. Keenan, M. Sherlock.



Una O'Connor, of the Dublin camogie team, whose ten successive all-Ireland medals is a unique record.

1966 FINAL

OCT. 1966



● St. Aloysius camogie team, which defeated Glen Rovers in the Cork County Junior Camogie Championships.



● Dublin's Judy Doyle gains possession from this tussle in the Antrim goalmouth in the All-Ireland Camogie final at Croke Park.



● The Munster camogie team which regained the interprovincial title by defeating Leinster at Cork.

NOV. 1966

# Comrades' Guard of Honour

SIX MEMBERS of the Naomh Aolfe camogie team formed a guard of honour with camogie sticks when club member Kathleen Ryder of Shandon Road, Philsboro, was married to Patrick O'Malley, Headford, Co. Galway, in the Church of Christ the King in Cabra. The girls, Judy Doyle, Frances and Ann Whelan, Patricia Timmins, Betty McDonnell and Betty Porter were undeterred by heavy rain. The bride, who is a holder of eight all Ireland medals won on the field, and two she claimed as reserve, has been playing camogie for ten years and this year captained her team to victory in the senior league and championship.

## Camogie star weds in Cabra



Teresa Murphy, trainer of Cork's winning team.  
(MUNSTER JUNIOR CHAMP. 1966)





● ALL-IRELAND CHAMPIONS 1966 Tipperary title-holders, St. Patricks from Glengoole-Ballingarry, who retained the All-Ireland club camogie championship by defeating St. Pauls (Kilkenny) in the final.

FRONT:- L. SCOTT, C. BURKE, M. LOUGHNANE, A. GRAHAM, M. RYAN, B. MOLONEY  
B. RYAN, P. GRAHAM.

BACK:- A. CARROLL, E. CRONIN, M. BRENNAN, J. FITZPATRICK,  
K. GRIFFIN, A. LONG, M. MAHER, S. LONG



CAMOGIE STAR. Miss Stephanie O'Connell, of Blarney, was chosen the camogie Cork sport star for 1966. She is a member of the Glen Rovers team, Cork, and won her fourth county championship medal in a row this year with Glen, and helped Munster to victory in the Gael Linn Cup. Miss O'Connell is a telephonist attached to Fermoy Post Office and is vice-chairman of the Fermoy Ladies Athletic Club (O'Brien.)

## CAMOGIE FINAL: 1966

*Laistios: Mary Sherlock leads a Dublin attack.  
Dublin retained the title by 2-2 to 0-6.*



The Leinster camogie team which lost to Munster in the Gael-Linn Cup Final at Cork. Front Row (from left): Nuala Duncan (Kilkenny), Peg Magee (Kildare), Rita Kierans (Louth), Joan Murphy (Wexford) captain, Joan Cullen (Wexford), Claire O'Hanrahan (Kilkenny), Margaret Hearne (Wexford), Margaret O'Leary (Wexford). Back: Mary Fennelly (Kilkenny), Kay Ryder (Dublin), Mary Connery (Kilkenny), Peg Cash (Wexford), Mary Houlihan (Kilkenny), Monica Malone (Kildare), Barbara Magee (Kildare), Carmel O'Shaughnessy (Kilkenny), Bridget Cushion (Kildare), Mrs. Corcoran (Kildare) vice-chairman Leinster Council.



● Officers and delegates who attended the annual Cork Co. Camogie Convention at Dunlaoi, North Mall, Cork.



Youghal Camogie Club members who attended the Cork County Camogie Board Convention at Dunlaoi, on Sunday, (left to right): Misses Mary Joe Ryan, Mary Mulcahy, Maureen McDermott, Brid Power and Callie Leamy. —(Sheehan)

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Members of the committee of the Glen Rovers Camogie Club who held their victory dinner at the Metropole Hotel, to celebrate their fifth consecutive win of the Cork County championship. Included in picture are Mrs. C. Wilson, president Mrs. Anne Hourighan, vice-president Mrs. N. Newman, chairman; Mrs. C. Buckley, vice-chairman; Mrs. P. O'Sullivan, treasurer; Miss K. Harrington, secretary and guest Mr. Jack Daly, captain St. Nick's football team with his wife Mrs. Jack Daly.



● MARY CROWLEY, on left, who was elected chairman, and SHELA O'SULLIVAN who was again elected Hon. Secretary, at the Annual Convention of the Cork Co. Camogie Board.



GLEN ROVERS DELEGATES! -  
P. DORRAN, MRS. BUCKLEY, MRS. NEWMAN, T. MURPHY, A. CROTTY  
& MRS. N. HOURIHAN.

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Josephine Golden, the U.C.D. goalkeeper, makes a good save during a U.C.C. attack in the final of the Ashbourn Cup at the Mardyke yesterday. Centre Kathleen O'Connor, Right. N. Keohane — ("Examiner")



U.C.D. 1967. ASHBOURNE CUP WINNERS.

FRONT:- C. O'MULLANE; C. BUCKLEY; S. DUNNE; P. DEVLIN, R. O'HALLORAN

BACK:- M. KEOHANE; M. MCCARTHY; C. COAKLEY; A. CORKERY  
N. KEOHANE; A. BEANY; H. DINEEN



● The University College Dublin team that lost to University College Cork in the final of the Ashbourne Inter-varsity Camogie Cup.

## 'Echo' Sports Personality

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**L**AST Sunday at the Mardyke, University College, Cork, regained the Ashbourne Cup (Universities Camogie Championship) after a year's absence, when they had an 8-2 to 4-2 win over the holders U.C.D. in an exciting decider.

Undoubtedly, the star of the home side was dentistry student Audrey Geaney, who was playing in her fifth Ashbourne Cup competition. In her stay at U.C.C. she has now won three medals in this inter-varsity championship. Playing at full forward on Sunday she was top scorer, accounting for five goals of her team's total. A very versatile player she also plays at half-forward and in the centre and is equally at home in any of these positions.

A past pupil of St. Aloysius, where she learned her camogie, Audrey helped the school to win the Cork Schools' League and Championship and while still there she was honoured by the Cork selectors when she was chosen to play for the county. Since then Audrey has played for Cork on numerous occasions.

Prior to going to U.C.C. she lined out with Old Aloysians, with whom she won a senior county championship medal.



## Trophy for camogie star

The Taoiseach, Mr. Lynch, presenting a Caltex trophy to Miss Una O'Connor, the Caltex Sports Star (camogie), in the Gresham Hotel, Dublin, last night.

For a blue-eyed, fair-haired girl it was the happiest night of her life. Una O'Connor, who has played on the Dublin camogie team for 13 years at full-forward and has 13 All-Ireland medals, got a special ovation when she went up for her "Oscar."

But it was also a rather sad occasion for her. "This came rather late," she told us. "My father would have been very proud could he have been here to-night. But he died last year.

### Very proud

"He was always very proud of my camogie achievements and never missed a game. My mother is also good."

Una's father came from Kildate and her mother from Carlow. The camogie player, who works as a shop assistant in Johnston, Mooney and O'Brien's, is five feet six-and-half inches tall, weighs 133 pounds and, when she's not on the camogie pitch, likes a few brisk games of tennis.

She doesn't go on strict diets before big games "I eat what I like—and plenty of it." For real relaxation she likes reading and the occasional film.

She has three brothers and three sisters, all married.



Bandsman A. Ryan and Cpl. Noel Melia of the No. 1. Army Band play on their Fanfare Trumpets for Una O'Connor, Caltex Award winner for camogie, at the Caltex dinner in the Gresham Hotel.



APRIL 1967



Kathern O'Regan (presented on behalf of the Schools' Camogie Board) presents the Schools' Camogie Cup to Patricia O'Riordan, captain of the Youghal team which defeated Drishane Convent in the league final at the Mardyke. (D. P. Barry).

## Cork's Rose Selected



**T**WENTY-ONE years old Eilish McSweeney of Torc, 27 Pic-du-Jer Park, Ballinlough, Cork, is Cork's representatives for the Rose of Tralee competition in September.

At a dance in the City Hall, Cork last night, Eilish was selected from 14 entrants and following the selection she told reporters: "I'm so excited. I just can't believe it. It is a wonderful honour for me."

### DRAMA

It was a case of second time lucky for Eilish because she was an unsuccessful entrant last year. She was, however, elected Miss Cork 1966. During recent months Cork's new Rose has established herself as one of the city's most promising young actresses. She played the lead role in Harold Pinter's "The Lover" at the Cork and Limerick drama festivals this year and received a certificate for her acting at the Limerick festival.

### AND CAMOGIE

Eilish also plays camogie and yesterday afternoon she played for her team, St. Aloysius, in the first round of the Cork Senior Camogie Championship. Other hobbies include fencing and motor sport.

Last night's winner is the first Rose to qualify for the final of the international competition and last night's function was organised by the Festival of Kerry Committee in conjunction with the Cork branch of the Irish Commercial Travellers' Federation.

Twenty-one year old Eilish Mc Sweeney, "Torc", Pic-du-Jer Park, Ballinlough, who was selected to represent Cork in the Rose Of Tralee contest next September at the City Hall last night. A former "Miss Cork", she is a well-known local actress.

—("Echo")

The judges were Florence O'Connor, Henry J. Byrne, Wm. O'Brien and Dermot Breen. The Lord Mayor of Cork, Ald. Sean Casey, T.D., congratulated the winner on the stage and she was later presented with a cheque for £20.

### CAMOGIE IN NEW YORK

And now for broader horizons. Not for a long time have I heard anything of camogie across the Atlantic but recently I had a letter from Tipperary-born Kathleen McDonagh of the Young Irelands camogie club New York. Kathleen encloses a photograph of her team which she asked to be put in the *Gaelic Weekly*, and I am only hoping that the Editor can oblige at the earliest possible opportunity.

Kathleen writes: "We are trying to keep camogie alive over here. We have two teams here in New York and perhaps, some day, will make a trip to Ireland for a few games. Would it be possible for an Irish team to come to New York with a hurling or football team when they are coming out here. We played at Gaelic Park a few times, but it is impossible for us to get it sometimes, as we are not affiliated with the G.A.A. Maybe you could send us some literature on that as I see that camogie in Ireland is at last recognised by the G.A.A."

Well, Kathleen I am forwarding you some rule books, and I have also given your name and address to the Secretary of the Camogie Association Miss Sheila McAnulty, who will I am sure get in touch with you.

As for the prospects of an Irish camogie team travelling to New York that is a dream of mine for many years, but I can see no immediate prospect of such a desirable happening. However, events move so fast nowadays that such a development cannot be entirely ruled out. Of course, if a team from New York could come here they would be assured of a tremendous welcome.

Meanwhile I am sure that if you approached John Kerry O'Donnell he would see to it that camogie got its fair share of recognition at Gaelic Park.



The Young Irelands (New York) Camogie team. Back row (left to right): Pat Holland, Louth, (selector); Teresa Kelly (Leitrim), Philomena Gallagher (Leitrim), Kevin Brennan (Carlow-Selector), Mary Nagle, captain, (Kerry), Nora Murphy (Cork), Mary Brennan (Galway), Carmel Mulvihill, President of Club, (Leitrim), Anne Ryan (Galway), Tommy Reidy, Trainer, (Limerick); Front row, Nora Harnedy (Leitrim), Maeve Holland (Louth), Delia Gallagher, Vice-Pres., (Galway), Mrs. Gallagher's son, Patrick; Kathleen McDonagh, Secretary/Treasurer (Tipperary), Catherine Reidy (Limerick). Missing from photo are Maurice Trainor (Team Manager) and Rita Burns, Vice-Capt. (Laois).



**CAMOGIE CLUB FORMED.**— Pictured at the inaugural meeting of the newly formed Macroom Camogie Club, (front) Miss Ma ry Crowley, Co. Board chairman; Miss Ursula Murphy, captain; Miss Lil O'Grady, national president; Miss Julia Mary O'Leary, chairman; Miss Sheila O'Sullivan, Co. Board secretary; (back) Mrs. Gretta Byrne, schools representative; Miss Maureen Browne, secretary; Miss Cather ine Creedon, vice-chairman; and Miss Mary Kelleher, treas.

ST. ALS:

FRONT: ANN O'DWYER, ANNE COURTNEY, CATHERINE O'REGAN (CAPT.)  
 ROSE LONG, ANGELA NEARY AND  $\longleftrightarrow$   
 BERNA O'DONOGHUE.

BACK: SHIELA RYAN, EILEEN LONG, BETTY HARRINGTON,  
 LIZ GARVAN, LENA LYNCH AND HONOR LYNCH



Brishane Convent team (top) who had a good win over the holders St. Aloysius "A" (below) in the final of the Cork Schools' Camogie Championship played at Colaiste Christ RI Grounds. ("Echo")

MAY 1967



Esther O'Connell, captain of Drishane Convent team, being "chaired" off the field after their win over the holders, St. Aloysius "A" in the final of the Cork Schools' Camogie Championship.



Mrs. Carmel Desmond, senior adviser to Schools board, presenting the trophy to Esther O'Connell, captain of Drishane Convent team, who beat the holders, St. Aloysius "A" in the final of the Cork Schools' Camogie Championship. — (ECHO)



CAMOGIE.—Naomh Alabhaols "B" who had a good victory over their "C" team in the final of the O'Sullivan Cup at Colalste Christ Ri Grounds, Cork. The score: 5-1 to 1-0. —(Crowley).



SOUTH PRES. CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM



CAMOGIE.—Top: Glen Rovers team who had a convincing win over Naomh Gobnalt

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## 'Echo' | Sports Personality

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LAST Sunday at the U.C.C. Grounds Glen Rovers won the Cork County Senior Camogie title for the sixth year in succession when they had a rather easy 7-7 to 1-1 win over South Presentation Past Pupils, whom they also defeated in last year's decider.

This game was a personal triumph for Captain Anna Crotty for by winning she captured her eighth county medal. Anna has won nearly every honour in the game with one exception. She has yet to win an All-Ireland medal. She has five Munster medals to her credit as well as an interprovincial token. She was on two Cork teams which were runners-up in the All-Ireland final and, in fact, has been on the county side since 1952. As well she has numerous Oireachtas and tournament medals to her credit.

This year Anna scored a total of 14-3 in the championship and was, in fact, her side's scorer-in-chief. Last Sunday, playing at left corner forward, she had two of her side's goals and contributed to a number of others. An interesting fact is that Anna was born in America and is the first "American" to captain a Glen Rovers' team.

Besides camogie Anna is also interested in swimming.

Now that Glen are champions once more they will be anxious to win the All-Ireland club championship and, who knows—this could be their year.

# Auspicious day for Dublin

WELL, Dublin's big day at the Phoenix Park went off magnificently on Sunday last. The decision to postpone the official opening some weeks ago proved very wise, for the weather could not have been more kind and the new pitches were a picture when we assembled in the Park around eleven in the morning.

There was a fine turn-out of players from the various clubs in full uniform and they paraded from the pavilion to the entrance to the new grounds. There, Miss Nell McCarthy, chairman of the Dublin Camogie Board, was in charge of proceedings.

The new pitches were blessed by Rev. Father Jarlath from Clarendon Street. Then, Sean O'Duffy, who has done so much for the acquisition of those pitches, gave us a brief address, in which he outlined the manner in which all the present grounds had been acquired. He then cut the tape and the players for the opening game paraded through an archway onto the pitch.

Next, we had an inspiring address from Sean O'Siochain, who spoke not only on behalf of the G.A.A. but also spoke as a member of Connra na Gaeilge.

## FULL SUPPORT

Mr. O'Siochain pointed out that the Camogie Association had the full support and help of the G.A.A. and he appealed to all his listeners to encourage their daughters to join a cam-

## DUBLIN CAMOGIE OFFICERS

Hon. President—Miss N. McCarthy; Vice-Presidents—Mrs. K. Timmons and Mrs. J. Leonard; Rural—Miss C. Lacey; Ciskeir—Miss M. Fitzgerald; Leinster Council delegate—Miss A. Ashton.

ogie team.

The game that followed was as fine an exhibition of top-class camogie as anyone could wish to see. The picked players of the South Side and the North Side served up a most entertaining match, and if the South won they had very little to spare.

That they won at all was due to the fact that they had a superb defence composed entirely of inter-county players. Alice Hussey, back to her best, was brilliant at centre-back and received most support from the ever dependable Margaret O'Leary, of Wexford.

Dublin's Mary Ryan was very sound at full-back, as was the Derry county player from U.C.D., Kathleen O'Connor, on the left. Behind them, goalkeeper Joan Farrell, from Muiris Ui Neill, a last-minute stand-in for Jo Golden of U.C.D., who could not get up for the game, brought off some great saves and clearances.

Further afield, Annette Corrigan, Anne McAllister and Mary Sherlock played really well. And Blathnaid O'hAnrachain, who deputised as full forward for Jean Foley, scored a good goal.

## MAGNIFICENT

The outstanding player for the North City was Una O'Connor, who again played magnificently at full-back. Ethna Leech kept a good goal. Kay

Lyons, Orla ni Shiochain, who had a brilliant first half, Kit Kehoe and Brid Keenan were others to do well for the losers.

In the evening, the Dublin junior side made the trip to Wicklow for the first round game in the Leinster championship but proved no match for a strong home side. Wicklow were in control all the way and were full value for their six-

By AGNES HOURIGAN

IT is now rather more than fifty years since the Crokes Hurling and Football Club asked a hurler named Sean O'Duffy, also well-known in those days before World War I as a referee, to try and reorganise the camogie game, which was being played only on a haphazard basis in the capital at that time, and was all but unknown elsewhere in the country.

On Sunday next the same Sean O'Duffy will have one of the happiest moments of a long busy life, when at the Phoenix Park, he will see the new playing pitches of the Dublin Camogie Board, officially opened.

Mr. O'Duffy, who has been National Organiser of the Camogie Association for so many years, was one of those who worked hard to secure the original camogie grounds in the Phoenix Park in the early thirties. He again has been a driving force behind the acquisition, from the Office of Public Works, of the new grounds.

So what more fitting than that the official opening

ceremony will be performed by a man who has devoted a lifetime to the promotion of the game.

The proceedings will open at 11.15, when teams, officials and guests will march from the Pavilion to the new pitches, which will be blessed at 11.30. After the official opening to which, in addition to members of the Central and Leinster Councils of the Camogie Association, representatives of the G.A.A., Central Council and Dublin County Board and the Gaelic League have been invited, there will be an exhibition game between the chosen sides of the North City and the South City.

With All-Ireland stars in the majority on both teams, this should provide a game well worthy of a great occasion.

The new pitches, which are just beyond the senior pitch at present, will provide both senior and junior playing pitches so that it will in future be possible to play four matches at the same time. This will greatly ease the present fixture problems, both of the Dublin Board and the Colleges' Board.

But this will not end the

day's sporting activities. Later, the junior county side travels to play an evening game in the first round of the championship against Wicklow, at Wicklow. This is the first occasion that Dublin has fielded a side in any other inter-county championship except senior grade and the result will be awaited with keen interest, both in Dublin and throughout the rest of Leinster.

The opposition provided by Wicklow is in some respects a very unknown quantity as they have not competed in the Leinster championships for the past couple of seasons. It must be remembered, however, that, on their last competitive appearance, they won this provincial junior title.

As they can field their best side now, some of those players must still be available. Moreover, there has always been a strong camogie tradition in County Wicklow, and the odds must be in favour of their doing well against a very inexperienced Dublin side.

However, this Dublin team has been selected after a series of trial games and will give a good account of itself.

The main inter-county match next Sunday, however, is the Munster semi-final between Waterford and Clare, at Tipperary town. Waterford, who did so well in this competition last season, travelled to Limerick in the opening round and had a good win over the home side at Bruff. On that showing, and on last year's form, they must be taken to advance to meet Cork in the provincial final.

Clare have not had a game so far this season, having received a first-round walk-over from Kerry, so it is hard to judge their chances. On last year's form-book, however, it will be a big surprise if Waterford are defeated.

Antrim had a clear-cut victory over Monaghan last Sunday in the opening game of the Ulster senior series, and Monaghan scored an equally convincing victory over Tyrone in junior ranks.

In Leinster, Offaly surprised Kilkenny at Birr and now face holders Wexford in the intermediate final, which will be played on Sunday week. The winners will meet Dublin in the senior decider.

## CAMOGIE NOTES

# A HAPPY DAY FOR SEAN O'DUFFY

The Leinster selectors, meeting in Dublin last week-end to pick the team to meet Munster in the Gael-Linn Cup semi-final on July 18 were faced with a problem in that they had a superabundance of talents from which to choose. Time was when Dublin supplied the vast majority of the Leinster side with a player or two from other counties included, often one felt merely to give recognition to faithful endeavour.

That position is now very much changed due to the levelling up of standards within the province, and the present panel, which includes four from Dublin, three from Wexford, three from Offaly, three from Kilkenny and two from Kildare is a pretty faithful reflection of the present strength of the Leinster counties.

The full panel is: Ethna Leech, Una O'Connor, Mary Sherlock, Kay Lyons, Mary Sinnott, Margaret O'Leary, Margaret Hearne, Catherine Carroll, Jean Dooley,

Maria Millen, Mary Connery, Nuala Duncan, Mary Fennelly, Brid Cusheen, Monica Malone.

The only newcomer to inter-provincial camogie is Marie Millen of Offaly who played very well against Kilkenny. Jeannie Dooley was a reserve for Leinster last year, while Catherine Carroll has played for Munster in this competition some few seasons ago. There was keen competition for the chair at the recent Dublin Convention, the outgoing chairman Miss Nell McCarthy retaining the post by a single vote from Miss Anne Ashton, Chairman of the Junior Board.

All the other officers were returned and Miss Ashton will again be the Dublin representative at Leinster Council.

## Wexford Got No Answer

WEXFORD ..... 4-6  
OFFALY ..... 0-0

WEXFORD had no difficulty in retaining the Leinster Intermediate Camogie title at Gorey yesterday, after leading 3-3 to 0-0 at half-time.

The standard of play, considering the incessant rain, was high, but Wexford, who now meet Dublin in the Senior final, held an iron grip throughout on the losers' attack.

Scorers: Wexford — M. Doyle (3-0), M. Hearne (0-4), P. Kehoe (1-0), M. Walsh (1-0), E. Allen (0-1).

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# Time Was Fought So

## Leinster Win Cup

**LEINSTER** 7-2  
**ULSTER** 5-3

WHEN Leinster regained the Gael-Linn Camogie Cup after a most interesting and entertaining final at Casement Park yesterday there was some doubt by some of the spectators as to the length of the second half.

As a result the Central Council met to consider the matter and after consultation with the referee, who was satisfied that she had played full time, it was decided to confirm Leinster as winners.

Leinster won because their forwards showed great combination and because full-back Mary Synnott played a star game. Time and again she came through the Ulster attack and cleared the ball to the other end of the field.

Excitement ran high throughout the game and there was never more than a few points separating the teams. Leinster, who played with the wind, held their

lead right through the first half, at the end of which they led 3-1 to 2-2.

After one minute of the second half Ulster went ahead but Leinster drew level almost immediately and went ahead again. Ulster drew level again and went in front before Leinster scored two goals to put them in the lead once again. Ulster then had a goal disallowed and Leinster added another goal to make the issue safe.

Leinster were best served by full-back Mary Synnott and Nuala Murney, who played brilliantly after a shaky first half. Judy Doyle, Lily Parle and Geraldine Callinan, also did well. For Ulster, Chris Hughes, Margaret McAlamney, Sue Ward and Marion Kearns were the pick of the side.

Scores: Leinster—J. Doyle (2-1), L. Parle (2-0), U. O'Connor (1-1), K. Ryder, G. Callinan (1-0 each). Ulster—M. Kearns (1-1), M. Gilroy, L. Reynolds, M. P. Jamison, S. Ward (1-0 each), M. McAlamney (0-2).

## Celtic Girls Too Strong For Queen's

**Celtic 11-2; Queen's University 2-4**

CELTIIC, Dublin League and Isle of Man Cup champions, proved much too strong for Queen's University Belfast in a challenge game at Clontarf yesterday.

Intermediate League — 'A'—Civil Service 3-0; N. Fionnbarra 1-0; 'B'—Naomh Mairé 2-0; E. Ruadh 3-0; U.C.D. 2-4; C.I.E. 0-0.

**Celtic, 7-3 Na Piarsaigh, 0-0**

CELTIIC, who led 4-2 to 0-0 at half time, would have won as they liked were it not for a wonderful display by Na Piarsaigh full back, Rosemary O'Reilly.

Mary O'Keefe, outstanding for the winners, was ably assisted by Alice Hussey, Una O'Connor and Alison McGarry.

SCORES: M. O'Keefe (2-1), U. O'Connor (2-2), A. McGarry (2-3).

**Top scorers for the year were:**

Una O'Connor (Celtic), 19.10 (67 pts.); J. Doyle (C.I.E.) 13.1 (40 pts.); M. O'Neill (U.C.D.), 11.2 (35 pts.); D. Rogers (A. Stacks), 11.0 (33 pts.); S. Blake (A. Stacks), 10.0 (30 pts.); S. Bruck (C.I.E.), 8.0 (24 pts.); E. Falvey (U.C.D.), 7.0 (21 pts.); S. Ware (Ruadh) 3.6 (15 pts.).

## League Holders Should Win

League holders, Celtic, with half a dozen All-Ireland players in their ranks, will be well fancied to retain their title this year, but can expect no easy trip on Sunday next against the intermediate champions of 1962, Slabh Bloom, who very nearly surprised senior champions, U.C.D. in their last game before Christmas.

Yet such is the all-round power of the Celtic side that defeat for them would border on the sensational.

## Celtic Best

**CELTIIC** 5-2  
**SL. BLOOM** 1-0

League holders, Celtic, had to battle all the way to master the promoted side Slabh Bloom in a game marked by some brilliant camogie. The winners led 2-0 to 1-0 at half-time.

Celtic had outstanding players in Alice Hussey, Una O'Connor, Anne Twamley and Mary Moran. Peg Power, Ethel Phillips and K. Noble did tremendous work for Slabh Bloom.

Scores: Celtic—U. O'Connor (2-1), A. McGarry (1-1), M. O'Keefe (1-1), M. Bloom—E. Ray (1-0).

# Celtic Fancied For Cup

By AGNES HOURIGAN

TOMORROW will see the final of the Isle of Man competition which brings the Dublin senior championship finalists, U.C.D. and Celtic into opposition again. In addition, two keen colleges games today make this another busy camogie weekend.

In the championship final, U.C.D. and Celtic figured in a thrilling drawn game and equally thrilling replay before the Belfield girls won very narrowly.

Celtic however, subsequently went on to clinch the senior league title and six of their players in all were on the Dublin selection which afterwards won the All-Ireland title.

In Una O'Connor, Gerry Hughes, Alice Hussey, Angela Gil and Ethna Leech they have particularly outstanding players on a well-balanced side and will be well fancied to win on Sunday.

## U.C.D. Have Lost Their Captain

Since the Summer U.C.D. have lost their captain, Maura O'Neill, while such as Annie Donnelly and Doreen Brennan have been troubled by illness but they have Mary Gibbons back in action. Eleanor O'Neill made a welcome reappearance against Austin Stacks, while Gemma O'Neill, sister of last year's captain, is a very promising newcomer.

This should be another great game, but as Celtic look slightly the fitter side, they may just take the trophy which Eoghan Ruadh won last year.

# Isle Of Man Cup For Celtic

**CELTIIC 5-2; U.C.D. 1-4**

CELTIIC won the Isle of Man Camogie Cup with a deserved win over the County champions at Phoenix Park yesterday.

Celtic were in fine form and were faster in all sectors. Playing against a strong breeze in the first half they got off to a flying start and were worthy of their 4-2 to 1-4 lead at half-time.

U.C.D. improved and some switches in the defence held the Celtic forwards who only added one goal to their store.

Una O'Connor, who scored 3-1, got good assistance from Angela Gil, Mary Moran, Mary O'Keefe and Alice Hussey. Annette Carrigan, Doreen Brennan, Nuala Murney and Gibbons did best for U.C.D.

Scores—Celtic—U. O'Connor (2-1), Mary O'Keefe (1-1), C. Crowe (1-0), U.C.D.—E. Bourke (1-1), A. Carrigan (0-2), M. Gibbons (0-1).

## Distribution of honours

By TAOBH-LINE

CAMOGIE seems always to be the "poor relation" when the various annual awards are being allotted, so, in the circumstances, I feel I may as well nominate my own camogie players of 1962 before that year is completely lost and forgotten.

Outstanding player right through the season must, of course, be the Dublin full-forward, Una O'Connor from the Celtic club. Una won her ninth All-Ireland medal with Dublin and thus takes second place to the now legendary Kathleen Mills in the list of camogie honours.

In addition, Una set up a record all her own by winning her fifth inter-provincial medal, and it is interesting to note that the Leinster selectors placed her not at full-forward but at centre-forward.

## MISSED CLEAN SWEEP

She also won a senior league medal in Dublin with her club, was also on their Isle of Man Cup-winning side just before Christmas and narrowly missed a clean sweep of all available honours, for Celtic drew with U.C.D. in the Dublin senior final only to be narrowly defeated in the replay.

However, another player who had a great year was that great Wexford exponent of the game, Lily Parle. Lily led her county to victory in the Leinster Inter-

# Celtic beat Stacks

CELTIIC, down one point in the Dublin Senior Camogie League beat Austin Stacks 6-1 to 1-4 yesterday. This was Stacks' first defeat and much more was expected of them. Celtic led 1-1 to nil at the interval.

Misses U. O'Connor (4-1), B. Henbury (1-0) and M. O'Keefe scored for Celtic, and Misses Sherlock (0-1) and P. O'Mahony (1-2) for the losers.

## ANTRIM UNLUCKY

Unlucky team of the year was Antrim who played wonderful Camogie for two-thirds of the game against Dublin in the All-Ireland semi-final at Parnell Park, but, just when victory seemed assured, faltered and were narrowly defeated.

A few weeks later they came south to play a challenge match against a Wexford side, as a curtain-raiser to the All-Ireland final and gave a really wonderful exhibition of stylish play.

Outstanding club of the year is an honour I would confer on Elmville, Clonmel, who after being saddy disappointed in the 1961 final came back to defeat Roscrea in the final of the Tipperary championship, and thus brought the title to the south of the county for the first time.

**LEINSTER MUNSTER** 7-2  
**CALLINAN** 2-4

GERALDINE Callinan, schoolgirl from Graiguecullen, a dressingroom replacement for an absent McDonald, was heroine of a Leinster camogie extra time, after 20 minutes from holders snatched an intensely exciting Munster in an exciting Gael-Linn Cup semi-final at Parnell Park, Dublin, yesterday.

For much of the 70 minutes played, Munster looked the more likely winners, and at one time were 11 points ahead. That lead had been cut to five points, 4-2 to 3-0, at half-time.

Backed by the wind, Leinster steadily overhauled the leaders and a couple of minutes from time Geraldine Callinan beat four defenders for a goal that put Leinster in front for the first time. But Lillian Howlett balanced with two great Munster points to leave the teams level, 5-1 to 4-4, at the end of the regular 50 minutes.

Ten minutes extra time could not divide them, the score then read Leinster 6-1, Munster 5-4, but Munster, finishing strongly, went ahead after the second interval with a point from a "30" by Teresa Murphy.

Judy Doyle balanced again for Leinster in a thrilling finish, then Una O'Connor from a "30" cut the ball off the ground for the lead once more and Geraldine Callinan raced through to clinch victory with a great goal in the last second.

**Celtic 3-0**  
**Dairdea (Belfast) 0-0**

TWO smart goals by Cora Crowe gave Celtic a 2-0 interval lead. The Belfast girls improved considerably on resumings, and Sue Ward and Mary Corcadden with a well-taken brace of goals levelled with ten minutes to go. However, Celtic rallied, and Alison McGarry shot the winner just on time.

## Camogie Holders Qualify

**CELTIIC** 7-2  
**NAOMH AOIFE** 2-4

CELTIIC holders, qualified for the final of the Isle of Man cup, when they had a deserved win over last season's intermediate side, Naomh Aoife, at Phoenix Park yesterday.

Celtic, who led 4-0 to 1-1 at half-time, had outstanding players in Angela Gil, Mary Moran and Lillian O'Dowd with effective forwards in Cora Crowe, Alison McGarry and Una O'Connor.

For the losers, Kathleen Ryder and Patricia Timmins, Sheila O'Reilly and Mary Stain all did well.

SCORES: Celtic—C. Crowe (2-1), A. McGarry (2-0), U. O'Connor (2-1), M. Moran (1-0), P. Timmins (1-0), M. Ryan (1-0).

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# Gael Linn Camogie Cup Line-Outs

## SEMI-FINALS

Ulster 2-9; Connacht 3-4.

**ULSTER**—T. Jordan (Armagh); M. C. Mallon (Armagh), P. McKeever (Armagh), C. Hughes (Antrim), M. Kane (Antrim), M. McAtamney (Antrim), S. Ward (Antrim), L. Carabine (Antrim), M. Kearns (Antrim), M. P. Jameson (Antrim), M. Gilroy (Antrim), L. Reynolds (Armagh).

**CONNACHT**—E. Naughton (Galway), P. Colclough (Galway), R. Flaherty (Galway), B. Newell (Galway), M. Kelly (Mayo), J. Ruane (Mayo), K. Quinn (Galway), C. Pury (Galway), V. McDonald (Mayo), K. Clancy (Galway), K. Flaherty (Galway), E. Walsh (Galway).

Leinster 7-3; Munster 5-5.  
(After extra time. Full-time score 5-1 to 4-4).

**LEINSTER**—A. Brennan (Louth), M. Sinnott (Wexford), G. Hughes (Dublin), S. Lennon (Louth), J. Murphy (Wexford), K. Ryder (Dubline), M. Hearne (Wexford), R. McMahon (Louth), G. Callinan (Laois) U. O'Connor (Dublin), J. Doyle (Dublin), L. Parle (Wexford, captain).

**MUNSTER**—D. Sutton (Cork); B. Ryan (Limerick), B. Shine (Cork), C. Shine (Limerick), J. Clancy (Cork), T. Griffin (Tipperary), L. Howlett (Waterford), T. Murphy (Cork), M. Moloney (Limerick), K. Griffin (Tipp.), T. Moloney (Tipp.), E. Neville (Limerick).

## FINAL

Leinster 7-2; Ulster 5-3  
**LEINSTER**—A. Brennan, M. Sinnott, N. Murney (Dublin), S. Lennon, G. Hughes, K. Ryder, M. Hearne, J. Murphy; G. Callinan, U. O'Connor, J. Doyle; L. Parle (Captain).

**ULSTER**—T. Jordan; M. C. Mallon; P. McKeever, C. Hughes, M. Kane, M. McAtamney, S. Ward, L. Carabine, M. Kearns, M. P. Jameson, M. Gilroy, L. Reynolds.

## All-Ireland Title-Holders (O'Duffy Cup)

**DUBLIN (21)** — 1932-'33, 1937-'38, 1942-'44, 1948-'55, 1957-'62.

**CORK (6)** — 1934-'36, 1939-'41.

**ANTRIM (4)** — 1945-'47, 1956.

## Ashbourne Cup (Inter-Varsity Camogie) Winners

University College, Dublin (23)—1915-'16, 1918, 1921, 1933, 1935, 1937-'42, 1946, 1950, 1952-'55, 1958-'62.

University College, Cork (15)—1919, 1922-'27, 1929, 1931-'32, 1934, 1936, 1945, 1947, 1951.  
University College, Galway (9)—1917, 1920, 1928, 1930, 1944, 1948-'49, 1956-'57.

## Vital Points For Austin Stacks

**AUSTIN STACKS** 4-1  
**U.C.D.** 3-0  
AUSTIN STACKS, the faster and fiercer side, surprised University College in this vital senior camogie league tie at Phoenix Park last night. The students, for whom this was a serious set-back, as it leaves them three points down, were, except during a late rally, always in trouble. Stacks, who led by 2-1 to 1-0 at half-time, were well served by Concepts Clarke, Sally Blake, Tessie Fay, Anne McAllister and Mary Ryan, while Annette Corrigan, Doreen Brennan and Bridget Doherty were prominent for College.  
Scorers: A. Stacks—S. Blake (2-0), D. Rogers (1-0), M. Ryan (0-1), U.C.D.—A. Corrigan (2-0), E. Ryan (1-0).

Glen Rovers, who, as County Champions, have the Cork selection for this season, have announced the first trial game for Sunday next at 4 p.m. For this they have named 28 players as follows: Deirdre Sutton, Noreen O'Callaghan, Carrie Buckley, Peggy Dorgan, Stephanie O'Connell, Maud Crowley, Winnie White, Teresa Murphy, Nora O'Mahony and Maura Browne (Glen Rovers); Jerry Vaughan, Rena Manley, Deirdre Young, Terry Fehily and Joan Clancy (Old Aloysians); Eleanor Cummins, Kitty Barry Murphy, Sheila O'Sullivan and Anne Comerford (S.P.P.P.); Maura Fitzgerald (U.C.C.); Ann Hogan and Peg Murphy (Donoughmore); Harriet O'Flynn (Mayfield); Mary Barrett and Joan Fitzpatrick (Finbar's); Dolores Blackley (St. Bernadette's), and Irene Sheehan (Canovee).

## Celtic Maintain Unbeaten Record

**CELTIC** 7-1  
**C.I.E.** 0-0  
CELTIC maintained their unbeaten record in the Dublin senior camogie league, when they readily overcame an understrength C.I.E. side at Phoenix Park last evening. The winners, who had the advantage of the wind and sun in the first half, led 3-0 to nil at the interval. Celtic, who lost their All-Ireland star, Una O'Connor at half-time, when she had to retire with a pulled muscle, were best served by Alice Hussey, Brid Harbury, Anne Twamley and Gerry Hughes. Mona Walsh, Sophie Brack, Judy Dunne and Eileen Carmel Keenan, led best for C.I.E.  
Scorers—Celtic—E. Ryan (2-1), Una O'Connor (2-0), J. McHally (1-0), C. Crowe (1-0).

## Dublin's Team For Inter-City Camogie

THE following is the Dublin Colleges' camogie team to play Cork Colleges in the annual inter-city game at Phoenix Park on Saturday next.  
M. Raffe (Presentation, Terenure); E. Quigley (Holy Faith, Clarendon St.); I. Harding (Holy Faith, Clontarf); M. Fehily (Maryfield College, Clontarf); M. Gallagher (Naomh Muire); O. Gallagher (Naomh Muire); Ryan (Maryfield), M. Sheehy (Clontarf), O. ni Siocham (Clontarf); M. Streecker (Clontarf); L. McGrath (Terenure); M. Woods (Clontarf); Bolger (Clontarf); Reserves—N. O'Connell (Clarendon St.); E. Moore (Maryfield); D. Daly (Clontarf); B. Derivan (Maryfield).

## Easy Victory For Celtic In Replay

**CELTIC 7-2; EOGHAN RUADH 2-2**  
AFTER a lively opening Eoghan Ruadh fell away in this Dublin Senior Camogie championship replay in the Phoenix Park last night and once Celtic took the lead they went on to win easily.  
Scorers: Celtic—C. Crowe (3-0), U. O'Connor (2-0), M. O'Keefe (1-0), M. Hanbury (1-0). E. Ruadh—E. Ware (1-1), E. Toner (1-0), C. Nolan (1-0).

## Team Chosen

THE Dublin camogie team to play Wexford in the Leinster senior camogie final at Gorey on Sunday is:  
E. Leech (Celtic); E. Hughes (Celtic); S. Ware (E. Ruadh); Hussey (Celtic); K. Lyons (Ruadh); K. Ryder (N. Asife); Sherlock (A. Stacks); M. Ryan (Stacks); B. Keenan (A. Stacks); O'Connor (Celtic); J. Doyle (C.I.E.); G. Crowe (Celtic); Subst. Clarke (A. Stacks); A. Murphy (C.I.E.); M. McEvoy (Presentation); P. Timmins (N. Asife).

## Camogie Honours List

### 1962 PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONS

Connacht—Galway (Winners); Mayo (Runners-Up).  
Leinster Senior—Dublin; Wexford.  
Intermediate—Wexford; Louth.  
Junior—Offaly; Meath.  
Munster—Cork; Limerick.  
Ulster (Senior)—Antrim; Armagh.  
Ulster (Junior)—Tyrone; Donegal.  
Ashbourne Cup—U.C.D.; Queen's University, Belfast.  
Gael-Linn Cup—Leinster; Ulster.  
Leinster Colleges' (Stuart Cup)—Mercy Convent, Callan.  
Dublin Colleges' Championship—Holy Faith, Clontarf.

### COUNTY CHAMPIONS

Dublin—U.C.D.  
Antrim—Deirdre (Belfast).  
Louth—Kilkerley.  
Wexford—St. John's.  
Tipperary—Elmville (Clonmel).  
Cork—Glen Rovers.  
Laois—St. Anne's (Ballylinan-Killeslin).  
Kildare—Ballyroe.  
Galway—Castlegar.  
Dublin League—Celtic.

## Celtic, Ruadh Draw Exciting Game

CELTIC, 1-1; EOGHAN RUADH, 1-1  
AFTER an exciting game in which play throughout was of a high standard, Eoghan Ruadh, who led 1-1 to 1-0 at half-time, and Celtic drew this Dublin Senior Camogie Championship game at Phoenix Park yesterday.  
Scorers: Eoghan Ruadh—S. Ware (1-1); Celtic—A. Twamley (1-0), C. Crowe (0-1). The replay takes place next Tuesday.

## Eoghan Ruadh Held Celtic

CELTIC ..... 2-4  
EOGHAN RUADH ..... 3-1

CAMOGIE LEAGUE holders Celtic, were lucky to finish on level terms with Eoghan Ruadh in their vital League game at Phoenix Park. They now share the top position with Austin Stacks, who are also two points down.  
Scorers: Celtic: M. Casey (1-0), C. Crowe (1-0), U. O'Connor (0-2), M. O'Keefe (0-1).  
E. Ruadh: B. Maher (1-1), C. Nolan (1-0).

# Miss Walsh The Star At Belfield

Teresa Walsh (Austin Stacks) won the Cup for the best individual athlete in the Dublin Camogie Board sports at Belfield yesterday. She scored a championship double in the 100 and 220 yards, and also finished second in the 75 yards championship.

Another notable double was achieved by All-Ireland midfielder Mary Sherlock, who won the long-puck and the 220 yards handicap.

The sports, revived for the first time since 1950, proved a tremendous success.

**SENIOR**  
Championships—75 yards—A. Reilly (Na Piarasigh), 100 yards—T. Walsh (Austin Stacks), 220 yards—T. Walsh.

Handicap events—75 yards—E. Reilly (Na Piarasigh), 100—E. Reilly, 220—M. Sherlock (Austin Stacks). High Jump—A. Reilly.

Slamnet Race—A. and E. Reilly. Sack Race—J. Doyle (C.I.E.). Relay—Na Piarasigh. Egg and Spoon—M. Farren (C.I.E.). Rising and Striking Camogie Ball—M. Sherlock (Austin Stacks). Obstacle Race—P. Cassidy (St. Bloom).

**JUNIOR**  
75 Yards: J. Wilson (Na Piarasigh), 100: E. Gillies (Na Piarasigh), 220: M. Murray (E. Ruadh). Sack Race: B. Brennan (Na Piarasigh). Relay: Austin Stacks. Rising and Striking Camog Ball: E. Gumley (St. Bloom). Obstacle Race: P. Hearne (Celtic). Slamnet Race: F. Byrne and P. Farren (St. Bloom). Egg and Spoon: E. Sheehan (E. Ruadh).

# Austin Stacks are champions

Austin Stacks, 3-2; Celtic, 1-2.

AUSTIN STACKS proved themselves worthy champions when they again beat Celtic—this time in the final of the Dublin Senior Camogie League—by 3-2 to 1-2 at the Phoenix Park last evening after a highly-entertaining game.

Stacks were into their stride from the throw-in, and Doreen Rogers opened their account with a smart goal. Before the interval, Mary Sherlock and Phyllis Campbell added points from frees, while Celtic's only score was a point by Una O'Connor. Doreen Rogers and Sally Blake increased Stacks' lead with a brace of goals on resuming, and in a late Celtic rally Allison McGarry (goal) and Una O'Connor (point) reduced the arrears for the holders.

Outstanding for Stacks were M. Sherlock, M. Ryan, T. Walsh, S. Blake, L. Geraghty and B. Keenan; while Celtic were best represented by A. McGarry, C. Crowe, U. O'Connor and A. Hussey.

# Camogie Board sports

THE annual sports of the Dublin Co. Camogie Board were revived at Phoenix Park, and over 300 competitors from affiliated clubs took part.

Prominent players were well to the fore. The novelty events made for much enjoyment and the proceedings were watched by a large crowd.

The finals will be run off at Belfield, on Sunday, June 9.

Those to do well in the 100 yards were, Misses Maghamon (E. Ruadh), G. Ward (U.C.D.), M. Sherlock (A. Stacks), D. Rogers (A. Stacks), R. Halpin (M. O'Neill) and R. Gumly (St. Bloom).

Prominent in the junior section were, Misses E. Murphy, A. Mitchell, J. Condon (Presentation Club), S. Greeray, J. Colgan (A. Stacks), F. Byrne, C. Cloney (St. Bloom), E. Gillies, J. Wilson, M. Farrell, R. Reilly and A. Reilly.

Others prominent were Misses M. Gilroy (N. Aolfe), T. Walsh (A. Stacks), A. Hussey (Celtic), A. Twomey (Celtic), J. Doyle (C.I.E.), K. Ryder (N. Aolfe), S. Fitzpatrick (St. Bloom), K. Noble (St. Bloom), J. Churchard (E. Ruadh), M. Moran (Celtic), B. McCann (C.I.E.), M. Farren (C.I.E.), C. Lyoth (E. Ruadh), M. Farrell (Na Piarasigh), M. McEvoy (Presentation).

# Stacks seek double

AUSTIN STACKS, Dublin senior camogie champions, are poised also to secure league honours. They meet Celtic in the play-off at Phoenix Park to-morrow (8.0).

Austin Stacks, unimpressive at the opening of the season, improved with each outing and while Celtic may be regarded as the form team, Stacks certainly have been the surprise packet.

Stacks made light of Na Piarasigh and their game with Slieve Bloom did not materialise.

Austin Stacks—Misses R. Blake, P. Samples, B. Keenan, C. Clarke, J. For, M. Geraghty, M. Sherlock, T. Walsh, M. Ryan, D. Rogers, A. Roney, A. McAllister, A. McGowan, M. Moran, K. Mastin, T. Connolly.

Celtic—Misses E. Leech, G. Hughes, M. Moran, A. Hussey, A. Gill, M. Casey, A. Twomey, B. Hanbury, M. O'Keefe, C. Crowe, A. McGarry, Una O'Connor, A. Gallagher, L. O'Dowd, J. McAvoy.

Referee—Mrs. E. O'Duffy.

# CELTIC, CAMOGIE • Ashbourne FAVOURITES ARE ON TRIAL

By UNA

THE Dublin senior camogie championships, which have provided remarkably good fare so far, should attract a good crowd to O'Toole Park on Sunday evening when both the senior semi-finals will be played. Celtic and Austin Stacks meet in the opening game at 7.0 while holders U.C.D. clash with C.I.E. in the second semi-final at 8.0.

Celtic, at the moment must be favourites to take the title which eluded them so narrowly a year ago when U.C.D. beat them in the final after a drawn game and replay.

In their opening match against Eoghan Ruadh, Celtic were held to level scoring, but in the replay last Tuesday evening they were clearly the superior side, with their All-Ireland stars Eithne Leech, Alice Hussey, Gerry Hughes and Una O'Connor all in sparkling form.

But they will need to be at their best to account for Austin Stacks for whom Mary Sherlock, Sally Blake, Phyllis Campbell, Brigid Keenan and Mary Ryan were also in top gear when they defeated Naomh Aolfe last Sunday.

# CORK AND TIPP CAMOGIE GAMES

The following are the Cork and Tipperary teams for the Munster Senior Championship Final at the Limerick Gaelic Grounds, Ennis Road, on to-morrow evening at 7.30 p.m.:

**Cork**—D. Sutton (Glen Rovers); K. Barry-Murphy (S.P.P.P.); N. O'Callaghan (Glen Rovers); A. Henahan (Donoughmore); J. Clancy (Old Aloysians); T. Murphy (Glen Rovers), captain, M. Barrett (St. Finbarrs); P. Dorgan (Glen Rovers); D. Young (Old Aloysians), N. O'Mahony (Glen Rovers), S. O'Connell (do.); M. Browne (do.).  
**Subs**—M. Fitzgerald (U.C.C.), R. Marley (Old Aloysians), D. Blackfields (St. Bernadettes), A. Comerford (S.P.P.P.), and E. Cummins (do.).

**Tipperary**—H. Flynn; P. Mooney; N. Slattery; A. Brennan; M. Graham; K. Griffin; T. Griffin; M. Halley; A. Carroll; M. O'Neill; E. Graham and B. Maloney.

# Austin Stacks and C.I.E. for final

Austin Stacks created the camogie surprise of the season at O'Toole Park yesterday by disposing of Celtic in no uncertain fashion.

The score at the end, 4-4 to 1-2, was a true reflection of the relative merits of the teams on the day's play. Celtic never settled down to their usual style.

On the other hand Stacks never put a foot wrong, and adapted themselves to the difficult conditions, brought about by rain and a slippery pitch.

Best for Austin Stacks was Miss M. Sherlock who dominated the midfield position and was excellent in attack and defence. Others to impress were Misses M. Ryan, D. Rogers, S. Blake, and M. Connelly.

Celtic's stars were Misses M. O'Keefe, Angela Gill, Cora Crowe, M. Moran and Ally Hussey.

Minutes after the start Miss Sherlock pointed and from a free the same player added a goal. Miss O'Connor (1-0) replied for Celtic. Miss Sherlock (0-1), L. Rogers (1-0) and S. Blake (1-0) added to the total for Celtic to give Stacks an interval lead of 3-2 to 1-0.

Resuming, Celtic set out to reduce the arrears, but the all-out effort of Stacks nullified this and Miss D. Rogers (1-0), M. Sherlock (1-1) made the score 4-4.

# Ashbourne Cup Final Not Yet Decided

By AGNES HOURIGAN

U.C.C. .... 2-1  
U.C.D. .... 2-1

AFTER a brilliant game, when at last it got started, the home side, University College, Cork, and holders, University College, Dublin, played a thrilling draw in the Ashbourne camogie cup final at the Mardyke, Cork, yesterday. Before the game Cork objected to one of the Dublin players and the start was delayed.

A meeting of the Ashbourne Committee yesterday morning ruled that the player was not qualified to play, but U.C.D., claiming that she is a bona fide student, insisted on including her on their line-out in the final.

U.C.C. agreed to play the match under protest, but, when the game ended in a draw, the Cork girls refused to play extra time.

At a subsequent meeting of the Ashbourne Committee it was agreed that the final be replayed sometime after Easter.

It was a pity that such confusion should have marred the memory of so grand a game between two such sporting sides.

Cork led by a goal 2-1 to 1-1 at half-time, but Dublin had the only goal of the second half and, despite high excitement, neither side could snatch a winning score.

For Cork, Mary Fitzgerald, Mary Buckley and Maureen Fraher were outstanding, while Gemma O'Neill, Marcella Byrne and Bridin Dobbey were just as impressive for the Dublin girls.

**Scorers:** U.C.C.—M. Fitzgerald (1-1), M. Buckley (1-0). U.C.D.—I. Falvey (1-1), M. Kelly (1-0).

DUBLIN CAMOGIE

# Celtic and U.C.D. share points

IN the Dublin Senior Camogie League tie, played at the Phoenix Park on Sunday, Celtic and University College played a 3-3 draw.

A blustery wind and rain did not in any way take from the play which was of a high order throughout.

The College girls put up a surprisingly good display and may be regarded as unlucky not to have secured the extra point two minutes from the end. Yet both sides seemed satisfied with the result.

Though the cross wind did not favour either side, College made all the running in the first half.

At the other end Misses Gerry Hughes, Ally Hussey, Angela Gill and Eithne Leech were called on to defend their side repeatedly.

# STRONG MIDFIELD

For a change, Miss Doreen Brennan was in goal for U.C.D. and acquitted herself well. Midfield, Misses Annette Corrigan, Manuella Byrne, Mary Gibbons and Elenor O'Neill countered many promising attacks by Celtic.

Miss Una O'Connor who failed to notch a score, was well marked by Miss M. A. O'Sullivan and got little scope to penetrate an alert defence.

Against the run of play, Celtic led by a goal at the interval. In the opening minutes Miss A. Corrigan had a goal from a "30", and Miss Cora Crowe equalised.

After Eileen Bourke and Annie Donnelly had near misses, Miss Cora Crowe got the lead by a further goal just before half-time.

Misses O'Keefe and A. McGarry spearheaded the attack for Celtic on resuming, but College once again defended well.

Play was again in U.C.D. territory and Miss G. O'Neill goalied. She had a similar score before Miss M. O'Keefe scored the equaliser five minutes from the end.

# VITAL POINT MISSED

College in a final rally forced a "30", but while the vital point was necessary for victory, Miss Corrigan failed to convert a tribute before the end.

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# All-Ireland Semi-final At The U.C.C. Grounds Cork Could Surprise Dublin

FOR the first time since 1956, an All-Ireland Camogie semi-final will be played in Cork City, when on Sunday next, Cork meet the champions, Dublin, at the U.C.C. Grounds. Last season Cork got a home venue for their semi-final tie against Galway, too; but on that occasion the game was played in Fermoy.

This tie should attract a big attendance at the U.C.C. Grounds, as Dublin have a great record in this competition having dominated it for the past fourteen years, with only one exception, when Antrim took the title in 1956.

Cork, on the other hand, won their first provincial title since 1956.

In the Wexford last season. Then they were rather surprisingly beaten by Galway in the All-Ireland semi-final, on that day, the Cork girls, with the exception of a few, did not play up to their best form and proved a big disappointment.

## FACILE WIN

This season they retained their Munster title with a facile win over Kerry in the first round and a great victory over old rivals Tipperary in the decider.

In that tie, Cork did not have things all their own way in the first half. Tipp. scored first and looked most dangerous in the opening quarter. However, Cork came more into the picture as the game wore on and were leading by a point at half time. During

the second half they wasted numerous chances which might well have been costly.

However, soon after the resumption, the selectors made two changes which proved match-winners for the Leesiders. They switched Deirdre Young from wing to half-forward and brought Rena Manley into the wing position. These switches brought the attack very much into the picture. Rena, Deirdre and young Stephanie O'Connell on the other wing played brilliantly in this period and played major roles in bringing the title to Cork again.

Dublin in their provincial campaign got their hardest game for many years in the Leinster championship. When on Sunday last, Intermediate champions, Wexford, gave them a big fight.

Dublin were led almost to the half-time whistle before a goal

from a "30" by Dublin's Mary Ryan gave the holders a 2-2 2-1 lead.

This was the score up to ten minutes before the end, when Una O'Connor moved from half to her favourite position of full forward and sealed the issue for Dublin, scoring a great goal herself and making another for Judy Doyle to give them a winning score of 4-2 to 2-1.

## NOT A GREAT SIDE

In this game, Dublin were not a great side. However, they always played as a team and, once again, showed their great ability to prove their real worth in the closing quarter. Dublin are a team who are never beaten until the final whistle. They have shown this over and over again, and it proved a vital asset in last year's semi-final when Antrim led them by

seven points with only ten minutes to go.

On Sunday last, Dublin's big stars were Ethna Leach, Kay Ryder, Judy Doyle, Una O'Connor and Alice Hussey. Judy Doyle and Una O'Connor are two of the best forwards in the country and the Cork defence can expect a busy afternoon on Sunday. It will be vital for Cork to hold these forwards. Kitty Barry Murphy, the Cork full-back played well against Una O'Connor in the 1957 semi-final, when Kitty was wing-back and Una wing forward, so the Cork full-back should be able to keep a tight rein on Una if she plays in this position. Judy Doyle will probably be on the left wing. Judy's biggest asset is her great speed, and Norma O'Callaghan will need to stay with her for the hour. However, Norma is a solid

defender, who will not give Judy much room. The remaining Dublin forwards will probably be: Brid Keenan at half-forward and Pat Timmons on the other wing, Ann Honohan, who had a fine game at half-back against Tipperary and Joan Clancy, at left wing back, will be their opponents here, and if they, with the remaining Cork defenders, can blunt the Dublin attacking power, then Cork will be a long way towards victory. Deirdre Sutton, the Cork goalkeeper, is always cool and against Tipp. brought off some wonderful saves.

## SHOULD DO WELL

The Cork centre field trio of Peggy Dorgan, Marie Barrett and Teresa Murphy are all accomplished hurlers and if they can play as well on Sunday as against

Tipperary, then they should do very well against the probable Dublin trio of Kay Ryder, Mary Sherlock and Mary Ryan. But they will want to be in top form as all the Dublin centres are top class.

The Cork forwards, as already mentioned, were brilliant against Tipp., but they will almost certainly be up against stronger opposition on Sunday. Ethna Leach, in goal, is safe; while Gerry Hughes at full-back is very clever, so Maura Browne, Cork's opportunist full forward, will have to work hard for scoring chances. Rena Manley could prove too fast for Sheila Ware, while Stephanie O'Connell is such a clever little forward that she could give Dublin's Kay Lyons a busy time. Deirdre Young's great speed should once again prove a great asset, but Dublin's Alice Hussey is speedy too; so there should be a

big duel here. However, Deirdre has the ability to come out on top.

The only change on the Cork selection from the Provincial final is the omission of Nora O'Mahony, who sustained an injury in that game which made it impossible for her to be considered for Sunday's game. However, it is hoped that Nora will be fit enough to return to the game in the near future.

## NOT ANNOUNCED

These, then, are the probable sides for Sunday. The Cork team is the same as that which finished against Tipperary, but the Dublin side had not been announced at the time of writing.

What are Cork's chances? With their record it cannot be disputed that Dublin must start as firm favourites. But if the Cork girls

can play as well as in the second half against Tipperary, then they must be there with a great chance, especially with the advantage of a home venue. In any event, this game should be a first class one, with an abundance of good camogie.

**Cork team** D. Sutton (Glen Rovers); K. Barry Murphy (S.P.P.P.); N. O'Callaghan (Glen Rovers); A. Honohan (Donoughmore); J. Clancy (Old Aloysians); T. Murphy (Glen Rovers) captain; M. Barrett (St. Finbarr's); P. Dorgan (Glen Rovers); R. Manley (Old Aloysians); D. Young (do.); S. O'Connell (Glen Rovers); M. Browne (Glen Rovers); Subs—M. Fitzgerald (U.C.C.); D. Blackshield (St. Bernadettes); A. Comerford (S.P.P.P.); E. Cummins (do.).

# Dublin Held By Cork In Semi-final

CORK 3-2; DUBLIN 3-2

UNLUCKY not to win was the general opinion of the thousands of spectators who turned out to watch an exciting drawn All-Ireland camogie semi-final at the U.C.C. Grounds, Mardyke, yesterday. For ten minutes after half-time Cork led 3-2 to 1-0, and it was only then that the visitors began to make use of the good wind advantage, and a few score-resulting breakaways saw them on level terms at the final whistle.

However, it is by no means certain that they would have won had play continued, for Cork were sharing the honours again at the game's end. And even though the home side did not actually emerge victors, as they deserved, they were well pleased with the result, as Dublin have dominated this competition for the past 14 years, with only one exception—when Antrim took the title in 1956.

Dublin went into the lead early on when star player Una O'Connor goalied, but a short time later they lost the initiative to a fast-moving, fast-thinking Cork side who had the advantage of a strong cross-wind, and after some ten minutes of play wing forward Rena Manley smacked in a goal from far out on

the left to level terms. At this stage Cork took complete command and Miss Manley followed with another goal almost immediately and Teresa Murphy increased the lead still further with a point.

## WELL ON TOP

The combination of fine camogie, plenty of confidence and wind advantage kept the home side completely on top until the interval and the few stray Dublin attacks which did get through in this period were blocked by a solid Cork defence dominated by goalie Deirdre Sutton.

On the resumption, Cork seemed determined to hold on to their lead and for the opening ten minutes continued to attack—notching up another goal via Deirdre Young and a point via Peggy Dorgan. But then a goal from a free taken by Una O'Connor injected new life into a flagging Dublin side and waking up to the wind advantage they went into the attack.

One of the very few miscalculations on the part of keeper Deirdre Sutton accounted for the ball rolling into the Cork net, once again sent on its way by Miss O'Connor. A further point from this star player and a point scored by Mary Sherlock brought the Dublin side on level terms. Both teams strove very hard for the winning score in the final minutes and it could well have been Cork's game if it had continued a few minutes longer, for they had recovered the initiative before the final whistle.

Best for Cork were Deirdre Sutton, Ann Honohan and Joan Clancy, in defence, and Deirdre Young and Rena Manley, in attack. For Dublin, Una O'Connor and Kay Ryder, in defence, and Alice Hussey and Kay Lyons, in attack, were best.

## Dublin Shows Two Changes

THE replay of the All-Ireland Camogie semi-final between Cork and Dublin will take place at Parnell Park, Dublin, on Sunday next at 1.45.

The Dublin team shows two changes from the team that played in the drawn game at Cork last Sunday. Concepta Clarke (Austin Stacks) takes over from Ethna Leach in goal, while Maureen McEvoy (Presentation Past) plays at right wing. Kathleen Ryder moves to centre-forward and Bridget Keenan goes to right-forward to replace Patricia Timmons.

The revised Dublin selection is: C. Clarke, B. Hughes, S. Ware, A. Hussey, K. Lyons, M. Ryan, M. Sherlock, M. McEvoy, B. Keenan, K. Ryder, J. Doyle, U. O'Connor, Subs: E. Leach, N. Geraghty, P. Timmons, C. Crowe.

**Munster:** D. Sutton (Cork); K. Barry-Murphy (Cork); R. Giltepane (Limerick); P. Moloney (Tipperary); J. McNamara (Waterford); T. Griffin (Tipperary); L. Howlett (Waterford); D. Young (Cork); M. Moroney (Limerick); S. O'Connell (Cork); K. Griffin (Tipperary); A. Carroll (Tipperary); Subs: H. O'Flynn (Tipperary); J. Clancy (Cork); B. Guiry (Tipperary); R. Manley (Cork); T. Murphy (Cork).

**Connacht:** E. Naughton (Galway); M. Kelly (Mayo); J. Fahy (Galway); R. Conway (Mayo); P. Fitzgerald (Galway); K. Higgins (Galway); J. Ruane (Mayo); W. Finnerty (Mayo); A. Kelly (Mayo); K. Clancy (Galway); M. Corrigan (Mayo); P. Colclough (Galway); Subs: M. McGuire (Mayo); M. Gallagher (Mayo); M. Hughes (Galway); B. Gilvarry (Mayo); F. Fox (Galway).

**Old Aloysians** — M. Murphy; M. Clancy; K. Ryan; J. Clancy; T. Feohy; J. Vaughan; D. Young; S. Ford; E. Harrington; R. Manley (capt.); M. Barry; A. Moynihan; Subs: L. Kelleher; L. O'Grady; N. McAuliffe.

**Glen Rovers** (to be selected from)—D. Sutton, C. Buckley, N. O'Callaghan (capt.), T. Murphy, P. Deane, P. Dorgan, M. Buckley, N. O'Mahony, S. O'Connell, A. Crotty, M. Browne, C. Duggan, M. McCarthy, M. Lucey, W. White, B. Naughton, K. Browne. Sunday at Douglas, senior Co. championship final; Glen Rovers v. Old Aloysians, 3 p.m.

## LEINSTER CAMOGIE

THE Leinster camogie team for the Interprovincial Gael Linn Cup semi-final at Carrickmacross on Sunday (3.15) will show one change on the original selection. Miss A. Hussey, absent for business reasons, will be replaced by Miss M. Sherlock.

The team is: Misses E. Ellard (Wexford) (goal), M. Sinnott (Wexford), J. Murphy (Wexford), M. Sherlock (Dublin), K. Lyons (Dublin), K. Murphy (Louth), K. Ryder (Dublin), L. Hearne (Wexford), G. Callahan (Louth), C. Harrigan (Kildare), J. Doyle (Dublin), Una O'Connor (capt.) (Dublin).

Subs—Misses M. Ruschitzke (Louth), M. Moran (Kildare), L. Purle (Howth).

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## Austin Stacks win comfortably

**S**URPRISES were the order when the Isle Of Man Cup was resumed at the Phoenix Park yesterday. Holders of the trophy Celtic were expected to extend Dublin county champions, and league title holders Austin Stacks in the morning game, but as in both decisions last season Stacks completely outplayed the Coolock girls to win comfortably.

U.C.D., having their first match of the season never looked like beating a much improved Naomh Aoife side whose defence proved too solid for the students who only got one point from a "30". Slieve Bloom three goals in arrears within ten minutes failed to recover before going under to Eoghan Ruadh.

**Austin Stacks, 9-0; Celtic, 2-1**

**A**FTER a very evenly contested first half, Celtic a goal in arrears at the interval, fell away completely in the second half when beaten by 9-0 to 2-1 after a rather one-sided match.

D. Rogers (3), S. Blake (3), and P. Campbell (1), M. O'Connell (1) and M. Sherlock (1) had goals for the winners, whose outstanding players were O. Ni Stochain, C. Clarke, M. Ryan, M. Sherlock and D. Rogers.

Celtic scorers were—M. O'Keefe (2-0), and U. O'Connor (0-1) were best represented by G. Hughes, M. O'Keefe, M. Casey and M. Moran.

**Naomh Aoife ..... 3-2**  
**U.C.D. .... 0-1**

**L**EADING by 2-1 to 0-1 at the interval, N. Aoife were always in command against a slow moving College side whose forwards lacked cohesion, and shooting ability, and were beaten finally by 3-2 to 0-1.

A. Walsh (2-0), B. McDonnell (1-0) and P. Timmons (0-2) scored for the winners, whose outstanding players were A. Gilroy, A. Walsh, S. O'Reilly, P. Timmons and K. Ryder. College's lone score was obtained by A. Corrigan from a "30."

**Eoghan Ruadh ..... 6-0**  
**Slieve Bloom ..... 1-1**

**B**RIDIE MAHER gave Ruadhs a flying start with three goals inside the first ten minutes, and then the full forward put on another just on the interval after Slieve Bloom had a goal and a point from P. O'Neill.

Slieve Bloom did much better on resuming, but faded in the final minutes when M. Kerins and M. Churchman put on a brace of goals for the winners.

Best for Ruadhs were G. Armstrong, M. Kerins, B. Maher and S. Ware, while Slieve Bloom were best served by E. Phillips, P. O'Neill, S. Fitzpatrick, P. Cassidy and V. Freaney.

# Top teams clash in camogie

By UNA

**T**HE Isle of Man Cup competition brings most of the top teams in Dublin camogie back into action on Sunday next, and the most lively game of the day is likely to be that between the county champions and the star-studded Celtic side.

In the second game Naomh Aoife who, powered by their All-Ireland players Kay Ryder and Patricia Timmons had a good first-round victory over Na Piarasigh will not know until the game begins what they are up against in the University College side.

This is likely to be a year of transition for the students who fear that less than half of their last season's side will now be available. Certainly Doreen Brennan who has retired from the game, Maire Aine O'Sullivan who has got married and gone to live in America, and Mary Gibbons who has graduated will be missing, and it remains to be seen how many of last year's stars can again be rallied to the colours.

## Young stars

However, College usually manage to find young stars among the first-year students, though it looks as though they are going to have to discover several this season if the high standard set by former U.C.D. teams is to be maintained.

In the third of the Isle of Man Cup matches, Eoghan Ruadh should have the measure of Slabh Bloom in what should be an entertaining tie.

Celtic, foiled in their bid for both the league and the championship last season, will be anxious to avenge previous defeats and with the Dublin and Leinster captain Una O'Connor, Gerry Hughes, Alice Hussey, Cora Crowe and Ethna Leeson of the winning All-Ireland selection, Celtic have the power to again give the champions a hard run for victory.

Austin Stacks, however, who have had plenty of ability these past few seasons, have got new confidence in their own powers in the course of achieving their league and championship double in June, and with All-Ireland stars Mary Sherlock, Mary Ryan and Bridget Keenan to the fore, will take a deal of beating now, especially when their prestige as champions is at stake.

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## Celtic had easy win in Cup tie

**T**HE Isle of Man Cup camogie competition was advanced a stage further at the Phoenix Park yesterday when three first round matches were decided in perfect weather.

Celtic, the holders of the trophy, showed their best form when scoring with ease over Civil Service. Naomh Aoife proved too solid all round for a youthful NA Piarasigh side, while C.I.E., always a force in the competition, easily accounted for M. O'Neills.

**Celtic 5-7; Civil Service 0-0**  
Leading by 3-2 to 0-0 at the interval Celtic, who attacked ably, non stop, easily defeated Civil Service by 5-7 to 0-0, and on this form should retain the trophy.

Una O'Connor once again proved Celtic's match winner for she netted a goal and seven points, and had a hand in most of the other scores. Cora Crowe (2-0), and Mary O'Keefe (1-0) completed the tally, and although Service did quite well in defence their forwards never looked like getting through a very solid Celtic defence.

**Naomh Aoife 4-2; Na Piarasigh 1-1**

After a rather even first half Naomh Aoife changed over leading by 2-2 to 1-0 and with their forwards combining much better on resuming they went on to win by 4-2 to 1-1.

R. Lee (2-0), P. Timmons (1-2), and Kay Ryder (1-0) scored for the winners, and J. Watt (1-0), and V. O'Reilly (0-1), replied.

**C.I.E. 5-0; M. O'Neills, 1-1**  
C.I.E. with most of last season's side on view after a slow start got going on the change of ends, and finally beat M. O'Neills by 5-0 to 1-1 after quite a good game which provided some interesting passages.

Judy Doyle showed that she had not lost her shooting ability during the off-season, and scored four of her side's five goals. Sophie Brack got the others and N. McDonnell (1-1) replied for O'Neills who tried hard to the end.

# Champions in camogie final Dublin assert superiority in second half

Dublin, 8-4; Cork, 1-0.

**A**LL-IRELAND camogie champions, Dublin, qualified for yet another final when they beat Cork, the Munster title holders, by 8-4 to 1-0 in their All-Ireland semi-final replay at Parnell Park, yesterday.

Cork started in promising fashion, and during the opening ten minutes they missed a couple of scoring chances while Dublin looked most unsettled. However, after Mary Sherlock had opened the scoring with a point for Dublin in the 12th minute, the champions moved with more rhythm.

Una O'Connor put on a goal in the 14th minute, but Cork came back to notch a similar score, and although the challengers had most of the play until the interval, it was Dublin who did the scoring to turn over with a somewhat flattering lead of 2-2 to 1-0.

## WELL ON TOP

Cork made some positional changes, but Dublin were almost completely on top throughout the second period during which they added 6-2 to their tally without reply.

Faster to the ball and by far the better strikers, the winners possessed a solid defence in which Gerry Hughes was outstanding, while the best player on view was Mary Sherlock at centre field. Sheila Ware, Mary Ryan and M. McEvoy were also seen to advantage while in a forward line which combined well Una O'Connor and Judy Doyle took their scoring chances well.

Cork, who failed to last the fast pace, tried hard to the end and although beaten eight times, Deirdre Sutton in goal was their outstanding player, bringing off several spectacular saves. M. Brown, N. O'Callaghan, K. Barry-Murphy, T. Murphy and A. Honohan also impressed.

Judy Doyle (3-1), Una O'Connor (3-0), Mary Sherlock (1-2), Brid Keenan (1-0), and Kay Ryder (0-1) scored for Dublin, and Peggy Dorgan secured Cork's lone goal.

Dublin—C. Clarke, G. Hughes, S. Ware, A. Hussey, K. Lyons, M. Ryan, M. Sherlock, M. McEvoy, B. Kernan, K. Ryder, J. Doyle, U. O'Connor.

Cork—D. Sutton, K. Barry-Murphy, N. O'Callaghan, A. Honohan, J. Clancy, T. Murphy, D. Young, M. Barrett, M. Brown, P. Dorgan, R. Manley, S. O'Connell.

Sub.—M. Cummins for T. Murphy.  
Referee—Miss L. Lee (Kildare).

## Antrim girls win in Galway

Antrim, 4-3; Galway, 1-3

**A**NTRIM will be Dublin's opponents in the all-Ireland decider. In the other semi-final at Craughwell, Co. Galway, yesterday, they beat the home county by 4-3 to 1-3.

The Ulster champions were faster and fitter, and after leading by 2-1 to 1-1 at half-time, ran rough round Galway throughout the second half.

# Dublin And Antrim Teams

**D**UBLIN, in quest of their 22nd title and Antrim, seeking to bring home the O'Duffy Cup for the fifth time, meet at Croke Park on Sunday next (6.45) in the 32nd All-Ireland camogie final.

Both counties have now announced their line-outs and the teams completed a busy course of training earlier this week.

Seventeen of the 24 players, 11 on the Dublin team and six of the Antrim girls, have already won All-Ireland medals either on the field or as reserves.

Here are pen-pictures of the opposing players.

## Dublin

**CONCEPTA CLARKE (Goal):** Though she has figured three times among the reserves, this is Concepta's first appearance in an All-Ireland final. Brought on for the semi-final replay against Cork, she did extremely well, and her long goal-pucks were a big asset to the team. (Austin Stacks).

**GERRY HUGHES (Full-back):** Holder of nine All-Ireland medals, Gerry is Dublin's most experienced defender though in one All-Ireland campaign she moved to full-forward. Has also played for Leinster. (Celtic).

**SHEILA WARE (Right-back):** Also playing in her first All-Ireland though she has previously won medals as a reserve. A sound defender who is also the popular and efficient Secretary of the Dublin Board. Her sister, Nuala, has won several All-Irelands as a forward. (Eoghan Ruadh).

**ALICE HUSSEY (Centre-back):** Equally efficient at mid-field or in her present post, Alice has won four All-Irelands, inter-provincial and county medals. She was a noted Colleges player. (Celtic).

**KATHLEEN LYONS (Left-back):** Has already won five All-Ireland medals and is one of the most difficult defenders to beat, with long clearances a feature of her play. (Eoghan Ruadh).

**MAUREEN McEVVOY (Right-wing):** The only member of the side who has not already gained an All-Ireland medal. Maureen was called in for the replay against Cork and made sure of



**DUBLIN . . . will be seeking their 22nd title.**

retaining her place with a grand display. A Colleges star with Presentation Terenure, she founded the Past Pupils Club which she captains. (Presentation).

**MARY SHERLOCK (Mid-field):** The only non-native of Dublin on the team, Mary played for Sligo as a school-girl at full-back. On coming to Dublin she joined Austin Stacks who moved her out-field where she has come into her own as a mid-fielder, a position she also held in last year's All-Ireland final. (Austin Stacks).

**MARY RYAN (Left-wing):** First played for Dublin as a forward but has proved herself a very effective winger in recent games. Played a big part in helping her club to win the county title earlier in the season. Two All-Ireland medals. (Austin Stacks).

**BRID KEENAN (Right-forward):** Centre-forward in last year's final, Brid also played in that position in this year's Leinster final and in the drawn game with Cork, but moved to her present position in the replay and did so well there that she retains the position. Two All-Ireland medals. (Austin Stacks).

**KATHLEEN RYDER (Centre-forward):** One of the most experienced members of the side, Kathleen seeks her seventh All-Ireland medal on Sunday. She is the utility player of the team having started at centre-forward and starred at mid-field, centre-back and on the wing, returned to centre-forward with tremendous success for the replay against Cork. Has won five Gael-Linn Cup medals with Leinster. (Naomh Aoife).

**JUDY DOYLE (Left-forward):** Always a danger in attack, Judy has been the bane of opposing defences in recent years. Has also played for Leinster and is possibly the most fleet-footed forward in

the game. Two All-Ireland medals. (C.I.E.).

**UNA O'CONNOR, Captain (Full-forward):** Though she goes out in quest of her tenth All-Ireland medal on Sunday, Una is no veteran for she was only in her early teens when she won her first All-Ireland medal with Dublin ten years ago. She first played as corner-forward, then at centre-forward, but full-forward is the position she has made her own. Has also won several Gael-Linn Cup medals with Leinster and her scoring tally over the past ten years in all games is phenomenal. (Celtic).

## Antrim

**TERESA KEARNS (Goal):** A brilliant goal-keeper, cool and experienced, she played in the same position on the victorious All-Ireland team of 1956. Her brother John plays in goal for the Antrim junior hurling team. (Dunley).

**MOYA FORDE (Full-back):** Also played on the 1956 team and combines well with her goal-keeper. A very sound defender with a very lengthy goal-puck, which can carry nearly three-quarters of the field. (Ahoghill).

**MARGO KANE (Right-back):** A reserve on Antrim's last All-Ireland winning side, who has been a regular on the county team ever since. Margo gave a particularly brilliant display against Galway in the semi-final. (St. Teresa's).

**CHRIS O'BOYLE (Centre-back):** Better known in the South by her maiden name, Chris Hughes, she too was on the Antrim side that took the title in 1956. Has starred for Ulster as well as for Antrim as key-player in the defence. (St. Malachy's).

**MAIREAD McATAMNEY (Left-back):** A brilliant player in any position, Mairead is more

accustomed to mid-field, but is also a great defender. A former Colleges star with Portstewart, she gave a great display in the recent Antrim final. (Portglennome).

**BETTY SMITH (Right-wing):** Better known as a forward for her county in the past couple of seasons, Betty is now being seen to better advantage at mid-field where she has more scope for her lengthy drives. (Gael Uladh).

**SUE WARD (Captain) (Mid-field):** Only recently left school, Sue, on whom much of Antrim's hopes are based, captained St. Dominic's to victory in the Colleges' championship, captained Deirdre to victory in the Antrim championship, captained Antrim to Maguire Cup and Ulster championship victory, and hopes to complete a wonderful year by captaining her county to All-Ireland victory next Sunday. (Deirdre).

**LEONIE CARABINE (Left-wing):** One of four camogie-playing sisters, she has given excellent service to the county and is one of the many stylists on this Antrim side. (St. Teresa's).

**MARION KEARNS (Right-forward):** Another player who was on the victorious 1956 team, Marion has a remarkable knack of shooting goals and points from any angle. Has starred for Ulster as well as for Antrim, and has a remarkable turn of speed. (St. Malachy's).

**MARY PHIL JAMESON (Centre-forward):** Although the only North Antrim player in the attack she combines very effectively with her Belfast colleagues. A determined player and a good striker, she is a very effective forward. (Ballycastle).

**MARIE LAVERY (Left-forward):** Unable to travel for the semi-final against Connacht, Marie is only making her second appearance on an Antrim team. Normally a mid-fielder she has been drafted successfully into the left forward position which had been hard to fill earlier in the season. (Deirdre).

**MAEVE GILROY (Full forward):** One of the great stylists of the game, Maeve has played in almost every position from mid-field up. A member of the 1956 team she has also refereed several All-Ireland and Gael-Linn Cup finals. (St. Malachy's).



**ANTRIM . . . will be trying for their 5th title.**

# Peadar O'Brien Talks . . .

## To Una O'Connor

# UNSPOILED BY TEN ALL-IRELAND TITLES

**A**FTER sixteen years playing camogie, Dublin girl Una O'Connor has won every honour in the game. On Sunday she realised her greatest ambition when she captained the Dublin side to its 22nd All-Ireland title, with a clear-cut victory over Ulster champions, Antrim. For, though Una won her tenth All-Ireland medal last Sunday, this was the first time she had ever led her county in a final.

After quietly celebrating the victory on Sunday night after the game — both teams had dinner together, and a sing-song followed — it was back to work yesterday morning in the Dorset St. shop of a well-known bakery for the fair-haired Marino girl, who takes the winning of that tenth All-Ireland medal as coolly as though such a feat were an everyday achievement.

Ever since she was knee-high to a sideline flag, Una has been interested in camogie. At the age of twelve, she was figuring prominently on the Celtic junior string; she won her place in the senior team three years later, and has been a star ever since.

### THE START

The juke box in a Dublin cafe blared out its own unintelligible music as, over a cup of coffee, Una told me how, were it not for Patricia O'Connor (no relation), she might never have taken up the game.

Patricia O'Connor noticed Una playing at school, and asked here to join Celtic, and she went with the Coolock-

and particularly recalls an occasion when her club, fancied to race away with the game, fell heavily to entirely unfancied Austin Stacks in the semi-final of a Dublin championship some years ago.

Una still holds the record individual score for any camogie player in a senior game. She could not remember the year, but still vivid in her mind is the fact that she scored ten goals and two points against Wexford in a Leinster final. "It was a few years ago", she told me, "and everything went right for me that day."

Since 1957 Dublin have won the All-Ireland final with monotonous regularity. Una explained why. "There are so many girls playing the game in Dublin, especially over the past number of years, that we must have a good side. Our club alone has almost sixty members and we field four teams regularly. As well as that I think we are trained and coached much better than any of our opponents."

### SUPREMACY

Una is convinced, however, that 'his Dublin supremacy is not doing any great harm to the game. "On Sunday night I was talking with quite a few of the Antrim side, and their attitude was: 'You are still on top, but don't worry we will

# Munster Girls Regain Cup In Great Game

By AGNES HOURIGAN

MUNSTER 3-2  
LEINSTER 2-2

**M**UNSTER, who previously held the trophy in 1961, regained the Gael-Linn camogie cup when they defeated holders Leinster after an always exciting and often brilliant final at Gorey yesterday. The standard of play was very high throughout and, with the teams evenly matched, the verdict was in doubt right up to the final whistle.

Munster laid the foundations of victory at midfield, where they held a slight advantage, but, with both defences playing par-

ticularly well, scores were always hard to come by.

Munster took an early lead when Anne Carroll goalied. Judy Doyle soon balanced for Leinster, but a point from Lillian Howlett and a goal from Rene Manley put Munster four points clear. Leinster levelled again before the interval when Claire O'Hanrahan pointed from a free and then Deirdre Young, for Munster, and Claire O'Hanrahan, for Leinster, exchanged second-half points before Kathleen Griffin put Munster ahead again with what proved the last decisive goal of the game.

Leinster made a great bid to equalise in the closing stages, but a fine defence foiled their best efforts. Munster had outstanding players in Deirdre Sutton in goal, Kitty Barry-Murphy and Peg Moloney

in defence, Lillian Howlett and Deirdre Young at midfield, with Rene Manley the pick of the forwards. Joan Clancy also did well when she replaced Josie McNamara early in the second half.

Best for Leinster were Eileen Ellard (goal), Kay Lyons, Mary Synott and Joan Murphy in defence, with Claire O'Hanrahan and Una O'Connor always dangerous in attack.

Scorers—Munster—A. Carroll (1-2), R. Manley (1-0), T. Griffin (1-0), L. Howlett (0-1), D. Young (0-1). Leinster—C. O'Hanrahan (1-2), J. Doyle (1-0), Sutton, K. Barry-Murphy, P. Moloney, B. Gintenne, McNamara, T. Geaney, L. Howlett, D. Young, A. Carroll, R. Manley, O'Connor, K. Griffin, Reserve—Clancy for J. McNamara. Leinster—E. Ellard, M. Synott, Murphy, M. Sherlock, K. Lyons, Hearn, K. Ryder, K. Murphy, C. O'Hanrahan, U. O'Connor, J. Doyle, B. Moran.

### Camogie upset by Naomh Aoife

Naomh Aoife, 3-1; Celtic, 2-1. **N**AOMH AOIFE caused the biggest surprise in the Dublin senior camogie league to date when they defeated unbesieged Celtic by 3-1 to 2-1 at the Phoenix Park yesterday.

A. Hussey secured the only score of the first half—a point for Celtic—and after the lead changed hands several times on resuming, N. Loughran hit the winning goal for Naomh Aoife hearing the end.

Scorers for Naomh Aoife were N. Loughran (2-0), A. Walsh (1-0) and P. Timmons (0-1), with V. O'Connor (2-0) and A. Hussey (0-1) replacing for Celtic.

### A surprise

Naomh Aoife created the surprise of the season by defeating Celtic in the Dublin Senior Camogie league tie at Phoenix Park yesterday by 3-1 to 2-1. On the run of play the winners well deserved the points. At no time did Celtic settle down to their usual game and the fact that they led by a solitary point at the interval was in itself significant.

For Celtic Maeson A. Gill, A. Hussey, M. Moran, M. O'Keefe and M. Casey did well; while Naomh Aoife's winners were A. Walsh, A. Hussey, K. Ryder, A. Walsh, A. O'Keefe, F. Whelan and M. Walsh, who worked hard for the winners.

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M Kennedy  
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J Hunter  
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001 DICKY DOLL (B J Chaffman) Club 3-8-7  
001 FUR COAT (D J Burke) Broom 3-8-7  
001 OHAR (B Kerr) 3-8-10  
000 CUTTY SARK (Mrs E Casey) 5-9-4  
000 LADY CHIEF (Mrs E Casey) 5-9-4  
100 SIR MOSS (T J Tamm) Private 5-9-7  
000 ACE HIGH (Mrs A Ross) Private 5-9-7  
000 RALLYHOLEY (Patrick McLaughlin) 4-9-7  
000 BALLYHOLEY (Patrick McLaughlin) 4-9-7  
400 BALLYHASSAN COUNTRY (Mrs C Byrne) M Connolly 5-12-0  
M N P Flood  
M J J O'Neill  
100 HARY KATE MULLOON (W S McEderic) Quinn 5-12-0  
100 SOVEREIGN DUKE (Mrs J McElroy) Private 5-12-0  
MR J M McElroy  
100 W G WARRIOR (Florence O'Keefe) 5-12-0

# DUBLIN ARE CHAMPIONS

## Antrim Gallant In Defeat

DUBLIN ..... 7-3  
ANTRIM ..... 2-5

**F**AR greater craft, combination and cohesion in attack together with a back-line that made only one mistake in the full fifty minutes, despite long spells of Antrim pressure, gave Dublin the All-Ireland camogie title for the twenty-second time at Croke Park last evening after a scintillating game in which the score line did scant justice to the see saw nature of the exchanges. In fact at all times but more especially so in the second half, Antrim had as much if not more of the play than the victors but whereas the Dublin forwards scored from almost every possible opportunity, the Ulster champions blazed wide time and again when well placed.

Una O'Connor, the Dublin captain, who won her tenth All-Ireland medal yesterday, roamed well outfield from her normal full-forward post and, too mobile for opposing full-back Moya Forde, distributed the ball magnificently to a brilliant pair of corner-forwards, Judy Doyle and Brid Keenan, whose well taken scores made all the difference.

At the other end of the field the Dublin backs, Gerry Hughes, Sheila Ware and, above all, the tireless and long-striking Kay Lyons, kept

the Antrim forwards in almost complete subjection and never seemed to panic even under the heaviest of attacks.

But happiest memory of the evening was of the all-round standard of play. The long-striking, ball-play and wrist-work was a delight to watch and constantly drew loud applause from the moderately-sized crowd.

### ANTRIM OPEN

Antrim, playing into the canal goal, were first away, and Mary Phil Jameson gave the Ulster champions the lead with an early point; but Mary Sherlock balanced from a long-range Dublin free. Opportunist Judy Doyle followed in a long drive by Mary Ryan to give Dublin the lead with a goal in the eighth minute, and the Dublin defence then foiled a series of Antrim attacks before Una O'Connor stretched the Dublin lead with a well-taken goal.

Mary Phil Jameson replied at once with a goal for Antrim, but a wonderful goal from Una O'Connor left Dublin six points clear in the twentieth minute. Great saves by both goalkeepers followed and, after Concepta Clarke had saved at point-blank range, Maeve Gilroy pointed a "30" to leave Dublin ahead 3-1 to 1-2 at half-time.

Following a long drive by Mary Sherlock, a mistake by the Antrim keeper left Brid Keenan through for an easy Dublin goal. Antrim fought back and Sue Ward pointed from a "30" but shot several wides in the subsequent play. Mary Sherlock then had the greatest score of the game, a sailing Dublin point from nearly sixty yards out, but Marion Kearns struck back with an Antrim goal to leave it 4-2 to 2-3 with eleven minutes of the second half gone.

### GREAT GOALS

Antrim piled on the pressure but several promising attacks finished wide and in a quick turn of play Una O'Connor made two great Dublin goals for Judy Doyle and Bridget Keenan, both inside a minute to set the issue beyond doubt.

With five minutes to go Leonie Carabine had an Antrim point and Sue Ward at last found the range to add another. Judy Doyle, a point, and Brid Keenan a goal clinched Dublin's victory in the dying minutes, but Antrim battling to the end, were inches wide with a bid for a goal from a "30" on the call of time.

Behind solid backs, Concepta Clarke had a none-too-busy evening in the Dublin goal, while Alice Hussey was sound at centre-half. Mary Sherlock, Maureen McElroy and Mary Ryan just held the advantage at mid-field while Kathleen Ryder often foiled the usually brilliant Chris Hughes.

For Antrim Mairead McAtamney, Betty Smith, Leonie Carabine and Mary Phil Jameson were always in the picture but their youthful Sue Ward, the most promising player of the twenty-four, spoiled a world of good work by some woeful inaccurate shooting.

**SCORERS:** Dublin — B. Keenan (1-0), J. Doyle (2-1), U. O'Connor (2-0), M. Sherlock (0-2), Antrim—M. P. Jameson (1-1), M. Kearns (1-0), S. Ward (0-2), L. Carabine (0-1).

**DUBLIN:**—C. Clarke; G. Hughes; S. Ware, A. Hussey, K. Lyons; M. McEvoy, M. Sherlock, M. Ryan; B. Keenan, K. Ryder, J. Doyle, U. O'Connor.

**ANTRIM:**—T. Kearns; M. Forde; W. Kane, C. Hughes, M. McAtamney; B. Smyth, S. Ward, L. Carabine; M. Kearns; M. A. Jameson; M. Lavery; M. Gilroy.

Referee—G. Lee (Kildare).

**North City**—C. Clarke (Austin Stacks); H. Walsh (Celtic); A. Gill (Celtic); K. Ryder (Naomh Aoife); V. Fahily (Muiris Uí Néill); B. Keenan (Austin Stacks); P. Campbell (Austin Stacks); B. Hanbury (Celtic); U. O'Connor (Celtic).  
**South City**—J. Farrell (Muiris Uí Néill); M. Ryan (Austin Stacks); S. Ware (Eoghan Rua); A. Hussey (Celtic); H. McCarthy (Shlabh Bloom); T. Walsh (Austin Stacks); A. Corrigan (U.C.D.); M. Sherlock (Austin Stacks); E. O'Reilly (St. Flannagh); M. McEvoy (Presentation); J. Doyle (C.I.E.); P. Timmons (Naomh Aoife).

### CAMOGIE

## LEINSTER IN TOP GEAR

**I**N a high-scoring game at Carrickmacross, Leinster made no mistake and qualified for the final of the Interprovincial Gael Linn Camogie Cup.

The score at the end, 9-3 to 6-0, represented the relative merits of the teams.

It was a highly enjoyable game played in ideal weather conditions. Ulster set the pace from the start and registered the first goal early on.

Leinster replied with a similar score. It was dime-dong struggle and Ulster were equal to Leinster's best.

Yet, when the champions got on the move, the defence, as well as the attack, were seen to advantage.

### Goal disallowed

When Miss C. Hanrahan got the lead by a point, Ulster had a goal disallowed for an infringement.

Ulster continued on the offensive for a time, but when Leinster got into gear it was apparent that Ulster had no answer to them.

Midway in the first half Leinster took command and scores came from Misses C. Hanrahan (3-0), J. Doyle (1-0), B. Moran (1-0) and Una O'Connor (0-1).

Ulster replied through Misses M. P. Jameson (1-0) and M. Kearns (1-0) to give Leinster the lead by 5-3 to 2-0.

### Much better

Resuming, Ulster played much better and for a time it looked as if they would draw level.

Misses Sue Ward and E. Mallon had two goals each, but Leinster once again got on the offensive and Miss C. Hanrahan (3-0) and B. Moran (1-0) completed the scoring for Leinster.

The winners go to the final against Connacht or Munster.

## Camogie Stars Finish Level

NORTH CITY ..... 3-1  
SOUTH CITY ..... 3-1

**D**ESPITE a slippery sod, the teams representing North City and South City, served up a most entertaining exhibition of camogie at Sion Hill yesterday. Though the North forwards missed chances, a draw was a fitting result to a lively game.

Kathleen Ryder, Angela Gill, Una O'Connor and Brid Hanbury were outstanding all through for North City, while the South had brilliant units in goalkeeper Joan Farrell, Mary Ryan, Mary Sherlock and Annette Corrigan.

South City led by 2-0 to 1-1 at half time.

**Scorers**—North: U. O'Connor (1-1), P. Campbell (1-0), B. Hanbury (1-0). South: A. Corrigan (1-0), M. Sherlock (1-0), P. Timmons (1-0), A. O'Reilly (0-1).

Old Aloysians ..... 4-0  
Glen Rovers ..... 1-0

**O**LD ALOYSIANS won the 1963 Cork Camogie league final with a deserved 4-0 to 1-0 win over Glen Rovers at Church Rd. Cork, yesterday.

The winners made sure of the title fairly early on by scoring four goals in a row before conceding one to Glen Rovers before the interval. Defences on both sides were on top in the second half and there was no further scoring.

The winners' scorers were Ann Moynihan (2), Margaret Barry and Rena Manley, while Stephanie O'Connell scored for Glen Rovers.

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# U. C. G. Regain

## Ashbourne

U.C.G. 4-2  
U.C.C. 0-1

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, Galway regained the Ashbourne inter-varsity camogie Cup with a surprisingly clear-cut victory over University College, Cork in a hard-fought final at Pearse Park Stadium, Galway yesterday.

Galway, who last held this trophy in 1957, raced to the attack from the start and two goals in the first ten minutes put them on the road to victory. When Cork counter attacked keeper Eileen Naughton saved confidently and the home side deservedly led 2-1 to 0-1 at half-time.

A point from a thirty and a great goal by Mena O'Donnell from a long ground ball on the restart darkened any remaining Cork hopes and Galway were well deserving winners at the end.

Full back Ide ni Faolain, right back Betty Heneghan and centre half back Mary Connery, a native of Kilkenny, were also outstanding in a great Galway defence. Eileen Keane, captain, and Mena O'Donnell were prominent at midfield while Mary Morgan, Mary Hughes and Calliona Ni Mhircadha were most effective in attack.

Cork showed the effects of the hard game against Dublin in Saturday's semi final, but were best served by Esther Lane in goal, full back Hannah Dineen, midfielder Mary Furlong, winger Maura Fitzgerald and centre forward Audrey Geaney.

SCORERS—U.C.G.—M. O'Donnell (1-2), C. ni Mhircadha, M. Hughes and M. Morgan (1-0 each); U.C.C.—M. Fitzgerald (0-1).

U.C.G.—E. Naughton, I. ni Faolain, B. Heneghan, M. Connery, F. McKiernan, E. Keane, N. Craddock, M. O'Donnell, C. ni Mhircadha, M. Hughes, M. Morgan, K. O'Callaghan.  
U.C.C.—E. Lane, H. Dineen, L. Sheehan, A. Henery, J. Crowley, P. O'Keefe, M. Furlong, M. Fitzgerald, M. Brown, A. Geaney, M. Buckley, E. ni Mhairsile.

# Glen Rovers Retain Title

Glen Rovers 5-3; Old Aloysians 4-1.

GLEN ROVERS retained the Co. Senior Camogie Championship title when they defeated a gallant Old Aloysians' team in a thrilling game at Douglas yesterday.

Neither team seemed hampered by the soggy underfoot conditions, except around the goalmouths, and the opening half was played at a lively pace with Old Ais. doing most of the attacking.

But the Blackpool girls grabbed every opportunity that came their way, and were ahead at the interval by 3-0 to 3-0.

With the slight breeze in their favour in the second half, Old Ais. avoured their task with great determination. Within a few minutes they had scored a goal and a point by A. Moynihan, but his hard-tackling Glen Rovers defence gave nothing away and each team interprovincial contest took the brilliant form.

made some of their opponents' attempts at scoring look feeble. Scorers for Glen Rovers were A. Crotty (2-0), M. Browne (1-1), S. O'Connell (1-0), M. Buckley (1-0), and T. Murphy (0-2), and for Old Aloysians, S. Forde (1-1), A. Moynihan (2-0), M. Barry (1-0).

Glen Rovers—D. Sutton, C. Buckley, N. O'Callaghan, N. Deane, T. Murphy, P. Darman, M. Buckley, C. Duggan, M. Browne, A. Crotty, S. O'Connell, N. O'Mahony.

Old Aloysians—M. Murphy, M. Clancy, K. Ryan, J. Clancy, T. Feblly, J. Vaughan, D. Young, S. Forde, E. Harrington, R. Manan, M. Barry, A. Moynihan.

# Isle Of Man Cup For Austin Stacks

AUSTIN STACKS 4-3  
NAOMH AOIFE 1-2

AUSTIN STACKS completed a most successful year when they added the Isle of Man Cup to the Dublin Senior League and championship by defeating Naomh Aoife in the final at Phoenix Park yesterday. The losers provided much sterner opposition than anticipated, and it was anyone's game at half-time, when Stacks led by 1-2 to 0-2.

After the interval, however, the champions lasted the pace better and finished deserving winners. They had outstanding players in Mary Ryan, Connie Clarke, Phyllis Campbell and Doreen Rogers, while Kathleen Ryder, Patricia Timmins, the Whelan sisters and Ann Gilroy did best for Naomh Aoife.

SCORERS: Austin Stacks—P. Campbell (2-2), D. Rogers (1-0), M. Sherlock (1-0).

ON the camogie fields 1963 has proved a most interesting and entertaining year, with several outstanding games and several fine individual performances.

went to Dublin who won the All-Ireland title for the seventh consecutive season with Una O'Connor leading them magnificently to gain her twelfth All-Ireland medal and thus become the outstanding player of the year by my book.

And yet how close Dublin were to defeat in the All-Ireland semi-final against Cork! Ten minutes from the end of that game Cork were playing so well that it looked any odds against Dublin surviving and it looked almost certain that the O'Duffy Cup would go back to the Lee for the first time in more than twenty years.

But, eventually, Cork had to settle for a draw, and they never looked the same team in the replay at Dublin's Parnell Park.

After being held to that draw by Cork, Dublin were in the All-Ireland final against Antrim, less fancied than they were in any previous game since they began their present winning run, but in that game, and a brilliant game it was, the team-work, craft and experience of the Dubliners enabled them to win well against an Antrim side, that for all its brilliance through the field, lacked the steadiness that characterised the performance of the winners.

Finally, in the Gael-Linn Cup Leinster-Munster beat Leinster for the first time, in the most finished game of the year and

(0-1), Naomh Aoife—A. Walsh (1-0), P. Timmins (0-2).

CELTIC 3-4  
NA PIARSAIGH 0-0

CELTIC were too experienced for Na Piarasigh in the senior league and coasted to victory after leading by 4-1 to nil at the interval. Una O'Connor scored 5-2, Hilda Walsh 4-0 and Brid Hanbury 0-2. Mary Casey, Dervil Dunne and Alice Hussey also did well for Celtic. The O'Reilly sisters, Jean Wait and Frances Byrne tried hard for the losers.

EOGHAN RUADH 2-1  
C.I.E. 1-0

EOGHAN RUADH had to fight hard to gain the upper hand in this senior league game. Leading by 1-1 to nil at half-time, Ruadh had outstanding players in goalkeeper Dolores Barber, the Lyons sisters in defence and Nancy McGahan, while Carmel Kennedy, a brilliant goalkeeper, Mena Walsh, Rita Murphy, Judy Timmins and Judy Doyle were best for C.I.E.

SCORERS: Eoghan Ruadh—D. Marr (1-0), E. Tener (1-0), S. Ware (0-1). C.I.E.—P. Doyle (1-0).

Inter B League—U.C.D. 3-0, Sligo Bloom 0-0.

thus left the honours reasonably well divided.

In Dublin, however, all the major-honours went to one club, Austin Stacks, which had a truly wonderful year winning the Championship, League and Isle of Man Cup as well as a number of trophies in intermediate, junior and even juvenile ranks.

Colleges honours in the capital went to Clontarf.

The Clontarf girls followed up a complete sweep of all available Dublin trophies by winning back from Convent of Mercy, Callan, the Stuart Cup and Leinster Colleges championship. Antrim retained their Ulster title and indeed lost only one match last year, to Dublin in the All-Ireland final. Cork were supreme in the South, and Galway, though understrength, retained the Western title.

In Leinster Wexford readily retained their intermediate title, having their closest call from resurgent Kilkenny in the opening round, while Offaly looked a grand team when retaining their junior title with a clear-cut victory over Longford in the final.

Yet, possibly the most promising twelve players I saw in the whole of last season were the Cork schoolgirls who scored such a convincing victory over Dublin Colleges in their annual inter-city game. They will bring greater laurels yet to the Lee.

### ASHBOURNE CUP

# U.C.C. and U.C.G. in final

U.C.C. and U.C.G. will meet in the final of the Ashbourne Cup (Inter-varsity Camogie Championship) at Pearse Stadium, Galway, to-day. In yesterday's semi-finals at the same venue, U.C.C. defeated U.C.D. 6-1 to 1-1 and U.C.G. overwhelmed Queen's University 10-3 to 0-0.

U.C.C. 6-1; U.C.D. 1-1

U.C.C. had to fight much harder to defeat U.C.D. than the final score would indicate. They were faster to the ball and the crisper strikers but they owed a lot to their hard tackling defence when Dublin were putting in their best work early in the second half.

Best for the winners were Joan Crowley, Eileen O'Keefe, Mary Furlong, Audrey Geaney, Emer Hurley and Mary Browne. Although beaten six times Cathleen O'Malley did quite well in the U.C.D. goal. They were also well served by Cathleen O'Connor, Theresa Connolly, Dairde Higgins, Eileen Fahey and Gemma O'Neill.

Scorers for Cork, who led 3-0 to 1-0 at half time were M. Browne (3-0), E. Walsh (2-0), M. Buckley (1-0) and M. Fitzgerald (1-1). D. Higgins (1-1) and E. Falvey (0-1) replied.

Queen's were Margaret Haughey, Patricia Canavan, Esther Rafferty, Ann Martin and Eileen Pullen.

Scorers were C. Murphy (3-0), M. Morgan (2-2), M. Hughes (2-0), K. O'Callaghan (2-0), and M. O'Donnell (1-1).

U.C.G.—E. Naughton; I. Whelan, S. Heneghan, S. McKiernan, M. Connery, E. Keane (capt.), N. Craddock, M. O'Donnell, M. Hughes, M. Morgan, C. Murphy, K. O'Callaghan.

Queen's University—E. Pullen, A. Martin, E. McNicholl, P. Canavan, M. Haughey (capt.), S. Eastman, E. Rafferty, M. Kennedy, M. O'Keefe, A. Higgins, E. Quinn, M. Finnegan.

Referee—Miss P. Fitzgerald.

U.C.D. 10-3; Queen's Univ. 0-0

QUEEN'S fought bravely in the first half against U.C.G., and were a trifle unlucky to be trailing by four goals at the interval. However, they faded on the resumption.

Galway county star, Eileen Naughton, was never troubled in the home goal, and her long hitting was a feature. Others to do well for the winners were Betty Heneghan, Felicity McKiernan, Eileen Keane, Mary Hughes and Mary Morgan. Hard triers for

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# Celtic and U.C.D. get points

CELTIC and University College gained valuable Camogie League points at the expense of Naomh Aoife and C.I.E. in Phoenix Park yesterday.

U.C.D. beat Naomh Aoife 4-0 to 2-1. Newcomers in Misses S. McCuskey, K. O'Malley and K. O'Connor did well for the College, for whom Misses E. Falvey (1-0), A. Denny (1-0) scored before half-time, Miss N. Loughran (1-0) replied for N. Aoife.

Miss M. Kelly secured two goals for College in the closing minutes and Misses K. Ryder (0-1) and N. Loughran completed the scoring for the losers.

### UNA SHINES

In one of the best games of the season, Celtic had to go all out before securing the points from a much improved C.I.E. by 5-3 to 2-0. A feature was the outstanding display of Una O'Connor who notched all the Celtic scores.

Misses A. Gill, M. Moran, C. Heffernan, B. Hanbury and Hilda Walsh were seen to advantage throughout for Celtic. Prominent for C.I.E. were Misses M. Walsh, R. Murphy, A. Murray and J. Doyle.

Misses C. Bennett, and J. Doyle scored for C.I.E.

# Warm Tributes To Outgoing Chairman

WARM tributes were paid to the outgoing Chairman, Miss S. O'Sullivan, at yesterday's annual convention of the Cork Co. Camogie Board, at Dun Laoghaire. Miss O'Sullivan, who did not seek re-election, was Chairman for seven successive years and, prior to that, a further two, to make a total of nine years in all.

Miss A. Quigley, Vice-President of the Board, paying tribute to Miss O'Sullivan, described her as the best Chairman they had ever had and pointed out that the Co. Board, and the game itself, had gone from strength to strength under her leadership.

They should also, said Miss Quigley, pay tribute to the President, Ide Bean Uí She, whose 21st year with the administration of camogie in Cork this was. Both these officers had done an immense amount of good work and were deserving of the highest praise.

In her report to the Convention, Miss O'Sullivan remarked that the good attendance reflected the ever increasing interest in camogie in the county and augured well for the future. The past year had been, for the most part, a satisfactory one. The standard of play was high, especially in the schools and there had been a number of affiliations by new clubs.

## POOR ATTENDANCES

It was disappointing to have to report very poor attendances at the fortnightly school for referees and she appealed to clubs to provide names for the panel of referees, without whom there could not be any games.

Once again the same two or three clubs seemed to have done most of the work in the various fund-raising campaigns and, despite their efforts, the treasurer would have to report a debit balance. One much appreciated addition to the two or three, was a new club, Ballygarvan, who had done exceptionally well.

The President of the Board, Ide Bean Uí She, M.A., referred to a decision taken by the Board two years ago to ask Congress to send a deputation to the Minister for Education with a view to the teaching of camogie in the Training Colleges and national schools, about which they had heard no more.

"Surely," she said, "if grants of 50 per cent. or more can be obtained

from the Department for school buildings then substantial grants should also be available for the purchase and equipment of playing fields. With the inauguration of the new all-Ireland colleges competition it is very important for every school to have its own pitch."

## PLAYING FIELDS

On the subject of playing fields Bean Uí She suggested that if the Board could not obtain credit from a bank to purchase a pitch then perhaps they could approach Bord Fáilte. "With the imminence of TV," she asked, "could not camogie be termed a tourist attraction?"

The President also felt that some changes in uniform would be good but added that Cork were prepared to go ahead on their own on this, if they had official sanction, rather than try and force their views on other counties which might not favour a change. She thought the wearing of shorts, either without stockings or with three-quarter length stockings would be a definite improvement as regards freedom and comfort.

## OFFICERS ELECTED

Officers elected were: Chairman, Miss Lily O'Grady (Old Aloysians); Vice-Chairman, Miss Kitty Barry-Murphy (S.P.P.P.); Hon. Sec., Miss Mary Crowley (St. Finbarrs); Hon. Treas., Miss Gretta O'Sullivan (Old Aloysians); Registrar, Miss Anne O'Connell (Blackrock); Press Officer, Miss Joan Clancy (Old Aloysians); Co. Selection Committee; Ide Bean Uí She, Mrs. Noelle Cronin, Misses Lily O'Grady, Siobhan O'Sullivan, and Mary Crowley; Delegates to Minister Council; Officers of the Board, Press Officer and Misses Betty Walsh (Old Aloysians) and Eimear Hurley (U.C.C.); Delegates to Central Council; Misses Siobhan O'Sullivan and Mary Crowley.

## CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW

The following is the Senior Championship draw:  
S.P.P.P. v. Old Aloysians (March 5); Seandun v. Blackrock (March 5); Glen Rovers v. Carrignavar (March 12); U.C.C. v. Donoughmore (March 12).

# GAEL LINN CAMOGIE CUP

## SEMI-FINALS

**LEINSTER 9-3, ULSTER 6-0**  
**LEINSTER** — E. Ellard (Wexford), M. Sinnott (Wexford), J. Murphy (Wexford), M. Sherlock (Dublin), K. Lyons (Dublin), K. Murphy (Louth), K. Ryder (Dublin), L. Hearne (Wexford), C. Hanrahan (Kilkenny), U. O'Connor (Dublin) (capt.), J. Doyle (Dublin), B. Moran (Kildare). Sub. — M. Ruschitzko (Laois) for K. Murphy.

**ULSTER** — M. McGrath (Derry), B. Downey (Derry), M. Kane (Antrim), C. O'Boyle (Antrim), M. C. Mallon (Armagh), L. Carabine (Antrim), S. Ward (Antrim), M. McAtamney (Antrim), M. Kearns (Antrim) (capt.), B. McCloskey (Derry), E. Mallon (Tyrone), M. P. Jameson (Antrim).

**MUNSTER 5-10, CONNACHT 1-3**  
**MUNSTER** — D. Sutton (Cork), K. Barry-Murphy (Cork), B. Giltenane (Limerick), P. Murphy (Tipperary), J. McNamara (Waterford), T. Geaney (Tipp), L. Howlett (Waterford), D. Young (Cork), R. Manley (Cork), S. O'Connell (Cork), K. Griffin (Tipp), A. Carroll (Tipp).

**CONNACHT** — E. Naughton (Galway), M. Kelly (Mayo), J. Fahy (Galway), R. Conway (Mayo), P. Fitzgerald (Galway), K. Higgins (Galway), J. Ruane (Mayo), W.

Finnerty (Mayo), A. Kelly (Mayo), K. Clancy (Galway), F. Fox (Galway), P. Colclough (Galway).

## FINAL

**MUNSTER 3-2, LEINSTER 2-2**  
**MUNSTER** — D. Sutton (Cork), K. Barry-Murphy (Cork), P. Moloney (Tipperary), J. McNamara (Waterford), B. Giltenane (Limerick), T. Geaney (Tipperary), L. Howlett (Waterford), D. Young (Cork), A. Carroll (Tipperary), R. Manley (Cork), S. O'Connell (Cork), K. Griffin (Tipperary). Sub. — J. Clancy (Cork) for J. McNamara.

**LEINSTER** — E. Ellard (Wexford), M. Sinnott (Wexford), J. Murphy (Wexford), M. Sherlock (Dublin), K. Lyons (Dublin), K. Murphy (Louth), K. Ryder (Dublin), L. Hearne (Wexford), C. O'Hanrahan (Kilkenny), U. O'Connor (Dublin), J. Doyle (Dublin), B. Moran (Kildare).

## ALL-IRELAND CHAMPIONS (O'Duffy Cup)

**DUBLIN (22)** — 1932-'33, 1937-'38, 1942-'44, 1948-'55, 1957-'63.

**CORK (6)** — 1934-'36, 1939-'41.

**ANTRIM (4)** — 1945-'47, 1958-'60.

## GAEL LINN CUP WINNERS

**LEINSTER (6)** — 1956-'60, 1962.

**MUNSTER (2)** — 1961, 1963.

# Camogie Champions

**ALL-IRELAND CHAMPIONS**  
Dublin (winners); Antrim (runners-up).

**PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONS**  
**LEINSTER:** Senior — Dublin; Wexford. Intermediate — Wexford. Laois. Junior — Offaly; Longford.  
**ULSTER:** Senior — Antrim; Armagh. Junior — Derry; Antrim. Maguire Cup — Antrim.  
**MUNSTER:** Senior — Cork; Tipperary.  
**CONNACHT:** Senior — Galway Mayo.

## COLLEGES

Ashbourne Cup — Undecided.  
Ashbourne Shield — U. C. G. Queen's Univ.  
Leinster: Stuart Cup — Mercy Convent, Callan.  
Ulster: Senior — St. Dominic's, Belfast.  
Dublin: Senior C'ship and League — Holy Faith, Clontarf.  
Cork: South Presentation Convent.

## COUNTY CHAMPIONS

Dublin: Austin Stacks.  
Kildare: Ballyroe.  
Tipperary: Roscrea.  
Antrim: Deirdre.  
Wexford: Oylegate-Glenbrich.  
Cork: Glen Rovers.

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By AINE

PADRAIG PURSEAL

# Camogie—Slow But

# They Made

**S**LOW but steady is still the motto of camogie progress, but one feels that every year we have advanced and, while that advance continues, there is no real cause to grumble. Therefore, let us survey 'the state of the nation' as far as camogie is concerned at the end of 1963.

After all, it is now just over half a century since the Camogie Association as such was formed, and while it is disconcerting to find that, in some respects, we have advanced but little, in many other regards we are already well advanced towards our goal of a County Board in every county and, after that, a club in every parish.

Well, at the moment, there is a County Board in every Munster county, though things seemed for a while to be a bit disorganised down Waterford way.

I was especially glad to see so many teams enter for the Kerry championships. There seems to be a big future ahead of the game in the Kingdom.

Limerick, too, continues to make progress, and I hope to hear more from there about Ethna Neville's Colleges' League, while in Tipperary the game is, as usual, on a very sound foundation, though I would like to

see more clubs in the Premier County.

## Promising

Cork, for the second successive year, won the Munster title and made a great bid to do even better, holding Dublin to a draw in their semi-final on the Mardyke but going down in the replay at Parnell Park.

However, this was a very promising Cork side, and that the Rebel County challenge will be even stronger in a couple of years time was amply proved early in the season at Phoenix Park when the Cork School's team routed their Dublin rivals, and Dublin felt they had one of their best-ever sides on duty.

In Leinster ten of the twelve counties took part in the three provincial competitions, the only exceptions being Wicklow, who did not feel their side was strong enough to make a showing in intermediate ranks, and Carlow, still under a cloud.

Most heartening news in the Eastern province was the return of Longford to competitive camogie, the setting up of a County Board in Westmeath and the great form shown by Offaly in winning the junior title.

Offaly have the nucleus of a grand side. I rather imagine they will prove a force in intermediate ranks next season, but, as is the case in Tipperary, I would like to see more clubs in the county.

## New Clubs

Kilkenny had something of a revival and I have encouraging tidings from there of new clubs under consideration, while one feels that the prestige gained for the county and the game by the great Callan Schools' side, must quickly lead to a great resurgence in the game all over the county.

Laois, too, is making slow but steady progress, while Wexford, holders of the intermediate title once again, can claim to be considered, in many respects, the Model County of camogie also.

Of course, Louth and Kildare continue to be well organised, with their championships and leagues very well run and closely contested.

Dublin, All-Ireland champions yet again, continues to do wonderful work for the game, and the rise of Austin Stacks has lent new keenness to their top competitions.

In the North, Antrim made a brave bid for All-Ireland victory, and it was good to see Derry coming back into the news by winning the junior title. Down is reviving at last, Armagh, Tyrone and Monaghan are all active, but what of Fermanagh, Cavan and Donegal?

In the West, I fear the picture is blackest, with Galway and Mayo still doing their best with little assistance, but great hearts.

**T**HERE is nothing we all like better than to see young stars rising rapidly to glory on the G.A.A. fields, and we saw a fair share of youngsters do just that in 1963. Some of them won All-Ireland medals, some did not, but all of them gave their supporters something to shout about, and also gave, to those of us who do not get much chance of shouting, the pleasantest of memories to carry on through the coming years.

I suppose the young man who made the most endearing and enduring impression on the Croke Park fans was the blond Kilkenny hurling forward, Tom Walsh.

Walsh had made a great name for himself on the successful Kilkenny minor sides of recent years, but most people considered he was far too immature this season for a place on the senior side.

Well, he fairly flared into fame with an early goal against Wexford and kept that form all the way through to his first All-Ireland senior medal,

perary senior hurling teams for a long time we have yet to see with a senior side.

Cork have not shown exceptional in hurling long time, but I wish by young Con O'Ferris in the College. He may yet prove to be a successor as the idol.

Westmeath produced stars in Pat Bradley and although they abstained from playing in the finals unsuccessfully in junior hurling and they also won three pieces and that is a record in one year.

## Promoted

The stocky Bradley is a better prospect of the need to train hard and keep the requisite pace for success.

# MARY SINNOTT—WEXFORD'S

ONE of the outstanding camogie players of the present day is Mary Sinnott of Wexford. Without any doubt she is the leading full-back in the game, and her performances in the past three years have made her name a bye-word wherever the game is played.

Attractive, unassuming Mary is a native of Auhfad, Taghmon and is a niece of Mick O'Hanlon, the former Wexford All-Ireland hurler. She plays for the Oylegate-Glenbrien Camogie Club and is also a prominent member of the Taghmon Badminton and Tennis Club.

For the past three years Mary has been on the Wexford camogie team and has helped them win two Leinster intermediate championships.

A member of the Leinster side in 1961, '62 and this year, she won a Gael Linn Cup interprovincial award in '62, and on present form should command a regular place on the Eastern province's first XII for some time to come.

This year has been a memorable one for the Oylegate-Glenbrien club. They won the Wexford senior and junior championships and, needless to

## LEADING CAMOGIE PLAYER

say, Mary played a leading part in all their triumphs.

On the badminton courts, Mary Sinnott is unchallenged as Wexford's leading exponent, and this although she did not take up the game until the 1962/63 season.

She entered for the County Wex-

ford championships in Enniscorthy last March, and competing in senior and junior singles and senior doubles she made history by winning the three titles on the same night against stiff opposition.

Her achievements were all the more praiseworthy when it is considered that she had to play in each competition every night on the week of the final.

A natural all-round sportswoman, Mary Sinnott is also a useful tennis player, and shrewd judges who have seen her on the fairways maintain that if she concentrated on the Royal and Ancient game she would quickly become one of the leading lady golfers in Ireland.

However, all her other activities leave Mary with very little time for golf, and Wexford camogie followers fervently hope that she will remain the mainstay of the county's defence in future attempts to bring the All-Ireland title to the county.

The life and soul of any company in which she happens to be, Mary Sinnott, who takes all her honours lightly, is also chairman of the Trinity Young Farmers' Club.

• OYLEGATE - GLENBRIEN, Wexford senior and junior camogie champions. Kneeling (from left)—Irene Fitzpatrick, Teresa Fortune, Margo Ryan, Ita Murphy, Anna Doyle, Mary Doyle. Standing (from left)—Marie Jordan, Phyllis Kehoe, Ann Heffernan (capt.), Mary Walsh, Rita Heffernan, Mary Sinnott, Kathleen Roche, Peggy Doyle.



# STACKS DEFEND DUBLIN TITLE

By AGNES HOURIGAN

AUSTIN STACKS, the Dublin champions, who start the defence of their title against Na Piarasigh at Phoenix Park on Sunday certainly had a good "final trial" on Sunday last when they travelled to Glengoule, near the Tipperary-Kilkenny border, and met the local St. Patrick's, drawn from Glengoule and Ballingarry, in a challenge game.

Stacks travelled at full strength, and it was just as well for the prestige of Dublin camogie that they did so, for anything less than their full forces would hardly have been enough against the skilled, youthful and enthusiastic local side who held the famed visitors to level scoring in the first half, and only went down to the superior craft, team-work and experience of the Dubliners after the interval.

Austin Stacks came back full of praise for the worth of the St. Patrick's side for whom the goalkeeper and Colleges' star Anne Carroll was particularly impressive.

Meanwhile, the Dublin senior championship teams face a very busy day next Sunday, when all four first-round ties will be decided. The most intriguing clash of the lot should be the opening game of the day between Eoghan Ruadh and U.C.D.

## EXCITING DRAW

These two teams played a most exciting drawn game in the League just before Easter, and as the students then had an under-strength side on duty, they must have high hopes of doing better this time. However Eoghan Ruadh look the stronger side in every sector but one, attack, in which they have shown very poor form in almost every game this season.

If the Ruadh forwards find the range, their side should advance to the next round, but if they do not, the skill of

Annette Corrigan, Annie Donnelly and Eileen Bourke may yet be sufficient to see U.C.D. through to the semi-final.

Austin Stacks look to have too much all-round strength to be seriously troubled by Na Piarasigh, while, though C.I.E. gave Celtic a hard run in the League, and usually are seen at their best in championship play, Celtic on current form, must be taken to advance.

Naomh Aoife and Sliabh Bloom look very well matched in the final senior game but Sliabh Bloom may just have the edge on old rivals.

Sliabh Bloom, by the way, took a trip to Naas last Sunday and were surprised at the excellence of the Kildare county side to whom they had to give best in a challenge game.

## No surprises in Dublin championship

THE opening rounds of the Dublin Senior Camogie Championship in the Phoenix Park did not produce any surprise result.

Scores were: Eoghan Ruadh 5-3; University Coll. 2-2; Austin Stacks 5-6; Na Piarasigh 0; Naomh Aoife 3-4; Sliabh Bloom 2-0; Celtic 7-2; C.I.E. 4-0.

University College failed to impress and Eoghan Ruadh had a rather easy win after Miss Connie Lyons had scored two quick goals.

Miss E. Bourke had the first goal for the students, and Miss A. Corrigan added a point. Miss Lyons added two points for the winners in quick succession, and Misses S. Ware (1-1) and M. Kearns (1-0) increased the lead to 3-3 to 1-1 at the interval. Miss Kearns (2-0) made the issue safe. Miss Corrigan (1-1) replied for College.

Austin Stacks had the edge on Na Piarasigh from the start and led 3-3 to nil at the interval.

Misses S. Blake (1-0), W. Rogers (2-0), P. Campbell (0-2) and U. McAllister (0-1) scored, and Misses P. Campbell (1-2), D. Rogers (1-0) and M. Sherlock (0-1) completed the tally in the second half.

## Had hard fight

Naomh Aoife had to be patient

N. Aoife had scores from Misses E. Ryder (1-0) and P. Timmins (0-3) before the interval, and Miss M. Clere (1-0) replied. Misses M. Delaney (1-0), P. Timmins (0-1) and N. Loughran (1-0) scored for N. Aoife in the second half, and Miss M. Clere got the second goal for Sliabh Bloom.

Though winning by a satisfying margin, Celtic were well tested by an alert C.I.E. side. Were it not for the fine goalkeeping of Miss Sophia Brock, the winners would have had a bigger score.

Misses Una O'Connor (4-0) and Cora Crowe (1-1) got the lead at half-way, and Misses J. Doyle (2-0) and B. McCann (1-0) replied.

Misses Una O'Connor (1-0), B. Hanbury (1-0) and M. O'Keefe (0-1) added to the Celtic total, while Miss J. Doyle notched the third goal for C.I.E.

# Looks like a camogie play-off

By UNA

THE Dublin senior camogie league, in which holders Austin Stacks seemed to be cruising to very comfortable victory only a few weeks ago, has been transformed since then, and now, with Celtic and Austin Stacks running neck and neck for honours, a tie and a play-off for the medals between those two sides seems a very probable outcome.

However, to qualify for a play-off, Austin Stacks must yet beat Eoghan Ruadh whom they meet on Sunday next in what is a very vital game for both sides. Austin Stacks are two points down, and must win to stay in line with Celtic, who likewise have had only one defeat.

Eoghan Ruadh are three points down and must not drop another point if they are to stay in the league with any chance at all.

Even at that, they must hope that U.C.D. will take at least one point off Celtic, if the Ruadh side is to get back into the league race.

## Popular fancy

Austin Stacks will be the popular fancies to win and to force Celtic to play off for honours eventually, but, if Eoghan Ruadh can introduce the same

efficiency in attack that their defence has been showing all season, they could be well capable of creating a surprise.

Celtic will not be in action in the League on Sunday, but they are not idle, for they travel to Naas to play a challenge game against the Kildare county side. Celtic are running in to top form at the right time in the season, and were impressive against Sliabh Bloom last Sunday, so they should provide a very severe test for Kildare.

They should know their first round opponents this week-end when the Leinster championship draws will be made.

## CELTIC'S WIN PUTS THEM ON TOP

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| CELTIC | 7-4 |
| U.C.D. | 2-0 |

CELTIC, by defeating University College at Phoenix Park last evening, completed their league programme with the loss of only two points. The Coolock girls are now at the top of the league table, but the holders, Austin Stacks, who have also dropped two points, have still to play Sliabh Bloom.

After an exciting first half Celtic led 2-3 to 1-0, but were by far the more effective side after the interval.

SCORERS — Celtic — U. O'Connor (1-3), C. Crowe (2-1), M. O'Keefe (1-0). U.C.D. — E. Bourke, E. Hanbury (1-0 each).

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## Celtic make no mistake

CELTIC down two points and level with Austin Stacks on the Dublin Camogie League's table made no mistake in getting the better of Sliabh Bloom in a convincing manner.

The result was one-way traffic, and at the end the 7-7 to 0-1 score justly represented the merits of the teams. The losers had already gained points at the expense of University College and C.I.E.

Their inept display on Sunday showed that they have for the moment lost their initiative.

Celtic made all the running, and in the first half Misses Una O'Connor (1-2), M. Casey (1-0), and B. Hanbury (1-0) registered the scores without reply from the opposition.

Though trying hard Misses E. Phillips, E. Moore, F. Chaney, R. McCarthy and S. Fitzpatrick could make no inroads in the Celtic defence.

Celtic were well served by Misses A. Gilh, A. Hussey and D. Dunne. It was left to Miss E. Phillips to notch the only point for Sliabh, and in a concentrated effort Misses C. Crowe (2-0), Una O'Connor (2-1) and M. Moran (0-1) made the issue safe for Celtic.

## Kildare ladies beaten

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| CELTIC (Dublin)       | 2-2 |
| KILDARE CO. SELECTION | 2-1 |

The Dublin camogie team, Celtic, just managed to beat a County Kildare Selection by one point after a very hard-fought game in unfavourable weather at Naas on Sunday.

Celtic were short three of their usual forwards, including the famed Una O'Connor, due to flu, but an experimental Kildare side gave them a very good game.

Kildare were slow to settle down, but were moving very well when the final whistle sounded. Kildare were best served by Mrs. J. Connolly, Mrs. M. Delaney, Miss B. Moran, Miss P. Higgins and Miss B. Behan, who brought off some great saves in goal. Celtic's J. Carolan and M. Moran

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# Una O'Connor Was The Brightest Star

In a year that gave us some of the finest camogie games that I can remember—the All-Ireland semi-final draw between Dublin and Cork, the All-Ireland final between Munster and Antrim, and the Gael-Linn Cup final between Munster and Leinster spring first to mind—I am going to take the liberty of naming my camogie stars of the year. After all, nobody else bothers to select a camogie star so I may as well give the lead.

Pride of place I give to the Dublin captain Una O'Connor, not because she won her tenth All-Ireland medal, a wonderful one in itself, not because she led Dublin to victory, but because she showed her versatility by adapting herself to a rather different style of play than that which had been her forte in other years. In so many of Dublin's victories over the past decade Una O'Connor had been the scorer in chief. There were others to make the opportunities, Una's task was to complete the movement with scores.

## Great Bid

How well Una O'Connor fulfilled that task is proved by the string of scores to her credit in the records of the All-Ireland championships of the past ten years.

But this year as captain and leader of the Dublin attack, she had to scheme as well as score to make the openings for the other inside forwards as well as scoring herself, and anyone who saw the semi-final replay at Cork and the final against Antrim will know how well Una succeeded. She led her team magnificently and though she may not have scored as much individually as she did in some other seasons, she has not had a greater year in the Dublin tunic.

Second place goes to the young Belfast player Sue Ward, who lacked nothing except experience in her great bid to bring off a clean sweep of every available honour as captain.

She led her school, St. Dominick's, Belfast, to victory in the Ulster Colleges championship. She led her club, Deirdre to victory in the Antrim County championship. She led Antrim to victory in the Maguire Cup and the Ulster championship, and she played her heart out in the All-Ireland final.

## Major Role

Sue Ward was only a few weeks out of school when she captained Antrim in the All-Ireland final. When she has a couple of years further experience she could prove one of the greatest players of our time.

Number three on my list is Cork goalkeeper Deirdre Sutton, who gave some wonderful dis-



Una O'Connor.

all but baffled the Dublin attack in the drawn game at Cork; ended Tipperary's hope of the Munster title at Limerick and played a major part in Munster's victory over Leinster in the Gael-Linn Cup final at Gorey.

Number four place I give to Dublin mid-fielder Mary Sherlock, who played a major role in the victory march of her club, Austin Stacks, in the Dublin championship, league and Isle of Man Cup, and who also starred at centre-field in all Dublin's matches. Indeed, her long-range point in the All-Ireland final was one of the highlights of the game.

Fifth place must go to the most promising player of the year, the Mercy Convent, Callan winger Anne Carroll, who made a remarkable impact on the game in senior ranks. She gave several outstanding displays for Tipperary, reached the Tipperary County Finals with Cahir, and won a Gael-Linn Cup medal with Munster. And although she was well held in the recent Stuart Cup final at Croke Park she raced through in the closing stages for two goals that showed how dangerous a player she can be when opportunity offers.

There were many other players that impressed me through the year, but it would be impossible to list them all, and I am willing to settle for the five I mentioned as those whose performances linger on most clearly in my camogie memories of 1957.

## Leaders lose to Celtic

CELTIC playing one of their best games for some time treated a mild surprise by defeating the Camogie League Leaders (Austin Stacks) by 4-0 to 2-1 in the Phoenix Park yesterday.

The exchanges were close throughout and Stacks did not measure up to their usual play. Midfield players failed to combine as well as usual and the attack suffered as a result.

Misses A. Hussey, H. Walsh and D. Dunne did reoman service for Celtic.

For Stacks, Misses M. Geraghty, M. Ryan and B. Keenan tried hard.

MISS O'KEEFE SCORES Celtic had the opening goal per Miss M. O'Keefe and the same player got the second goal for her side. Miss A. McAlister replied for Stacks to leave Celtic with an interval lead of 2-0 to 1-0.

## Leaders lose to Celtic

Their All-Ireland stars, many of whom had been showing in and out form through the autumn, all seemed to be back to their best standard that day, and their all-round strength seems to give them an advantage over Eoghan Ruadh, who are very strong in some sectors but surprisingly weak in others.

Many feel that, on their last showing, when they were unexpectedly held to a draw by a weak U.C.D. side, Eoghan Ruadh will not have much chance against Celtic.

But it would, I think, be wrong to underestimate U.C.D. at the moment. The younger college players are promising and are extremely fleet-footed, so that, for much of the game their speed and first-time striking frequently caught the more experienced Ruadh side off balance.

They might have proved as big a problem for any other side in the League on that day's form. So I give Ruadh a very good chance. Their defence will give for Eoghan Ruadh would leave very little away, even to Una and Miss O'Keefe, but I doubt if their forwards will get the better of such as Alice Hussey, Angela Stackes recovered and when Miss Blake scored Celtic were leading by two points. Celtic maintained the offensive, and Miss O'Keefe had the hon. goal of the

in the second period and after Miss S. Blake pointed for Stacks, M. Moran replied with a goal for Celtic.

# CAMOGIE LEAGUE OPENS UP

By UNA

THE Dublin senior league looked, a couple of weeks ago, as though it was going to provide another reasonably easy victory for Austin Stacks, who, after their wonderful performance last year of taking the Triple Crown of the senior league, the senior championship and the Isle of Man Cup, had again looked well nigh invincible as they swept past the opposition in game after game.

Then Celtic, whose chances down. But that position is unlikely to exist after tomorrow. They had lost surprisingly to Naomh Anaise, came back with a bang and convincingly beat Austin Stacks to give the league table an entirely new look.

## Vital To Both

The result is that now Eoghan Ruadh, who are in the lead, have dropped only one point with Celtic and Austin Stacks in second place, each two points behind.

## Celtic on top in close game

CELTIC had no easy task in defeating Eoghan Ruadh by 3-0 to 1-0 in the Dublin Senior Camogie league at the Phoenix Park.

Flanagan opened the scoring with a goal per Miss C. Nolan, and before the interval Celtic notched a point by Miss Una O'Connor.

Remaining, both sides put in some tiring work and Celtic went into the lead when Miss O'Connor (0-1) and M. O'Keefe (1-0) and Miss M. Coney (1-0) scored.

Celtic then took command and

## NARROW WIN

In a fast and entertaining game Naomh Anaise first got the better of Na. Parnalagh by a single point. The score at the end was 3-1 to 2-0. Naomh Anaise got all their scores before the interval.

Austin Stacks - 4-0 (Misses M. Geraghty, 2-0, J. Finlay 2-0); Sarsary, 1-0 (Miss R. DeShannon). Eoghan Ruadh, 0-2 (Misses A. Coney 3-0, A. Egan 2-0, J. Finlay 1-2). H. Ains, 1-0 (Miss R. Mackay).

Antrim succeeded in winning the trophy in 1945, 1946, 1947 and 1956 while Cork made good in 1934, 1935, 1936, 1939 and 1940. Dublin won in all the other years since 1932 and are holders since 1957.

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This is the story of one of our most remarkable personalities—Sean O'Duffy, patriot, sportsman and an honoured male in a woman's world

# CAMOGIE MAN

WHEN the annual All-Ireland Camoguidheacht Congress was held in Dublin recently one official automatically re-elected by that otherwise all-female organisation was a man—Sean O'Duffy, director of organisation.

Perhaps the only way to understand how this unique situation comes about is to tell a story, the story of a man with ideals, of a man who says, "never follow a man or a leader simply

because he is a leader. Follow a cause, an ideal, a principle, and you'll never go wrong." The story of Sean O'Duffy, sportsman, patriot.

To tell this story we must go back over half a century to the days when Ireland was swept with the spirit of revival, the revival of our language, literature and native games. The girls and women of Ireland were prominent too in this movement and, when hurling and football had been organised

with extraordinary success, the women felt that they also should have a game that would be significant of the new Ireland.

Anti-feminine prejudice was strong at that time but, nothing daunted, the girls continued their campaign and in 1901 the Keating branch of the Gaelic League, which had very successful hurling and football teams took the first decisive step towards the establishment of a women's Gaelic game.

Some members of the Keatings Branch held a series of meetings. The men included prominent Gaels like Bill Allen, Tadhg Murphy, Mick Hayes, Tadhg O Donnchadha (Torna) and Seamus Brennan.

The drafting of rules, almost unchanged today after sixty years, was soon completed, and Torna chose the name for this new sport. It was called "Camoguidheacht" and the stick was to be called a "camog".

A beginning had been made but there was still a tremendous amount of work to be done. One of the biggest difficulties to be overcome was the prejudice at that time against women in sport. So great was this bias that the girls going to practise camogie carried their sticks hidden under their coats or made up into neat brown-paper parcels.

But when all seemed lost Crokes Gaelic Club took a hand. Taking up the cause with the same zest and spirit which had put them in the forefront of hurling and football at that time, the members of Crokes seemed to reanimate a dying sport. Amongst the young hurlers from Crokes was a man named Sean O'Duffy—and so, in 1906, began an association that has lasted for almost sixty years. An association between a man who believed that it would be a good thing to see a national sport established for women—and the women who believed that such a sport could and would be established.

With many other enthusiasts Sean O'Duffy entered into the re-organisation of Camoguidheacht. They let no obstacle stand in their way and once more a great revival took place. 1911 saw the inaugural meeting of the restored An Cumman Camoguidheacht, and Lady Fingall was elected president.

Again there was progress, but for men like Sean O'Duffy

that Easter resurgence of Ireland's nationhood, but surely Crokes Gaelic Club's record must be almost unique. Of the forty members, thirty-two took part in the rising.

Following the insurrection came the executions and imprisonments. Sean found himself in Stafford Gaol where Michael Collins was among his fellow prisoners. Even there the vitality and high spirits of the prisoners did not desert them.

Sean O'Duffy remembers the impromptu football matches played in the prison exercise yard, with an old cover stuffed with grass to serve as ball. The months passed and eventually Sean and his companions were released. He was able to resume his services to his country and to its native games.

His organisational abilities were put to the test in the years that followed, when he worked in close collaboration with such men as Michael Collins and Austin Stack. With Collins he helped to establish the network of espionage and

time for the Ulster championship.

And in the thirties, when it was decided that the running of camogie affairs, including refereeing, should in future be in all-female hand, one exception was made—Sean O'Duffy.

Today camogie is a firmly established sport with inter-club, inter-county and inter-provincial matches a matter of course. You might say Sean O'Duffy is content. Well, he is and he isn't. Tremendous progress, he agrees, had been made, but he feels it could be even greater. Not enough girls who play the game in schools and colleges continue their association with the game when schooldays are over.

As he himself says: "Perhaps I expect too much, but I honestly think that an organisation that this year celebrates its diamond jubilee should be in an even stronger position. But then I suppose we can't have perfection."

Asked about great games he had seen, Sean laughingly said that there were All-Ireland camogie finals of which he had hardly seen two consecutive minutes due to rushing around attending to this and that detail.

He speaks enthusiastically of great players like Kathleen

By a Special Correspondent

a sterner, grimmer test lay ahead. Sean was one of those who believed in the full

counter-intelligence which was to baffle the British. With Austin Stack he

# Celtic Are Champions

By UNA

AUSTIN STACKS, last year's Dublin league and championship winners, lost their camogie league crown to Celtic in an exciting play-off at Phoenix Park last Friday night, and will have to show considerable improvement in attack if they are to retain their championship title when the same two teams meet again in the final at Croke Park tomorrow night (8.0).

In the league decider play was evenly divided—if Celtic had rather the better of the first half, Austin Stacks had the edge for much of the second period.

However, Una O'Connor was in deadly shooting form for Celtic, whereas the Stacks forwards were sluggish in their approach and hesitant in finish; so that, over the whole game, Celtic were narrow but deserving winners.

If Stacks can improve in attack they could retain their title, and Doreen Rogers, Phyllis Campbell, Sally Blake and Anne McAlister should have the power to get scores.

## Impressed

On the other hand I was impressed by the way in which Alice Hussey controlled so many outfield exchanges in the league decider, and if the All-Ireland centre-back can repeat that performance this time Celtic will have gone a long way towards completing the double.

In the opening game (7.15)

## Dublin Camogie Team v Antrim

THE Dublin Camogie team to play Antrim in a challenge game at Casement Park, Belfast, on Sunday next is:

C. Clarke (A. Stacks); M. Ryan (A. Stacks), S. Wall (E. Ruadh), A. Hussey (Celtic), K. Lyons (E. Ruadh); M. McEvoy (Presentation), M. Sherlock (A. Stacks), M. Casey (Celtic), B. Keenan (A. Stacks), K. Ryder (N. Aoife), J. Doyle (C.I.E.); U. O'Connor (Celtic).  
Subs.—C. Lyons (E. Ruadh), Whelan (N. Aoife), A. McAlister (A. Stacks).

Presentation will, in the final of the Inter. A. Championship against Civil Service, also be bidding for a double, as they have already won the league in this grade.

Peculiarly enough, while the Terenure side won the League without undue difficulty, they have had to battle hard for victory in most of their championship games, and tomorrow night's encounter is not likely to be an exception.

## Challenge

On Sunday the majority of the players on the Dublin senior side to meet Antrim in a challenge game at Belfast to mark the Diamond Jubilee of camogie will be drawn from the Celtic and Austin Stacks sides on duty in the Friday night Croke Park final.

In addition Maureen McEvoy (Presentation) is also listed for duty at Casement Park, so the Dublin players if not too tired after their Croke Park exertions, should certainly be fully fit.

Dublin are taking this Belfast game very seriously and picked eleven of last year's All-Ireland winning twelve, but Kathleen Ryder is unlikely to be available. However, with such reserves as Connie Lyons, Frances Whelan and Anne McAlister available, the Metropolitan mentors are unlikely to be unduly worried about replacements in attack.

# Celtic upset holders and regain title

Celtic regained the Senior Camogie League title last evening by defeating the holders, Austin Stacks, by 3-2 to 3-0, a fast game in which Miss Una O'Connor was the top forward for the winners while Miss A. Hussey was outstanding at midfield.

Stacks put in some great work and Misses M. Sherlock, M. Ryan, in defence, D. Rogers and P. Campbell, in the attack, countered many moves by Celtic. Both goalkeepers, Misses E. Leech and G. Clarke, were applauded for spirited clearances.

Misses Una O'Connor (1-2), M. O'Keefe (1-0) had the scores for Celtic before the interval, while Misses P. Campbell (1-0) and D. Rogers (1-0) replied for Stacks.

The second period saw play of a high order, and though Celtic lost many likely chances, they kept Stacks at bay. In a spirited rally Stacks were rewarded with a goal scored by Miss P. Campbell, while Una O'Connor notched the winning goal for Celtic. The same teams meet in the championship final at Croke Park on Friday, June 8.

## T. Walsh Is Sports Star

T. WALSH (Austin Stacks) won the prize for the best all-round athlete at the annual Dublin camogie sports in Belfield yesterday. She won the 75 yards, 100 yards and 220 yards senior championship events and also helped her club to take the senior relay.

**SENIOR**  
75 yds. Champ—T. Walsh (A. Stacks); 75 yds. (Handicap)—R. Halpin (M. U. Neill); 100 Champ—T. Walsh; 100 (Handicap)—T. Walsh; 220 Champ—T. Walsh; 220 (Handicap)—J. Doyle (C.I.E.); High Jump—J. Doyle; Captain's Race—J. Doyle; Relay—Austin Stacks (T. Walsh, B. Keenan, M. Sherlock, A. McAlister), Long Puck—J. Doyle.

**JUNIOR**  
75 yds. Champ—E. Gilles (Na Piarraigh); 75 yds. (Handicap)—E. Colgan (A. Stacks); 100 Champ—E. Gilles; 100 (Handicap)—E. Colgan; 220 Champ—J. Dilson (Na Piarraigh); 220 (Handicap)—J. Wilson; Captain's Race—M. Lee (Bohemians); Relay—Na Piarraigh (J. Wilson, E. Gilles, P. Gilles, M. Ard.

# Stacks and Celtic In Final

AUSTIN STACKS, the holders, and Celtic qualified for the Dublin Senior Camogie Championship final, which will be played in Croke Park on May 29, when they defeated Eoghan Ruadh and Naomh Aoife respectively in the semi-finals played at Lorcan O'Toole Park last evening. The same teams have already qualified for the league play-off, which will be played in the Phoenix Park next Friday.

**AUSTIN STACKS** ..... 4-1  
**EOGHAN RUADH** ..... 0-1  
Austin Stacks, the champions, scored a convincing win over Eoghan Ruadh.

They were faster to the ball and with the advantage at midfield in the opening half paved the way to victory when they led 3-1 to 0-0.

E. Ruadh tried hard in the second half but they couldn't penetrate the sound Stacks defence. Mary Sherlock, Sally Blake, Mary Ryan and Orla Ni Stoichain were prominent for Austin Stacks, while Sheila Ware and Kay Lyons were the pick of the Ruadh side.

**SCORERS**—A. Stacks: S. Blake (1-0), D. Rogers (1-0), M. Sherlock (1-0), P. Campbell (0-1), E. Ruadh: S. Ware (0-1).

**CELTIC** ..... 2-2  
**NAOMH AOIFE** ..... 1-0  
Celtic had to fight all the way to overcome a strong challenge from Naomh Aoife in the second semi-final which was a much more entertaining game than the Stack-Ruadh tie.

Celtic, who led 2-2 to 0-0 at half-time, were held scoreless after the interval thanks to the defensive work by goalie Anne Whelan and Kathleen Ryder, who played at full-back.

Alice Hussey, Dervil Dunne, Claire Heffernan and Una O'Connor were best for Celtic while after Kay Ryder and Anne Whelan, Patricia Timmons and Frances Whelan were prominent for the losers.

**SCORERS** — Celtic: U. O'Connor (1-2), B. Hanbury (1-0), N. Aoife: F. Whelan (1-0).

# Two Battle For A Final Place

By AGNES HOURIGAN

THIS year competition in all counties for the senior camogie championships will be particularly keen, since the winners will qualify for the All-Ireland inter-club competition, which will be played this season to mark the Diamond Jubilee of the game.

This battle for a place in the All-Ireland Inter-Club series lends added interest to the Dublin senior championship semi-finals, which will be decided at O'Toole Park tonight.

In the opening game (7.15), holders Austin Stacks will meet determined opposition from Eoghan Ruadh, who gave the Stacks a hard battle in their league a few weeks ago.

## Trial Teams

DUBLIN Senior Camogie team will be chosen after a trial game which will be played at Phoenix Park on Thursday next, June 18, at 7.45.

The following trial teams have been selected:—

**Team 'A'**—C. Clarke (A. Stacks); R. Reilly (Na Piarraigh), S. Ware (E. Ruadh); A. Hussey (Celtic); K. Lyons (E. Ruadh); M. Ryan, M. Sherlock (A. Stacks); P. Timmons (N. Aoife); B. Keenan (A. Stacks); K. Ryder (N. Aoife); J. Doyle (C.I.E.); U. O'Connor (Celtic).

**Team 'B'**—A. Whelan (N. Aoife); T. Walsh (A. Stacks); R. Murphy (C.I.E.); G. Armstrong (E. Ruadh); F. Whelan (N. Aoife); A. Henegar (C. Service); M. Casey (Celtic); O. Ni Stoichain (A. Stacks); M. McEvoy (Presentation); A. McAlister (A. Stacks); C. Lyons (E. Ruadh); M. O'Keefe (Celtic).

**Subs**—E. Leech (Celtic); B. O'Reilly (Na Piarraigh); B. Mulligan (B. Bride); B. Hanbury (Celtic).

Indeed, if the versatile Sheila Ware could play both in defence and in attack for Ruadh at the same time, I would give her team a great chance of beating the champions.

In the League match it was Sheila in the forward line in the first half who led Ruadh to an early three-goal lead, but, when she moved into defence after the interval, her team failed to register a further score and Stacks came back for a hard-earned victory.

If Eoghan Ruadh could develop greater scoring power they would be very hard to beat, but while they will match the champions in many sectors I feel that the greater all-round efficiency of Austin Stacks must see the holders through to the final.

Naomh Aoife, who had contemplated returning to Intermediate ranks at the start of the season, have had one of their most successful years and will face Celtic (8.0) inspired by the knowledge that they were the only side to take full points from the Coolock girls in the course of the league campaign.

## Improvement

However, since that league defeat Celtic have been showing improvement with every outing, and Una O'Connor, Alice Hussey, Ethna Leech and Co., will be firmly fancied to avenge that earlier set-back and advance to the final, despite the best efforts of such as Kay Ryder and Patricia Timmons for Naomh Aoife.

So it looks like an Austin Stacks-Celtic final, and, incidentally, those teams are also due to meet in the senior league play-off, which will be played on Friday, May 22.



# Dublin Cruise Into Another Camogie Final

DUBLIN 10-2; GALWAY 0-0

ALL-IRELAND camogie champions Dublin, though they ran up a tall score against Galway in this one-sided semi-final at Parnell Park, Dublin, yesterday, still have plenty of room for improvement if they are to retain their title against Antrim in this year's final at Croke Park on October 4.

However, it is impossible to judge the full worth of the present Dublin side on yesterday's display, for, if their striking was often faulty and their customary smooth combination seldom in evidence, they were so superior in practically every sector from the very start that, even without producing their best form, they still won almost as they pleased.

Galway's morale had suffered a severe blow before ever the game started, for their great goal-keeper Eileen Naughton had to cry off through injury and, though reserve Winnie Finnerty brought off some good saves she lacked the confidence and experience and long goal-pucks of the U.C.G. star.

## Never Troubled

Leading 5-2 to nil at half-time, after playing with a lively breeze, Dublin produced their best camogie after the interval, advancing to victory so readily that not until midway through the second half did goal-keeper Concepta Clarke have a real shot to save.

Kay Lyons and Mary Ryan were most prominent in a defence that was, at times, surprisingly faulty. Dublin were generally in control at mid-field where Mary Sherlock was always sound. Rosemary O'Reilly, considering her lack of experience, was adequate and Orla Ni Siochán gave a polished second-half display.

For once, star full-forward Una O'Connor was well held by a very sound full-back, Pauline Colclough, but opportunist corner-forwards in Judy Doyle and Brid Keegan availed to the full of her clever distribution of the ball, while Kathleen Ryder, by usual did a world of hard work at centre-forward.

Others to strive hard for an earnest but outmatched Galway side were Nonie Flaherty, captain Emer Walsh, Kitty Burke and Kathleen Higgins, who came on as a substitute in the early stages.

**Scorers**—J. Doyle (4-1), B. Keenan (2-0), U. O'Connor (1-0), K. Lyons (1-0), K. O'Reilly (1-0), K. Ryder (1-0), M. Sherlock (0-1).  
**Dublin**—C. Clarke; M. Ryan; S. Ware, A. Hussey, K. Lyons; B. O'Reilly, M. Sherlock, O. Ni Siochán, B. Keenan, K. Ryder, J. Doyle; M. O'Connor (Capt.).  
**Galway**—W. Finnerty; P. Colclough, J. Fahy, M. Mullen, B. O'Brien; K. Quinn, K. Burke, N. Flaherty; P. Feecey, E. Walsh (Capt.), P. Clark, M. Kelly. **Sub.**—K. Higgins for M. Mullen.

**Referee**—Miss L. Spence (Antrim)

# Dublin Girls Too Good for Gallant Offaly Side

Celtic (Dublin), 3-6; St. Colman's (Offaly), 0-0.

The above score line is the result of the final of the Leinster section of the All-Ireland Inter-Club Championship Camogie played at Daingean, on Sunday, but the game was by no means as one-sided as the final tally would seem to suggest.

*The Offaly girls put up a magnificent performance despite the many handicaps they had to field with. Firstly, they were without the services of four top players, all away on holidays, secondly they were only a junior side as compared with a metropolitan senior side.*

As one reads this report, the first question that must come to the minds of those unacquainted with the game is: Where is St. Colman's Club situated? The sad fact is that there is but ONE club in Offaly, to which those interested in the game have given their allegiance. The players come from many parts, including Drumculken, Coolerry, Ballykenach, Ballycommon and Tullamore. This being the case, it is very difficult for the girls to get together at a central venue to practice.

## Appeal For Support

At a recent meeting of the Offaly G.A.A. Board, a letter was read from the Hon. Sec. of the Leinster Camogie Council, asking the various clubs to see what could be done about forming a camogie club in their parish. Let's hope for the sake of the game in Offaly that the matter will receive some attention.

*With this in mind, and also the fact that there are literally hundreds of clubs in Dublin, it would indeed have been too much to expect that the Offaly girls would dethrone their champion side.*

... put up a gallant show and never gave up trying.

*Only a handful of spectators attended the game which was played in brilliant sunshine, really ideal conditions. But it was the weather conditions only that were ideal. The same could not be said of the pitch which was gapped with tufts and long grass, a poor tribute indeed to the participants.*

*To return to the game, Celtic were in command throughout and their first time pulling paid dividends. In inter-county star, Una O'Connor, they had a player who would put many numbers to shame. Quick, accurate, and with a great sense of position she had the Offaly defence completely at sea and gave a grand performance.*

## Famous Relations

It is interesting to note that three Dublin players have connections with famous players in other games, Claire Heffernan being a sister of former football star, Kevin Heffernan; Angela Gill being a daughter of the famed Mick Gill, former All-Ireland hurler with Galway and Dublin, while Mary Casey is a sister of Bill Casey, the present Dublin footballer. It is nice to see that the national games are not confined to the male side of the house. Celtic led 2-4 to 0-0 at the interval, and it is a great tribute to the home defence that the conceded no score from play after the resumption, the remaining 1-2 coming from frees taken by Una O'Connor.

# Wexford giant-killers face powerful Celtic

By a Special Correspondent

The semi-finals of the Leinster Senior Camogie Championship for the winners of the club senior championship in each county will be played today. Celtic, of Dublin, meet St. Ibar's, of Castlebridge, Co. Wexford, at Gorey (Wexford), and the Offaly champions, St. Colman's, and Kilkenny, of Louth, clash at Birr (Offaly).

The final, the winners of which qualify for the All-Ireland Championship proper, will be played today fortnight.

St. Ibar's, who had a bye to the Leinster semi-final, were the surprise packet of the Wexford Championship. Winners of the county junior title only a little over a month ago, they marked their first-ever appearance in a senior final the other week with a shock win over fancied St. John's, Wexford Town.

St. Ibar's were very impressive in that game. Their quick-tackling defence, cleverly marshalled by left-half Margaret O'Leary and full-back C. Lee, gave the strong St. John's attack little freedom, and their midfielders performed well. The attack, prompted brilliantly by full-forward K. O'Leary and left-half K. Kinsella, combined well in a clever display.

However, Celtic's achievement in winning both the County League and Championship in Dublin, where the all-round standard is very high, stamps their team as one of more than ordinary ability.

Strongest sector is the attack, which is ably generalised by the greatest scoring full-forward in the history

of the game, Una O'Connor, who is in line this year for her 11th All-Ireland senior inter-county championship medal with Dublin.

With a good supply of the play set to be coming from Alice Hussey, the Dublin centre-half-back and the No. 1 player in this position, and Mary Casey and her talented mid-field colleagues, the wiles and accuracy of Miss O'Connor should ensure that Celtic's alert attack, strong though St. Ibar's defence is, will get enough scores to put the Dublin team into the final.

## Celtic Had The Experience

CELTIC (Dublin) ..... 7-2  
ST. IBARS (Wexford) ..... 1-1

CELTIC reached the final of the Leinster section of the club champions camogie competition with a deserved win over St. Ibars at Gorey yesterday.

Despite the rain, which lasted through the entire game, play was at a very high standard, but the Dublin champions were too experienced for the Wexford girls.

## Celtic Girls Leinster Club Champions

CELTIC ..... 3-6  
ST. COLMANS ..... nil

THOUGH Dublin champions, Celtic had a clear-cut victory over St. Colmans, the Offaly representatives, in the Leinster final of the Jubilee Cup camogie competition at Daingean yesterday, the game was far more evenly contested than the score would seem to imply.

That Celtic, who led 2-4 to nil at half-time, won so convincingly in the end, was almost entirely due to the brilliance of their famed All-Ireland forward Una O'Connor whose opportunism resulted in most of her side's scores, despite the wonderful goalkeeping of Katherine Carroll for St. Colmans.

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# Clear-cut Antrim Victory

ANTRIM ..... 6-8  
TIPPERARY ..... 3-3

ANTRIM scored one of their greatest camogie victories when they convincingly defeated Munster champions Tipperary in the All-Ireland semi-final at Glenarriffe yesterday.

In brilliant sunshine, the Antrim girls gave an equally brilliant exhibition, and by half-time, when they led by 5-4 to 1-3, were well on their way to the All-Ireland final at Croke Park on October 4.

Antrim were excellently served in defence, where Teresa Kearns, in goal, Margot Kane, Maura Carabine and Sue Ward were all equally effective.

Farther afield Maeve Gilroy, Marion Kearns, Mary Phil Jamieson and Lily Scullion were just as outstanding.

## Fitness Told

Tipperary strove very hard but were never able to match the pace set by the remarkable fit Antrim girls.

The Munster champions made a gallant attempt to rally in the second half, but were unable to get on terms despite the great efforts of Terry Griffin, B. McGrath, T. Flynn and Anne Carroll.

Highlight of the game was the wonderful marksmanship of Maeve Gilroy who had six Antrim points from frees.

Scorers: Antrim — M. P. Jamieson (2-1), M. Kearns (2-0), M. Gilroy (0-4), M. McAtamney (1-1), L. Scullion (1-0). Tipperary — B. McGrath (2-1), T. Flynn (1-0), S. Quinn, A. Carroll (0-1 each).

# GREAT GAME IN BELFAST

WHAT a pleasant day it was in Belfast on Sunday last and what an entertaining and exciting afternoon we had in Casement Park, where the camogie Diamond Jubilee celebrations got off to a flying start with a really brilliant game between Dublin and Antrim.

A draw was a fitting result, and the prestige gained for the game must have been very great, judging by the enthusiasm among the big crowd who came in during the second half, to watch the subsequent football game, and were very much excited by the closing stages of this camogie match as Antrim strove so hard for victory against their All-Ireland conquerors.

Dublin had the advantage in the first half of such wind as there was and very deservedly led by four points at half-time. Then, early in the second half, Mairead McAtamney, one of the most outstanding of the Antrim players, had a goal that brought new life to the game.

Two goals for Dublin then seemed to make sure of victory for the All-Ireland champions, but, inspired by a great display from captain Sue Ward, Antrim staged a wonderful rally, got on terms and very nearly snatched victory in an exciting finish.

## Heartening

For Antrim this was a particularly heartening display. Once again their style, stick-work and ball-play were a revelation, and if I select Sue Ward, Mairead McAtamney and Maura Carabine for special welcome I would like to stress at the same time that there was not a weak link on the side.

One thing, however, Dublin did have that Antrim had not—and that was teamwork. Even the newcomers to the side fitted in perfectly with their colleagues, while Antrim were far more inclined to play as individuals.

Dublin had to find a replacement for Kathleen Ryder, who was away on holidays, so the selectors tried Anne McAllister at centre-forward and must have been well pleased by her display. It was only when the Austin Stacks player had to retire due to an injury something more than ten minutes from the end that Antrim really got on top.

Others to impress on the Dublin side were Mary Ryan, in the rather unexpected post of full-back, Alice Hussey, at centre-half, and Una O'Connor and Judy Doyle in attack.

Dublin were delighted with their reception at Casement Park, where in addition to an entertaining game as a curtain-raiser between the minors of North and South Antrim, we also had a most impressive parade of all the Antrim clubs and, of course, the football challenge game.

The crowd attracted by the football match was quite large, and I think the Dublin team deserves the best thanks of the camogie supporters everywhere for travelling for this game as due to having had a match with Kerry on Friday night, important League matches at home and other difficulties, they had a hard task to get a representative side in the field.

There was a reasonable crowd in Croke Park on Friday night to see the Dublin championship final, in which Celtic completed a great double by again defeating Austin Stacks.

## Lapses

Stacks had just as much of the play, but a few defensive lapses made all the difference and Celtic were just value for their 5-3 to 5-0 victory.

Again it was a grand game to watch, yet high though the excitement in the senior final was, the Inter A decider between Presentation and Civil Service proved a real thriller.

Celtic, Presentation and U.C.D. thus all completed championship doubles in Dublin and between them made a clean sweep of the Senior Board competitions for 1964.

# Celtic's fine camogie double

HAVING won the Dublin Senior Camogie League final against Austin Stacks two weeks ago, Celtic went into battle and secured the Senior Championship title at the expense of the same team by 5-4 to 5-0 at Croke Park.

Best play was seen at midfield, though both goalkeepers brought off some fine saves. Neither side showed much thrust in the attack, and in this the winners were just as remiss as the losers.

Celtic got two easy goals but only led 3-2 to 3-0 at the interval. Misses Una O'Connor (2-2) and M. O'Keefe (1-0) registered for Celtic, and Misses M. Sherlock (1-0), S. Blacke (1-0) and P. Campbell (1-0) replied.

Misses M. O'Keefe (2-0) and Una O'Connor (0-2) completed the winners' total in the second and O. Blake (1-0) scored for Stacks.

# New competition for All Ireland

By a Special Correspondent

This is the golden jubilee year of the foundation of the Camogie Association and to mark the occasion the Central Council has decided to introduce a new competition. This is an All-Ireland Championship for the winners of the club senior championship in each county.

The championship will be run off within the provinces first, on similar lines to the inter-county series, and the four provincial winners will then go forward to the All-Ireland series.

The semi-final pairings for the new championship are Ulster champions v. Connaught and Munster winners v. Leinster.

One of the strongest contenders for the new title will be Celtic, of Dublin, who won the testing Metropolitan championship last month in most impressive style. Included in their team are Alice Hussey, the brilliant Dublin County centre-half/back, and Una O'Connor, another regular with the Dublin County team for some years, and generally acknowledged as the greatest full-forward in the history of the game.

# Celtic win championship title

Celtic ..... 5-4  
Austin Stacks ..... 5-0

CELATIC, who beat Austin Stacks in the Dublin Senior League final last week, showed that form was no flash in the pan when they again defeated the holders, Austin Stacks, 5-4 to 5-0, in the championship final at Croke Park last evening to bring off the coveted double, which Stacks achieved last year.

Though Stacks had somewhat the better of matters territorially, Celtic, aided by the breeze, took their chances better, and turned over leading by 3-2 to 3-0.

## MISSED CHANCES

Both sides exchanged goals early in the second half, and although Stacks continued to force the issue their forwards lacked finesse and missed several chances. On the other hand, Celtic wasted few balls and went on to score a well-deserved victory.

Una O'Connor at centre-forward again showed her accuracy, scoring 2-4 of her side's total. Mary O'Keefe (2-0) and Cora Crowe (1-0) completed their tally.

Sally Blake (2-0), Phyllis Campbell (2-0) and Mary Sherlock (1-0) replied for Stacks.

Celtic—E. Leetch, M. Casey, A. Gill, A. Hussey, D. Dunne, C. Heffernan, B. Hanbury, M. Moran, A. McGarry, U. O'Connor, C. Crowe, M. O'Keefe.

Austin Stacks — C. Clarke, M. Jerraghty, T. Walsh, T. Poy, M. Ryan, O. Ni Stochain, M. Sherlock, B. Keenan, S. Blake, A. McAllister, J. Rogers, P. Campbell.

Referee—Miss S. Ware (Eoghan Stadh).

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# Glen Rovers Play Celtic In Semi-final Of All-Ireland Club Championship

SUNDAY is a big day for Cork camogie and especially for the members of the Glen Rovers club. On that day, in Ballinlough, the Blackpool girls meet Celtic of Dublin in the semi-final of the All-Ireland inter-club championship—the special competition to mark the diamond jubilee of the Camogie Association.

Dublin have dominated the camogie scene in recent years—in the past 17 years they have won 16 All-Ireland inter-county championships—and no one can dispute their superiority. Southern followers rarely get a chance of seeing the Dublin girls in action, although they did see them last season in the All-Ireland semi-final when Cork were unlucky not to snatch a surprise victory, and instead had to be content with a draw, following a typical brilliant comeback by the Dublin girls. This draw was to prove sufficient for the champions, as in the replay they quickly dealt with the Cork challenge and finished as easy winners.

Now Cork followers have a chance of seeing the Dublin county champions in action. The big question here is whether a Dublin team will play with the same confidence and understanding among themselves and ability to snatch a late victory, as the county team. Advance publicity seems to give every indication that they will.

## TOUGH OPPOSITION

The two girls likely to give the Glen girls the greatest headaches are Una O'Connor and Allie Hussey. The former is the Dublin captain, who has played a major role in no less than 11 All-Ireland wins. Una will need to be carefully marked for the full hour as she is capable of capitalising on even the slightest chance. Her most usual and best position is at full forward although she is also a very dangerous half forward. But, wherever she plays, her opposite number on the Cork side will have a very busy hour. However, if the Glen girl in question can succeed in holding Una, then Glen will be a long way towards victory.

Another Celtic player to watch will be Allie Hussey, who has six All-Ireland medals to her credit and who was another to play a major role in this year's All-Ireland victory. Allie is a stylish and clever half-back, who could greatly upset the Glen forward line. Again it will be up to her opposite number, Nora O'Mahony, not to give her her own way.

Eithne Neville, the Celtic goalkeeper, is another holder of six All-Ireland medals. Eithne played in goal in Cork last year although since then she has lost her county place to Concepta Clarke.

There are four other players on the visiting side with All-Ireland medals. They are Brid Hanbury, who has two, and Mary Casey, Cora Crowe and Mary O'Keefe, who have one each.

## NO STRANGER

One of the Celtic players will be no stranger to Cork camogie. She is Mary Moran, who played with St. Aloysius School side for a number of years and won a county medal with Old Aloysians in 1938. She later played with U.C.C. before going to Dublin, where she joined Celtic. She now has the distinction of winning both Cork and Dublin county championship medals. In Cork, Mary was a very solid goalkeeper but since joining Celtic she has

played out the field, where she has proved a big success.

Against this what have Glen Rovers to offer? Like their opponents they have a big number of inter-county stars. Also they have a wonderful fighting spirit and will not admit defeat until they have won the Cork county championship for the past three years and have a strong, stylish side, who will not be overawed by the Dublin girls.

Deirdre Sutton, the young Cork and Munster goalkeeper, is, of course, one of their big stars. She is confident as well as brilliant and having already faced the might of Dublin and Leinster, she will not fear the Celtic attack. Deirdre should get fine protection from Glen's very solid full-back, Carrie Buckley, as well as the wing backs inter-county player Noreen O'Callaghan, and Pauline Deane.

At half-back Glen have the brilliant Teresa Murphy, a regular on the Cork team for many years now and also a Munster player.

Another Glen player expected to play a major role is Peggy Dorgan, who had her first outing with Munster this season and played one of the best games of her career in the Munster final for Cork. She will have able assistance in the strong and untiring Margaret Buckley and the determined Chrissie Duggan.

## STRONG ATTACK

In the attack Glen have another member of this season's Cork team, the clever wing-forward Stephanie O'Connell. Anna Crotty on the other wing, needs no introduction to Cork followers, having been a regular for the Cork side for many years before going to

last years ago. Since last season she has enhanced the Glen her opportunist goals. Completing the half-forward is Nora another stylish player, snatching valuable outfield. Nora has on the county team, y certainly have the set the Celtic side and nue must be a great

help as the Dublin girls never seem to play quite as well outside of the county. Of course, club competition is very much different from inter-county campaigns and Celtic and the away venue may not affect Celtic at all. Still, Glen will have the home following behind them and if they strike their best form then they must have a great chance of upsetting the Dublin county champions. But it will not be before a hard and exciting hour of camogie has been seen by the spectators.

This competition is being run on the same system as the inter-county championship. The county champions of each county qualified for the provincial championships. Glen Rovers qualified to meet Celtic when they won the Munster championship by defeating the Clare and Limerick champions, while Celtic, of course, won the Leinster championship to qualify for the semi-finals.

The second semi-final will also be played on Sunday, with Deirdre (Ulster) meeting Newport (Mayo), and the winners in the Cork game will naturally be very interested in the result of this tie.

## TEAMS

**Glen Rovers** — D. Sutton, P. Deane, N. O'Callaghan, T. Murphy, C. Buckley, P. Dorgan, M. Buckley (captain), C. Duggan, A. Crotty, N. O'Mahony, S. O'Connell, M. Browne. Subs.: K. Browne, M. McCarthy and M. McDonnell.  
**Celtic** — B. Hanbury (captain), U. O'Connor, A. Hussey, M. Casey, C. Crowe, M. O'Keefe, D. Dunne, H. Walsh, E. Leech, C. Heffernan, A. Gill and M. Moran.

# Home Venue Will Help Glen Rovers

Who was the youngest, also who was the oldest camogie player to win an All-Ireland medal? The youngest player we know of to win an All-Ireland camogie medal is the Antrim goalkeeper, Teresa Kearns from Dunloy, who has only 14 when she played for Cork in the final of 1954. Within the past three seasons, two fifteen-year-olds have won All-Ireland medals for Dublin. They are Patricia Timmins, who was 15 when she played first on the Dublin side against Galway in the All-Ireland final of 1942—she was eight and a half against Antrim in 1944, and against Antrim in 1945, and a girl from Oriskany, who was 15 when she was left wing for her county in the 1944 final. In fact, Antrim, who captured Holy Faith, Co. Antrim, to victory in the Dublin Colleges final some weeks ago, will again be a college player in the 1945/1946 season.

The question of who was the oldest player to win an All-Ireland camogie medal is a matter on which we cannot give a ruling. We can only give length of service by players, and in this respect the point must go to Kathleen Mills, who first played for Dublin in 1919 and retired after helping her county to a great victory in the All-Ireland final of 1961.

In between she won 15 All-Ireland medals and 20 Leinster titles, both records for a Gaelic team-games. She won 12 successive Leinster medals, which is also a record, and holds, with Mr. Jack Lynch, the Minister for Finance, the distinction of having won All-Ireland senior medals in six consecutive years. Although this is not a record, the record-holder here is another Dublin camogie player, Sophia Fitzg., who won eight All-Ireland medals in succession, from 1947 to 1955.

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# Glen Rovers Girls Draw With Celtic

GLEN ROVERS ..... 3-4  
CELTIC ..... 4-1

GLEN ROVERS (Cork), Munster club champions, after being led by 11 points at half time, fought back magnificently to earn a draw with Leinster champions Celtic (Dublin) in the All-Ireland semi-final of the Diamond Jubilee Camogie Cup at Ballinlough, Cork, yesterday.

The game, although played on a full-length hurling pitch with hurling goalposts, was well-contested throughout, but Celtic, the more polished side, dominated the first half and deservedly led by 4-1 to 0-2 at half time.

Inspired by a great second-half display by Peggy Dorgan at midfield, Glen Rovers were a team transformed after the interval, and gradually reduced the arrears, to level the scoring five minutes from time. Both sides missed chances of victory in an exciting finish.

Others to star in Glen Rovers' revival were Stephanie O'Connell, Angela Crotty, Teresa Murphy, Noreen O'Callaghan and M. Browne.

Outstanding for Celtic were Alice Hussey, a great centre-back; Dervil Dunne, Mary Casey, Una O'Connor and Brid Hanbury.

**Scorers**—Celtic—C. Crowe (2-0), U. O'Connor (1-1), M. O'Keefe (1-0).  
**Glen Rovers**—P. Dorgan (1-1), M. Browne (1-0), S. O'Connell (1-0), A. Crotty (0-2).

**Referee**—M. Gilroy (Antrim). 12

## Dublin Change For Camogie All-Ireland

THE Dublin team to play Antrim in the All-Ireland camogie final at Croke Park on Sunday next shows one change on the team that defeated Galway in the semi-final.

Rosemary O'Reilly (Na Piar-saigh) moves from right wing to right back, and Patricia Timmons comes on at right wing. Sheila Ware, who played at right back in the semi-final, is now among the reserves.

The team is: C. Clarke (Austin Stacks); M. Ryan (Austin Stacks); R. O'Reilly (Na Piar-saigh), A. Hussey (Celtic), K. Lyons (Eoghan Ruadh); P. Timmons (Naomh Aoife), M. Sherlock (Austin Stacks), O. Ni Siochain (Austin Stacks); B. Keenan (Austin Stacks), K. Ryder (Naomh Aoife), J. Doyle (C.I.E.); U. O'Connor (Celtic) (Captain). Reserves—E. Leech (Celtic), S. Ware (Soghan Ruadh), M. Casey (Celtic), A. McAllister (Austin Stacks).

## Antrim camogie team

THE following team has been selected to play for Antrim in the All-Ireland final against Dublin at Croke Park on Sunday, October 4, at 3.30.

Moya T. Kearns (Duboy), M. Forde (Abeghill), C. O'Boyle (St. Malachy), S. Ward (Capt.) (Deirdre), M. Curahine (St. Teresa), M. Ryan (O. Uaigh), M. Gilroy (St. Malachy), M. McAtamney (Port-nacorney), M. McPetridge (St. Malachy), L. Scullion (Abeghill), K. Finn (St. Agnes), M. P. Jameson (St. Theresa), P. Sheehan (Rushquin), M. O'Connell (Creggan), N. McLoughlin (St. Malachy).

# Early Goals Gave Dublin Camogie Title

DUBLIN ... 7-4; ANTRIM ... 3-1

THREE golden goals by their flying left forward, Judy Doyle, in the first seven minutes of the game, proved the really vital factor in Dublin's victory over Antrim at Croke Park yesterday in the thirty-third All-Ireland camogie final, a final which must, despite the score-line, rank with the greatest and most brilliant camogie matches ever played.

Those early goals, all the result of crafty team-work by the experienced Dublin attack, hung heavy on the minds of the Antrim forwards for the rest of the first half. Although with the fresh breeze behind them, they had by far the greater number of chances. They often shot too hurriedly and too wildly and Concepta Clarke saved magnificently when they did shoot straight.

The result was that, at the interval, Antrim had one point on the board and nine wides, while Dublin, thanks to a wonderful zig-zag solo run and flashing shot by captain Una O'Connor, and a rare piece of opportunism by Brigid Keenan, had stretched their goal-total to five and their lead to fourteen points by the half-time whistle.

## Antrim Rally

Lesser teams than Antrim might well have accepted defeat at that stage, but the girls in saffron, having switched Lily Scullion to mid-field and Maevie Gilroy to centre-forward, re-started as though the game had just begun.

The Ulster champions suffered another cruel blow soon after the restart, when Brigid Keenan availed of hesitancy in the opposing defence to score Dublin's sixth goal. But now Antrim, inspired by a captain's display from Sue Ward at centre-back, swarmed to the attack again far more effectively than they did in the first half.

Mary Phil Jameson, following up, had the first Northern goal, but Dublin forced a "30" which

but Dublin, still taking their chances, had three points in a row, two by Una O'Connor and one by Judy Doyle—another spectacular effort—while Antrim, though they forced two "30's" and attacked fiercely to the end, failed to raise another flag.

So at the end of this magnificent game, well worthy of camogie's jubilee year, Dublin had won the title and the O'Duffy Cup for the twenty-third time in all, for the sixteenth time in seventeen seasons and for the eighth time in succession. Una O'Connor, the winning captain, had won her eleventh All-Ireland medal and both she and team-mate Kathleen Ryder had equalled Sophia Brack's record of winning All-Ireland medals in eight successive years.

Concepta Clarke's uncanny goal-keeping and long puck, plus the defensive brilliance of full-back Mary Ryan and centre-back Allie Hussey, blunted the edge of the eager Antrim attack while Mary Sherlock was the outstanding figure around mid-field.

Scorers: Dublin—J. Doyle (4-1), B. Keenan (2-0), U. O'Connor (1-1). Antrim—M. P. Jameson (1-0), B. Smith (1-0), M. Gilroy (1-0), M. McAtamney (0-1).

Dublin—C. Clarke, M. Ryan, R. O'Reilly, A. Hussey, K. Lyons, P. Timmons, M. Sherlock, O. Ni Siochain, B. Keenan, K. Ryder, J. Doyle, U. O'Connor (Capt.).

Antrim—T. Kearns, M. Forde, C. O'Boyle, S. Ward (Capt), M. Carabine, B. Smith, M. Gilroy, M. McAtamney, M. McPetridge, L. Scullion, K. Finn, M. P. Jameson.

## Presentation Best In Lively Clash

# Antrim Present Stiff Challenge

By AGNES HOURIGAN

DUBLIN, the holders, against Antrim, their closest challengers in recent years. What more fitting decider could anyone ask for in this, the Diamond Jubilee year of the Camogie Association? Certainly, Dublin and Antrim should, on Sunday next, provide a truly classic exhibition of this camogie game when they meet in the thirty-third All-Ireland camogie final at Croke Park.

A year ago, the same teams met in the final, and the brilliance of the play through the first half and much of the second on a slippery sod, and in gathering dusk (it was an evening game) held the spectators enthralled.

Dublin, with slightly less of the play, won by a rather flattering margin because their forwards took their chances, while the Antrim attack, despite rather more opportunities, blazed wide far too often. Since then, Antrim have made no secret of their determination to compensate by taking the title in this Jubilee Year.

## Most Impressive

The Ulster champions have kept their side in training since the start of the year, and, having disposed of such opposition as the North could provide, were most impressive when defeating a very fancied Tipperary side by a surprisingly wide margin in their semi-final.

Dublin, far from impressive when disposing of a stiff challenge from Wexford in the Leinster final, had an unexpectedly easy passage in their semi-final, beating Galway by a very wide margin, but then the opposition proved

challenge game at Casement Park in the early summer, when neither side was at full strength. The result was a draw, a result which, one feels, will give added heart to Antrim's hopes.

## Is Experienced

Both teams will field nine players who took part in last year's final. Antrim have Mairead Carabine, Lily Scullion and Kitty Finn as their newcomers, but Mairead Carabine has had previous inter-county experience. Dublin's new players are Rosemary O'Reilly, Orla Ni Siochain and Patricia Timmons, but the latter was right-forward on the Dublin team that beat Galway in 1962 and was among the reserves last year.

In Dublin's favour is the fact that their forwards play unchanged for the second season in succession and move as a unit. By contrast, Antrim have two newcomers in attack and many of their scores against Tipperary came from mid-field. The Dublin defence only shows one change from recent matches. Rosemary O'Reilly taking over from Sheila Ware at right back. But Rosemary played at left back in the Leinster final and at right wing against Galway, so will be no newcomer to the inter-county scene.

Antrim, too, show changes only in defence from last year's final. Moya Forde is again full back, Teresa Kearns still in goal, but Chris O'Boyle (nee Hughes) moves from centre-back to right back, with Sue Ward, their captain, moving to centre-back from mid-field, where she played last year. Mairead Carabine plays at left full and has before now proved herself a sound defender.

The key to the game would, therefore, seem to lie with the respective mid-field trios, and here Antrim, who did exceptionally well in this sector against Tipperary, will be more than hopeful of again taking command.

field power of Mary Sherlock, and the pace of their very youthful wingers, Patricia Timmons and Orla Ni Siochain.

Mary Sherlock is a match-winner on her day (her point from sixty yards out into the wind in last year's final was one of the most wonderful individual efforts I have ever seen on a camogie field), while, if Patricia Timmons and Orla Ni Siochain are very young, they are not without experience.

Patricia Timmons was on the winning Dublin team of 1962 and was also on the panel last season, and she played with success in her present position against Wexford in the Leinster final.

Orla Ni Siochain, though best known as a Colleges player, having won Leinster and Dublin titles with the Holy Faith Convent, Clontarf, has also won Dublin Intermediate championship medals with Austin Stacks, and has played on the senior club side through the past twelve months. She may have been a bit hesitant in her earlier inter-county outings, but I thought she came very much into the picture in the second half of the Galway game, when she found the self-confidence she needed.

## Stern Challenge

On the face of it, Dublin seem to face the sternest challenge to their supremacy on the camogie fields since Antrim beat them in the semi-final of 1956. Antrim must be given an outstanding chance of winning their fifth title particularly if the brilliant Sue Ward is given the opportunity to range up in support of her mid-fielders.

For once, Dublin look a shade the outsiders, and yet, if the Metropolitan forwards can get an adequate supply of the ball, they look capable of retaining the O'Duffy Cup for the eighth successive year and providing captain Una O'Connor with her eleventh All-Ireland medal.

Of the thirty-two camogie finals played to date, Dublin have won 22, Cork 6, Antrim 4.

## Wonderful Effort

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# CELTIC BEST IN GREAT GAME

THE replay of the Jubilee Cup camogie semi-final between the Cork champions, Glen Rovers, and the Dublin title-holders, Celtic, provided a wonderful game at Parnell Park on Sunday last. Indeed, I cannot remember having seen a game of so high a standard between two club sides before.

After the drawn game at Cork we knew that there was very little between the teams, but no county sides could have improved on last Sunday's display.

Glen Rovers, I thought, had improved the more during the five weeks since the drawn game. They opened with more confidence than they had done in Cork, and they had missed scoring chances before Celtic took the lead with a well-worked goal.

Then Glen broke right away to equalise, and from that almost to the interval the Cork girls had much the better of the play. Thanks to some fine work by Anna Crotty, they were soon ahead and, despite conceding a somewhat soft goal, were soon four points in front.

This margin would have been greater had not Ethna Leech brought off some very fine saves in the Celtic goal. Then Una O'Connor had a wonderful goal for Celtic, to leave only a point between them at the half-time whistle.

## Great Saves

On the restart Celtic attacked again and again, but now it was the turn of Deirdre Sutton to make some great saves for Glen, and when Anna Crotty stretched the lead with another goal it looked as though the Cork champions must go through to the final.

However, Kitty Keogh, who had come on for Mary Casey, shot a good goal for Celtic and then sent in another sharp shot which deceived Deirdre Sutton and dropped behind the line.

This somewhat unexpected score was

Celtic the lead, and before Glen Rovers could rally Alice Hussey scored an amazing point from a free in her own end of the field to make the margin safe.

So Celtic were through to the final, but they had, I think, just what little shade of luck was going and it would have taken very little to sway the balance in favour of Glen Rovers.

## The Stars

Ethna Leech, Angela Gill, Alice Hussey, Mary O'Keefe and Una O'Connor were the stars of this Celtic side who now advance to meet Deirdre, the Antrim champions, in the final at Dublin on December 6.

Deirdre Sutton, Noreen O'Callaghan, Peggy Dorgan, Teresa Murphy, Stephanie O'Connell and Anna Crotty performed well for Glen Rovers, who played the better camogie but lacked the team-work and more direct methods of Celtic.

## UNLUCKY

On Sunday last in Dublin Glen Rovers, Cork's representatives in the Diamond Jubilee Inter-Club

competition, suffered a heart-breaking defeat in the semi-final against Celtic, of Dublin. Glen, playing on top of their form, were led in the early part of the game, but once they gained the lead soon after they were in front most of the game. Then, with only seven minutes to go, a tragedy for Deirdre Sutton, who has saved her side on so many occasions. She managed to stop a high hard shot, and brought it down on the goal-line, but in turning to clear it put it into her own net. This put Glen Rovers two points behind, and with Dublin soon adding a further minor Glen had not sufficient time to fight back. But Glen deserve the congratulations of all Munster followers for their wonderful displays in this competition. They were very unlucky not to have beaten Celtic in their first encounter in Ballinlough, and again on Sunday it was ill-luck which finally defeated them.

## Deadlock— So No Personality

FOLLOWING a lengthy — and sometimes stormy — debate on the Sportsdesk last night, no decision could be made on this week's "Personality of the Week."

The names put forward were Jack Mullan (couraging), Brian Anderson (boxing), Hugh O'Callaghan (weight-lifting), Tom Forrestal (hurling) and Alice Hussey (camogie).

There was a complete deadlock — and, eventually, it was agreed that there should not be a "Personality" this morning.

# Celtic Can Beat Cork Champions

THE replay of the Jubilee Cup semi-final between Cork champions, Glen Rovers, and the Dublin champions, Celtic, provides us with one of the most intriguing games of the camogie year. They meet at Parnell Park, Dublin, on tomorrow (3.0).

It is now five weeks since they met at Cork, and that was, in its way, a remarkable game. Celtic were completely on top in the first half, and seemed set for a runaway win, but Glen Rovers staged a remarkable comeback after the interval, drew level with some minutes still remaining, and were in the end slightly unlucky not to take the honours.

A draw was, however, probably the fairest result in all the circumstances, as owing to a misunderstanding, the game had to be played on a full-length G.A.A. pitch, with regulation hurling goal-posts, the greater width of which deceived on occasion even such experienced goal-keepers as Deirdre Sutton and Ethna Leech.

## Hopeful

Celtic, having survived the trip to Cork, will be more than hopeful now on Dublin soil, but, on the other hand, Glen Rovers, having discovered that the Dublin champions are not invincible, will travel with confidence.

With Deirdre Sutton in goal and solid defenders in Carrie Buckley, Pauline Deane and inter-county star, Noreen O'Callaghan and Teresa Murphy, Glen will give little away even to the eager Celtic forwards.

In the drawn game the Cork champions did quite well at mid-field thanks to the good work of Margaret Buckley and Chrissie Duggan, and in particular to the great second half display of Cork and Munster player, Peggy Dorgan.

With Stephanie O'Connell, Nora O'Mahony and the experienced Anna Crotty in attack, together with Maura Browne, all four of whom have inter-county

## CAMOGIE

by

AGNES HOURIGAN

experience, the Celtic defence will face a busy afternoon.

But Celtic have a seasoned defence that will not be easily beaten. Ethna Leech has played in goal for two victorious Dublin teams and has been reserve goalkeeper for her county in the last couple of seasons. Dervil Dunne was a college star, while Angela Gill, daughter of All-Ireland hurler, Mick Gill, is a sound back. Moreover they have at centre-back possibly the greatest player in this position today, Allie Hussey, who has won six All-Ireland medals in a row with Dublin.

Outfield on this Celtic side are Claire Heffernan and Mary Casey. Captain Brid Hanbury is another very effective player, and Celtic have one player, Mary Moran, who won a Cork county championship medal with Old Aloysians in 1959.

Moreover, in attack they have Una O'Connor, the most noted camogie star of this decade, with eleven All-Ireland medals.

## Key Player

Una, whether at centre-forward, or in her more customary full-forward position, is the key player in this Celtic attack. She usually does well at Parnell Park and can bring Celtic through to the final in which the opponents of Sunday's winners will be Antrim champions, Deirdre.

# Celtic For The Final

THE big event this week-end will be the replay of the semi-final of the Jubilee Cup competition between Celtic and Glen Rovers at Parnell Park, Dublin (3.00).

When the teams met in Cork some weeks ago, Celtic ran up a big early lead, but were rather fortunate at the end to survive a great Glen Rovers rally after the Cork girls had balanced the scoring in the closing stages.

The replay, which has been delayed for various reasons, has been eagerly anticipated in both counties and should prove another grand game.

Glen Rovers have a star goalkeeper in Deirdre Sutton, winner of one of the All-Star Camogie Awards last season, fronted by a very sound full-back in Carrie Buckley. Other inter-county players in the defence are Noreen O'Callaghan and the Munster stalwart, Teresa Murphy.

## Strong Trio

Peggy Dorgan, another young player who has earned her place on the Munster side, comprised with Margaret Buckley and Chrissie Duggan a strong midfield trio in the drawn game. In attack Rovers have noted players in Stephanie O'Connell and the experienced Anna Crotty, while Nora O'Mahoney has also seen service with the Cork county team.

On the other hand Celtic, having survived, however narrowly, the trip to Cork, will be hopeful of winning on home ground and thus advance to meet Deirdre of Belfast in the December 6 final.

Led by Una O'Connor of the eleven All-Ireland medals, supported by another star of the game in Allie Hussey, Celtic have other All-Ireland medalists in goalkeeper Eithne Leech, Brid Hanbury, Mary Casey, Cora Crowe and Mary O'Keefe.

A sound side, Celtic, led by Brid Hanbury, must on home ground get the vote to achieve a narrow victory in what should be a real thriller.

## Glen Rovers Play Celtic (Dublin) In All-Ireland Club Semi-final Replay

ON Sunday next Glen Rovers travel to Dublin to meet Celtic in the semi-final replay of the All-Ireland Inter-Club Championship, and all Cork followers will be anxious to see their representatives qualifying for the final.

In their first game against Celtic, Glen confounded their critics when after a somewhat disastrous first half they fought back gallantly and were very unlucky not to snatch a surprise victory.

Watching the game it was almost impossible to imagine Glen being in it at the end. They started badly, obviously suffering from big game nerves, and the Celtic side took advantage of this slow beginning and snatched four good goals.

But in the second half, Glen, having made some positional changes, struck their true form and before long had the confident Celtic girls really struggling. No longer were the Dublin girls the polished outfit of the first half-hour. Now they were fighting to save their lead against a Glen side playing brilliantly. From the goalie, Deirdre Sutton, right through to the forward line there wasn't a weak link and it is difficult to single out any players for particular mention. However, Nora O'Mahony, who moved from her usual position at half-forward to full-back, was a revelation. Always a strong player, Nora filled this new role with confidence and ability. Teresa Murphy, the Buckley sisters, Margaret and Carrie, Peggy Dorgan, Stephanie O'Connell and Anna Crotty were others who played on top of their form.

## FEEL CONFIDENT

Can Glen repeat this second half display on Sunday? Their followers must feel confident that they will, as now they know they are capable of beating the Dublin county champions. This must give them the confidence they lacked in the opening half of the game at Ballinlough and if they settle down quickly and play their own

hard game then they must have a great chance of reaching the final of this Diamond Jubilee competition.

Of course they are up against a team studded with Dublin inter-county stars including the Dublin



PEGGY DORGAN (Glen Rovers)

captain and wonderful full forward, Una O'Connor. It was surprising to see Una playing at half-forward in the first game as she is by far a better full forward, in which position she has won many games with Dublin. Eithne Leech, in goal, played on the Dublin team, which drew with Cork last season at the U.C.C. grounds, while Allie Hussey, their half-forward, is on the present Dublin team.

For such an experienced side it was surprising to see how easily they were upset. Playing so well

in the first half, they were knocked out of their stride the minute the Glen girls began to strike their best form. However, on Sunday they will have the advantage of a home venue, while Glen Rovers face the long journey to Dublin, and this might play a major role in the Dublin girls' favour.

Also the game in Ballinlough was played on a full-length hurling pitch which also upset the Celtic team. But, of course, Glen also had the disadvantage of the big pitch which cancelled out the Dublin liability. But Dublin teams are always a different prospect at home and Glen Rovers will need to find their form in the early part of the game. Otherwise they may not be capable of catching despite their wonderful Cork performance—a Dublin side who will no doubt have a large following cheering them on.

But Cork followers feel certain that this strong, spirited and very talented Glen Rovers twelve will represent the South in the final of the competition.

# Gael-Linn Cup Stays In Munster

MUNSTER ..... 2-6  
LEINSTER ..... 3-2

A POINT by Ann Carroll in the closing minutes of the Gael-Linn Cup final at Cahir yesterday enabled Munster to retain their interprovincial camogie title.

Munster, the stronger side, had more of the play throughout, but faulty shooting and brilliant goalkeeping by Leinster's Concepta Clarke kept their winning margin to the minimum.

Leinster opened well and were two goals up before Munster visitors went a point ahead again but Munster drew level for the second time just on half time, to leave the score Leinster 2-1, Munster 1-4.

Munster did all the pressing on the restart but scored only one point. Leinster drew level and then switched left forward Judy Doyle and left wing Mary Walsh.

This brought a great rally climaxed in a goal and the lead. From the puck out Munster drew level again and then, after some exciting exchanges, came that all important point from Ann Carroll.

## Over Anxiety

Peg Maloney, Ann Graham and Bridie Glitnanan were sound in defence for Munster, the midfield trio Deirdre Young, Lillian Howlett and Theresa Murphy always had the edge, while Kitty Murphy from Clare played more of the ball than any other forward, but over anxiety caused her to send it wide on many occasions.

Leinster were best served by Concepta Clarke, Alice Hussey and Mary Sinnott in defence. Kay Ryder was best at mid-field while Una O'Connor, Clare Hanrahan and Judy Doyle, especially when she came onto the wing in the second half, did best of the forwards.

As a mark of respect to the Griffin sisters of the Munster side on the death of their father, a two-minute silence was observed before the game.

Munster—R. Manley, B. Maloney (1-0 each), K. Murphy, L. Howlett, A. Carroll (0-2 each).

Leinster—U. O'Connor (2-0), K. Murphy (1-0), J. Doyle, C. Hanrahan (0-1 each).

Munster—D. Sutton, P. Maloney, B. Glitnanan, B. Ryan, T. Murphy, A. Graham, D. Young, L. Howlett, A. Carroll, B. Maloney, K. Murphy, R. Manley.

Leinster—C. Clarke, M. Sinnott, J. Murphy, A. Hussey, K. Doyle, M. Walsh, P. Higgins, K. Butler, K. Murphy, U. O'Connor, J. Doyle, C. Hanrahan, Sub—M. Sherlock for Murphy.

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## Camogie Affairs

# A GREAT DAY FOR CELTIC

By UNA

SUNDAY last was a very proud day for Dublin camogie; for the county champions, Celtic, became first camogie club champions of Ireland by defeating Deirdre of Antrim and Belfast in the Jubilee Cup final at Croke Park.

As two of the Celtic side — Una O'Connor and Alice Hussey — had already starred on the Dublin All-Ireland-winning side of 1964 this was a particularly memorable day for those two players who were once again Celtic's outstanding performers.

It must also have been a very satisfactory day for two other members of the victorious side — goalkeeper Ethna Leech and midfielder Mary Casey, who had been reserves on Dublin's All-Ireland selection, and above all for Celtic club coach and club secretary, Miss Nell McCarthy, who was also head trainer of the Dublin All-Ireland team and is, for good measure, chairman of Dublin County Board.

### Too similar

Though Deirdre's challenge was strong right through Sunday's Croke Park game, they never — except, perhaps, immediately after Sue Ward's great goal about ten minutes from the end — looked likely to overhaul Celtic's early lead.

Had this goal come immediately on the restart, it might have made a big difference but, as things stood, though it gave greater interest to the closing stages, it did not affect the result.

On difficulty there was in last Sunday's game for those to whom neither team was fully familiar. This was that the tunics of both sides were far too similar and at any distance it was almost impossible to differentiate between the team and the other.

I know clubs do not like to change from their own colours but, from the point of view of the players themselves — as well as the spectators — some change on Sunday last would surely have added to the enjoyment of all concerned.

### Isle of Man Cup

The Isle of Man Cup game between Austin Stacks and U.C.D. provided some of the best camogie of the day.

And this was despite the fact that the students, having won the toss, elected to play against a gale-force wind, and were so far in arrears at half time that victory was manifestly impossible at that stage.

Yet the Belfield girls put up a great fight in the second half and, though they retired well beaten, they gave us every reason to assume that they will be quite a force later in the season.

The concluding fixture of the year, the closing stages of the Dublin Seven-a-side Jubilee Tournament will be held at Phoenix Park on Sunday next. The Committee has decided that the second round, which was almost completely washed out a fortnight ago, will be re-started from the beginning, and it is hoped to have the final played off at approximately three o'clock.

With a number of All-Ireland stars still surviving on the various teams, these concluding stages of this unique competition should provide some very exciting fare indeed.

# A Red-Letter Day For Camogie

SUNDAY last was certainly a Red-Letter Day for the Camogie Association, for not alone have we the Jubilee Cup final and the Isle of Man Cup final at Croke Park, but there was a memorable gathering that night for the Association's Jubilee Dinner in Dublin's Old Shieling Hotel.

Despite truly Arctic conditions, a fair crowd turned up at Croke Park, where, though the rains of the previous day and night had mercifully departed, there was a cutting wind that made things miserable for spectators and players alike, yet both games were truly enjoyable.

Celtic, the Dublin champions and favourites to take the title, had first use of the wind, but for a long time made little progress in their attacks on the Railway End. Finally Una O'Connor gave them the lead with a point, and from that on they seemed to gather confidence.

Still, the scores were slow in coming, and even when half-time found the Dublin girls in front by 2-2 to nil, victory looked by no means beyond the reach of the Belfast side.

But Deirdre in turn were slow to avail of wind advantage at the start of the second half, and the fact that Celtic stretched their lead with two goals against the wind, soon put the issue beyond reasonable doubt.

### Great Gael

However, Deirdre were not yet done with, and after Sue Ward had scored a great goal from a placed ball, they attacked very hotly indeed.

But the Celtic defence was unyielding, and the Dublin champions raised the siege and came away for a late goal that clinched the issue.

So Celtic became first club camogie champions of Ireland, and on the day's showing well deserved the honour, for they were all-round the faster and more effective side, attributes which were a fitting tribute to the dedication of their trainer, Miss Nell McCarthy, Chairman of the Dublin County Board.

Corner-stone of this Celtic victory was centre-back Allie Hussey, who gave a brilliant display throughout. Her wonderful anticipation and quick clear-

ances foiled the majority of the Deirdre attacks while her long drives continually sent her forwards away.

### Excellent

In attack Una O'Connor, though very closely marked, had an excellent day, and her craft and accuracy proved more than the earnest Deirdre defence could contain.

Others to shine for the winners were Ethna Leech (goal), Angela Gill, Dervil Dunne, Mary Casey, Brid Hanbury and Mary O'Keefe.

Deirdre had a grand full-back in Nancy Murray and Sue Ward, in patches, Eileen McGrogan and Maura McKenna also did well.

The curtain-raiser, the Isle of Man Cup final, was in its way a more entertaining game, for, with less at stake, we saw more open and spectacular camogie. U.C.D. seemed destined for a complete rout when, after playing against the wind, they were led by 6-1 to nil at half-time by holders Austin Stacks but the students made a spectacular rally in the second half and at the end did not deserve to be beaten by a four-goal margin.

### Magnificent

The subsequent dinner at the Old Shieling Hotel must have been one of the most enjoyable if not the most enjoyable function in the sixty years of the Association's existence. Miss C. O'Connell (Limerick), President of the Association, presided over 130 guests, and magnificent speeches were delivered by Sean O'Siochain, General Secretary of the G.A.A. whose daughter Orla had earlier played on the Austin Stacks team that retained the Isle of Man Cup; Miss O'Connell herself; Mrs. McManus, Chairman of Ulster Council; Micheal O'Hehir of Telefis Eireann; Sean Stinson of Antrim County Board G.A.A.; Eilis Keegan, former President of the Camogie Association and Chairman of the Celtic Club, and Nancy Murray, representing Deirdre.

The attendance included, Dr. J. J. Stuart, former President of the G.A.A.

and Mrs. Stuart; Miss I. O'Kelly, Chairman, Leinster Camogie Council; Miss L. O'Grady (Cork), Chairman, Munster Camogie Council; Una Bean U Phuirseal, Secretary, Leinster Camogie Council; Ethna Neville, Secretary, Munster Camogie Council; Kathleen Mills, Doreen Brennan, Annie Donnelly, Eileen Bourke, Gemma O'Neill, Mrs. M. O'Hehir and officials of Dublin, Wexford, Antrim and Cork Co. Boards as well as the officers of Central Council and the competing teams, while a late arrival was Rev. Earnan Neville, Chairman of the Handball Association.

### Kept Secret

Highlight of a memorable evening was the presentation to organiser Sean O'Duffy of a television set, to mark the Association's appreciation of the work he has done for the game through 58 of its sixty years.

This must have been one of the best kept secrets of the year and came as a bombshell to the recipient, whose subsequent speech drew round after round of applause. A bouquet was presented to Mrs. O'Duffy, who has also done wonderful work for the game in every sphere and who, in fact, had refereed the Isle of Man Cup final earlier in the day.

This was truly a great occasion, the memory of which will be long treasured by all who were present.

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# A Solid Defence Helped Celtic

CELTIC ..... 5-2  
DEIRDRE ..... 1-0

CELTIC, the Dublin title-holders, became first camogie club-champions of Ireland after a hard-fought final with the Antrim and Ulster champions at Croke Park yesterday and thus won the handsome Diamond Jubilee Cup.

Main factor in Dublin's victory was their solid defence, which, built round All-Ireland star Allie Hussey, who gave a memorable display at centre-back, never relaxed its grip on Deirdre's attack and was as effective against the wind after the interval as it had proved in the first half.

In addition, Celtic had in Una O'Connor a forward in a class of her own. Though closely marked from the start, she was always the obvious threat to Deirdre's chances, and her first-half scores laid the foundations of victory.

## Great Goal

Though backed by a very fresh breeze, Celtic were slow to find their feet, and though they led 2-2 to nil at halftime, this did not look like an impossible margin for Deirdre to overhaul. But the score Deirdre so badly needed did not arrive, and when Celtic struck again with two very good goals, the issue was no longer in doubt.

A great goal by Sue Ward from a '30' gave Deirdre fresh heart, but it came too late to affect the issue, and late Deirdre pressure only served to bring out the best in the Celtic goalkeeper, Ethna Leech.

In addition to Allie Hussey, Celtic were also well served by Dorell Dunne and Angela Gill in defence. Mary Casey and captain Brid Hanbury at mid-field, especially after the latter moved out there in the second half, while Peggy O'Keefe gave Una O'Connor most assistance in the attack.

# Celtic Favourites For

## Jubilee Cup

THE last big event of camogie's Diamond Jubilee Year, the final of the Jubilee Cup is scheduled for Croke Park next Sunday afternoon and will be preceded by a game almost equally attractive, the final of Dublin's Isle of Man Cup.

The Jubilee Cup final brings Dublin champions Celtic and Antrim champions Deirdre into opposition, while in the Isle of Man Cup final the holders Austin Stacks, take on University College, Dublin.

The Jubilee Cup competition, which was confined to the champion clubs of the respective counties has already produced some memorable games, particularly the semi-final replay at Parnell Park in which Celtic had a share of luck on their side when wiping out early arrears to defeat the gallant Cork champions Glen Rovers.

## A Fine Side

Deirdre, who came successfully past a variety of opposition in the North had not the advantage of a semi-final game as they received a walk-over from the Connacht champions.

Still these Antrim and Ulster champions from Belfast have showed themselves a fine side this season, even though they were hard-pressed by St. Teresa's in the belated Antrim final.

They are led by one of the finest players and greatest personalities in the game, the young Antrim captain, Sue Ward, who has already delighted Croke Park fans by her performances in two All-Ireland finals, even though on the losing side, while they have two All-Ireland medal winners on the side, full-back Nancy Murray who won three in a row with her county as a youngster and Ita O'Reilly at mid-field.

Others on this Deirdre side who have worn the Antrim tunic include Babs McHugh and Lil Forrester, and all in all the Antrim side must be given a pretty good chance of ending Celtic's winning run. However, if only for the fact that they met stern opposition all the way to this final, the Dublin girls must hold the position of favourites now.

## Travelled Twice

They had to travel in both their Leinster engagements, beating St. Ibar's of Wexford

at Gorey and St. Colman's of Offaly at Daingean. Then after running up a big early lead they were fortunate to finish level with Glen Rovers at Cork, and were again perhaps a trifle fortunate to finish in front of the same opposition in the Dublin replay.

However, these hard games have I think, welded Celtic into an even better side than they were when winning the Dublin league and championship double last June and it is the soundness of their side right through the field that is their greatest asset.

## Celtic To Win

But Celtic also have their stars. I have not seen centre-back Allie Hussey play a better game than she did in the second match against Glen Rovers, and her clinching point from 65 yards will be talked about for many a day. In addition of course they have full-forward Una O'Connor of the eleven All-Ireland medals, who scored a truly memorable goal in the defeat of the Glens.

Goal-keeper Ethna Leech, Brid Hanbury, Mary Casey, Mary O'Keefe and Cora Crowe have all figured on Dublin All-Ireland selections, and with scarcely a weak link on the side, Celtic, with plenty of local support are taken to win, though they can hardly have much to spare.

# Thrilling Camogie Replay

## GLEN FADED WHEN CELTIC RALLIED

CELTIC ..... 5-1  
GLEN ROVERS ..... 4-1

LEADING by four points, 4-1 to 3-0, in the closing stages of this Jubilee Cup camogie semi-final replay at Parnell Park, Dublin, yesterday, Cork champions, Glen Rovers, seemed all set to advance to the final.

Then Kitty Kehoe, who had come on as a substitute shortly before, first put Dublin champions, Celtic, back in the game with a well-taken goal and then snatched the lead for her team when she sent in a hard shot which otherwise brilliant Cork goalkeeper Deirdre Sutton brought over the line in attempting to save.

Excitement ran high as Glen Rovers attacked fiercely in a great effort to snatch victory; but after Celtic captain Una O'Connor had to retire with a head injury, Alice Hussey clinched the game for the Dublin girls when she scored a wonderful point from a free sixty yards out two minutes from time.

The standard of play was excellent throughout, but for camogie, play seemed robust in the closing stages.

Ethna Leech in goal, Hilda Walsh, Alice Hussey, Mary Casey and Una O'Connor were particularly conspicuous on a well-balanced Celtic side.

Deirdre Sutton, Noreen O'Callaghan, Carrie Buckley, Teresa Murphy, Peggy Dorgan and Angela Crotty (the best forward on the field) were the stars for Glen Rovers, who missed chances at a vital stage.

Scorers—Celtic: K. Kehoe (2-0), U. O'Connor (1-0), M. O'Keefe (1-0), C. Crowe (1-0), A. Hussey (0-1).  
Glen Rovers—A. Crotty (1-1), K. Browne (1-0).

Celtic: E. Leech; H. Walsh, A. Gill, A. Hussey, D. Dunne, C. Heffernan, M. Casey, M. Moran, C. Crowe, M. O'Keefe, B. Hanbury, U. O'Connor.  
Subs.—K. Kehoe for M. Moran, A. McGarry for U. O'Connor.

Glen Rovers—D. Sutton; C. Buckley, P. Deane, N. O'Callaghan, N. O'Mahony, T. Murphy, S. O'Connell, P. Dorgan, M. Buckley, R. Brown, A. Crotty, M. Browne.

Referee—Miss L. Spence (Antrim).

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## Well Supported

Hard though she tried, little went right for Deirdre's usually brilliant captain, Sue Ward, and on the day their best players were sound full-back Nancy Murray, well supported by Maura McKenna and Kathleen Byrne.

Outfield Eileen McGrogan, "Paddy" Lalor and Babs McCabe tried hard throughout.

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Celtic (Dublin) captured the Jubilee Cup and All-Ireland camogie club championship when they defeated Deirdre (Antrim) by 5-2 to 1-0 at Croke Park yesterday.

There was little open play as both sides used close-marking tactics and the game, though very hard-fought, was rarely spectacular except for a brilliant display by Alice Hussey at centre-back for the winners and some well-taken scores by their star forward, Una O'Connor.

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Celtic girls

win club

camogie

title

Celtic, 5-2; Deirdre, 1-0



## Camogie Holders Advance

THREE Senior League camogie ties were decided at Phoenix Park yesterday when Celtic, the holders, Austin Stacks and Eoghan Ruadh scored impressive victories over the respective opponents, C.I.E., U.C.D. and Na Piarasaigh.

CELTIC ..... 5-0.  
C.I.E. .... 0-1

CELTIC, who made their first appearance since they won the All-Ireland club championship before Christmas, were much too experienced for the younger members of this C.I.E. side.

SCORERS: Celtic—M. O'Keefe (2-0), K. Keogh (2-0), U. O'Connor (1-0); C.I.E.—A. Murray (0-1)

## Points For Celtic And S. Bloom

TWO further games were played in the Dublin senior camogie league at Phoenix Park yesterday when Celtic and Sliabh Bloom collected two points each at the expense of University College and Naomh Aoife respectively.

Celtic, 2-5; U.C.D., 1-0  
Celtic, the holders, had to fight hard to defeat University College, who showed improved form on their last outing. After a closely contested first-half the winners led 2-2 to 1-0 at the interval.

Alice Hussey, Una O'Connor, Mary O'Keefe and Kit Keogh were outstanding for the winners, while Colm Germainy in goal, Therese Conroy, Annette Corrigan and Gemma O'Neill did well for the College.

SCORERS: Celtic—U. O'Connor (1-0), M. O'Keefe (1-0), K. Keogh (2-0); U.C.D.—M. Kelly (1-0), E. Kelly (1-0)

## Celtic Have Easy Victory

CELTIC, the holders, and Austin Stacks maintained their unbeaten record in this season's Dublin Senior Camogie League, when they defeated Naomh Aoife and C.I.E., respectively.

CELTIC ..... 6-0  
NAOMH AOIFE ..... 2-0

Celtic paved the way to victory over Naomh Aoife when they ran up a score of 5-0 to 1-0 in the opening half.

SCORERS: Celtic—U. O'Connor (2-0), M. O'Keefe (2-0), M. O'Keefe (1-0), M. Kelly (1-0), M. Leahy (1-0)

# Celtic Should Have Another Good Season

By AGNES HOURIGAN  
CELTIC, winners of the Dublin league and championship in 1964, went on to win the Diamond Jubilee Camogie Cup confined to county champions and thus ended the year as the champion club side in Ireland.

But laurels, once won, must be defended, and the Celtic girls start out in defence of their titles on Sunday next when they face C.I.E. in the opening round of the new season's Dublin senior league.

Every team that Celtic meets from now on will have added incentive in the prestige to be gained from being the first to inflict a defeat on the All-Ireland champions, but Celtic, too, will have benefited greatly from the experience and match-play entailed in winning the Jubilee Cup and will have gained confidence also from those victories.

Certainly it is hard to see their winning run end on Sunday next, earnestly though Judy Doyle and company will strive to get C.I.E. off to a winning league start.

## Useful Side

C.I.E. are a useful side, but they lack the all-round power to seriously challenge the champions and Celtic, if fielding at anywhere near full-strength, should be able to collect their first brace of points without undue difficulty. Na Piarasaigh were a rapidly improving side at the end of last season and rightly earned the honour of getting a player,

Rose O'Reilly, on the Dublin All-Ireland side.

They are capable of giving a good run to the best in senior ranks and will, I think, make Eoghan Ruadh battle hard for those league points. Eoghan Ruadh are bound to suffer from the absence of their secretary and staunch defender, Sheila Ware, who got married shortly before Christmas and is now living in England.

However, Kay Lyons and company should be capable of taking both points from the youthful Na Piarasaigh line-out.

## Very Even Match

In the remaining game of this opening round of the league, Naomh Aoife and Sliabh Bloom should, as is usually the case between these sides, provide a very even match. However, Naomh Aoife have been the more impressive side in recent months and, with the help of their All-Ireland players, Patricia Timmons and Kay Ryder, should get off to a winning start.

The annual presentation of trophies by Dublin County Board is a little belated this year, but will be held, I hear, during the last week of the present month.

Also at the end of this month will be held the draw for the junior colleges championship of Leinster. This is a new competition which it is aimed to run off before Easter. Considering the success of the senior Stuart Cup competition, this new venture seems ensured of success in advance.

## Jubilee Time On The Camogie Front

# Good Year For Dublin Players

BY AGNES HOURIGAN

THIS year, 1964, the Diamond Jubilee of the Camogie Association, was, from any point of view, a truly memorable year, a year which was brought to a fitting climax by the finals of the various Jubilee competitions and by the Jubilee dinner.

On the playing fields it was a year of triumph for Dublin, who retained the All-Ireland title for the eighth successive year, while the Metropolitan champions, Celtic, took the Jubilee Cup to become the first All-Ireland club champions.

Munster retained the Gael-Linn Cup for interprovincial competition, while University College, Galway, took the Ashbourne inter-varsity Cup.

## First Champions

On Colleges fields the Leinster senior championship was decided as usual before Christmas, and Mercy Convent, Callan can claim the distinction of being the first champions of the 1964/65 season. They beat Maryfield College in the final at Croke Park on December 8.

Since the camogie players seem to be left more or less out in the cold as far as public awards are concerned (even though there was a welcome change early in the year when Una O'Connor (Dublin) and Deirdre Sutton (Cork) were recipients of All-star awards, I am going to go ahead on my own and name the five who were for me the outstanding camogie players in this Jubilee Year.

Number One must once again be Una O'Connor who not alone captained her county to yet another All-Ireland victory but won her own 11th All-Ireland medal in the process. In addition she was a star of the Celtic team that won the Jubilee Cup.

Deirdre attack. Moreover, in the semi-final against Glen Rovers, she scored a point in the closing minutes from a free fully sixty-five yards out, one of the finest individual efforts ever seen on a camogie field.

Next I rate a player whom I saw only once, in the interprovincial final, when she gave a wonderful display and played a major part in ensuring a Munster victory. She is Lilian Howlett (Waterford), who would take beating in any company.

And fifth position I give not to any individual player, but to a team, the Cork champions, Glen Rovers who, after being led thirteen points by Celtic in the Jubilee Cup semi-final at Cork, rallied magnificently to force a draw that could easily have been a victory.

## Masterly Display

Then, in the replay in Dublin, they again gave a masterly display for much of the game, were seemingly in a safe lead with less than ten minutes to go, but then conceded a couple of soft scores and retired somewhat unlucky losers.

It was not a good year for the North, but the standard of play in Antrim is as high as ever and any true lover of the game can but hope that the fine camogie being played by Antrim, and especially by such as their young star, Sue Ward, will in 1965 finally reap the rewards it has long ago earned.

ALL-IRELAND CHAMPIONSHIP  
Dublin (winners): Antrim  
(runners-up)

LEINSTER CHAMPIONSHIPS  
Senior—Dublin; Inter—Waterford;  
Junior—Wicklow

ULSTER CHAMPIONSHIPS

## Success Of 7-a-side Camogie

The Dublin seven-a-side camogie competition, the County Board's contribution to the Diamond Jubilee celebrations, was brought to a fine conclusion at Phoenix Park yesterday, when two members of the triumphant Celtic All-Ireland club champion side were in opposition in the final.

They were goal-keeper Eithne Leech and right-back Angela Gill and Eithne Leech's team took the medals by a score of 3-3 to 1-0. It was remarkable that the sevens in the final in each included members of several clubs.

Fourteen matches were played in all, and the fact that they had to play an additional game their fifth in all yesterday, due to a first-round draw told against the losers as the decider.

Semi-finals—E. Leech's team, 1-0 M. Sherlock team, nil. A. Gill's team, 1-0. C. Lyons' team, nil. Final—E. Leech's team, 3-3 (E. Bourke, 2-2, M. O'Mara 1-0, L. Colgan 0-1), A. Gill team (E. Porter 1-0).

A. Leech's team—A. Leech (Celtic), E. Bourke (U.C.D.), S. Connolly (Bernadettes), S. Fitzpatrick (Sliabh Bloom), M. Lee (Bohernabreena), Colgan (Austin Stacks), S. O'Mara (Stab Sirbhil).

A. Gill's team—A. Gill (Celtic), E. Porter (Naomh Aoife), B. Goldie (Austin Stacks), A. Giles (Naomh Piarasaigh), E. Harmon (Leach O'Toole), M. Fearon (C.I.E.), M. Thomas (Stab Sirbhil).

## School Girl

Second place I give without hesitation to a school-girl, Anne

# This Tribute Was ILE I THINK OF IT... Well-deserved

SEAN O'DUFFY, of whom it might well be said that the present Camogie Association represents much of a life's work for Irish-Ireland ideals, is a man who fought right through the 1916 Rising and the Black and Tan war and was through the latter period of the Fight for Freedom, closely associated with I.R.A. Intelligence.

But his early training in intelligence work did not stand to him over the past couple of weeks, for he failed utterly to discover that, at last Sunday night's jubilee dinner, the Camogie Association had secretly planned to make him a presentation.

A "confidential" circular went out a couple of weeks ago to all clubs and county boards and though hundreds of camogie officials throughout the country were in on the secret, yet so well was secrecy preserved that the presentation took both Sean O'Duffy and his wife completely by surprise.

## Women Too

Which just goes to show that women can keep a secret when they really set their minds to it. The presentation was a TV set and, fine though the gesture was, it could only be a token of the camogie folk's appreciation for the wonderful work Mr. O'Duffy has done, for he has been closely associated with camogie for 58 of the 60 years that the game has been in existence and has been national organiser for the best part of 30 years.

Last Sunday's jubilee celebrations went off very well. The Jubilee Cup final saw the Dublin champions, Celtic, very deservedly crowned All-Ireland club champions but, though the game was well contested, it could not compare with the epic struggles between the Celtic side and Glen Rovers (Cork) at the semi-final stage.

Deirdre, hard though they tried—and there was very little between the teams for most of the game, had not the speed and teamwork of the opposition.

By  
**AGNES HOURIGAN**

Nor had Deirdre any individual stars to match the Celtic "big guns" of Alice Hussey and Una O'Connor. Una was very closely marked, but she managed to break away from time to time for vital scores.

On the other hand, Deirdre, though they moved several players to mark her in the course of the 50 minutes, never managed to curb Alice Hussey at all, and she continued to give a faultless display of centre-back play against all and any opposition. The dinner was a fitting climax to a memorable jubilee day for camogie, but the events of the jubilee year are not yet finished.

## Combined Univs. camogie team

THE Combined Universities Camogie team to play a Galway county selection in the annual "Colours" match at UCG grounds, on Sunday (3.30), is—  
F. Finnegan (Q.U.B.), M. Deane (U.C.C.), M. Connery (U.C.G.), T. Connolly (U.C.D.), B. Heneghan (U.C.G.), E. Hurley (U.C.C.), Capt. M. O'Donnell (U.C.G.), G. O'Neill (U.C.D.), A. Geaney (U.C.C.), J. Rogers (Q.U.B.), M. Kelly (U.C.D.), M. Fitzpatrick (U.C.C.), Subs.—M. Moran (U.C.G.), M. Purlong (U.C.C.) and S. McCuskey (U.C.D.).

Danes, as the saying is, yet you would be astounded at the number who braved the elements to see these Diamond Jubilee games.

And who did I see defying the weather but Seamus O'Braonain, the man who helped to draw up the rules of the camogie game some sixty years ago, and who did it so well that there have been very few revisions of the playing rules since!

What is more, he refereed the first camogie practice match ever played in public, and it must have been a wonderful thing for him to sit in Croke Park on Sunday and see the progress that had been made in sixty years.

And with Seamus was his wife, who had played in that very first camogie practice sixty years ago.

If you want to find devotion to an ideal, where would you find greater devotion than from two people who, sixty long years after, would come out into last Sunday's bitter weather to pay tribute to the camogie players of today!

All honour to Seamus and Mrs. O'Braonain. Of all who came to Croke Park last Sunday they surely were the most faithful of the lot.

But then remembering Seamus O'Braonain down the years since he started on so many Dublin All-Ireland football teams long ago, what else would one expect?

## Good Game

The Jubilee Cup final was a good game, but, and I hope Aine Meagher won't have my life for this, I did not think it nearly as entertaining a game

as the match we saw in Parnell Park a few weeks ago between Glen Rovers and Celtic in the replay of the semi-final.

I don't know enough about camogie to explain what was wrong, but I think that maybe the big occasion affected some of the players, and the marking was too close for most of the game.

But still you had Alice Hussey and Una O'Connor shining through to bring Celtic to victory, and I thought no player did better than the daughter of a great star of the old-time hurling fields,

## By OLD-TIMER

Angela Gill, whose father is, of course, Mick Gill of Galway and Dublin fame.

The Deirdre girls tried hard, but they were just not good enough on the day and must bide their time for another occasion.

I liked the second half of the opening match between Austin Stacks and the University. There was not, I suppose, the same weight leaning on the players in this game and certainly the play was far more open and spectacular, so much so that, after it, I was inspired to coin a phrase and say that Mary Sherlock must be the best hurler that ever came out of Sligo!

And after the cold of Croke Park what a pleasure it was to find oneself in the evening out at the warm hospitality of

the Camogie Jubilee Dinner in the Old Shieling in Raheny.

## Old Friends

South-sider that I am, I did not even know where the place was until last Sunday night, but assuredly I will know it again, for, with God's help, it won't be my last visit.

And what surprised me most was the old friends I met there. Sure I was doubtful about going at all, for I felt there might be no mere males there except myself and maybe Sean O'Siochain and Dr. Stuart, but there was a fair share of us sprinkled through and we all enjoyed ourselves immensely.

I was very glad to renew old acquaintance not alone with Fr. Earnan Neville, who is the driving force behind the Handball Association, but with his brother, Fr. Ronan, just back from a spell of duty as chaplain with the Irish troops in Cyprus.

And there was my old friend from Bessbrook in the County Armagh, Poppy Fearon himself and his good wife, and I would not like to remember just how long it was since I saw the same Poppy help the Armagh lads bring the first-ever football title to Ulster. In the junior grade it was, and we were all considerably younger then.

And what a fine speech Sean O'Siochain made, stressing the close relationships between the G.A.A. and the

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At a specially convened meeting of the Limerick County Board on Saturday night last, it was decided to hold the junior hurling final between Adare and Croom at Limerick on Sunday despite last week's torrential rain. The result was a draw—Adare 2-7, Croom 3-4.

LIMERICK JUNIOR FINAL DRAWN

## Celtic retain camogie title

CELTIC, Dublin Senior Camogie champions, retained their title last evening when, at Croke Park, they got the better of Eoghan Ruadh by 7-1 to 1-2.

Eoghan Ruadh put up a splendid resistance, especially in the opening half when they held the champions to an interval lead of 2-0 to 1-0.

Una O'Connor, ably assisted by A. Hussey, H. Walsh, M. Moran and B. Hanbury did well for Celtic, but K. Keogh registered the goals which really sealed the finish of sporting opponents.

K. Lyons, A. Ashton, C. Nolan and O. Wallis did excellent work for Eoghan Ruadh.

Celtic scores were K. Keogh (6-0), Una O'Connor (2-1) and B. Hanbury (1-0). Ruadh scorers were: O. Wallis (1-0) and K. Lyons (0-2).

This was Celtic's fifth win in the competition since 1931.

## Stacks' title

Austin Stacks won the Intermediate Championship defeating M. O'Neill's 4-1 to 2-2.

O'Neill's had much of the play, but failed to take their chances.

M. Normoyle, M. Lennon, A. O. Siochain and N. Daly did well for the winners, whose scores came from P. Brennan (2-0), S. McEvoy (1-0), B. Kennedy (1-0), and P. Neville (0-1).

## Celtic Were Flattered

CELTIC EOGHAN RUADH 7-1 1-2  
THOUGH well on top in the closing stages, holders Celtic were somewhat flattered by the final score when they retained their Dublin Senior Camogie Championship title at Croke Park last evening.

Alice Hussey, Una O'Connor, Hilda Walsh, Mary Casey and Kit Keogh were the Celtic stars, while Dolores Barber, Kay Lyons, Odette Wallis and Anne Ashton were best for the losers.

Scorers, Celtic—K. Keogh (6-0), U. O'Connor (2-1), B. Hanbury (1-0), E. Ruadh—O. Wallis (1-0), K. Lyons (0-2).

Result—later A Championship final—Austin Stacks 4-1, Muir's 1-1, Neill 2-2.

# Celtic To End Eoghan Ruadh's Bid For Double

By AGNES HOURIGAN  
EOGHAN RUADH, relatively unfancied at the start of either competition, is now the only Dublin camogie club that can bring off the coveted senior league and championship double.

On Tuesday night next the Eoghan Ruadh girls meet holders Celtic in the championship final at Croke Park, and then must contemplate a meeting with Austin Stacks in the decider of the senior league.

Ruadh are through to the championship final, thanks to their well-deserved semi-final win over Sliabh Bloom, but they will need to improve on that showing if they are seriously to challenge Celtic on Tuesday next.

## Superb Display

However, they have had very few games in the past couple of months, and that lack of match-play probably affected their semi-final performance and they will be an improved side in the final.

Celtic, on the other hand, certainly proved in their victory over Austin Stacks that they play better at Croke Park than anywhere else. The whole side gave a superb display of camogie and they certainly needed to give of their best, for Austin Stacks played almost as well in what was a thrilling game.

Austin Stacks had reason to regret some missed chances early on but the highlight of a wonderful 50 minutes was a fierce shot off the ground from 40 yards out by Mary Sherlock that looked a certain goal for Stacks but only resulted in a flying save by Celtic goalie Ethna Leech.

## Well-Balanced

On semi-final form, Celtic must be favourites to retain the title, but they are mistaken if they think the strong and well-balanced Eoghan Ruadh side will go down easily.

## E. Ruadh And Celtic In Camogie Final

CELTIC, the holders, and Eoghan Ruadh, have qualified for the final of the Dublin Camogie championship. In the semi-finals at Croke Park last evening the thrills were mainly confined to the opening game in which Celtic defeated Austin Stacks by two points, after one of the best camogie games ever played.

CELTIC 3-0  
AUSTIN STACKS 2-1  
Scorers: Celtic—U. O'Connor (2-0), K. Keogh (1-0), Austin Stacks—S. Blake, M. Sherlock (1-0 each), O. Ni Siochain (0-1).  
EOGHAN RUADH 4-4  
SLIABH BLOOM 4-0  
Scorers: E. Ruadh—J. Foley (1-2), O. Wallis, K. Lyons (1-1 each), P. Brennan (1-0), S. Bloom—M. Glennon, P. McCarthy (1-0 each), M. Mulholland (1-0).

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Those who went to Croke Park last week in the hope that Celtic and Austin Stacks would provide the greatest camogie game of the year, when they met in the semi-final of the Dublin championship, were not disappointed.

This was a game in a thousand and though Celtic, through most of the second half, were well on top, thanks to the sheer brilliance of Una O'Connor, unmarked and seemingly unmarkable all around midfield, Stacks might well have snatched victory in a remarkable last minute rally.

Yet had Stacks succeeded in doing so, it would have been an unjust result. They lost the game in the opening minutes of each half. In the first five or ten minutes they missed three goaling chances of a kind that did not come again. Then, in the early minutes of the

second half, they laid siege to the Celtic goal, but found the whole defence, and goalkeeper, Ethna Leech in particular, in such wonderful form that again no score resulted.

At that stage Una O'Connor, moving far outfield, seemed to act as a veritable magnet for the ball and the succession of long drives that she went in gave Celtic a big advantage for long periods and made victory all but certain.

The second game, between Sliabh Bloom and Eoghan Ruadh, while lively was far less spectacular.

Sliabh Bloom lacked the craft and experience of the opposition and Ruadh deservedly advanced to meet Celtic in the final.

# CELTIC MEET NAOMH AOIFE

By AGNES HOURIGAN  
THE Dublin senior camogie championship starts with a flourish this weekend when two matches are listed for tomorrow, while a third tie, an evening match between Austin Stacks and C.I.E. is scheduled for early in the following week.

Of tomorrow's two games the most interesting is that in which Celtic, Dublin title-holders and All-Ireland club champions take on Naomh Aoife.

A couple of weeks ago all odds would have been on Celtic winning this game but since then Celtic have gone down in two successive league games and have thus lost the league title which they held last season.

Yet Celtic are still potentially a great side, and if they have shaken off the effects of unaccustomed defeat, must get the vote to advance to the semi-finals.

## Dublin camogie

THE semi-finals of the Dublin Senior Camogie Championships will be played off at Croke Park this evening.

Austin Stacks will be attempting to dethrone the champions, Celtic, while Sliabh Bloom take on the League finalists, Eoghan Ruadh in the second match.

The full programme is as follows:—Celtic v. Austin Stacks (7.15), Mrs. K. O'Duffy; Eoghan Ruadh v. Sliabh Bloom (8.0), Miss M. Fitzgerald.

Celtic—Misses E. Leech, H. Walsh, A. Gill, A. Hussey, D. Dunne, M. Moran, C. Heffernan, M. Casey, Una O'Connor, B. Hanbury, K. Keogh, M. O'Keefe, L. O'Dowd, J. Quinn, P. Heron.

Austin Stacks—Misses C. Clarke, M. Ryan, A. Goughy, B. Keenan, M. Sherlock, T. Walsh, O. Ni Siochain, D. O'Heilly, A. McAllister, S. Blake, D. Rogers, S. Greevy, B. Kennedy, T. Fay.

Eoghan Ruadh—Misses M. O'Driscoll, D. Barber, K. Lyons, M. Kearns, A. Ashton, C. Nolan, I. Churchard, O. Armstrong, E. Turner, C. Lyons, O. Wallis, J. Foley, P. Breslin, P. Rafferty, B. Butler.

Sliabh Bloom—Misses K. Noble, B. Fitzpatrick, E. Phillips, P. Chaney, J. Sheehan, R. M. McCarthy, P. Cassidy, M. Byrne, D. McBride, E. Moore, B. Murphy, M. Glennon, L. Phelan, M. Mulholland, R. Ginnley, S. Preshey.

## Sliabh Bloom and Celtic triumph

THE two camogie senior championship ties played at Phoenix Park on Sunday gave victories to Sliabh Bloom and Celtic over University College and Naomh Aoife respectively.

Sliabh Bloom created a mild surprise by defeating the College team 1-0 to 0-2.

At no time did the students reach their usual form. They obviously lacked practice. The attack was met by a sound defence, especially in the second half when the approach work was erratic.

Favoured by a strong breeze, College could only register two points which came from Miss A. Corrigan as the result of "30" yard frees. Sliabh Bloom failed to score up to the interval, but on resuming made many raids which ended in close misses.

Yet the good work of Misses E. Phillips, K. Noble, R. McCarthy, K. Finn and P. Cassidy told its tale when ten minutes from the end Miss M. Glennon notched a goal to set the lead by a point.

Colleges rallied and did well for a time. Misses E. Foley, B. O'Neill, A. Corrigan, E. Bourke and S. McCuskey tried hard to get the lead but Bloom held on for a well deserved win.

Celtic had to go all out to defeat an energetic Naomh Aoife side. Experience was the deciding factor in a bright and entertaining game.

The return of Miss K. Ryder for Aoife was a welcome asset to his side. Celtic had an interval lead of 2-2 to 1-0. (Misses M. O'Keefe (1-0), K. Keogh (1-0) and Una O'Connor (0-2) scored for Celtic. Miss M. Loughran had the goal for Aoife.

Celtic improved on resuming. Misses A. Hussey, M. Moran, D. Dunne and C. Heffernan did well, and Misses O. Heffernan (1-0), K. Keogh (1-0) and Una O'Connor made the issue safe.

In a late rally Aoife notched two goals through Miss K. Ryder. Misses B. Porter, P. Whelan, P. Tiermins, H. Leahy and M. Delaney shot for the losers.

## Vital Dublin Senior Game

# Eoghan Ruadh Oppose Celtic

WHAT may prove to be the decisive round of the Dublin senior camogie league takes place at Phoenix Park on Sunday next. At the moment, the position is that Austin Stacks and Eoghan Ruadh lead with full points. Celtic are in third position, two points down.

On Sunday next, however, Eoghan Ruadh meet Celtic in a match that is vital to both sides. Celtic must win to stay in the running for the League medals which they won last season. Defeat for Eoghan Ruadh would send them two points down into their next game which is against Austin Stacks. But though Eoghan Ruadh are unbeaten thus far their prospects are none too bright.

On Sunday last they had only a single point to spare over C.I.E. who are in a very lowly position on the League table. They will have to show vastly improved form on Sunday to defeat Celtic, who went under by only two points to Austin Stacks recently.

## Top Camogie Sides Still Unbeaten

**EOGHAN RUADH** and Austin Stacks both collected full points from their games in the Dublin senior camogie league yesterday and thus maintained their unbeaten records. Naomh Dolfe defeated C.I.E. in the other senior game listed.

**EOGHAN RUADH** ..... 3-2  
**CELTIC** ..... 2-1

For the second week in succession, Eoghan Ruadh, by a one-point victory, kept in the league race. Celtic, the holders, are now four points down and out of the running.

This was a very closely contested game with the sides level at half-time, 1-1 each, though Celtic had been backed by a strong wind. Each side added a goal before Kathleen Lyons clinched the issue, in favour of Eoghan Ruadh, with a well-taken point.

**SCORERS: E. Ruadh**—J. Foley (1-0), P. Breslin (1-0), K. Lyons (0-2). **Celtic**—U. O'Connor (1-0), D. O'Boyle (1-0), K. Keogh (0-1).

## B ● unbeaten

A vital game in the Dublin senior league will be staged in the Phoenix Park on Sunday afternoon when two of the unbeaten teams, Celtic and Austin Stacks, meet.

Celtic, unbeaten through 1964, won the Dublin League and Championship and the All-Ireland Club Championship. Austin

Stacks, narrowly beaten by Sunday's opponents in both league and championship, had some consolation when they retained the Isle of Man Cup just before Christmas.

There was little between these sides last season, and they look equally well-matched now. Celtic have All-Ireland stars in Alice Hussey, Ethna Leech and, of course, Una O'Connor. Austin Stacks have county players in Concepta Clarke, Brid Keenan, Orla ni Shiochain, Mary Sherlock and Mary Ryan.

Austin Stacks, I think, are probably better individually, but Celtic's team-work, perfected in their All-Ireland club campaign may just about see them through.

But winning team on Sunday is not yet out of the wood. Both Celtic and Austin Stacks have still to meet Eoghan Ruadh, who also have full points.

## Celtic Bow To Austin Stacks

**AUSTIN STACKS** ..... 3-2  
**CELTIC** ..... 3-0

**ALL-IRELAND** club champions Celtic sustained their first defeat in more than twelve months in this vital Dublin senior league camogie game at Phoenix Park yesterday.

Austin Stacks led by 1-1 to 1-0 at the interval, but two great goals by Una O'Connor gave Celtic a good lead mid-way through the second half. New-comer Dymphna O'Herlihy won the match for Stacks, however, with two fine goals, though Celtic missed a couple of chances in a rousing finish.

Mary Ryan, Mary Sherlock, Brid Keenan, Orla ni Shiochain, D. O'Herlihy and S. Creavy were outstanding for Austin Stacks.

Ethna Leech had a wonderful game in goal for Celtic, for whom Alice Hussey, Gerry Hughes and Una O'Connor were also outstanding.

**Scorers: Austin Stacks**—D. O'Boyle (2-0), S. Blake (1-1), O. ni Shiochain (0-1). **Celtic**—U. O'Connor (2-0), K. Keogh (1-0).

# Lily O'Grady To Take Over As President Of The Association

**ON** March 27 next, Miss Lily O'Grady, Old Aloysians, will take over as President of the Camogie Association. This is a great honour for Lily, who becomes the first Cork official to hold the major post since 1941, when Miss Lil Kirby (now Mrs. Crowley) was elected Chairman of Central Council. Mrs. Crowley is also a member of Old Aloysians Club.

That Lily is worthy of the honour is stressed by the fact that she is unopposed for the office. This means that her efficiency and capabilities are appreciated all over the country and not alone in Cork and Munster.

Lily, who has filled many posts on the administrative side of the game, thoroughly deserves the congratulations and best wishes which will go with her in this new, most important office of her career.

Lily has been a regular officer on the Cork County Board for many years. She served as Press Officer for one year before taking over the important office of Treasurer at a time when the Board was going through its most difficult time financially. This office she held for three years during which time she put the Board back on its feet. For the past four years she has been Chairwoman of the Board and though she was determined that this office should go around and consequently intended to withdraw this season, she was once again unopposed for the office, another proof of the esteem in which the delegates hold her.

Lily, who is a member of Old Aloysians Club, was also Chairman of Munster Council for four years, but this season withdrew from the list of nominations, because of pressure of work. She has also acted as selector for Cork and Munster.

## DELIGHTED.

Cork followers are delighted to hear of her appointment, which is an honour for the county as well for Lily.

Another Cork girl to hit the headlines last week was Teresa Murphy of Glen Rovers, who became the second Cork girl to win an All-Star Award. Teresa, a stylish and untiring player, thoroughly deserves this honour also. She has given wonderful

service to her club and has been a stalwart of the Cork and Munster teams for many seasons past. The Glen girl follows in the footsteps of her clubmate Deirdre Sutton, who won one of the two awards for Camogie last season. Allie Hussey of Dublin is the winner of the second Award this season.

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## Gaelic All-Stars

**ALICE HUSSEY** emulates her clubmate Una O'Connor as a Camogie All-Star. At centre-back for Celtic, Dublin and Leinster, she had a wonderful year in 1964, winning the Dublin league and championship and the All-Ireland Jubilee Cup club championship with Celtic and Leinster and All-Ireland titles with Dublin. Outstanding in all her games, she was only once on the losing side—against Munster in the Gael-Linn Cup final at Cahir—yet keen judges of camogie rate her display that day as her best of the season. Daughter of Kerry parents, she has won six All-Irelands with her native Dublin.

**TERESA MURPHY** also follows in a club-mate's footsteps as a Camogie All-Star. Last year Deirdre Sutton brought the honour to Glen Rovers and Cork and now Teresa gains the award in recognition of her performance last year. She helped Munster retain the Gael Linn Cup and was the inspiration of Glen Rovers' gallant performances against Celtic in the drawn semi-final and replay of the Jubilee Cup. A regular on the Cork team for some years, she first played for Munster in 1962 and rarely fails to impress for club, county and province.

# Tipperary Again Munster Camogie Champions

Tipperary 2-6; Cork 0-6

**CORK** failed to win back the Munster Camogie Championship when they met the holders Tipperary in the final played yesterday at U.C.C. Grounds.

The game, which was fixed to start at 4.15 was 15 minutes late beginning during which time the Cork team were on the field while Tipperary officials were arguing with the Cork official about passes to the sideline. It appears that both sides were issued with 22 passes but Tipperary were seeking to bring extra people into the field. After a heated argument between officials the Tipperary team were allowed to bring in the extras, the Cork officials pointing out that it was contrary to the decision of the Munster Council.

Within minutes of the opening Tipperary took the lead with a goal. Shortly afterwards Cork scored their first point and they followed this up with another in the space of five minutes. The game continued at a lively pace with the home side adding two more points while the visitors added 4 points giving them a one goal lead when the half-time whistle went.

Tipperary repeated their goal snatching on resumption of play when in the first five minutes of the second period they put in their second goal. Cork strove hard to bring down the arrears but the two points which they gained in the latter half were soon equalled by the holders who succeeded in holding their two goals lead until the final whistle went.

During the game was some con-

fusion regarding decisions between the referee and umpires and this delayed play.

This is Tipperary's second consecutive time emerging as the victors of the Munster Championships and previous to this Cork held the title for three consecutive years.

**Tipperary**—S. Long, P. Maloney, A. Graham, M. Phelan, M. Graham, A. Carroll, M. Ryan, B. Maloney, P. Graham, K. Griffin, H. Flynn, M. Loughnane.

**Cork**—D. Sutton, K. Barry, Murphy, N. O'Callaghan, T. Murphy, C. Buckley, P. Dorgan, D. Young, S. O'Connell, N. O'Mahony, A. Crotty, R. Manley.

## Limerick Girls Fade In Second Half

Glen Rovers (Cork) ... 6-8  
Croagh (Limerick) .... 2-0

Cork Co. champions Glen Rovers completely dominated the play at the U.C.C. Grounds yesterday, when they met the Co. Limerick champions, Croagh, in the All-Ireland inter-club competition.

Playing against a gale-force wind for the first half, the Cork girls succeeded in getting the ball into the net on four occasions, and they scored eight points, while the visitors were held to a single goal up to half-time.

On the resumption of play, the Limerick girls opened the scoring with a goal when the ball rebounded after hitting the post, but the score was disallowed on the grounds that the player was inside the square. Shortly after this the home side added another goal to their tally.

### LOST CONFIDENCE

The Limerick girls now appeared to lose all confidence in their ability to reduce the arrears, and before the final whistle the Blackpool girls sent in another goal.

While the game at no time sparkled, there were some moments of brilliant play, but the experience of the Cork champions proved to be just too much for the Limerick girls.

# Dublin Faces Stiff Challenge

**T**HE long supremacy of Dublin on the camogie fields of Leinster has rarely been too closely challenged in the last thirty years. Kildare in the late 'thirties and Wicklow in the early 'fifties did run the Metropolitan girls close on a few occasions, but not till the recent rise of Wexford has Dublin's senior crown been again in real danger in their home province.

Wexford, who have been 'farming' the intermediate title through the past few seasons, have been running the Dubliners closer and ever closer during the last two or three years, and gave them a very hard run indeed at Croke Park just twelve months ago.

Now the same two counties meet again at Croke Park tomorrow night (7.30) and the Wexford girls will make another effort to end Dublin's long supremacy.

Certainly this Wexford side contains enough talent to take the senior title for the first time.

Lily Furlong in goal, better known by her maiden name of Lily Parle, has made a big success of the change from goal-making to goal-saving—she was a forward until this season.

### EXPERIENCED

Mary Sinnott is one of the best full-backs in Ireland and has experienced helpers in Joan Murphy, Carmel Fortune and Margaret O'Leary.

Margaret Hearne is their big force around midfield, where she gets plenty of assistance from Mary Walsh and Kathleen O'Leary.

Peg Cash, Lily Hearne, May Cleary and Lizzie Kinsella comprise a lively forward line that has earned more scores than have actually come their way.

On their showing in the intermediate final, when they scored a facile victory over Louth at Gorey, Wexford must be given a great chance of taking their first senior honour this time. But they will certainly have to earn victory over a very experienced Dublin side, which, although it shows three changes from that which won the All-Ireland title last October, contains only one player without an All-Ireland medal.

### COMES BACK

One of the changes is in goal, where Ethna Leech, reserve to Concepta Clarke for the past couple of All-Ireland campaigns, comes back into favour. Ethna

has already played on a couple of All-Ireland winning sides and on her form in the recent Dublin championships could not be left off.

There is only one other change from last year's defence. That is at right back where Brid Keenan, who has played in the forward line for the county for the past three or four seasons, is now recalled to defence, where she always plays for her club.

Mary Ryan is again at full-back, All-Star Award winner Alice Hussey is centre-back, with Kay Lyons in her customary left back position.

Youthful Orla Ni Shiochain is once more on the left wing, and Mary Sherlock at midfield, but there is a change on the right wing, where Colette Nolan, another former All-Ireland player, is recalled.

In attack, Kay Lyons, at centre-forward, Judy Doyle, on the left, and Una O'Connor fill their usual positions.

### NEWCOMER

The only newcomer to this Dublin side is right forward Kit Keogh, who fills the position formerly held by Brid Keenan. A native of Wexford, Kit played brilliantly for Celtic in their championship victories.

This is a good Dublin team, and though they have not had the advantage of a match together, they have had some extra training due to the fact that the final had to be postponed from its original date, July 18.

Wexford will go very close to victory this time, I think, but still, at Croke Park, Dublin must get the vote to advance to meet Antrim in the semi-final on August 15.

## How They Line-Out

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# ANOTHER TITLE FOR CELTIC

# RETURN TO GLORY FOR CELTIC

## Cork Camogie Team Too Experienced

Waterford 1-3; Cork 6-2.

An inspired fifteen minutes of high powered camogie after the change of ends gave Cork a clear cut victory over Waterford in the semi-final of the Munster Camogie Championship at Dunmore yesterday.

Cork had always a slight edge, although they only turned over with a goal lead (2-1 to 1-1) at the interval. On the resumption the Waterford girls had no answer to the clean striking and opportunism of Anna Crotty, who crowned a great display with a personal tally of 3-1.

Waterford, with the benefit of the wind, were in there with a good chance until the end of the first half, but when Cork clicked into high gear in the second half it was the beginning of the end. They showed fine teamwork in contrast to their opponents, who lacked cohesion and so much depended on too few.

Lillian Howlett, Mary Kennedy and Maria Gough, were the best for Waterford while Kitty Barry, Deirdre Sutton and Rena Marley shared the honours with Anna Crotty for Cork.

THE main games in the Dublin championships were all finished last week. Celtic, as expected, won the senior title by a clear-cut victory over Eoghan Ruadh, Austin Stacks caused something of a surprise by defeating Muiris Ui Neill in the Intermediate A final, while there was also a surprise in the Inter B. final, when U.C.D. beat Austin Stacks, who were very well fancied to win through in this grade.

Celtic very worthily retained the senior title, for they always looked the better balanced side than Eoghan Ruadh, although the latter gave them a great game of it for two thirds of the journey and were anything but flattered by the scoreboard at the end.

Indeed, but for some bad mistakes by the Ruadh forwards at a vital stage early in the second half we must have seen a very close finish indeed.

Celtic, as usual, took their chances in flying style and are worthy champions, though I hear that they are most unlikely to defend their All-Ireland club title, as several of their side are now retiring from the game.

### Had Chances

Muiris Ui Neill, the firm favourites to win Inter A honours, had their chances in the second half against Austin Stacks, but again their failure was forward, and a world of chances were squandered, while the enthusiastic young Stacks side availed of every opportunity to emerge good winners.

The standard in this game was very high and the match most entertaining.

The Inter B. final, played in Phoenix Park on Saturday night, also produced camogie of a remarkably high class for the grade, and here we again had a surprise.

Austin Stacks, with a very fast and youthful side, had beaten U.C.D. well in a recent vital league game, and seemed set for a further success when they completely dominated the first half. But their forwards either saw their best efforts foiled by an unyielding College defence or else shot wide from good positions.

Having survived the first-half storms, the more experienced U.C.D. team, inspired by an early second-half goal, gradually got the edge and went on to hard-

earned victory by two goals to a single point after a very exciting game.

### Compensation

The Austin Stacks girls, however, look certain to gain compensation by annexing league honours in this grade in their play-off with Maryfield, while their seniors should also regain the league trophy when they play Eoghan Ruadh in the final of that competition.

The Inter A. league rests largely on the outcome of a postponed game between Presentation and Muiris Ui Neill. If Presentation win they retain the title; if Muiris Ui Neill win they bring Austin Stacks back into the reckoning.

## On Trial

THE following teams have been chosen for the Dublin camogie trial, which will be held at the Phoenix Park on Tuesday next, July 6, at 8.0.

'A' — E. Leech (Celtic); M. Ryan (Austin Stacks); P. Timmins (Naomh Aoife), A. Hussey (Celtic), K. Lyons (Eoghan Ruadh), C. Nolan (Eoghan Ruadh), M. Sberlock (Austin Stacks), O. Ni Shiochlainn (Austin Stacks); B. Keenan (Austin Stacks); K. Ryder (Naomh Aoife), J. Doyie (C.I.E.); U. O'Connor (Celtic).

'B'—C. Clarke (A. Stacks); H. Walsh (Celtic); A. Gill (Celtic), D. Barber (E. Ruadh), E. Porter (Col. San Dominic); F. Whelan (N. Aoife), R. White (Presentation), C. Heffernon (Celtic); J. Foley (E. Ruadh), A. McAllister (A. Stacks), K. Keogh (Celtic), M. Casey (Celtic).

Reserves — E. Moore (E. Ruadh), R. Murphy (C.I.E.), R. McCarthy (Silabh Bloom), V. Fehilly (M. Ui Neill), O. Wallis (E. Ruadh).

BY UNA

CEL TIC, whose supremacy in Dublin camogie seemed at an end when they were beaten in turn by Austin Stacks and Eoghan Ruadh and thus lost their league title, made a triumphant come-back at Croke Park last Tuesday evening when they scored a clear-cut victory over Eoghan Ruadh in the championship final to retain the title which they had won from Austin Stacks a year ago.

Yet it took Celtic a long time in the final to shake off the "Ruadh" challenge. They had, territorially, slightly the worst of the first half, and, that they were in front at the interval was due to two opportunist goals by Una O'Connor, and one bad miss by the "Ruadh" forwards.

Even so, the one goal lead which Celtic held at the interval was far from a safe one and when "Ruadh" came back on the attack immediately after the re-start it seemed as though we were due for a really thrilling second half.

Unfortunately for the hopes of Eoghan Ruadh supporters, their favourites at the time when they playing best, missed a great chance of the equaliser and two only slightly less promising chances soon afterwards.

When the tide of battle turned the other way, Celtic took two chances in their stride to notch invaluable goals and from that to the end, though Eoghan Ruadh fought hard all the way, the only matter still in dispute was the winning margin, though the score-board flattered Celtic at the close.

### 'Stacks double ?

Eoghan Ruadh still have a chance of honours, however, for they take on Austin Stacks in the League final on Thursday of next week. But gallantly though they fought last Tuesday I fear that "Ruadh" will be doomed to defeat again, for, on semi-final form, "Stacks" look the likely winners.

Celtic retained the senior title against Eoghan Ruadh at Croke Park on Tuesday night, but I hear it is extremely doubtful that the Dublin champions will defend their All-Ireland club title which they won last season.

Some key players are retiring from the game and last Tuesday's victory was in effect their last now. A final decision has not yet been taken, but it now seems unlikely that Dublin will be represented in the club champions' competition.

This is a great pity because Celtic, as we saw them in the recent Dublin semi-final and final, looked even a better side than they were last season and would have been a wonderful attraction wherever they played.

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# LADY GIRLS HOPE

# TWENTY-FOURTH MAKE FOR DUBLIN HISTORY

DUBLIN ..... 10-1; TIPPERARY ..... 5-3

**FOUR** great goals flashed home in a decisive offensive early in the second half by the quick-silver Dublin forwards ended Tipperary's hopes of Camogie honours in a fast, spectacular and often thrilling All-Ireland final at Croke Park yesterday.

Those goals, two from Judy Doyle and two from Kit Keogh came at the very moment when Tipperary hopes of gaining their first All-Ireland title had blossomed brightest and ensured instead that the O'Duffy Cup and the All-Ireland championship stay in Dublin for the 24th time and for the ninth consecutive year.

Up till then there had been nothing at all between the sides or if Dublin's amazingly clever forwards—the combination between Una O'Connor, Judy Doyle and Kit Keogh had to be seen to be believed—had kept their side ahead through the first half the harder-hitting Tipperary girls had had chances enough to be on level terms instead of trailing 4-1 to 2-2 at the interval.

When, five minutes after the start, captain Anne Carroll who had moved from right wing to centre forward for Tipperary, were through for a great goal, a wonderful individual effort that left the margin to two points, the verdict was very much in the balance. Then, however, came the Dublin goal-rush, the Tipperary forwards indulged in an orgy of itching and shuffling that com-

pletely unsettled the side, and the verdict was never again in doubt.

Dublin won, in the final analysis because their combination and understanding throughout the field was far superior than that of the opposition and because they struck back immediately every time Tipperary scored. Ethna Leech kept a sound goal and her sailing puck-outs both with and against the breeze were a tremendous asset to her side. Defenders Mary Ryan, Kay Lyons and Brid Keenan covered off magnificently and if centre-half Alice Hussey was less spectacular than usual she still held almost every Tipperary attack up the centre.

### Fine Scores

The Dublin mid-field trio had to battle very hard indeed through the first half to hold the immediate opposition but Orla ni Shiochain was quietly effective throughout while Mary Sherlock did a world of work in the second half.

Once again, however, the fast-moving Dublin attack stole most of the honours of the day with Una O'Connor laying on some wonderful scores for Judy Doyle and Kit Keogh, while captain Kay Ryder did a deal of hard

grafting farther out. Individually the Tipperary girls were at least equal to the champions, but they sadly lacked the team-work that was Dublin's speciality.

Honor O'Flynn both in attack for thirty-five minutes and in goal thereafter was always effective, while the Graham sisters, Anne and Maura in defence and Peggy around mid-field and the Griffin and Maloney sisters also did well.

Anne Carroll gave Tipperary a real captains lead but neither she nor any of her side benefited from the second-half reshuffling that began when Kay Griffin had to retire following a head-on collision with a Dublin player, and became an obsession when the winners opened up their big lead.

From a line-ball by Orla ni Shiochain Una O'Connor put Dublin ahead with a first-minute goal, Kathleen Griffin balanced for Tipp, but Judy O'Doyle soon had Dublin in front again. Honor O'Flynn had a Tipp. point before Kit Keogh (Dublin) and Anne Carroll (Tipp.) exchanged goals, and Una O'Connor and Anne swapped points from frees, before Judy Doyle palmed in a great goal to leave Dublin ahead 4-1 to 2-2 at half time.

Scorers—Dublin—J. Doyle (5-0), K. Kehoe (3-0), U. O'Connor (1-1), K. Ryder (1-0). Tipperary (1-1), K. Griffin (1-0), P. Graham (1-0), M. Loughnane (0-1), H. O'Flynn (0-1).

**A**CCORDING to the form book it should be almost no contest when Dublin and Tipperary meet at Croke Park in the All-Ireland camogie final. Dublin have won twenty-three titles, the last eight of them in a row. Tipperary have yet to win their first All-Ireland crown. But there always has to be a first time and hopes were never higher in Tipperary that their turn to make camogie history has come at last.

Certainly Tipperary have been chasing Dublin hard in recent years. They held the champions to a draw in the 1960 semi-final before going down and put up a great battle for forty of the fifty minutes in the final of 1961, and every camogie expert in Tipp. reckons that the present side is far better than the line-out that represented the county in those years.

The Dublin players, between them have sixty-three All-Ireland medals and all but one of their twelve for the final have already played on at least one victorious All-Ireland side. But this present Tipperary side, young though it is on average, has no fewer than seven players who have already played on teams from Munster that have beaten Leinster in the inter-provincial games for the Gael-Linn Cup.

### Imposing Record

For this All-Ireland campaign the Tipperary side went into training in the early summer and their path to the final has been marked by a two-goal

yet of bringing the O'Duffy Cup on its first trip to the county.

But Dublin long though they have held the trophy, are by no means complacent. Warned by a hard-run from Wexford for most of the Leinster final, and conscious that only teamwork and the magnificent opportunism of their forwards pulled them through in a hard-fought semi-final with Antrim, Dublin have trained hard as ever for this final.

The return of centre-back Allie Hussey, who was missing in the semi-final, should steady the then unsettled defence, while the fact that captain Kay Ryder resumes in her accustomed position at centre-forward means that the attack, too, is back to full strength.

The only change from the Dublin team that played in the Leinster final is that around centre-field there is a switch in placings.

### Renew Rivalry

School-girl Orla Ni Shiochain, one of the great successes of last year's final continues on the left-wing, where she will resume four years of Colleges' rivalry with Tipperary captain, Anne Carroll. Mary Sherlock, however, now moves from mid-field to the right wing in a positional change with Patricia Timmons.

The only newcomer to the Dublin side is Kit Kehoe at right forward, but this Wexford girl—one of the great family of camogie playing sisters from Ballywilliam, has played so brilliantly in all previous Dublin outings that she must be reckoned as a star even in a forward line that includes Gert-

By half-time in this All-Ireland semi-final at Tuam on Sunday last it was already obvious that Tipperary were already through to the final against Dublin at Croke Park on September 19. At the interval the Munster champions led by 6-2 to nil and the remainder of the game was of interest only in so far as it solved the question of what Tipperary's winning margin was going to be.

But what was very obvious was that Tipperary's bid to win the O'Duffy Cup and the All-Ireland title this year will be a very formidable one indeed.

Their defence was never in any difficulties against the erratic Galway attack, and they were always in full command around midfield.

The forwards were well on the target, and certainly their total of thirteen scores should serve warning to the Dublin defence that they have a busy time ahead of them in the final.

Galway put up their usual gallant fight but this defeat, following on their rout by Dublin in last year's semi-final is bound to cast a fair amount of gloom over camogie in the West.

No less than six of the Tipperary players, exactly half the team shared in the scoring in a game that does not really need any detailed description, so completely were the winners on top all through.

The Tipperary scorers were: Honor Flynn (3-0), Peggy Graham (3-0), Anne Carroll (1-2), Terry Geaney (1-1), Kathleen Griffin (0-1), Margot Loughnane (0-1).

- MUNSTER:** S. Long (Tipperary), E. Barry-Murphy (Cork), P. Graham (Tipp.), P. Maloney (Tipp.), B. Gully (Limerick), A. Carroll (Tipp.), T. Murphy (Cork), J. Murphy (Clare), B. Maloney (Tipp.), Griffin (Tipp.), M. Bourke (Limerick), E. Neville (Limerick), M. B. Sutton (Cork), E. O'Leary (Cork), A. Harrington (Clare), M. Young (Cork), H. Flynn (Tipp.).

### Leinster Camogie

**T**HE team to represent Leinster in the semi-final of the Gael-Linn Camogie competition against Munster on October 10, selected at a meeting of the Leinster Council in Dublin yesterday, is:

- E. Leech (Dublin), M. Sinnott (Wexford), S. Dooley (Offaly), A. Hussey (Dublin), M. O'Leary (Wexford), M. Hearne (Wexford), M. Sherlock (Dublin), O. Ni Shiochain (Dublin), C. Heenan (Kilkenny), K. Ryder, J. Doyle, U. O'Connor (Dublin), Subs.—M. Ryan, K. Kehoe (Dublin), K. Murphy (Louth).

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# Dublin Through After High-Scoring Game

DUBLIN are through to yet another camogie final, but it took them all their time to overcome the Antrim challenge at the pleasant little pitch in Glenariff last Sunday, after what must have been one of the most brilliant camogie matches ever played.

Dublin won by five points, 10-1 to 7-5, in what was a remarkably high scoring game, but much of the honours of the day went to an Antrim side that included a couple of newcomers to inter-county camogie.

Antrim lined out as selected, but Dublin were without Alice Hussey and Colette Nolan, both away on holidays. The All-Ireland champions brought captain Kay Ryder back to centre-back, and introduced Anne McAllister, herself of Antrim stock, at centre-forward.

Patricia Timmons again deputised for Colette Nolan on the right wing, as she did in the Leinster final.

Antrim opened on a lively note

## By Aine Meagher

and sent their many supporters into early ecstasies when former goalkeeper Teresa Kearns, now operating at right forward, shot two great goals. Indeed the home side had very hard luck for further scores before Dublin struck back with a grand goal from a shot on the run by Judy Doyle.

## Brilliant

Antrim again missed narrowly, before Betty Smith added a point to their total, but Dublin were soon back for Una O'Connor to goal following a brilliant piece of forward combination.

From a free more than thirty yards out, Orla ni Shiochain then set Dublin level with a well-taken point, and shortly after Una O'Connor lobbed another free into the Antrim goal-mouth, where Kit Keogh con-

long, sure striking, right hand or left, the home side began to attack with greater regularity.

## Antrim Rally

Mary Phil Jamieson started the Antrim rally with a well-taken goal, Lily Scullion added another from close in, and, though a long lobbing ball from Orla ni Shiochain deceived the Antrim defence to give Dublin a somewhat soft tenth goal, (their only lucky goal of the day), Antrim were soon back and, after a great save by Ethna Leech had robbed them of a certain goal, Sue Ward drove over a point, to which Betty Smith added a like score.

Excitement mounted as Sue Ward added a point from a '30', and when the whole Antrim forward line swept through for another goal to reduce the margin to six points with a couple of minutes to go, the big crowd went wild with excitement.

The home side then fairly stormed the Dublin posts, but the defence held out and only conceded another point, from a last-minute '30' by Sue Ward.

## Took Honours

It was a pity that any side had to win or lose so fine a game, but the honours of the day must go to the Dublin forwards, Una O'Connor, Kit Keogh and Judy Doyle, whose amazing changes of pace, direction and position, presented problems all through with which the Antrim defence, hard though they tried, just could not cope.

This three were well supported by the clever 'feeding' of Orla ni Shiochain, while Mary Sherlock, after an uncertain start, was going

while she got fine support all through from Sue Ward and Marion McFetridge.

Teresa Kearns was the most impressive of the Antrim forwards in the early stages, but Dublin quickly tightened up their marking and she was played out of the game thereafter.

Miss Kavanagh of Sligo was a very efficient referee.

DUBLIN: E. Leech, M. Ryan, B. Keenan, K. Ryder (capt.), K. Lyons, P. Timmons, M. Sherlock, O. ni Shiochain, K. Keogh, A. McAllister, J. Doyle, U. O'Connor.

ANTRIM: A. Rogers, M. Forde, S. Quigley, K. Kelly, M. Carabine, M. McFetridge, S. Ward (capt.), M. McAtamney, T. Kearns, B. Smith, L. Scullion, M. P. Jamieson.

# Club Camogie Title For Tipp

St. Patrick's 4-7, Glen Rovers 4-1.

**GLEN ROVERS**, Cork title holders, relinquished their Munster Senior Camogie title at Bruff last evening when they were defeated by St. Patrick's of Tipperary, this year's Munster finalists.

Though played under very trying conditions with heavy rain falling for most of the opening half, it was a good game and very keenly contested. Glen Rovers opened well and had an early goal but St. Patrick's pegged them back and took the lead with a goal and two points. Glen reduced the

arrears but St. Patrick's had the better of matters in the second quarter to lead at half-time by 2-3 to 2-1.

Shortly after the turnover St. Patrick's went through for two goals and things looked black for the champions. Glen fought back however but faulty shooting by their forwards resulted in many missed opportunities.

St. Patrick's on the other hand made better use of their chances and went further ahead by two points. Trying hard to reduce their position Glen had two goals but St. Patrick's finished stronger and had the last point in the closing minutes.

Top scorer for St. Patrick's was Ann Carroll who had a total of 3-5. Other scorers for St. Patrick's were P. Graham (1-1), M. Ryan (2-2). Scorers for Glen Rovers were A. Crotty (3-0), and P. Dorgan (1-1).

Referee — Miss E. Neville (Limerick).

Wear the new Mary Qu

Edwardian times, when

By Aine Meagher

I SUPPOSE lack of the customary publicity was the cause, but the crowd at the Leinster senior camogie final in Croke Park last Sunday night was very disappointing. And the great pity of it was that the standard of play could hardly have been higher.

On the score-board Dublin won by 8-3 to 2-6, but that result gives no clue at all to the trend of play. There was little between them in the first-half. What little there was in it was in favour of Dublin, yet the champions got at least two very soft goals, while Wexford missed two of the easiest chances of the game so that the half-time score, Dublin 6-1 to Wexford's 1-3 did not fairly represent the trend of play.

In the second half Wexford did better. They dominated play for long periods, and their lifting, striking and catching was a delight to watch. But though they pressed steadily there was no trace of a plan in their attacks and most of these foundered against the clever covering off of the Dublin defence.

DUBLIN: E. Leech (Celtic), M. Ryan (Austin Stacks), B. Keenan (A. Stacks), A. Hussey (Celtic), K. Lyons (E. Run), P. Timmons (Naomh Aoife), Mary Sherlock (A. Stacks), O. Ni Shiochain (A. Stacks), K. Kehoe (Celtic), K. Ryder (N. Aoife), J. Doyle (C.I.E.), U. O'Connor (Celtic).

WEXFORD: L. Furlong, M. Sinnott, J. Murphy, M. O'Leary, C. Fortune, Mary O'Leary, L. Hearne, M. Hearne, P. Cash, M. Walsh, E. Kinsella, M. Clery.

FOOTNOTE: When it comes to counting up All-Ireland medals it is worth noting that the following is the tally already won by the present Dublin camogie panel: Una O'Connor (11), Kay Ryder (9), Kay Lyons (7), Allie Hussey (6), Ethna Leech (6), Concepts Clarke (5), Mary Ryan (4), Brid Keenan (4), Judy Doyle (4), Mary Sherlock (3), Patricia Timmons (3), Orla ni Shiochain (1).

Kit Keogh and reserves Frances Whelan, a sister of football star Mickey, and Hilda Walsh have yet to win an All-Ireland.





# CELTIC SHOULD WIN, BUT...

By UNA

THE Isle of Man Cup competition, which always starts the Dublin season, has now reached the final stages. Holders Austin Stacks are already through to the final, but the weather has held up the other end of the draw. There Naomh Aoife are already through to the semi-final but must wait until after tomorrow to know their opponents in the remaining quarter-final, but the game was rained off and has been refixed for tomorrow.

This seems a very open tie, for though Celtic are county champions they will be hard hit by the fact that five of their championship side have retired since then, and the replacements may take some time to reach the same high standard.

On the other hand, while U.C.D. show few changes in personnel from last season's side, which was no more than average, they have since gained the services of Tipperary captain Anne Carroll, who can on her day be a host in herself and who proved on her first appearance in the College colours some weeks ago that she will not take long to become fully acclimatised to the somewhat different conditions of competitive camogie in Dublin.

## Try again

So instead of forecasting possible winners I prefer to sit on the fence for the moment and see what actually happens. On previous form Celtic should win, but a surprise victory for U.C.D. who always seem to have the happy knack of finding their very best form against Celtic is by no means beyond the bounds of possibility.

## Una O'Connor Celtic's Star

CELTIC ..... 5-5;  
U.C.D. .... 4-2.

A BRILLIANT display by All-Ireland star Una O'Connor, who scored all but a goal of her team's total, proved the decisive factor in this very entertaining Isle of Man Camogie Cup quarter-final at Phoenix Park yesterday.

Both teams had several promising new players on view and there was a tremendous duel in which the honours were even between the two interprovincial players, Kitty Murphy (Celtic) and Anne Carroll (U.C.D.).

For Celtic, who led by 3-1 to 0-1 at half-time, Ethna Leech, Dervil Dunne, Claire Heffernan and Rita White also played well while Annette Corrigan, Kathleen O'Connor and Brideen Dobbyn were outstanding for the losers.

Scorers:— Celtic, U. O'Connor (4-5), B. Lyons (1-0); U.C.D., A. Carroll, K. O'Hagan, D. Higgins, M. Kelly (1-0 each), A. Corrigan (0-2).

# Record No. 2 For Una O'Connor

By AGNES HOURIGAN

DUBLIN full-forward Una O'Connor, who set up one record earlier this season when she became the first player in any native code to win All-Ireland medals in nine successive years, made yet another camogie record on Sunday last when she became the first player ever to win six interprovincial championships.

Una is also the only player who has appeared on every one of the six Leinster teams that have won this Gael-Linn Cup competition to date and she has

taken part in nine of the ten interprovincial finals played.

Kathleen Ryder, who led Leinster to victory last Sunday, is only the second player who has ever captained an All-Ireland team and an interprovincial team to camogie victory in the same year.

## Impressive

The only previous occasion on which this feat was accomplished was in 1960 when another Dublin captain, Doreen Brennan, brought off the double. It must be pointed out, however, that in Leinster the captaincy of the provincial side is held by a player from outside Dublin every second year.

Certainly the non-Dublin players acquitted themselves very well in this Leinster victory last Sunday. Such as full-back Mary Sinnott of Wexford and forward Clare O'Hanrahan of Kilkenny have, of course, long ago proved themselves in top-class camogie (this was Claire O'Hanrahan's fourth interprovincial medal, a record for a non-Dublin player) but I was very much impressed by the displays of Margaret O'Leary (Wexford) and Susan Dooley (Offaly).

It had been rumoured that last Sunday's game would be the last appearance in competitive camogie of the great Leinster and Dublin centre-back Alice Hussey,

# Leinster take Gael Linn Cup for sixth time

Leinster, 4-3; Ulster, 4-1

LEINSTER held a late Ulster rally to win the Gael Linn Interprovincial Camogie Cup for the sixth time at Parnell Park, Dublin, yesterday, by 4-3 to 4-1. They led by 3-3 to 1-0 at half-time.

Kathleen Ryder, who captained the winning side, is only the second player to captain a winning All-Ireland and a winning Gael Linn team in the same season. That honour was, up to now, held by Doreen Brennan, Dublin.

Leinster, though playing against the breeze added a further goal shortly after half time, but Antrim's Sue Ward, who was switched to attack from defence, gave new life to the Ulster side when she scored two goals and a point and had a third shot deflected to the net by a Leinster back.

The Ulster rally came too late as their last two goals came in the closing minutes and over the four Leinster were deserving winners.

The winners, who combined better, had outstanding players in Mary Sinnott and Margaret O'Leary of Wexford, Kathleen Ryder, Una O'Connor and goalie Ethna Leech, all of Dublin, and Claire O'Hanrahan, Kilkenny.

Best for Ulster were Moya Forde, Angela Kennedy, Marion McFerridge, Mairead McAtamney and Sue Ward, who was the star of the second half.

Scorers—Leinster—U. O'Connor (2-0), K. Keboe (1-0), J. Doyle (1-0), C. O'Hanrahan (0-2), O. N. Stochain (0-1), Ulster—S. Ward (3-1), M. Sands (1-0).

Leinster—E. Leech (Dublin), M. Sinnott (Wexford), S. Dooley (Offaly), A. Hussey (Dublin), M. O'Leary (Wexford), O. N. Stochain, K. Ryder (capt.), M. Sherlock, K. Keogh (Dublin), C. Hanrahan (Kilkenny), J. Doyle, U. O'Connor (Dublin).

Ulster—K. Kelly (Antrim), M. Forde (Antrim), A. Kennedy (Monaghan), M. Gilroy, S. Ward, M. McFerridge (Antrim), M. McCann (Monaghan), M. McAtamney (Antrim), M. Sands (Down), B. Smith (Antrim), L. Clarke (Monaghan), M. P. Jamison (Antrim).

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## Isle of Man Cup

The Isle of Man Cup competition is progressing well and three further games are due on Sunday.

Celtic, the county champions, have lost some key players over the past few months and may find difficulty in accounting for Eoghan Ruadh; C.I.E. will meet a stiff challenge from Muiris Uí Neill, while Naomh Aoife, who will be strengthened by the transfer of Doreen Rogers and Phyllis Campbell from Austin Stacks, should prove too strong for Na Piarsaigh.

## Good win for champions

THE Isle of Man Cup camogie competition was resumed at Phoenix Park yesterday, when Celtic, Muiris Uí Neill and Naomh Aoife, respectively, defeated Eoghan Ruadh, C.I.E. and Na Piarsaigh.

**Celtic, 2-0; Eoghan Ruadh, 0-0**  
County champions Celtic scored a good win over Eoghan Ruadh, and though both sides were without some of their regular players, they served up a lively contest with Celtic, deserved winners at the final whistle.

Celtic, who led by a goal at the interval, were hard pressed on a few occasions in the second half. U. O'Connor and K. Keogh were the scorers.

## Celtic Hold 'Ruadh' Scoreless

THERE were three games in the Isle of Man Cup competition played at Phoenix Park yesterday. County champions Celtic defeated Eoghan Ruadh. Muiris Uí Neill had a surprise victory over C.I.E. and Naomh Aoife scored a runaway victory over Na Piarsaigh.

**CELTIC** ..... 2-0  
**EOGHAN RUADH** ..... 0-0  
Celtic deservedly defeated Eoghan Ruadh who were without their newly-transferred Wexford player Margaret O'Leary, who is suffering from a hand injury.  
Scorers: Celtic—U. O'Connor, K. Keogh (1-0 each).

## Glengoose's All-Ireland Club Title

ST. PATRICK'S (Tipp.) 3-3  
DEIRDRE (Antrim) ..... 2-3

TIPPERARY and Munster champions St. Patrick's from Glengoose - Balingarry, became the first official club camogie champions of Ireland, and also retained their unbeaten record in club championship games, when they narrowly beat Ulster and Antrim title-holders Deirdre in a thrilling All-Ireland final at Casement Park, Belfast, yesterday.

The winners deserved the honours for they were always just that shade faster to the ball, but Deirdre, now runners-up in an All-Ireland club test for the second successive year, went down fighting magnificently. Scores were level at the interval: St. Patrick's 1-3, Deirdre 2-0.

The winners had the star of the game in their captain, Anne Carroll, a wizard at mid-field, while others to shine for St. Patrick's were Anne Long, and the sisters Peggy and Maura Graham.

Best for Deirdre were Nancy Murray, Sue Ward, M. McKinney and B. McCabe.

Scorers—St. Patrick's: A. Carroll (1-1), A. Long (1-0), P. Graham (2-0).  
Deirdre: S. Ward (1-1), C. Wheeler (1-0), L. Lenehan (0-1).

## Deirdre Through To Final

Deirdre ..... 4-4  
St. Ibars ..... 1-2

DEIRDRE, Antrim and Ulster champions, reached the final of the club All-Ireland camogie championship by defeating St. Ibars, Wexford and Leinster champions, in a disappointing game played at Wexford Park yesterday.

Deirdre, who led 1-3 to 1-0 at the interval, were the better trained side, and their forwards made better use of their chances; while the losers who had three or four very good players, failed badly in attack, especially in the second half.

Scorers—Deirdre: E. Dornan (1-0), B. McCabe (1-0), K. Byrne (1-0), L. Lanigan (1-0), S. Ward (0-3), and C. Wheeler (0-1). St. Ibars: M. Walsh (1-1), M. O'Leary (0-1).

## Leinster Girls Too Good For Munster

LEINSTER ..... 4-0  
MUNSTER ..... 2-1

LEINSTER, after leading 2-5 to 0-1 at half time, were well-deserving winners over holders Munster in this semi-final of the Gael-Linn Cup interprovincial camogie competition at Fermoy yesterday.

Munster opened the scoring with a point from Anne Carroll, but Leinster, superior in every sector, had a string of scores without reply from Claire O'Hanrahan, Una O'Connor and Judy Doyle and were well worth their 10-point interval lead.

A goal by B. Maloney on the restart gave brief promise of a Munster revival, but Leinster had an answer to every score and were well in command before the end.

The winners, who showed better combination and understanding all round, had outstanding players in Judy Doyle, Una O'Connor and Orla ní Shiochain (Dublin), Margaret O'Leary and Mary Sinnott (Wexford), Claire O'Hanrahan (Kilkenny) and Susan Dooley (Offaly).

Best for Munster were goalkeeper Sally Long, Anne Graham (Tipperary), Kitty Barry-Murphy (Cork) and Kitty Murphy (Clare).

Scorers—Leinster—U. O'Connor (2-5), C. O'Hanrahan (1-2), J. Doyle (1-0), E. Ryder (0-1), O. Ni Shiochain (0-1).  
Munster—A. Carroll (1-1), B. Maloney (1-0).

● **Castlebar—Camogie semi-final:**  
Ulster 7-0; Connacht 1-0.

# Dublin Maintains Supremacy

By AINE MEAGHER

DUBLIN'S supremacy on the camogie fields continues for yet another year, but although the girls from the Metropolis won their 24th title, and ninth in succession, by defeating Tipperary at Croke Park last Sunday, this was a game that could have gone either way, except for one important consideration. And that difference was that Dublin played as a team, and Tipperary did not.

Yet, for thirty of the fifty minutes Tipperary were giving as good as they got, and after five minutes of the second half the scoreboard read, Dublin 4-1, Tipperary 3-2. Exactly three minutes later that same scoreboard read, Dublin 8-1, Tipperary 3-2 and the verdict was no longer in doubt.

Admitting that an accidental injury to Tipperary's Kathleen Griffin in those early minutes of the second-half may have unsettled the side due to a reshuffle following her temporary retirement, the fact remains that the Dublin forwards displayed all their brilliance in cracking home those four lightning goals, and I thought that the wholesale switching that followed among the Tipperary side was the chief reason why the Munster champions never really managed to fight back thereafter.

### PAID OFF

Once again Dublin's strategy of "attack at all costs" paid off handsomely. With such a brilliant forward line the

range Tipperary point, but some very clever work by the Dublin forwards brought another goal, from Kit Kehoe this time.

Captain Anne Carroll rallied Tipperary with a wonderful goal from forty yards out and followed with a point from a free, but after Una O'Connor had pointed a free, the most loudly applauded move of the game saw Una O'Connor hand-pass to Judy Doyle who, travelling at full-speed, palm-passed the ball to the net for a picture goal.

### FIVE WIDES

From there to the interval, Tipperary were well on top as far as territorial advantage went, but they shot five wides almost in succession, as well as missing an open goal, and had to be content to trail five points behind. 4-1 to 2-7.

### CROKE PARK SPECIALISTS

(and) as referee.  
October 10, with Andy Scannell (Aurora Mid Kerry), will be played at Tralee on tonight's final, between East Kerry and THE KERRY senior football champions.

### KERRY FINAL ON OCTOBER 10

turn to senior ranks next year.  
Kerry hopes that the Old Boys will re-visit the intermediate semi-final has long won over Cappoquin in the West pack as a hurling force? Their concern ARE DUNGARVAN on the way

### DUNGARVAN RESURGENT

years.  
After the decider after a lapse of many years tomorrow, Carrickshock will be competing in the South Kilkenny minor hurling championship final at Thomas-BALLYHALE AND Carrickshock FINAL AT THOMASTOWN

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All-Ireland football finals in all four grades.

## DUBLIN LEAGUE

After being held up on so many occasions by the weather, the Dublin senior camogie league finally got off to a flying start on Sunday last when a full round was played on a firm sod and in good, if slightly foggy, conditions.

The games all went more or less to schedule. Naomh Aoife opened the campaign with a win over U.C.D. but there was far less between the teams than the final score of 5-2 to 2-2 would suggest. Indeed at one period in the second half the students were fighting back so well that a surprise was quite on the cards. Then a couple of great saves by Phyllis Campbell who played brilliantly at full back for the winners halted the College offensive and Naomh Aoife came back for a couple of goals to clinch victory.

Celtic built up a good lead in the first half against Eoghan Ruidh, but the latter staged a great second half rally and at one stage looked like forcing a draw. However, Celtic came back again to make sure of the points.

In the other game Presentation made their first senior league appearance a winning one when they scored a good win over a somewhat understrength Sliabh Bloom side.

Next week another full programme is listed, with U.C.D., who are aiming at the Ashbourne Cup these times, facing another very tough test in taking on the Isle of Man Cup winners, Austin Stacks, and are hardily likely to overcome such talented opposition.

# Players In Wrong Positions

By AGNES HOURIGAN

**F**OLLOWING the keenly contested and highly exciting Ashbourne Cup series at Belfast last week-end, the following Combined Universities camogie side was picked to play the Cork County champions, Glen Hovers in the annual challenge game on a date to be fixed next month.

E. Naughton (U.C.G.); H. Dineen (U.C.C.); K. O'Connor (U.C.D.); S. McCloskey (U.C.D.); A. Nestor (U.C.G.); A. Carroll (U.C.D.); D. Higgins (U.C.D.); (Capt.) M. Connery (U.C.G.); K. Murphy (U.C.D.); J. Cooney (Q.U.B.); M. Morgan (U.C.G.); A. Geaney (U.C.C.).

Reserves: S. Dunne, E. Hurley (U.C.C.); P. Finnegan

# NAOMH AOIFE ARE ON THE MARCH

By AGNES HOURIGAN

**A** NEW force appeared in Dublin camogie last Sunday, when Naomh Aoife qualified for the final of the Isle of Man Cup competition by a victory over county champions Celtic that was as convincing as it was clear-cut.

Indeed, but for some wonderful work by their All-Ireland goalkeeper, Ethna Leech, Celtic must have been overrun completely in the second half.

Granted that Celtic have lost half of last year's champion side, they still had four inter-provincial players on duty last Sunday. Their great stars in attack, Una O'Connor and Kit Keboe were completely subdued by two other Dublin county players, Kathleen Ryder and Frances Whelan.

## Early Good Work

The Munster inter-provincial, Kitty Murphy, who made such a promising debut for Celtic against U.C.D. in the quarter-final, again did well in the first half of this game, and it was mainly her good defensive work that kept the margin to a single point at half-time. But, after the interval, she moved outfield and the defence was always in difficulties from there on.

Naomh Aoife looked a very strong all-round side, with Judy Doyle and Phyllis Campbell the stars of a very lively attack, but they may not have it all their own way at midfield or in defence against better-balanced sides than Celtic were last Sunday. Anyhow they will provide worthy opposition for Austin Stacks in the final, which will be played early in the New Year.

## Stacks Retain Camogie Cup

AUSTIN STACKS ..... 6-0  
NAOMH AOIFE ..... 2-2

**A**USTIN STACKS (holders) retained the Isle of Man Camogie Cup when, in a fast and, at times, spectacular game at Phoenix Park yesterday they disposed far more easily than had been anticipated of fancied Naomh Aoife.

The holders, against the breeze in the first half, were generally on the defensive, but their backs and goalkeeper safely contained the vaunted Naomh Aoife attacks, while their own forwards snatched at every chance to lead by 4-0 to 1-2 at half-time.

In the second half Austin Stacks confirmed their superiority and finished good winners.

Concepta Clarke in goal, backs Mary Ryan and Brid Keenan, Mary S. Sherlock, Teresa Walsh, Carmel O'Dwyer and Dymphna O'Herlihy did best for the winners.

Kathleen Ryder, Patricia Timmons and Judy Doyle were, on the day, the only Naomh Aoife players to measure up to the opposition.

Scorers for Austin Stacks—T. Walsh (1-5), C. O'Dwyer, D. O'Herlihy, A. McAllister (1-0 each); For Naomh Aoife—J. Doyle (1-1), P. Campbell (0-1).

Inter-League — Naomh Loran O'Toole 2-0, Lucan Sarsfields 2-0, Inter B. League — M. U. Neill 3-4, Eoghan Ruidh, nil.

## SOME CAMOGIE FACTS 1965

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### SEMI-FINALS

ULSTER: 7-13; Connacht 1-0.  
ULSTER: K. Kelly (Antrim); M. Forde (do.); A. Kennedy (Monaghan); M. Gilroy (Antrim); M. Carabine (do.); M. McFetridge (do.); M. McCann (Monaghan); M. McAtamney (Antrim); M. Sands (Down); B. Smith (Antrim); P. Grange (Down); M. P. Jameson (Antrim).

CONNACHT: E. Naughton (Galway); M. Mullen (do.); R. Flaherty (do.); M. Gallagher (Mayo); J. Delaney (do.); K. Quinn (Galway); M. Kelly (do.); E. Fitzgerald (Mayo); M. Corrigan (do.); J. Ruane (do.); K. Flaherty (Galway); E. Walsh (do.); Subs.: R. Heneghan (Galway); M. McGuire (Mayo).

LEINSTER 4-9; Munster (holders) 2-1.  
LEINSTER: E. Leech (Dublin); M. Sinnott (Wexford); S. Dooley (Offaly); A. Hussey (Dublin); M. O'Leary (Wexford); M. Hearne (do.); M. Sherlock (Dublin); O. ni Shiochain (do.); C. Hanrahan (Kilkenny); K. Ryder (Dublin); J. Doyle (do.); U. O'Connor (do.).

MUNSTER: S. Long (Tipp); K. Barry-Murphy (Cork); A. Graham (Tipp); P. Maloney (do.); B. Guiry (Limerick); A. Carroll (Tipp); T. Murphy (Cork); K. Murphy (Clare); B. Maloney (Tipp); K. Griffin (do.); M. Bourke (Limerick); E. Neville (Limerick); Subs.: D. Young (Cork); H. O'Flynn (Tipp).

### FINAL

Leinster 4-3; Ulster 4-1.  
LEINSTER: E. Leech; M. Sinnott; S. Dooley, A. Hussey, M. O'Leary; O. ni Shiochain, K. Ryder, M. Sherlock, K. Keogh (Dublin); C. Hanrahan, J. Doyle, U. O'Connor.

ULSTER: K. Kelly; M. Forde, A. Kennedy, M. Gilroy, S. Ward (Antrim); M. McFetridge, M. McCann, M. McAtamney; M. Sands, B. Smith, L. Clarke (Monaghan); M. P. Jameson.

### COUNTY CHAMPIONS

DUBLIN: Senior—Celtic; Inter A—Austin Stacks; Inter B—U.C.D.

ANTRIM: Senior; Deirdre; Junior—Gael Uladh; Minse—St. Teresa's.

WEXFORD: St. Ibars', Castlebridge.

LOUTH: Kilkenny.

KERRY: Ballyduff.

WATERFORD: Eire Og.

LIMERICK: Crough.

CLARE: Killanena.

GLUCK: Glen Rovers.

TIPPERARY: St. Patrick's, Glengoose-Ballinacorney, Ballinacorney.

GALWAY: St. Rita's.

SLIGO: Eskey Sea Blues.

DOWN: Glenn.

ARMAGH: Madden.

MONAGHAN: Monaghan Town.  
The championships in Meath, Westmeath and Kildare were unfinished at the time of going to press, the Mayo final was the subject of an objection and clubs from Fermagh and Cavan played in the Monaghan championship.

ALL-IRELAND CLUB CHAMPIONS  
St. Patrick's (Tipperary); Runners-up: Deirdre (Antrim).

### INTER VARSITY

Ashbourne Cup: U.C. Cork; (U.C. Dublin).  
Ashbourne Shield: U.C. Galway (Queen's, Belfast).

### INTER-PROVINCIAL

Gael-Linn Cup: Leinster (Ulster).

### COLLEGES

LEINSTER: Senior: Mercy Convent, Callan; Juniors: Holy Faith, Clontarf.  
DUBLIN: Senior League: Fulemann Eedes; Senior Champ: Holy Faith, Clontarf.

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CENTRAL COUNCIL: President: Miss L. O'Grady (Cork); Secretary: Miss S. McAnulty (Down); Treasurer: Miss L. Spence (Antrim); Organiser: Sean O'Duffy; Trustees: Sean O'Duffy, Mrs. G. Leonard.

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ULSTER COUNCIL: Chairman: Mrs. P. McManus (Antrim); Secretary/Treasurer: Mrs. M. McMahon (Antrim).

CONNACHT COUNCIL: Chairman: Mrs. Daly (Mayo); Secretary/Treasurer: Mrs. E. Kavanagh (Sligo).

### COLLEGES

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every sport there are the "backroom boys" who are responsible for the organising and smooth running of their own particular organisation. Unlike the "stars" of the field these people do not get reams of publicity and in many sports they are practically unknown to the general public. But without them sport would not be there at all as it takes time, patience and ability to keep the wheels of competition running smoothly.

In camogie, except perhaps at convention time, we rarely here a word in praise of girls who run the particular boards and councils. In fact one more often hears criticisms of what they (the critics) think are bad decisions by officers. Nothing is usually mentioned of the tremendous amount of work which running any board involves. There is the unenviable job of extensive fixture lists throughout the year and, as in the case of Cork, these lists have to be planned with a shortage of suitable pitches always in mind.

#### VITALLY IMPORTANT

Then, of course, there is the financing of the game which is never an easy problem. Add to this the work to spread the game, the objections, differences, and very many difficulties to be ironed out and you have the time-consuming talks of the very fine girls who fill the vitally important roles of officers of the game.

In Cork there are three officers who have worked for the advancement of the game since their schooldays. They are Lily O'Grady, treasurer of Munster Council, and Miss Kitty Barry-Murphy, chairman of Munster Council.

This year Lily became the first Cork president since the 'thirties, when Lil Kirby of Old Aloysians held the title. This was a great honour for both her club and county and when one looks back over her career one realises that Lily was an obvious choice for this premier position. Her position in administration was as press officer of the Cork Co. Board, a position which she held for 12 months. Then the Co. Board was having a rather troublesome time financ-

# THE BACKROOM GIRLS OF CAMOGIE

By Joan Morley

lily and Lily was asked to take on the problem-filled post of treasurer in a middle of a year. This post she held for three of the Board's most difficult years and when she eventually left the job, her infinite patience, and hard work had given the Co. Board a sound financial standing.

In 1962 Lily was elected as vice-chairman of the Cork Co. Board and in the same year she also became chairman of Munster Council. This latter post she held for three successful years. In 1963 she was given the post of Cork Co. Chairman, a position she still fills, and in fact for two years she held the chair of both Cork and Munster. But last season she found that she was not in a position to continue the two posts so she resigned from Munster.

Of course, as chairman of Munster Council she was also an automatic vice-president of Central Council, so she had adequate grooming for the vital role of president. In the short time since her unanimous election to the presidency, she has already proven her worthiness and though there is a re-election every year Lily must be expected to hold the post for the maximum period of three years.

Although Lily is perhaps best known for her administrative work, she was also a fine player. She began her career with St.

Aloysius Schools team and was selected on the Cork schools team twice. While still at school she played on the Old Aloysians senior team. On leaving school she retired from the game for some time but eventually came back to serve on the club junior team and later again on the senior side.

It is not surprising that Lily has both playing and administrative abilities as her father, Michael O'Grady, had a rather colourful career. Although a native of Cavan he played Gaelic football with Leitrim and served as vice-chairman of the Sligo Co. Board. He was also a well-known referee. Keeping up the record was her uncle, Standish O'Grady, who played for Cavan and Monahan. Earlier, her late grandfather, Frank O'Grady, had fielded for the First Ulsters.

Mrs. McCarthy first became interested in the administrative side of the game when she became treasurer of the Schools Board and, on leaving school, she eventually graduated to the same position on the senior Cork Co. Board. In that year she took over the post of treasurer of Munster Council and still holds this position. At that time Munster Council was going through a very difficult period financially but it was not long before Aedin straightened things out. Proof of her ability lies in the fact that the financial position of the Council was never better than it is at the present moment.

Before her marriage Aedin (then Aedin Buckley) was well-known on the playing field. She began her camogie in St. Aloysius School in 1943 and later played for Old Aloysians senior team, and holds a senior county and three schools championship medals.

Her undoubted interest in Irish games is not surprising when one realises that she is a grand niece of the late Donnall O'Busachalla, who was such a lover of all things Irish. He was, of course, the last of the Governor Generals of the country—one of the three to hold this position after Ireland had got its own Government.

#### YOUNG CHAIRMAN

Besides camogie, Aedin is also interested in golf, and this is not surprising as she is married to Muskerry golfer Larry McCarthy, who has won a number of international "caps."

The only playing member of the trio is Kitty Barry-Murphy, who is the very young chairman of Munster Council. Kitty started her training for this important post at an early age when she held the same position in the Schools Board. Almost immediately she was drafted into the Senior Board and held the position of vice-chairman for three years. In 1962 she was also elected as vice-chairman of Munster Council and held this until early this year when she took over from Lily O'Grady as chairman. Although new to, as well as young for, the post she has done remarkably well since her election and one sees a long career ahead of her on the

# Naomh Aoife in Camogie Cup final

NAOMH AOIFE made a fine impression by defeating Celtic 5-2 to 3-0 in the Isle of Man Camogie Cup semi-final at Phoenix Park yesterday.

Celtic made a late effort to get on terms, but were kept at bay. The Celtic defence was shaky, and were it not for the fine goalkeeping of Eithne Leech, the tally would have been much greater. Una O'Connor was well held, and failed to score.

Aoife had fine forwards in Misses J. Doyle, P. Campbell and S. Blake. Miss K. Ryder was a very efficient midfield player, and with Miss Porter kept the ball on the move. Miss R. White, D. Dunne, J. Byrne, K. Murphy and M. Moran did best for Celtic.

Aoife, who held an interval lead of 2-1 to 2-0, had their scores from Misses J. Doyle (3-0) and P. Campbell (2-2). Celtic scores were Misses R. White, M. Gallagher and K. Kehoe.

# Naomh Aoife In 'Isle' Cup Final

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| NAOMH AOIFE | 5-2 |
| CELTIC      | 3-0 |

NAOMH AOIFE qualified to meet Austin Stacks in the final of the Isle of Man Camogie Cup with a clear-cut victory over county champions Celtic at Phoenix Park yesterday.

There was little between the sides in the first half when the winners led by 2-1 to 2-0 but Naomh Aoife were completely on top after the interval, when only an inspired display of goalkeeping by Eithne Leech saved Celtic from far heavier defeat.

Kathleen Ryder, who completely curbed Una O'Connor; Phyllis Campbell, Patricia Timmons, Frances Whelan and Judy Doyle were outstanding for Naomh Aoife, while Dervil Dunne, Kitty Murphy, Claire Heffernan and Mary Moran tried hard for Celtic.

SCORES: Naomh Aoife—J. Doyle (3-0), P. Campbell (2-2). Celtic—M. Gallagher (1-0), R. White (1-0), S. Blake (1-2).

# 'Isle of Man' Tops Bill

# Celtic will provide big test

By UNA

THE semi-final of the Isle of Man Cup competition, in which Celtic meet Naomh Aoife at Phoenix Park (3.0), will be the highlight of the Dublin camogie scene on Sunday next. Especially interesting will be the 'new-look' Naomh Aoife side, for the club has been strengthened by the arrival of Doreen Rogers, Phyllis Campbell and Sally Blake from Austin Stacks, and of that brilliant forward Judy Doyle from C.I.E.

The first two have already fielded for Naomh Aoife in the previous round and gave great edge to the attack. If Judy Doyle and Sally Blake both field on Sunday next, the attack should now be a very potent force indeed.

With county captain Kathleen Ryder likely to field in her customary centre-back position, the defence will be solid.

Add on two other Dublin county players — Patricia Timmons and Frances Whelan — around midfield, and it will be seen that Naomh Aoife must be a great power in Dublin camogie this season.

Celtic, already short several of last season's champions because of retirement, suffered another blow in the announcement by that great player, Alice Hussey, that she, too, is retiring from the game.

'Allie', as she was always known, can no longer find time to train and has, in consequence, decided to retire completely, a decision that must be a sore blow to the Dublin and Leinster

However, Celtic have already found a very able replacement in the Clare and Munster player, Kitty Murphy.

Though I had never seen the Clare star play in any position except on the wing or at midfield before she fitted into the centre-back position on Sunday last against U.C.D. as to that manner born, and even the brilliant scoring feats of Una O'Connor in that game might not have proved sufficient had not Kitty Murphy held the centre so well in defence.

But, then, the whole Celtic side played so well last Sunday that they will provide a very severe test for the Naomh Aoife side, especially if Angela Gill and Kit Kehoe are back from holidays in time to play.

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# County Semi-finals On Sunday At Deerpark

CAMOGIE followers in Cork seldom get the opportunity to see four top senior teams in action in one afternoon, but the chance is theirs on Sunday next when the semi-finals of the senior county championship will be played at Deerpark.

Two of the sides are making their first appearance in the competition—South Presentation Past Pupils and Old Aloysians — and these sides meet in the first semi-final. The second tie is between holders Glen Rovers and U.C.C.

Glen Rovers have dominated this competition, and in fact all senior competitions for the past three seasons, and now they are chasing their fourth title in a row. They were not as impressive as one might have expected in their first round tie against Youghal and they will have to step up a great deal on this performance if they are to reach the final. Of course, one can never underestimate the Blackpool girls as they always seem to have that little extra which they can produce when all seems lost. They have a tremendous tradition behind them and the fright which



of talent in their line-out, something they demonstrated to good effect in their facile win over intermediate selection Naomh Gonnait. They have a fine sharp-shooting forward line, which includes Audrey Geaney, Carmel and Mary Buckley and Eimer Hurley, and in the centre they have the stylish Maura Fitzgerald. Pat Devlin is a sound goalkeeper, but perhaps their greatest asset is at full-back where they have the powerful Hannah Dineen.

Against this Glen have their mighty successful side which includes such big names as Deirdre Sutton (goal), defenders Noreen O'Callaghan and Pauline Deane, centres Margaret Buckley and Peggy Dorgan and, of course their very dangerous forwards, Anna Crotty and Stephanie O'Connell. Glen and formidable any time and, considering their record over the past three seasons, they must be taken to advance. However, the championship is often a competition of upsets and if U.C.C. strike their best form then anything can happen.

## BOGEY SIDE

South Presentation Past Pupils are perhaps the most unfortunate side playing the game. For many years now they have figured prominently in senior competition, but to date their only success has been in the senior league. A number of their players have been with them as long as nine or ten years and it must be a big disappointment to them to be still without a county medal. On Sunday they meet old rivals Old Aloysians and no doubt they will have mixed feelings about this

positions outfield and has become a brilliant all-round player.

## STALWARTS

She must be a great asset to the side. Old Ais. still have



Kitty Barry Murphy (South Pres.)

stalwarts Deirdre Young, Terry Fehily and Mary Clancy, as well as the three McAuliffe sisters, Nora, Kay and Ann. Kathleen Ryan is an untiring and clever player in a number of positions and, though she is not at present in Cork, Old Ais. are hoping to have her for Sunday. So, on paper, Old Ais. seem to have their strongest side for some time and, with a return of the fighting spirit so evident some years ago, they could reach their first final since 1962.

However, South Pres. are just as determined that they will be the ones to advance and, with Eleanor Cummins, Kitty Barry Murphy, Mary B. O'Sullivan, Sheila O'Sullivan, Anne Comerford and Kathleen Buckley leading a very capable and well trained side, this promises to be a tremendous battle.

## FIXTURES

Sunday at Deerpark: S.C.—S.P.P. v. Old Aloysians, 3 pm; Glen Rovers v. U.C.C., 4 pm. Youghal referee and umpires for both games.

# Puzzled By An Unbeaten Run

RECORDS are the vital statistics of any sport and the question that wins this week's Book Token is one that would have caught us completely flat-footed, but for a clue contained in the letter containing question itself.

And that question was: "A certain team has never lost a game since 1956. During these years one player has participated in every one of this team's triumphs and in the process has set up a whole series of individual records. Can you name (a) the team, (b) the player, (c) the records set up.

Now, at first, this question had us completely flummoxed. Almost ten years is a long, long time for any team to remain undefeated. We felt we should have heard of it before now. Yet we went through hurling, football, rugby, soccer, hockey and cricket records in vain.

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As a last resort, we came back to the letter containing the original question, and only when we noted that the writing was very distinctively feminine, and gleaning a clue from the "Nom de Plume", did the answer, which we should have seen straight away, suddenly hit us.

The team in question must, of course, be the Dublin camogie team, and the player in question none other than that great forward Una O'Connor.

The last time Dublin were beaten in a competitive inter-county camogie game was at Casement Park, Belfast, when they went down by two points to Antrim in the 1956 All-Ireland semi-final in August of that year.

Since then they have won nine All-Irelands in succession and have only once been held to a draw in all that time, by Cork at Cork in the 1963 All-Ireland semi-final.

## AUSTIN STACKS

### FOR POINTS

The weather put paid to the Dublin County Camogie Committee's fixture list last week-end, but they have optimistically arranged no less than 12 league matches for the Phoenix Park grounds on Sunday.

Pride of place must go to the senior games, the most interesting of which is that between Austin Stacks and Celtic, at noon. These two teams have headed the winners' lists in league and championship games in Dublin for a number of years. They have full points to date this season and their meeting on Sunday should be the highlight of the day.

Both have players with inter-county and all-Ireland experience. Celtic would appear to have a trump card in their star full-forward, Una O'Connor, but they have been team-building this season, and with the loss of their captain, Mary Moran, who has recently been transferred to a branch of her bank in Cork, they will have a hard task to overcome the machine-like well-balanced combination that Austin Stacks can produce.

Austin Stacks have also lost a number of players this season, but have a knack of fielding good substitutes. Their unexpected win over the much-fancied Naomh Aoife in the Isle of Man Cup final, has made them firm favourites for honours this season, and they hope to add to their laurels this week-end.

In the second senior match, between Presentation and U.C.D., the former may concede the points. They are new to senior ranks and, while they did very well in the intermediate grade, are finding it increasingly difficult to field at full strength.

parades through the streets of the village for their first ceremony

## Good Win For Eoghan Ruadh

EOGHAN RUADH ..... 7-3  
U.C.D. .... 3-3

EOGHAN RUADH gave a fine display against Ashbourne Cup champions U.C.D. when, after a long hold-up due to the bad weather, the Dublin senior camogie league was resumed at Phoenix Park yesterday.

There was little between the sides in the first half at the end of which Eoghan Ruadh led 3-2 to 2-0, but the winners pulled well clear after the interval when U.C.D.'s best efforts were repeatedly foiled by the brilliance of the winner's goal-keeper Dolores Barber.

Jean Foley, Colette Nolan, the Lyons sisters and Odette Wallis also impressed for Eoghan Ruadh while Anne Carroll, Kathleen O'Hagan and Deirdre Higgins were best for U.C.D.

Scorers: E. Ruadh—J. Foley (4-1), K. Lyons (1-1), C. Lyons (1-1), O. Wallis (1-0). U.C.D.—A. Carroll (1-2), D. Higgins (1-0), A. Donnelly (1-0), K. Barber (1-1).

Intermediate League "A"—Austin Stacks 7-1, Na Piarasigh 1-1, Moirisi 1-1, U.C.D. 3-0.

## GLEN ROVERS HAVE NARROW WIN

Glen Rovers, 1-5; Youghal 1-2.

Glen Rovers won the first round of the Cork Co. Senior Camogie Championship at Cloyne yesterday when they had a narrow win over Youghal in a closely contested game.

The teams were level at 2 points each at half time and in the second half both Youghal and the Glen each had a goal. The inclusion of Teresa Murphy for Kathleen Brown made a great difference to the city team in the second half and was more or less responsible for their three points win.

Scorers for Glen: S. O'Connell (1 goal), P. Dorgan (3 points, all from frees).

Scorers for Youghal: B. Power (1 goal), M. Costello (2 points).

Referee: D. Young (Cork).

## Celtic and Stacks set hot pace

BY TAOBH LINE

IT would have been hard to believe a fortnight ago that such large fixture arrears could have been so quickly wiped out on the camogie fields, but improved weather plus willing co-operation from the clubs and teams concerned has transformed the whole scene.

The Dublin league, in which a ball had not been struck since Christmas until two Sundays ago, has already taken something like a trend towards final placings and Celtic and Austin Stacks, both unbeaten, are already setting a very hot pace for the rest.

On the other hand, there is a considerable levelling-up of the standards as was evidenced in last Sunday's games when both Celtic and Austin Stacks were hard pressed to beat U.C.D. and Eoghan Ruadh respectively.

Neither of the leading sides will be in action next Sunday, when, in fact, there is only one Dublin Senior League game listed. In this Naomh Aolfe, who were one of the most fancied sides at the start of the year, take on Presentation, the only newcomers to senior ranks.

Naomh Aolfe's prestige fell somewhat after losing to Austin Stacks in the final of the Isle of Man Cup early in January, and, except for one league victory, they have not been in action since.

However, Presentation have not been in action either, and, though I expect to see Naomh Aolfe win and thus maintain their challenge to the leaders and their own unbeaten record, they may get a fairly close run from the determined Terenure side.

## SPONSORED CAMOGIE

So when an attempt was made to revive camogie around 1910 or 1911, Crokes were asked to sponsor the reorganisation. The man they picked to do the organising was an upstanding man who originally hailed from Mayo by the name of Sean M. O'Duffy, already well known as a hurler, footballer and referee. Well that was 55 years ago and Sean O'Duffy is still organising camogie today, and the present position of the Camogie Association pays its own tribute to the work he has done.

# Cork Camogie Convention

THE lack of support for the playing of the game in the schools was criticised by Miss Lily O'Grady, chairman, in her address on Sunday to the annual convention of the Cork County Camogie Board at Dunlaog, Cork.

Not more than four schools took part in competition, and though there were schools who played camogie, they were barred by the authorities from participating in competition, she said. This was a great deterrent to players, but until the school authorities recognised that the playing of out-door games was a great benefit to the well-being of the adolescent, little could be done about it. The development of outdoor games and physical training generally should be encouraged as they served to promote health in mind and body.

Two recurring problems were still with them, continued Miss O'Grady. The absence of club delegates from the weekly meeting of the Board was one and the "referees problem" the other. Every year the latter crux came before the convention, but she did not think they were any nearer a solution to it. The handful of referees available were very over-worked and it was time something concrete was done to remedy the situation.

## SOUND FINANCIALLY

The Board's financial position was fairly sound, and that could be attributed to Ciste na Banban, from which they drew £54 this year.

Miss O'Grady concluded by congratulating the various competition winners, her fellow-officers and all who had helped the board in any way during the year.

The Hon. Secretary, Miss Sheila O'Sullivan, in her report noted that 23 teams affiliated last year,

but regrettably some of the junior clubs fulfilled no engagements. Only thirteen clubs had affiliated so far this season. Over the year, the Board lost one club in North Cork, gained two in East Cork and one in Mid-Cork. In the city they lost two clubs and were threatened with the loss of a third.

The following selectors were elected: Mrs. C. Desmond, Misses Frances O'Keefe, Teresa Murphy, Mary Crowley, and a representative of the County Champions, Glen Rovers.

The Chairman, Miss O'Grady, was chosen as the delegate to the Munster Council. Other delegates selected were: Munster Convention, Misses O'Grady, S. O'Sullivan, M. Crowley, B. Walsh, Mrs. Desmond and Miss A. Comerford Congress—Miss S. O'Sullivan and Miss D. Young.

The draw for the senior championship resulted as follows:—U.C.C. v Naomh Gohhalt; Youghal v Glen Rovers, South Pres. P.P. v Old Aloysians.

Officers elected for the coming year were: Chairman, Miss O'Grady (Old Als.); Vice-Chairman, Miss B. Power (Youghal); Hon. Sec., Miss O'Sullivan (Old Als.); Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. L. Daly (Old Als.); Registrar, Miss A. Comerford (South Pres. P.P.); Press Officer, Mrs. J. Morley (Old Als.).

The convention passed an Old Aloysians motion calling for the enforcement of the bye-law which states that teams who cannot field for a board fixture be eliminated from that competition, and another motion that only women delegates be allowed at meetings held under the auspices of the association. A Glen Rovers proposal that a grounds committee be formed to look after pitches was also carried.

Accepted as a recommendation was a Youghal motion that from November 30 to February 1 be a closed season.

# U.C.D. regain Ashbourne Cup at Belfield

U.C.D. .... 3-5; U.C.C. .... 2-4

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN, regained the Ashbourne Cup when they beat the holders, University College, Cork, in the final of the inter-Varsity Camogie championship at muddy Belfield yesterday.

U.C.D. had the advantage of a strong breeze in the first half and turned over leading by 0-5 to 0-1. Within five minutes of the restart, however the Cork girls had taken the lead, 2-2 to 0-5. A ding-dong tussle then ensued, for after Anne Carroll had goalied a free for U.C.D., Audrey Geaney restored Cork's advantage with a point.

Dublin, however, lasted better on the heavy pitch and Joan Ruddy and Nora Stuart added a goal each to make the issue safe, though Cork closed the scoring with a point from a free.

## INSPIRATION

Anne Carroll, the Tipperary and Munster star was the inspiration of the winning team, and she got able assistance from Kitty Murphy (Clare), Deirdre Higgins, Kathleen O'Hagan, Blathnaidh Ní Annrachain and Nora Stuart.

Hannah Dineen did tremendous work at full-back for Cork. Sheila Dunne at centre back, Emer Hurley at midfield, and in attack Audrey Geaney who scored 2-2 of her side's total, were best for Cork.

Scorers—U.C.D.—A. Carroll (1-1), J. Ruddy (1-0), N. Stuart (1-0), and K. O'Hagan (0-1). U.C.C.—A. Geaney (2-2) and S. Dunne (0-2).

U.C.D.—C. Gormley; S. McCloskey; K. O'Connor, A. Carroll, B. O'Hanrahan; M. Coyne, D. O'Higgins (capt.), K. O'Hagan; B. O'Neill, K. Murphy, N. Stuart; J. Ruddy.

U.C.C.—E. Lee; H. Dineen; M. Keohane, C. O'Riordan, S. Dunne; E. O'Keefe, E. Hurley, C. Coakley; S. McCarthy, C. Buckley, P. Devlin, A. Geaney.

Referee—Mrs. K. O'Duffy.

U.C.D. .... 17-6; Queens Univ. 0-0  
U.C.D. won this Ashbourne Cup camogie semi-final at Belfield on Saturday as they pleased and, indeed, after leading 9-4 to 0-0 at half time, seemed to ease up despite the eventual score.

U.C.C. .... 1-0 U.C.G. .... 0-1  
Carmel Buckley was the star for the holders, U.C.C., in the second semi-final. Five minutes from the end of an exciting game she scored a great goal. At that stage it looked as if an early point for Galway by Kitty Pine might be sufficient to put them in the final.

## Celtic Held Off Lively UCD Rally

CELTIC ..... 4-4  
U.C.D. .... 3-2

DUBLIN camogie champions, Celtic, after leading 4-2 to 0-1 at half-time in this senior league game at Phoenix Park yesterday, received a rare fright from the students in the second half.

Celtic had outstanding players in Una O'Connor, Ethna Leech, Kitty Murphy and Claire Heffernan. Anne Carroll, Annette Corrigan, Kathleen O'Connor and Therese Connolly were best for U.C.D.

Scorers: Celtic—U. O'Connor (1-4), R. White (1-0), K. Kehoe (1-0), C. Heffernan (1-0).

U.C.D.—A. Carroll (2-2), A. Donnelly (1-0).

AUSTIN STACKS ..... 3-1  
EOGHAN RUADH ..... 2-1

League holders Austin Stacks just about deserved their narrow victory over a lively Eoghan Ruadh side after leading 2-0 to 1-0 at the interval.

The winners were best served by Mary Sherlock, Anne McAllister, Mary Ryan and goalie Concepta Clarke, while Kathleen Lyons, Ellis Toner, Collette Nolan and Dolores Barber did well for Eoghan Ruadh.

Scorers: A. Stacks—A. McAllister (2-0), C. O'Dwyer (1-0), D. O'Herlihy (0-1).

E. Ruadh—E. Toner (2-0), K. Lyons (0-1).

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# Clare No Match For Munster Oppose Waterford In Camogie Champions Tipperary Water Championship

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By AGNES HOURIGAN

THESE are busy times on the camogie fields, and in the Council rooms too. The All-Ireland championships began last Sunday with the first game in the Munster series. We have another Munster game on Sunday next, together with the semi-finals of the Dublin senior championship, and local Conventions have been held to revive the game on an organised basis in Derry and Wicklow.

Tipperary, the Munster champions, and Clare had the honour of playing the first game in the 1966 All-Ireland championship at Sean Treacy Park, Tipperary, on Sunday last, but the clash fell far short of expectations.

Clare, without their intro-provincial star, Kitty Murphy, were no match for the title-holders, who swept on to the easiest of victories. Granted that the opposition was under-strength it is obvious that Tipp. will again

be hard to beat in the South this year.

However, we should be able to judge Munster prospects in a better perspective after Sunday next when Cork meet Waterford at Youghal. I hear that there are many useful players coming up in Waterford at the moment, and there has been plenty of camogie activity of late, especially in the East of the county, but the standard in the recent Cork championship, retained by Glen Rovers, was so high, that they are already talking by the Lee in terms of regaining the Munster title and making a very bold bid for the All-Ireland crown.

Certainly it would be a major surprise if Waterford were to beat Cork next Sunday and the odds are on the home county to advance to meet Limerick in the semi-final.

In Dublin there will be very keen interest in the championship semi-finals, made all the

keener by the results last Sunday.

In the league ties last Sunday, Naomh Aoife and Austin Stacks emerged as the only teams with full points so that the league virtually rests between them, and now they meet on Sunday next in the semi-final of the championship.

On Sunday last, Austin Stacks scored a resounding league victory over the county champions Celtic, but Naomh Aoife were even more impressive when routing Eoghan Ruadh, so there should be little between two great teams on Sunday next.

They have only met once this year, in the final of the Isle of Man Cup last January, when Austin Stacks had a surprisingly convincing victory. However, Naomh Aoife have improved a great deal since then, and there can hardly be more than a score or two between them on Sunday next. I have a slight fancy for Austin Stacks to come through.

In the second semi-final, Celtic, though unable to match

the all-round power of Austin Stacks in last Sunday's league tie, should have the beating of Eoghan Ruadh and should thus qualify for the final.

Tipperary in the Munster Final.

Now with the inter-county championship here again Cork followers are hopeful that the county side will fare better this season. On Sunday next Cork make their first appearance in the campaign when they once again meet Waterford. For some years Waterford were not regarded as any real threat to the stronger Munster sides. This was the attitude last season when Cork travelled to Dunmore East to meet them in the championship. However, as it turned out, Cork were very lucky to come out of Waterford with a win and they must be very much on their guard on Sunday if they are to retain their supremacy.

Biggest disappointment for Cork followers last season was the spiritless display of the Cork team in the Munster final. They had the advantage of a home venue, plenty of support and, on paper at least, a fine side. However, they never hit their top form and as soon as Tipperary got on top they never managed any real attempt at a comeback and the champions retained their title without any trouble.

## HAD AN OFF DAY

What happened to the Cork girls that day? Always a side to fight to the end, no matter how far behind, they admitted defeat very early in the second half. Certainly this was not expected of them and no one was more disappointed after the game than the players themselves. It is doubtful if they could strike such a day again—a completely "off" day which the majority of the side must wish to forget. But if they are to do better this season then it is a day that will have to be remembered. Lessons must be learned from it and then

followers can expect a much matured Cork side this season.

But there is one Cork player who can look back on that game with satisfaction, and that is Anne Comerford of South Presentation Past Pupils. Anne played the game of her life that day and had even half of the other Cork players followed her example the result might well have been different. It is fitting that Anne is once again included in this season's selection and although the actual side has not yet been announced, she must be in the team.

## NEW LOOK

The Cork defence will have a "new look" this season. Marriage is taking no less than three of



Mary A. Murphy (Cork)

the regulars and this is a big blow to Cork hopes. It is never easy to replace a reliable defender and with three going, the selectors really have a difficult job. Deirdre Sutton, Kitty Barry Murphy and Noreen O'Callaghan have all played major roles for Cork over the past few years and they must be a great loss to the side. The selectors' headaches begin with the goalkeeping problem but here they are lucky in that they have Eleanor Cummins of South Presentation Past Pupils who must be expected to take over.

be the only full forward listed in the selection so she too appears to be heading for her first inter-county cap. The selection is completed by Nuala Humphries of Glen, but she is hardly experienced enough to win a place on the team.

## STRONG SIDE

On paper this is a strong side, despite the enforced changes, and they must be expected to advance on Sunday. Little is known of the Waterford side at this stage, but they can be expected to field their stalwart defender Josie McNamara, and their very stylish Lillian Howlett. Last season they put up a grand display against Cork and although they have to do the travelling this season the Youghal pitch is a neutral one as the Cork side has yet to play there. So that Cork would need to strike their best form and face this game with a healthy respect for their opponents.

There are no other fixtures on Sunday, although on Wednesday next (18th) there are a number of junior league ties, while tomorrow will be taken up with some vital schools ties.

**Cork Selection** — E. Cummins (S.P.P.P.), H. Dineen (U.C.C.), S. Forde (Old Aloysians), M. Costigan (Youghal), A. Comerford (S.P.P.P.), D. Young (Old Aloysians), P. Dorgan (Glen Rovers), A. Crotty (do.), S. O'Connell (do.), A. Russell (Youghal), M. Browne (Glen Rovers), N. Humphries (do.), S. O'Sullivan (S.P.P.P.), M. A. Murphy (Old Aloysians).

## WATERFORD TROUNCE CORK CAMOGIE SIDE

In perfect conditions Cork met Waterford in the first round of the Camogie Championship at Copper-alley Grounds, Youghal, yesterday, resulting in an easy win for Waterford. From the start Waterford assumed the offensive and in the first minute of play scored a minor and from then onwards they never looked back.

Cork, however, fought back gamely but never reached the high standard of their game opponents. At the end of the first half the score stood Waterford 1-1, Cork 0-1. On the resumption of play Cork did most of the attacking which proved rewarding to the extent that they collected one goal and five points to Waterford's 4 goals and 1 point.

Scorers for Waterford were A. Kent, B. Costin, M. Hennessy, M. Ryan, A. Howlett, while Cork scores came from P. Dorgan, A. Comerford, S. O'Connell and M. Murphy.





## CLARE NO MATCH FOR TIPPERARY IN CAMOGIE TIE

Munster Senior Camogie Champions, Tipperary, had a very easy win over Clare at Sean Treacy Park, Tipperary, yesterday, with a score of 10-7 to 0-1. The only Clare score was in the closing minutes of the first half which left the half-time score 4-4 to 0-1. At no time did Clare seem to settle down to play and it was a Tipperary advance all through the game.

Scorers for Tipperary were: P. Graham, 2-1; M. Loughnane, 2-2; A. Carroll, 4-3; K. Griffin, 1-1; H. Flynn, 1-0. Clare scorer, M. Collins, 0-1.

**Tipperary**—S. Long, M. Phelan, A. Graham, H. Graham, A. Long, B. Moloney, M. Ryan, A. Carroll, P. Graham, K. Griffin, H. O'Flynn, M. Loughnane. Sub.: M. Gleeson for A. Long.

**Clare**—M. Begley, M. Conlon, C. O'Connell; N. Brohan, B. O'Neill, n. Mullane, M. Collins, A. Hurley, R. Frost, J. Gleeson, N. O'Brien, N. Ryan. Subs.: A. M. Carey for N. Brohan; J. Condon for N. O'Brien.

Referee, E. Neville (Limerick).

## LIMERICK CAMOGIE TEAM SELECTED

The following team has been selected to represent Limerick, the holders, in the first round of the Munster Secondary Camogie Championship against Clare at Adare, Co. Limerick, to-night at 7.30: M. Kennedy (Herbertstown), H. O'Riordan (Templeglantine), B. Giltenane, B. Quiry, E. Keefe (all Croagh); P. Ryan (South Liberties), J. O'Connor (Croagh), C. Murphy (Herbertstown), N. McMahon, P. Conway (South Liberties), C. Clancy (Ahane) and E. Neville (Croagh). Reserves: B. Ryan, B. Leahy, P. Duffy (all Ahane), M. Power, I. Ryan (South Liberties), Mgt. Hickey, Mary Hickey and A. Carroll (all Croagh).

An interesting feature of the selection is the reappearance of Carrie Clancy (nee Gillane) after an absence of three years. Carrie, a former Gael Linn medalist with Munster, was one of the stars of the revived Ahane team which surprised everybody by reaching the Limerick county final only to fail to Croagh much needed power to the Shannon-siders' attack, who are confidently expected to advance to the next round.

## No shocks in camogie championship

THESE opening matches in the Dublin Senior Camogie championship were played at Phoenix Park yesterday and resulted as expected. Naomh Aoife proved too experienced for University College. Austin Stacks scored a decisive victory over Siabh Bloom and Eoghan Ruadh trounced Presentation.

**Naomh Aoife, 9-3; University College, 2-2**

In the game between Naomh Aoife and U.C.D. there was lively and interesting play, especially in the opening half when the students, though they pressed hard, could not get past a very strong Naomh Aoife defence. The winners, with fewer chances, led 3-1 to 0-0 at half time.

Naomh Aoife continued to chalk up vital scores in the second half and though the students started well, scoring a goal from their throw in, the all round strength of Naomh Aoife proved decisive.

Scorers: N. Aoife—J. Doyle, 5-0; D. Rogers (3-1), H. Leahy (1-0); P. Campbell (0-1); U.C.D.—A. Campbell (1-2), E. Falvey (1-0).

**Austin Stacks ..... 9-3  
Siabh Bloom ..... 0-0**

Austin Stacks were in command right from the start in this game and when they led 6-2 to 0-0 at half-time, there seemed little hope of a rally from Siabh Bloom.

After the interval, Stacks continued to dominate the scene and the issue was never in doubt.

Scorers—A. Stacks: C. O'Dwyer (4-1), D. O'Herlihy (2-1), T. Walsh (2-0), A. McAllister (1-1).

**Eoghan Ruadh ..... 14-3  
Presentation ..... 1-0**

In this game Eoghan Ruadh had little difficulty in accounting for Presentation and after the winners led 7-2 to 1-0 at half-time, there was little hope of a recovery by Presentation.

In the second half Ruadh added a further 7-1 to their first half tally.

Kathleen Lyons, Dublin's left back, played at full-forward for the Ruadh and chalked up a tally of 7-2.

Scorers—E. Ruadh: K. Lyons, (7-2), J. Foley (3-0), C. Lyons (1-0), I. Churchyard (1-1), G. Nolan (1-0), O. Wallis (1-0). Presentation—L. McGrath (1-0).

## Glen Take Camogie Title Again

Glen Rovers 3-9; S.P.P.U. 1-2

Glen Rovers won their fifth successive Cork County Senior Camogie Championship at Ballinlough last night, when they defeated South Presentation Past Pupils' Union by 3-9 and 1-2.

At half-time, Glen were only two points ahead, 0-6 to 1-1, but shortly after the turnover they had a goal and three points and this took the heart really out of the South Pres girls, who were in the game with a chance up to then.

Glen were very solid in defence, where Theresa Murphy had an excellent game, and got good support from Carrie Buckley and Pauline Deane. However, it was at centrefield that they laid the foundation for this great win. Peggy Dorgan dominated here, and although Stephanie O'Connell was not as good in the first half as she was in the second, she still had a very good game and played a major part in bringing the cup to Blackpool once more.

Up front, Maura Browne and Anna Crotty found things difficult against a solid S.P.P.U. defence in the first half, but they came much more into their own in the second.

The South Pres defence played very well in the first half, and Martha O'Sullivan and K. Barry-Murphy did some excellent work here. Their star player was undoubtedly Anne Comerford, who had a splendid game at centrefield, and tried very hard to get her forwards moving. Up front, Mary B. O'Sullivan and Bridie O'Sullivan tried hard, but could not break down a stonewall defence. South Pres moved Mary B. to centrefield in the second half, and, although she tried very hard to break up the Glen monopoly, she was always fighting a losing battle.

Scorers for the winners were Peggy Dorgan (1-6), Kathleen Browne (3-0), Anna Crotty (0-2) and Noreen O'Mahony (0-1). S.P.P.U. replied per Kay O'Sullivan (1-0), Ann Cronin (0-1) and A. Comerford (0-1).

**Glen Rovers**—D. Sutton, T. Murphy, C. Buckley, P. Deane, M. Buckley, S. O'Connell, N. Humphreys, P. Dorgan, M. Browne, K. Browne, N. O'Mahony, A. Crotty.

**S.P.P.U.**—E. Cummins, M. Sullivan, A. Cronin, K. Barry-Murphy, M. Crowley, A. Comerford, K. O'Sullivan, F. O'Keefe, M. B. O'Sullivan, B. O'Sullivan, P. O'Halloran, S. O'Sullivan. Subs.: Kay Buckley for Kay O'Sullivan, Vera Horgan for Ann Cronin, and Kay O'Sullivan for Vera Horgan.

Referee—Lily O'Grady.

## Glen Rovers Were Always In Command

Glen Rovers 6-5; U.C.C. 1-0.

Glen Rovers, the holders, qualified for the final of the Cork County Championship against South Pres. P.P.U. when they beat U.C.C. by 6-5 to 1-0 at Deerpark yesterday. The superior and fitter Glen side had no trouble in ousting U.C.C. from the championship.

The Glen opened the scoring in the first half with a fine taken point by Stephanie O'Connell and two minutes later with a goal by Peggy Dorgan. Five minutes later Peggy Dorgan again scored a goal from a thirty. Ann Crotty added a further point to the Glen score before Maura Fitzgerald replied with the students' only score. Peggy Dorgan added a point and Kathleen Browne added a goal for the Glen before the interval to leave the score 3-4 to 1-0 in favour of the Glen.

### BETTER GAME

In the second half the students played a better game but lacked scoring potential and the Glen piled on the pressure scoring three goals and a point without reply.

Stars of the Glen victory were Ann Crotty, Stephanie O'Connell, Theresa Murphy, Peggy Dorgan and Kathleen Brown. Best for the losers were Hanna Dineen and Maura Fitzgerald.

Scorers: Glen, K. Brown (3-0), P. Dorgan (2-1), S. O'Connell (1-2), A. Crotty (0-2). U.C.C.—Maura Fitzgerald (1-0).

**Glen Rovers:** D. Sutton, T. Murphy, C. Buckley, P. Deane, P. Dorgan, N. Humphreys, M. Buckley, N. O'Mahony, S. O'Connell, K. Brown, M. Brown, A. Crotty.

**U.C.C.:** E. Lee, M. Keohan, H. Dineen, C. O'Riordan, A. Hennacore, C. Coakley, E. N. Muirhead, P. Devlin, S. Dunne, A. Geaney, M. Fitzgerald, C. Buckley.

## South Presentation P.P. Surprise Old Aloysians

South Presentation P.P. .... 4-0  
Old Aloysians ..... 1-1

South Presentation Past Pupils won their way into the final of the Cork senior camogie final when they defeated Old Aloysians by 4-0 to 1-1 at Deerpark yesterday. They will now meet Glen Rovers in the decider next Sunday week.

This is the first time in almost a decade that South Pres have defeated Old AIs but make no mistake about it they thoroughly deserved their win. Old AIs had numerous chances in the first half but they could not penetrate a solid defence in which goalkeeper Melanie Cummins and Anne Comerford were in splendid form.

Old AIs had most of the play in the first period but their forwards failed to take advantage of the service which they got from centrefield. South Pres on the other hand made more use of their chances and turned over two goals to the good per Bridie O'Sullivan and Mary B. O'Sullivan.

Old AIs opened the second half as if they were going to take control and had numerous raids before Sheila Forde had a point. Then came the turning point in the game when Mary B. O'Sullivan added a further goal for South Pres and substitute Rose O'Halloran added another major shortly afterwards. At this stage Old AIs were fighting a losing battle and although they attacked continuously from then on, their only reward was a goal from Ann Moynihan five minutes from the end.

South Presentation P.P. were best served by M. Cummins (goal), Anne Comerford, Mary B. O'Sullivan and Bridie O'Sullivan while Sheila Forde, Mary Murphy, Deirdre Young and Ann Moynihan were prominent for Old AIs. Teams:

**South Pres.**—M. Cummins, Martha Sullivan, K. Barry Murphy, M. Crowley, A. Cronin, K. Sullivan, A. Comerford, F. O'Keefe, S. O'Sullivan, B. O'Sullivan, M. B. O'Sullivan, B. Gibbons. Sub., R. O'Halloran for M. Crowley.

**Old Aloysians**—L. O'Grady, M. Clancy, A. McAuliffe, T. Fahilly, M. Murphy, S. Forde, D. Young, A. Moynihan, K. Ryan, E. McSweeney, M. Moran. Subs., H. Lynch for A. Moynihan, A. Moynihan for D. Young.

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# Wexford's Rally Was Too Late

DUBLIN ..... 4-3  
WEXFORD ..... 3-1

DUBLIN, unbeaten in the province since 1936, won the Leinster senior camogie championship once again at Croke Park last evening, but they had to survive a strong challenge in the closing stages from a never-say-die Wexford side.

Despite a constant drizzle, the standard of camogie was remarkably high and the Wexford girls can at least have the consolation that their's was the bravest effort yet to bring the first senior camogie title to the county.

Dublin, favoured by wind and rain, opened the scoring when Una O'Connor's shot was deflected to the net by Kit Kehoe. Margaret Hearne (Wexford) and Orla Ni Shiochain then exchanged points before Dublin moved ahead with two goals from Judy Doyle and two points from Una O'Connor to lead 3-3 to 0-1 at half-time.

## Storming Finish

Dublin continued to do well against the wind, and stretched their lead with a further goal by Judy Doyle, but Wexford put in a storming finish with three goals in the last ten minutes from Margaret Hearne, Pat Kehoe and Elizabeth Kinsella.

For Dublin, Mary Ryan, Brid Keenan and Kitty Murphy in defence, Mary Sherlock at mid-field and Judy Doyle and Kay Ryder in attack were the outstanding players.

In defender Margaret O'Leary, Wexford had possibly the best player afield and she was well supported by goalie Joan Cullen, Joan Murphy, Margaret Hearne, Mary Walsh and Elizabeth Kinsella who scored a brilliant goal.

Dublin—E. Leech, M. Ryan, B. Keenan, K. Murphy, K. Lyons, M. Sherlock, P. Timmins, O. Ni Shiochain, K. Kehoe, K. Ryder, J. Doyle, U. O'Connor.

Wexford—J. Cullen, M. Sinaott, J. Murphy, M. O'Leary, C. Fortune, M. Walsh, M. Hearne, P. Cash, M. Doyle, L. Hearne, E. Kinsella, P. Kehoe.

# Naomh Aoife Win Dublin Senior Title

A. Team: E. Leech (Celtic); M. Ryan (A. Stacks), B. Keenan (A. Stacks), K. Murphy (Celtic), K. Lyons (E. Ruadh), M. Sherlock (A. Stacks), L. Howard (Celtic), E. Ryder (N. Aoife), R. White (Celtic), A. McAllister (A. Stacks), R. Halpin (M. Ui Neill), J. Farrell (M. Ui Neill).

B. Team: C. Clarke (A. Stacks), F. Whelan (N. Aoife), B. McDonald (N. Aoife), E. Quigley (A. Stacks), J. Quinn (Celtic), S. Creevy (A. Stacks); P. Timmons (N. Aoife), O. Ni Shiochain (A. Stacks), K. Kehoc (Celtic), K. Ryder (N. Aoife), J. Doyle (N. Aoife), U. O'Connor (Celtic).

Reserves: C. Heffernan (Celtic), V. Fehily (M. Ui Neill), O. Wallis, C. Lyons (E. Ruadh).

WELL, at the first time of asking, Naomh Aoife fulfilled their ambition by winning the Dublin senior camogie final. They were convincing victors over Celtic at the end, although the holders did put up a great fight of it through the first half, and in the opening stages of the second.

But Celtic, to face the facts had lost two many solid players since last season's victory to be able to fill all the gaps with equal effectiveness now and in the end the all-round power of this strong Naomh Aoife side wore them down.

For those who had hoped to see spectacular camogie this was a disappointing game. The marking was generally too close and in particular the two All-Ireland captains Kathleen Ryder and Una O'Connor almost completely cancelled one another out, and the game suffered in consequence. Judy Doyle, spectacular against Austin Stacks in the semi-final was also closely marked now, though she did break through for one great goal, and on the day the outstanding player afield was the Clare star, Kitty Murphy in the Celtic back-line.

However, the holders had too many weak links, whereas Naomh Aoife were sound in every position. I was particularly impressed by the work of the defence in which the Whelan sisters (Mickey Whelan of Dublin football fame is their brother) and tennis star Betty McDonald were very efficient helpers to Kathleen Ryder.

Anyway Kay Ryder had the satisfaction of adding the Dublin championship Cup to the All-Ireland and Gael-Linn Cups which are already on her sideboard, and I would not be at all surprised if Naomh Aoife have a crack at bringing the All-Ireland club trophy back to Dublin. Their immediate objective must however be the completion of the Dublin double and their clash with Austin Stacks at Phoenix Park in mid-week should decide the destiny of that title, which Stacks at present hold.

The curtain-raiser at Croke Park on final night provided by far the greater excitement of the two games. The general expectation was that Muiris Ui Neill would win this title with a couple of goals to spare and they certainly looked all-over winners in the first half, when they fairly camped in U.C.D. ground. But though Ui Neill were dominant through the field, they could do everything but score. Their half-time lead of a point to nil really make mockery of their first half efforts even allowing for the fact that the U.C.D. defence with a great centre-back in Meta Kelly Tipperary and a cool confident goal-keeper in

Grace Walsh who was at school in Rochfortbridge, gave nothing away. Even though the U.C.D. mentors reshuffled their mid-field and attack during the interval, Muiris Ui Neill continued to attack through the first half of the second session, they still could not score, and then U.C.D. who after all had half of their Ashbourne Cup champions on duty suddenly began to move, dominated the closing stages and ran out very deserving winners.

It was the third successive Intermediate championship victory for the Belfield girls, as they won the Intermediate F crown in the Previous two years before, moving up to the higher grade this season. However, only two of the team, Bronach O'Neill (Down), a member of the great Newry football family and Anne Purcell (Dublin) played on all three winning sides.

## N. Aoife Now League Leaders

NAOMH AOIFE ..... 2-2  
AUSTIN STACKS ..... 2-1

NAOMH AOIFE, new Dublin camogie champions maintained their unbeaten league record in this exciting game against the only other unbeaten side, Austin Stacks, at Phoenix Park last night.

Naomh Aoife, a goal down at the interval, quickly drew level after the restart and went ahead. Mary Sherlock equalised with a goal from a free, but Patricia Timmons, with a point from a free in the closing minutes, ensured victory for Naomh Aoife.

Kathleen and Ethna Ryder, Frances Whelan, Patricia Timmons and Judy Doyle were outstanding for the winners, while Mary Sherlock, goalkeeper Concepta Clarke, Mary Ryan and Anne McAllister were prominent for Stacks.

## N. Aoife Are New Champions

NAOMH AOIFE ..... 4-1  
CELTIC ..... 1-0

NAOMH AOIFE won the Dublin senior camogie championship for the first time when they defeated the holders, Celtic, in a slightly disappointing final at Croke Park last night.

Close marking for much of a game left little room for any spectacular play, but the winners always looked the better all-round side, even though they only led by a goal to nil at the interval.

Naomh Aoife, who had two goals disallowed in the first half, had an inspiring captain in Kathleen Ryder, who had the better of a great duel with Una O'Connor. They were also well served by the Whelan sisters, Betty McDonald, Ethna Ryder, Patricia Timmons and Judy Doyle.

For Celtic, Ethna Leech, in goal, Dervil Dunne, Kitty Murphy, Claire Heffernan and Una O'Connor tried hard, but vainly, to avert defeat.

SCORERS: N. Aoife—J. Doyle, P. Campbell, M. Bell and D. Rogers (1-0 each), P. Timmons (0-1). Celtic—U. O'Connor (0-1).

## Another Title For U.C.D. Girls

U.C.D. .... 2-0  
M. UI NEILL ..... 0-1

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, winners of the Inter B. title the two previous seasons, completed a remarkable treble when they won the Dublin Intermediate A. camogie championship at Croke Park last night.

Muiris Ui Neill, who led 0-1 to nil at half-time, dominated the game for 30 of the 40 minutes, but squandered innumerable chances.

SCORERS: U.C.D.—H. Kavanagh (1-0), B. ni hAnnrachain (1-0), M. Ui Neill—N. McDonnell (0-1).

## LATE GOAL GIVES S.P.P.U. VICTORY

S.P.P.U. 4-0, Old Aloysians, 2-3

A goal in the last two minutes of this game gave South Pres two points in this Senior League tie played at Old Aloysians Grounds last night. South Pres. opened the scoring with a goal by R. O'Halloran but Old Aloysians replied with a goal from E. O'Flynn and a goal and two points by M. A. Murphy to leave them ahead at the interval by 1 goal 2 points.

On the resumption they had another point by K. Ryan but South Pres fought back strongly and goals from B. O'Sullivan, A. Comerford and M. B. O'Sullivan left them a goal in front at the final whistle.

Old Aloysians—M. Moran, M. Clancy, N. McAuliffe, T. Fehilly, M. A. Murphy, A. McAuliffe, K. McAuliffe, S. Forde, M. Garvan, K. Ryan, E. McSweeney, E. O'Flynn.

S.P.P.U.—I. Mackey, M. Crowley, G. Kelly, A. Cronin, S. O'Sullivan, A. Comerford, J. Fitzpatrick, K. O'Sullivan, M. B. O'Sullivan, B. O'Sullivan, V. Horgan, R. O'Halloran. Sub: F. O'Keefe for I. Mackey.

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# St Aloysius 'A' Had To Fight Hard To Take Schools Title

**C**ONGRATULATIONS are extended this week to St. Aloysius "A" team, who once again retained the Senior Schools' Championship this season. But on Saturday last they really had to fight every inch of the way against a gallant Presentation Convent team from Youghal.

This season five school sides took part in the championship and the games throughout the campaign were entertaining as well as exciting. The championship is always the biggest attraction of the schools' season and all those who took part made every effort to make it a first-class competition.

St. Aloysius "A" have dominated the competition for a number of years now but if Youghal can continue to field such a fine side as on Saturday last, then it cannot be long before the title leaves the city.

In the first round Youghal met Scoll Eanna, who have made a very welcome return to competition. The latter, despite the fine performances of Frances McKiernan, Imelda Kelleher and Emily Bowles, were never really able to match the skill of the seaside girls, who won by six goals to nil. In the other first round tie St. Aloysius "B" side, who have very promising players in Catherine Lingwood and Betty Harrington, disposed of North Presentation after a very exciting game. North Pres. although defeated by 4-2 to 1-0, played very well and were particularly well served by Nora Cronin, Miriam Mohally and Ann Hughes.

## CLOSE GAME

The two St. Als teams had then to meet to decide which of them would meet Youghal in the decider. Here, despite a grand performance by the "B" team, the first string were, not unexpectedly, victorious.

The scene was then set for one of the most exciting championship finals for some years. Both teams gave wonderful displays and the narrow two-point victory for St. Als underlines the closeness of the encounter.

The winners owe a great deal

to Eileen O'Flynn for this victory. She played a tremendous game at half-back, where she defended magnificently, while at the same time backing up the centres. The three Garvan sisters, Marie, who captains the side, Elizabeth and Deirdre, as well as Honor Lynch, also played major roles in this victory.

For Youghal, who deserve every credit for their fine performance in this tie, Cork County star, Angela Russell, and K. Hayes were best.

**Celtic**—Misses E. Leed, A. Gill, D. Dunne, J. Quinn, K. Murphy, L. Howard, R. White, C. Heffernan.

M. Gallagher, K. Kehoe, B. Lyons, Una O'Connor.

**Naomh Aoife**—Misses K. Ryder, A. Whelan, P. Whelan, B. McDonnell, B. Porter, S. Blake, P. Timmons, E. Ryder, D. Rogers, M. Delaney, J. Doyle, P. Campbell.

**U.C.D.**—Misses O. Walsh, E. O'Malley, M. Sheeran, M. Kelly, B. McSparran, A. Purcell, M. Coyne, G. Diver, B. O'Neill, B. Ni N. Annaschala, H. Kavanagh, K. Quinn.

**M. O'Neill**—Misses R. Ryan, K. O'Toole, M. Malbew, M. Foley, A. Hogan, P. O'Brien, N. McDonnell, V. Staly, M. Lane, J. Farrell, R. Hagan, D. Moran.

## Intriguing Dublin Camogie Final

# NAOMH AOIFE CAN DETHRONE CELTIC

By AGNES HOURIGAN

**O**NE of the most intriguing Dublin camogie championship finals ever played should bring a big crowd to Croke Park tonight when Naomh Aoife, in their first senior final, take on the holders Celtic. Naomh Aoife, who have, through the past decade come steadily up through junior and intermediate ranks, will start favourites, mainly due to their clear-cut semi-final victory over Austin Stacks. Chief factor in that victory was the brilliance at left wing of the All-Ireland and inter-provincial player Judy Doyle, who joined Naomh Aoife this year when her former club, C.I.E., reverted to Intermediate ranks.

Against Austin Stacks, who were warmly fancied to take the title, Judy Doyle had a personal score of 6-1 but she received plenty of support from her team-mates.

## Holdes Undaunted

Last year's Dublin All-Ireland captain Kathleen Ryder, although long a forward for her county, has been playing brilliantly in defence, with plenty of assistance from the Whelan sisters, while another All-Ireland player Patricia Timmons has been doing well at mid-field with Sally Blake, Doreen Rogers and Phyllis Campbell also to the fore.

But, though Celtic did not look nearly as impressive in their semi-final victory over Eoghan Ruadh, the holders are always noted championship fighters and will be no whit daunted that they are rated outsiders this time.

They have a great goal-keeper in the county player Ethna

Leech, a fine centre-back in Munster inter-provincial Kitty Murphy and a sound defender in Angela Gill. Moreover they have great power in attack, with the combination between those sharpshooters, Kit Kehoe and Una O'Connor, a feature.

On recent performances, Naomh Aoife must get the vote to take the title at the first time of asking, but they can take no chances against this Celtic side.

The curtain-raiser, the Intermediate A final, should also provide a very entertaining game. In this Muiris Uí Neill will start favourites against University College, for they looked the stronger side on their way to the final. But U.C.D., with several players who won Intermediate B honours a year ago, are quite capable of creating a surprise.

## Leinster Games

The Intermediate final is at 7.0 while the senior game is timed for 7.45.

Wexford advanced to the final

of the Leinster Intermediate championship with a good win over Kilkenny at Kilkenny on Sunday last. The losers fielded what was, in the main, a very youthful side, and their lack of experience told very heavily against them when they had the assistance of the gale-force wind in the first half.

The Wexford girls, though without their great full-back, Mary Sinnott, were the better side after the interval and deservedly advanced to the final.

They will know their opponents next Sunday evening for Louth and Offaly are scheduled to meet at Tuilamore on Sunday in the second semi-final. With no previous form to go on, it is hard to forecast the outcome of this game.

Louth have the more experienced players at their disposal but Offaly have a greater panel of talent to select from this season than ever before, and could span a surprise on home ground.

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Last week-end cleared the way to the Dublin Senior final in which Naomh Aoife will meet holders Celtic at Croke Park on Thursday, May 26.

Celtic, as expected, got the better of Eoghan Ruadh in one semi-final, though they had to battle hard to do so. The big surprise was in the other semi-final between Austin Stacks and Naomh Aoife.

## Clear-cut Win

In their only previous meeting this season Stacks had won with something to spare, but the position was very decisively reversed last Sunday when Naomh Aoife romped home by a clear-cut margin of 17 points. That Naomh Aoife won so easily was almost entirely due to the brilliance of Judy Doyle who, playing on the wing instead of in her customary corner-forward post, yet managed to score six goals and a point.

But she got magnificent support from the Ryder sisters, the Whelan sisters, Patricia Timmons, Sally Blake and Doreen Rogers and, on this form, Naomh Aoife look like making their first senior final a winning one when they meet Celtic next week.

They must also be favourites to win the league in which, however, Austin Stacks will have their chance to avenge championship defeat.

# Tipperary Are Confident They Can Beat Dublin In All-Ireland Semi-final

IN recent years Tipperary are perhaps the county who have given the long-standing All-Ireland champions, Dublin, the biggest number of "close calls". On Sunday next these sides meet again at Cahir in this season's All-Ireland semi-final and with the advantage of a home venue the Munster girls must be in this game with a more than good chance.

It will be remembered that the only occasion on which Dublin have suffered defeat during almost two decades was when they had to travel out of Dublin. This was at the hands of Antrim who had a tremendous victory over them in Belfast in 1957 in the semi-final. Three years ago Dublin travelled to play Cork also in the semi-final, and even their most ardent supporters will admit that on that occasion the champions were extremely lucky to snatch a last-minute victory.

This must give the Tipperary girls a confidence when they face the Metropolitan. The Munster girls have always had fine support especially at local venues and they must expect a bumper "gate" to cheer them on in this vital tie. For over a decade now Tipperary have been a major force in the campaign and they, perhaps more than any other county, deserve an All-Ireland championship. Some years ago they had what must have been the most disappointing moment of their history when in the semi-final they were leading Dublin for most of the game, only to suffer a heart-breaking last-minute defeat. Again Dublin had shown that they are never beaten until the full-time whistle, but on that day very many followers felt that Tipperary thoroughly deserved to win.

## NOT EASY

It is not easy after these confidence-rapping defeats to continue to face the all-conquering girls. But Tipperary must be given credit for the wonderful way in which they return each year to challenge for the trophy. Their determination and will-to-win and, of course, their undoubted ability, is something which must bring them a title before too long. Perhaps this is their year.

This season Tipperary dominate the Munster team with no less than seven of their players on the side. This is not surprising when one considers that they had little difficulty in retaining the Munster

championship. Most of the Tipp side have plenty of experience and should not be over-awed by the Dublin girls.

They have a very sound defence with such backs as Interprovincials Sally Long (goal), Honor Flynn (full back) and Ann Graham (wing back). In the centre they have Ann Carroll, one of the most polished players in the game, while in attack they have the entire Munster forward line—bar one. There are few players who deserve an All-Ireland medal more than veteran Kathleen Griffin. Kathleen has been trying for many years now and this season is playing as well as ever as she proved when she was one of Munster's stars in their recent victory over Ulster. Kathleen is an opportunist forward, who when the chips are down is coolness itself and she is a girl who gets through a tremendous amount of work in every game. Partnering Kathleen will be Tipperary's remaining interprovincials Bridie Moloney and Margo Loughane, two very efficient and stylish forwards.

Against this what have Dublin to offer. Well they certainly have tradition and a real championship quality. Never are Dublin badly hustled and no matter how far they happen to be trailing at any stage of a game they always manage to "pull it out of the fire". It is not good for the game to have one county dominate the competition for so long as it disheartens so many other teams. But one must admit that Dublin are a tremendous force and though outside of the capital followers would like to see a different name engraved on the trophy, these same followers must admire Dublin's unbeatable record.

## THEIR TRUMP CARD

Always they seem to have a long line of star players coming along, but it is the teamwork which is their real trump card. Newcomers always seem to fit into the set-up without any difficulty and other players can always benefit from watching the combination of this side. Their forwards in particular are a nightmare to any defence as they can make an opening with what appears to be the greatest of ease. However, there is an enormous amount of work constantly going into this aspect of the side—something which many counties regard too lightly. This is perhaps where Dublin have such an

advantage. They may not have as many individual stars as their opponents but they always seem to find a winning blend. On the other hand, other counties seem to concentrate more on individuals. Of course, Dublin have an advantage when it comes to training. As most of the side come from the city they are easily able to come together as often as they like for training. Tipperary, on the other hand have players scattered all over the county and find collective training a big problem.

Dublin have two of the finest forwards in the game in Una O'Connor and Judy Doyle, who either individually or as a combination are a treat to watch. They also have a fine goalkeeper in Eithne Leech as well as a clever half back in Ailie Hussey.

But despite all this Munster followers are confident that this season Tipperary can do it. Undoubtedly they deserve to and the good wishes of Munster will go with them in this effort to qualify to meet Antrim in the decider.

# Antrim Reach Camogie Final

ANTRIM ..... 4-4  
GALWAY ..... 3-0

ANTRIM qualified for the final of the All-Ireland Camogie Championship when they defeated Galway at Duggan Park, Ballinasloe, yesterday. The Northerners who led 3-1 to 2-0 at the interval, thrilled the large crowd with their superior striking, which put them in line for the title they last held 10 years ago.

Powered by a great player Sue Ward, Antrim took little time to settle down, scoring 2 goals in-

side 8 minutes. Their superior fitness and speed proved too much for the home side. Eileen Naughton in goal saved the Galway side from a heavier defeat by her brilliant saves which won rounds of applause from the crowd.

Despite the fact that Galway started with a strong breeze they failed to make any impression against the winners, who were forced to make three changes from their original line-out. Sue Ward was certainly the match winner, while Anne Marie Finn, Kathleen Kelly, Betty Smith and Theresa Kearns also excelled. Eileen Naughton was the losers' outstanding player while Olive Hanniffy, Rosemary Divilly, Kathleen Quinn and Rita O'Flaherty were the hardest

triers.

So, when Dublin and Tipperary line-out at Cahir on Sunday next in the second semi-final they will both be well aware that a confident Antrim side already awaits the winners in the final.

It is some considerable time since Dublin last played Tipperary on Tipperary soil. If memory serves me right the last occasion was at Roscrea more than a decade ago, and Dublin won a hard-fought game pretty convincingly.

But this time Tipperary, after giving Dublin such a hard run in the All-Ireland final at Croke Park a year ago, must be given a great chance of victory.

## MOST CONVINCING

Certainly their record this year in Munster is most convincing for they recorded a runaway victory over Clare before travelling to Dunmore East to gain a hard-won decision over Waterford, who had earlier provided the shock of the season by ousting Cork.

These Tipperary girls are a far more experienced side now than they were a year ago. Most of them have since won the All-Ireland club championship, and will have gained added confidence from that success. They have a fine goalkeeper in Sally Long, a grand full-back in Honor O'Flynn and other good defenders in their captain Anne Graham and Margaret Phelan.

Anne Carroll is one of the great personalities in the game and will be seen to advantage on the wing, while Kathleen Griffin and Margo Loughane are very dangerous in attack.

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**SCORERS**—Antrim—M. Carabane (2-1), T. Kearns (2-0), S. Ward (0-3). Galway—K. O'Flaherty (2-0), B. O'Brien (1-0).

**Antrim**—A. McCallum; K. Kelly; S. Maguire, M. Gilroy, E. Duggan; B. Smith, L. Scullion, S. Ward; M. Carabane, Anne M. Finn, T. Kearns; M. P. Jameson.

**Galway**—S. Naughton; O. Hanniffy; E. O'Flaherty, V. Heneghan, R. Divilly, Kay. Quinn, M. Kelly, B. O'Brien; K. Walsh, K. O'Flaherty, Kathleen Quinn; F. Feehan.

**Referee**—Mrs. Duffy (Dublin).

But, even at Cahir, Tipperary will have their work cut out for them to snatch the honours from a Dublin side, which shows only one change from the twelve that won the All-Ireland title for the ninth consecutive time a year ago.

## LIVING IN SPAIN

Alice Hussey has since retired—she is now living in Spain—but the great centre-half is replaced by another fine player, the former Clare and Munster star, Kitty Murphy, now living in Dublin.

With such greats of the game as Kathleen Ryder, Una O'Connor, Judy Doyle, Eithne Leech, Mary Sherlock, Kit Kehoe and Orla ni Shiochain on their line-out, Dublin will not readily yield the title they have held for so long and, if Tipperary beat them on Sunday next, the Munster champions will surely have earned their victory.

# Antrim fancied to qualify for the final

THE first of the all-Ireland camogie semi-finals for the year will take place at Ballinasloe on Sunday (3.30 p.m.). The competing teams, Galway, the Connacht champions, will line out against Antrim, the Ulster champions. It is expected that both sides will make a big effort to qualify for the final against Dublin or Tipperary.

Antrim make no secret of the fact that they are anxious to have a further tilt for major honours which have eluded them for some years. The Ulster girls proved worthy winners of the championship in 1945, '46, '47 and '56, but since then they have had to be content with defeat, at the hands of Dublin, whose record has not been challenged since 1957.

It is not, however, without significance that Antrim have made noteworthy appearances in the semi-finals in recent years, and in 1957 Dublin just got through by 3-3 to 3-1.

In last year's semi-final, at Glen ariffe, after a magnificent and high-scoring game—10-1 to 7-5—Dublin again pulled through.

For the game at Ballinasloe, Antrim are fielding a strong side, with a good blend of youth and experience, and with notable players in Misses K. Kelly, M. Gilroy, M. McAtamney, T. Kearns and M. P. Jameson, included in the side, they should qualify for the final.

Galway, on the other hand, are fighters, but have not, so far, been fortunate in having their name on the trophy. They are, however, regular aspirants for honours, and are never wanting in enthusiasm.

Dublin had the edge on the Connacht champions in 1960 and 1962, when they ran them to a 6-2 to 2-0, and 5-5 to 2-0 margin. In this year's inter-provincial semi-final at Naas, the Connacht side fielded practically an all-Galway team, and gave a creditable display against a much fancied Leinster selection.

This added strength and confidence to the side, which two weeks ago, got the better of Mayo by 4-8 to 1-1.

With proved and capable players in the Misses E. Naughton, V. Heneghan, E. Walsh and K. O'Flaherty Galway could very well upset the Ulster champions.

## Big Camogie Win For Munster

Munster 7-3; Ulster 1-4

Munster scored a decisive 7-3 to 1-4 win over Ulster in the inter-provincial camogie championships for the Gael Linn Cup competition at Emmet Park, Carrickmacross, yesterday.

The Ulster team held the southern girls well in the first half and at the interval Munster led by 2-1 to 1-2. After the change-over, however, the southern girls got a firm grip on the game and dominated the exchanges until the full time whistle.

### FORWARDS IN FORM

Munster were better in the air and combined to advantage. The attack and the forwards, particularly in the second half, were able to cut open the Ulster girls' defence almost effortlessly.

Kathleen Griffin had an outstanding game for Munster in the full forward position. Others to catch the eye were Margot Loughnane, Stephanie O'Connell and Mary Maloney. Ann Carroll captured most of the limelight at centre field while Anne Grehan, and Breeda Giltinane cleared well under pressure.

Best for Ulster were Nodlaig Sands in goal and Kathleen Kelly at full-back. Others to play well were Sue Ward, M. McAtanney and Maura Cauldwell and Betty Smith in attack.

Scorers for Munster—Stephanie O'Connell (3-0), Margot Loughnane (2-0), Anne Carroll (1-1), Mary Maloney (1-0) and Kathleen Griffin (0-2).

Scorers for Ulster, Pat Crangle (1-0), Mairead McAtanney (0-2), Sue Ward and Mairead Carabine (0-1 each).

Munster—S. Long, A. Grehan, E. Cummins, B. Giltinane, D. Guiry, A. Carroll, P. Dorgan, L. Howlett, M. Loughnane, S. O'Connell, M. Maloney, K. Griffin.

Subs.—A. Crotty and M. Ryan for M. Loughnane and M. Maloney.

Ulster—N. Sands, K. Kelly, A. Kennedy, A. McDonnell, S. Ward, M. Quinn, M. Carabine, M. McAtanney, P. Crangle, M. Cauldwell, B. Smith and M. Jameson.

Mrs. S. O'Duffy, Dublin, was referee.

# Munster Face Ulster In Gael Linn Cup In Monaghan

MUNSTER make the long journey to Co. Monaghan on Sunday next for their first appearance in this year's Gael Linn Cup. Their opponents will be Ulster, a side who can always rise to the heights.

Cork have two players on this year's team, Glen Rovers colleagues Peggy Dorgan and Stephanie O'Connell. Peggy is one of the most stylish and accurate players in the game and is quite capable of winning a game on her own. She is a versatile member of Glen Rovers, playing equally as well in any of the centrefield positions or at half forward, but on Sunday she is in perhaps her best position at wing centre. Stephanie, too is capable of playing in a number of positions but she too must be in her favourite position on Sunday—at half forward—a position in which she has played very many star games for both Cork and Glen. Cork too are represented in the



Peggy Dorgan (Munster)

substitutes where veteran Glen forward Anna Crotty thoroughly deserves yet another honour, while Eleanor Cummins played so well in goal this season both for South Presentation Past Pupils and Cork, that one feels she might easily have got the position between the posts. However, it is good to know that Munster have such a first-class goalkeeper in reserve.

### DOMINATE

Tipperary not surprisingly, dominate the selection with no less

than seven players on the side. Solly Long in goal has proved herself in the past, while they have another ex-goalkeeper, Honor



Kathleen Griffin (Munster)

Flynn at full back. Honor was quite a capable keeper but since abandoning her usual position, she has proved a much more polished player out the field. Ann Graham is another strong Tipperary defender who will have as her other full back partner the very solid Limerick back Bridie Giltinane. Limerick too fill the half back berth with the very stylish Bunty Guiry.

This defence, on paper at any rate, looks a strong one and should be able to deal with the best that Ulster can offer.

The centrefield is, however, likely to be Munster's strongest sector. The best from Cork, Tipperary and Waterford are here. Peggy Dorgan on the other wing will be the Munster champion's biggest star Ann Carroll. Ann is another player who is quite capable of taking the game into her own hands and her accuracy and speed make her a vital asset to any side. Completing the trio is Waterford's very clever Lillian Howlett, who played such a big part in Cork's downfall in this season's Munster Championship.

Stephanie O'Connell is the only "outsider" in the attack where Tipperary fill the other three positions. No camogie follower needs an introduction to the undoubted scoring ability of the veteran Kathleen Griffin who is picked at full forward. Kathleen is cool-

ness itself under pressure and if the chances come her way she will not waste too many of them. The remaining forwards, Bridie Moloney and Margo Loughnane, although not quite as experienced as Kathleen play exceptionally well together and this could be a major factor in the success of the attack.

### USEFUL SIDE

Certainly this looks a very useful Munster team. There is plenty of experience and craft, and above all there is a real look of determination about this side. The long journey will not help Munster, but most of the side are quite used to such journeys and they will hardly be too perturbed by the strong pitch.

But they would not want to be too confident facing Ulster. The Northern Province are perhaps the unluckiest of the provinces. They have had many near misses for the title and their year must come. They can always field a fast, efficient side, who are quite well able to come from behind no matter how great the odds. At the time of writing their line-out was not available but no doubt they will be able to call on the services of that first class Antrim player Sue Ward. Moya Forde is another Antrim player—this time a defender who could easily be included in the side. In any event Ulster can be depended on to field a strong side and with the advantage of a favourable venue, then they must be confident of advancing.

Can Munster qualify for yet another Gael Linn final. Certainly they have the players and with their greater tradition behind them they must be taken as favourites. It will be remembered that outside of Leinster, Munster are the only other province to have taken the trophy. Their most recent victory in the event was two seasons ago, but last year saw them go out to Leinster. However, this season they are determined to get back on the winning trail so that they face Ulster full of determination and quietly confident that they can come out on top.

## Una Keeps On Collecting

In line today to add another medal to what already ranks as one of the most impressive collections of souvenirs in our national games is top-scoring camogie full-forward Una O'Connor. Victory for Dublin over Wexford in the Leinster senior final at Croke Park would give the Dubliner her 14th provincial senior medal!

Last year she won her 12th All-Ireland senior medal—three short of the record established by Kathleen Mills (Dublin) between 1942 and 1961. Una, however, has the record for interprovincial medals, with six souvenirs between 1957 and last year. She also holds county championship and league medals, and won an All-Ireland Inter-Club medal with her team, Celtic, in 1964.

## Leinster selection

AT a meeting of Leinster Camogie Council yesterday the following player were chosen to represent Leinster in the Gael Linn semi-final against Connacht in Naas on July 17:—E. Leech (Dublin), M. Ryan (Dublin), J. Murphy (Wexford), Margaret O'Leary (Wexford), Mary Connery (Kilkenny), Mary Sherlock (Dublin), M. Hearne (Wexford), O. Ni Shiochain (Dublin), K. Kehoe (Dublin), K. Ryder (Dublin), J. Doyle (Dublin), U. O'Connor (Dublin), J. Dooley (Offaly), M. Houlahan (Kilkenny), R. Kiernan (Louth), P. Magee (Kildare).

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## ST. PATRICK'S TROUNCE GLEN ROVERS

St. Patrick's (Tipperary) 6-12;  
Glen Rovers (Cork) 1-1.

St. Patrick's, Tipperary county champions, had a very easy win over Glen Rovers. Cork county champion in the Munster semi-final of the inter-club camogie championship played at the Gaelic Grounds, Adare. St. Patrick's had control of the game from the throw-in and their midfield superiority soon made openings for quick scores from Peggy Greer, Ann Carroll and Lucy Scott. The half-time score read St. Patrick's 2-10, Glen Rovers nil.

Brilliant goalkeeping by Deirdre Sutton for Glen Rovers was loudly applauded. The combination of Tipperary forwards brought further scores from N. Carroll, M. Loughneam and D. Moloney. Just before the final whistle Glen Rovers replied their scores coming from Anna Crotty and Stephanie O'Connor.

Referee was Gerry Fitzgerald, Limerick.

## Easy Inter-Club Victory For St. Patrick's

St. Patrick's, Glengoola, 5-16;  
Croagh, Limerick, 1-2.

St. Patrick's, Glengoola, All-Ireland champions, took a step nearer to this year's crown when they decisively retained the Munster Senior Inter-Club Championship title by defeating Croagh, the Limerick champions, 5-16 to 1-2 at Adare, Co. Limerick, yesterday.

Exchanges were fairly even in the first half, and at half time St. Patrick's advantage was but 2-2 to nil. However, on the resumption St. Patrick's, who included ten of the Tipperary County team, really showed their strength and with scores coming in rapid succession from U.C.D. star Ann Carroll, Kathleen Griffin and Margaret Loughneam, they finished very easy winners.

An interesting feature of St. Patrick's three wins to date in the series is that they have scored 25-32 and have conceded only 2-5.

In addition to the three mentioned above, the Graham sisters, Ann and Margaret, were also outstanding for St. Patrick's, while on a disappointing Croagh team, only Margery Burke, Bridie Gillinagh, Bessie Gairy, Ann Carroll and Marie O'Connor in goal showed their real form.

## GLEN CAN PROVE THIRD TIME LUCKY TO-NIGHT

Cork County champions, Glen Rovers, play in their third inter-club competition at Adare to-night (Thursday), 7.30 p.m. and they are hoping that this season it will be third time lucky for them. Their first outing in this year's competition is a very difficult one as they meet the holders, St. Patrick's, the Tipperary County Champions.

In the first round Glen were drawn against Kerry but they withdrew giving the Cork girls a bye into the semi-final. It would, perhaps have been better for the Cork girls if they had a first round game, as it is never easy to meet the top team in the competition without a previous outing.

Glen Rovers have always fared well in the inter-club campaign. In their first year they were unlucky not to dispose of the eventual winners, Celtic of Dublin, in the All-Ireland semi-final and last season they again reached the Munster Final. In this game they were defeated by St. Patrick's so that they will be doubly determined to win to-night.

St. Patrick's will not be an easy side to conquer. They were only formed last season but they had a fantastic rise to the top when they went all the way to the Inter-Club trophy. Most of their strength lies in the person of Ann Carroll, the Tipperary and Munster star, who is a tremendous asset to any line-out.

It is vital that Glen can "mark" Ann to-night as she is the one player who can create one dangerous situation after another. Besides Ann, St. Patrick's have a number of other talented players who make up a first class line-out.

Against this Glen have their four-in-a-row County Championship winning side. They are strong in all sectors and have a combination and club spirit which is hard to equal. They have inter-provincials, Peggy Dorgan and Stephanie O'Connell, who played so well for Munster in their win over Ulster earlier this year, as well as Cork stars Anna Crotty, Kathleen Browne, and Teresa Murphy.

This promises to be a top class encounter, full of excitement and fine camogie. It is not easy to forecast the winners. St. Patrick's will probably start as favourites because of their triumph last season, but Cork followers will be hopeful that the powerful Glen will turn the tables on them.

# DUBLIN IN ANOTHER FINAL

WHAT a pity that we had such a confusing and controversial finish to the tremendously exciting All-Ireland camogie semi-final between holders Dublin and challengers Tipperary at Cahir on Sunday last. This game aroused remarkable interest in the South and drew one of the biggest crowds at a camogie game that I have ever seen outside of Dublin, Cork or Belfast.

Yet the early stages gave little indication of the intense excitement that was fated to follow. Dublin setting their fine team-work and precise ground play against Tipperary's over-head mastery and fine individual efforts had rather the better of the first half and deservedly led by 3-0 to 1-1 at half-time by my reckoning.

When Dublin added a fourth goal soon after the restart the champions seemed well on the way to yet another All-Ireland final.

But then Tipperary really made a supreme effort. They scored two goals and a point, as I registered the scoring, to cut the Dublin lead to the minimum, but Dublin struck back with another goal. Yet the Tipperary girls were not yet done with. They came back to notch three further points so that, when the last whistle blew, I thought the Munster champions still one point in arrears.

But quite a number of people had credited Tipperary with at least one more point, so that there was a very large body of opinion which believed the result had been a draw.

### BESEIGED

Miss Bernie King (Monaghan) who had refereed a by no means easy game with commendable efficiency, was besieged by spectators requesting the result. She laid her report before an emergency meeting of the Central Council which was held in the Galtee Hotel.

The Council members present having heard Miss King's report confirmed her decision which was that Dublin had won by a point. The result was a great disappointment to Tipperary players, officials and supporters alike, as most of them felt they ought to have been credited with a further point which would have left scores level. There were even some present who thought Tipperary had scored seven points in all which would have given them victory by a point.

### DISALLOWED

Personally I think most of the confusion was caused by the fact that at least one score was signalled, and was afterwards disallowed. In fact the suggestion brought forward at a recent Congress, and then defeated, that neutral umpires be in charge at All-Ireland semi-finals as well as finals, had a great argument in its favour last Sunday. These umpires could be brought by the referee.

In any case, the referee's decision is final, and now that her report has been confirmed by Central Council, Dublin are officially through to the All-Ireland final. Moreover, I was very sorry that a good and conscientious official in Miss King became the centre of so much controversy. As I saw it she performed a thankless task quite well. As I have said, Dublin are now through to the final against Antrim at Croke Park on September 18, but not even against

Antrim at Glenarriff last year were the All-Ireland champions as hard pressed as they were on Sunday last. Admittedly that Sally Long in the Tipperary goal foiled Dublin of several major scores, the fact remains that this was a game Tipperary were well capable of winning. Again I felt they did not show sufficient combination, even though such as Anne Carroll, Honor O'Flynn and the Graham sisters played very well.

Dublin, however, were as a team, just that vital shade superior, although looking back over the fifty minutes a draw might well have been the fairest result in view of Tipperary's great late rally. I saw some of the Antrim team present, and they certainly got plenty to think about, especially as they tell me that their great star Mairead McAtamney is a very doubtful starter for the final, as she is recuperating after an illness.

## Kilkenny Take Camogie Title

ST. PAUL'S, KILKENNY ... 4-5

ST. IBAR'S, WEXFORD ..... 4-1

ST. PAUL'S, Kilkenny Camogie Champions defeated St. Ibar's, Wexford, the holders, in the Provincial final of the Leinster Club championship at Kilkenny last evening.

The winners, who led 2-3 to 1-0 at half time, had to survive a great rally by the losers in the second half but finished deserving winners.

Scorers: St. Paul's: A. Gargan (2-0), C. O'Hanrahan (1-2), E. Vennard (1-0), C. O'Shea (0-2) and O. O'Neill (0-1). St. Ibar's: L. Kearne (1-0), M. Walsh (1-0), L. Kinseha (1-0) and L. Murphy (1-1).

### DUBLIN WIN DISPUTED ALL-IRELAND SEMI-FINAL

Tipperary ... 3-5; Dublin ... 5-0

Elation, disappointment, despair, absolute exasperation, these are all the words that could be used to describe the feelings of the Tipperary Camogie team after last Sunday's All-Ireland Semi-Final defeat by All-Ireland Champions Dublin in Cahir. The excitement and the cheering when the referee announced after the game that Tipperary had won by a point was tremendous, and the exhausted Tipperary girls just jumped for joy. But amid fantastic confusion, there were doubts as to whether one of Tipperary's points had been allowed or not.

Disappointment that the game might possibly be drawn turned to absolute frustration when it was announced in the Galtee Hotel that Dublin had won by a point.

That a referee in an All-Ireland Semi-Final could forget to mark down scores of one of the teams is really inexplicable. All the Tipp girls and officials were simply stunned that such a thing could happen. It was like a nightmare coming true. How the referee could change so quickly from Tipperary winning by one point to the impossibility of Dublin actually winning is beyond comprehension.

### DUBLIN AVAIL OF TIPPERARY MISTAKES

But to the game and what a struggle it was. Tipperary attacked quickly and Ann Carroll opened the scoring with a fine left handed shot. But despite this good start Tipperary appeared nervous and unsure of themselves, and Dublin capitalised on mistakes to snatch three goals within the first fifteen minutes. Then with five minutes to go to half-time Tipperary asserted themselves, Peggy Graham slammed home a beauty of a goal and Tipperary were moving up the field. A minute later the Dublin goal had the narrowest of escapes when the ball went inches wide. Tipperary finished the half on this high note, Tipperary 1-1, Dublin 3-0.

Tipperary started the second half in determined fashion, but received a fierce set-back when in their first attack Dublin scored another goal. But with determination written all over their faces Tipperary came up the field. Kathleen Griffin slammed the ball into the net, Margo Loughnane pointed, Alice Long put the green flag waving with a terrific shot, but Dublin came down the field for another goal. But Tipperary came again. Ann Carroll came up the field and pointed. Then she pointed a free (the disputed point). Peggy Graham brought Tipperary within one point, Margo Loughnane coolly tapped over the equaliser, and seconds before the final whistle Ann Carroll slammed over the winner to break the Dublin bogey for Tipperary camogie players for ever, no matter what the referee says.

### TIPP GIRLS MAGNIFICENT

No words of praise could be sufficient to describe the fantastic second half, put in by the Tipperary girls. They were magnificent, they were supreme, they had the Dubliners running in circles. Had the game gone on the confident, brilliant Tipp girls would certainly have cut the already badly faltering champions defence to ribbons.

Sally Long was brilliant in goal. The backs outplayed the much vaunted Dublin forward line, the mid-fielders after breaking even in the first half had Dublin in trouble in the second half, and Dublin had to switch their captain Kay Ryder from the forwards to mid-field to try and steady up their team in the last quarter. The forwards played a big part in this game. Everyone of them scored and they took their chances well. They moved as a unit with one purpose in mind, and even a deficit of eight points did not deter them from attaining their purpose, and they succeeded as far as flagged scores were concerned.

### AN OBJECTION

The latest news from Tipperary Board is that an objection is being lodged with the Central Council, as regards the final score, and hope is not given up yet that justice will be done. These are the scores that were flagged for Tipperary.

P. Graham 1-1; A. Carroll 0-4 (0-1 disputed and in doubt); K. Griffin 1-0; A. Long 1-0; M. Loughnane 0-2.

Tipperary — Sally Long, Honor O'Flynn, Margaret Phelan, Ann Graham, Mary Graham (Captain), Ann Carroll, Monica Ryan, Bernie Moloney, Alice Long, Kathleen Griffin, Margo Loughnane, Peggy Graham.

Subs: Josephine Marshall, Peggy Carroll, Esther Ryan.

## Confusion as Dublin win

Dublin, 5-0; Tipperary, 3-5

THERE was much confusion about the final score when referee Miss B. King blew the whistle after the All-Ireland camogie semi-final between Dublin and Tipperary at Cahir yesterday. After an emergency meeting of the Central Council held in the Galtee Hotel after the game the president stated that according to the referee's report the final score was Dublin 5-0 Tipperary 3-5.

The game was very fast but unfortunately play was spoiled by over-robust tactics. Dublin, who were favoured by a slight breeze, led 3-0 to 1-1 at half time.

Tipperary opened the score with a point from Ann Carroll. Una O'Connor put Dublin ahead with a goal and Kit Keogh increased this with another before Judy Doyle added a third to leave the score 3-0 to 0-1 after 20 minutes. Peggy Graham reduced the arrears when she goalied for Tipperary.

Dublin went further ahead after the interval when Una O'Connor goalied again. Tipperary began a great rally at this stage and added 2-1 to leave Dublin in front by only a point. Dublin had a further goal however, before Tipperary added three points before the end.

Mary Ryan, Bridget Keenan, Kitty Murphy, were sound defenders for the winners. Orin Ni Stocain had an even duel with Ann Carroll and Mary Sherlock just got the better of Bernie Moloney in the middle of the field.

The Dublin attack combined well but were often felled by Sally Long, who kept a brilliant goal for Tipperary.

Scorers — Dublin — U. O'Connor (3-0), K. Keogh (2-0), J. Doyle (1-0), Tipperary — P. Graham (1-1), K. Griffin (2-0), A. Carroll and M. Loughnane (0-2) each.

Dublin — K. Leach, M. Ryan, B. Keenan, K. Murphy, K. Lyons, O. Ni Stocain, P. Timmons, M. Sherlock, K.

Keogh, K. Ryder capt., J. Doyle, U. O'Connor.  
Tipperary — S. Long, M. Ryan, M. Phelan, A. Graham; M. Graham, capt., A. Carroll, M. Ryan, B. Moloney, A. Long, K. Griffin, M. Loughnane, P. Graham.

## Dublin Qualify For All-Ireland

Dublin, 5-0; Tipperary, 3-5

Amidst scenes of great excitement at Cahir yesterday, Dublin, the All-Ireland champions, narrowly defeated Tipperary by one point in the second All-Ireland semi-final. Dublin will play Antrim in the final.

The capacity crowd were in a welter of excitement in the final stages of the game as Tipperary fought back gallantly to wipe out the deficit. Many people, including the Tipperary team, left the field under the impression that scores were level, and it took a subsequent emergency meeting of the Executive Council, presided over by Miss Ann O'Grady, of Cork, before it emerged that Dublin were victors by one point.

Dublin went into an early lead with a goal by Una O'Connor after three minutes. Tipperary replied with a point by Ann Carroll. Further Dublin pressure brought two more goals by Judy Doyle and Kitty Kehoe.

### GOOD SCORES

A goal by Peg Graham (Tipperary) ended the scoring, leaving Dublin ahead at the interval by 3-0 to 1-1.

Shortly after the start of the second half Dublin went further ahead with a good goal by Una O'Connor, but Kathleen Griffin brought Tipperary back into the game by scoring two great goals. This was followed by a point by Margo Loughnane before Dublin had their last goal, with a goal by Kitty Kehoe.

Tipperary swarmed to the attack in an effort to save the game and had further scores with a point each by Peg Graham, Margo Loughnane and Ann Carroll.

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# DUBLIN FACE A STERN FIGHT IN RECORD BID

By UNA

**D**UBLIN, so long supreme in the camogie fields, have seen their supremacy very hotly challenged in the last 12 months, but that will, I think, make them all the keener to set a new record tomorrow by winning the All-Ireland title for the tenth successive year when they meet Antrim in the final at Croke Park (3.15).

Almost caught by a brilliant Antrim rally in Glenariff a year ago; almost over-run by Tipperary in the semi-final at Cahir a month ago, Dublin well realise that the days of assured All-Ireland victory are long over, and they have trained very earnestly indeed for this decider.

Through the week there were doubts that their great full-forward Una O'Connor might have to cry off. A severe ankle injury sustained in training looked for a while as though it might deprive the famed Celtic star from setting up a new record of playing in 10 successive All-Ireland finals, and the chance of improving on her own present record by winning 10 titles in succession.

However, though she was unable to take part in the latter stages of training, I understand that Una has a more than even-money chance of fielding out in her favourite full-forward position tomorrow and thus will be in with a great chance of winning her 13th All-Ireland medal—a record surpassed in any field-sport only by another camogie player, the already legendary Dubliner, Kathleen Mills.

For another of the Dublin side, Kathleen Lyons, tomorrow will also be a historic occasion. Kathleen can move clear of John Doyle and Christy Ring by winning her 9th All-Ireland medal. Two of this Dublin side will be playing in an All-Ireland final

for the first time, the former Clare player Kitty Murphy from Celtic at centre-back and the Austin Stacks star, Anne McAllister, who gets her chance at centre-forward.

Kitty Murphy has played with Dublin to telling effect all through this season's campaign, but Anne McAllister, though a reserve through the past two seasons, has only had one previous outing in the Dublin tunic. That was against Antrim in last year's semi-final. It is obvious that the selectors had that performance in mind when picking her for this final.

Now, as then, she fills the centre-forward position, Kathleen Ryder moving out to mid-field, with Patricia Timmons stepping down to the reserves. These moves should give Dublin added strength around mid-field, and it seems to me that on the wide Croke Park pitch Mary Sherlock and Orla ni Shiochain on the wings will be able to avail of the room to use their speed that they lacked at Cahir.

With a good service from mid-field the Dublin forwards should get opportunities enough to snatch the scores that will mean victory. On the other hand, of course, the holders can take nothing at all for granted against a very hopeful Antrim side that is no whit down-hearted even by the absence of that fine player Sue Ward.

With four of their All-Ireland side of 1956 on duty—Moya Forde, Maeve Gilroy, Teresa Kearns and Ethna Dougan—and great and experienced players in Mairead McAtamney, Betty Smith, Mairead Carabine and Mary Phil Jamleson, aided by up and coming stars in Kathleen Kelly, Mairead Quinn, Anne Marie Finn and Eileen McGrogan, Antrim must be in with a great chance, and, win who will, this should be a most entertaining game.

Mrs. B. Byrne (Monaghan) will referee and the teams will be entertained to dinner by Central Council after the game, which will be broadcast. The curtain raiser, which is timed for 2.15, will be provided by two Dublin clubs, Muiris Uí Neill and Noamh Lorcain O'Toole.

## THE TEAMS

### DUBLIN

|             |               |                 |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
|             | E. Leech      |                 |
|             | M. Ryan       |                 |
| B. Keenan   | K. Murphy     | K. Lyons        |
| M. Sherlock | K. Ryder      | O. Ni Shiochain |
| K. Kehoe    | A. McAllister | J. Doyle        |
|             | U. O'Connor   |                 |

Reserves: C. Clarke, F. Whelan, P. Timmons, C. Heffernan, S. Creevy, J. Quinn.

Referee: Mrs. B. Byrne (Monaghan).

### ANTRIM

|             |               |              |
|-------------|---------------|--------------|
|             | T. Kearns     |              |
|             | M. Forde      |              |
| E. Dougan   | M. Gilroy     | K. Kelly     |
| B. Smyth    | M. Quinn      | M. McAtamney |
| M. Carabine | A. M. Finn    | E. McGrogan  |
|             | M. P. Jameson |              |

Reserves: S. Maguire, L. Scullion, C. Wheeler.



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# All-Ireland Camogie Final Promises To Be A Thriller

**T**HE showpiece of the camogie season—the All-Ireland championship final — takes place at Croke Park on Sunday next at 3.15 p.m. The opponents are old rivals Dublin and Antrim and the game promises to be a thriller.

Dublin have a fantastic record in the All-Ireland championship. For almost 20 years they have completely dominated the competition with one exception. That was ten years ago when Antrim caused a major surprise by disposing of the champions in the semi-final.

With such a tradition behind them no follower could make them anything but favourites for Sunday's big game. They have everything one looks for in a winning side—wonderful combination, team spirit and a truly brilliant line-out.

This season they got their toughest game for some time when they defeated Tipperary in the semi-final. It was a pity that this game was spoiled by misunderstandings which must have marred the victory for the Dublin girls. Many followers feel that Dublin were lucky to win that game, but "luck" has been with Dublin for so long now that one feels it will always be on their side.

The champions have always managed to find top class players to fill their vacancies and this seems to be particularly the case in their attack. Always they have great scoring power among their forwards and this present Dublin team is no exception. Surely Una O'Connor and Judy Doyle must make up one of the greatest partnerships in the game for many years. They are ideally matched scoring-wise and they have given more headaches to selectors than any other forwards in the game. If Antrim cannot provide "marking" of these two then the Northern girls will be in real trouble.

Most of the Dublin line-out are well-known to camogie followers throughout the country. Who has not heard of their very sound goalkeeper Eithne Leech, or their fine centre Mary Sherlock? Then there is the stylish Kathleen Ryder who is equally successful in a number of positions and that very solid defender Kay Lyons. In fact the entire Dublin team is top class individually as well as forming what is undoubtedly a tremendous line-out.

## NOT OVERAWED

What have Antrim got to offer against this formidable set up?

a great blow to the Antrim hopes and it must also be a disappointment to the player herself as she could have played a major role in taking the trophy back across the "Border." Sue planned her wedding thinking that the All-Ireland final would be played early in September and in fact she was only married on Tuesday last and would have played had it been fixed for Sunday last.

But Antrim will have to make their plans without Sue for this vital game in their history. In their semi-final game their superior fitness and speed proved too much for the Galway girls and they will be hopeful that these will be vital factors on Sunday also. Maeve Gilroy has played many fine games for Antrim in her long career and in fact was in the line-out which won the title in 1956. Maeve was at half back against Galway and she could do a great deal to steady the Antrim defence in the vital opening quarter. Kathleen Kelly, although a newcomer to the side, was another defender who impressed against Galway.

Antrim too have their big names in attack. Mary P. Jameson needs no introduction while Teresa Kearns and Mary Carbine shared most of the scoring against Galway. They also have a very promising centre in Betty Smith.

But will this be enough against the might of Dublin? Certainly the majority of followers outside of Dublin will be hoping that it will. But only time will tell whether Dublin will take yet another title or Antrim will be the side to bring a dramatic end to their record-breaking run.

# Camogie Is Back In North Kerry

Camogie was again seen in full strength in the North Kerry area after a lapse of many years when Cork and Kerry met in the first round of the Munster Secondary competition in Ballybunion. Kerry was not at its best on that occasion and Cork had a great victory scoring six goals to Kerry's nil nevertheless, it was a very friendly match.

# Tipperary Objection Fails

Tipperary's objection to Dublin being awarded the All-Ireland semi-final at Cahir was not upheld by a meeting of the Central Council of the Camogie Association in Dublin last week.

The referee, Miss Bernie King, had awarded the game to Dublin on the scores of 5-0 to 3-5. Tipp. contended that they had scored another point, and that the result should therefore have been a draw.

The Council, after hearing the Tipperary delegates, the referee and the umpires, decided it had not been proved on the evidence that the game had not been refereed in accordance with the rules of the Association, and therefore confirmed the referee's decision that Dublin had won by a point.

# Cork Should Beat Kerry At Ballybunion

**B**ALLYBUNION will be the venue on Sunday next for Cork's first appearance in this season's secondary competition, where they meet Kerry in the first round.

This competition was organised as a special incentive to all those players in Munster who have yet to win a Munster championship medal. This, of course, means that it is a particularly good campaign for the weaker counties. It means, for example that Tipperary have to field a completely new team. Cork cannot call on a number of their prominent players, while Limerick and Waterford can play most of their championship sides and Kerry and Clare can line out their full sides.

Last season Cork were defeated by Limerick who went on to take the title in fine style by disposing of Waterford in the decider. These two sides must be expected to do well again this season although Cork must also be very much in the running. Many followers felt Cork were over-confident when they met Limerick and before they had accepted that Limerick were a good side, the Shannonsiders had laid the foundations of victory.

## SHOULD ADVANCE

Cork must be expected to advance on Sunday despite the fact that Kerry will be at full strength. The Kerry girls are the newest recruits to Munster camogie and they still have a lot to learn. Still they have the advantage of a home venue, while Cork have the considerable journey to Ballybunion before they take the field.

On paper the Cork team looks a very strong one, built as it is around a nucleus of senior Cork players. Leading the defence they have U.C.C. and Cork star Hannah Dineen at full back. Hannah's powerful clearances are a great help to any side and they should inspire confidence in Barbara O'Keefe, the Whitegate goalkeeper and South Presentation Post

Pupils very useful wing backs, Mary Crowley and Angela Cronin. At half back Cork will have the stylish Ann McAuliffe of Old Aloysians, Sheila Forde (Old Aloysians) is a regular on the Cork senior side and she must be expected to play a major role at wing centre where she will get able assistance from top South Presentation centre Kay O'Sullivan and Glen Rovers' Nuala Humphries.

At half forward the Leesiders have the clever Joan Fitzpatrick (South Pres.), who will have a club colleague in Rose O'Halloran at full forward. The wing positions will be filled by the hard working Kathleen Ryan of Old Aloysians and the very promising Angela Russell of Youghal. Angela, incidentally, played on the senior side this season, which was a great tribute to her ability in only her second season in camogie.

With this lineout, Cork's hopes for Sunday's tie must be very high. The Kerry team was not available at the time of writing but they are still so inexperienced that they can hardly expect to dispose of Cork. However the game should be an interesting one and a rewarding outing for the Leesiders.

There are no local fixtures for Sunday.

**CORK TEAM —** B. O'Keefe (Whitegate), H. Dineen (U.C.C.), M. Crowley (S.P.P.), A. McAuliffe (Old Aloysians), A. Cronin (S.P.P.), S. Forde (Old Aloysians), K. O'Sullivan (S.P.P.), N. Humphries (Glen Rovers), K. Ryan (Old Aloysians), J. Fitzpatrick (S.P.P.), Angela Russell (Youghal) and R. O'Halloran (S.P.P.).  
**Subs. —** Ann Moynihan (Old Aloysians) and Peg O'Brien (Fermoy).

## FIXTURES

Sunday at Ballybunion—Secondary Competition, first round—Cork v. Kerry, 4 p.m.

# ? Question Corner ?

# CLASSIC FINAL

By AINE MEAGHER



● HER LAST BOW . . . Kathleen Mills, with the All-Ireland Camogie Cup, at the end of her last game, the final of 1961. On her left the Dublin captain, Gerry Hughes, accepts the congratulations of Tipperary captain, Honor O'Flynn.

## ALL-IRELAND MEDALLISTS

THE question which we have long ago learned to dread is the seemingly simple query which may contain a hidden snare. And that was why we examined from many angles the seemingly straightforward request from MICHAEL COURTNEY of 4 Clanrye Ave., Newry, Co. Down, who asked: "Could you tell me who has more All-Ireland medals than either John Doyle or Christy Ring and cannot win anymore? Why?"

Maybe it was the final "Why" that worried us, but we gave this problem a great deal of thought indeed, and yet finished up with the same answer as we first thought of.

Oddly enough, there are quite a few people who have won more All-Ireland medals than either John Doyle or Christy Ring. But the vast majority of these medal-holders won their awards either in handball or athletics, where it is possible, though admittedly difficult to

'43, '44, '48, '50 to '55 inclusive, and 1957 to 1961 inclusive. That is, she won her first All-Ireland a year after Christy Ring won his first and won five after the Corkman won his last.

On the other hand, Kathleen Mills had won five senior medals before John Doyle won his first in 1949. Since Kay retired in 1961, John has won three medals but even the Holycross man's greatest admirers would hardly claim that he is likely to win

SO near and yet so far. That is the way it was for the Antrim camogie team at Croke Park last Sunday, when, against all the odds, they all but knocked Dublin off their All-Ireland throne after a wonderfully entertaining game.

The final score, 2-2 to 0-6, shows how close the Antrim girls went to victory, for after all they registered six scores to four and forced three '30's against Dublin's one. But the sad fact is that they also had 16 wides against Dublin's five and that is where the game was won and lost.

In fairness to Dublin it must be pointed out, however, that these figures may give a false impression of the play. It is true that Antrim, over the fifty minutes, did more attacking than Dublin. But the winners did apply a good share of pressure, too.

The reason Dublin had less wides than Antrim was because they shot more accurately, and that they had so few scores to their credit was due to the wonderful display by Teresa Kearns between the Antrim posts.

### INSPIRED

The Dunloy star had an inspired outing, and the Antrim mentors must have been wishing by the end that they could have divided her in two, for she was also sorely needed in the attack.

So little was there between the teams that one felt the presence of Sue Ward, the Antrim captain in earlier matches but now away on her honeymoon in Spain, might well have made all the difference. Yet, no fault could be found with the defence or midfield, where the Deirdre star usually plays.

It was a perfect day for the game, with bright sunlight, a dry sod, and only the very faintest wind blowing into the Canal Goal. Antrim won the toss and elected to face the breeze with the sun behind them.

Dublin went into an early lead, Una O'Connor, though moving somewhat cautiously on that suspect ankle, took a pass from Judy Doyle to score a well-worked goal after two minutes. Three minutes later Mairead McAtamney replied with a fine Antrim point from a free, and then we saw fifteen scoreless minutes of fine, lively, up-and-down play, before Mairead McAtamney shot another long-range point for Antrim.

### CANCELLED

Una O'Connor promptly cancelled that with a very neat point for Dublin, to leave the half-time

score, Dublin 1-1, Antrim 0-2.

The Northern girls resumed in confident style and a 70 yards drive by Mairead McAtamney brought a '30', which she herself pointed. Antrim now piled on the pressure and another McAtamney point left the sides level with only five minutes of the second half gone.

It was obvious that the next score would have a big effect on the outcome, but it did not come until the 13th minute, when Orla ni Shiochain's high drive deceived the Antrim defence and Kit Kehoe nipped in for an opportunist goal.

From an Antrim '30' Mairead McAtamney shot low, but the defence saved and a hard return just shaved the Dublin posts. Dublin's best combined movement of the hour then brought a point from Una O'Connor and Teresa Kearns made some great saves in a period of Dublin attack.

### VICTORY BID

Then Antrim made their bid for victory. Twice they were narrowly wide; then Betty Smith sent a great shot just over the top Dublin cross-bar.

Undaunted, the Ulster champions came back again, and Mairead Carabine broke through, only to see her hard shot fly over the bar for a point, when it might as easily have ended in the net. That left just a goal between them and excitement mounted as Antrim continued to attack.

Just on the call of time, Betty Smith sent the ball up and Mairead Carabine once more secured. Again she shot hard and players and spectators alike turned, expecting to see the ball in the net for the equaliser. But it was Antrim's bad luck that the ball just went over the bar, again to leave Dublin somewhat lucky winners, 2-2 to 0-6.

I have seen many All-Ireland camogie finals but this was both one of the most exciting and most enjoyable that I have ever witnessed. It will, of course, be inevitably compared with the semi-final between the same teams last year.

### FAULTY WORK

Well, in my opinion, though we had better individual performances last Sunday the all-round standard of play did not measure up to the Glenarriff classic. We saw what

was conspicuously absent when these teams met last year, a deal of faulty forward work on both sides, and, from the chances that presented themselves, the scoring returns should have been much higher.

On the other hand, we saw some wonderful displays of camogie at its best, notably from Mairead McAtamney, what a glorious striker she is, right hand or left, Teresa Kearns in the Antrim goal, and the respective left backs, Kathleen Kelly for Antrim and Kay Lyons for Dublin. Indeed I liked the solid work of both defences.

Kitty Murphy, in her first All-Ireland, had a great first-half for Dublin, but was somewhat subdued after the interval.

Mary Ryan, at full-back, had a great last quarter, while Brid Keenan, though the least spectacular of all the defenders, was always there when needed to get the ball away to safety.

### EXPERIENCED

For Antrim, their three most experienced defenders Moya Forde, Ethna Dougan and Maevé Gilroy seemed to get better and better as the hour wore on.

At midfield, Dublin captain Kay Ryder, playing her last game for the county she has served so well, and Antrim's promising Mairead Quinn more or less cancelled one another out, while Orla ni Shiochain and Betty Smith seemed to take turn-about in brief spells of supremacy.

But one Dublin player to whom I give full marks was Mary Sherlock. Faced with the unenviable task of coping with Mairead McAtamney at her best, she nevertheless never gave up, and played a big part in Dublin's victory. By some great drives and clearances right through.

### MOST SPORTING

The most pleasing aspect of last Sunday's final was this. Despite the closeness of the scoring

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# DUBLIN'S TITLE

## Best Final For Years

By AGNES HOURIGAN

DUBLIN ..... 2-2  
ANTRIM ..... 0-6

**A**FTER what must surely rank as one of the greatest camogie finals ever played, All-Ireland champions, Dublin, retained the title for the tenth successive year at Croke Park yesterday, but they were decidedly lucky to take the O'Duffy Cup for the 25th time from a gallant Antrim side.

Seconds from time, with only a goal between the teams, Betty Smith, from the right wing sent the ball sailing into the Dublin goalmouth.

There was a clash of sticks in the air tight in front of the posts. Mairead Carabine connected, but the ball flew inches over the bar instead of going under for the draw that the Antrim girls, on their display over the fifty minutes, had richly earned.

Indeed had the Ulster forwards taken even half their many chances after the interval, when Mairead McAtamney, one of the greatest artists of the ash Croke Park has ever seen, swung ball after ball after ball with deadly accuracy right down onto the Dublin 'square.' Antrim must have won with something to spare.

But, closely marked by an extremely solid Dublin defence, the inside forwards could make no headway and Ethna Leech did what little she got to do in the Dublin goal with supreme confidence.

Dublin can thank Mary Ryan at full back for surviving Antrim's great late rally but the winners outstanding defender all through was left-back Kay Lyons who certainly earned her ninth All-Ireland medal yesterday.

Kitty Murphy had a good first half and Brid Keenan was sound as always.

### Set Record

The winners got just enough of the ball at mid-field to save the day, Mary Sherlock, Kay Ryder and Orla ni Shiochain all being good in patches. But only Una O'Connor, who set a record by winning her tenth All-Ireland medal in succession (and her thirteenth in all) ever looked a real threat to the Antrim defence.

Kit Kehoe took her second half goal well, but Judy Doyle was well held, as was Anne McAllister.

Teresa Kearns had a scintillating game in goal for Antrim, bringing off a whole series of wonderful saves. Moya Forde, Ethna Dougan, and Maeve Gilroy were solid defenders, but were overshadowed by the long striking left back, Kathleen Kelly, Mairead Quinn and, in the second half Betty Smith, gave the magnificent Mairead McAtamney good assistance at mid-field but the forwards, with 12 second-half wides, and 16 in all, against Dublin's 5, must shoulder the blame for this narrow defeat.

### The Play

Dublin facing the sun and the canal goal took an early lead when good approach work by Kit Kehoe and Judy Doyle put Una O'Connor through for a goal in the second minute.

Mairead McAtamney replied with a fine point from an Antrim free 35 yards out seven minutes later, and Teresa Kearns had made a whole series of brilliant saves for Antrim before Dublin missed a good goaling chance.

Ethna Leech saved well in the Dublin goal before Mairead McAtamney, after sending a '30' over the top bar, compensated by landing a great point from far out.

Una O'Connor replied at once with a very neat point for Dublin and there were wides at both ends before Orla ni

Shiochain was short on a Dublin '30' and the half-time whistle came soon after with Dublin leading 1-1 to 0-2.

### Antrim Level

Two fine points by Mairead McAtamney brought Antrim level after five minutes of the second half, but, just at the start of the last quarter, Orla ni Shiochain sent in a well-judged cross which Kit Kehoe finished for what proved the decisive goal, a score which came against the run of the play.

**A GREAT SAVE BY** Tease Kearns foiled Dublin of another goal, and Mairead McAtamney had failed on an Antrim '30' before Dublin's best combined movement of the hour brought a point by Una O'Connor.

Antrim now swarmed to the attack but had three wides before Mairead Carabine shot a point that might as easily have been a goal. More wides for the challengers preceded that last point on the stroke of time.

**Scorers:** Dublin — U. O'Connor (1-2), K. Kehoe (1-0). Antrim—M. McAtamney (0-4), M. Carabine (0-1).

**Dublin:**—E. Leech; M. Ryan; B. Keenan, K. Murphy, K. Lyons; M. Sherlock, K. Ryder (captain), O. Ni Shiochain; K. Kehoe, A. McAllister, J. Doyle; U. O'Connor.

**Antrim:**—T. Kearns; M. Forde; E. Dougan, M. Gilroy, K. Kelly; B. Smyth, M. Quinn, M. McAtamney; M. Carabine, A. M. Finn, E. McGrogan (captain), M. P. Jameson.

**Referee:**—Mrs. B. Byrne (Monaghan).

## Una's camogie record

**U**NA O'CONNOR of Celtic, one of the greats of the Irish Camogie world, set a record at Croke Park on Sunday when she won her tenth All-Ireland medal in a row, and her 13th in all.

Kathleen Mills won fourteen All-Ireland Camogie medals, but Una's ten in a row is a unique record. In addition she has an Extra All-Ireland medal for the All-Ireland Club Championship, run in 1964 in conjunction with the G.A.A. Jubilee, which was won by her club, Celtic.

Una hails from the Croydon Park area with a big Gaelic tradition, earned by "the Joys," St. Joseph's, and the St. Vincent's club, which has contributed so much to Dublin's reputation in the G.A.A. in recent years.

She joined Celtic as a Junior, but was on the Dublin team when only 16, and has been on the Leitner team since the Gael Linn competition started in 1957, the only player to have taken part in every game for Leitner. She has six Leitner medals and could not remember how many Dublin League and Championship medals she has.

A shop assistant, her second sport is lawn tennis.

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# Superb Eoghan Ruadh

**S**HOCK results in camogie come as often as in any other team-game, but the result of last Sunday's first final of the new Dublin senior competition, the McCarthy Cup, was no less than sensational.

Here you had Celtic, back-boned by All-Ireland stars Una O'Connor, goal-keeper Ethna Leech, Kitty Murphy, Kit Kehoe, All-Ireland reserves Claire Heffernan and Josie Quinn, and former All-Ireland defender Alice Hussey, facing an Eoghan Ruadh side that contained only one member of the present All-Ireland side, Kathleen Lyons.

But one would have imagined, watching the first half, that all the All-Ireland stars were on one team. Eoghan Ruadh, with the breeze behind them, so completely dominated that the game was as good as over at the interval.

With Kathleen Lyons controlling her sector at centre-back and Wexford's Margaret O'Leary in complete command around midfield, Eoghan Ruadh were in the attack constantly and made tremendous use of that service.

## EIGHT GOALS

In that opening twenty minutes they scored eight goals, and although Celtic shot a goal and a point at the other end, it was obvious at half-time that only an even more sensational rally would

be needed if the pre-match favourites were to come back into the game. But, even with the wind, Celtic could make no impression on the Eoghan Ruadh defence.

Kay Lyons still reigned supreme, and Celtic could only manage one second-half score, a point by Una O'Connor, while Ruadh had two more goals to clinch their remarkable but well-deserved victory.

Scoring star of their attack was former goalkeeper Dolores Barber, who, by my reckoning, scored five of their ten goals, but truth to tell Eoghan Ruadh scored so often that it was hard to keep track of them all.

Connie Lyons, Ellis Toner, Kay Lyons (from a free), and, I thought, Margaret O'Leary, also got their names on the score sheet on what was a wonderful day for Eoghan Ruadh who have had a lean time as far as trophies are concerned in recent years. Their victory will lend all the more interest to the forthcoming Dublin league series and marks the Ruadh girls as very real challengers to the continued supremacy of the Big Three—Austin Stacks, Naomh Aoife and Celtic.

# CELTIC CAN BE FIRST HOLDERS

By AGNES HOURIGAN

**H**IGHLIGHTS of this weekend on the camogie fields will be provided by the final of the new Dublin senior competition, the McCarthy Cup, between Celtic and Eoghan Ruadh. Both teams have sprung surprises on their way to a final in which they seem to be pretty well matched.

Eoghan Ruadh, who had a none too successful time last season came right into the limelight on their very first outing this season when they defeated an Austin Stacks side that was literally sprinkled with All-Ireland stars.

The arrival of Wexford player Margaret O'Leary seemed to give new zest to the whole team, and with Kathleen Lyons playing magnificently at centre-back they well deserved their unexpected victory. On Sunday next they again face star-studded opposition but a repetition of semi-final form could see them a long way towards victory.

fight and they are quite capable of springing another surprise.

On the other hand they face a Celtic side, strengthened by the return of Alice Hussey after her Spanish sojourn. The former great Dublin defender is as yet a bit short on practice, but she showed last Sunday that she has lost little of her old skill, and she will be improving with every outing.

In defeating county champions Naomh Aoife last Sunday goalkeeper Ethna Leech, Kitty Murphy, Una O'Connor, Josie Quinn and Claire Heffernan were all in top form, and their greater all-round power will make them favourites to become first holders of the new trophy.

## Another Surprise?

Certainly Maureen Kearns, Anne Ashton, Ellis Toner, Connie Lyons, Gene Foley and the rest will put up a rousing

## U.C.C. CAMOGIE TEAM WIN

U.C.C., 4-1; Drishane, 1-0

This annual challenge camogie match was played at U.C.C. Grounds and College, who are training hard to retain the Ashbourne Cup, which takes place in Cork early in the New Year, played more consistently than their opponents.

College led by 2-1 (scorers Clare O'Mullane and S. Dunne) to one goal (scored by Esther O'Connell) at half-time. In the second half College had two further goals per Rosemary O'Halloran and Carmel Buckley.

**U.C.C.**—A. Corkery, C. O'Riordan, M. Collins, M. McCarthy, C. Coakley, B. Buckley, C. Buckley, R. O'Halloran, C. O'Mullane, P. Devlin, C. Buckley, S. Dunne.

**Drishane**—A. O'Neill, N. Creedon, E. O'Connell, M. Buckley, E. O'Brien, M. O'Brien, M. Lynch, N. Canning, G. O'Leary, M. Crowley, B. O'Callaghan, J. Healy. Subs—A. Fethmond, M. Barry.

# ST. ALOYSIUS STILL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

St. Aloysius School—5-0; Youghal—0-1.

St. Aloysius retained their title as league holders when they met Youghal in the final of the 1965 Camogie Schools League at St. Aloysius Grounds, Cork on Saturday.

The game was played in pouring rain and despite the woeful conditions which prevailed, both sides gave a spirited display, but the visitors were no match for St. Aloysians.

The home side opened the scoring when Una Wickham got a goal minutes after opening play and shortly after, Margaret McAuliffe followed up with another goal. Youghal fought hard to bring down the arrears but at half-time they had not succeeded in scoring.

On the resumption, the home side again dominated but the visitors succeeded in getting home one point by Pat Riordan, while Margaret McAuliffe, in great scoring form, goal on three occasions, to give her team a well-deserved victory.

**St. Aloysius**—L. Lynch, A. Dwyer, M. Long, H. Lynch, L. Garvan, M. Garvan, D. Garvan, C. O'Regan, B. O'Donoghue, D. Canniffe, M. McAuliffe, U. Wickham.

**Youghal**—J. Lundigan, C. Hayes, P. McDermott, M. Nugent, P. Kelleher, C. Trehy, P. Riordan, A. Russell, D. O'Brien, V. Riordan, E. Russell, J. McCarthy.

# Kilkenny In All-Ireland Club Final

ST. PAULS ..... 5-3  
ORANMORE ..... 2-0

ST. PAULS, Kilkenny, qualified for the final of the All-Ireland camogie club championship, in which they meet the holders St. Patrick's, Tipperary, when they defeated Galway title-holders Oranmore, at Kilkenny, yesterday.

The winners, who led 2-1 to 1-0 at half-time, were the more polished side and were much more accurate in attack.

Outstanding for the winners were Claire O'Hanrahan, Mary Fennelly, Olive O'Neill, Rosealeen Vennard and Nuala Duncan, Vera Henaghan, Sheila Quinn, the Flaherty sisters and Rosemary Divilly were best for Oranmore.

Scorers: St. Pauls—C. O'Hanrahan (2-2); M. Fennelly (1-1); N. Grace (1-0) and R. Vennard (1-0). Oranmore—R. O'Flaherty (1-0); M. Divilly (1-0).

# Cork Through To Camogie Final

Cork 2-5, Waterford 2-3

In the Camogie Munster Junior Championship semi-final played at Copperalley Grounds, Youghal, yesterday in ideal conditions, Cork narrowly beat Waterford.

From the opening whistle it was a fast game with Waterford assuming the offensive and in the first five minutes they scored a goal, giving them a good initial boost. As the game proceeded, however Cork's play became more intense and in the final five minutes of the first half they scored a goal. Waterford came back and had a point thus leading their opponents by one point.

On the resumption Cork wasted no time in proving their ability to score and in the first few minutes had a goal and kept on an offensive which lasted for almost the full period. Their opponents fought gamely back but luck was not with them. At the final whistle the second half scores were Cork 1-5, Waterford 1-2, leaving the final result Cork 2-5, Waterford 2-3.

# ST. PATRICK'S IN ALL-IRELAND FINAL

St. Patrick's 11-5; Deirdre Nil

St. Patrick's, Ballygarry-Glen-goole (Co. Tipperary champions), the holders, qualified for the All-Ireland Final of the Camogie Club Championship when they scored a runaway win over Deirdre, Belfast in the semi-final at Holy Cross, Thurles, yesterday. Showing some delightful touches the Tipperary champions completely outplayed their rivals. On this form the winners will take beating in the final on October 30, when they meet either St. Paul's, Kilkenny or Oranmore, Galway.

Though well beaten right through the field, B. Gilmore, N. Murray, M. McKenna and C. Wheeler never gave up trying for Deirdre. Team work was the deciding factor in St. Patrick's favour, but S. Long, A. Graham, A. Carroll, N. Loughnane and P. Graham were particularly impressive.

Scorers for St. Patrick's, who led 7-2 to nil at half time, were: M. Loughnane (5-4); P. Graham (4-0); L. Scott and M. McBride (1-0 each); K. Griffin (0-1).

**St. Patrick's**—S. Long, A. Graham, M. Maher, A. Carroll, A. Long, K. Griffin, M. Ryan, B. Moloney, L. Scott, M. McBride, M. Loughnane, P. Graham.

**Deirdre**—B. Gilmore, N. Murray, K. McCartan, M. McKenna, D. Crawford, B. McCabe, S. Ward, E. McGrogan, C. Wheeler, K. McManus, L. Moran, E. Doran. Sub., K. McEivenny for B. McCabe.

# Leinster camogie team named

The team to represent Leinster against Munster in the Gael-Linn camogie final at Cork on November 6 was selected yesterday.

Joan Cullen (Wexford); Mary Holohan (Kilkenny); Joan Murphy, Margaret O'Leary (Wexford); Mary Connery (Kilkenny); Peg Cash, Margaret Hearne (Wexford); Monica Malone, Barbara Magee (Kildare); Kathleen Ryder (Dublin); Carmel O'Shea, Claire O'Hanrahan (Kilkenny).

Subs.—Bridges Cushen (Kildare), Nuala Duncan (Kilkenny), Rita Keams (Louth), Peggy Magee (Kildare).

# Cork Will Be Hard Pressed To Beat Waterford

CORK'S hopes of bringing a camogie trophy to the Lee this season are now centred on the secondary team who meet Waterford in the semi-final of the Munster Championship (Secondary) on Sunday at Youghal. Waterford are the side who caused a big surprise in the senior championship when they defeated the fancied Cork team in the first round of this season's competition.

Cork followers will be hopeful that the Waterford girls will not repeat their win, but considering the fact that the majority of the team will be the same as that which defeated Cork in the senior game, then it looks as if the Cork girls will be really up against it.

The secondary competition is run to encourage the weaker counties, in particular, and also players in any county who have not won a senior Munster championship medal. Last season Limerick became the first winners of the trophy and in all the competition proved a highly successful one.

How did Cork fare last year? They reached the semi-final in fine style but went under to Limerick. The latter defeated Waterford in the decider.

This season Cork had a very easy win in the first round when they disposed of Kerry and though the actual line-out had not yet been announced, the selection is the same except for the addition of Marie Costigan of Youghal.

The Cork selection includes Cork senior players Hannah Dineen, the powerful U.C.C. full-back, the untiring and clever Sheila Forde of Old Aloysians, and Angela Russell, the very promising Youghal forward. Only three of the remainder of the selection are without senior club experience. They are Marie Costigan of Youghal, Peg O'Brien of Fermoy and goalkeeper Barbara O'Keefe of Whitegate, and all three have more than once proved their worth with their club sides.

South Presentation Past Pupils have five representatives on the

selection. The are, defenders Mary Crowley and Angela Cronin, centre Kay O'Sullivan, and forwards Joan Fitzpatrick and Rose O'Halloran. All these girls played big roles for their club in this season's county championship when they reached the final and they are all worthy of their selection. Ann McAuliffe, Kathleen Ryan and Ann Moynihan are all members of Old Aloysians and though their club has been meeting with little success of late their efforts to return to the "big time" deserve recognition, and what better way than the selection of some of the players on the Cork teams.

Followers may be surprised at the single Glen Rovers' representation. The Blackpool girls have dominated the senior championship for the past four seasons and supporters may have expected to see them represented in bigger numbers. But the position is that all the top Glen players are ineligible having already won Munster championship medals with the senior side. Glen's lone representative on the selection is Nuala Humphries who has played some fine games for her club over the past few seasons and deserves this honour.

The actual team has not yet been named but whatever 12 represent the county it must be a strong line-out.

## NOT AVAILABLE

The Waterford team was not available at the time of writing either, but one must expect the inclusion of their senior players Eileen Callinan and Mary Gough. These players were very much in evidence against the senior Cork side and were later selected as substitutes on the Munster team. It will be vital for the Cork girls to "mark" these two players as they could be the major instruments in bringing about defeat for the Leisers.

Incidentally, the senior game was played in Youghal, which was a new venue to the Cork as well as Waterford teams. The

latter must now consider it a lucky pitch while the Cork girls may be somewhat apprehensive about meeting the Waterford girls at this venue again.

As against this, however, many followers felt that the senior side faced Waterford with a little too much confidence and paid the price. The secondary team must learn from this and are bound to treat the Waterford challenge with the utmost respect. Consequently they could do better than the senior eleven. Certainly Cork followers are expecting a very closely contested game and are very hopeful of having at least one Cork team contesting a Munster final this season.

## INTER-CLUB

The inter-club competition has now reached the semi-final stage. Munster representatives and holders of the competition, St. Patrick's of Tipperary, face Ulster champions Deirdre in the first semi-final and following the Tipperary girls' big win over Cork's Glen Rovers, they must be fancied to reach their second successive decider.

The Cork County Board announces only one fixture for Sunday — a junior championship tie in which Cobb meet Munster Institute at the latter's grounds.

**Cork selection**—B. O'Keefe (Whitegate), H. Dineen (U.C.C.), M. Crowley (S.P.P.P.), A. McAuliffe (Old Aloysians), A. Cronin (S.P.P.P.), S. Forde (Old Aloysians), K. O'Sullivan (S.P.P.P.), N. Humphries (Glen Rovers), K. Ryan (O.I.C.), A. Russell (Youghal), R. O'Halloran (S.P.P.P.), A. Moynihan (Old Aloysians), P. O'Brien (Fermoy), M. Costigan (Youghal).

To settle a bet, when was second cross-bar first introduced in Camogie?

● The second cross bar has been used in camogie ever since start of the championships at in county level in 1932-33. The second cross-bar is not obligatory, but strongly recommended by Central Council of the Cam Association.

# Stacks and Ruadh win

THE Dublin Senior Camogie League advanced a step further yesterday when Austin Stacks scored a decisive victory over Celtic and Eoghan Ruadh and a deserving win over Naomh Aoife.

Austin Stacks, 6-1; Celtic, 0-0

Austin Stacks were never in difficulties in this Senior League tie and deservedly led 3-1 to no score at half time though they faced a stiff breeze.

Stacks, who looked a powerful side had outstanding players in Eileen Quigley at full forward who scored 4-1 of her sides tally. Mary Ryan, at full back, Orla Ni Shiochain and Mary Sherlock. For Celtic, Alice Hussey, who was playing at centre-forward, Una O'Connor when she moved to centre back, Kitty Murphy and Elizabeth Howard were best.

Scorers—A. Stacks — E. Quigley (4-1); C. O'Dwyer (2-0).

Eoghan Ruadh 3-1; Naomh Aoife 4-0

Eoghan Ruadh, who recently won the McCarthy Cup, continued on their winning trail when they scored a deserving win over holders Naomh Aoife.

Eoghan Ruadh, who were backed by a strong breeze in the opening half turned over with a 4-0 to 0-0 lead at half-time.

After the interval it was still all Eoghan Ruadh and they increased their lead to 5-1 to 2-0. Five minutes from time Naomh Aoife staged a great rally, which brought two goals for Naomh Aoife.

Margaret O'Leary, Kathleen Lyons and Maureen Murphy were outstanding for the winners who were so well served by Colette Nolan and Connie Lyons.

Best for Naomh Aoife were Frances Whelan, Betty McDonald, Eileen Doyle and Patricia Timmins in the closing stages.

Scorers—E. Ruadh — M. O'Leary (3-0), G. Foley (1-0), C. Lyons (2-0), K. Lyons (0-1), N. Aoife—E. O'Leary (2-0), D. Rogers (1-0), P. Campbell (1-0).

O.M. Cup—Austin Stacks, 3-1; Loran O Tuathail, 1-0.

Inter A. League—Na Flainnig, 2-1; D. 1-0

The Dublin senior league promises to be a most intriguing competition this season. Naomh Aoife, very narrow winners over U.C.D. on the previous Sunday, were narrowly defeated last Sunday by Eoghan Ruadh, who thus maintained their victorious record for the season.

Eoghan Ruadh, both with and against the wind, dominated most of this game but Naomh Aoife rallied strongly in the closing stages, without, however, looking likely to wipe out the arrears.

The Celtic-Austin Stacks game also produced a surprise, but this time it was in the extent of Stacks' winning margin. Even against the wind in the first half, they dominated the proceedings, led by 2-1 to nil at half-time and added four goals after the interval without reply.

## FINE FORM

Stacks were in fine form, particularly full-forward Eileen Quigley, who was well supported by Mary Ryan, Orla ni Shiochain and Mary Sherlock, but Celtic seem to have hit a bad patch at the moment. Indeed were it not for the fact that Una O'Connor moved to centre-back in the second half to give a fine exhibition of defensive play the score against her side must have been heavier. Alice Hussey, who played in attack, and Kitty Murphy were the only other Celtic players to approach their customary form.

With a double round to be played in the Dublin Senior League this season it is obvious that we are going to have some exciting games before the ultimate winners are known.

At last I notice that the newspaper editors have got round to the realisation that such a game as camogie really exists.

There are many of us who believe that camogie should have been recognised for a Galtex Award years before now. However, better late than never, and let us hope that the Editors will be well advised as to where they bestow the honour, though heaven knows but camogie can produce enough suitable and fitting candidates.

# Camogie Champions

THE success of the Croagh Camogie Club in winning the Limerick Senior Championship five times since the club was formed in 1960 speaks for the ability of these ladies to wield the caman.

But camogie has come a long way in the county since then as EITHNE NEVILLE, one of the best known ladies in camogie circles in the province will testify. In the last twelve months alone the number of cubs in



Bunty Guiry

County Limerick has increased from eight to eighteen.

They won their first county title in 1961 and repeated it the following year. After a lapse of one year they came back to reign again in '64 and have now completed the "hat-trick" by retaining it since.

Eithne is secretary of the Munster Council, BRIDIE GILTENANE who captained the team in the past has also been with them from the start and so has MARY B. NASH.

Another of the long standing players is BUNTY GUIRY, who has also fielded with the county and with Munster. Both Bunty and Bridie Giltenane are expected to be members of the Munster team to meet Leinster at Cork on November 6.

So notable is Croagh's contribution to camogie in Limerick that nine of this year's championship team have played on the county team.

# Cork Lake Munster Secondary Competition

WHAT a tremendous performance the Cork secondary team put up on Sunday last when they won the Munster Secondary Competition for the first time. In the decider they defeated the holders, Limerick, at Bruff in a great game.

This win by Corks' second string must make followers wonder about the senior side who went out of this season's Munster Championship so tamely. In the first round they were defeated by an unfancied Waterford side. Then along came the secondary side, which fielded only four of the senior team and had a narrow but thoroughly deserved win over Waterford in the semi-final of the Secondary competition. This was a particularly fine performance from the second team as Waterford fielded their entire senior side with the exception of Munster player Lillian Howlett.

On Sunday last the odds seemed stacked against Cork again as Limerick were in a position to field their full Limerick side which included Munster stars Bridie Giltenane and Bunty Guiry. Also Cork had to make the long journey to Bruff. Again the Secondary side proved what fine little fighters they are when they set up a fine half-time lead by 3-0 to 1-0 and despite almost constant pressure by Limerick in the second half held on to a two-goal lead to the finish.

This game must be very heartening to camogie followers in Cork. They have not won a trophy since 1963 when last they took the senior championship but now hopes are high that with the nucleus of this side on the senior 12, another senior title cannot be far away.

## BRILLIANT

There were many fine performers in this game. Senior players Hannah Dineen and Angela Russell were in brilliant form but from the senior selectors' point of view surely the displays of a number of newcomers to the inter-county scene must be the most cheering aspect of this game. Ann McAuliffe was one of the best players on the field, scoring two goals from half forward, Betty Sugrue, who came on at the last moment, was another to impress in the attack as was Kathleen Ryan. In the centre Nuala Humphries had a fine game.

A great deal of the credit for this win must also go to Teresa Murphy, the Glen Rovers, Cork and Munster star, who took on the job of training this Cork team for the championship. She instilled a fighting spirit which has been missing in recent Cork

on the players and must feel very gratified at this victory in her first year in this new role.

On Sunday the spotlight returns to the home front when the semi-finals of the Junior Championship will be played. In the first of these games Old Aloysians travel to Clonakilty while Douglas take on Cobb at the former's venue.

This season Old Aloysians have a very young and rather inexperienced side, made up mainly of schoolgirls. However, they had a great win over Glen Rovers in the previous round of this game and are confident that with players such as Liz Garvan, Rose Long and Ann Murphy they can reach the final. Their opponents, Clonakilty, only entered the ranks this season and great credit is due to them for reaching this stage of the competition. They also have the advantage of a home venue, which can be vital in these games and they feel that as Old Ais. too have a young side they have a great chance of reaching their first decider. Certainly this game should be a closely-contested one with victory at all times in the balance.

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## Very Strong

Highlight of next Sunday's Dublin programme will be the league meeting of Austin Stacks and Celtic. Both were sensationally beaten by Eoghan Ruadh and that means both will be anxiously in quest of lost prestige and valuable league points.

Austin Stacks were leading Naomh Aoife at the interval when what should have been the opening league game had to be called off owing to rain a couple of weeks ago. Stacks have a very strong all round side and will be very hopeful of opening this league campaign with a victory.

Celtic, so surprisingly overwhelmed in the McCarthy Cup final by Eoghan Ruadh, hope to be strengthened on Sunday by the advent of the Tipperary player Honor O'Flynn, who is now living in Dublin, and has played for her county both as goalkeeper and full-back, and has appeared with equal success

# MUNSTER CAMOGIE TITLE FOR CORK

Cork 5-0; Limerick 3-0.

For Limerick it was a case of lost opportunities in this final of the Munster Camogie Secondary Championship at Bruff yesterday, and Cork, who were held scoreless in the second half, held on in a close finish to win by five goals to three.

Limerick pressed strongly in the opening stages of the game but their forwards missed easy chances, and when Cork opened the scoring they went on to make use of every opportunity that came their way to lead to half-time by five goals to one.

Again, in the second half, Limerick were on top outfield, where C. Murphy and B. Guiry starred, but once again their forwards were at fault. True, they were up against a sound Cork defence in which B. O'Keefe in goal and H. Dinneen at full-back were prominent.

## HELD OUT

An indication of Limerick's superiority in this half is the fact that Cork were held scoreless, but Limerick, with all their opportunity, could only score two goals and Cork held out in a close finish for a comfortable victory.

Scorers for Cork—A. McAuliffe (2-0), A. Russell (1-0), B. Sugrue (1-0), K. Ryan (1-0); For Limerick M. Hickey (1-0), M. Burke (1-0), C. Clancy (1-0).  
Referee: Miss J. McNamara (Waterford).

# Cork Face Limerick In Secondary Competition Final

**F**OLLOWING their great win over Waterford in the semi-final of the Secondary Competition, Cork travel to Bruin on Sunday next full of the hope of bringing the trophy to Cork for the first time. Their opponents on Sunday will be the holders, Limerick, who can field practically their entire senior side, but Leaside followers are confident that this is Cork's year.

In this season's senior Munster championship Cork were defeated by Waterford and even the most ardent Cork followers did not really expect the secondary side to fare any better against the same Waterford team, with one exception—their Munster star, Lillian Howlett. Against this Cork had only four of their Munster championship side and it looked as if the odds were stacked against them. Players are only eligible to take part in this competition if they have never won a Munster senior championship medal, and this meant that the remainder of the Cork senior side were not available for selection.

But Cork contended followers, and, indeed, Waterford, by turning in a brilliant display which saw them winners by two points at the end. This was a very heartening performance for Cork camogie, which has been in the doldrums for the last few years. These girls showed so much promise that a senior title can't be that far off. We last won the Munster championship in 1963.

But back to Sunday's game. This is only the second year of the secondary competition and it would be a great honour for these girls if they were to bring the title to Cork for the first time. And it will be a very worthy title, indeed, if they can dispose of the holders, Limerick, in the decider.

Certainly Limerick can field a very strong side. Like Waterford, they can field practically their entire senior team, including their two Munster defenders, Branie Giltinane and Bunty Guiry. In their semi-final win over Clare Limerick had a real matchwinner in Carrie Clancy, who returned to the side after a three-year absence and was chiefly responsible for the 6-2 to 2-0 win. They had other fine players in B. Ryan, C. Murphy and P. Ryan.

What have Cork to offer against this formidable selection? For one thing they have a team spirit which has been lacking in Cork sides for far too long. They are enthusiastic and talented and have been doing intensive training since the semi-final. In goal they have Barbara O'Keefe, the solid Whitegate 'keeper, while their powerful defence is led by U.C.C.'s tower of strength, Hannah Dineen, at full-back. Mary Crowley (S.P.P.) and Peg O'Brien (Fermoy) are the two sound wing-backs, while at half-back they have the stylish Mary A. Murphy, of Old Aloysians. Ann McAuliffe, another Old Al, was the best player on the field in the semi-final and great things are expected of her again on Sunday, when she will be partnered at centrefield by Glen's sole representative, Nuala Humphries, and Old Al's Sheila Forde, two very fine midfielders.

The forwards in the semi-final snatched the vital scores and, like the rest of the side, have been retained en bloc for Sunday. Kathleen Ryan (Old Aloysians) at wing-forward, was in brilliant form against Waterford, while Joan Fitzpatrick (S.P.P.), her clubmate Rose O'Halloran and the youthful Angela Russell, of Youghal, all played their part in this fine victory, and if they can strike the same form on Sunday then they must be in the game with a great chance of victory.

## HOME VENUE

Of course, Limerick have the advantage of a home venue, which means the Cork girls have a long journey before them. However, they were not deterred when the odds were against them in the semi-final and followers will expect them to play as confidently again on Sunday. Certainly the good wishes of the county will be with them in their efforts to bring this lone title to Cork this season.

The team is:—B. O'Keefe (Whitegate), H. Dineen (U.C.C.), M. Crowley (S.P.P.), M. Murphy (Old Aloysians), P. O'Brien (Fermoy), S. Forde (Old Aloysians), A. McAuliffe (do.), N. Humphries (Glen Rovers), K. Ryan (Old Aloysians), J. Fitzpatrick (S.P.P.), A. Russell (Youghal), R. O'Halloran (S.P.P.). Subs.—A. Moynihan (Old Aloysians), M. Costigan (Youghal), N. O'Reilly (Churchtown).

## MUNSTER REGAIN GAEL LINN TROPHY

Munster 4-2; Leinster 1-3

Munster, after a gallant battle, won back the Gael Linn Cup when they beat Leinster in the final at Ballinlough yesterday. Leinster, who were the holders, were the obvious favourites until it was known that seven Dublin All Ireland players were not making themselves available for selection.

A strong cross wind made play yesterday a little difficult but both sides played well. Munster availed of every opportunity but it was in the second half that they impressed most. Within five minutes, Munster opened the scoring when Margot Loughnane sent the ball into the net to give her team a one goal lead. Leinster fought hard to equalise but, before they had an opportunity of scoring, Lillian Howlett chalked up another goal for Munster and it was not until the last ten minutes that the holders made any impact when they had a goal by Claire Hanrahan, which she followed up with a point within minutes. This left the half-time score: Munster 2 goals, Leinster 1 goal 1 point.

On resumption, Munster switched Kathleen Griffin from the full forward position to wing-centre and this made an appreciable difference to the game. Munster again were the first to score, Bernice Moloney putting them another goal in the lead. Leinster put on a great spurt to bring down the arrears but all they succeeded in getting in the second half were two points, one from Claire Hanrahan, shortly after the Munster goal and another by Margaret Hearne in the forty-fifth minute. Stephanie O'Connell, playing an outstanding game for Munster succeeding in adding two points and the final score of the game came from Bernice Moloney, who scored the fourth goal for Munster.

**Munster**—S. Long (Tipperary); E. Cummins (Cork); B. Giltinane (Limerick), A. Graham (Tipperary), B. Guiry (Limerick); A. Carroll (Tipperary), L. Howlett (Waterford), P. Dorgan (Cork); M. Loughnane (Tipperary). Subs.—A. Crotty, M. Ryan, W. Cullinane, M. Gough, M. Frisby.

**Leinster**—J. Cullen (Wexford); M. Holohan (Kilkenny), J. Murphy (Wexford), M. O'Leary (do.), M. Connery (Kilkenny), P. Cash (Wexford), M. Hearne (do.), M. Malone (Kildare), B. Magee (do.), Kay Rider (Dublin), C. O'Shea (Kilkenny), Claire O'Hanrahan (68). Subs.—B. Cushe, N. Duncan, R. Kearns, P. Magee.

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# Gael Linn Cup Final At Ballinlough On Sunday

**I**T is not often that Cork followers get the opportunity of seeing a top camogie final, but on Sunday next at Ballinlough the final of the Gael Linn Cup will be decided. Since the inception of this inter-provincial competition it has been the exclusive property of Leinster and Munster and these sides meet yet again in what should be a highly entertaining and exciting game.

A disappointing factor of this season's final is the announcement that seven of Dublin's All-Ireland winning side were not available for selection. Dublin have dominated camogie for so long that every other county in the country looks to them for a lead. For the past two seasons Dublin have not taken part in the inter-club competition and now with so many of the All-Ireland team not available for the Leinster team one wonders are they really playing their part in the advancement of the game. Surely both the club competition and Gael Linn Cup have done a great deal to help camogie in other counties where the prospect of an All-Ireland medal is remote indeed. Now top players from weaker counties have an opportunity of winning a premier medal and at the same time top players in counties such as Cork, Tipperary, Antrim and Galway, all of whom have been knocking on the door of an All-Ireland in recent years. It is to be hoped that the Leinster players will be able to put the full force of their backs into the game and that they will be able to bring home the cup to their county. It is a great honour for these girls if they were to bring the title to Cork for the first time. And it will be a very worthy title, indeed, if they can dispose of the holders, Limerick, in the decider.

these veteran Kathleen Griffin was Munster's best player in the semi-final. She scored two points but in addition made many fine openings for her colleagues. None of the forwards were far behind, with Margo Loughnane scoring 2-0 and Mary Maloney notching 1-0.

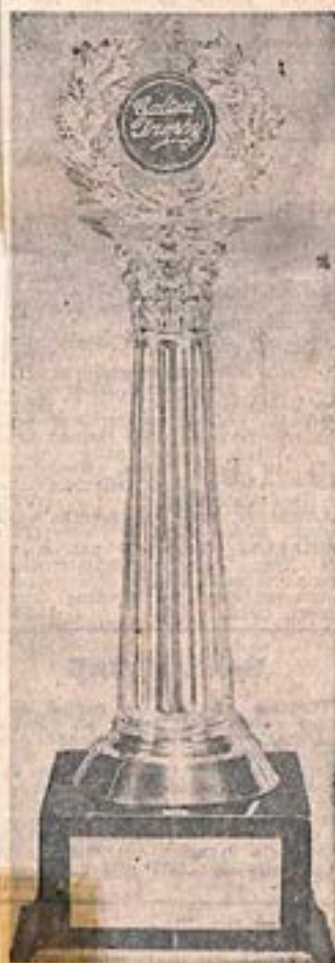
Certainly on their semi-final performance Munster must be given a great chance on Sunday. They were strong in all sectors against an Ulster side which included Mary Carabine, Mairead McAttamney and Mary Jameson, of the Antrim All-Ireland team. They also have the advantage of a home venue and should get plenty of support from the Cork followers. Even if Leinster were able to call on all their sources the Munster team would still be capable of dealing with anything they could offer. However, the absence of that Dublin forward partnership of Judy Doyle and Una O'Connor must be a big blow to Leinster's hopes. But in spite of the limited resources at their disposal the Leinster selectors have named a very formidable team. Kathleen Ryder, the only Dublin representative, who is playing in her last season of camogie, is a very fine midfielder, while Claire O'Hanrahan and Mary Connery of Kilkenny, and Joan Murphy, Margaret O'Leary and Margaret Hearne of Wexford have all got plenty of inter-provincial experience. So that Munster would not want to regard the Leinster challenge lightly. In fact it would be well for them to remember that a number of Leinster sides over the past few seasons did not include as many of the Dublin players as might be expected.

## FACILE WIN

In their semi-final the holders had a facile win over the Connacht girls, but of course on that day the champions had the services of the seven Dublin girls who will be missing on Sunday so that the selectors had to make drastic changes. However, again it must be stressed that Leinster are never an easy side to beat and always seem to be at their best when up against it. But Munster must be given the vote to win on this occasion, especially if they can produce their semi-final form.

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# Caltex Sportstar Awards For 1966



**T**HE Caltex Sports Awards for 1966, the most coveted tribute for sports ability in this country, were announced this afternoon and the list of those chosen for this year by the Sports Editors of the morning, evening and Sunday papers (in alphabetical order) is:—

**ATHLETICS**—M. Bull (Belfast)  
**BOXING**—Jim McCourt (Belfast)  
**CAMOGIE**—Una O'Connor (Dublin)  
**EQUESTRIAN EVENTS**—Capt. H. Freeman-Jackson (Cork)  
**GAELIC FOOTBALL**—Mattie McDonagh (Galway)  
**GOLF**—Christie O'Connor (Dublin)  
**GREYHOUND SPORTS**—Gay McKenna (Dublin)  
**HORSE RACING**—Vincent O'Brien (Cork)  
**HURLING**—Justin McCarthy (Cork)  
**SOCCER**—Tony Dunne (Dublin)

The Caltex Trophies will be presented to each of those chosen at a banquet in the Gresham Hotel, Dublin, on Thursday, February 9, 1967.



**SALLY LONG:** The Munster goalie. She is one of the top net-minders in the country, with the ability to bring off one spectacular save after another.

**MARY GRAHAM:** Munster and Tipperary captain, she is one of the cleverest and soundest defenders in the country—a veritable stone wall past which very few advance.

**MAURA MAHER:** A county player, Maura is another extremely sound defender in the typical Tipperary ground-striking mould.

**ALICE LONG:** Plays in attack for Tipperary but stars for St. Patrick's in her best position, left wing back. Tremendously fast she has a lengthy clearance.

**ANN GRAHAM:** Captain of St. Patrick's and one of three sisters on the team. A magnificent striker, both right and left, she has inspired St. Patrick's with some outstanding displays this year. Also plays for Tipperary and Munster.

**ANN CARROLL:** Fast and with seemingly limitless stamina, Ann has alternated between the backs and midfield this year. She takes every opportunity to score.

**MONICA RYAN:** Another speedster with never-ending stamina, Monica is as steady as a rock and a tremendously effective striker. A Tipperary and Munster player, she has the ability to be one of the greats of camogie.

**BERNIE MALONEY:** Yet another Munster player with tremendous speed and determination. A really lovely striker of the ball, she is one of the best midfielders in the country.

**LUCY SCOTT:** The youngest player on the team, she was the star of the Tipperary No. 2 side this year. She has great ball control, an asset which makes up for her lack of stature.

**KATHLEEN GRIFFIN:** A long-serving Tipperary and Munster player, she has tremendous drive and determination and the ability to send any defence going

the wrong way. Has been Tipperary Camogie Star of the Year recently.

**MARGOT LOUGHNANE:** The star of the side, she brings gasps of admiration from friend and foe alike with her really fantastic ball control and scoring ability. In one match this year she scored 2-9.

**PEGGY GRAHAM:** A county player and another beautiful striker. Is adept at notching opportunist scores at vital stages of close games. Still very young, Peggy will cause many more defences to have heart attacks in years to come.

**MARGARET McBRIDE:** A tenacious, never-say-die player, she alternates between defence and attack. A Tipp No. 2 player, she always manages to be in the right spot to score.

**MARGARET RYAN:** Another Tipperary No. 2 player, she possesses tremendous enthusiasm. Is a really outstanding defender.

**EILEEN CRONIN:** Yet another Tipperary No. 2 player, she is a very good forward and never gives up trying.

**MARGARET GLEESON:** A county player, she is a lengthy striker and has a very bright future.

**ANNIE LANGTON:** Secretary of the club, Annie is by far the most popular camogie player in Tipperary. Though past her best, she always plays well when called upon.

**MAIREAD HEFFERNAN:** A St. Patrick's intermediate player and substitute on the senior team, she is an opportunist forward.

**MAY BRENNAN:** Sister of Tommy Brennan, a Tipperary goalie—and a very good one too.

**JUDY FITZPATRICK:** Centre back for the juveniles, Judy has the ability to make her mark in senior ranks.

**CHRIS BURKE:** Another juvenile star, Chris never gives up trying and promises to be a fine senior player.

## THE PATH TO GLORY

A name to conjure with in the realms of camogie is St. Patrick's, from Ballingarry-Glengoolie. Champions of Tipperary for the past two years, they are also the first team to win the club championship of Ireland twice running. But what makes their record all the more impressive is the fact that since their foundation they have never tasted defeat.

Entering competition for the first time in 1965, they quickly established themselves as monarchs of the Tipperary scene. And when an All-Ireland club championship was established to mark the Golden Jubilee of Camogie, St. Patrick's went on to prove themselves against the best that Munster and the other provinces had to offer.

This year they retained their county, provincial and All-Ireland titles, crowning another all-conquering season at St. John's Park, Kilkenny, on October 30 with a clear-cut victory over the local St. Paul's.

Possessing skill and ball control in abundance, St. Patrick's are never overawed by exalted opposition. They treat lesser-known opponents with respect and approach each game with fantastic enthusiasm and a determination not to be beaten. These characteristics have made them the leading club camogie team in Ireland and made St. Patrick's, of Ballingarry-Glengoolie, famous wherever Gaelic games are played.

# Team Has Set A Fantastic Record



The Dublin camogie team which drew with Cork in the All-Ireland semi-final in 1963

**D**UBLIN is a name synonymous with success in the camogie world. The county team's record is so fantastic that it is hardly likely to be equalled and though it is rather disheartening for the other counties the champions must be given all due credit for their tremendous run in the All-Ireland campaign.

This year they won their 10th title in a row and their 25th in all, when they defeated Antrim in one of the closest finals for many years. In fact, the two points which separated the sides at the final whistle might well signal a change of name on the O'Duffy Cup in the not distant future.

Antrim are in fact a side who broke Dublin's winning sequence in 1956 when they surprisingly defeated the champions in the

semi-final and went on to take the title. Dublin were back with a flourish the following season and have not suffered a single defeat since then.

In the 10 years that followed, Tipperary, Cork and Antrim have all given the champions close games but certainly Antrim's performance in this year's final was the most heartening for a long time. The Northerners had more of the play but missed valuable and very costly opportunities. For the record Antrim had 16 wides to Dublin's five. This is something which could be put down to the greater confidence and experience of the Dublin girls and certainly if Antrim can retain the same team for next season they must be expected to do really well.

### Suffered Big Blow

Incidentally, Antrim suffered a big blow to their hopes when one of their finest players, Miss West, was unable to play. To lose one of a side's most valuable players is a great blow to any county, but

so that their feats go unnoticed by many.

For example, where will you get a medal record such as the present Dublin team can boast. Dublin's brilliant forward, Una O'Connor, created a unique record this season when she won her 10th All-Ireland in a row—the first in any field game to achieve this. Una in fact

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has 13 medals in all to her credit but another Dublin player, Kathleen Mills, can better this with one more.

Kathleen has been retired for some years now from the inter-county arena but her record still stands in any All-Ireland final.

Two, three and four medals are commonplace among Dublin players but in this season's game there

Park has an atmosphere which cannot be equalled but with Dublin dominating the competition so much surely it would be a good idea if followers in the different parts of the country were to see them in action. This could do a great deal to arouse interest in camogie in the weaker counties and Dublin's opponents would feel they had some chance if they could get the champions out of the capital.

The venue could then be a neutral one which would surely be fairer, to all concerned. Its not as if there were not suitable venues around the country—there are very many fine grounds fit for the staging of an All-Ireland camogie final but, of course, many will argue the only real venue for the premier competition is Croke Park.

Getting back to Dublin's superiority their tradition must now play a vital factor in their success in a final. Can you imagine the different attitude of a player with say, six All-Ireland medals to her credit and that of someone playing for 10 or 11 years and still hoping to win just one coveted medal before

face the game full of apprehension while the former faces each game full of confidence.

★ Una O'Connor set a record for any Irish team-game when she won her tenth consecutive All-Ireland medal with the Dublin camogie side last September. Earlier this season she had already set another record by winning her fourteenth successive Leinster title in the Dublin tunic.

Fairview-born Una, throughout her playing career, owed allegiance to one club only, Celtic, with whom she has won Dublin League and Championship medals,



**CAMOGIE**  
(Una O'Connor)

and an All-Ireland club championship. Coming on to the Dublin county team as a youngster in 1953, she has now amassed a total of 13 senior All-Ireland medals, a record beyond the dreams of any hurler or footballer and surpassed only by another camogie player, the legendary Kathleen Mills, who holds 15.



## CAMOGIE

### Una O'Connor

**M**ISS UNA O'CONNOR, a member of the Dublin Celtic camogie club, has played a prominent part in the promotion of the game for her club, and is well known throughout the country in the inter-county, inter-provincial and All-Ireland competitions when representing Dublin and Leinster.

She commenced her playing career in 1947 at the age of ten, and two years later she was No. 1 player on the Celtic junior 'C' string. Her ability was at once noticed by the mentors and she earned rapid promotion to the higher grades. She was selected for the first time to play for Dublin against Kildare at Naas in May 1953, and since then has been an automatic choice for her county.

She is a forward of gifted ability, and when operating as full or centre has been noted for her prolific scoring. Two years ago she was tops on the score-sheet, having for the season scored 19 gls. 10 pts (67 pts.) as against her nearest rival at 13.1 (40 pts.).

Her style of play is at all times neat and effective and she can outwit the keenest opponent. With ease and grace she notches scores from far out, and is capable of distributing the sliothar when the occasion demands.

No Dublin County team would be complete or efficient without Una, and her record in securing thirteen consecutive Leinster championship, six inter-provincial titles and numerous Dublin and league championships awards is perhaps unique. She is the holder of thirteen All-Ireland gold medals, following closely on the heels of Kathleen Mills, who had secured fifteen before her retirement a few years ago.

Despite her well-known record and the publicity which the game has brought her, Una remains unspoiled by her honours and is one of the most unassuming girls playing camogie today. She displays outstanding sporting qualities, and has often sympathised with a losing opponent.

## CAMOGIE

Camogie, like handball, lacking the support of G.A.A. followers in general, received a great shot-in-the-arm this week gone by when Una O'Connor was nominated for a Celtex Award. This record breaking full-forward from Fairview of the famed "Joey's" is the first camogie player to win a "Caltex." Kathleen Hussey, Celtic's ex-Dublin county player and attractive Mairead McAtamney from Antrim have already brought honour to the sport of their choice with "All-Star Awards" but Una's claim to fame is unique. As regards records, Una is still trailing the legendary Kathleen Mills when All-Ireland medals are been counted, but I feel safe in saying that she will see to that in due course.

It isn't very often that I write anything about camogie, but since I am on the subject let me make a suggestion to the G.A.A. authorities. I met a holder of an All-Ireland camogie medal not so long ago and, when she showed me her treasured possession, I was very disappointed. The medal fell far below my expectations. After all it is an All-Ireland medal, the highest individual prize in camogie. How about a big improvement in the New Year? After all, if the sportswriters think enough of camogie as to number it among the "Caltex" sports, should not the G.A.A. place it on the same level as its other field sports.

# All The Facts And Figures

## ALL-IRELAND FINAL

Dublin, 2-2; Antrim, 0-6.

**DUBLIN:** E. Leech (Celtic), M. Ryan (Austin Stacks), B. Keenan (Austin Stacks), K. Murphy (Celtic), K. Lyons (Foghan Ruadh), M. Sherlock (Austin Stacks), K. Ryder (Naomh Aoife) captain, O. ni Shiochlainn (Holy Faith, Clontarf), K. Kehoe (Celtic), A. McAllister (Austin Stacks), J. Doyle (Naomh Aoife), U. O'Connell (Celtic).

**ANTRIM:** Teresa Kearns, Moya Foede, Eithne Dougan, Maev Gilly, Kathleen Kelly, Betty Smyth, Mairead Quinn, Mairead McAtamney, Mairead Carabine, Margaret Finn, Ellis McGrogan (captain), Mary Phil Jameson.  
Referee: Mrs. B. Byrne.

## Gael-Linn Cup Final

Munster, 4-2; Leinster, 1-3.

**MUNSTER:** S. Long, A. Graham, A. Carroll, M. Loughnane, B. Moloney, K. Griffin (Tipperary), B. Gilenane, B. Guiry (Limerick), P. Dorgan, S. O'Connell, M. Cummins (Cork), L. Howlett (Waterford).

**LEINSTER:** J. Cullen (Wexford), M. Houlihan (Kilkenny), J. Murphy (Wexford) (captain), M. O'Leary (Wexford), M. Connery (Kilkenny), P. Cash (Wexford), M. Hearne (Wexford), M. Malone (Kildare), B. Magee (Kildare), K. Ryder (Dublin), C. O'Shea (Kilkenny), C. O'Hanrahan (Kilkenny).

## ALL-IRELAND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Provincial Winners

**Connacht:** Oranmore (Galway).  
**Leinster:** St. Paul's (Kilkenny).  
**Munster:** St. Patrick's (Tipperary).  
**Ulster:** Deirdre (Antrim).  
**Semi-Finals:** St. Paul's bt. Oranmore; St. Patrick's bt. Deirdre.  
**Final:** St. Patrick's (Tipperary) 5-5, St. Paul's (Kilkenny) 2-1.

**St. Patrick's:** S. Long, A. Graham, E. Maher, A. Carroll, A. Long, K. Griffin, M. Ryan, B. Moloney, L. Scott, P. Graham, M. Loughnane, M. McElride.  
**St. Paul's:** T. Brennan, M. Houlihan, A. Gargan, M. Connery, M. Butler, N. Duncan, O. O'Neill, C. O'Shea, R. Vennard, M. Fennelly, N. Grace, C. O'Hanrahan.

**Ashbourne Cup:** University College, Dublin.  
**Ashbourne Shield:** University College, Galway.

## PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

### LEINSTER

Senior: Dublin.  
Inter.: Wexford.  
Junior: Kildare.

### MUNSTER

Senior: Tipperary.  
Secondary: Cork.

### ULSTER

Senior: Antrim.  
Minor: Down.

### CONNACHT

Senior: Galway.

### COLLEGES

### LEINSTER

Senior: Holy Faith Convent, Clontarf.  
Junior: Gilson School, Oldcastle.

### COUNTY CHAMPIONS

Antrim: Deirdre.  
Dublin: Senior: Naomh Aoife; Inter. A.: U.C.D.; Inter. B.: Lucan Sarsfields; Senior League: Naomh Aoife.  
Kildare: Caragh; Senior League: Caragh; Schools: Mercy Convent, Naas.  
Kilkenny: Senior: St. Paul's; Junior: Castlecomer.  
Wexford: St. Ibar's.  
Cork: Senior: Glen Rovers; Inter.: Churchtown North.  
Tipperary: St. Patrick's; Minor: Cashel.  
Limerick: Crough.  
Galway: Oranmore.  
Tysons: St. Teresa's.

## CORK SPORTS PERSONALITIES 1966

**Athletics**—John Buckley (St. Finbarr's A.C.)  
**Camogie**—Stephanie O'Connell (Glen Rovers).  
**Gaelic Football**—John Carroll (Dohenys and Cork).  
**Golf**—Ted Higgins (Cork Golf Club).  
**Hockey**—Jacqueline Begley (Ashton and Munster).  
**Hurling**—Paddy Barry (St. Vincent's and Cork).  
**Pitch and Putt**—Pat O'Brien (Woodvale).  
**Soccer**—Billy Williams, snr.  
**Swimming**—Mick Ahern (Dolphin S.C.)  
**Tennis**—Munster's Inter-provincial-winning team.

Previous recipients of these awards were not considered for selection.

## CAMOGIE: STEPHANIE O'CONNELL

Stephanie O'Connell has been an invaluable member of Glen Rovers, Cork and Munster teams for a number of years now. She learned her camogie at Sool Mhuire Gan Smal (Blarney) and was a member of Cork Schools

Team. She joined Glen Rovers on leaving school, won a place immediately on the senior team and has been a regular ever since. A stylish opportunist Miss O'Connell is best suited to the half-forward position but she has played with much success in practically every forward position and also at centre-field. This season she won her fourth County Championship medal in succession with the Glen and also helped Munster to victory in the Gael Linn Cup. She was one of the top scorers on the team and is regarded as being one of the most consistent camogie players in the country.

## CAMOGAIOCHT

**THE** Ashbourne Inter-Varsity Competition will be held in Cork early in February. Cork are training hard to regain the Cup (last won in '65), and have a reasonably good chance of doing so. They have most of last year's team which contested the county final against Glen Rovers. These include inter-county players Hannah Dineen and Audrey Guiney, and a sister of the Cork All-Ireland hurler, John O'Halloran.

The following are the officers: President: Ide, Bean Uí Shé, M.A.; Vice-Presidents: Prof. Lucy Duggan, Dr. Scott, Mrs. Foley, Mrs. O'Neill, M.Sc., Bean Uí Mhuirthile, M.Sc., Miss S. Brennan, B.Comm., Mrs. Tyers; Staff Rep., Mrs. K. Madden, B.Comm., Capt. Pat Ni Dhoibh-leidín, Rúnai: Celine Ni Dhóich-laigh, Trainers: Brian O Muirthille, J. Blake.

## LIMERICK COUNTY CAMOGIE BOARD

Delegates from ten clubs attended the annual convention of the Limerick County Camogie Board yesterday when the following officials were elected: President, Rev. Fr. Guirey, C.C.—Shanagolden; Vice President, Rev. E. Murray, C.C.—Castleconnell; Chairman, Miss C. O'Connell, St. Patrick's; Vice-Chairman, Mr. P. McCarthy, South Liberty's; Joint Hon. Secs Miss J. Ryan and P. Duffy, Ahane; Hon. Treasurer, Miss D. Neville, Crough. Selection Committee: Rev. Fr. Murray, P. McCarthy, T. Conlan of Castlewest, Miss T. Quaid, Crough and Miss C. O'Connell.

Delegates to Congress—Miss P. Blake, Herbertstown and Miss P. O'Connell, St. Patrick's. Delegates to Munster Council: Misses P. Duffy, J. Ryan and T. Murphy, Herbertstown and Rev. Fr. Murray. Amongst the motions passed was one seeking an increase in the length of the playing field from the present maximum of 110 yards to 140 yards.

## Annual Meetings

### GLEN ROVERS CAMOGIE CLUB

The annual general meeting of the Glen Rovers Camogie Club took place recently and the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Wilson; chairman, Mrs. Newman; vice-chairman, Mrs. Buckley; hon. secretary, Miss Kay Harrington and treasurer, Mrs. P. O'Sullivan. The senior captain for the coming season will be Miss A. Crotty; vice-captain will be Miss S. O'Connell; junior captain is Miss N. Cronin and vice-captain is Miss M. Collins.

Mrs. Newman, the chairman, in addressing the meeting expressed deep regret at the death of Mr. Tom O'Reilly, who was chairman of the Glen Rovers Hurling and Football Club. He was also a great loss to the Camogie Club she said. She went on to congratulate the senior team on winning the County Championship for the fifth year in succession and also congratulated Theresa Murphy who was trainer of the Cork team which won the Munster secondary competition.

### ISLE OF MAN CUP FINAL

In the Isle of Man Cup final, Muiris Uí Neill were by way of being the favourites, but Stacks opened in far more lively style and showing excellent combination well deserved their half-time lead of two goals to one. Muiris Uí Neill improved considerably after the interval and might well have drawn level but for some brilliant saves by Deirdre Dowling in the Austin Stacks goal.

Eventually Dymphna O'Herlihy, the best forward on view, shot her own and Austin Stacks third goal, and this really decided the issue. Also outstanding for the winners were Margaret Normoyle, Brenda Kennedy, Brenda O'Leary and Laurie Creevy.

Kay O'Toole, Nora McDonald, Vera Fahily and Joan Farrell, who scored their goal, did best for Muiris Uí Neill who have had the frustrating experience of failing in two or three finals in recent times.

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## Record Year Recalled

# Dublin's 10-In-A-Row Made Camogie History

By AGNES HOURIGAN

**T**HIS year of 1966 will go down in camogie history for two very good reasons. In the first place Dublin set up a unique record by winning the O'Duffy Cup and All-Ireland championship for the tenth successive year, and in the second place, a camogie player, for the first time, was honoured with a Caltex Award.

Dublin, one would imagine, have grown well accustomed to winning the All-Ireland title by now, for the O'Duffy Cup has come to the Capital 18 times in the past 19 seasons, but I found from talking to some of the players after the final, that no victory ever gave them greater joy than that of 1966, for no previous Dublin victory can have been quite so hard-earned.

Unbeaten in Leinster for nearly thirty years, the Dubliners got a very close call in the senior final from Wexford who had already won the intermediate crown. In fact, with a little more accuracy the Wexford girls might well have caused a sensation.

We had already had a sensation in the South where Waterford toppled fancied Cork. They then defeated Limerick, and gave Tipperary a close game in the provincial final.

The semi-final, between Tipperary and Dublin at Cahir, provided a 'replay' of the 1963 All-Ireland final, which Dublin had won convincingly at Croke Park. However, Tipperary had improved considerably in the meantime and, although Dublin at one time looked likely to score a clear-cut victory, the

home side rallied magnificently in the closing stages.

Amidst tremendous excitement, the home side cut down the arrears score by score, and when the referee, Miss B. King of Monaghan, blew the last whistle, there was considerable controversy as to the actual score. The referee ruled that Dublin had won by a point. Tipperary claimed that the result should have been a draw, and appealed to the Central Council. The latter body upheld the referee's decision and thus confirmed Dublin's right to enter the final.

Meanwhile, Antrim, after a single outing to take the Northern title, in which they scored a very easy victory over Monaghan, had defeated Galway in their semi-final, but without having all that much to spare.

So the Antrim girls were outsiders when they came south to play Dublins in the September final. In addition, they had to field without that versatile star Sue Ward.

The result may have looked clear-cut in advance, but it proved far otherwise on the actual field of play. Dublin led all the way, but the margin shrank and shrank during an

exciting second-half and Antrim were in very hard luck in the last minute when a hard shot that might well have brought the equalising goal, flew over the bar instead to leave the Dublin girls winners by two points.

So Dublin won their tenth consecutive title, and one player, Una O'Connor, had the distinction of playing on all ten of those winning sides. The worth of this achievement was recognised when she was chosen for a Caltex award, the first camogie player ever to be so honoured.

In Munster the Cork second string amply avenged the defeat of the first-rankers by defeating what was virtually a full strength Waterford side in the final. In Leinster the junior title was won by a very useful Kildare side that could well make its mark in intermediate ranks.

In Ulster Down, showing a welcome resurgence, won the minor title. The interprovincial series was started early, Munster and Leinster defeating Ulster and Connacht respectively with comfortable margins to spare. When only one of the Dublin side, captain Kathleen

Ryder, was found available for the final at Cork, an easy win for Munster seemed certain, but Wexford, Kilkenny and Kildare produced a Leinster side that put up a spirited battle, and would have done even better with a shade more luck, especially in the attack.

The Champion Club championship proved even more successful than in the previous year. This was particularly so in Leinster where we had some stirring games before St. Paul's (Kilkenny) snatched narrow verdicts over Caragh (Kildare) and St. Ibar's (Wexford).

St. Patrick's (Tipperary) retained the Munster title almost unchallenged for they made light of all opposition and likewise routed the Ulster champions, Deirdre (Antrim) in the semi-final.

St. Paul's had not a great deal to spare over Oranmore (Galway) in their semi-final, but put up unexpectedly stiff resistance to the holders, St. Patrick's, in the final. Indeed it was only in the closing stages that the Tipperary girls pulled well in front and made certain of victory in an excellent game

## Dublin Are Still Tops

**D**UBLIN continue to dominate the camogie scene. This year they took their tenth title in a row when they narrowly defeated Antrim in the decider.

In Munster, Tipperary once again retained the championship but Cork took the secondary title for the first time and Munster regained the Gael-Linn Cup. Glen Rovers won their fourth successive county championship. Churchtown took the intermediate title and Cobb were victors in the junior campaign.

Dublin have monopolised the camogie scene for so long now that a defeat for them appears impossible. However this season they did not dominate quite so convincingly. In the semi-final they had only a two-point victory over Munster champions, Tipperary, while in the decider their margin was only 2-2 to 0-6. So maybe a defeat for the champions is not too far away. Certainly, although Dublin are deserving title-holders, it is not a good thing for the game to have one county so obviously on top. Consequently every county outside the capital is anxious to see another name engraved on the O'Duffy Cup after such a long lapse.

### TIPP. UNLUCKY

Tipperary continue to hold the Munster title and this year they were rather unlucky against Dublin in the All-Ireland campaign. Cork seniors were surprisingly defeated by Waterford in the first round but this disappointment was greatly relieved by the tremendous performance of the young secondary side who won this competition for the first time. In the semi-final they had a great win over practically the same Waterford team as defeated the seniors and in the decider they disposed of the holders, Limerick. These girls show great promise and Cork followers are hopeful that a senior title is not too far away.

Munster regained the Gael Linn Cup after one year when they had a fine win over Leinster in the decider. Leinster were the holders and although the easterners were without seven of their Dublin players, who declared themselves

unavailable for selection, the Leinster girls had a very formidable side. In the semi-final Munster defeated Ulster while Leinster disposed of Connacht.

### FOURTH IN ROW

On the Cork club front Glen Rovers took their fourth championship title in a row. This time their opponents in the decider were South Presentation Past Pupils who didn't appear to strike their form of earlier rounds and never really looked like upsetting the champions.

In the intermediate campaign Churchtown repeated Youghal's feat of last season by completing the junior and intermediate double in their first two years in competition. This is only the second time that this "double" has been achieved.

An unusual feature of the junior championship was the appearance of two non-city clubs in the decider. Also the teams in question, Cobb and Clonakilty, were comparative newcomers to competition and it was a pity that either had to be beaten. However, one side has to win and this time Cobb emerged as victors.

None of the leagues in these grades have yet been completed. On the schools front, St. Aloysius are still the holders of both league and championship and a heartening feature of the new schools season is the entry of Drishane for the first time.

### GREAT BOOST

This season camogie has been listed among the Caltex Awards for the first time and this is a great boost for the game. The first camogie girl to win this award is Una O'Connor of Dublin. This year Una set up a unique record when she won her tenth All-Ireland in a row and her 13th in all. Only Kathleen Mills, also of Dublin, holds 14 medals but Una's ten in a row has not been equalled in any field game. Una has also figured on the Leinster side since the inception of the Gael Linn Cup in 1957, except for this season's decider when she declared herself unavailable for selection.

# CAMOGIE ROUND-UP

BY JOAN MORLEY

**WE** seem to be entering an age in all sports when youngsters have to be given far more encouragement to partake than, say, ten years ago, and camogie is no exception. Granted, there are many girls keen to play under any conditions but too often the 15 and 16-year-olds tend to lose interest. The unfortunate part is that this is an age at which players are vital to the future of any club and something must be done to end this drain from the game.

I have discussed this question with officials of different sports and they all express the same opinion that youngsters today need more than just the sport itself to keep their interest. At 12, 13 and 14 years the game itself is sufficient but later they acquire more outside interests and if something is not offered by sporting clubs then they will go elsewhere to spend their spare time.

Nowadays it would appear that young girls have so many counter attractions that they are more interested in comfort. No longer are many of them prepared to brave the elements to play a camogie match and very often they give the flimsiest excuses for failing to turn up for even important games. They do not seem to take the game seriously any more and though I am not saying that camogie should be anything but a sport to be enjoyed I am suggesting that it must be played with a responsible attitude if it is to prosper.

Where can we begin? Firstly, I feel that the schools must play a major role in the advancement of the game and I am in full agree-

ment with the Chairman of the Cork County Board, Miss Lily O'Grady, who, at this year's convention, stressed the importance of sport in the schoolgirl's make-up.

This season, the story from the schools is a heartening one, with seven affiliating. Drishane entered the ranks for the first time. St. Aloysius, holders of both league and championship, decided to field a "C" team, while North Presentation and Scoil Eanna have "B" teams for the first time.

However, much could still be done in schools throughout the county to foster the game, for there are schools where girls get no encouragement to partake in camogie competitions.

Camogie is our national game for girls and I would like to say here that it is surprising that the Authorities do not do more to encourage the playing of this in the schools. Of course there are other field games for girls but surely in the dying weeks of this anniversary year of 1966 one last big effort could be made to establish camogie in more schools throughout the city and county.

Parents, too, must play a role in camogie's advancement. I feel that if girls do not get encouragement from the home many of them will not make any real effort to take up sport of any kind. Parents could help by supplying hurleys and boots, thus showing that they are in favour of their daughters playing the game.

Surely, when their daughters are playing matches and training during their spare time, mothers and fathers can feel happy about their

children's development. There are so many outside attractions, all of which are not beneficial to the adolescent, that it must be in the parents' interests to do all they can in this field.

To keep camogie flourishing in the county you must have a big number of strong club teams. Each year junior clubs spring up around the county. Some have difficulties in keeping going but two typical examples of real enthusiasm are Youghal and Churchtown.

Last season Youghal completed a rare double when they added the intermediate championship to the junior title they had won the previous year—and this after but two seasons in the game. This season Churchtown repeated the feat, bringing off the intermediate and junior double in successive years.

This is a very encouraging feature of the junior grade, where at present there are thirteen teams. Glen Rovers, Old Aloysians, Cobh, St. John's (Ovens), Douglas, Rochestown, Mallow, Clonakilty, South Presentation Past Pupils, Blarney, Munster Institute, Bandon and Youghal. Let us hope that many more clubs will be established around the county and city and that the above-mentioned teams will flourish.

Two years ago the County Board decided to have an intermediate grade. By this year's convention the grade was reduced to three teams, as some clubs found the going too tough. However, Convention decided to retain the Division for at least another year and

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# THE LEVELLING OF STANDARDS

BY AINE MEAGHER

THE camogie year of 1966 will go down in the annals of the Association as the year that Una O'Connor and Dublin set new records by winning a tenth All-Ireland in a row; the year in which St. Patrick's of Glengoose-Ballin-garry, the Tipperary title-holders, won the All-Ireland club championship for the second consecutive season; the year when camogie, for the first time, was granted a Caltex Award.

But I like to think back on 1966 as the year of the great levelling up of standards; the year when Dublin, in both the All-Ireland semi-final and final, only escaped defeat by a single stroke of the ball; the year in which Leinster, despite having the services of only one Dublin player, yet ran Munster hard in the Gael-Linn Cup final at Cork.

On the playing fields it was a year of truly memorable games, and it began on an epic note with that wonderful Ashbourne Cup series in the Belfield mud. First we had University College, Galway going within inches of dethroning the holders, University College, Cork, in a magnificent semi-final, and then an unfancied U.C.D. side marched ankle-deep in liquid mud to lion-hearted victory in the final.

The bright stars of U.C.D.'s victory that day were Anne Carroll,

at centre-half, and Kitty Murphy, first in attack and then in defence. And both through the year maintained that magnificent form.

Anne Carroll was again a prominent stalwart for Tipperary, who went as close to victory over Dublin at Cahir as any team could get and still lose, but she had compensation when she won a club All-Ireland medal with St. Patrick's.

Incidentally, it was very interesting to note that, after U.C.D. had conclusively proved in the Ashbourne that centre-back is probably the versatile Anne's best position, St. Patrick's played her very successfully in that post through the inter-club championship.

Kitty Murphy, who was not called upon by her native Clare, threw in her lot with Dublin and quickly won her way onto the county side. She proved an able deputy for Alice Hussey, who was out of the country, and played a big part in helping the Metropolitans to that record-breaking All-Ireland victory.

Yet Dublin had to battle all the way for the honours even in Leinster, as Wexford were very little behind the champions, and made their bravest bid yet to win the senior title of the province.

The game which caused most controversy was, of course, the All-Ireland semi-final at Cahir.

But, while this was a matter about which, at the time, some opinions were sharply divided, it was always obvious that Central Council had to stand over the decision of the referee.

Yet any clouds that may have gathered over the semi-final were quickly dissipated by the sheer brilliance of much of the play in the final between Dublin and Antrim. Those who saw it will not forget the display of Mairead McAtamney on the Antrim left wing. She gave what was possibly the finest individual performance in an All-Ireland final in the last decade.

Despite all her efforts, the Antrim attack failed to find a way to the Dublin net for the goal that would have made all the difference. Yet, over the fifty minutes, the actual number of scores, six for Antrim to four for Dublin, is a fitting reflection of the general trend of the play.

So, on all the evidence, it seems that Dublin's long supremacy has now very definitely come to an end. But I must add one proviso to that. Many a time in the past I have said much the same thing, yet, when the following season came round, Dublin always succeeded in producing new stars to keep the county's flag flying.

The levelling-up of standards was very obvious also on the club

fields of Leinster. No one could ask for better or more exciting games than those in which St. Paul's (Kilkenny) beat Caragh (Kildare) and St. Ibar's (Wexford), in turn, to win the right to represent the province in the club champions' competition. St. Paul's seemed to improve steadily with every outing and gave a very good account of themselves against the powerful St. Patrick's in the final.

Indeed, if I had to make a prophecy for 1967 I would say that Kilkenny, backboned by these St. Paul's players, might well prove the shock team of the coming year.

Another side to watch in Leinster should surely be Kildare. They have a number of well-organised local competitions, including a schools league, and the standard throughout the county has improved out of all knowledge in recent seasons.

Down South the team of 1967 may well be Cork. I was tremendously impressed by their secondary side that won the Munster title in that grade, and I think the Leesiders will be very real challengers next season to the recent Munster supremacy of Tipperary. With Limerick and Waterford also on the upgrade, the prospects in the South are rosy.

Antrim are still supreme up North and it is a pity that they are really unchallenged. I am convinced that, if Antrim had the benefit of a couple of hard games early in the championship they must have won the All-Ireland title this year. However, the resurgence of Down may lead to keener competition in the province.

In the West, Galway remain on top, but now that Roscommon have returned to the ranks we may look for improvement in the all-round standard across the Shannon.

All in all, therefore, 1966 was a good camogie year, and, if the bright promise fulfilled then is carried forward into 1967, we should have a really memorable year ahead.

# Chairman Hits Out At Small Attendances

**WHILST** the overall impression of camogie in Cork seems to be one of continued expansion, this unfortunately is not the case; it is the stronger clubs who have advanced, whereas the weaker clubs have shown little or no progress.

This was stated by Miss Lily O'Grady, outgoing chairman when she addressed the annual convention of the Cork Co. Camogie Board, held at Dunlaoi, yesterday.

Miss O'Grady went on to condemn the attitude of a number of clubs whose delegates rarely if ever attend the weekly Co. Board meetings. "I am sure that clubs do not realise that they themselves are an integral part of the Co. Board and so their loss, loss that is in participating, as members of the board prevents the board from functioning to full capacity. The board officials worked hard during the year to carry out the programme planned but, unfortunately, did not always receive the co-operation of clubs".

Miss O'Grady made a strong appeal to clubs to get away from the selfish attitude of concern for its own affairs only. It was fortunate, she said, that there were a number of clubs which did not need to be reproached on this matter and she paid tribute to those who fulfilled the responsibilities and took active participation in planning county affairs.

The chairman referred to various incidents of rough play and lack of discipline on the playing field. She said that there was a tendency among some players to play the game similar to that of our national game for men—hurling. "While I am not in any way criticising the fine game of hurling, even in this day and age, ladies can still be ladies whatever sport they play; it was never intended that camogie should be 'hurling played by girls' but rather a game similar to hurling with rules to make it a suitable field game for girls." Miss O'Grady said that offenders in this respect should be severely reprimanded by the Co. Board and it should be the duty of club officials to see that their members are fully instructed in the rules before being allowed to participate in any game.

Miss O'Grady congratulated the victorious senior, intermediate and junior league and championship teams and she thanked the G.A.A. and those who had helped the board during the year with pitches for the carrying out of fixtures. She spoke of the necessity of the board securing its own pitch and said that unless some kind of playing field is secured in the

accomplished with very little effort.

In her report the Hon. Treasurer Mrs. Daly said the Board was in a strong financial position and reported that revenue from gates was up 50 per cent.

Election of officers: Chairman, Miss Mary Crowley, South Pres., P.P., vice-chairman, Mrs. Nora Newman, Glen Rovers; hon. secretary, Miss S. O'Sullivan, South Pres. P.P., hon. treasurer, Miss T. Fehilly, St. Aloysius P.P., registrar, Aine Ni Comerlain, Press officer, Mrs. Joan Morley, Delegates to Congress, Mrs. Hurlley, Miss Mary Moran, and Miss Sheila O'Sullivan, Delegate to Munster Council, Miss Lily O'Grady, Delegates to Munster Convention: Officers of the Board.

## MOTION PASSED

The following motion was passed unanimously by the Convention: "That an inter county player should give at least three days notice before the day of the match to a member of the selection committee if she is unable to play, otherwise she should not be considered for selection again that year."

A number of motions dealing with changing of rules were not dealt with due to lack of time but the convention agreed to hold a special Rules Meeting in the immediate future to discuss these in view of the fact that this was the year that rule changes would be going to congress.

A motion by Glen Rovers "that a deputation be sent to Cork Corporation with a view to securing a playing pitch" was withdrawn when the convention was informed there was a possibility of a pitch being vacated in the near future, and the secretary was instructed to get in touch immediately with the club who it was understood were vacating the pitch.

Delegates to the convention said that the board should act with great haste in this matter, as the acquisition of their own pitch was one of the most pressing problems of the board.

The draw for the senior championship resulted as follows: Old Aloysians v University College, Cork; Naomh Gobbait v Glen Rovers; Churchtown v Youghal; South Presentation Convent a bye.

# Annual Convention At Dun Laoi On Sunday

**THIS** year the Camogie Association intends bringing out a new Rule Book so conventions throughout the country will be of special interest to everyone connected with the game. On Sunday next, Cork will hold their annual convention at Dunlaoi, when a number of interesting motions will be discussed.

One of these is a suggestion by South Presentation Past Pupils that the playing time be increased from fifty to sixty minutes, meaning an increase of five minutes in each half. This is a motion which should arouse plenty of discussion.

Another motion from the same club calls for a change in the "throw-in." At present, the six centres and eight forwards taking part in a game are all in the centre of the field for the throw-in. South Pres. suggest that only the six centrefielders should take part in the actual throw-in.

## NEW UNIFORM.

This year there is another call for a change of uniform for players. The present rule states that "teams are required to wear distinctive uniforms, which shall be of Irish manufacture if possible, and shall comprise of gym tunics and blouses with long or short sleeves and black stockings." South Pres. suggest that divided skirts, with short or long sleeves, and knee-length stockings be substituted for the present uniform. This is not the first time that there has been a call for such a change. Some years ago, Old Aloysians proposed a uniform along similar lines, but the motion, although it was passed at the Cork Convention was not accepted by Congress. It will be interesting to see whether opinions have changed since then, and particularly with the new rules on their way. It would seem to be a very appropriate time for discussing such a major change.

These are just a few of the suggestions made for rule changes, and there are likely to be very many more before the County Board submit their list for the new rule book. In the meantime, the convention is the best time for airing any controversial topics, and Sunday is likely to be a very interesting day for all camogie followers.

Of local concern mainly are a number of recommendations from clubs. Glen Rovers and Youghal suggest a fixed time for playing the Senior Championship, with the latter suggesting between the months of March and September, and the former calling for June or July.

## CALL FOR CHANGE.

There is also a call for a change in the Senior Selection Committee. A selection committee is becoming more and more difficult to organise each year. It is not easy for club members to attend all the senior matches and the many practise matches, and few senior members have that much free time. Club selections have been tried in the past, and although they have been as successful as any other form of committee there seems to be the same difficulty within the senior clubs of finding people with the time necessary for such an undertaking. This season, Glen Rovers suggest a new formation of the committee, with a representative from the senior, junior and intermediate champions plus two members of the County Board.

New intermediate champions Churchtown suggest that a team should win the Intermediate Championship feel that the step to senior plonship twice before being promoted to senior ranks. Churchtown won the Junior Championship only last season in their first year of competition, and perhaps they feel that the steep to senior would be too much not alone for themselves out for any side winning the Intermediate Championship for the first time. It will be interesting to see how the discussion will go as it affects a number of clubs.

There are many more interesting ideas and suggestions down for discussion on Sunday next, and these are only a few which would appear to be of particular interest to followers generally.

## ONE MAJOR CHANGE.

There will be one major change in the officers for the coming year. Miss Lily O'Grady, chairman since 1961, has decided to withdraw this year. Followers will be sorry to see Lily vacating the chair, but as she is also President of the Association, she finds that she has not got the time to deal adequately with both positions. Lily has held office in the Cork County Board for many years. Before becoming chairman, Lily served as treasurer for three years. She also acted as Press officer, and served terms as Chairman of the Munster Council. However, there are two very experienced nominees for the office. Lily's clubmate in Old Aloysians, Miss Siobhan O'Sulli-

van is not a new hand in the chair. In the past she served nine years as chairman, with only a year's break between terms of two and seven years. She withdrew from the chair in 1961, when she received many warm tributes. Miss Mary Crowley, of South Presentation P.P., is the present Chairman of the Munster Council. County Board experience is nothing new to her as she served as secretary for eight years, and would be well aware of the workings of the Board.

Brid Power, of Youghal, the present vice-chairman, will have two opponents for her position—Mrs. Nora Newman of Glen Rovers and Miss Mary Buckley of Cobh. Mrs. Newman has always been a very enthusiastic follower of the game, and although she has not held office in the past, she has a great knowledge of the running of the Board. Miss Buckley is young, but the position of vice-chairman would be ideal for training her to bigger things. Of course, they both have to contend with Miss Power who has been a very capable vice-chairman over the last twelve months.

Sheila O'Sullivan is the only officer who is unopposed. She will be beginning her fourth year as secretary, and the fact that she has no opposition speaks for itself.

## POSITION OF TREASURER.

There are three names down for the position of treasurer—Miss Mary Moran and Miss Terry Fehilly of Old Aloysians and Miss Teresa Murphy of Glen Rovers. All three would be newcomers to this vital position, but any of them should be very capable officers, and it will be interesting to see how the voting goes on Sunday. Mrs. Lily Daly of Old Aloysians, who more than capably filled the office for the past year has decided not to go forward this time.

The competition for the position of registrar will be between Miss Ann Comerford of S.P.P.P. (outgoing) and Miss Kay Harrington (Glen Rovers). Kay is a young girl who takes a great interest in County Board affairs, but has competently filled the position for a year. The position of Press officer will be decided between Mrs. Joan Morley, who has held the position since 1960, and Miss Teresa Murphy of Glen Rovers, who would be a new but very capable officer.

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# Camogie

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## *as it should be played*

By ÚNA BEAN UÍ PHUIRSÉAL

ONCE, when I was trying to help revive camogie in a certain Munster county, I called upon a very well-known G.A.A. official who had been in his time an intercounty hurling star. He received me very, very courteously—we had met socially on a couple of All-Ireland final occasions—and he listened patiently to all I had to say. When I had finished he smiled, and said gently but firmly, “Well I am afraid I am no use to you, because, to be quite frank, I do not consider that hurling is a suitable game for girls.” . . . And I think he got the shock of his life when my answer was, “I completely agree with you.”

That was the literal truth. I thoroughly agree that hurling is not a suitable game for girls, but when I promptly came to my real point which is that camogie is not hurling.

Hurling is essentially a virile game in which strength and bodily contact play important parts . . . and neither brute strength nor bodily contact can have any place in a game for girls.

No greater tribute can be paid to those who originally drafted the Camogie rules than to point out that those rules, as they drew them up more than thirty years ago, have never had to be revised as far as bodily contact and the use of strength are concerned. Both are ruled out of court.

The result is that those players who have been trained in the camogie rules only, as distinct from those who first learn to hurl, and then try to play camogie as hurling, have dominated the intercounty camogie championships since first

The reason for this is not far to seek. Players who have been trained from the start in the proper camogie rules know that the ball is the only objective, first, last and all the time. The result is that they concentrate entirely on the ball and on playing that ball, and that is why camogie games between Dublin and Antrim, for instance, are such spectacular games to watch and provide so many thrills.

Of those who saw it, who can ever forget the All-Ireland semi-final between Dublin and Antrim at Waterfoot on Lady Day last year? This was camogie at its brilliant best, a best so brilliant that one of the most hard-to-please judges of hurling in Ireland, who happened to be present, said afterwards, “If only we could get the men to play hurling in the same way, Croke Park would never hold the crowds that would come to watch.”

Now, I am a great hurling fan myself, and it is my belief, and that belief has grown steadily through the past twenty years or so, that the public image of hurling has been adversely affected by the fact that strength and bodily contact have become over-important factors in the game, with the result that skill and ball-play have deteriorated. But that is entirely a matter for the hurling people, and no affair of mine. What I am concerned with is striving to ensure that camogie, an unsurpassed game for girls, is played, and played properly, in every county of the thirty-two. And the first step in that direction is to ensure that all camogie players have a real knowledge of the rules of their own game. I stress the need for

# University College, Cork U.C.C. Are New Regain Ashbourne Cup Champions

FEB. 1967

U.C.C., 8-2; U.C.D., 4-2.

**T**HE final of the Ashbourne Cup (inter-university camogie competition) provided thrilling entertainment when University College, Cork, and University College, Dublin (holders) met yesterday in the final at the Mardyke, Cork.

The brilliant play of yesterday's game was in stark contrast to Saturday's semi-finals when play was scrappy, with the victors dominating from the very beginning.

Yesterday's finalists were very evenly matched and from the opening minutes of play it was obvious that it was going to be a lively game. U.C.C. opened the scoring with a goal after five minutes when their star player, Audrey Geaney, sent in a lovely shot, and within minutes she repeated this performance to put the home side further ahead. Then followed ten minutes of brilliant play around midfield.

In the 20th minute following a beautiful clearance by Kitty Murphy, the Cork defence was caught unawares and the ball rolled into the net to give the visitors their first goal. Shortly after this the home side added two points to their tally when Carmel Buckley sent over the bar in quick succession to leave the half-time score: U.C.C. 2 goals 2 points; U.C.D. 1 goal.

### REDUCED ARREARS

Play had just resumed when the Dublin girls succeeded in reducing

the arrears by one goal, leaving the home side two points in the lead. The brisk pace of the first period was further stepped up in the second period and within 10 minutes Cork were once again leading by two goals and two points and were never troubled after this.

Scorers for Cork — Audrey Geaney (5-0), Noreen Keohane (2-0), Carmel Buckley (1-2). Scorers for U.C.D.: Kitty Murphy (2-0), Bronach O'Neill (1-0), Ann Carroll (1-2).

**U.C.C.** — Anne Corkery, Marion Keohane, Hannah Dineen, Sheila Dunne, Pat Devlin, Claire O'Mullane, Celine Coakley, Noreen Keohane, Audrey Geaney, Carmel Buckley, Margaret McCarthy, Rosemary O'Halloran.

**U.C.D.** — Jo Golden, Meta Kelly, Kathleen O'Connor, Anne Carroll, Blanaid Ní Annrachain, Deirdre Higgins, Kathleen O'Hagan, Mary Coyne, Nora Stewart, Joan Traynor, Bronach O'Neill, Kitty Murphy.

Referee — Miss Anne Comerford, South Pres. P.P.U.

On Saturday U.C.C. had a run-away victory over Queens University, Belfast, when they beat them by 7 goals 4 pts. to 1 goal, and U.C.D. beat U.C.G. by 4 goals 2 pts. to 2 pts.

In the final of the Losers Cup yesterday, while the Belfast girls were in much better form, they were no match for the Galway girls who chalked up 6 goals and 5 pts. against Queens 1 pt.

By AGNES HOURIGAN

U.C.C. .... 8-2 U.C.D. .... 4-2

**U**.C.C. regained the inter-varsity camogie championship, the Ashbourne Cup, when they scored a deserved victory over the holders, U.C.D., in a hard-fought final at the Mardyke, Cork, yesterday.

Cork wasted no time, and with faster striking from the start, they upset the Dublin girls, who quickly showed the effect of their hard game with U.C.G. on Saturday.

Most of the credit for this victory must go to the U.C.C. attack for their speed and accuracy.

Cork, who led from start to stop, were 2 goals in front before UCD scored their only goal of this half. Play was fairly even after the first ten minutes and the score of 2-2 to 1-0 fairly represented the play.

### A Great Burst

Dublin made one switch during the interval. Kitty Murphy was Carroll moved from that position to centre forward.

The losers put in a great burst on the re-start and came within 2 points of their opponents, but this rally was short-lived and Cork came back from the pucker to increase their lead.

The Dublin girls, though they fought valiantly to the final whistle, were steadily losing ground to a superior side.

Outstanding for the winners were: Audrey Geaney, who was top scorer, Sheila Dunne, Carmel Buckley, Sallian Coakley and Hannah Dinneen in the second half.

### Closely Marked

Ann Carroll and Kitty Murphy, though very closely marked, gave of their best for Dublin and they were helped by Mary Coyne, Nora Stuart, who broke even

with Hannah Dinneen in the first-half and Kathleen O'Hagen.

Scorers: U.C.C. — Audrey Geaney (5-0), N. Keohane (2-0), C. Buckley (1-2). U.C.D. — K. Murphy (2-0), A. Carroll (1-2), D. O'Neill (1-0).

Referee: Miss Comerford (Cork).

## Dublin v. Cork in camogie final

**U**.C.C. and the holders, U.C.D., who have dominated the inter-varsity camogie competition for the Ashbourne Cup for some years, will again contest the final in Cork to-day. In yesterday's semi-finals, played at the Mardyke, Cork, in glorious weather, U.C.C. beat Queen's University, Belfast, by 7-4 to 1-0, and U.C.D. defeated U.C.G. by 4-3 to 0-2.

U.C.C. .... 7-4 U.C.G. .... 1-0

Combining well in all departments, U.C.C. led Queen's by 6-3 to nil at the interval. The Belfast girls improved somewhat in the second half but they never offered a serious challenge.

The U.C.C. scorers were: Carmel Buckley (2-0), Noreen Keohane (2-0), Sheila Dunne (2-0), Audrey Geaney (1-2), and Rose O'Halloran (0-2). Queen's goal was scored by Sally McCluskey.

U.C.D. .... 4-3 U.C.G. .... 0-2

U.C.D. led by only five pts. at the interval against U.C.G. The Dublin side improved on the re-start, and Kitty Murphy scored two goals to make the issue safe.

Kitty Murphy took top scoring honours with three goals, and Nora Stewart (1-0), and Ann Carroll (0-3), got the other scores. Eileen Naughton got Galway's two points midway through the second half.

### Antrim Sports Star Awards

ST. JOHN'S G.A.A. Club, Belfast, announced their Antrim Sports Star awards of the year last night.

- FOOTBALL**  
 \* GEORGE EAGLESON  
**HURLING**  
 \* ARTHUR CONNOLLY  
**CAMOGIE**  
 \* NANCY MURRAY  
**CLUB OF THE YEAR**  
 \* ROSSA  
**HALL OF FAME**  
 \* BOB FOLEY

### CAMOGIE

- Ina Kelly (Dublin)
- Sean O'Duffy (Dublin)
- Sheila McNulty (Down)
- Mrs. P. Purcell (Dublin)

ALL-STAR AWARD  
 ADJUDICATORS 1967

FEB. 1967

# U.C.C. Fancied For Ashbourne Cup

## CAMOGIE

By AINE MEAGHER

**B**IG camogie event this week-end is the annual inter-arsity contest for the Ashbourne Cup at Cork. This is the oldest trophy in the game and has down the years produced the greatest excitement.

University College Cork, holders in 1965, and beaten narrowly by University College Dublin on a sea of liquid mud at Belfield last February, will be favourites to regain the title on home ground, but Dublin, now that they have regained the trophy are unlikely to part with it easily.

In the semi-finals, the Cork girls should not have two much difficulty in disposing of the challenge of the students from Queen's University Belfast, but Dublin, on the other hand, will have plenty to think about when they take on University College Galway in the other semi-final.

The Galway girls were unlucky to lose to Cork in last year's semi-final and, though they have lost some of those stars, they will still be a force to be reckoned with.

Cork with that great star Hannah Dineen to hold off the Dublin attacks, will be favourites to win on home ground, but if Dublin do fail it will not be for want of training and preparation. They completed a busy training programme last Saturday when they entertained the Kilkenny county champions, St. Paul's, in a most entertaining challenge game at Belfield.

### U.C.D. FITNESS

St. Paul's were without three of the side that reached the final of the All-Ireland club championship — Claire O'Hanrahan, Mary Houlihan and Nuala Grace—but they opened on a bright note, took an early lead and had the better of the play through the first ten minutes.

The superior fitness of the U.C.D. side soon told, however.

The students were on level terms by the interval and had much the better of the closing stages. In fact their winning margin of 4-4 to 1-0 would have been greater but for a brilliant display by the Kilkenny goal-keeper. However, both teams were well pleased by the result. U.C.D. felt that their Ashbourne side had come through a severe test with flying colours, while St. Paul's, considering that they had not been out in company since October, felt that they had shown up well. Mary Connery, the former U.C.D. captain and now Chairman of the Kilkenny County Board, played very well at full-back for the losers, and received good assistance from N. Duncan, O. O'Neill, C. O'Shea, A. Gargan and Mary Fennelly.

Incidentally the best wishes of all camogie followers will be extended to Claire O'Hanrahan, last year's All-Star award winner and a brilliant forward on the St. Paul's, Kilkenny and Leinster teams, who is getting married this week-end.

### DURROW'S DRAWS

The girls from Presentation Convent, Durrrow, have certainly got value for their first entry into the Leinster junior Colleges competition. In the first round, before Christmas, they played a draw with Clane at Durrrow, and then won the replay at Clane. On Saturday last the Durrrow girls played another draw, this time with Holy Faith Convent, The Coombe and again at Durrrow. It is hoped to hold the replay in Dublin next week-end.

In the Northern area, Holy Faith, Clontarf going well for the Leinster double, had a good win over Naomh Mhuire. In the area final, they will meet either Gil-

son School, Oldcastle, the holders, or Holy Faith, Glasnevin, who are due to meet in the second semi-final.

### TEAM ENTERTAIN SELECTORS

The Dublin camogie team last week-end, instead of being entertained themselves, entertained the county selectors. It was a novel idea, and a very laudable one, since too often players tend to forget the work that is done on their behalf by such officials. I hear that one of the most enjoyable moments of a very pleasant social evening was provided when the players put on a little sketch in which the selectors were each impersonated by a member of the team. And the selectors enjoyed it so much they insisted on having a complete encore!

Celtic strengthened their position in the Dublin senior league by a hard-earned win over U.C.D. on Sunday last. The students were without Anne Carroll, who had gone to Clonmel to receive her Tipperary Sports Star award, but even so they put up a tremendous battle, and had Annie Donnelly been in the attack, might have got the scores that they missed by inches on more than one occasion.

However, this was further proof that Celtic are getting back into full stride, and the Coolock side will be a force to reckon with, in the later stages of the competition.

## Inter-arsity Competition For Ashbourne Cup

**T**HE annual competition for the Ashbourne Cup will be staged at the Gaelic Grounds U.C.C., this forthcoming week-end. U.C.C. have the best team of camogie players they have had for some years and under the capable coaching of well-known hurlers and footballers, J. Blake, B. O Muirthille, John Mitchell and L. Stayers, hold high hopes of regaining the cup which they last won in Belfast in 1955. The panel of players includes the following:

**Anne Corkery** (Presentation Convent, Crosshaven), is the net-minder. A B.A. student, Anne is playing in her first Ashbourne.

**Marion Keohane** (Drishane), second arts, plays in her second Ashbourne.

**Hannah Dineen** (Presentation, Bandon), final arts, plays in her fifth Ashbourne. Is a well-known inter-county player.

**Catherine O'Riordan** (Fermoy), third commerce second Ashbourne.

**Sheila Dunne** (Macroom), captain the team. Third arts, third Ashbourne.

**Pat Devlin** (St. Aloysius), third med., third Ashbourne.

**Claire O'Mullane** (Presentation, Crosshaven), third arts, second Ashbourne.

**Celine Coakley** (South Pres.), third arts, second Ashbourne.

**Noreen Keohane** (St. Ais.), first arts, first Ashbourne.

**Audrey Geaney** (St. Ais.) fifth med., fifth Ashbourne. Has represented her county.

**Carmel Buckley** (St. Ais.), third arts, third Ashbourne is the most experienced of the forwards.

**Barbara Buckley** (St. Louis, Monaghan), halls from Tipperary. First science, first Ashbourne.

**Maura Dennehy** (Cork), third arts, second Ashbourne.

**Denise Harrington** (St. Ais.), third arts, second Ashbourne.

**Noreen O'Leary** (St. Ais.) second commerce, first Ashbourne.

**Margaret McCarthy** (South Pres.) first arts, first Ashbourne.

**Rosemary O'Halloran** (South Pres.), first arts, first Ashbourne. A sister of the well-known U.C.C. and Cork hurler, John O'Halloran.

Draws are as follows: At U.C.C. Gaelic Grounds, to-morrow, U.C.C. v. O.U.B., 2 p.m. U.C.D. (holders) v. U.C.G., 3 p.m.

Sunday 5th—Finals, 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Referee for all matches, Anne Comerford (South Pres. P.P.).

### SCHOOLS LEAGUE

The Schools League continues on tomorrow (Saturday) with two games listed. Youghal "B" meet Scoll Eanna and St. Aloysius "A" meet South Presentation "A" at South Presentation Grounds, Ballyphehane.

The game between South Pres. and St. Ais. should be the closest of these ties, with both sides having a number of fine players. In recent games St. Ais. holders of the title, have star performers in Liz Garvan, Rose Long and Angela Neary, while South Pres. have their top performers in Ann Coughlan, Margaret Quinlan and Ita Downey.

In their previous outings Scoll Eanna had some promising players in Monica O'Hegan, Kathleen Murphy and Olive Buckley, and Youghal "B" had their best players in Kitty Murphy, Helen Quain and Teresa Cooper. It will be interesting to see how the young sides fare against one another.

The results of last week's matches were: Youghal "A" 3-3; St. Aloysius "A" 3-3; South Presentation "A" 1-1; Scoll Eanna nil.

## Stacks Keep League Lead

**L**EADERS Austin Stacks consolidated their position at the top of the Dublin senior camogie league with a hard-earned victory over U.C.D., while Celtic gained their first points with a convincing win over holders Naomh Aoife.

AUSTIN STACKS ..... 2-1  
U.C.D. .... 1-0

Stacks met their toughest opposition thus far from a determined U.C.D. side that was very strong in defence and around midfield, but lacked penetration in attack.

The winners had the better of the first half but could only lead 1-1 to nil at half-time. The losers did their share of attacking after the interval, but could only manage one goal against the solid Stacks defence.

Best for the winners were Concepta Clarke, Mary Ryan, Orla Ni Shiochain, Mary Sherlock, Sheila Creevy and Anne McAllister.

Scorers — A. Stacks — D. O'Herlihy (1-0), C. O'Dwyer (1-0), M. Sherlock (0-1). U.C.D. — M. Coyne (1-0).

CELTIC ..... 5-1  
NAOMH AOIFE ..... 1-0

Celtic made all the running in the second game and deservedly led 3-0 to 1-0 at half-time.

Naomh Aoife, short three of their regular side, failed to score in the second half while the winners added a further 2-1 to their first half tally.

Scorers—Celtic: U. O'Connor (3-1), E. Kehoe (1-0), C. Heffernan 1-0.  
N. Aoife: M. Delaney (1-0).  
Intermediate "A" League—A. Stacks 4-1, U.C.D. 0-0, Mhuire Uí Néill 4-1.  
C.F.E. 0-0.

# Two Vital Senior League Ties Fixed For Sunday

MARCH 1967

## THE DAYS SPORTS

**T**HE seniors take over the limelight on Sunday next when two vital league ties will be played. The senior league is so closely contested that even the loss of two points could mean the end of any club's hopes in the competition so that each game played in the campaign has all the ingredients of a championship tie.

Last season's championship finalists, South Presentation Past Pupils and Glen Rovers, will be in opposition again on Sunday. The Blackpool girls have dominated senior camogie for the past four years in the city but South Pres. will be determined to prove that they did not strike their best form in last season's championship decider and that they are capable of defeating Glen. Certainly South Pres. team seem to be a better league than championship side and it would not be the first time that they have caused a major upset in the campaign. In fact the league is the only senior title which the club has won in its history and they are always formidable opposition when it comes to collecting points.

### STALWART MISSING

This season they are without one of their stalwarts for many years, Kitty Barry-Murphy, who has retired. Kitty was a fine full-back for the side and she was also a regular Cork and Munster player. Her retirement from the game must create problems for the club and it was a pity that she did not win that elusive county championship medal before she finished with the game. Certainly she deserved it.

But South Presentation can still field a very formidable twelve. They have stalwarts' Anne Comerford, Sheila O'Sullivan and

Frances O'Keeffe, while in Betty Sugrue they have a very promising player. Betty played a brilliant game for the Cork secondary team in their fine Munster victory last season and she is a big asset to the South Pres. team.

Glen too had their star representative on the secondary team in Nuala Humphries. Glen can also boast of having the 1966 Munster camogie star Stephanie O'Connell in their line-out. Stephanie is a vital part of Glen's wonderful attack which also includes Anna Crotty and Kathleen Browne.

### PLAYING REMARKABLY WELL

Old Aloysians are still struggling to get back on the winning trail after four seasons in the doldrums. On Sunday they face Youghal at the latter's venue and this will be yet another stiff game for the Old AIs. girls. Youghal are playing remarkably well in the top grade and with the advantage of a home venue they will be very difficult to defeat. They have a number of very useful players, including Angela Russell, who played a major role on Cork's secondary team last season, as well as playing on the senior twelve. Brid Power and Mary Jo Ryan are other Youghal players who will need watching.

Old AIs. have lost a number of their top players over the last few seasons. Last season they lost Rena Manley and Sheila Forde, both of whom played very many first class games. This seems to be their difficulty all the time but this season they are hopeful of fielding a strong side again. Mary Moran has added strength to the defence since her return from Dublin, while Gail O'Mahony has brought more power to the attack with her appearance on the senior team.

Liz Garvan is another very promising newcomer being a stylish and strong hitter, who, though still a schoolgirl, is a very worthy member of the senior team.

### A COMEBACK?

Old AIs. too are hopeful of having Maura Fitzgerald in their line-out for the coming season. Maura was an Old AIs. player before attending U.C.C. and now that she has completed her studies she is likely to turn out for her old club. She would be a great asset to the team as would her former colleague Angela Hennessy who is also likely to turn out for Old AIs. this season.

So Old AIs. can face the new season with a great deal of hope.

Youghal on Sunday in last season's competition with an understrength side so that they must be up against it and Youghal can be expected to take the points. Certainly the way Youghal have played so far in the senior competition makes them a real asset to the senior grade.

## Maeve's Unique Record



**Padraig Purseal**

**W**HEN the fourth series of Gaelic All-Star awards were announced earlier this week one, and one only, of the 37 stars thus honoured set a record that cannot be equalled by any of the rest. The person in question was Maeve Gilroy, the Antrim Camogie player.

Before the All-Star Awards were set up in 1963, the same sponsors, for a brief period, gave Cuchulainn Awards to the outstanding hurler, footballer, handballer and camogie player of the year. If I remember aright, the first year for which those awards were made was 1956.

I certainly remember the actual presentation of the trophies which took place in the Gresham Hotel, Dublin. I had good cause to remember it, for I arrived late, parked my car in Marlborough Street, and was in such a hurry that I decided to leave my new overcoat in the car, when I got back, the window had been forced, and the coat was gone! Ah, well, I hope whoever took it had good luck with it.

In any case the four people who received the Cuchulainn plaques that St. Patrick's Eve were Sean Purcell (Galway) for football, Niggy Rackard (Wexford) for hurling, John Ryan (Wexford) for handball, and Maeve Gilroy of Antrim for camogie.



MAEVE GILROY

### Unique Distinction

So Maeve Gilroy is the only person who has ever won both a former Cuchulainn Award and an All-Star trophy. And, since the Cuchulainn Awards have long been discontinued, she is therefore the only person who can ever do so.

Maeve, who comes from Glen Parade in Belfast, had won fame as a star on Queen's University Ashbourne Cup sides, before she came to national prominence by winning an All-Ireland medal on her very first appearance in a final, for Antrim against Cork in 1956.

She has had no luck in finals since then, for, though she has since played in four All-Ireland deciders she has never again been on the winning side, twice on the winning side, twice having had the tantalising experience of being beaten by a two-point margin.

### Another Record

However, Maeve Gilroy holds another record, for she has taken part in more All-Ireland finals than any player outside Dublin. She has played in five, and refereed two, — Dublin v Tipperary and Dublin v Galway.

As for Maeve's immediate ambitions, Well, of course, she would like to win another All-Ireland medal — Antrim went so close in 1966 that they must be at least joint "long-odds" favourites to take the O'Duffy Cup in 1967.

Besides, she would like to give her golf handicap down to single figures. Playing at Balmoral, she was off 12 in the early part of last year. Then came the height of the camogie season, and Maeve's golf was neglected, so she is playing off 14 at the moment — but that won't be for long.

Off the playing fields, Maeve Gilroy, long a member of the St. Malachy's Club, still gives her advice, and exhortation, to the Queen's Students in the Ashbourne Cup and is now coaching an under-15 side at the St. Gabriel's Youth Centre.

Secretary to a Belfast teachers' training College, Maeve Gilroy has a flair for dress-making, likes reading and knitting, but one wonders how much spare time there is for such pursuits in so a sporting family.

One of her brothers is Treasurer of the famed St. John's G.A.A. club while greyhounds are also a great family interest. The Gilroy brothers have kennels at Hannahstown, and their runners are well-known on the Celtic, Dungannon and Dungannon tracks.

# Wise Selection Of All-Stars

WHEN first I heard the names of the All-Star award winners I was a bit surprised, but then when I got down to thinking the matter out I finally came to the conclusion that the adjudicators had come to very wise decisions indeed.

In fact they followed an example set previously of awarding not alone excellence on the playing fields but good work for the Association off the field as well. I suppose it was, in a way hard luck on Dublin that all three adjudicators were from Dublin and probably felt therefore that they could hardly pick a Dublin player.

Anyway to come back to the choices themselves. After their display in the All-Ireland final, it was obvious that one of the awards would probably go North, and for me, since Mairead McAtamney had got an award last year, the player that lingered most in my mind was goalkeeper Teresa Kearns who played so magnificently in that final. Then I remembered that she was recalled to goal only for this game, having played in the forward line in the previous matches. So when I thought back over the semi-final and final I realised that the adjudicators, reviewing the whole season, were probably right in listing Maeve Gilroy as the most consistent of the Antrim players.

## UNIQUE DISTINCTION

Moreover, Maeve is also a very effective and efficient referee and does a fair share of work in helping out among the Colleges as well as keeping the game alive, by her coaching, in Queens University. In addition, Maeve Gilroy now has a distinction all her own. Just ten years ago, when the old Cuchulainn awards were first instituted, she was the first camogie player to earn such a distinction. So she is now the only player in any Gaelic game to have gained an award both under the old system and the new.

The choice of Mary Connelly will come as a surprise to many camogie followers yet no member of the Association had a busier year. She began the year by playing brilliantly for University College, Galway in the Ashbourne Cup series, and was the outstanding player afield when the U.C.G. girls failed narrowly to U.C.C. in the semi-final. Later in the year she ended her University career and returned to play in her native Kilkenny. There she captained St. Pauls to win the county championship and played a major part in helping her club to reach the All-Ireland club final. She also played so well for Kilkenny in the Leinster championship that she won her place on the Leinster inter-provincial side.

## ELECTED CHAIRMAN

But her achievements on the playing field were only part of Mary Connelly's year. She played a major part in bringing new drive to the whole approach to camogie in County Kilkenny, which is now one of the most progressive of counties, and she was elected chairman of the County Board for the coming year at the annual Convention.

Moreover she has done good work in the Colleges field, as she is now coaching the local Presentation Convent side, and even extended her work over the county border into Laois where she lent a hand in the re-establishment of Laois County Board.

So now all is set for another enjoyable night on St. Patrick's Eve when the camogie representatives will again proudly take their place in the parade of the Gaelic All-Stars.

Meanwhile Eoghan Ruadh were bringing gladness to the hearts of all other Dublin Senior League teams except Austin Stacks when they defeated the hitherto unbeaten League leaders in a very hard-fought game at Phoenix Park. There was very little between them in a very even first half when Eoghan Ruadh led 1-1 to 1-0 at the interval.

In the second half, however, they left no doubt as to their superiority, and pushed up their score to 3-2 while denying a further score to Stacks.

This result means that with only one first round match still to be played, Celtic v. Eoghan Ruadh, three teams, Celtic, Ruadh and Stacks are each two points down. Thus whoever wins the Celtic and Ruadh game will stand level at the top of the table with Stacks. That would leave the losers four points down.

## GAME CALLED OFF

The vital camogie league game in Dublin between Celtic and Eoghan Ruadh had an unusual ending on Sunday last. With nine minutes left for play one of the Celtic players received a knee injury which necessitated her removal to hospital. The event cast a damper over the proceedings, such accidents are very unusual on our camogie fields, and the referee Mrs. Timmons called the game off.

It was in all the circumstances an understandable decision. It was a bitterly cold afternoon above in the Park, the players had been standing round a long time in the cold wind, and it was obvious that the heart had been knocked out of the game by the player's injury.

## BOARD TO DECIDE

It remains to be seen what the Dublin Board will decide about the points, though a replay later in the season would seem to be the most obvious solution.

Celtic were leading by a goal at the time, but Eoghan Ruadh were pressing hard with the fresh breeze behind them, so that what the result might have been nobody could tell.

Best wishes for a quick recovery in the meantime to the player concerned.  
AINE MEAGHER.

# U.C.C.'s Win Gave Game In Cork A Great Boost

ON Sunday last Cork camogie got a great boost when U.C.C. regained the Ashbourne Cup, which they last held two years ago. It was not only the fact that U.C.C. brought a major trophy to Cork but the way in which they achieved their goal. This was a tremendous game, one which will be remembered for many years to come and the standard of camogie shown, particularly by the Cork girls, has once again shown that, although the Cork County team is not on top at present, camogie is well on its way back in the county.

In their final tie against the fancied U.C.D. team, Cork showed that training and dedication pay dividends. For many weeks past these girls have been training intensively and each week-end played games on Saturday and Sunday in preparation for the Ashbourne series. On Sunday they were the fitter of the finalists and never showed the strain of having played Queens on the previous day.

The U.C.C. side was strong in all sectors but their forwards must take most of the bouquets. They played with confidence and a combination which was a treat to watch. Audrey Geaney at full-forward was in brilliant form, scoring five of her side's tally, but Carmel Buckley and Noreen Kenhane were not far behind with 1-2 and 2-0 respectively to their credit.

## OVERSHADOWED

Ann Carroll, the Tipperary and Munster star, must have been a bit of a worry to the U.C.C. girls before the game started but it was only in the last ten minutes or so, when the Cork girls had the game practically decided, that she showed any of her usual ability. For the rest of the time she was overshadowed by Celine Coakley who, in only her first year of camogie, played a tremendous game, and never gave Ann the chances she requires to shine.

Rose O'Halloran, the former South Presentation Past Pupils player, and their captain Sheila Dunne were others outstanding for U.C.C.

This title must have been especially gratifying for the U.C.C. girls because on the last occasion that the series was played in Cork there was a very unsatisfactory ending to the final between U.C.C. and U.C.D. The game ended in a draw but after an emergency meeting of the Ashbourne Committee the trophy was awarded to the Cork girls. However, U.C.C. agreed to play the game again but time passed and the destiny of the trophy was never definitely decided. So that victory once again over Dublin, and especially such

a resounding one, was all the sweeter.

Certainly they deserve the congratulations of all Cork camogie followers for this wonderful achievement.

## MUNSTER CONVENTION

Munster convention will be held in Ennis on Sunday next and there are two Cork officers up for re-election. Mary Crowley, South Presentation Past Pupils, the out-

going chairman, is again proposed but she would appear to have stiff opposition from Limerick's Chris O'Connell, the outgoing vice-chairman. Mary, it will be remembered, was elected chairman of the Cork Co. Board at this year's convention.

These two girls are also nominated for the office of vice-chairman, in addition to Josie McNamara of Waterford.

The other Cork officer, Mrs. Aedin McCarthy, is once again returned unopposed as treasurer, a tribute to her many years of competence in this office.

The Secretary, Ethne Neville of Limerick, is also returned without opposition. Mrs. O'Flaherty (Tipperary), the outgoing registrar, will be up against Mona Cantillon of Kerry in this year's election for the position, and it looks as if this could be close.

# Appeal To Help In Revival

"Not alone must we endeavour to sponsor camogie in our counties and parishes, but we must also foster a love of our language," said Miss Mary Crowley, Cork, the chairman, addressing the annual Munster Council camogie convention in Ennis, yesterday.

"There are rules to our Association binding us to the use of the Irish language, but we should not regard them as rules but as a part of us and I am appealing to you to help in every way the revival of our language. We, in our day, may not see it the spoke language of our country, but it will be in time if you will not hesitate or are not ashamed to let the public know that you have a love of your native tongue."

Twenty-one delegates, including officers, representing five counties, attended. Kerry was not represented. The convention made the following draw for the Munster Senior Camogie Championship:—

A—Limerick v Waterford (Limerick venue). B—Tipperary v Cork (Tipperary venue). C—Kerry v Clare (Kerry venue). 2nd round: A v C; and final: Winner of B to meet winners of A v C. Date to be fixed later.

Officers elected were: Chairman, Miss Chris O'Connell, Limerick; vice-chairman, Miss Mary Crowley, Cork; secretary, Miss Ethne Neville, Limerick; treasurer, Mrs. Aedin McCarthy, Cork; registrar, Mrs. Kitty Flaherty, Tipperary.

## Universities Best In Camogie

Combined Universities ... 2-3  
Oranmore ..... 1-1

THE Combined Universities Camogie team were too strong for Galway champions, Oranmore in an exhibition game in Galway yesterday.

Oranmore scored first, but trailed 1-3 to 1-1 at half time. The College goal from Carmel Buckley was vital in a tight second half.

Best for the winners were Hannah Dineen, Sheila Dunne, Moya Loughane, and Rose O'Halloran.

Scorers: S. Dunne (0-3); M. Loughane and C. Buckley (1-0 each). Oranmore: Mary Hynes (0-1), and Kathleen O'Flaherty (1-0).

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# Amazing Results In Dublin Camogie Congress Revived

## Senior League

CAMOGIE

By AINE MEAGHER

IN all my years following the Dublin senior camogie I never remember the competition to produce such amazing results as it has done this season. The position last week-end was this, that Austin Stacks, with all their first-round matches played were two points down, Eoghan Ruadh and Celtic, who have yet to play their first round game were also two points down, while U.C.D. and Naomh Aoife, with their first round matches completed were both six points down.

There was only one senior league game listed for Sunday last, that between Austin Stacks and U.C.D. the opening game of the second round. Stacks in the first-round had beaten by four points what looked to be the best side the students could field. So when U.C.D. fielded one short last Sunday the result seemed a fore-gone conclusion. Certainly I thought that the students with Annie Donnelly playing in goal had put up a fine display in the first half when they held Stacks to level terms, but I could not see how even those fine defenders Anne Carroll, Bland Ni Annrachain and Kathleen O'Connor could continue to stand up such relentless pressure through the second half. And sure enough Stacks went a goal ahead soon after the restart, and that looked like the beginning of the end.

But quite suddenly the U.C.D. girls seemed to become inspired. There is still no camogie player in Ireland to match Annette Corrigan, when the former Dublin midfielder recaptures her old form,

and it was the Annette Corrigan of old who now took complete control of the exchanges around the middle of the field. Besides Anne Carroll was now ranging time and again from centre-back to put U.C.D. on the attack, and the game took a new turn when Jo Golden cracked home the equalising goal.

Alive to the challenge, Austin Stacks struck back to take the lead once more, but the U.C.D. side now seemed to have taken fire and after Joan Traynor had driven over a point, the students swarmed to the attack in a way that one would have thought it was they who had the spare player on their side. The Stacks defence looked like holding out until U.C.D. were awarded a 25-yard free.

Anne Carroll came up to take the free and I do not think I have ever seen a camogie ball hit harder as it flashed to the net through a wall of defenders. Stacks had no time to save the day, and so for the second time, U.C.D. have set the cat among the pigeons in this league. Already, again when a player short, they inflicted on Eoghan Ruadh the only defeat the latter received in the opening round.

So the league is now wide open again, and a great deal will de-

pend on the replay of the Celtic versus Eoghan Ruadh match which was called off in the closing stages due to an injury to a Celtic player. With almost the whole second round still to be played a most exciting finish seems in prospect and every remaining game will be fought with interest.

Incidentally it was only after the game that I remembered the fact that Annie Donnelly, who won several All-Ireland medals in Dublin as a forward, actually began her camogie career as a goal-keeper and, after a particularly brilliant display in an Ashbourne Cup series, was hailed as the greatest goal-keeper in the game. That she has lost none of that flair was evident last Sunday.

## NEW COMPETITIONS WILL INCREASE INTEREST

By AGNES HOURIGAN

**F**AR and away the most encouraging feature of the Annual Camogie Congress last weekend was the big number of counties represented. In all, 21 counties sent delegates and these included Laois and Roscommon, who had not taken part in last year's championships. This fine turn-out augurs well for the year ahead, which should be a great year indeed as far as camogie is concerned.

The delegates were wise to defer the starting of an All-Ireland junior championship until next year. This delay gives the various provincial Councils the opportunity of ensuring that the "junior" status will be relatively the same in all provinces.

Also likely to be seen next year is an All-Ireland Colleges championship. The President, Miss Lili O'Grady of Cork, advocated such a competition very strongly in her presidential address and it is a competition that would be far from difficult to organise as there are already thriving Colleges' competitions at provincial level in Ulster and Leinster.

As there are local schools' competitions in Cork and Galway for many years past, the Cork and Galway champions could readily qualify to represent Connacht and Munster until such time as Colleges from other counties in those provinces came in.

### EXPANSION

Another competition that we are likely to see in the near future is a Vocational Schools camogie championship. Such a competition has already been mooted by the All-Ireland Vocational Schools G.A.A. Council and arising from the Secretary's report, Congress decided to ask Miss McAnulty to get in touch with the Vocational Schools body to see what

could be done to bring such a competition into being.

It was a pity that the Kilkenny delegates had to leave before their motion on a National League was reached. I do not think the motion would have been accepted as it stood but I would like to have heard how all the delegates felt about the National League idea.

I think such an inter-county competition would be a great asset in maintaining interest through what are too often at present the "slack months."

Of the motions passed, the decision to send the forwards into position before the throw-in is very sensible, as I always felt it rather peculiar that the mid-field pair and the four wingers had to stand aside from the throw-in. Well they will have it all to themselves now.

The debate on the question of changing the uniform lasted a long time and there was a great deal of good sense talked on both sides. One difficulty, obviously, is the fact that we cannot have two styles of uniform current at the same time.

After all, skirts and blouses were the original camogie uniform, admittedly in a very different era.

The Antrim suggestion that members of the Association be not allowed to play football was adopted, but the motion as passed last week-end will need to be revised, I think, before it

goes into the rule book. To the motion stands at present, the position is that the prohibition is too wide.

### LOOPHOLE

It could quite easily be claimed that a camogie player who kicks a beach-ball along the strand to warm up after a dip is as liable to suspension as the player who takes part in the final of some highly publicised football tournament. As the Antrim motion on the Agenda was a suggestion, not a request for a rule change I should imagine that Central Council will have power to draft the new rule in accordance with the sentiments expressed at Congress where the opposition was to public and competitive football.

## Munster and Leinster Draws Announced

**T**HE feature of the past week in camogie has been that the draws for the forthcoming championships have been announced both in Leinster and Munster and the pairings ensure that we should see some most intriguing games in both provinces before the season is out.

In Leinster the extended junior championship brings Dublin into this grade for the first time ever, but Kilkenny, surprisingly did not enter.

**JUNIOR:** First Round: Westmeath v. Kildare (A), June 11. Wicklow v. Dublin (B), June 18. Semi-Finals: Meath v. Winners of (B) July 2. Laois v. Winners of (A), July 16. Final—July 30.

**INTERMEDIATE:** Wexford v. Kildare, May 28. Offaly v. Kilkenny, June 11. Final—June 25.

**SENIOR:** Dublin v. Intermediate winners, July 9.

Munster are getting their first round over in May. The draw for the senior championship in the South is: May 7 — Kerry v. Clare at Kerry venue, May 14— at Limerick venue—Limerick v. Waterford, May 21, at Tipperary venue—Tipperary v. Cork.

# CAMOGIE TO HAVE NEW-LOOK START

By AGNES HOURIGAN

THERE will, in future, be a new-look start to all camogie matches. The ball will now be thrown in between the six mid-field players instead of between the eight forwards, who will, in future, take up their positions before play begins.

This was decided at the Annual Congress of the Camogie Association held in Barry's Hotel, Dublin, over the weekend.

Congress, to which twenty-one counties sent delegates, also made preliminary plans for the inauguration of an All-Ireland junior championship in 1968.

A player sent off in the course of a game (a very rare occurrence), will in future be debarred from all activities of the Association until she appears before the Committee in charge of the game, which must meet within 14 days.

The Cork motion, seeking a change in the uniform from tunics to skirts led to a long debate. The Cork delegates amended the motion to read "that the suggested change apply to Colleges games only", and, in its amended form, the suggestion was beaten only by two votes.

The Kilkenny suggestion that a National League be set up was

not discussed as the Kilkenny delegates had to leave before the motion was reached.

The President, Miss Lily O'Grady (Cork), for the second successive year expressed the hope that the Association would soon see an All-Ireland Colleges Competition. Ulster and Leinster are already geared for such a competition, while Munster is taking steps to come into line, which should not be too difficult as there is a long established Colleges' Competition in Cork. Connacht, too, has many Galway schools playing Camogie.

All the outgoing officers were re-elected unopposed.

President — Miss L. O'Grady (Cork).

Secretary — Miss S. MacAnulty (Down).

Treasurer — Miss L. Spence (Antrim).

Organiser — Sean O'Duffy.

Trustees — Mrs. I. Leonard, Mr. S. O'Duffy (Dublin).

CAMOGIE CONGRESS SHOULD BE LIVELY

# Counties Suggest Many Changes In The Rules

By AGNES HOURIGAN

THE Annual Congress of the Camogie Association will be held at Barry's Hotel, Dublin on March 18, and the agenda, which has just come to hand, reveals that there are far more than the normal number of motions down for discussion. But there is a good reason for this. The Rules and Official Guide were revised and redrafted a couple of years ago, and were then adopted on an experimental basis.

The period of experiment is now over, and any final suggestions for rule revision for the new guide will be made at the forthcoming Congress. This of course, explains the number of motions, many of which have to do with the playing rules.

Waterford, rather surprisingly ask that the Rule, whereby a free out is given when a player enters the parallelogram before the ball be deleted from the Rules. Had some alternative to the present Rule been proposed, I would imagine that the Waterford idea would have a better chance. I cannot see much hope for it as it stands.

## Injured?

Kilkenny ask that three substitutes be allowed in a game, irrespective of whether the player going off is injured or not, while Dublin ask that the flicking of a player's stick off the ground by another player be regarded as a foul.

Both Dublin and Antrim want the forwards to take up positions before the ball is thrown in, as is now the case in G.A.A. matches but, while Antrim would have the ball thrown in between the two mid-field players only, Dublin would prefer to see the wingers as well as the midfielders at the throw-in.

Limerick would like to see the size of the playing pitch extended and also ask that neutral umpires officiate at All-Ireland semi-finals as well as at finals. Kilkenny ask that the recommendation for a second cross-bar be deleted

from the rules and also ask that University students at present permitted to play for their home clubs in July, August and September have that privilege extended to include the month of June.

Cork ask that any player sent off be automatically suspended for a month. There is no such penalty at the moment.

## Mixed Thinking

With regard to the "ban" rule, which at present prohibits members of the camogie Association only from playing hockey there is some mixed thinking. Waterford want the ban on hockey dropped, while Derry wanted the ban extended to soccer football, while Antrim want the ban extended to football regardless of code.

As the only football games in which I have heard of camogie players taking part are indoor competitions under no official rules, I do not think that any of those propositions meets the situation.

## Ambitious

On a wider front there are motions for the expansion of the present competitions. Both Monaghan and Kilkenny call for an All-Ireland junior championship, but Kilkenny also propose the setting up of a National League competition.

In this Kilkenny envisage a league of four Divisions. In Division I would be Dublin, Antrim, Cork, Galway, Tipperary, Waterford, Wexford and Kilkenny. Division II (north) would be comprised of Derry, Tyrone, Down, Armagh, Monaghan and Sligo. Division II

Midland would include Louth, Cavan, Meath, Westmeath, Mayo and Roscommon.

Finally there would be a Division II Southern catering for Kerry, Limerick, Clare, Offaly, Kildare, Wicklow and Laois. The only thing I can see wrong with the Kilkenny suggestion is that as it stands it is rather too ambitious.

I do not think all of the counties mentioned would be able or willing to take on a league campaign. But I do think that a National League on a more restricted basis would be a very good idea, and it will be interesting to hear what the Congress delegates think of it.

Finally, before leaving the Congress motions let us have a fashion note. Cork propose that instead of the present gym tunic with long stockings players be allowed to wear divided skirts and knee-length stockings.

A similar proposition from Cork was defeated about a decade ago, but a lot of water has gone under the bridges since then and it will be interesting to see what Congress thinks of such a change this time.

## All-Round Strength

All officers of the Camogie Association will be returned unopposed at Congress. They are: President, Miss L. O'Grady (Cork); secretary, Miss S. MacAnulty (Down); treasurer, Miss L. Spence (Antrim); trustees, Sean O'Duffy and Mrs. Leonard (Dublin). Organiser, Sean O'Duffy.

Well, the next big item on the camogie agenda is the annual Congress on March 18. There are some bright ideas coming up, including one from Kilkenny that a National League be formed. I agree that organisation has now reached the stage where the possibility at least of such a league could be explored. I think if it were played on a regional basis of say four groups, with the group winners going through to the semi-finals and the winners meeting in the final. The only trouble might be the question of finances, and on a regional basis, if the regions were properly organised, these games should be able to pay their way. Certainly the semi-finals and finals should do so, and such a competition should do a tremendous amount to popularise the game still further.

# This Camogie Problem

INDOOR football is banned because it is looked upon as a foreign game." So said the last Congress and so wrote Aine Meagher in last week's "Gaelic Weekly."

This, I concluded, was the greatest piece of un-geographical what have you since Christy O'Connor "the British boy" won the "Masters". How on earth could this game, the rules of which are completely new, be regarded as "foreign." Let no one kid themselves, the word 'foreign' when applied in relation to Gaelic games means only one thing. A foreign game is any game which we associate with the English.

Indoor football, as far as I can remember, started in this country in the fair town of Dundalk, and spread to other "foreign" towns like Galway and Castlebar. The Central Council of the G.A.A. have not hindered its progress, and many footballers throughout the country enjoy it during the winter months.

But the narrow-minded mixed-up people who run Camogie in our dear isle have prevented their ladylike colleens from having a go. Of course, might I just add that "foreign game" was merely used for an excuse. The real reason why the game was banned for girls by Congress was, as Aine Meagher pointed out, because it was "unladylike." The only logical conclusion to which we can come along these lines is that foreign girls are not ladylike.

### THE GREEKS

This completely contradicts everything which was handed down to us by the Greeks, the sculptors of civilization, on the matter.

In the *Odyssey* we read of a pretty wee thing kicking a ball around a beach when she was spotted by the greatest roving full forward of them all, the one and only *Ulysses*. Take note, she was not pursuing any other beachcomber with a camog. Not she, the civilized

game of football was her choice, and will the Camogie people say that the Department of Education were "foreign minded" and "unladylike" when they prescribed this account as part of their educational programme for the youth of Ireland thousands of years later.

Here I am defending indoor football as a form of recreation for girls. Why, you might ask? Well you see I wrote an article some two weeks ago and stated in it that Camogie was not a suitable game for girls. I added that I had come upon a set of rules for football devised by Rev. Liam Kitt, a priest of Irish extraction, working in Cleveland, U.S.A., and in my humble opinion here was a game much more suited to the beings I felt should be termed ladies. And what happens? My good friend Aine Meagher attacks me, viciously and in a most ladylike fashion. Let me just quote one of the more lenient paragraphs of her onslaught.

"The poor man (that's me—believe it or not) obviously does not know what he is talking about, and so the unfortunate girls who had him as their trainer are not to be blamed if they never learned even the simple basic skills of the game."

"I might also add" says my ghrá-gheal that Mr. Geraghty (noted that old knife been driven in with the "Mr." tag) has obviously never seen Camogie properly organised and played."

All right, Aine. I felt as you do about this, particularly having seen an awful bloody (literally speaking, thank you) camogie at Ross sports at one stage of my career. I also felt as you obviously do (I can use that word too!!) that Camogie was only properly organised in Dublin. So a few Sundays ago I went along to see Cel-

tic, who are coached by Miss Nell McCarthy (off to Belfast next August) play Eoghan Ruadh, whose personnel includes Miss Anne Ashton, a Dublin selector.

### TARNISHED REPUTATIONS

This organised game was so well run that the referee was forced to report, in *jest of course*, that "only one player came off the field with reputation untarnished." Maybe so, but at least three came off that field quite different to the way they took it. This is no fictional stuff, Aine, and just to prove it let me give you some facts. One, of Celtic's stars was so shook up that she had to have a doctor's certificate. Another had to have two stitches added to her face where the ball struck her, and yet another had to seek medical aid some few days afterwards. It is out of courtesy that I keep these girls nameless.

And in case you think that I am making all this up will you just tell me why Celtic and Eoghan Ruadh had to have a little private get-together on last Monday week to "make up" and return false dentures.

Is that "obvious" enough for you? Well at least it is crystal clear for me. Give these girls some game a little more ladylike . . . because if that is what happens where organisation is supreme, heaven help them "down the country," where they only have the likes of "know-nothings" like Mr. Geraghty to train them.

Look what happened now Aine. I was drawn into such waxy eloquence as a result of your attack that I have not space to publish the "rules of Fr. Kitt's football game, not to mention replying to some of my ex-friends down in Galway. Next week perhaps.

I have no intention on answering Brian Geraghty's attack on camogie in last week's issue. The poor man obviously does not know what he is talking about, and so the unfortunate girls who had him as their trainer are not to be blamed if they never learned even the simple basic skills of the game.

### OBVIOUS

I might also add that Mr. Geraghty has obviously never seen camogie properly organised and played.

So I wish Mr. Geraghty and his friend Mr. Kitt luck with their new code of football rules for girls. In the meantime I can inform the girls whom Brian failed to train to play camogie that there is hope for them yet.

There will be a course for would-be camogie coaches in Belfast next August, conducted by the Dublin team trainer Miss Nell McCarthy assisted by Antrim's recent All-Star Award winner, Maevé Gilroy. The fee for the three-day course, which is under the auspices of the Ulster Camogie Council, the G.A.A. and Belfast Educational Authority will, I understand, be very moderate, something like £2-10-0 all-found. I hope to publish more detailed information next week.

In the meantime, too, I will find out if Brian Geraghty is eligible to attend.

MRS. Purcell.

# IS CAMOGIE A SUITABLE GAME FOR GIRLS?

## ASKS BRIAN GERAGHTY

IRISH girls in general possess an abundance of natural beauty and good humour, but lack the basic quality of womanhood which is, of course, Femininity! Admittedly the city girl can argue that she possesses this basic quality, and plenty of it at that, but might I ask what kind of femininity is it? Forced and affected, the result of an expensive course at some beauty school which has come at too late a stage in the girl's life!

There is nothing natural about this type of femininity. It is nothing better than the Irish Colleen made in Japan, so in fact the city girl's point of view is about as warped

everybody. For some member of the opposition will undoubtedly make an effort to block down the strike. I don't think that I have to elaborate on the danger involved.

Even if the lifting of the ball was ruled out, as in hockey, I still think that the game would be too rough and too energy sapping for girls; contrary to their physical and mental make-up.

I do feel however that girls should have exercise and take part in competitive sport. Not too strenuous athletics would be suitable, as well as team games such as badminton, basketball, volleyball, and net-ball, tennis (all types) and of course golf.

### A NEW SET OF RULES

Even a mild form of football I would favour, but not camogie where the controlling of such a lethal weapon as a hurley proves too much. I have come upon a set of rules drawn up by a brother of Rev. S. Kitt, the Galway priest working in Rathmines parish, and next week D.V. I will present them for your examination.

These rules have become quite popular in the U.S.A. in a game played by both sexes. We might get the game going in Ireland also.

(George Elin).  
also to be told that I am loved.  
be to ask for the recipe—MR.  
still follows the same old chart,  
"Ingoldsbys Legends."  
way with a saint.  
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## RIDEGROOMS

to leading Fashion Stores and at Knighbridge to study the latest sales techniques. All the finalists received special I.C.T. certificates.



# Eoghan Ruadh in final

EOGHAN RUADH qualified for the Dublin Senior Camogie Championship final when they scored a well deserved victory over Celtic in the semi final at Croke Park. In the curtain raiser, the first round game which had to be postponed last Wednesday on account of the rain, Austin Stacks scored a clear-cut victory over University College.

Eoghan Ruadh 4-1; Celtic 2-0. EOGHAN RUADH after trailing by one goal at half-time pulled out to win well in the second half in this keenly contested game.

Ruadh, behind at half-time, pressed hard after the interval but it took them ten minutes to wear down the hard working Celtic defence. Ruadh finished worthy winners with Margaret O'Leary playing a major part in her club's victory.

Best for the winners were Margaret O'Leary, Kathleen Lyons, Colette Nolan, Connie Lyons and Jean Foley who scored 2-1 of her side's total.

Scorers—Eoghan Ruadh: J. Foley (2-1), C. Lyons and D. Barber (1-0) each. Celtic—K. Kehoe and R. White (1-0) each.

Austin Stacks, 7-2; U.C.D., 0-5. AUSTIN STACKS, after a slow start, went on to score six goals before half-time to lead 6-0 to 0-5.

College put up a better show after the interval but they were too much in arrears to catch the winners.

Mary Sberlock, who appeared in Stacks forward line for the first time, scored 2-2 and proved a great success.

## VITAL DUBLIN GAME

The vital game in the Dublin senior league by Eoghan Ruadh and Celtic resulted in a well-deserved though hard-earned victory for Eoghan Ruadh in a match that was not very rewarding to watch, because there was far too much tension between the sides from start to stop. As a result the general standard of camogie suffered. Besides on the hard ground the number of minor injuries was far too high, and the game was held up far too often.

Although they trailed for all of the first half, Eoghan Ruadh were rather more superior through the field than their final margin of a goal would seem to indicate. They can thank for their superiority mainly the magnificent display of the Wexford player, Margaret O'Leary, at centre-back. Particularly in the second half, she was like a wall across the field, rolling back every Celtic attack with long clearances that invariably turned defence into attack.

In the end, Celtic had to bring Una O'Connor who had been playing very well at full-back, up to the attack once more but the change although it led to improvement came too late to save the day. The league position now is that Celtic and Eoghan Ruadh both have two matches to play, one against each other. Ruadh are three points down and have also to play Austin Stacks. Celtic are four points down and have to play U.C.D. So the forthcoming second game between Celtic and Ruadh is almost certain to decide the destiny of league honours.

## Camogie draws, fixtures

Draws and fixtures were made for the All-Ireland Camogie championship, the Gael-Linn competition, and the All-Ireland club championship at a meeting of the Central Council of the Camogie Association held in Dublin yesterday.

All-Ireland Championship (Semi-finals) August 13: Munster champions v. Ulster champions; August 27: Leinster champions v. Connaught champions.

Gael-Linn Competition  
Semi-finals—July 9. Ulster v. Connaught; July 16. Leinster v. Munster.  
Draws for the Club Championship—Ulster champions v. Connaught champions; Munster champions v. Leinster champions.

# You'll Win First Schools' Title

Presentation Convent, Youghal 5-6  
Drishane Convent ..... 4-1

PRESENTATION Convent, in Youghal, won the schools league for the first time on Saturday when they defeated Drishane Convent by 5-6 to 4-1 at the U.C.C. Grounds.

Victory was at all times in the balance in this fine game which saw both sides seeking their first title.

Drishane opened very well and were on top for a long time but just before half time Youghal came very much into the game and at half time only a single point separated the sides, the score being 2-1 to 2-0 in favour of Drishane.

### ANYONE'S TITLE

The second half was a tremendously exciting affair with the ball swinging from one end of the field to the other with great speed. It was anybody's title all through this period but Youghal emerged as eventual winners by two points.

Youghal deserved this win as they took their chances with greater ability than their opponents but a word of sympathy for the youthful Drishane side, who, in only their first season in competition put up such a gallant display.

### PROMISING PLAYERS

Youghal had a number of very promising players in this game including Angela Russell, who has already played for the Cork senior team; half forward Cal Riordan full back Jeannette McCarthy and Patricia O'Riordan all in top form.

For Drishane full back Nuala Canning, half forward Esther O'Connell and Mary O'Brien were best.

Scorers for Youghal, Cal Riordan (2-0); Paula Kelleher (1-0); Pat O'Riordan (1-0). Miriam Hennessy (1-0), while Breda O'Callaghan (1-0) Esther O'Connell (1-1); Norma Creedon (1-0) and Monica Lynch (1-0) were on the mark for Drishane.

# Glen Rovers Make A Runaway VICTORY

Glen Rovers 16-2; Naomh Gobnait 1-0.

Glen Rovers had a runaway victory over their opponents Naomh Gobnait when they met in the opening round of the Cork Senior Championship at Tramore Road, Cork, yesterday. The score at half Glen Rovers and 1-0 for Naomh Gobnait.

On resumption of play it looked as if the gap might be narrowed because Naomh Gobnait were playing with great determination. However within ten minutes the Blackpool girls had notched up another two goals and went on in a scoring spree to add a further 3 goals and one point.

Scorers for the Glen: A. Crotty (6-9), T. Murphy (4-0), M. McDonnell (3-0), P. Dorgan (1-1), M. Coleman (0-1). Scorers for Naomh Gobnait: C. Healy (1-0).

Glen Rovers: M. O'Shea, N. Murphy, D. Sutton, N. O'Mahony, M. Buckley, P. Dorgan, M. Coleman, N. Humphries, M. Murphy, M. McDonnell, T. Murphy, A. Crotty.

Naomh Gobnait: M. Buckley, M. Sloane, P. O'Brien, M. Lyons, L. Dwyer, D. Corcoran, C. Healy, N. Collins, A. Hanrahan, A. O'Sullivan, J. Pyne, J. Coleman, N. Aherne.

## U.C.C. BEAT OLD ALOYSIANS

U.C.C., 3-1; Old Aloysians 1-3

For the first threequarters of the game it looked as if Old Ais were going to emerge the victors of their first round Cork Senior Championship tie with U.C.C. at Tramore Road, Cork, yesterday.

Half way through the first half St. Ais got on top to open the scoring when a beautiful shot from M. Fitzgerald went under the bar. College fought back but it was not until the start of the fourth quarter that they succeeded in equalising when S. Dunne put the ball well and truly under the bar. With both sides now equal the pace of the game quickened and with five minutes to go before the final whistle U.C.C. went into the lead when S. Dunne sent the ball over the bar to give her side a lead of one point and within seconds her team mate B. Buckley shot the ball into the goal to confirm U.C.C.'s victory.

U.C.C.—A. Corkerry, M. Keohane, H. Dineen, C. O'Riordan, S. Dunne, C. O'Mallane, P. Devlin, C. Coakley, M. McCarthy, B. Buckley, R. O'Halloran, N. O'Leary.

Old Aloysians — M. Moran, M. Clancy, N. McAuliffe, A. Hennerty, M. Garvan, H. Lynch, M. Murphy, A. McAuliffe, E. McSweeney, L. Garvan, M. Fitzgerald, A. Moynihan.

# Glen Rovers Make A Number Of Changes For Title Defence

CORK County champions Glen Rovers show a number of changes in defence of their title for their first round tie in this year's campaign on Sunday when they meet Intermediate selection Naomh Gobnait while on tomorrow afternoon, the Schools' League final will have a new look with Youghal and Drishane Convents in opposition. Consequently the weekend promises to be a highly interesting one.

With four of Glen Rovers star players on the retired list this season it would appear that the champions will have to start rebuilding their side. Gone from the side are defenders Carrie Buckley and Pauline Deane, while the and Pauline Deane, Maura and Browne sisters, Maura and Kathleen, two fine forwards, have also decided to retire. In addition to this Glen have the added problem of their "Cork Camogie Star of 1966" Stephanie O'Connell being unfit for the tie. However, as always, Glen have managed to capture a number of very promising players to come on to the side and it would seem that

their greatest problem will be the inexperience of these newcomers to fit in with their more experienced colleagues in senior competition.

### GOALIE AT FULL-BACK

Glen have a new goalkeeper in Margaret O'Shea, while they play their former interprovincial goalkeeper, Deirdre Sutton, at full-back. Another newcomer will be 15-year-old Sheila Collins, daughter of former all-Ireland star Paddy "Fox" Collins, and followers will be particularly interested to see how this youthful player will fare. Also lining out will be Maura Coleman, the

former Carrignavar star. If these newcomers can fit in with the nucleus of the championship side then Glen might well be as strong as ever. Certainly they must be considered favourites for the clash with Naomh Gobnait on Sunday, for although there are a number of very fine players in Inter-

mediate ranks they will be up against the teamwork of a top senior club side and this might easily be too much for them. At the time of writing the Naomh Gobnait team was not available.

The second championship game on Sunday is that between Old Aloysians and U.C.C. and this must be considered the pick of the two as the sides should be very evenly matched. This season U.C.C. had their greatest victory in the Ashbourne Cup for many a year when they easily defeated the fancied U.C.D. side in the decider. They have been doing well in the senior championship for a number of years now but they must consider this year to be one of their best chances of winning the championship.

### EXHIBITION GIVEN

In the Ashbourne Cup final they gave an exhibition of scoring which was a treat to watch. So that on Sunday the Old Ais defence will be really up against it when they are faced by their own former star Audrey Geaney, and ex-St. Aloysius players Noreen Keohane and Carmel Buckley, as well as ex-South Presentation star Rose O'Halloran. U.C.C. also have Cork full-back Hannah Dineen in their side and if they strike their Ashbourne form then Old Aloysians will need to pull out all the stops if they are to advance to the second round.

However, Old Aloysians are quietly confident that they can upset the U.C.C. girls. This season they field most of last year's team, including Mary Clancy, Mary Moran, the McAuliffe sisters, Nora Ann and Kay, and Mary, A.

Murphy. Their very capable wing-back Terry Fehily has decided to retire, which was a blow to the side, against this they have got a big boost with the return of ex-U.C.C. star Maura Fitzgerald to the side. Maura will also be joined in the line-out by another U.C.C. colleague, the very reliable defender, Angela Hennerty. This team is a combination of youth and experience and if, like Glen Rovers, they can overcome the difficulty of fitting the newcomers into the side successfully then Old Ais might easily upset the U.C.C. girls. In any event, this game should be one well worth seeing.

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## ST. ALOYSIUS PAST BEAT PRESENT

The annual camogie match between St Aloysius Past and Present pupils took place at the School Grounds. After an exciting game the past pupils won by 3 goals and 2 points to nil; scorers were Mrs. A. Coffey, 3 goals Mrs. L. Daly 2 points. Teams—

**Past Pupils** — Mrs. A. McCarthy; Mrs. L. Daly; Mrs. A. Coffey (capt.); Mrs. M. O'Sullivan; Mrs. A. Kiernan; Mrs. P. Downes; Mrs. M. Nuphy; Mrs. C. Desmond; Mrs. M. Clancy; Mrs. J. O'Leary; Mrs. A. Morley; Miss M. A. Murphy.

**Present Pupils** — Miss A. Courtney; Miss C. O'Regan (capt.); Miss E. Long; Miss B. Harrington; Miss A. O'Dwyer; Miss M. O'Leary; Miss B. O'Donoghue; Miss H. Lynch; Miss L. Garvan; Miss B. Long; Miss S. Ryan; Miss K. Carr.

## O'SULLIVAN CUP FOR ST. ALOYSIUS "B"

St. Aloysius "B" ..... 5-1  
St. Aloysius "C" ..... 1-0

The final of the O'Sullivan Cup, played at Colaiste Christ Ri Grounds on Saturday afternoon, provided plenty of excitement for St. Aloysius followers when their "B" and "C" teams battled for the title.

It was a sporting game with both sides playing extremely well in the first 30 minutes. However, the "B" side were undoubtedly the stronger and they exerted their superiority to take the lead within ten minutes of the start with a nice goal from centre-field. In the ensuing 20 minutes they added a further two goals, while their schoolmates on the "C" team fought gallantly to reduce the arrears but without avail.

With a three-goal lead at half time the "B" side continued to blaze their way to victory during the second half, scoring a further 2-1 and it was not until the final minutes of the game that the "C" side scored when H. Cahill and M. Barry got possession of the ball simultaneously and between them succeeded in getting it under the bar.

Scorers for "B" team: O. McAuliffe (2-0), M. Harrington (2-0), M. Quinlan (1-1).

**St. Aloysius "B"**: N. Jennings, P. Vogue, R. Hennessy, M. Murphy, M. O'Regan, O. McAuliffe, D. McCarthy, M. Quinlan, H. Ross, A. Bevan, M. Harrington, M. Hayes.

**St. Aloysius "C"**: G. O'Flynn, M. Barry, F. Murphy, S. Bowen, H. Murphy, J. Walsh, D. Cunningham, M. O'Sullivan, F. Murphy, H. Cahill, E. O'Flaherty, J. Hennessy.

## DRISHANE TAKE TITLE FROM ST. ALOYSIUS "A"

Drishane Convent ..... 4-3  
St. Aloysius "A" ..... 2-0

St. Aloysius, the holders for the past three years, lost their title when they met Drishane Convent in the final of the Cork Schools Camogie Championship at Colaiste Christ Ri Grounds, Cork, on Saturday afternoon.

The first thirty minutes of the game were thrilling with both sides evenly matched. St. Aloysius opened the scoring with a goal early in the game and within a short time Drishane replied. Play continued at a brisk pace, and shortly before the half time whistle Drishane sent the ball over the bar to go into the second half leading 1-1 to 1-0.

During the second period the visitors definitely made greater use of their opportunities. St. Aloysius' defence, although strong, could not cope with the Drishane forwards and before the final whistle went Drishane had notched a further 3-2, while St. Aloysius only succeeded in adding another goal to their tally.

Scorers for Drishane: E. O'Connell (1-2), N. Creedon (1-1), M. Lynch (1-0) and B. O'Callaghan (1-0). For St. Aloysius: A. Neary and B. Harrington (1-0 each).

**Drishane**: C. Leahy, G. O'Leary, N. Cannings, J. Connelly, M. O'Brien, E. O'Brien, Ann O'Neill, M. Buckley, E. O'Connell, B. O'Callaghan, M. Lynch, N. Creedon.

**St. Aloysius "A"**: E. Long, A. O'Dwyer, H. Lynch, S. Ryan, L. Lynch, R. Long, E. Garvan, A. Courtney, K. O'Regan, B. O'Donoghue, A. Neary and Betty Harrington.

## TIPP SELECTION TO MEET CORK

The Co. Tipperary team to play Cork in Fethard next Sunday at 3.30 p.m. is—

Sally Long (St. Patrick's);  
Mary Graham (St. Dominic's),  
Julie Gleeson (St. Cormac's), Anne  
Graham (St. Dominic's);  
Alice Long (St. Patrick's), Bernie  
Long (St. Dominic's), Esther  
Ryan (St. Rita's);  
Monica Ryan (St. Dominic's),  
Gabriel Lane (Lorrha), Kathleen  
Marks (St. Dominic's), Margo  
Loughnane (St. Dominic's), Terry  
Geaney (St. Dominic's).

Subs — Josie Marshall, Peggy  
Russell, Joan Power (all of Elm-  
ville/Lisronagh).

# St. Aloysius 'A' Will Be Out To Make It Four In A Row

**DRISHANE** Convent have had a tremendous year in this their first season of camogie. Already they have contested the schools league decider, in which they were narrowly defeated by Presentation Convent, Youghal, while on to-morrow Saturday afternoon they will play in the Championship Final against St. Aloysius "A", holders of the title. St. Aloysius are in the unique position to-morrow of having their three teams in action in finals as their "B" and "C" teams meet in the O'Sullivan Cup decider.

The semi-finals of the Senior Championship, postponed last Sunday because of the death of our Lord Mayor Ald. Sean Casey, are re-fixed for Sunday at St. Finbarr's Grounds.

In the Schools' League final against Youghal Drishane put up a tremendous performance and for a long time it looked as if they might take their first title. However the seaside girls snatched a narrow victory. But since then Drishane have had their revenge as in the semi-final of the Schools' Championship they had a tremendous win over their League conquerors and this must give them great confidence to face the strength of the holders, St. Aloysius "A".

In the League decider many followers felt that Drishane did not last the pace as well as their opponents. So since then Drishane have been doing intensive training and in their semi-final game their hard work paid dividends as they were easily the fitter of the two sides. If they can strike this form again tomorrow they must have a great chance of dethroning St. Ais.

Certainly they have one player who will take a great deal of "marking". She is Esther O'Connell, the half forward who was in brilliant form in all her recent matches. In fact the entire forward line is very impressive, and their ability to pick off scores could give the St. Ais defence a great deal of trouble. In addition to Esther Drishane have fine opportunists in Breda O'Callaghan, Monica Lynch and Norma Creedon. They are very efficient at centrefield too where they have the hardworking trio, Eileen O'Brien, Ann O'Neill and Mary Buckley.

## CAPABLE BACKS

In goal they have the very sound Catherine Leahy, while their defence is made up of very capable backs, Nuala Cannings, Josephine Connelly, Mary O'Brien and Gretta O'Leary.

The one thing which may be against them on to-morrow is their lack of experience. St. Ais. also have a tradition behind them and although they have been

beaten this year by Youghal in the league, they are always a very formidable team in any final.

They have a very capable goalie in Eileen Long while their full back Honor Lynch lined out with the senior Old Ais. side in their recent championship game against U.L.C. Their half back line of Ann O'Dwyer, Lena Lynch and Sheila Ryan is very capable, but perhaps it is at centrefield that they are strongest. Here they have the very stylish Liz Garvan, who is also a member of the senior Old Ais team at full centre and she should get very solid assistance from Rose Long and Ann Courtney.

Their captain Kathryn O'Regan, fills the half forward berth, where she has been one of their top players for the season and the remaining forwards are Berna O'Donoghue, Angela Neary and Betty Harrington, all of whom are capable of being match-winners for their school.

It is very difficult to forecast the winners of this game. St. Ais., as holders for the past three years, will probably begin as favourites but if Drishane can strike their semi-final form then they must have a great chance of taking their first title.

## O'SULLIVAN CUP

The O'Sullivan Cup decider will be between St. Aloysius "B" and "C" teams and although interest in this game is somewhat confined it promises to be a very closely contested affair. Both sides have some very promising young players including for the "B" Pauline Vogue, Mairead O'Regan and Mary Quinlan and for the "C" side, Denise Cunningham, Fionnuala Murphy and Judy Walsh.

## TEAMS

**Drishane**: C. Leahy, G. O'Leary, N. Cannings, J. Connelly, M. O'Brien, E. O'Brien, Ann O'Neill, M. Buckley, E. O'Connell, B. O'Callaghan, M. Lynch, N. Creedon.  
**St. Aloysius "A"**: E. Long, A. O'Dwyer, H. Lynch, S. Ryan, L. Lynch, R. Long, E. Garvan, A. Courtney, K. O'Regan, B. O'Donoghue, A. Neary and Betty Harrington.  
**St. Aloysius "B"**: N. Jennings, P. Vogue, R. Hennessy, M. Murphy, M.

O'Regan, O. McAuliffe, D. McCarthy, M. Quinlan, H. Ross, A. Bevan, M. Harrington, M. Hayes.

**St. Aloysius "C"**: G. O'Flynn, M. Barry, F. Murphy, S. Bowen, H. Murphy, J. Walsh, D. Cunningham, M. O'Sullivan, F. Murphy, H. Cahill, E. O'Flaherty, J. Hennessy.

## SENIOR SEMI-FINALS

The venue for the Senior County Championship Semi-finals has been changed from U.C.C. Grounds, to St. Finbarr's Grounds and they will be decided on Sunday afternoon. Glen Rovers (holders), meet Youghal in the first semi-final and this would be a very exciting affair as Youghal have come nearest to defeating Glen Rovers over the last few seasons. The second game should also be a very closely contested affair as both South Presentation Past Pupils and U.C.C. play the same type of game and it should be a tie well worth seeing. In fact the afternoon promises to be a very exciting one for camogie followers.

## Waterford

## Girls Advance

WATERFORD ..... 2-1

LIMERICK ..... 1-2

**WATERFORD** advanced to the second round of the Munster Camogie championship when they scored a narrow victory over Limerick in a closely contested first round game at Murroe, Co. Limerick, yesterday. In the first half the sides showed equal strength, but early in the second half Waterford succeeded in breaking through the Limerick defence to snatch a vital goal. In the closing stages Limerick got a number of chances, but inaccurate shooting by the forwards lost them many scoring opportunities.

Best to figure for Waterford were Marian Frisby, Josie Kennedy (in goal), Mary Sheehan and Maura O'Donnell. For Limerick—Bunty Gulry, Ellen Riordan, Carrie Clancy and Christina Murphy.

Scorers: Waterford—J. Cummins (1-0), M. Ryan (1-0), A. Kent (0-1); Limerick—E. Neville (1-1), C. Clancy (0-1).

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# Glen Rovers And S.P.P.P. Reach Senior Final

ONLY two teams now remain in the senior county camogie championship and the decider between Glen Rovers (holders) and South Presentation Past Pupils will take place on Sunday, June 11.

On Sunday last these two sides had good wins in their semi-finals. Youghal were somewhat disappointing in their tie with the holders although they made a gallant comeback in the second half, but it came too late in the game to be effective.

U.C.C. did not live up to expectations either in their tie with South Presentation.

They were, however, without two of their star forwards, as Carmel Buckley and Audrey Geaney did not field, and South Presentation took advantage of this by scoring a convincing win. The final now promises to be a very interesting affair.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are extended here to Drishane Convent who in one of the best camogie games seen in schools competition for a long time took the Schools' C'ship title for the first time. Drishane only entered schools' competitions this season but their enthusiasm and skill brought them to the deciders of both major schools competitions. They suffered defeat at the hands of Youghal in the league final but they turned their disappointment into hard work. Their intensive training was rewarded with their grand and

deserved win in the premier award.

New schools are always very welcome as these are naturally the nursery for the senior clubs. However, it is not very often that a new school can be so successful so early in its camogie life and Drishane's success this season must give a great boost to any other new schools anxious to join the ranks.

The Drishane girls are a credit to their school and to the sisters there who have shown such interest in camogie. This is something which camogie can never have enough of, as youngsters need the encouragement of their teachers and parents if they are to take a real interest in games.

Congratulations, too, to St. Aloysius "A" who were such gallant losers. No doubt they were disappointed on Saturday, but as they have held the title for the last six years they will hardly begrudge the girls of Drishane their well-earned win.

## SENIOR TOURNAMENT

There are three teams taking part in a senior tournament which is part of Carrigrohilly Carnival. Tonight South Presentation meet Churchtown and the winners will meet Old Aloysians on Sunday night.

These games promise to be very interesting with county championship finalists, South Presentation Past Pupils favourites to win out.

There are a number of junior league games listed for the coming week. Tonight Old Aloysians meet

Blarney at Blarney; on Tuesday South Presentation Past Pupils met Douglas at the former's grounds while on Friday (19) Ovens meet Rochestown at Tramore Road.

## CORK TEAM

The Cork team will make its first appearance this season on Sunday week (21st) when they face the formidable task of travelling to Fethard to meet Tipperary (the holders) in the Munster Championship.

A Cork selection for that game is at present in training and it is as follows: E. Cummins (S.P.P.P.), H. Dineen (U.C.C.), S. O'Sullivan (S.P.P.P.), S. Dunne (U.C.C.), R. O'Halloran (do.), A. Comerford (S.P.P.P.), B. Sugrue (do.), M. Murphy (Old Aloysians), A. McAuliffe (do.), N. O'Reilly (Churchtown), A. Crotty (Glen Rovers), P. Dorgan (do.), N. Humphries (do.), S. O'Connell (do.), N. O'Mahony (do.) and M. Coleman (do.).

## FIXTURES

(All games at 7.30 p.m.)  
**Junior League Games**  
Tonight (Friday) at Blarney: Old Aloysians v Blarney.  
Tuesday at South Presentation Grounds, S.P.P.P. v Douglas.  
Friday (19th) at Tramore Road: Ovens v Rochestown.

**Senior Tournament Games**  
Tonight (Friday) at Carrigrohilly: South Presentation Past Pupils v Churchtown.  
Sunday: Winners of above v Old Aloysians.

# County Semi-finals At U.C.C. Ground On Sunday

**GLEN ROVERS** (holders) St. Brigid's (Youghal), South Presentation Past Pupils and U.C.C. are the last four remaining in this season's Cork County Camogie C'ship and on Sunday afternoon at the U.C.C. Grounds, Mardyke, they will take the field to decide which two will meet in the final.

The first game will be between Glen Rovers and St. Brigid's, Youghal. This season it was thought that Glen Rovers might not be as strong as in recent years as they had lost a number of their prominent players. However in their first round tie against the Intermediate Selection Naomh Gobnait, they showed that they were still very much a force to be reckoned with. Youghal, too, put up a good performance in their first-round tie against Churchtown. Also Youghal, although only in their second senior season have put up two



Anna Crotty

very fine performances against the champions during the last twelve months and Glen Rovers will not find this game as easy as their previous tie in the campaign.

## STRONG SIDE

Youghal are the strongest team to join the senior ranks for many years. Too often a side promoted from the lower ranks applied for relegation in a few years finding the going too tough. Youghal are still only in their fourth year in

camogie and their performances in the senior competitions so far has been heartening. On Sunday they face a mighty task when taking on the holders. It will be a big day for Angela Russell, who only a fortnight ago won a Schools' League medal with Presentation Convent (Youghal). Youghal seniors will be placing a great deal of their hopes on Angela's youthful shoulders and if she can strike scoring form then she could play a major role in helping her side to qualify for their first championship final.

However, the star-studded Glen Rovers side will not be easy to defeat. They are strong in all sectors and even though they will be without some of their regulars for the past four years they seem to have found yet another successful combination. Anna Crotty is still a free-scoring forward while Stephanie O'Connell will not miss many chances. They also have the services of Peggy Dorgan and Nuala Humphries to boost their side. Certainly this game should be a good one with plenty of fine camogie.

## FINE PERFORMANCE

In their first-round tie U.C.C. defeated Old Aloysians after being led for most of the game. This was a fine performance by the U.C.C. girls who were without their Ashbourne Cup stars Audrey Geaney and Carmel Buckley for that game. However, they are expected to field Audrey for their semi-final encounter and her inclusion could be a big worry for the South Presentation defence. Hannah Dineen, the Cork full-back is playing as well as ever for U.C.C. while they also have fine players in Celine Fitzgerald and Pat Devlin. Both U.C.C. and South Presentation have qualified for the championship in recent years, U.C.C. two years ago, and South Presentation last season. Both were defeated by Glen Rovers. Consequently both sides will be more than anxious to get another "crack" at the holders.

South Presentation did not strike their best form in last year's decider and they are particularly keen to prove that they are better than they appeared in that game. They, too, have a number of very fine players, including Eleanor Cummins, Ann Comerford and Angela Cronin.

This game should be very entertaining as both sides play the same brand of camogie, a fast ground game and whatever the result it is bound to be a narrow victory for one side. U.C.C. could

make it but South Presentation will not concede victory easily.

This weekend will be an important one for the schools' with the semi-finals of their championship down for decision. At St. Aloysius School Grounds, St. Aloysians, the holders, meet North Presentation, while Drishane meet Presentation Convent Youghal.

The latter tie will be a repeat of the League final which was a very fine game. Presentation



Mary B. O'Sullivan

Convent emerged 0-2 victors on that occasion but the sides were so well matched that Drishane might easily have taken the title. So that this game will be eagerly-awaited by both sets of followers.

St. Aloysius "A" must be fancied to advance in the second semi-final but North Presentation have been playing very well this season and might well cause a major upset.

## FIXTURES

Tomorrow (Saturday): School Championship semi-final at St. Aloysius School Grounds. — St. 4 p.m.

Aloysius "A" v North Presentation 4 p.m.; Drishane v Youghal.

**O'Sullivan Cup**—St. Aloysius B v School of Commerce, 3 p.m. Sunday at U.C.C. Grounds. — Senior C'ship semi-finals: Glen Rovers (holders) v St. Brigid's Youghal, 3 p.m. Referee: L. O'Grady. Old Aloysians, U.C.C. v South Presentation Past Pupils, 4 p.m. (Ref. Terry Fehdy, Old Aloysians).

# Cork's Surprise Win Over Tipperary

By AINE MEAGHER

WELL we had the first surprise of the inter-county camogie season on Sunday last, when Tipperary, holders of the Munster title for the past two seasons, went down to Cork in the first round of the current series at Fethard.

The fact that Cork's victory was achieved on Tipperary soil makes the success of the Leaside girls all the more convincing and there must be high hopes in Cork now of recovering the Munster title which the county last held in 1964.

Last Sunday's game was in many ways a triumph personally for Cork's Munster player Pat Dorgan who scored a goal and four points of her county's 2-5 total and Tipperary really had nobody to hold her in check. Cork were a point ahead at half-time and were well in control in the second half. In fact, were it not for a great display by Sally Long in the Tipperary goal, the margin of victory for the visitors would have been considerably greater. Others to shine in the winners attack were Anne Comerford and the evergreen Anna Crotty, while the Cork defence was very solid all through.

Tipperary, generally speaking, fell well short of their form in previous seasons, and the lack of local competition for their top players seems to be telling its tale. Their only forward of note was Margot Loughnane who accounted for both their scores. The final tally was Cork 2-5; Tipperary 1-1.

## CORK IN FINAL

Cork now go through to the Munster Final in which they meet Clare or Waterford who meet in the semi-final. Waterford, after their victory over Limerick will be fancied to win this game, and if so we should have an entertaining Munster final because Waterford scored a sensational victory over Clare in the first round last season at a Cork venue.

## CORK QUALIFY FOR MUNSTER FINAL

Cork 2-5; Tipperary 1-1

Cork defeated Tipperary (holders) in the first round for the Munster Senior Championship at Fethard yesterday by 2-5 to 1-1, after an interval lead of 1-2 to 1-1.

Cork faced a strong wind in the opening half and thanks to a great display from Peggy Dorgan, Hannah Dineen, Sheila O'Sullivan and Anna Crotty they led at the interval by three points.

After the changeover Cork took command and following further scores by Peggy Dorgan ran out easy winners.

Scorers: Peggy Dorgan 1-4, Anna Crotty 1-0, and Anne Comerford 0-1. For Tipperary Margot Loughnane 1-1.

Cork will now meet either Waterford or Clare in the Munster final.

## Ruadh's title

Eoshan Ruadh, 3-1; Austin Stacks, 2-1

EOGHAN RUADH regained the Dublin Senior Camogie Championship title after a lapse of seven years when they scored a deserved 3-1 to 2-1 win over Austin Stacks in the final at Croke Park last evening.

The winners laid the foundations of victory in the first half, at the end of which they led by 3-0 to 1-0.

Stacks put up a better show after the interval and with only two points between the sides midway through the half, it looked as if Stacks might cause an upset. A point scored by the Ruadh captain, Ailish Toner, made the lead safe.

Intermediates "A" Final—Presentation, 3-0; A. Stacks, 1-2.

## SOUTH PRES. WIN O'CALLAGHAN CUP

South Presentation Convent .. 5-3  
Scoll Eanna .....

South Pres., the more experienced side, had a comfortable win over Scoll Eanna, in the final of the O'Callaghan Cup played at Tramore Road. The score at half-time was 1 goal 1 point for South Pres., and continued pressure during the second half produced a further 4 goals and 2 points to leave them easy winners.

Scorers for South Pres. were: M. Whelton (1-1), A. Stout and M. Quinlan (1-0) each, A. Coughlan and C. Donnelly (2-0) each. Scoll Eanna were best served by E. Bowles, M. O'Regan, K. Murphy, M. O'Sullivan and T. O'Regan.

# Cork Team Faces Stiff Task Against Tipperary

THE Cork County camogie team faces a very stiff task on Sunday next, when they travel to Fethard to meet the champions Tipperary, in this season's Munster Championship.

Last year the Cork team were most disappointing when they went down to an unfancied Waterford side at Youghal.

In fact, for the last three seasons the Cork team has not been showing very good form and there seems to be a great lack of spirit. This is a pity, especially when it is remembered that at one time Cork were regular winners of the All-Ireland championship. Now it appears that Cork teams find it difficult to beat any of the Munster counties, let alone win an All-Ireland.

However, Cork's second team gave the game in the county a great boost last season when they took the Intermediate title. An interesting point of their victory was the defeat of Waterford, who fielded the same side, with one exception, as that which knocked out Cork's first team. Followers felt after this game that if the junior side could win a Munster title what was preventing the senior team from doing so.

Three of the Intermediate side will be fielding on Sunday and Cork will also have Noreen O'Reilly from Churchtown, the side that climbed to senior ranks in only two seasons in competition. These players could bring added zest to the side and with so many experienced players filling key positions, Cork should have quite a useful side on Sunday.

Eleanor Cummins is no newcomer to the goal, where she is always sound and stylish. U.C.C.'s Hannah Dineen is a tremendous back who has played a major role in the University's strong position in Cork camogie over the last three seasons. Hannah was also in

the Intermediate selection last season. Nora O'Mahony of Glen Rovers fills one of the wing back positions. This is a rather unusual position for Nora, who usually figures in the attack. However, she is a versatile player who could do well in her new position. The other wing back is Sheila O'Sullivan from S.P.P., another very experienced and solid defender.

## BIG SUCCESS

Betty Sugrue, also of South Pres., was one of the big successes of last season's intermediate win and it is not surprising that she has gained her place on the senior twelve. Betty completes the defence at centre back.

The centrefield has a new look this season. Ann Comerford (S.P.P.) is the only experienced member of the trio and great things will be expected of her. But she should have able assistants in Glen Rovers Nuala Humphries, also promoted from the Intermediate side, and newcomer Noreen O'Reilly, Churchtown's big star.

The attack is made up completely of Glen Rovers' players. Glen have dominated the Cork county championship for four years now and their attack has always been their strongest sector. The fact that their forwards have been selected en bloc could be a good thing for the side, as combination is something which Cork forward lines have often lacked and with a club front line the Cork girls will have no excuse. However one wonders if the selection of Stephanie O'Connell is a good one. Stephanie was elected as Munster camogie star last season and since she began playing with Glen as a schoolgirl, she

has been one of their outstanding players. But Stephanie has been out of action for the last few months through injury and did not field in this season's county championship. Surely it is not a good idea to field her in such a tough game after a long absence from the field of play. Peggy Dorgan is one of the sweetest hurlers in the game today and has often proved a match-winner for her club, while the sharp-shooting Anna Crotty needs no introduction to followers. Maura Coleman, the full-forward, played for a number of years with junior club Donoughmore, and after a few years' absence from the game joined the champions this season. Her performances with Glen in the championship earned her the full-forward berth. The selection is completed by Ann McAuliffe (Old Aloysians), Sheila Dunne (U.C.C.), Rose O'Halloran (S.P.P.) and Mary Murphy (Old Aloysians).

At the time of writing the Tipperary team was not available but no doubt it will be as formidable as ever. Tipperary are always a "tough nut to crack." They have dominated Munster for the last four years and they are a team who will never admit defeat until the final whistle sounds. Although the team has not yet been announced, no doubt it will include Kathleen Griffin, who has been such a stalwart of the side for well over a decade. There is a suggestion that their Munster star, Ann Carroll, will not be fielding for Tipperary this season and she would be a great loss to them. However, they should still have the service of Margo Loughnane, who was in such top form for them last season, and the Graham sisters.

## HANDS FULL

In any event, Cork will have their hands full on Sunday, especially as they have to face the long journey to Fethard for the game. It is never easy to play well after a long bus journey. It is particularly difficult against such a strong side as Tipperary. However, Cork followers are hopeful that the senior side will follow the example of the second string who won the Munster title against all the odds last season.

## FIXTURE

Munster Championship: 21  
Fethard, Tipperary v. Cork, 7.30 p.m.

MAY 1967

# Brian Geraghty Taken To Task

Brian Geraghty, Esq.,  
c/o Gaelic Weekly.

Sir,

'Is Camogie a suitable game for girls?' asks Brian Geraghty in your issue of April 22nd. His answer amounts to a wholesale condemnation, not only of Irish girls but of the Irish people in general, excepting himself, of course. It is neither more nor less than amusing to find a nonentity like Mr. Geraghty regarding himself as an oracle in a piece of writing that is a garbled mess of falsehood, conceit, self-contradiction and a wealth of minor stupidities. Yet, I find it difficult to reply to the author, almost as difficult as it would be to compose a case against the incoherent babblings of a baby.

Our baby begins: "Irish girls in general possess an abundance of natural beauty and good humour, but lack the basic quality of womanhood which is, of course, Femininity". Apart from the fact that anything lacking 'the basic quality of womanhood' (a most ambiguous expression) cannot claim to be a girl or woman at all. It would be of immense interest to hear your Camogie Correspondent expounding his views on femininity—a practice he curiously avoids—since he takes it to exclude both 'natural beauty and good humour.' Besides whom does he mean by 'Irish girls in general' since he goes on to say that 'the city girl's point of view is about as warped as her sense of humour' and to deny 'grace' to 'the girl from the countryside', even though grace is one of the primary characteristics of both 'natural beauty and good humour', which Mr. Geraghty has already granted to 'Irish girls in general.' There seems then to be a numerous third breed of Irish girl hiding somewhere but she is to be found neither in the city nor in the country. Could dear deluded Brian enlighten us as to the whereabouts of this delectable creature. A single sentence has sprung all those leaks.

Now we come to something that is not a sentence at all, even though it begins with a capital letter and ends with a full stop: your camogie coach turned philosopher says that the alleged lack of femininity in Irish girls is 'A regrettable fact, particularly for me who is right now scouring every highway and byway for someone as feminine as I am masculine!' Apart from the glaring breach of good grammar in the barbaric expression 'me who is' I think it much more reasonable to regard Brian Geraghty, conceit and all, as a trifle over-ripe than to consider as under-sexed every Irish woman unfortunate enough to be within the range of his search.

Since he claim that 'femininity is not bred in our girls' I should have thought it more reasonable that he address himself to their parents.

How once can 'have great admiration for' somebody and yet 'feel sorry for' that person at the same time and for the same reason in a matter such as Mr. Geraghty is attempting to discuss, is a question that would puzzle many. Not least amusing is his advocacy of some form of football as more feminine than camogie, which he regards—on no specified evidence—as a lethal sport.

The crowning contradiction comes when, after leading up to camogie by representing it as merely a symptom of the lack of femininity he claims to find in Irish girls, he proceeds to base his main objection to camogie on the contention that Irish girls are too frail and feminine for so robust a sport. There is a circle here somewhere if the guilty party has wit enough to see it.

Your most feminine correspondent,

"Dangerous Dinah".

## ... AND HIS DEFENCE

Dear dangerous Dinah,

It is nice to know that you enjoy my column and that my article "Is Camogie a suitable game for girls?" really caught your fancy. Thank you for your hints about the old grammar. To be honest it never was one of my five-stars . . . always got mixed up as to which person I was, and as for adverbs and adjectives . . . sure who worries about them?

I cannot fathom at all, however, why you think that "it would be much more reasonable to regard Brian Geraghty (that's me!), conceit and all, as a trifle over-ripe than to consider as under-sexed every Irish woman unfortunate enough to be within the range of his search." As you humorously pointed-out in your very complimentary epistle, I had declined to define femininity in my article. In

fact the reason was that I didn't and still do not regard myself as being in a position to draw-up such a definition. But you have done so . . . and, my oh my, what a sexy one it is!! I suggest a short note to Angela McNamara who will probably give you some good, and necessary advice.

Dear pet, I re-read my article. You will find it under your pillow. I never suggested that camogie was a symptom of the lack of femininity which I found in Irish girls. I categorically stated that it was one of the causes. It makes masculine muscle-mollies out of petite school children.

In conclusion, many thanks for the enclosed slip of paper with your statistics. It really was not necessary.

Best wishes,  
Brian Geraghty.

# DUBLIN WILL TAKE PART IN JUNIOR TESTS

By UNA

THERE is very good news for the younger generation of Dublin camogie players this week. The Dublin Board has definitely decided to take part in the Leinster junior championships, and the opening game will be against Wicklow at a Wicklow venue next month.

The Dublin side will, of course, be exclusively confined to players from the junior Board competitions, and a panel is already being chosen with a view to holding trial games.

This is the first time that Dublin players from this grade have ever had the opportunity of competition at inter-county level, and the added incentive is bound to give an added fillip to the closing stages of the junior leagues and championships.

The new pitches will not be opened tomorrow as had been the original intention. The bad weather of the past week or ten days might, it was felt, lead to the cutting up of the pitch somewhat during the parade and ceremonies, so it was decided to put back the official opening to a date early next month.

The Board has however announced the teams for the opening exhibition game and these are:

South City: J. Golden (U.C.D.); M. Ryan (Austin Stacks); K. O'Connor (U.C.D.), A. Hussey (Celtic), M. O'Leary (E. Ruadh); M. Sherlock (Austin Stacks), A. Corrigan (U.C.D.), S. Creevey (Austin Stacks); P. Timmins (Naomh Aoife), A. McAllister (Austin Stacks), J. Doyle (Naomh Aoife); J. Foiey (Eoghan Ruadh). Reserves: C. Nolan (Eoghan Ruadh), D. O'Higgins (U.C.D.), J. Farrell (Muiris Uí Neill).

North City: E. Leech (Celtic); U. O'Connor (Celtic); P. Rafferty (Eoghan Ruadh); K. Murphy (Celtic); K. Lyons (Eoghan

Ruadh); J. Quinn (Celtic), R. White (Celtic), O. Ni Shiochain (Austin Stacks); B. Keenan (Austin Stacks), K. Kehoe (Celtic), C. Hefferman (Celtic); C. Lyons (Eoghan Ruadh).

Reserves: C. Clarke (Austin Stacks), A. Ashton (Eoghan Ruadh), A. Whehan (Naomh Aoife).

These are two most interesting teams and it will be noted that some twenty-two of the thirty players named are holders of All-Ireland medals. Indeed this game should be a very useful extra trial match for the Dublin senior selectors.

Indeed all the players may well be regarded as playing for places on the Dublin side except Margaret O'Leary, who of course plays for Wexford, and the U.C.D. trio, Annette Corrigan who retired from inter-county play some seasons ago, but is still playing so well that she had to be honoured here. Kathleen O'Connor who plays for her native Derry and Jo Golden who is likely to be called upon by Kilkenny.

So this exhibition game should have plenty of incentive for the players to give of their best.

Meanwhile on competitive fields in Dublin the big question remains, can Eoghan Ruadh repeat Naomh Aoife's feat of last year and bring off the league and championship double? They are already in both finals and must have a great chance of the league title as they face Celtic whom they have beaten three times this season.

# Cork Play Limerick In Gold Leaf Tournament

TIPPERARY TOWN will be the venue for Cork's first appearance since their recent triumph over Munster champions Tipperary where they meet Limerick in the Gold Leaf tournament on Sunday.

Team spirit had been lacking in Cork sides for a number of years past and it was heartening to see a return to the old Cork determination in their game against Tipperary.

The holders had dominated the championship for so long that Cork followers did not hold out any great hopes of a Leaside victory. However Cork played brilliantly to score a merited victory.

Cork had a number of match winners on that day including Glen Rovers, Peggy Dorgan, Stephanie O'Connell and Anna Crotty all of whom will be fielding again on Sunday.

## HER BEST GAME

Sheila O'Sullivan of S.P.P.P. had one of the best games of her career on that occasion, while the Cork side was also well served by Nora O'Mahony, captain of the side, Hannah Dineen and Betty Sugrue, and if these players can strike top form on Sunday then Cork must be fancied to defeat Limerick.

This game should be a valuable one for the Cork girls who will be very anxious to get all the matches they can before their Munster championship final tie. They will also be very keen to do well in this tournament as Cork have been without a senior trophy for far too long.

## MUNSTER SEMI-FINAL

Incidentally Waterford met Clare at the same venue on Sunday in the semi-final of the

# EOGHAN RUADH'S DOUBLE AFTER CAMOGIE CLASSIC

BY AINE MEAGHER

A BUSY week-end on the camogie fields got off to a flying start at noon last Sunday, when we had a really magnificent game in the Dublin senior league final. Eoghan Ruadh fulfilled general expectations by winning and thus completing the Dublin double for the second time in the history of the club, but they had to give of their best through a tremendous second half to thwart the constant efforts of the Celtic side, which was then playing better than at any other time in the season.

Through the first half, Eoghan Ruadh had looked very much what they are, the Dublin champions, and held a tight grip on the exchanges right through. Margaret O'Leary, the Wexford centre-back, seemed to be here, there and everywhere and rolled back every Celtic advance with the greatest of ease.

What was more, most of those clearances were falling right in the Celtic goal-mouth, and were it not for great defensive work by goalie Ethna Leech and full-back Una O'Connor, the Eoghan Ruadh girls would have had a commanding lead by the interval. As it was they scored their third goal a minute before half-time.

But Celtic came away right from the puck-out and Kit Kehoe nipped in for a well-taken goal right on the half-time whistle. That left two goals between them, and when Celtic resumed with Kitty Murphy at centre-back and Alice Hussey at midfield they seemed to find a new lease of life.

## WERE MET BY TAMOY

Still, Margt. O'Leary foiled them time and again. Her clearances, however, were now being met by Una O'Connor, who sent Celtic attacking time and again in turn. But if Una was brilliant at one end of the field she was sadly missed at the other, for, in her absence, the only threat in the Celtic attack was posed by Kit Kehoe.

Though the Eoghan Ruadh goalkeeper did make one great save from Kit, the real danger to Ruadh in the closing stages came from long drives by Alice Hussey. These brought two points and almost brought a goal, when the ball bobbed right along the goal-line and was cleared in almost miraculous fashion.

The camogie was of top standard in the closing minutes, with the ball being swept unceasingly from end to end of the field. But there could be no doubting at the end that Ruadh were deserving winners of their dual honours.

The semi-final of the Munster championship, between Clare and Waterford, is the southern attraction this week-end. The Waterford girls were impressive in their win over Limerick in the first round, narrow though that victory was. Clare, on the other hand, had a walk-over from Kerry and the experience garnered in the Limerick match should see Waterford through to the provincial final against Cork.

## TRIAL GAMES

Dublin field a junior team for the first time when they play Wicklow in a Leinster first-round game at Wicklow. The Dublin mentors, after a couple of trial games feel they have got a very useful side together. However, drawn as they are from Junior Board teams, they are likely to be short of experience at this stage.

Wicklow, on the other hand, will be able to put their best team in the field, and are likely to have a little too much strength for the young Dubliners, especially on home ground. The winners here will advance to the provincial semi-final, in which Meath and Laois await the winners.

Kildare are already through to the semi-finals as a result of a good win over Westmeath on Sunday last in an entertaining game at Ballymore. Those Kildare juniors were very good indeed—Mrs. Corcoran should have plenty of useful material here for future senior sides—but they had nothing to spare over Westmeath when the local girls found their feet in the second half.

I thought Westmeath had improved very considerably over the last twelve months. With more match-play experience they should prove good enough for the best.

## BEST SIDE

The big match of the day in Leinster, however, was the intermediate semi-final between Offaly and Kilkenny at Birr. Kilkenny had been preparing for this game, but they came up against what I think is the best side I have yet seen represent Offaly, and that includes the team which won the Leinster junior championship a few seasons ago.

Kilkenny moved well in the first half and deserved their interval lead of two goals to one. Offaly began to assert superiority after the interval, however, and with the Dooley sisters, Marie Millen and the experienced Katherine Carroll to the

When a Kilkenny player was injured in the second half, Anne Carroll came on, despite her damaged knee. The U.C.D. star scored a point, but the effort was too much for that bad knee and she had to go off again.

On this showing Offaly will give Wexford a very good game indeed in the Leinster final. The game, which will be played tomorrow week, will be at a Wexford venue, as the holders won the toss for choice of pitch.

The Ulster championship also began on Sunday last. Monaghan put up a gallant enough resistance against champions Antrim but eventually had to give best on scores of 7-7 to 2-2. However, the Monaghan girls had some compensation in the junior fixture, defeating Tyrone by 8-0 to 2-1.

## NEW PITCHES

Big event in Dublin this week-end is the official opening of the new pitches in Phoenix Park. A fine level stretch of ground beyond the present senior pitch has been acquired and will be a great boon to players and officials alike.

The opening will be marked by an exhibition game between selections from the North and South Sides. With the cream of players from all the top Dublin clubs engaged this should be a really entertaining game. It will be followed by the preliminary heats of the senior sports.

## CORK HAD EASY WIN

Cork 4-18, Limerick 1-1.

In the Gold Leaf Tournament played in Tipperary town, Cork emerged victors. In the opening ten minutes, Anna Crotty scored for Cork, followed shortly by a point from Peggy Dorgan.

Limerick fought back gamely and in quick time it was level pegging, with a goal and a point by Eithne Neville.

Then Cork took the lead again with points by Peggy Dorgan and another goal by Anna Crotty. Eithne Neville replied for Limerick with another goal before half-time. Half-time score: Cork 2-8, Limerick 2-1.

On the changeover Cork completely dominated the exchanges, and with good work by Betty Sugrue and Maura Coleman came out convincing winners.

Scorers for Cork: Anna Crotty, 4-2; Peggy Dorgan, 0-7; Maura Coleman, 0-1.

For Limerick: Eithne Neville, 2-1.

JUNE 1967

# RUADH'S BID FOR CAMOGIE TITLE

By UNA

**T**HE last competitive game of the current Dublin senior camogie season will be played on Sunday next when a very fitting climax is provided by the senior league final in which Eoghan Ruadh meet Celtic at the Phoenix Park grounds.

This looks like being Eoghan Ruadh's greatest year ever in senior ranks. They began in sensational fashion by scoring a runaway victory over Celtic before Christmas in the final of the new senior competition, the McCarthy Cup. Then they advanced steadily through the league sustained only one defeat, from U.C.D., who oddly enough took three points of four in two league engagements with the leaders, their second round game ending in a draw.

In their meeting with Celtic, Ruadh behind for a long time went on to victory mid-way through the second half.

In the championship they again beat Celtic in the semi-final, a trifle more convincingly this time after another close game, and went on to defeat Austin Stacks in the Croke Park final.

## All-round side

With Anne Ashton and Margaret O'Leary starring in defence, Ailish Toner and Colette Nolan very much to the fore around mid-field and Kay Lyons at centre-forward, leading great drive to the attack, Eoghan Ruadh are an extremely efficient all-round side and will be firm favourites to defeat Celtic yet again.

Strictly speaking, of course, Eoghan Ruadh do not need a victory to win this league. They are three points down in the competition as compared to four for Celtic so that a draw would suffice to give them the medal. On the other hand they will be most anxious to clinch the

double in convincing fashion and will be all set on an outright victory.

But Celtic will not be dismayed at previous defeats by the same opposition. They led Eoghan Ruadh for quite a long way in their last two meetings and will be well aware that a very little all-round improvement could well assure them of victory this time to compensate for past defeats.

## Lacks power

They have All-Ireland team members in Una O'Connor, Kitty Murphy, Alice Hussey, Ethna Leech and Claire Heffernan and indeed their big difficulty is that they would like, if it were possible, to play Una O'Connor both at full back and full forward at the same time. Una has been playing magnificently at full back but in her absence the attack lacks striking power.

# Offaly Foil Kilkenny's Camogie Bid

OFFALY ..... 3-2  
KILKENNY ..... 2-1

**O**FFALY qualified to meet Wexford in the Leinster intermediate camogie final when they scored a surprise victory over Kilkenny in the semi-final at Birr last evening. The losers led by 2-0 to 1-0 at the interval, but lusted the pace far better and were faster to the ball in the second half.

Despite an injured knee, Anne Carroll came on for Kilkenny but after scoring a point, had to retire again.

Best for Offaly were the Dooley sisters, Marie Milen, Mary Neenan and Katherine Carroll. Kilkenny were best served by Nuala Duncan, Nuala Grace, Mary Fennelly and Anne Gargan.

Scorers: Offaly — K. Carroll (2-2), E. Mangan (1-0). Kilkenny — R. Vennard (2-0), A. Carroll (0-1).

# Kildare Girls Deserved Win

KILDARE ..... 4-0  
WESTMEATH ..... 2-0

**K**ILDARE scored a deserved win over Westmeath in the Leinster Junior Camogie Championship at Ballymore, Westmeath, yesterday.

Kildare led 2-0 to nil at the interval. A great rally by the Westmeath side after the interval earned them a goal. Kildare replied with a similar score. Westmeath scored a goal again, but with time ebbing away, Kildare made the issue safe with a fourth goal.

Scorers: Kildare — E. Nolan (2-0), T. Molloy (1-0), M. Cleary (1-0). Westmeath — T. O'Connor (1-0), M. Price (1-0).

# Sixth Title In A Row For Glen Rovers

Glen Rovers ..... 7-7  
South Pres. P.P.U. .... 1-1

**F**OR the sixth year in succession, Glen Rovers won the title when they beat South Presentation Convent Past Pupils in the final of the Cork Co. Senior Camogie Championship at the Mardyke, yesterday.

The Glen girls had the better of play and within minutes of the start had scored their first goal. At half-time they were 4-3 up on their opponents.

On resumption of play, South Pres. fought desperately to reduce the arrears but they could not match the skill of the holders. Halfway through the third quarter they got their first score—a point—but Glen Rovers continued adding goals and points to their tally. However, three minutes before the final whistle, M. O'Sullivan scored a nice goal for South Pres.

A source of great pleasure to her team-mates was the fact that Ann Crotty, who has been playing with Glen Rovers for 14 years, had the distinction of captaining yesterday's team. Although she has been honoured with the captaincy on numerous occasions, it was the first time she led the team to victory in the Co. Championship.

Scorers for the Glen: M. McDonald (3-3), A. Crotty (2-0), P. Dorgan (1-4), M. Murphy (1-0). South Pres: M. O'Sullivan (1-0), B. Sugrue (0-1).

Glen Rovers: D. Sutton, N. O'Mahony, T. Murphy, M. Buckley, M. Coleman, S. O'Connell, N. Humphries, P. Dorgan, A. Crotty, M. Murphy, M. McDonald.

South Pres.: E. Cummins, M. Kelly, B. O'Sullivan, A. Cronin, S. O'Sullivan, B. Sugrue, E. Hurley, A. Comerford, J. Fitzpatrick, M. O'Sullivan, B. Gibbon, K. Dunne.

Subs: F. O'Keefe for K. Dunne; M. Crowley for M. Kelly.

# Glen Rovers And South Pres. Meet In A Repeat Of Last Years Final

**G**LEN ROVERS and South Presentation Past Pupils meet at the Mardyke on Sunday in the final of this seasons Senior Co. Championship. This game is a repeat of last year's decider which Glen won rather easily.

The holders have dominated the competition for the last five years and this year seem to have yet another strong side. South Pres. too seem to have a top class team this season so that the game promises to be one of the best final for a number of years. In last season's decider South Presentation Past Pupils were disappointing after a very impressive run in the rest of the campaign. On that occasion South Pres. look as if they were overcome by the big occasion as they definitely did not strike their best form. Now they have another chance at their first title and they are determined not to lose it this time.

## PLAYED THEIR PART

When Cork had their victory over Munster champions Tipperary three weeks ago South Presentation supplied four of the team. Eleanor Cummins had a fine game between the posts while Betty Sugrue repeated her form of last year's intermediate final. South Presentations stalwart defender Sheila O'Sullivan had one of the best games of her career in the game while Ann Comerford also played her part.

These four players form the nucleus of the South Pres side and if they can strike their best form then they must have a good chance, even against the mighty Glen team.

Besides these four, South Pres. have a number of other grand players including Bridie O'Sullivan, Angela Cronin and ex-U.C.C. player Eimer Hurley. In all they

have a very strong side and following their very impressive win over U.C.C. in the semi-final of the competition they look as if they could well be the side to put an end to Glen's victory march.

However, the Blackpool girls are never an easy side to beat especially in a decider. They are a great side to come from behind and are never beaten until the full time whistle sounds.

Their contribution to the Cork team this season consisted of six players including the captain of the side Nora O'Mahony, who gave a first class performance in the unusual position of wing back. Peggy Dorgan was the county's chief scorer on that occasion and if South Pres. cannot restrict her freedom then she could easily prove a match winner on Sunday. Anna Crotty, Stephanie O'Connell and Maura Coleman are all dangerous attackers while Nuala Humphries is a very useful centre.

## VERY CONVINCING

Like their opponents on Sunday, Glen had a very convincing win in their semi-final against Youghal and with the confidence which success brings they will not be an easy side to beat. But South Presentation will have a great deal of support in this game as they gallantly make yet another effort to gain their first title.

Following the big game on Sunday Canovee will meet Churchtown in the Intermediate League.

## FIXTURES

Sunday at U.C.C. Grounds, Mardyke.—S.C. Final, Glen Rovers (holders) v South Presentation Past Pupils, 3 p.m.  
I.L.—Canovee v Churchtown, 4.15 p.m.

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