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U.C.C. CAMOGIE CLUB OFFICERS

The annual general meeting of the U.C.C. Camogie Club was held recently. The club officers for the oncoming session are: President, Ide Bean Uí She, M.A., vice-presidents: Prof. L. M. Dhuagáin, Bean Uí Mhuirthíle, M.Sc., Mrs. O'Neill, M.Sc., Dr. Emer Ní Mhuirthíle, S. Brennan, B.Comm., staff representative, Cait Bean Uí Mhaidín, B. Comm. Senior Capt. Margaret Long, vice-captain, Elizabeth Field; junior capt. Sheila O'Connor; rúnaí, Helen Lynch; asst. sec. Lorna Meagher.

Committee Members — Margaret Long, Elizabeth Field, Helena Lynch, Louise O'Connor, Honor Lynch, Mary O'Brien. **Delegates to County Board** — Nora May Lynch, Liz Garvan, Rose Long.

The President, Ide Bean Uí She, congratulated the team on reaching the semi-final stage of the county championship. Even though no major trophies came their way this session the spirit of the club augurs well for the future.

Four members of the club were represented on the Combined Universities team which scored a spectacular victory at University College Galway sportsfield recently. Suitably inscribed trophies were presented to each member of the Combined team by Bean Uí She. Those were: Capt. Mary O'Driscoll, Nora May Lynch, Rose Long, Liz Garvan.

A BUSY WEEKEND FOR FOLLOWERS

THERE are a number of important fixtures for the coming week. These include a senior championship semi-final, an intermediate championship tie, a junior league decider and the first of this season's inter-county trial games. In all a busy week ahead for followers.

For some years past Liz Garvan, Rose Long and Annie O'Dwyer have been an important part of Old Aloysians. Now these players might well be the cause of their downfall in this season's semi-final of the senior championship when they line out for U.C.C. on Sunday next. U.C.C. have never taken the senior title but they have caused many an upset down through the years. They were very disappointed with their defeat in the Ashbourne Cup this season and are determined to do well in the county to compensate their followers. Certainly they must be favourites on Sunday as the acquisition of the aforementioned trio must be a tremendous asset to them — while at the same time the loss of these players is a great blow to Old Als.

IMPRESSIVE

U.C.C. had a very impressive tally of 8-6 in the first round

against Youghal. They have a grand goalie in Monica Lynch while their very sound defence includes Mary O'Brien, Margaret and Rose Long and Mary O'Driscoll. In the centre they have two more Old Als girls in Deirdre Garvan and Honor Lynch who will be partnered by Nora May Lynch in what should be a formidable trio. Liz, of course, will be their big danger up front but Mary Ita O'Sullivan and Louise O'Connor will take a great deal of watching also.

Against this what have Old Als to offer? Well, it is a decade now since their last championship success but they are always determined to come back. St. Aloysius School, of course, is a great nursery for them and in spite of so many of their players going to University just when they are established on the side they always manage to get some new, talented players. But the unfortunate part is that they never seem to get time enough to settle with the same team for a few years running, and this season's loss of three together makes it very difficult indeed for them.

FINE ATTACK

However, in their first round tie against Naomh Gobnath

they were very impressive. The defence hardly saw the ball in the first half and with Rosie Hennessy, Anne McAuliffe and Kay O'Regan in top form the goals went in. If these girls can play as well on Sunday then Old Als could be there with a chance. Especially if Val O'Dwyer, Mary Murphy and C. Desmond give them the necessary backing in the middle of the field and Nuala Jennings, Marion O'Leary, Nora McAuliffe, Marie Garvan and Mary Moran play their usual solid games in defence. An interesting feature of Sunday's game is the fact that the three Garvan sisters will be playing — two for U.C.C. and one for Old Als.

This game will be preceded by the junior league semi-final between Cloyne and Aghabullogue. These sides met in the final of the Junior County Championship early in January and provided a very good and exciting match. Aghabullogue won on that occasion but Cloyne felt that they did not play up to form and they must now welcome this chance of proving they were right. Aghabullogue have grand players in Helen Roche, Eileen Buckley and Mary Noonan, while Cloyne will put their hopes in Marie and B. Costin and D. Ring, and if these girls all play up to scratch then the tie should put followers in the proper mood for the senior game.

There is only one Intermediate Championship tie this week-end — on Sunday at Carricktwohill, when Churchtown meet St. Ita's. Churchtown had a big win over Munster Institute in the first round while St. Ita's overcame Glanworth. Both these sides have a number of very good players — Churchtown having Mary Salter, Noreen Bailey, Mary Barry and Josie Knowles, and St. Ita's with Angela, Margaret and Elizabeth Higgins, so the game should be well worth seeing.

TREMENDOUS WIN

After Cork's tremendous victory in the All-Ireland final last year followers will be eagerly awaiting this season's inter-county campaigns. The first team to take the field this season will be the juniors who will meet Waterford on June 6. In preparation for this game the Cork selectors have picked two teams for a trial match on Tuesday next. They are as follows:

Team One — D. Sutton (Glen Rovers), A. Gaffey (Blarney), R. O'Sullivan (Our Lady's Hospital), M. Mackey (Blarney), M. Walsh (Glen), E. Ruxton (Youghal), M. McSweeney (do.), R. Long (U.C.C.), B. Gibbons (S.P.P.P.), K. O'Regan (Old Aloysians), K. Doherty (Blarney) and M. Humphries (do.).

Team Two — S. Parker (Youghal), M. Slater (Churchtown), N. Jennings (Old Aloysians), M. O'Leary (do.), M. Whelton (S.P.P.P.), A. O'Donovan (do.), M. Murphy (Old Als), A. Higgins (St. Ita's), N. O'Reilly (Churchtown), P. Coad (Glen), P. Walsh (Old Als), N. Spillane (Imokilly).

Subs. to attend: C. Harnedy (Youghal), B. Regan (St. Ita's), Margaret Higgins (do.), C. Humphries (Blarney) and M. Mahon (Munster Institute).

That University College Cork has never won the Cork County camogie championship is remarkable considering the number of times that U.C.C. sides have won the Ashbourne inter-varsity Cup and the number of student stars the club has contributed to Cork county sides down the years.

However, hopes are high on the Mardyke that this will be the year of the great breakthrough especially in view of U.C.C.'s big win over Youghal in the opening round when the College forwards ran up a total of 8-6.

On Sunday next in the semi-final the students face Old Aloysians in what could prove the vital game of this championship. Old Als were beaten last year in the final, by South Presentation but since then have scored well over the champions in the League final.

Ironically one of Old Als' stars last season is now their most dangerous opponent, All-Ireland player, Liz Garvan, who like other former Old Als players Rose Lane, Honor Lynch, Anne O'Dwyer and her own sister, Deirdre, are all now in the U.C.C. colours.

Old Aloysians, however, still have excellent players in Anne McAuliffe, Marion O'Leary, Mary Murphy, goalkeeper Mary

U.C.C. CHASE A FIRST CORK CHAMPIONSHIP

Moran and young Rosie Hennessy and will be slight favourites to advance to yet another final.

While U.C.C. are trying to win their way into the Cork final, their great Ashbourne rivals, University College Dublin will be engaged in a similar exercise at Parnell Park.

But the Dublin students face an even harder task for they take on the Dublin champions Austin Stacks, and U.C.D. have not succeeded in beating Stacks so far this year.

In the League, Stacks achieved a narrow victory. Oddly enough this is the teams' third meeting in the current championship.

In the opening round they played a draw, but Stacks won the replay with an unexpected margin to spare.

U.C.D. however then showed some of their best camogie of the year in crushing Sliabh Bloom in the final of the losers group only to find themselves again up against the old

stumbling block, Austin Stacks.

With their inter-county players, Mary Ryan, Orla ní Shiochain, Anne Sheehy, Sheila Murray and Brid Keenan, all in top form, Stacks must start favourites again. But, if Anne Carroll really gets going she could inspire the students to a surprise victory.

In the second semi-final also at Parnell Park, Celtic and Eoghan Ruadh look evenly matched. However, Celtic fell away in the second half of their league game against Stacks last Sunday and as Eoghan Ruadh shone in another league game against Naomh Aoife, they must be slight favourites.

Congratulations are very much in order to the girls of Presentation Convent Terenure who completed a great double in the Dublin Colleges competitions by defeating Walkinstown in the final of the senior championship. The Terenure girls had already won the League.

TIPPERARY WERE WELL ON TOP

TIPPERARY 5-1
CLARE 1-2
A more experienced and stronger Tipperary team advanced to the second round of the Munster Junior Camogie Championships by defeating Clare by 5-1 to 1-2 at Gusack Park, Ennis, yesterday.

Tipperary playing with a very strong breeze in the first half turned over at the interval leading 4-0 to 0-0 and they still continued to dominate in the second half when they increased their lead to 5-1 without reply. Clare, though strong in defence all through lacked an opportunist forward and they did not score until Tipperary eased up slightly towards the end.

Scorers for Tipperary: M. Keenan (3-1), M. Kirwan, B. Heffernan and A. Minoque (1-0 each). Clare: E. Scanlon (1-1), A. Hurley (0-1). Referee: P. Duffy (Limerick).

Camogie Senior, Junior Panels

Dublin camogie selectors have announced the Senior and Junior panels of players for the forthcoming inter-county championships.

Senior Panel: P. Brennan, S. Murray, M. Ryan, O. Ní Shiochain, A. Sheehy (A. Stacks), V. Feahy, M. Fennelly, A. Hussey, U. O'Connor, R. White (Celtic), M. Brennan, A. Carey (E. Ruadh), J. Doyle, N. McDonnell, P. Timmins (N. Aoife), V. Flanagan, A. M. O'Loughlin (U.C.C.).

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CAMOGIE SEMI-FINAL — Mary O'Brien, the U.C.C. full-back, with the ball, followed by Phil Walsh Old Als, comes out to clear during the Cork Co. senior camogie semi-final at U.C.C. Grounds, Cork, yesterday.

Old Als for county final

Old Aloysians 6-6, U.C.C. 3-5.

In the Senior Championship semi-final between Old Als and U.C.C. held at the Mardyke yesterday afternoon, Old Als. had a splendid win over a much favoured U.C.C.

It was College who opened the game with a point after a few minutes. Old Als. however, fought back and soon gained a goal. The first half was poor, and at the interval the score read U.C.C. 2-4, Old Als. 2-3.

The second half, was however, much more exciting. Just after the half time College had another point, but this was short lived. Within another five minutes Old Als had netted two goals. U.C.C. seeking quick revenge narrowed the margin to 3-5 to 5-4 with another goal. From here to the final whistle the game was undoubtedly for Old Als.

U.C.C. were well served by Mary O'Brien, Margaret and Rose Long and Mary O'Driscoll, while Rosie Hennessy, and Anne McAuliffe shone for Old Als.

Scorers: Old Als.— B. Hennessy 1-3, K. O'Regan 1-0, M. Murphy 0-3 and A. McAuliffe 4-0. U.C.C.— L. O'Connor 1-0, L. Garvan 0-5, M. O'Sullivan 1-0 and A. O'Dwyer 1-0.

Old Als.— M. Moran, N. Jennings, M. Garvan, N. McAuliffe, M. O'Leary, C. Desmond, M. Murphy, V. O'Dwyer, A. McAuliffe, P. Walsh, B. Hennessy, K. O'Began.

U.C.C.— M. Lynch, M. O'Brien, M. Long, M. O'Driscoll, B. Long, H. Lynch, D. Garvan, M. Lynch, L. Garvan, L. O'Connor, M. O'Sullivan, A. O'Dwyer.

BACKGROUND:— Mgt. LONG, D. GARVAN & R. HENNESSY



U.C.C. defenders are under pressure as Phil Walsh (Old Als.) reaches high for this ball during Cork Co. Senior Camogie semi-final at U.C.C. Grounds, Cork, yesterday. ("Examiner")

COLLEGE Players in picture:— MONICA LYNCH, Mgt. LONG, D. GARVAN, R. LONG



Louise O'Connor (U.C.C.) left, and Nuala McAuliffe (Old Als.) get to this ball together during the Cork Co. Senior Camogie semi-final. ("Examiner")

OLD ALS. BACK:- M O'LEARY, M O'REGAN, M. MURPHY, C. DESMOND
V. O'DWYER, N. McAULIFFE, P. WALSH, B. McAULIFFE
FRONT:- A. McAULIFFE (CAPT), K. O'REGAN, R. HENNESSY
M. MORAN, N. JENNINGS, M. GARVAN



MET IN SEMI-FINAL—The Aloysians team which defeated U.C.C. in the semi-final of the Cork Co. Senior Camogie Championship at U.C.C. Grounds, Cork. —("Echo")

U.C.C. BACK:- A. O'DWYER, M. O'SULLIVAN, L. GARVAN, R. LONG
L. O'CONNOR, N. M. LYNCH, D. GARIAN, M. O'DRISCOLL
FRONT:- M. COAKLEY, M. LYNCH, L. MAHER, M. O'BRIEN
M. LONG, H. LYNCH, M. O'BRIEN



Loretto Convent (Fermoy) camogie team, winners of the Dunne Shield for the Intermediate Schools League. Included are: Catrina Griffin, Marion Dooley, Nora Lane, Angela Higgins (capt.); Deirdre Quinlan, Nora O'Farrell, Marion Stritch, Mary Roche, Marion Sweeney, Mary Collins, Catherine Beary, Nora O'Riordan, Finula McCarthy, Teresa Quirke, Catherine Barry.

Stacks, Celtic Qualify

Austin Stacks, the holders, and Celtic qualified for the Dublin Senior Camogie Championship in contrasting styles at Parnell Park last evening.

Austin Stacks had to fight all the way to defeat University, and Celtic, except for a brief period at the start of the second half, were seldom in trouble from Eoghan Ruadh.

AUSTIN STACKS 5-3

U.C.D. 3-3

Austin Stacks went into an early lead when Dymhna Caldwell scored. However, Ann Carroll equalised for College.

College took a brief lead, but Stacks fought back to lead 4-7 to 2-1 at half-time.

University College did much of the attacking in the second half and cut the margin to a goal, but Rita Halpin clinched victory for the holders in the closing minutes.

Best for the winners were Oris Ni Shiochain, Vera Sullivan, Mary Ryan, Dymhna Caldwell and Pauline Brennan. College were best served by Mureann Hayes, Annette Corrigan, Ann Marie O'Loughlin, Ann Carroll and Veronica Fingleton.

Scorers: Austin Stacks—D. Caldwell (2-0), P. Brennan, R. Halpin (1-0 each), O. Ni Shiochain (0-3). **U.C.D.**—A. Carroll (1-3), E. Turley, M. Coogan (1-0 each).

CELTIC 7-9

EOGHAN RUADH 3-3

The other semi-final proved far less entertaining, as Celtic's superiority was never in doubt. Leading 1-2 to 1-2 at half-time they survived an Eoghan Ruadh rally to achieve victory.

Best for Celtic were Alice Hussey, Kitty Murphy, Una O'Connor, Mary Fennelly and Vera Feely. Kay Lyons, Dolores Barber and Susan Dooley tried hard for the losers.

Scorers: Celtic — E. Sweeney (1-0), K. Murphy (2-3), U. O'Connor (1-2), M. Higgins (1-0). **Eoghan Ruadh** — D. Barber (2-1), K. Lyons (1-1), P. Hogan (0-1).

CORK TAKE O'DUFFY CUP

Cork schools 5-4
 Dublin schools 1-1

Cork defeated Dublin by 5-4 to 1-1 in an interprovincial schools friendly camogie match at St. Finbarrs ground, Cork, yesterday. And to R. Hennessey, captain of the Cork team, goes chief credit as she was the only scorer in the match and was presented with the O'Duffy Cup for the winners.

The first half was rather one-sided, due to the good play of Cork's forwards. The second half was more exciting though Cork had control of the game all the way.

Scorers on the Dublin team were M. Murphy (goal) and captain A. Gleeson (one point).

Cork — L. Burns, M. O'Leary, M. Sweeney, B. Hennessey, C. Birmingham, C. Desmond, V. O'Dwyer, P. Walsh, N. Jennings, M. O'Sullivan, N. Lane, A. Higgins.

Dublin — M. Murphy, A. Gleeson, M. Murphy, M. Gleeson, A. Tallon, D. Matthews, S. Murgren, M. Twomey, C. Fossett, M. Norton, G. Harte, M. Kennedy. Sub: E. Delaney for M. Kennedy.

South Pres. Past Pupils Aim For Hat-trick

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WILL it be three-in-a-row for South Presentation Past Pupils or the first for ten years for Old Aloysians? This is the question to be answered on Sunday next when these sides meet in the Cork Senior County Championship final at the U.C.C. Grounds Mardyke at 7.45 p.m.

Old Aloysians have lost the last three County Finals—one to Glen Rovers and two to South Presentation. Year after year they lose top players to U.C.C. and this season was no exception with Liz Garvan, Ann O'Dwyer and Rose Long beginning studies at the University.

The loss of these players must be felt although in the championship so far they have done extremely well. Against Naomh Gobnath they were in great scoring form with Rosie Hennessy and Catherine O'Regan notching scores from all angles. Then they faced U.C.C. who have a very good side this season. Although they were led by two points at half-time in this tie there was only one side in the game after the interval when Anne McAuliffe really came into her own and led the side to a great victory.

South Presentation had only one game in the championship and in this Imokilly gave them a big fright with the champions only scraping home to a two-point victory. However, this does not mean that South Pres will not be a very different prospect in the final. It could be that they did not expect Imokilly to be so good and that they may have been over confident. In any case they showed their championship form by snatching that victory and this game could be a bigger boost to them than if they had won it easily.

EXPERIENCED SIDE

Now they know that no game can be taken lightly and Old Als. could know all about it they face a South Pres. side in top form from the throw in. South Pres. have won the title for the last two seasons and they are very anxious to make it three in a row. They are also Munster Inter-Club champions and they ran the All-Ireland Club Champions to two points in the semi-final last March. They possess a wealth of talent and experience and they must start as favourites to win on Sunday. A pointer to their plentiful supply of talent is in the defence where the selectors could have difficulty in knowing who to leave out.

They have Eleanor Cummins in goal—a trump card on any side while they have grand defenders in Mary Crowley, Sheila Golden, Kay Dunne, Eleanor Bohane, and Hannah Dineen—one too many for the side. Hannah Dineen is, of course, Cork's wing back and she must be played while Mary Crowley and Sheila Golden are two great stalwarts. Eleanor Bohane came into the side during the Imokilly game and did well and she could retain her place. On the other hand Kay Dunne is a very experienced campaigner and they may decide to go for experience on this occasion.

In the centre-field they have Cork captain Anne Comerford, who has now fully recovered from a finger injury and should be at her best again on Sunday. Then they have Betty Sugrue, Blanche Gibbons, Marion McCarthy and Mary Whelton all very talented players who must give the Old Als. selectors many a headache. Certainly South Pres. have the talent to win on Sunday and it will take a top Old Als. side to beat them.

COMPETENT PLAYERS

What have Old Als. to offer? They have a very sound goalie too in Mary Moran, while Marie Garvan is a solid full back. In the half back line they have a very strong and stylish centre-back Marion O'Leary while Nuala Jennings and Nora McAuliffe on the wings are very competent. Leading the centre-field will be Mary Murphy who can be a matchwinner on her own while in the attack they have inter-county star Rosie Hennessy, who scored the entire tally of 5-4 for the Cork schools in their win over Dublin schools last week and Anne McAuliffe who played such a great game in the semi-final. Then there is Kathryn O'Regan, Colette Desmond, Brid McAuliffe and Val O'Dwyer all very useful players who could play major roles for Old Als.

These then are the teams and although South Pres. must be favourites for the title they will not win it without a fight from Old Als. And who knows maybe this could be Old Als.' year. In any case this game has all the ingredients of a thriller and

should be well worth a trip to the U.C.C. grounds on Sunday night.

Three-in-row for South Presentation

S.P.P.P. 3-3, Old Aloysians 2-1.

South Presentation Past Pupils succeeded in making it three in a row when they defeated Old Aloysians by 3-3 to 2-1 in the Cork Senior County Championship final at the U.C.C. Grounds, Mardyke, Cork, last night.

From the throw-in South Pres. were on the attack but only led by 1-2 to 1-1 at the interval, due mainly to poor finishing.

However, on the change-over, they quickly turned their superiority to goals when, after just two minutes, B. Gibbons netted. Seconds later South Pres. added to their tally with another fine goal from E. Bohane. This left them in a very strong position and though Old Als rallied with a goal from V. Walsh, South Pres. held out and just before the final whistle M. McCarthy really clinched it with a fine point. This left the final score 3-3 to 2-1. The winners were well served by M. Crowley and H. Dineen, and Old Als stars were M. Garvan and M. Murphy.

Scores—S.P.P.P.: B. Gibbons, E. Bohane and E. Sugrue (1-0 each), A. Phelan, M. Whelton and M.

McCarthy (0-1 each), Old Als: A. McAuliffe and V. Walsh (1-0 each), and N. A. Murphy (0-1).

S.P.P.P.—E. Cummins, M. Crowley, S. Golden, H. Dineen, M. Keohane, B. Gibbons, A. O'Donovan, B. Sugrue, A. Phelan, M. Whelton, E. Bohane, M. McCarthy.

Old Als—M. Moran, N. Jennings, M. Garvan, N. McAuliffe, N. O'Leary, C. Desmond, M. Murphy, V. O'Dwyer, A. McAuliffe, P. Walsh, B. Hennessy, C. O'Regan.

Referee—S. Dunne (U.C.C.).

Sheila is a big asset to Sports Council

IT was a cause of great satisfaction to the whole Camogie Association when the General Secretary Miss Sheila McNulty was appointed to the Sports Council. It was a well-deserved tribute not alone to the Association but to Miss McNulty herself.

But then Sheila McNulty has been devoted to the game of the girl-Gaels ever since her childhood in her still so well beloved Warrenpoint. Moreover she was already an administrator at a time when such people who were willing to devote every moment of their spare time to the promotion of the game were few and far between. Her worth was quickly recognised, and in a remarkably short time she had become President of the Camogie Association.

Sheila McNulty came to office at a critical time. The troubles that had beset the Association right through the 'forties had only ended, but she did tremendous work to ensure that the re-found unity of the Association was maintained. And it was during her term of office that one of the greatest counties, Cork, returned to the fold of the Association.

When her term of office as

President was over, Miss McNulty found that the Secretaryship of the Association was vacant, and nobody was willing to take on what was already a very arduous and honorary task. But she took up the burden willingly and has been Secretary ever since. The progress made during that time has been remarkable. She has seen the All-Ireland senior championship not alone established on a firm basis, but granted a regular Sunday each year fitted into the Croke Park schedule.

Then came the inter-provincial series for the Gael-Linn Cup. Then came the junior championships, first at provincial and All-Ireland level and then came the Colleges championships now firmly established at All-Ireland level also.

It is a very far better organised and prestigious Association now than when Sheila McNulty first took over, and the remarkable fact is that she has still been able to devote so much of her spare time to the Association despite the fact that she has since become a very busy and successful business executive.

Sheila McNulty will, in my opinion be a tremendous asset to the Sports Council, and not alone from the viewpoint of

camogie. There are few clearer-minded thinkers in the county, of either sex or at any level, and what contributions and suggestions she has to make are bound to be both practical and constructive.

Congratulations are very much in order to the girls of Sacred Heart College, Newry, who made their own bit of camogie history by winning the All-Ireland Colleges camogie title when defeating Presentation Convent, Mountmellick in a replay. On the first occasion the Newry side had to rally to snatch a draw in the closing minutes, but there could be no doubts about their superiority, narrow though it may have been, through the second meeting.

They had particularly effective players in Anne McCone, Anne Rooney, Claire McConville, Anne McGuinness, Vicki Cummins, Kathleen McNulty and Bernadette Bourke, and are very worthy custodians of Corn Scelge which incidentally has now left Leinster for the first time. But that a new force is risen in camogie was also shown at Croke Park on the same day.

This new force is Mercy Convent, Enniscorthy, which sent up a very talented team indeed to beat Mountmellick's second string in the final of the Purcell Cup and so take the Leinster junior championship for the first time.

Enniscorthy were very convincing winners indeed and are bound to prove a power in senior ranks. But what was really interesting about their Leinster victory was this—that they got their closest run from their near neighbours, Bunclody. All of which presaged a tremendous future for the game in Wexford.

Cork Oppose Waterford In Junior C'ship

THE inter-county season opens for Cork on Sunday when the junior team meets Waterford in the Munster Championship at Midleton. This is the only game listed for the coming week.

Cork have a good record in the Munster Junior Championship. Since its inauguration in 1968 Cork have captured all titles. In 1968 and '69 they reached the All-Ireland final only to be defeated by Down and Derry respectively. Last season they disappointed their supporters when after a great Munster run they went on to lose to Armagh in the All-Ireland semi-final — and this on home ground.

The fact that only two counties, Cork and Tipperary, are grade senior, allows Limerick, Waterford, Kerry and Clare to play their best side in this competition. Cork cannot play any girl who has played senior since 1968. Cork's success in the All-Ireland Senior Championship last season has also taken its toll on the junior side. Pat Moloney, Rosie Hennessy, Marion McCarthy and Nuala Guilley are all "medal holders" and therefore not eligible. Then they will also be without Kay Ryan and Peg O'Brien who are not playing at the moment and Miriam Higgins who is now living in Dublin.

STILL A GOOD SIDE

But in spite of all these drawbacks Cork can still field a very good side. Deirdre Sutton in goal needs no introduction to followers while Mary Salter at full-back played with the secondary side in 1967 and is always very sound for her club side. The half-back line is a very experienced one with Rosie O'Sullivan, Marion O'Leary and Mary Whelton all having played junior and secondary last year. At centre-field they have a very promising newcomer in Annette O'Donovan who played so well for South Pres. in their grand championship win on Sunday last. And she will be partnered by the stylish Mary Murphy and Angela Higgins. Angela is still a schoolgirl and like her colleague Marion McSweeney, who will be at half-forward, played on the Cork Schools team this season. In fact, these two girls must be the main reason for Loretto's (Fermoy) prominence in schools camogie this season. Of the other three forwards, Mary

Humphries was on the Cork junior selection in 1968 and is playing very well this year; Mary Mahon was on the junior team last season while Kay Spillane won favour with a fine display for Imokilly in the championship.

It is difficult to know how this game will go. Waterford must have a more experienced side than Cork. They have Nuala Morrissey, a fine centre-field player, Teresa Devoy, a sound goalie, a solid defender in Rita Costin and very useful forwards in Mary Sheehan and Anne Lee. Last season they competed in the senior championship (at their own wish) and failed to Tipperary by 7-1 to 2-2. Of course, there is a tremendous difference between the two grades and this result will not be any guide for the Cork girls. One thing in Cork's favour is the fact that all these girls have been in training with their clubs and they could be the fitter side. However, they have a tough game on their hands and will need to be on their toes if they are to meet Limerick in the semi-final.

Cork team — D. Sutton (Glen Rovers); M. Salter (Churchtown), R. O'Sullivan (O.L.H.), M. O'Leary (Old Aloysians), M. Whelton (S.P.P.P.), A. O'Donovan (do.), M. Murphy (Old Als), A. Higgins (Watergrasshill), M. Humphries (Blarney), M. McSweeney (Youghal), M. Mahon (M. Institute), K. Spillane (Churchtown). Subs.: N. Jennings (Old Als.), R. Long (U.C.C.), and B. Gibbons (S.P.P.P.).

Fixtures — Munster Junior Championship at Midleton, Cork v. Waterford, 3.30 p.m. (Tipp. officials).

Cork girls were very impressive

CORK 5-5, WATERFORD 0-1

THE first round of the Munster Camogie Junior Championship proved somewhat of a non-event for Cork yesterday when they met and decisively defeated Waterford at Midleton.

Cork were never in danger at any stage of this rather uninspiring clash, Waterford, on the other hand looked completely outclassed showing a lack of confidence and approach in most facets of play. They allowed Cork midfielders to roam about unhindered and at the back mischances and undecidedness were their downfall.

The Cork girls are a superb combination, but on the face of it yesterday, Waterford could and should have done something to make the scoreline even the slightest bit more respectable. A brief second half rally on their part in the latter half of the game came far too late and at a time when Cork were then established leaders on a scoreline reading 4-2 to Waterford's one point.

Points which looked possible were sent wide and promising moves came to nothing because of lack of understanding. Cork's win then would have been all the sweeter if the opposition had shown some of the traditional Waterford skill with the caman but yesterday's showing by the

home County augurs well for camogie in Cork.

Cork were first to open the scoring with a point from forward Mary Murphy, in the opening minutes of the game. Half forward Mary Mahon added a goal, and Cork netted once more within a short space of time. This then set the pattern for a first half of Cork scores which for the exception of one went unanswered by Waterford.

Scorers for Cork were: Mary Murphy 0-3, Mary Mahon 1-1, Kay Spillane 1-0, Marianne Sweeney 2-0 and Mary Humphreys 1-1.

Scorer for Waterford: G. Power 0-1.

Cork: D. Sullivan, M. Salter, R. O'Sullivan, M. O'Leary, M. Whelton, A. O'Donovan, M. Murphy, A. Higgins, A. Humphreys, M. Sweeney, M. Mahon and Kay Spillane.

Waterford: P. Devlin, E. Russell, W. Cullinane, M. Sullivan, H. Phelan, G. Power, N. Morrissey, J. Kennedy, E. Power, M. Sheen, A. Curly and A. Whitty.

Referee: Mrs. Kathleen Marks, Tipperary.



Waterford's goalkeeper Pat Devlin comes across the goalmouth to clear the ball off the line during a Cork attack in the Munster Junior Camogie Championship at Midleton.



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Cork team which defeated Waterford in the Munster Junior Camogie Championship at Midleton, yesterday. ("Examiner")

CORK. BACK:- M. WHELTON, M SWEENEY, A. HIGGINS
M. SALTER, M. MURPHY, M. O'LEARY
A. O'DONOVAN, N. JENNINGS
FRONT:- M. HUMPHRIES, M. MAHON, K. SPILLANE
R. O'SULLIVAN, D. SUTTON (CAPT), B. GIBBONS

Louth Have Too Much Experience

By AGNES HOURIGAN
 Louth, who were extremely unlucky not to take the Leinster Junior Camogie title a year ago, will start favourites this season and open the championship campaign when they take on Laois at Portlaoise on Sunday.
 A year ago Louth were a little unfortunate when they were held to a draw by Dublin at Croke Park. In the replay at Knockbridge, they led for most of the way but had victory snatched from them by a couple of belated Dublin scores.
 They would, however, be unwise to take victory for granted. Laois were well beaten by Dublin in the first round last year, but, on that occasion, they were only making their return to inter-county camogie after a long absence. Since then there has been a great strengthening of the game in the county and not alone are some stars of the Mountmellick Colleges side available, but they will have the assistance of Alice Cuddy, Sheila Fitzpatrick and Mary Cahill, off of whom play with Sliabh Bloom in the Dublin senior League.
 On home ground I expect the Laois girls to give a very good account of themselves this time, even though victory over the much more experienced Lough line-out may well prove a little beyond them.



Mary Mahon (Cork) scoops the ball into the net past the Waterford goalkeeper, Pat Devlin, for the second goal of the game in the Munster Junior Camogie Championship, at Midleton, yesterday.

LOUTH WERE MUCH TOO GOOD

LOUTH	9-0
LAOIS	1-0

Louth, beaten by Dublin in a replay in last year's Leinster Junior Camogie Championship final, had little difficulty in beating Laois in the first game of this year's competition at Portlaoise last night. They led by five goals at the interval and eventually won by 9 goals to 1. Scorers: Louth—McGuinness (3-0), S. O'Reilly, M. Gallagher and R. Muriagh (2-0 each); Laois—M. Cahill (1-0).

BACKGROUND:- M. HUMPHRIES, E. RUSSELL, K. SPILLANE
+ H. PHELAN

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CAMOGIE'S A PIECE OF CAKE TO UNA

by Jack Pleasant



Una O'Connor—her most satisfying final was one in which she played for only 10 minutes

UNA O'CONNOR spends her days in the midst of temptation. The famous camogie star works in a Dublin bakery, surrounded by delicious-looking cakes and pastries.

"They are just the sort of things I have to avoid eating to keep my weight at around nine stone twelve," she told me ruefully.

"A few extra pounds would slow me down for sure. Our cakes are very tempting, but I've learned to steel myself against eating them."

Her will-power has

certainly brought rewards. Among her many successes, Una has won 13 all-Ireland Camogie Championship medals. Ten of them were won in consecutive years—1957-66—which is a record-breaking run that still stands.

Street games

Not that Dublin-born Una received any coaching at camogie while at school.

"We did not have games at the school I went to in Marino," she said. "I played my

first camogie games in the street in the evenings with the other schoolchildren. When I left school at 14, though, a friend persuaded me to join Celtic, a local camogie club.

"I managed to get into their junior team that year. Later, when I was only 15, I was really thrilled to be picked for Dublin Seniors.

"It was unusual for someone so young to be selected for them in those days."

Playing at full forward, she celebrated by

scoring three goals in Dublin's win over Kildare.

Una, a blue-eyed ash-blonde who admits to now having "turned 30", won her first All-Ireland medal with Dublin in 1953.

Nervous

"The final was at Croke Park before a crowd of around 10,000, and I was terribly nervous before the start," she recalled, "but I didn't do too badly."

Her modest "didn't do too badly" means in fact that she scored three goals and a point in her side's victory.

Surprisingly, though, she maintains that her most satisfying final was one against Antrim in which she played for only 10 minutes.

"I'd played in the semi-final," she said, "but I was very disappointed at being dropped for the final. Instead, I was just a substitute."

The future

"With the teams level 10 minutes from the end, however, I was brought on and gave the pass to Brid Reed from which she scored the winning goal."

What is the future for camogie?

Una O'Connor insists that it is a very bright one.

The standard of coaching has gone up, she says, and many more schools are playing the game.

Two young players she thinks are sure to make names for themselves are Liz Neary, who plays on the wing for Kilkenny, and Liz Garven, the Cork centre forward.

Una keeps fit by

swimming, playing tennis and using an exercise wheel for a short time every evening.

"I am certainly not superstitious," she told me, "but I must admit that I still prefer to use a battered old camogie stick that I've had for a few years when I play important games."

Rough

"Although camogie is a game for girls it can get a bit rough. My worst injury was a crack on the head that needed six stitches."

She maintains, however, that she never argues against decisions on the field. She has a better way of reacting.

In one game she hit the ball so hard that it went through the net.

"I was positive it was a good goal," said Una, "but the umpire decided it had gone over the bar."

"I was so furious that soon after the restart I stormed through and slammed the ball in the net again for a goal. Then I gave the umpire my 'find fault with that!' look."

Medal idea

Una still lives at Marino with one of her married sisters, Maureen.

It is Maureen, in fact, who cleans her many medals.

Some people have suggested that her camogie medals could be turned into attractive pendants or bracelets.

Una O'Connor has so many that there would be more than enough to make a belt.

JUNIORS IN ACTION ON SUNDAY

On Sunday, June 21, 1970, Wexford created a major upset by defeating title-holders Kildare (home) in the opening round of the Leinster junior Camogie championship. The winning margin was 3-5 to 2-1 and the victors were not flattered by the score. Wexford, provincial champions of 1968, went down to Kildare on exactly the same score the year before, but this was no great surprise as Wexford had to field a completely new side in 1969. But last year's achievement of defeating the Lily Whites on their home ground was a great distinction by an up-and-coming Wexford side, clearly illustrating the reserve strength of the Model County. For Kildare is a county with no representation in senior competition, so in fact its junior team is really a senior side.



BRIDIE JACOB . . . in action for Wexford juniors next Sunday

This year Wexford has home advantage and, yes, we have been again drawn to meet Kildare. The game, to be played in Bellefield, Enniscorthy, at 7 p.m. next Sunday evening, should prove very interesting in many aspects. First, we will have the visitors out to avenge last year's big defeat, while Wexford will be out to confirm it—in fact, everything adds up to a thriller.

In this, the county's first outing in the provincial championships this year, the junior side looks talented enough to advance, but knowing the juniors and their unpredictable ways, anything could well be 'on the cards.'

A new 'cap' this year is an 'unknown' of last year, Clongal's Sheila Redmond, who was tipped for success after a brilliant Colleges' season. Spectacular Sheila is having her first inter-county outing and her performance will be watched closely, for she richly deserves the honours. Otherwise the side contains much the same players as last year. One surprise move by the selectors is the placing of Breda Finn at full-forward, for she has been a regular defender with the side since her debut three years ago. I understand, however, that there is a

sure Breda will at least make her presence felt.

To summarise—this looks a pretty useful Wexford team and we are sure all the players will give their level best. It is a long time since Wexford figured in the junior honours list and this should not be so. Last year was particularly disappointing, so we look to the team to play a hard, fast and full 50 minutes. The team is:

Teresa Shannon (St. Patrick's, Campile) goal;
Peggy Doyle (St. Ibar's, Castlebridge);

A. N. Other—; Elsie Walsh (Buffers Alley), Gretta Kehoe (Adamstown-Cloughbawn).

Bridie Jacob (Buffers Alley), Sheila Redmond (St. Lazarian's, Clongal), Bernie Kehoe (Adamstown-Cloughbawn);

Bridie Tobin (St. Brigid's), Margt. Hearn (Buffers Alley), Breda McClean (do.);

Breda Finn (Adamstown-Cloughbawn).

Substitutes, Ellen Foley (St. Patrick's), Mary Boggan (St. Brigid's), Geraldine Duggan, Eileen Hawkins (St. Mary's, Enniscorthy), Breda Murphy, Kathleen Whelan (Adamstown-Cloughbawn), Breda Doyle, P'ta Kirwan (St. Ibar's), Kathleen



WEXFORD Junior Camogie team: At rear (left to right)—Sheila Redmond, Ellen Foley (sub.), Breda Finn, Elsie Walsh, Maggie Hearne, Gretta Kehoe, Breda Murphy (sub.), Peggy Doyle, Eileen Hawkins. In front—Breda Doyle (sub.), Bridie Jacob, Breda McClean, Mary Boggan, Bernie Kehoe (sub.), Teresa Shannon (goal) and Brigid Tobin.

Wexford Juniors Well on Top

Wexford....4-3 (15); Kildare....0-3

WEXFORD overcame the first hurdle of the Leinster junior Camogie championship in fine fashion in Enniscorthy's Bellefield last Sunday with a deserved twelve-point win over Kildare.

While not wishing to be too hard on the visitors, many regretted their weakness, for though they had some great-hearted individuals, as a team they were poor and posed no major threat to Wexford. This is really amazing, since the Lily Whites do not compete in senior grade and are thus in a position to field a 'senior' side in junior ranks.

But this Kildare team was anything but impressive and had no answer to their opponents. The win was a real triumph for Wexford Camogie; this is the county's 'second best' side and as expected its players displayed their talent to the full. At times they made

found the net with a great effort. Kildare had far more of the play in this half than they had in the first, but despite many efforts they could only notch three points.

This is a good Wexford panel, though it will be hard hit when some of its best players—four in all—will come into consideration for the senior team. Last Sunday they again showed plenty of pace and ability, so with this and a little 'extra' they can reverse last year's result when they met Louth (home) in the second round next Sunday week. It was most pleasing to see in the game the promising displays of some of the newcomers, but the 'regulars' also shone.

In defence, full-back Peggy Doyle was rock-solid and constantly snuffed out many dangerous moves. The three half-backs were also solid; Breda Finn showed splendid consistency, while Gretta Kehoe, switched to centre-back, got through tons of work and helped the team time after time. These were ably assisted by Mary Boggan, who in her very first inter-county outing gave a really fine display. Behind these, Teresa Shannon was a sound calibre.

The midfield trio was kept fairly busy all through. Here Eileen Hawkins, a late replacement on the side, performed more than adequately in this, her long-promised debut with Wexford—Eileen showed plenty of flair and ability and we all look to bigger things from her. Elsie Walsh added some brilliant touches as only she herself can. Sheila Redmond, who was also having her first taste of inter-county experience, may have been a bit nervous, but she has plenty of ability. Bernie Kehoe, her replacement, showed up well in the last half. In the re-arranged attack,

all four tried hard and showed their power.

SCORERS

Scorers for Wexford—M. Hearne (2-2), B. Tobin (1-1), B. Jacob (1-0), and for Kildare—Eileen Reilly, Teresa Lynch and Miriam Miffin (0-1 each).

Wexford—T. Shannon (Campile);

P. Doyle (St. Ibar's); B. Finn (Adamstown-C'lwawn), G. Kehoe (do.), M. Boggan (Kilrush), E. Hawkins (St. Mary's), S. Redmond (Clonegal), E. Walsh (Buffers Alley); M. Hearne (do.), B. Jacob (do.), B. McClean (do.); B. Tobin (Kilrush); sub., B. Kehoe (Adamstown-Cloughdown) for S. Redmond.

Camogie tie with Wexford

Creating a lot of interest in camogie circles is the fixture between Kildare and Wexford in Enniscorthy next Sunday at 7 p.m. Wexford were the bogey team for Kildare last year and with talent and practice games interest very much top grade at the moment, Kildare's hopes must be high.

The panel for Kildare is: Josie Miffin, Eileen Reilly, Peg Magee, Margaret Molloy, Breda Cullen, Miriam Miffin, Marian Mangan, Brigid Cushen, Mary Loughrey, Gemma Keane, Nuala Malone, Teresa Lynch, Tessi Behan Betty Garry, Rosaleen McKeown, Margaret Deering.

DUBLIN GIRL'S TOO STRONG

DUBLIN 7-7
MEATH 1-0

Dublin reached the semi-final of the Leinster Junior Camogie Championship at St. Vincent's Grounds, Raheny, last night, when they proved too experienced for Meath.

In the first half Meath, who had the advantage of the breeze, started well but the home side were faster, combined better and deservedly led 3-2 to 1-0 at half-time.

The second half was all Dublin.

Best for the winners were Pat Morrissey, Sheila Wallace, Anna McManus and Marion Conroy. For Meath, Maura Flanagan did well in goal despite the score. Dolores Hanbury, Ann Walters and Georgina Cottrell tried hard.

Leinster Fixtures

SCORERS—Dublin — M. Conroy (1-4), M. Higgins (2-1), E. Sweeney (2-1), D. Caldwell (2-0), S. Wallace (0-1). **Meath**—K. Reilly (1-0).

Arrangements for the remaining Leinster Camogie Championship games were finalised at a meeting of the Leinster Council.

Senior Championship—July 4—Semi-final at Kilkenny, Kilkenny v Wexford (Miss Mangan). **July 18** Final at Croke Park (7.30)—Dublin v Kilkenny or Wexford (Miss Spence).

Junior Championship—July 27—Semi-finals—Louth v Wexford at Knockbridge, 7.0 Dublin Referee. **July 7**—Dublin v Kilkenny at Dublin (Kildare Referee). **July 18**—Final.

Kilkenny Advance In Junior Camogie

KILKENNY 4-2
WICKLOW 2-1

Kilkenny advanced to the semi-final of the Leinster Junior Camogie Championship when they defeated Wicklow at Kilkenny yesterday.

The winners, who led 3-0 to 2-0 at half time, made better use of their chances in this evenly contested tie.

Scorers — Kilkenny: A. Downey (1-2), B. Murphy (1-0), K. Kennedy (1-0), N. Savage (1-0). C. Doyle (0-1), C. Brennan (0-1). Wicklow: A. Collins (2-0), N. Clarke (0-1).

By SETANTA

heavy weather of it with, perhaps, the forwards taking that little too much out of the ball. But overall the team performed with great zest, more than generous in the amount of energy they were prepared to give and forever setting the pace for Kildare.

THE SCORING

Brigid Tobin, from a side-line pass by Breda McClean, set the trend in the first minute by banging home a goal and from this on the Wexford callini revelled in their great abilities. Further scores, including a fine goal by Bridie Jacob, immediately followed by another from a hard and low '30' by Mollie Hearne, gave the home-sters a 3-3 to nil half-time lead.

After five minutes of the last half M. Hearne, again from a '30'

BRAND NEW, BUT VERY USEFUL

CAMOGIE NOTES

By AGNES HOURIGAN

All-Ireland junior camogie champions, Dublin, defend their title for the first time on Sunday next when they face Meath in the opening round of the Leinster championship at St. Vincent's Ground, Raheny (7.30).

Dublin, of course, will have to field an entirely new side from that which won through a year ago, but the selectors have got a pretty useful line-out together, although only one, the U.C.D. defender, Pat Morrissey, has had previous experience with Dublin junior inter-county sides.

There is a strong line right up the centre with Maire O'Reilly in goal, Jean Dooley at full-back, Fiona Murray, sister of the senior goalkeeper at centre back, and Sheila Wallace at mid-field.

They have a pair of former Colleges stars at centre-forward and full forward respectively, Marlon Conroy, who starred with Presentation

Mountmellick in the All-Ireland Colleges final, and Dymna Caldwell, who won a Leinster junior medal some few seasons ago with Oldcastle.

Another interesting choice on this Dublin side is left forward Miriam Higgins, who has had previous inter-county experience in this grade with Cork.

Meath have not seen any championship action since the early stages of last year's competition but should have a pretty useful side in the field. However, it will be a big surprise if they knock Dublin of their junior throne at this stage.

Next Sunday's game will conclude the opening round of this Leinster junior series. Louth, who are looked upon

as the keenest of Dublin's challengers, are already through to the semi-final with a clear-cut victory over Laois, but face another stiff hurdle when they face Wexford on Sunday week for a place in the final.

Wexford, who had the assistance of former Leinster star, Margaret Hearne, scored a clear-cut win over Kildare at Enniscorthy last Sunday evening.

Next Sunday's winners will meet Kilkenny in the second semi-final at a venue to be decided.

Kilkenny had to battle very hard, even on home ground, to achieve victory over a surprisingly good Wicklow side

at Wexford last Sunday, but I understand the home team was not at full strength due to examination calls on their College players.

In the North, Antrim's reign on the senior fields, long though it has been, is obviously far from ended, as the Antrim girls scored a very clear-cut win over their keenest rivals, Derry, 7-3 to 3-2 last Sunday.

In the Ulster junior championship, Armagh, who went so desperately close to winning the All-Ireland title a year ago, confirmed that they will be very strong challengers again this season when they accounted for Down by 4-5 to nil.

In another game in the same competition Monaghan had quite a struggle on their hands before disposing of Fermanagh by 5-1 to 2-0.

The Dublin Senior League decider between Austin Stacks and Eoghan Ruadh will be played next Wednesday evening at Phoenix Park.

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Great Service To Cork Camogie

RECENTLY, at the Imokilly Co-Op. dinner dance, I met Noreen Duggan of Castlemartyr. Noreen must surely be one of the unluckiest camogie players in the history of Cork camogie as from 1954 to 1959 she played with the Cork senior team and while she won some Munster Championship medals, the coveted All-Ireland medal evaded her. Over a span of 11 years she was one of the outstanding players in East Cork. She first played with Castlemartyr in 1949.

In 1950 she joined Dungourney Club and helped them to capture the Cork County



Noreen Duggan.

Junior Championship the same year; 1951 saw her star for her division (Imokilly) in helping them to win the Cork County senior title.

Blackrock, the Cork City team, next saw this talented 'southpaw' line out with them in 1952 and in 1954 she made it two county senior medals.

The same year she was selected for Cork and also played with Munster and during her five years spell on the team, she helped Cork to four Munster medals.

Oireachtas medals also came her way and although not a student of U.C.C., nevertheless she played with the College girls on several occasions.

She still has a keen interest in the sport and as she said herself when asked about Cork's All-Ireland win last year: "It was long overdue and it has helped camogie a lot in the county."

Fermanagh lose in Junior game

Monaghan 5-2
Fermanagh 2-0

FERMANAGH Camogie team travelled to Clontibret on Sunday, 13th June, to meet Monaghan in the Ulster Junior Championship.

Great things were expected of Fermanagh in this game as they did so well in their previous game with Monaghan in the Maguire Cup Competition, but unfortunately Monaghan's experience proved too great.

During the first ten minutes of the game the play was very even with some good ground work from both teams. Anne McCaffrey had a very good game in left defence and she was ably assisted by Kathleen McDonnell on the right and Marian Higgins at full back. The latter however, due to inexperience failed to cope with a wily Mrs. Byrne who scored Monaghan's first goal with a high ball which gave the Fermanagh goalies no chance. Una Owens, although slightly off form herself, made everyone to rally the team but to no avail. The Monaghan forwards after several attacks, shot another goal into the back of the net. Monaghan missed some easy chances and sent two "free" balls wide. They managed, however, to add a point to their score before half-time.

Half-time score—Monaghan 2 goals—1 point; Fermanagh no score.

The game resumed with Fermanagh putting every effort into the play. Patsy McGurn on right centre field, More than held her own assisted by Dymna Murphy who sent some good balls towards the goals. Carmel Quigley, always a hard worker, was very closely marked and although she made little headway in the first half she improved considerably in the second half and set many of Fermanagh's attacks in motion. Bridget Callaghan is still a shadow of her former self at centre-half forward but there were nevertheless sparks of her artistry evident during the game. Monaghan scored another two goals within minutes of each other but Fermanagh were not dejected. They continued to press on and were rewarded when a long range shot from Clare Love dropped into the back of the net. The forwards eagerly persevered with Clare Love giving the Monaghan defence many worrying moments and she received plenty of assistance from Gay Donegan who played one of her best games to date. The full forward Anna Connolly (who replaced Teresa Higgins ten minutes after half-time) pulled on a fast ball from the wings and swung it straight past the goalie. This was Fermanagh's last score but Monaghan scored another goal and a point to leave the final score—Monaghan 5 goals 2 points to Fermanagh's two goals.

Despite the score the Fermanagh selectors can feel pleased with the general pattern of the

county team. There are a few glaring weaknesses and the girls will have to learn to draw on the ball more quickly. However, they are improving in ability and the gap between themselves and their more experienced rivals like Monaghan is undoubtedly narrowing.

Monaghan Team — T. McDonnell, K. Corbin, A. Boylan, M. Callaghan, F. Canaher, T. Daly, B. Sherry, R. Connolly, C. Ruxton, P. McGreevy, A. Hanratty, B. Byrne.

Fermanagh Team — A. Love, C. Love, U. Owens, D. Murphy, A. McCaffery, P. McGurn, C. Quigley, K. McDonnell, M. Higgins, T. Higgins, B. Callaghan, G. Donegan, E. McGourty, A. Connolly.

Shock Blow for Our Hopes

Elsie Walsh, Bridie Jacob, Peggy Doyle . . . three pivots of the Wexford junior Camogie team. But this trio will not be eligible to play in next Sunday's vital tie v. Louth and, what's more, the county acted illegally in playing them against Kildare in the first round.

The reason is that this year's congress spelled it out plainly that these particular three are not to play junior, the congress ruling that 'All-Ireland medal holders, or senior players of '68, '69 and '70 are ineligible to play junior.' Wexford was under the impression that this did not apply to these three players—Peggy was only a sub. on the '68 and '69 teams, and Bridie played her first senior game with the county in last year's unsuccessful Leinster semi-final—she was replaced by Elsie late in the match. But 'once on the senior panel always on it,' it seems.

This is a major and bitter blow to the Wexford junior side. The county is lucky not to be 'out of bounds,' in fact, for Kildare—first round opposition in junior—were not aware of this until the day before the game, and consequently their objection would have been too late. The loss of these three will undoubtedly seriously deplete the strength and chances of Wexford in next Sunday's semi-final. Let's hope it will not be fatal and that it will serve to inspire the Model County callini to play above average. Let's hope so! Next Sunday's game will be played in Knockbridge, Co. Louth, at 7 p.m.

And More Shocks . . .

Wexford's prospects in the Leinster junior championships, which only on Saturday took a severe setback with the discovery that three of the team's stars were ineligible for the junior team, took an even further blow during the week when an injury to the team's goalie, Teresa Shannon (Campile) has all but ruled her out for next Sunday's provincial semi-final against Louth (home).

The brilliant Campile netminder received a knee injury in a championship game with her club last Sunday, and though she has been named by the selectors to fill the no. 1 'spot,' it is doubtful if she will be in action. Already the team must take the field without Elsie Walsh, Bridie Jacob and Peggy Doyle who, the Co. Board has been informed, are illegal as they come under the congress ruling that 'All-Ireland medal-holders or senior players of '68, '69 or '70 cannot play junior.'

The Wexford team to play the home side at Knockbridge (7 p.m.) is: T. Shannon (Campile); Mary Boggan (Kilrush); Breda Finn (Adamstown-Cloughbawn); Gretta Kehoe (do.); Kathleen O'Leary (Buffers Alley); Eileen Hawkins (St. Mary's); Shiela Redmond (Clonegal); Bernie Kehoe (Adamstown-Cloughbawn); Breda Murphy (do.); Maggie Hearne (Buffers Alley); Breda McClean (do.); Bridie Tobin (Kilrush); subs., Ellen Foley (Campile), Geraldine Duggan (St. Mary's), Breda Doyle (St. Mary's), Kathleen Whelan (Adamstown-Cloughbawn).

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ANTRIM ARE DETERMINED

By AGNES HOURIGAN

ANTRIM, considered by many to be the unlucky team in last year's camogie championship, are fully determined to bring the O'Duffy Cup back to the Lagan this year, and hope to take a big step in that direction on Sunday, when they meet Down in the Ulster senior final at a Down venue.

Already the Antrim girls have shown impressive form by ousting Derry in the semi-final. The Derry girls had given Antrim a rare fright in their Magure Cup clash a few weeks before, but in this championship encounter Antrim really showed their power, and finished with something more than four goals to spare.

In that game, they had a sound defence, with Teresa Cassidy again in goal, Kathleen Kelly doing well in the full-back position and Mairead diamond very effective at centre-half. Sue Cashman was in full control around mid-field, with very able assistance from Mairead McAtamney and Rita McAteer.

UNCONVINCING

Up front, the chances provided were quickly snapped up by an experienced forward line of Chris O'Boyle, Anne McIKVOR, Nuala Havelin and Lily Scullion.

Down's form has been far from convincing since they won the junior title a couple of seasons ago, and though they have some excellent players from whom to choose, particularly the brilliant Patricia Crangle, it will be a big surprise if they can halt Antrim's march into the All-Ireland semi-final.

In Leinster, the first semi-final of the Junior championship between Wexford and Louth should draw a good crowd to Knockbridge.

Louth went within inches of winning this title a year ago, were very unlucky to lose to Dublin in the Leinster final, and showed they are, if anything, an even more effective force this year by the ease with which they disposed of Laois on their opening outing at Portlaoise. They will be very hard to beat now on home ground.

MERITORIOUS

In Leinster, Wexford, after a meritorious first-round win over Kildare at Enniscorthy, will travel more than hopefully North to take on Louth.

Margaret Hearne, a brilliant player before emigrating to the United States, is now home and should prove, as she did against Kildare, a tremendous asset to her side. But Louth will take beating. With a bit of luck, they could have won this title last year, and that they are as good, they proved when accounting easily for Laois at Portlaoise in their only outing to date.

Knockbridge is always worth a score or two to any Louth camogie side, and, though Wexford must start slight favourites, a victory for the home county must be very much on the cards. The second Leinster junior semi-final between Dublin and Kilkenny will be played in Dublin on Wednesday, July 7.

Cork Meet Limerick In Junior Championship

CORK travel to Adare tomorrow for the semi-final of the Munster Junior Championship in a game which might well be the decider of the campaign. On the home front there are a number of interesting games listed.

Cork defeated Limerick in the final of last season's championship by 3-4 to 1-1 but only after a great struggle. Now these sides meet again in this season's semi-final and the game promises to be a very exciting one. Cork defeated Waterford 5-5 to 0-1 in the first round of this season's competition but there was only one team in this game as the standard of the Waterford side was surprisingly poor.

In that game the Cork defence was very sound but, of course, they will have a lot more pressure to contend with tomorrow. The centre-field on that occasion began very slowly but they improved as the game went on. Now, it is hoped that they will rise to the occasion tomorrow.

The forwards were in great form, scoring 5-5. However, they did at times overuse the ball and in so doing missed a number of good chances. This they cannot afford to do tomorrow as the opportunities will not be so plentiful.

Cork introduce 15-year-old Anne Keane to the side. Anne, who will be at wing-forward, has been playing exceptionally well for Buttevant and the selectors invited her to training a week

ago. She was so impressive in the session that they have given her her place and it will be very interesting to see how she fares in the attack. In this sector Anne will be accompanied by Mary Mahon, Marion McSweeney and Kay Spillane, all players capable of notching scores.

Mary Murphy was in tremendous form in the county final for the defeated Old Aloysians and if she can play as well tomorrow then the centre-field should improve on their last showing as her partners, Annette O'Donovan and Angela Higgins, are playing very well at the moment also.

Deirdre Sutton is in great form in goal and she will be guarded by Mary Salter, Rosie O'Sullivan, Marion O'Leary and Mary Whelton.

Limerick have by far the more experienced side as they can play their entire senior team. In addition, the Limerick side is drawn almost exclusively from two clubs — Ahane and Croggh — and the players are well used to one another's play. The actual team selection was not available at the time of writing but no doubt most of last season's side will be available again this season.

They have so many players with years of experience behind them — Bridie Giltenane, Cary Clancy, Buntie Guiry, and Eithne Neville have been Limerick stalwarts for a long time now, while Anne Dee, Helen Roche, Kitty Ryan, Joan Hayes and Peggy Duffy are very talented players. Then again Limerick have the

advantage of a home venue, and with little chance of figuring prominently in the senior campaign they will be very anxious to keep their inter-county hopes alive in this grade.

It is difficult to know how this game will go. It may help Cork that they have a game behind them in the championship whereas Limerick will be making their debut this season. Certainly Cork have the talent to do it but they will not advance without a tough game and they will need to be on their toes right from the throw-in. The winners will meet Tipperary or Kerry in the final.

Cork team — O. Sutton (Glen Rovers), M. Salter (Churchtown), R. O'Sullivan (Our Lady's Hospital), M. O'Leary (Old Aloysians), M. Whelton (S.P.P.P.), M. Murphy (Old Aloysians), A. O'Donovan (S.P.P.P.), A. Higgins (Watergrasshill), M. Mahon (Munster Institute), M. McSweeney (Youghal), A. Keane (Buttevant), K. Spillane (Churchtown). Subs: N. Jennings (Old Aloysians), P. Mortell (Buttevant), B. Gibbons (S.P.P.P.), and M. Humphries (Blarney).

FIXTURES

Tomorrow — Munster Junior Championship semi-final at Adare at 3.30, Cork v. Limerick (Kerry officials).

Wexford score decisive victory

Wexford 3-3, Louth 0-1

WEXFORD QUALIFIED for the final of the Leinster Junior Camogie Championship when they scored a decisive victory by 3-3 to 0-1 over Louth at Knockbridge last evening.

Best of the winners who led by 2-2 to 0-1 at half-time, were Bernie Kehoe, Eileen Hawkins, Maggie Hearne and Breda McCleane. Louth were well served by Bernie and Rose Murtagh, Colette Tomelty and Ann Harrington.

Scorers — Wexford — B. McCleane (2-0); M. Hearne (0-3); and B. Murphy (1-0). Louth — R. Murtagh (0-1).

Good win for Cork juniors

Limerick 2-1 Cork 4-2

CORK having beaten Waterford by 3-5 to 0-1 in the first round, qualified for the final of the Munster Junior Camogie Championship in which they will play

either Tipperary or Kerry thanks to their exciting win over Limerick at Adare, yesterday.

The game was expected to be a thriller and so it turned out to be. Cork were in front 2-1 to 1-1 at half-time, but Limerick levelled soon afterwards. However, this was the only score Limerick could manage in the second half, whereas Cork who had beaten Limerick 3-4 to 1-1 in the final last season added 2-1 to their half-time tally.

Cork proved too strong throughout the field and they had an excellent goalkeeper in Deirdre Sutton, and she was given good protection by Mary Salter and Roisin O'Sullivan.

In attack, 15-years-old Anne Keane had an ideal debut and in fact the entire front line did well.

For Limerick, Helen Roche was a sound goalkeeper, Kitty Ryan, Joan Hayes and Teresa Fennessy were the best.

Limerick — H. Roche, B. Ryan, K. Ryan, B. Guiry, B. Gullinane, C. Clancy (0-1); B. O'Leary, G. O'Brien, M. Tierney (1-0); J. Hayes, T. Fennessy (1-0); P. Darcy. Subs: J. O'Brien for Tierney, B. Sheehan for Guiry.

Cork — D. Sutton, M. Salter, B. O'Sullivan, M. O'Leary, M. Whelton, M. Murphy (1-2); A. O'Donovan, A. Higgins, M. Mahon, M. McSweeney (1-0); A. Keane (1-0); K. Spillane, Sub: M. Humphries (1-0) for A. O'Donovan.

Down Go Out

ANTRIM 11-9

DOWN 3-2

Antrim had an easy win in the Ulster senior camogie final at Downpatrick, Down, with a depleted side, were floundering from the start and never had a hope of holding the Antrim girls.

Scorers—Antrim—A. Mciver (3-0), S. Cashman (3-1), M. McAtamley (2-6), L. Scullion (2-2), C. Wheeler (1-0). Down — E. Reid (2-0), K. Rice (1-0), (0-1 each).

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DURIGAN

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nship, are fully determined
to the Lagan this year, and
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er senior final at a Down

Already the Antrim girls
have shown impressive form by
ousting Derry in the semi-
final. The Derry girls had
given Antrim a rare fright in
their Magure Cup clash a few
weeks before, but in this
championship encounter An-
trim really showed their
power, and finished with some-
thing more than four goals to
spare.

In that game, they had a
sound defence, with Teresa
Cassidy again in goal, Kathleen
Kelly doing well in the full-
back position and Mairead
Diamond very effective at
centre-half. Sue Cashman was
in full control around mid-field,
with very able assistance from
Mairead McAtamney and Rita
McAteer.

UNCONVINCING

Up front, the chances pro-
vided were quickly snapped
up by an experienced forward
line of Chris O'Boyle, Anne
Kilvour, Nuala Havelin and
Lily Scullion.

Down's form has been far
from convincing since they
won the junior title a couple of
seasons ago, and though they
have some excellent players
from whom to choose, particu-
larly the brilliant Patricia
Kilgallon, it will be a big sur-
prise if they can halt An-
trim's march into the All-
Ireland semi-final.

In Leinster, the first semi-
final of the Junior champion-
ship between Wexford and
Louth should draw a good
crowd to Knockbridge.

Louth went within inches of
winning this title a year ago,
were very unlucky to lose to
Dublin in the Leinster final,
and showed they are, if any-
thing, an even more effective
force this year by the ease
with which they disposed of
Laois on their opening outing
at Portlaoise. They will be very
hard to beat now on home
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FLYING START FOR TIPP TEAM

Tipperary's under 18 camogie
team got off to a flying start in
the new competition for that
grade by trouncing Waterford
11-6 to 0-1 at Cahir. Waterford
were never really in the hunt,
and by the interval, Tipperary
were 7-4 ahead, Waterford hav-
ing failed to score. In the second
half, Tipperary were still on top
as the inexperienced Waterford
side crumbled before the on-
slaught. Bridget Heffernan and
Marion Troy were Tipperary's
main scorers and the team was
—Joan Carroll (St. Berna-
dette's); Margaret Minogue
(Cloughjordan); Pat Quigley
(St. Mary's), Bain Tynan
(Drom), Ann Ferncombe (Bally-
trasna); Pauline Starr (Knock-
shegowna), Mary Ryan (St.
Mary's), Nuala Dwan (Mc-
Donagh's); Margaret Teehan
(St. Bernadette's), Marion Troy
(Thurles), Bridget Heffernan
(Ballytrasna); Marion Moynihan
(Thurles).

Dympna Sinks Kilkenny

DUBLIN 6-3
KILKENNY 4-1

Two great goals by Dublin
full-forward, Dympna Caldwell,
in the second half proved
decisive in this entertaining
Leinster junior camogie semi-
final at Phoenix Park last night.

Kilkenny, trailing 0-1 to 0-1
at half-time, drew level after
the interval, at 2-1 each, but
never recovered from those
scores.

Anna McManus was Dublin's
brightest star while 13-year-old
Angela Downey had a couple
of well-taken scores for Kil-
kenny.

Scorers—Dublin: E. Sweeney
(2-1), D. Caldwell (2-0), M.
Conroy (1-1), C. Lyons (1-0).
Kilkenny—A. Downey (2-0), C.
Doyle (1-1), C. Brennan (1-0).

Kilkenny Girls Defend Title

By AGNES HOURIGAN

Leinster senior camogie
champions, Kilkenny, who won
this title for the first time a
year ago, defend it for the first
time on Sunday, when they
take on Wexford, All-Ireland
champions in 1965 and 1969, in
the provincial semi-final at
John's Park, Kilkenny.

Wexford went out unexpect-
edly to Dublin in the pro-
vincial semi-final a year ago.
Unbeaten at that stage for
more than two years, it seem-
ed the Wexford girls were

more than a shade complacent,
and they paid the penalty.

They are very unlikely to
make the same mistake this
time, and with great stars of
former years, Margaret O'Leary,
Joan Murphy, the Kehoe sis-
ters, Teresa Shell and Mary
Shannon all in top gear, will
be hopeful of ending Kil-
kenny's reign.

It is also in Wexford's favour
that, not for more than a
decade have they failed to
Kilkenny on the camogie fields,
but Kilkenny probably feel
this is going to be the game
that marks the end of their
Wexford hoodoo.

After all, in recent seasons,
St. Paul's have always had the
measure of the Wexford cham-
pions, St. Abban's, in the club
competition. In addition, Home
venue is always worth a couple
of scores to the Kilkenny girls,
who have all their All-Ireland
side of last year available,
plus one or two promising
newcomers.

The champions have not yet
named their line-out, but the
talent and experience of Ann
Carroll, Liz Neary, Nuala
Duncan, the Cassin twins,
Carmel O'Shea, Helena O'Neill
and Jo Golden is going to see
them a long way towards
victory.

A Wexford success would
not surprise me, but Kilkenny,
with the confidence gained in
last year's campaign, may just
prove good enough to meet
Dublin in the final.

Down south, Tipperary will
be firm favourites when they
meet Kerry in the Munster
junior semi-final, on Sunday
at Newport, and should advance
without difficulty to meet
Cork in the provincial final on
July 18. Cork, who have never
yet lost a Munster junior
game, maintained that remark-
able record when they beat
Limerick in the other semi-
final.

This game was played at
Adare last Sunday. Limerick,
trailing by a goal at the in-
terval, drew level early in the
second half, and an upset
seemed possible. However,
after a great battle, the Lim-
erick girls failed to last the
pace, and Cork pulled out in
the closing minutes to win by
4-2 to 2-1.

Up north, Antrim became
the first champions of the new
season, when they easily retain-
ed their Ulster crown, routing
Down in the senior final.
Down failed to muster at full
strength, and, though the 12
players fielded put up a gallant
show, they never made any
impression on an Antrim side
making a brave bid for the All-
Ireland this year.

Galway and UCG star, Jane
Murphy, must have made all
kinds of records last weekend.
She is lady captain of Mount-
bellew golf club and, on
Saturday, in a marathon effort
that lasted from dawn to dusk,
played 155 holes in 855 shots,
thus raising nearly £200 for
club funds. On Sunday, she
dashed off to Sligo to referee
the Connacht junior cham-
pionship game, in which Sligo
beat Leitrim.

PROOF OF THE PUDDING

ALTHOUGH July will see the
championship finals, senior
and junior, played in all provin-
ces, an even more important
event for the whole future of
camogie this month is the Nation-
al Coaching Course at Gorman-
ston from July 9 to July 11.

The first such Course was held
a year ago and aroused tremen-
dous interest and enthusiasm.
Even those experienced teachers,
Des Ferguson and Christy Hayes
were amazed at the dedication
of those who turned up while the
organisers themselves were more
than pleased with the numbers
that attended, more than one
hundred.

What is more, those earnest
girls and women came from all
parts of the country, and what
was more pleasing still was the
number of nuns who availed of
the chance of bringing them-
selves up to date with the tech-
niques and tactics of the modern
camogie game.

But the proof of any pudding
is in the eating, and where the
Coaching Course really proved
itself was in the results and those
results were very good indeed.

Through the year past I have
kept a fairly close watch on
camogie proceedings throughout
the country, and I was very glad
to see the progress, and it was
remarkable progress in many
cases made by those schools and
clubs, and even counties that had
sent the most enthusiastic rep-
resentatives to Gormanston last

It was obvious that those who
had come to the Coaching Course
determined to learn had not only
learned a great deal themselves,
but when they got home, had
succeeded in passing on what
they had learned to others. And
that, in the final analysis, is
what any coaching course is all
about.

That, too, is why this year's
Course is more important still.
The initial enthusiasm must be
maintained, and the impetus
given to the game at all levels
must get a further boost that
will ensure that the few counties
that are not yet organised will
wake up and take their place
within the ranks of the Associa-
tion.

Meanwhile, championship time
has come round, and it is usual
at this time of year to assess
the chances of the competing
counties. It is a pity that, for
the second successive year, Gal-
way will have no senior opposi-
tion in the West, as this proves
a serious handicap when All-
Ireland semi-finals are reached.

In Leinster, Kilkenny, the
holders are likely to make a
brave bid to retain their title,
especially if we take the con-
tinued supremacy of St Paul's
at club level into account.

However, the champions have
lost the lively Mary Fennelly to
Dublin and they have to meet
Wexford in the first round. The
record-book points out that Kil-
kenny have never yet beaten

championship game, and the
Wexford girls will be very
anxious to win back the title
they let slip away from them a
year ago.

This, I think, will be the key
game in Leinster, as Dublin, who
are in something of a transition
period, will find it difficult to
contain either Kilkenny or Wex-
ford in the final. But then, a
Dublin resurgence is long over-
due, and the girls from the
Capital may well surprise us all.

In the North, Antrim may be
hard pressed, especially by
Derry, but I still fancy them to
maintain their supremacy, while
in the South, I think All-Ireland
champions Cork should again
just have the measure of Tip-
perary. Indeed, I have a strong
suspicion that Cork have the
greatest all-round strength in
the country at the moment, and
it will not surprise me if they
go on to retain the All-Ireland
trophy that, after such a long
lapse they brought home last
year.

In the junior grade I think
Louth the most likely side to
come through in Leinster, with
Wexford likely to prove the
greatest danger. I fancy Cork to
win through again in the South,
and Galway to recapture the
Western title.

But, on the over-all, I suspect
that Armagh will come out of
Ulster and this year take the
junior crown that so narrowly
eluded them twelve months ago.

Sunday's win put Wexford in line for camogie double

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WEXFORD are now in line for a camogie double for the first time since 1968 when the county senior team scored a five point win in dethroning provincial champions, Kilkenny, by 4-2 to 2-3 in the Leinster semi-final at St. John's Park, Kilkenny, last Sunday.

This was a really outstanding achievement—beating the holders on home ground despite being short two prominent regulars. But then Wexford is a county that thrives in such unpromising circumstances such as these, and this applies particularly to the girl Gael.

LED THE WAY

It was the juniors who led the way by trouncing Louth in a game they were not even supposed to win! But last Sunday's result, which brings a passage to the final on 18th July, was a real breakthrough back into the

big-time, and from here on it could be all glory.

There was never very much between the teams, in spite of the fact that Wexford always led convincingly on the scoreboard, but from early on the challengers got down to business with a quick goal by Mary Sheil and a point by Margaret O'Leary. They allowed the holders just one score, a point, in the half so that they led (2-1 to 0-1) at the interval.

Early in the last half they added a goal and a point. Kilkenny countered with similar scores, but a vital goal near the finish by Wexford's Josie Kehoe, despite a further 1-1 by Kilkenny, ensured a win for the Model County.

HARD-EARNED WIN

This was a merited but hard-earned victory for Wexford and had not Margaret O'Leary been in such commanding form things might not have been as happy as they were at the finish. For the team's weak sectors—the forwards particularly—were exposed time after time and there must be an improvement for the next game.



MARGARET O'LEARY . . . Outstanding for Wexford against Kilkenny.



JOSIE KEHOE . . . scored vital goal.

Margaret O'Leary was easily the best for winners. Full-back Joan Murphy, Bernie Murphy at mid-field, goalie Teresa Sheil, Pezzy Doyle and Annie Kehoe were others in play.

Scorers for Wexford: J. Kehoe

(2-0), M. Sheil and M. Shannon (1-0 each), and M. O'Leary (0-2). Wexford—T. Sheil, J. Murphy, P. Doyle, A. Kehoe, B. Jacob, B. Murphy, M. O'Leary, E. Walsh, J. Kehoe, M. Walsh, M. Sheil, M. Shannon.

Wexford Turn On The Heat

WEXFORD 4-2
KILKENNY 2-3

WEXFORD, All-Ireland Camogie Champions in 1968 and 1969, returned to the winning trail yesterday when they scored a hard-earned victory over last year's All-Ireland finalists, Kilkenny, in the Leinster senior semi-final at St. John's Park, Kilkenny.

The winners took an early lead scoring a point and a goal. Kilkenny had their only point of this half before the Slaney girls added a goal to lead 2-1 to 0-1 at the interval.

Wexford continued to dominate after the interval and consolidated their position adding a goal and a point.

Kilkenny rallied briefly and scored a goal and a point to make the score 3-2 to 1-2.

Wexford, however, scored a vital goal at this stage and though the home side scored a point and a goal from a close-in free Wexford were still deservedly five points in front at the end.

Kilkenny, mostly drawn from their All-Ireland club champion side, St. Paul's, never played with the same dash and combination as was typical in that competition and it was Wexford who were faster and combined more effectively in this game.

Wexford's midfield trio of Margaret O'Leary, Elsie Walsh and Bernie Murphy were always in command.

Scorers—Wexford—M. Sheil (1-0), M. Shannon (1-0), J. Kehoe (1-0), M. Walsh (1-0), M. O'Leary (0-2). Kilkenny—A. Carroll (1-3), L. Nesry (1-0).

Dublin Camogie Selections

The Dublin senior and junior camogie teams to play Wexford in the Leinster finals at Croke Park on Sunday evening are—

SENIOR—S. Murray; M. Ryan, R. White, A. Hussey, A. M. O'Loughlin; M. Fennelly, A. Sheehy, O. Ni Shiochain; P. Brennan, P. Timmins, J. Doyle; U. Connor. Subs.—A. Carey, M. Brennan, V. Fingleton, V. Feeley, N. McDonnell.

JUNIOR—M. Raymond; J. Dooley; P. Morrissey, S. Wallace, P. Rafferty; C. Dignam, P. Murray, A. McManus; E. Sweeney, M. Conroy, M. Higgins; D. Caldwell. Subs.—M. O'Reilly, S. McEvoy, C. Lyons, B. Ni hAnnracain, V. Cormican.



● Dublin goalkeeper Sheila Murray comes out to clear as J. Kehoe (Wexford) comes in to challenge. Also in picture from left, Mary Sheil (Wexford), R. White and A. M. O'Loughlin (Dublin).

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Wexford Seniors Look Best

By AGNES HOURIGAN

The Leinster camogie season reaches its climax at Croke Park on Sunday evening when Wexford and Dublin face one another in both the senior and junior finals, with both counties more than hopeful of achieving the double.

Considering the county's complete supremacy in the Eastern province prior to 1967, it is difficult to believe that Dublin have not won a Leinster senior camogie title since.

Wexford won in 1968 and '69, while, after Dublin had defeated the girls from the Slaney in last year's semi-final, Kilkenny provided another upset in the final by taking the title for the first time.

From the start of the current season, Wexford made no secret of their determination to recapture not alone the Leinster but the All-Ireland crowns.

And they certainly made a most impressive start when they travelled to Kilkenny and defeated the holders a couple of weeks ago.

POWER BASE

The basis of their power on that occasion was built around the great Margaret O'Leary at mid-field, but they also owed much to a very sound defence.

Although Dublin have relied for the most part on experienced players, six of this side won All-Ireland medals in the day's of the county's greatness, they have brought on three of the junior side that won last year's junior championship.

Rita White at right-back, Anne Marie O'Loughlen at left-back and Pauline Brennan at right forward. In addition, Mary Fennelly, chosen on the wing, played for Kilkenny against Dublin in last year's Leinster final.

There are a couple of surprise switches. Patricia Timmins, who has played in defence for some years past, goes to centre-forward, while Ann Sheehy is switched to mid-field, where she has provided many problems for Margaret O'Leary in Dublin club games.

HOPEFUL

This should be a great game and while Dublin, on home ground now, will be very hopeful of repeating their victory of a year ago, Wexford would seem to have the greater all-round power.

The junior game looks just as evenly balanced, for, while Wexford travelled the harder road, defeating very fancied sides in turn from Kildare and Lough, Dublin were too good for both Laois and Kilkenny and have made remarkably good progress in training.

Wexford will start slight favourites here, but I will not be at all surprised if this steadily improving Dublin side succeeds in retaining its Leinster title.

Meanwhile Cork, never yet beaten in junior competition in the South, defend their title in the Munster final against Tipperary.

Tipp have a very useful young side, but Cork with a very experienced line-out, must get the vote to win this title for the fourth successive year.

WEXFORD—T. Sheil; J. Murphy; P. Doyle, A. Kehoe, O'Leary, E. Walsh; J. Kehoe, M. Walsh, M. Sheil; M. Shannon. Reserves—M. Hearne, P. Moore, T. Shannon, B. Jacob; B. O'Neill, M.

Wexford Again Take Camogie Title

WEXFORD 5-2 DUBLIN 1-2

WEXFORD, All-Ireland camogie champions in 1968 and 1969, at Croke Park last evening defeated Dublin to win the Leinster title for the third time in four years.

Wexford goaled to take an early lead, which they never relinquished. A point put Dublin on the board after six minutes.

Another Wexford goal was followed by a point first, then a goal from the home side. Wexford closed the scoring in

this half with a goal, to leave the score Wexford 3-0, Dublin 1-2.

Wexford took over after the interval and, though Dublin made some changes, the visitors continued to dominate and ran out convincing winners.

In Command

The stronger team and the faster strikers, the visitors were always in command, except for a few brief periods in the first quarter.

The Slaneysiders held the upper hand at midfield, and their defence was too strong for the Dublin forwards.

Wexford now go on to meet the Munster champions in the All-Ireland semi-final on August 15.

Wexford's Elsie Walsh and Margaret O'Leary were outstanding at midfield, and others to impress were Joan Murphy, Jossie and Annie Kehoe and Mary Walsh.

Alice Hussey, Mary Ryan, Anne Sheehy and Rita White did best for Dublin.

Scorers—Wexford—J. Kehoe (2-1); M. Walsh (2/1); A. Kehoe (1-0). **Dublin**—U. O'Connor (1-1); O. N. Shiochain (0-1).

WEXFORD—T. Sheil, J. Murphy, B. Jacob, B. Dwyer, M. Shannon, A. Kehoe, M. O'Leary, E. Walsh, Mary Sheil, P. Doyle, J. Kehoe, M. Walsh.

Dublin—S. Murray, M. Ryan, R. White, A. Hussey, A. M. O'Loughlen, M. Fennelly, A. Sheehy, O. N. Shiochain, P. Brennan, P. Timmins, J. Doyle, U. O'Connor. Subs: V. Singleton for M. Fennelly, M. Brennan for P. Brennan.

Referee—Miss L. Spence (Antrim).

Dublin Retain Symco Cup

DUBLIN 2-4 WEXFORD 2-1

Dublin won the Symco Cup (Leinster Junior) for the second year in succession when they had to fight hard to hold a strong Wexford rally in the second half at Croke Park.

Dublin started well and went in front without reply. Wexford settled down and the exchanges were even until the winners pointed at half-time to make the score 2-2 to 0-0 in Dublin's favour.

A great Wexford rally brought the Slaneysiders within two points of the Dubliners, but Anna McManus pointed to close the scoring and leave Dublin three points in front.

Best for Dublin were Mary Raymond, Pat Rafferty, Anna McManus and Miriam Higgins. Margaret Hearne, Eileen Hawkins, Bernie Kehoe and Kathleen O'Leary were prominent for Wexford.

Scorers—Dublin—M. Higgins, M. Conroy (1-1 each); A. McManus, E. Sweeney (0-1 each). **Wexford**—M. Hearne (1-1); B. Finn (1-0).

DUBLIN—M. Raymond, J. Dooley, P. Rafferty, S. Wallace, P. Morrissey, A. McManus, F. Murray, C. Dignam, E. Sweeney, M. Conroy, M. Higgins, D. Caldwell. Subs: S. McEvoy for M. Conroy.

WEXFORD—T. Shannon, M. Beggan, K. O'Leary, G. Kehoe, B. Finn, E. Kehoe, B. Tolan, E. Hawkins, B. Murphy, M. Hearne, E. McClean, M. Murphy.

Referee—Miss Gerry O'Sullivan.



● Dublin's R. White is chased by J. Kehoe (Wexford) during the Leinster camogie final at Croke Park yesterday. Wexford won 5-2 to 1-2.

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The Wexford camogie team which beat Dublin to win the Leinster title at Croke Park on Sunday. Back row (from left)—J. Murphy, M. Walshe, A. Kehoe, J. Kehoe, B. O'Dwyer, P. Moore, B. Murphy, T. Shannon. Front row (from left)—E. Walshe, B. Jacob, H. Shiel, P. Doyle, T. Shiel, M. Shannon, M. O'Leary.



The Dublin team—back row (from left)—A. M. O'Loughlen, O. Ni Shiochain, A. Sheehy, U. O'Connor, A. Hussey, V. Fingleton, P. Brennan, M. Brennan, V. Feely, A. Carey. Front row (from left)—S. Murray, M. Ryan (capt.), J. Doyle, P. Timmins, M. Fennelly, R. White, N. McDonnell.

TOO-FAST SENIORS BACK WITH A BANG!

WEXFORD 5-2 (17) DUBLIN 1-2 (5)
(H.T. 3-0 to 1-2)

FAST, fit, determined . . . Wexford seniors had all these ingredients in their make-up, and much more as well, that swept Dublin completely off their feet in a most entertaining Leinster Camogie senior final in Croke Park last Sunday.

First to the ball and first away with it, this was one of Wexford's greatest ever displays at any stage of the competition at any time, and deserves to be hailed as one to rank with its foremost displays.

This was a new, utterly determined Wexford, fully alert and capable throughout, that went a long way to compensate for the Junior's defeat. What is most pleasing to record was that every single player was a star in the win. From the start they showed that by virtue of their abilities they need have no fear of any of the Leinster counties and even further afield. No single player had to do more than her own share of the work—all, thankfully, were prepared to give their very best for the honour of the county. What sweet revenge it was for that galling 1969 defeat!

Mary Walsh crashed a long-range ball to the Dublin net with a ground stroke. Dublin replied with a minor but it was again Wexford after nine minutes when team captain Annie Kehoe sent a 50 yards' drive that sailed all the way untouched to the net.

Dublin's hopes were faintly revived shortly after when Una O'Connor had their only goal, but as if to answer this Wexford's Josie Kehoe had one of the finest goals ever seen in a Camogie game: a clearance from Brigid O'Dwyer (née O'Connor) was doubled on by Elsie Walsh at midfield and Josie Kehoe grabbed, turned and in as little a space of time the ball nestled in the Dublin net. This gave Wexford a four-point lead at half-time—3-0 to 1-2.

SECOND HALF

The second half was 'all Wexford' but despite this the excitement never waned for a second as the Wexford followers and the players themselves revelled in such a scintillating game. Josie Kehoe pointed, Annie Kehoe, sending her opponent

the wrong way, coolly turned to her right and shot another long-range goal; Mary Walsh, collecting clearance from midfield, soloed up to shoot a fine point — Wexford 4-2, Dublin 1-2. The hot pace continued and in a 'grandstand' finish a Wexford move ended in Margt. O'Leary passing to Mary Walsh, and Mary from Monageer slammed home the team's fifth major to complete the scoring and end a great personal display.

MAGNIFICENT—

Terrific, magnificent . . . one could apply an endless list of praises to this team and its victory. The pace was furiously fast and due to the class of the teams and the thoroughness of referee Miss Lily Spence with the whistle, the breathlessness and grandeur of the game will live in the mind for many a day to come. This was Camogie at its most magnificent and one could see just how big a step there is between senior and junior at inter-county level.

Tribute to Wexford's representatives for the honest-to-goodness way they have banished thoughts of complacency and indecisiveness behind them, with the one aim uppermost in their minds—the winning of the O'Duffy cup once again. Dublin were no match at any stage on Sunday — the Wexford callini saw to that—and going on this display alone it will take a lot to hold them.

What must have been the most disappointing thing of the whole day was the attendance at the games, or rather the lack of this. Just a handful of spectators presented an eerie sight in the magnitude of an almost deserted Croke Park. What a pity Camogie cannot attract such crowds as the programme there earlier in the evening, especially Camogie of such

text-book brilliance and precision as the senior final.

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Wexford surged forward from the throw-in and after four minutes

THE MUNSTER FINAL

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Tipperary And Cork Draw

TIPPERARY juniors held a fancied Cork team to a draw in a splendid Munster Final before a fine crowd in ideal conditions at Cloughjordan on Sunday.

This was a Cork team that started firm favourites. They are all-Ireland junior champions for the past three years and were bent on securing a "four in a row." Many of their players had senior county experience and they had beaten Waterford by a very big margin in the semi-final. But Tipperary raised the standard of their game for the occasion and the result was a top class game of camogie that kept the crowd on their toes right to the final whistle.

TIPPERARY TEAM EFFORT

This was a team effort by Tipperary. Some girls were better than others but every girl played her part. Nervous at the beginning the backs appeared shaky and left the Cork full-forward Marion Sweeney through for an opening point. From then on, however, the team improved with every passing moment and they got the tonic they needed when Biddy Heffernan collected opposite the goal, soloed to the right and sent a rasping ground shot all the way to the net. This welcome lead was short-lived however as Kay Spillane availed of some hesitancy in our back division to scramble home a Cork goal.

The Tipp. defence found themselves under regular pressure at this stage and were somewhat slow to settle down as indeed also were centrefield. Cork went a further point ahead when Mary Murphy sent over a free but again Biddy Heffernan came to our rescue with a goal following good work on the left wing by Marion Troy. Cork replied with another pointed free, but Tipperary were again to the fore when Margaret Teehan cleverly flicked a Biddy Heffernan centre past the Cork keeper. The remainder of the first half was to belong to Cork, however, and making full use of the breeze they added a goal and a point without reply to leave them ahead by one point at the break, the score being 2-4 to 3-0.

SECOND HALF

On the resumption and with the aid of the breeze Tipperary took almost complete control but failed time and time again to turn good outfield work into scores. Our back-line got completely on top and

snuffed out each Cork attack before it had time to develop. Vera Fitzgerald, the Doyles and Sadie Moyles were now hurling with great confidence and were aided by a much improved centrefield trio in which Mary Gleeson was ruling the roost and outplaying a variety of Cork opponents. Our forwards, however, were being very closely marked and could not penetrate a resolute Cork defence that coped effectively with every Tipp. tactic.

Changes were made, frees were won, near misses were regular but still no score was coming and indeed time was running out when Biddy Heffernan got the much deserved equalising point. Cork then proved their mettle by coming back and sending over the bar at the other end to regain the lead. Yet in the little time remaining Tipp. did not give up and in a hectic raid on the Cork goal forced a thirty yards free almost on the call of time. Goalkeeper Julie Gleeson was called up field to take this all-important free and she sent it straight and true to earn Tipperary the right to fight another day.

TIPPERARY'S BEST

Outstanding on this Tipperary team who can never again afford the luxury of so many wides and missed chances were Mary Gleeson at centrefield and her clubmate Biddy Heffernan at full-forward.

Julia Gleeson in goal had many fine saves to her credit and took that final free like a veteran. Other very impressive displays came from Marion Troy, Sadie Moyles and Mary Minogue. Cork too had many stars of whom the best were probably goalkeeper Deirdre Sutton, Maire Leary and Mary Murphy.

Tipperary:—Julia Gleeson (Ballytarsna), Vera Fitzgerald (Ballinagarry), Charlotte Doyle (Roscrea), Breeda Doyle (Thurles), Sadie Moyles (McDonaghs), Mary Gleeson (Ballytarsna), Mary Minogue (McDonaghs), Ann Ferncombe (Ballytarsna), Margaret Teehan (Roscrea), Ann Minogue (McDonaghs), Marion Troy (Thurles), Biddy Heffernan (Ballytarsna), Sheila Harkins (Drom and Inch).

Cork:—D. Sutton, M. Slater, M. Leary, M. Whelton, Ann Keane, Mary Murphy, A. Higgins, M. Humphries, A. O'Donovan, M. Sweeney, K. Spillane, Sub: P. Mortell.

Scorers: Tipperary — Biddy Heffernan (2-1), Margaret Teehan (1-0), Julia Gleeson (0-1). Cork — M. Sweeney (1-2), K. Spillane (1-0), M. Murphy (0-3, frees).

MAYO 3-1
GALWAY 2-3

Mayo qualified for the Connacht Junior Camogie Final when they scored a single point win over Galway at Breaffy on Sunday.

The winners deserved their win in a game which proved highly entertaining.

They had two points to spare at the interval and a goal by Patricia Golden, a substitute in the second half, ensured that the laurels rested with the home side.

Mary McGuire was one of the most brilliant players on view.

Operating in the Mayo goal she repeatedly saved dangerous attacks and emerged as the heroine of the winning team.

Others to shine were Josie Ruane—she scored 2-1—Benny Scahill, Ann Kilcourse, Breege Brogan and Patricia Golden.

Mayo will face a stiffer hurdle on Sunday next — again at Breaffy — when they take on Roscommon in the Connacht Final.

GOOD WIN FOR HOLDERS IN JUNIOR CAMOGIE GAME

Roscommon, the defending Connacht junior Camogie champions have qualified for their second successive provincial final. At Markievicz Park, Sligo on Sunday last, they convincingly disposed of challengers Sligo by 5-4 to 3-5.

Roscommon have thereby dispelled the 'hoodoo' which seemed to surround meetings of the sides at this venue, and now go on to meet Galway or Mayo in the decider on August 8th.

This was again a victory for Roscommon teamwork and skill, and they would not have been flattered had they won by a greater margin. Sligo threw everything they knew into this game in an effort to interrupt the losing sequence which has been their lot now for some years. Overeagerness on their part, however, led to a scrappiness which ultimately led to their defeat. Roscommon were faster to the ball, and their forwards, particularly in the first half, displayed a style and finish completely lacking in their Sligo counterparts.

Roscommon were on the offensive from the throw-in and for the first twenty-five minutes were on top in all sectors. A goal-mouth scramble produced Roscommon's first goal. Minutes later Kathleen O'Connor sent over a point from play, while a fine goal from Marie Benedetti gave them a clear first quarter lead. In fact at no time during the half did Roscommon look in serious danger of being caught, as they scored with regularity. Two 30's and three missed frees later, Kathleen O'Connor was again on target with a point from a 15 yards free.

The puck-out sent Sligo attacking and in one of their few forays outfield during the half they were awarded a close-in free which Martha McCann sent over for their first point. Their second score came in similar fashion. Full-back Catherine Byrne got her stick to another Martha McCann free only to have the ball screw off the tip of her stick past goalie Mary Mulhern to the corner of the net. Roscommon were quick to recover. Kathleen O'Connor, collecting Mary Mulhern's puck on the 30 centred a beautiful pass to Marie Benedetti who crossed to the unmarked Catherine Higgins and her shot beat the Sligo goalie.

Sligo had another point per Martha McCann before midfielder Noreen Flanagan placed Catherine O'Connor for Roscommon's next. Then almost on half time the same player was on hand to crash home a 15 yards free to put Roscommon 4-3 to 1-2 in front at the interval.

The scoring pattern of the second half was in complete contrast to that of the first. Sligo remoulded their forces and were a much more purposeful looking outfit commencing the

second half. Nuala Kavanagh pointed an early free. Minutes later Marie Benedetti did likewise for Roscommon at the other end. Then midway through the second half came Sligo's second goal, a dropping shot which was fumbled by the Roscommon defence. Five minutes elapsed before Martha McCann raised Sligo's next white flag, to which Roscommon replied with a goal. Sligo's last goal came seconds from the end when full-back Nuala Kavanagh sent a 30 yards free to the net.

Roscommon's midfield superiority once again paved the way for their victory. Noreen Flanagan completely eclipsed Sligo's scorer in chief Martha McCann, while Mary Walsh in the centre by her intelligent distribution of the ball set up many of her side's scores. Marie Keane on the other wing, and Anne Gannon who replaced her late in the second half, were also very effective. Kathleen O'Connor and Marie Benedetti were accurate forwards, while Catherine Higgins and Mary Naughton on the wings combined well to complete an attack which moved as a unit.

Mary Galvin at right half-back policed Sligo's dangerous wing forward Vivienne Howley. Regular full-back Mary Mulhern took over between the posts and brought off some brilliant saves. Catherine Byrne and Patsy Smith were also sound defenders.

For Sligo only Nuala Kavanagh, and Nora Brady impressed in defence, with Martha McCann, Vivienne Howley and Ita Lyons dangerous in attack.

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Sligo—C. Brannelly; N. Kavanagh; N. Hunt, E. Hannon, N. Brady; M. McCann, I. Leydon, I. Lyons; V. Howley, P. Brennan, A. Clancy; Z. Howley.

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Cork meet Tipp in Munster decider

Wexford On Road Back

By AGNES HOURIGAN

Wexford are back in the camogie forefront and must, at the moment, be taken as at least second favourites to regain the All-Ireland crown that they held in 1968 and 1969.

At Croke Park on Sunday night they proved far too strong for Dublin, who ad defeated them in last year's semi-final, with a home venue for their All-Ireland semi-final against Antrim, this Wexford side must be favoured to advance at least to the final.

The outstanding feature about Wexford's victory ast Sunday is that, while they had some brilliant players, this was above all a team victory. There was scarcely a cak link on the side and they were strong in every sector.

This was particularly the case in defence where Teresa Shield was safe in goal. Joan Murphy was an excellent full-back and Annie Kehoe was an extremely lively and effective centre-back. At midfield Margaret O'Leary, while not as dominant as in some ther games was once again very efficient and received great aid from Elsie Walsh.

Played Soundly

The attack was not as effective as one might have expected, but then they we up against the best sector of the Dublin side, for full-back Mary Ryan and her defensive colleague, Rita White, Alice Hussey and Ann Marie O'Loughlin, all played soundly.

But further afield Dublin had surprisingly little to offer after shaping well in the early stages and that they failed to raise a flag in the last 25 minutes speaks for itself.

Ann Sheehy battled valiantly at midfield, but to very little assistance and, after a couple of early scores by Una O'Connor, the losers' attack was completely subdued.

The Dublin juniors, on the other hand, did well to retain their provincial crown with a hard-earned victory over a very lively Wexford side.

Here the winners can thank a good start for their victory. Eight point clear at half-time Dublin went a further point ahead soon after the restart, but then had to meet a very determined Wexford rally.

Antrim's Hopes

The visitors cut the lead to the points, thanks to some good work around midfield, but Dublin then showed their worth by coming back for the clinching score.

On this showing there should be a great game between Dublin and the Ulster winners, Armagh or Antrim. These two meet in the Northern final and, although Armagh, who were so narrowly defeated by Dublin in last year's All-Ireland final will be favourites Antrim have high hopes of completing the Ulster double for the first time.

Meanwhile Cork juniors have been checked for the first time in Munster. They were held to a draw last Sunday night in the provincial final at Cloughjordan by Tipperary. It is probable that the replay will now take place in the senior final between the same two counties on Sunday, August 1.

Monaghan Camogie Affairs

Monaghan 4-4
Antrim 4-1

In the Ulster Junior Championship semi-final, which was played before a good attendance at Clontibret on Sunday, Monaghan defeated a fairly classy Antrim team and thus qualified to meet Armagh in the final at Lurgan on Sunday.

As was generally expected Sunday's game was close and exciting with both teams going all-out from the word-go.

Monaghan were early attacking and Patricia McGreevy had a very well taken goal after good approach work by Carmel McDonnell, Breda Sherry and Rose Mary Charity.

Carmel McDonnell increased Monaghan's lead with a long distance point.

Antrim now forced play to the Monaghan territory but Mary Colloghan, Ann Boylan and Margaret Evans cleared in turn.

At this stage the Monaghan midfield were going great guns and Carmel McDonnell had a Monaghan point. Brege McClements put Antrim attacking, but Teresa McDonnell saved well in the Monaghan goal. Ann Boylan cleared for Monaghan and Geraldine Smyth placed Ann Harratty, who in turn placed Bernadette Byrne for a Monaghan goal.

Antrim now attacked strongly and Anne Nugent placed Brege Clements for an Antrim goal. Patricia McGreevy with a goal and a point, and Carmel McDonnell, with a point, left Monaghan leading at the interval by 3-4 to 1-0.

On resuming Antrim opened strongly and had a goal by Rose McRandal. The visitors kept up the pressure on the Monaghan defence and Brege Smith placed Rose McClements for a further Antrim goal. Monaghan seeing victory slipping made a determined effort to increase their lead but a wide resulted and it was Antrim who had the next score, a goal by Rose McClements after been placed by Sue McHenry.

Monaghan's lead was now reduced to one point. Could they hold on to win or were Antrim going to snatch a last minute victory with six minutes left in the game? This was anybody's guess. Antrim pressed for the winning score; Monaghan defence adopted a thou shalt not pass attitude. Rosemary Charity, the Monaghan midfielder gained possession, and quicker than could be described she had the leather in the corner of the Antrim net for the all-important score, and though Rose Clements closed the scoring with an Antrim point, the final whistle sounded leaving the honours resting where they really belonged.

This was a team victory. Teresa McDonnell kept a good goal and could not be faulted for the few that beat her. In defence Margaret Evans, Ann Boylan, Mary Colloghan and Geraldine Smyth were very sound. Breda Sherry and Rosemary Charity played their hearts out. The attack of Bernadette Byrne, Patricia McGreevy, Cora Ruxton and Ann Harratty combined well and had some well taken scores. Lily Clarke and Patsy Bourke who came on as substitutes played their parts well.

Antrim had good players in R. McClements, B. McHenry, R. McRandal and B. Nugent.

Monaghan scorers: P. McGreevy, 2-1; B. Byrne, 1-0; R. Charity, 1-0; C. McDonnell, 0-3.

Antrim: B. McClements, 2-0; S. McHenry, 1-0; L. Duran, 1-1. Referee: M. McCrystal, Davy.

ALL-IRELAND champions, Cork, make their first appearance of the season when they line out in defence of their provincial and national senior titles against Tipperary in the Munster final at the Mardyke next Sunday.

Apart from isolated incursions by other counties, Tipperary and Cork have completely monopolised the Munster championship. The record book shows Cork ahead by 22 titles to 14. The majority of the clashes were extremely close affairs. Last year's game was no exception. It was only in the closing minutes that Cork found their touch and drew ahead.

Tipperary have made no secret of their intention to emulate their neighbours' success by taking the All-Ireland Cup to the premier county for the first time.

Tipperary have always fielded a very strong side. With the amount of talent available to their selectors, their team for Sunday's game will be no exception.

Margaret Cleary is a player who has few equals in the country. Deirdre Lane, Beatrice Lawrence, Kit Boland, Siobhan Tynan and Jo Marshall will form the backbone of what should be a talented and determined outfit.

NEWCOMERS

Three of the Cork side, who did duty in Croke Park last September, Peggy Dorgan, Betty Sugrue and Sheila Dunne, are not available at the moment. Their places are taken by newcomers to the senior grade.

Mary Whelton fills Sheila Dunne's shoes at leftback. To Marian McCarthy falls the task of keeping up her clubmate's high standard on the rightwing. Nuala Guilley takes over from Peggy Dorgan at leftforward. All three have plenty of experience in the Munster junior and secondary grades.

Melon Cummins and Marie Costin renew their successful partnership to guard the Cork goal. Hannah Dineen occupies the rightback position from where her lengthy clearances will be very welcome. Though short match practice, Mary Jo Ryan will be anxious to prove that she hasn't lost her touch.

PROLIFIC SCORER

Tireless Anne McAuliffe and stylish Anne Comerford join Marian McCarthy at centre-field. Liz Garvan, the prolific scorer, should combine well with school-girls Pat Moloney and Rosie Hennessy and newcomer Nuala Guilley to make an effective attack.

Undoubtedly, Cork face a tough assignment. If they can recapture their form of last September they should advance. However, the absence of the three missing players will be hard to compensate. It should be a close affair with little between the sides at the finish.

CORK JUNIORS

Cork Juniors made the long journey to Cloughjordan a fortnight ago and were lucky to come out of it with their unbeaten record intact. Tipperary, who fell heavily to Cork in this competition last year, surprised the visitors with their speed, skill and eagerness. In Mary Gleeson, Sadie Moyles, Vera Fitzgerald and Bidy Heffernan they have senior stars in the making.

Cork make three changes for the replay. Marie Mackey fills the vacancy created by Mary Whelton's promotion. The selec-

tors were far from happy with the forwards. Blanch Gibbons and Phil Walsh are introduced in the wing-forward positions in an effort to add more punch to the attack.

Deirdre Sutton, Marion O'Leary, Angela Higgins, Mary Murphy, Marion McSweeney and Anne Keane are all fine players and will be anxious to prove that the Cloughjordan display was not Cork's true form. Whether it was the long bus ride, over-confidence or any other reason which accounted for Cork's poor showing in the drawn game, there will be no excuses on Sunday.

Cork (Seniors): M. Cummins (South Pres.); M. Costin (Cloyne); H. Dineen (South Pres.); M. J. Ryan (Youghal); M. Whelton (South-Pres.); M. McCarthy (do.); A. McAuliffe (Old Als); A. Comerford (South Pres.); P. Moloney (Youghal); L. Garvan (U.C.C.); N. Guilley (Cloyne); R. Hennessy (Old Als); Subs.: D. Sutton (Glen Rovers); M. Coleman (do.); P. Mortell (Buttevant).

Cork (Juniors): D. Sutton (Glen Rovers); M. Salter (Churchtown); R. O'Sullivan (Our Lady's Hosp.); M. O'Leary (Old Als); M. Mackey (Blarney); A. Keane (Buttevant); M. Murphy (Old Als); A. Higgins (Watergrasshill); B. Gibbons (South Pres.); M. McSweeney (Youghal); P. Walsh (Old Als); and K. Spillane (Churchtown); Subs.: A. O'Donovan (South Pres.); K. Doherty (Blarney); and S. Roche (Aghabullogue).

It Wasn't Tipp's Lucky Day

SENIORS AND JUNIORS LOSE TO CORK BY A POINT EACH

(By "CUILIN")

BOTH Tipperary senior and junior teams bid farewell to all hopes of Munster and All-Ireland honours at Cork on Sunday. It was, I suppose, a sad day for followers and players but both teams were worthy of the county they represented and both fought to the end—each to fail by minimum margin of one point. It certainly was not Tipperary's lucky day.

The senior team had to put in a tremendous finish. They needed a single point to force a draw—hard-won close frees were sent narrowly wide and then time ran out.

Our juniors had a more heart-breaking defeat. They too were coming from behind at the end when a perfect-looking goal was disallowed after being flagged. Even Cork mentors near me could see no reason for the decision, a decision that robbed a grand young team of Munster and possibly All-Ireland honours.

Our sole remaining hope now is our minor team, which lines out against Clare in Ennis on Sunday, 15th August. Selectors, I'm told, have every confidence that our U/18s will carry our banner out of Munster and into the All-Ireland final.

SENIOR GAME

The senior team started well and attacked from the throw-in. Before long they were rewarded with a fine goal by Bawn Tynan and points followed by Bridie Conroy, Margo Loughnane and Bawn Tynan again. Cork had sent two minors over the bar in the meantime and Tipperary were ahead by a goal approaching the break, but then Rosie Hennessy crashed in a Cork goal just before the interval to leave the sides level.

On the restart it was Cork's turn to attack and they went four points ahead without reply. Tipperary then hit back and with staunch displays from Deirdre Lane, Ann Graham and Monica Ryan they attacked continuously and looked to be heading for victory when Beatrice Laurence availed of a half-chance to shoot to the net. Hard though they tried, however, they could not snatch the elusive equaliser and must now await another day.

Star of this Tipperary team was goalkeeper Sally Long who had some wonderful saves including one from point-blank range which had goal written all over it. Others to shine were Alice Perry, Beatrice Laurence and Mary Graham.

Tipperary — Sally Long; Mary Graham, Ann Graham, Kit Boland, Alice Perry (all from Thurles); Monica Ryan (Drom-Inch), Bridie Conroy (Knockshegowna), Deirdre Lane (Lorrha), Kathleen Tracy (Roscrea), Beatrice Laurence (Thurles), Bawn Tynan (Drom-Inch), Margo Loughnane (Thurles).

Sub to come on was Biddy Heffernan, who had previously starred in the junior game.

JUNIOR GAME

The junior game was peculiar in that it consisted of two distinctly different halves.

The first belonging to Cork when a very disjointed Tipperary team could do nothing right, and let Cork away to a twelve-point lead. The Tipperary girls were unbelievably and uniformly bad.

Only goalkeeper Julia Gleeson and forward Biddy Heffernan showed their true form and things looked hopeless when we turned around twelve points down.

The mentors and players had other ideas however, and Tipperary came out for the second half a team transformed. Changes had been made and a new spirit instilled into the girls. With sheer courage, spirit and dedication plus no small amount of skill they set about wiping out that twelve point lead.

Our backs settled in to hold a previously rampant Cork attack scoreless except for two points from frees. Centrefield led by Ann Minogue got on top and fed their forwards and the result was that five goals and one point were lashed home and but for that strange decision that deprived us of a goal—shot home by Biddy Heffernan from some seven yards out following a solo—we would be toasting our juniors today.

Had Tipperary won this game it would almost be a personal triumph for Biddy Heffernan. With amazing craft, speed, ball-control and stick-work she outwitted the Cork defence time and time again—got a personal tally of 4-1 and had a big hand in our other scores. She was ably assisted in the second half by Margaret Teehan (2-0), Anne Minogue, Vera Fitzgerald, Julia Gleeson, Shelia Harkins and Mary Minogue.

Junior Team — Julia Gleeson (Ballytarsna); Vera Fitzgerald (Ballingarry), Breeda Loughnane (Thurles), Sadie Moyles (McDonagh), Charlotte Doyle (Roscrea), Mary Gleeson (Ballytarsna), Mary Minogue (McDonagh), Ann Ferncombe (Ballingarry), Biddy Heffernan (Ballytarsna), Shelia Harkins (Drom-Inch), Marion Troy (Thurles), Ann Minogue (McDonagh).

Subs to play were — Alice Perry (Thurles), Eileen Keane (Ballytarsna), and Margaret Teehan (Roscrea).

Tipp made champions fight hard

By PAT BROSANAN

CORK 2-4 : TIPPERARY 2-3

ALL-IRELAND CAMOGIE CHAMPIONS, Cork, found themselves hard-pressed to oust Tipperary in the Munster senior final tie at the Mardyke, Cork, yesterday. The home side were short four of their All-Ireland winning side, and certainly felt their loss. With five minutes to go, only a point separated the two teams and the result hung dangerously in the balance.

Tipperary gained the advantage from the throw-in and corner forward Kathleen Tracy collected the ball from play and netted a perfectly taken goal. The visitors, who were good winners over Cork in 1969, took advantage of the absence of Peggy Dorgan and Anne Crotty, who have retired from the game, and Betty Sugrue and Sheila Dunne, who are abroad, to really put the pressure on.

BOOST FOR CORK

The game could not be described as brilliant because Tipperary kept Cork mainly on the defensive until within about five minutes from the interval. Liz Garvin, who had already pointed for Cork, took a free which was blocked down and then intercepted by schoolgirl Rosie Hennessy, who shot to the net to give her side their first real boost. This left both sides level at 1-3 at half-time.

On the turn-over Cork repeated Tipperary's quick-scoring from the throw-in when again Rosie Hennessy, combining well with Liz Garvin and Pat Moloney in the attack, sent the ball to the corner of the net. Liz Garvin again added another point to the tally, but from there on Cork could only struggle to hang on to their advantage.

Tipperary, however, were undaunted by the sudden emergence of the home side's rally and replied with equal determination.

WELL-TAKEN GOAL

Their repeated drives into the Cork half kept the home defence on tenterhooks until eventually Tipp. penetrated with an exceptionally well-taken goal from Beatrice Lawrence, to leave the visitors trailing by one point.

This was the end of the scoring and with about ten minutes left in the half, both sides fought hard, so much so that play was held up a couple of times on account of injuries. Liz Garvin sustained facial injuries in one clash and when she again fell victim, she had to be replaced.

The standard of camogie was certainly nothing that either side, to any great extent could be proud of, although there were occasional good flashes.

Tipperary were well served by Sally Long in goal and by Deirdre Lane, Siobhain Tynan and Kathleen Tracy who proved to be their driving force.

Those who stood out for Cork were Rosie Hennessy, Liz Garvin, Nuala Gilley, Marian McCarthy, Anne Comerford and Eleanor Cummins.

Scorers: Cork — R. Hennessy (2-0), L. Garvin and N. Gilley (0-2 each). Tipperary — B. Lawrence and K. Tracy (1-0 each), S. Tynan, B. Conroy and M. Loughnane (0-1 each).

Cork — E. Cummins, M. Costin, H. Dineen, M. Ryan, M. Whelton, A. Comerford, A. MacAuliffe, M. McCarthy, P. Maloney, L. Garvin, N. Gilley, R. Hennessy. Sub.: M. Coleman for Garvin.

Tipperary — S. Long, M. Graham, A. Perry, A. Ralph, K. Boland, D. Lane, M. Ryan, B. Conroy, M. Loughnane, S. Tynan, B. Lawrence, K. Tracy. Sub.: B. Heffernan for Conroy.

Referee: E. Nevill, Limerick.

Marian The Hero For Armagh

ARMAGH 1-7
MONAGHAN 1-2

Armagh retained their Ulster junior camogie title at Davitt Park, Lurgan, but were not very impressive against a moderate Monaghan side. On this showing, Armagh will have to improve greatly for their All-Ireland semi-final tussle with Dublin.

Too much was left to the individual brilliance of midfielder Marian Delaney, who in fact scored all of the Armagh total, the goal and five of the points coming from beautifully taken frees. At half-time, Armagh led 0-3 to 0-0.

Others to play well for Armagh were Liz Scallion at full-back, Anna McCombe at centre-half and Alice Deagan in attack.

For Monaghan, C. McDonnell fought a lone battle at midfield, while F. Kelly was strong at full-back. The Monaghan scorers were T. McGreevy (1-1) and J. ...

CAMOGIE NOTES

Lady Luck Lavished No Favours On Tipperary Girls Last Sunday

By AGNES HOURIGAN
Munster camogie champions Cork retained both their titles when the provincial finals were played at the Mardyke last Sunday, but Tipperary made a tremendous bid for victory in both games, and were a trifle unlucky not to have at least forced a division of the spoils.

In both games the margin was only a single point, and there was some controversy after the junior final, because of a goal disallowed to Tipperary mid-way through the second half of the game.

An umpire raised the green flag but after consultation with the other umpire and the referee Miss Carrie Clancy of Limerick, the decision was altered and the score disallowed.

Cork seemed the superior team in the first half but were very hard-pressed to resist the Tipperary challenge after the interval. A feature of the game was the display of Bridget Heffernan who scored four goals for Tipperary.

Tipperary were also very much in the picture all the way in the senior game and Cork were a bit fortunate to be on level terms at the interval.

WINNING GRIP

An opportunist goal by Rosie Hennessy soon after the restart gave Cork a winning grip, and they added a point soon after. However, when Tipperary scored their second goal there was only a point between the sides with five minutes still to go. And Cork were then under handicap as they had lost their great star Lix Garvan due to injury.

Cork managed to hold out, however, and thus advance to

meet Galway in the All-Ireland senior semi-final on August 22. The Cork juniors, who so precariously preserved their record of never having lost a game in the Munster championship, will also be in action on the same day when they take on either Mayo or Roscommon who meet in the Connacht final on Sunday next. Mayo achieved a hard-fought victory over Galway in the semi-final on Sunday last, but Roscommon are the holders and will not easily deliver up their Western crown.

The remaining provincial title was also won on Sunday last when Armagh retained Ulster junior honours by defeating Monaghan at Lurgan.

FAVOURITES

On last year's form, Armagh were expected to win with something to spare, but they had to battle all the way, and, in the end, had to thank the fine defensive work of College's star, Annie McCone

● Anne McAuliffe helped Cork retain Munster senior Camogie title.



and the individual brilliance of Marion Delaney who had all their scores.

Armagh now come South to meet Dublin in the All-Ireland semi-final on August 15. This will be a repeat of last year's All-Ireland final when Dublin, having built up a good deal, were almost swamped in a late avalanche of Armagh scores and only survived by a single point.

This year, Dublin as year's champions will have had to find an entirely new set of all last season's stars of Dublin. But this new crop of juniors have shaped as well as Leinster that a very good prospect must again be in prospect. Also on August 15 the semi-final between Antrim and Wexford will be played at Wexford venue.

Monaghan Camogie Affairs

Last Sunday's results: Ulster Junior Championship final, Armagh 1-7; Monaghan 1-2.

Armagh retained the Ulster Junior Camogie Championship Crown when they defeated a very good Monaghan team at rain drenched Lurgan on Sunday.

The game could be termed as a dull Provincial decider, with an over dose of the referees whistle spoiling what could otherwise have proved to be an interesting contest, with the result that the game whittled out like a damp squib.

Armagh went into the game as clear favourites because of their narrow defeat in last year's All-Ireland Final. But Monaghan gave a good performance and were well in the game at the interval as they were only trailing by three points.

Armagh increased their lead shortly after the interval but undaunted Monaghan came back with a goal and two points and only five points separated the sides at the finish.

Armagh opened the scoring with a point from a free by Marrion Delaney after four minutes play, Carmel McDonnell and Rosemary Charity put Monaghan attacking. But Lilly Scullion cleared for Armagh who attacked strongly and had four wides in succession due to the close working of the Monaghan defence.

The home County had a further point from a free by Marrion Delaney.

Teresa McDonnell saved well in the Monaghan goals, as Armagh were now keeping the pressure on the Monaghan defence. But Ann Boylan, Mary Callaghan, Frankie Caragher, and Geraldine Smyth cleared their lines repeatedly.

Monaghan were awarded a thirty five yards free which Carmel McDonnell wided, and Armagh returned play to Monaghan territory when Marrion Delaney had her third point from a free.

Monaghan now forced the pace and after good approach work by Breda Sherry, Carmel McDonnell, and Ann Hanratty, Patricia McGreevy was narrowly wide when attempting a goal.

The interval score stood, Armagh 0-3; Monaghan 0-0. On resuming Armagh were first to score a point from a free by Marrion Delaney, the same player adding her fifth point three minutes later.

However Monaghan undaunted came back into Armagh territory and after good approach work by Dymna Ruxton and Breda Sherry, Bernadette Byrne had a well taken Monaghan goal to leave only two points separating the sides.

Armagh seeking victory slipping made a determined effort and had a further point by Angela Toal, Monaghan defender Ann Boylan returned play to Armagh territory and Carmel McDonnell had a Monaghan point.

Time was now running out and from a close in Armagh free, Marrion Delaney, had an Armagh goal to give her side a comfortable lead. But in a Monaghan raid on the Armagh goal Breda Sherry had a Monaghan point.

On the call of time, Marrion Delaney had an Armagh point, leaving the final score 1-7 to 1-2. Teresa McDonnell in the Monaghan goals had a field day and saved some point blank shots.

The defence of Ann Boylan, Mary Callaghan, Frankie Caragher, and Geraldine Smyth, proved very sound.

The midfielders, Breda Sherry, Carmel McDonnell, and Rosemary Charity, played fairly well against strong opposition.

In attack Bernadette Byrne, Patricia McGreevy, Ann Hanratty, and Dymna Ruxton, played well for Armagh. Marrion Delaney was the outstanding player, she was well supported by Angela Toal, Irene Paterson, Lily Scullion and Ann McCone.

Armagh scorers: M. Delaney 1-6, A. Toal 0-1.

Monaghan scorers: B. Byrne 1-0, C. McDonnell 0-1, B. Sherry 0-1.

At the conclusion of the game the Ulster Council chairman, Nancy Murray presented the cup to the Armagh Captain.

The Armagh Captain then called for three cheers for the losers. Mary Callaghan, Monaghan captain congratulated Armagh on their victory.

Teams: (Armagh) M. Finnegan, L. Scullion, M. Courtney, A. McCone, C. McCraney, A. Toal, M. Delaney, T. Paterson, M. McCone, A. Berney, A. Beaghan, P. McGoughlin.

Monaghan: T. McDonnell, A. Boylan, F. Carragher, M. Callaghan, D. Ruxton, G. Smyth, C. McDonnell, B. Sherry, R. M. Charity, P. McGreevy, A. Hanratty, B. Byrne, (sub) L. Clarke for R. M. Charity. Referee, S. Fitzpatrick (Antrim)



Historic Camogie Stick Donated To Museum

THE early years of camogie in Cork were recalled by the presentation yesterday of a camog (camogie stick) of the start of the century vintage to the Cork Public Museum by Ide Bean Uí She, President of the Cork County Camogie Board.

The County Board of the G.A.A. was instrumental in introducing the game as a pastime for nationally minded ladies and requested its own members to co-operate.

Thus it was that Kate and Margaret Conlon, sisters of Sean Conlon, sometime secretary of Lee Football Club, Mary Agnes Sheehan, sister of "Rocket" Sheehan, of St. Finbarr's Hurling Club, and Katie Dooley, sister of Tom Dooley, chairman of the County Board, were all members of "Fainne an' Lae," founded in 1905, the first club of its kind in Cork. Kate Conlon was captain and foundress and Mary Agnes Sheehan, vice-captain. The camog, accepted by Mr. S. O Colgligh, curator of the museum, is one of a set presented to "Fainne an' Lae" following a victory at Cork Park, and specially manufactured by

C. O'Connell and Co., Leirtrim Street, Cork. It is on record that the team, whose uniform was an olive green skirt and tie, and white jersey with turned down collar, returned from the Park to the city in a wagonette amidst much jubilation.

The trainers were Tadgh Barry (author of the Handbook — "Hurling and How to Play It" and Sean Conlon.

It is one of the original set which has been donated by Ide Bean Uí She, Hon. President Cork Co. Camogie Board and Hon. President of U.C.C. Camogie Club. She is niece of Miss Lil Conlon (sister of the former captain), in whose possession the camog has since remained.

Our picture shows (from left), Ide Bean Uí She, Mr. O. Colgligh, and Miss Lil Conlon, sister of the former club captain.

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ROSCOMMON RETAIN CONNACHT CAMOGIE TITLE

Roscommon 3-1 (10); Mayo 1-2 (5).

Roscommon have qualified for their second All-Ireland semi-final. On Sunday last, a power-packed second half display gave them a five point victory over challengers, Mayo, in the Connacht decider at Reaffy (Castlebar).

As Roscommon swept to their second Connacht title, Mayo can cite themselves a little lucky that the margin of defeat was not greater. In qualifying for their August 22nd meeting with Munster champions Cork, Roscommon proved very convincingly that their first title win just a year ago was no 'fluke' effort.

This was a game which rose from the depths of a dull first half to a high level of second half excitement with the exchanges between the sides hard and close, with every ball chased and every opponent harried.

Playing into a strong breeze, Roscommon opened with a flourish and the game was only minutes old when full forward Catherine Byrne finished a Kathleen O'Connor pass to the net for their first score. But it was Mayo who exerted the pressure for the remainder of the half. Their superiority stemmed from the supremacy of their midfield which completely blotted out the Roscommon opposition, and which in general adapted themselves better to the greasy underfoot conditions than the opposition.

The start of the second quarter saw Mayo make an all out effort to draw level. But in their eagerness to gain that equaliser they reckoned without the superb clearances of Roscommon full-back Mary Mulhern and wing-midfielder Noreen Flanagan.

REGAINED COMPOSURE

Nearly twenty minutes had elapsed before Roscommon regained some of their composure. Then Marie Keane, Mary Walshe and Noreen Flanagan cancelled out the Mayo midfield advantage and the Roscommon forwards began to receive a more liberal supply of the ball. That they had not increased the lead during the closing stages of the half was due mainly to the defensive play of Mayo full back Josie Ruane who played a captain's part in keeping her defence together. The

minutes from half time, put the sides level at the interval.

Roscommon resumed with the wind advantage and a greatly transformed team, moving as a much more purposeful and determined unit. The half was little more than four minutes old when Noreen Flanagan and Mary Naughton laid on an opening from which Catherine Byrne shot low and hard for a Roscommon goal and the same player had a Roscommon point before Josie Ruane pointed a '30' for Mayo.

MAJOR BLOW

The next major blow to Mayo's hopes came three quarter way through when Mary Naughton gathering a Kathleen O'Connor pass far out on the wing soloed some 30 yards before sending a crashing shot to the net for her side's third goal. In a last ditch effort Josie Ruane's attempt to crash home a goal from a close in free was foiled by a Roscommon defender who deflected the ball over the bar for the last score of the game.

Roscommon deserved this victory. Though they did not stamp their authority on this game until the second half, they were constantly probing for scores.

Much of the credit for this success can be attributed to the work of the defence. The half-back line of Maura Hagerty, Patsy Smith and Sheila McNeill constantly blunted the edge of the Mayo attack. Goalie Kathleen Delaney made an impressive debut in the county colours, while in front of her, full back Mary Mulhern was soundness personified.

HIGHLIGHT

The highlight of the game however was the immaculate hurling of Noreen Flanagan which posed many problems for the Mayo attack, and when Mary Walshe stepped up her performance in the second half, Roscommon had in this pair a great powerhouse at midfield. At centre forward Kathleen O'Connor though lacking her usual thrust set up many of her sides scores. Catherine Higgins and Marie Keane were never as dominant as in previous outings, but did get in some useful work in the second half. At corner forward Mary Margaret Naughton was in devastating form and her last goal was a classic effort. Roscommon had a match winner in full forward Catherine Byrne who had a personal tally of 2-1.

For Mayo, Josie Ruane made a gallant effort to arouse her side to greater efforts while Anne Kilcourse and Geraldine Jordan were the only other defenders to impress. At centrefield Brid Scahill and Nora Clarke had a good first half but faded as the game advanced. Only Brid Brogan looked dangerous in attack.

Roscommon — K. Delaney; M. Mulhern; M. Hagerty, P. Smith (capt.), S. McNeill; N. Flanagan, M. Walshe, M. Keane; M. Naughton, K. O'Connor, C. Higgins; C. Byrne, Sub., A. Gannon for M. Keane.

Mayo — M. Barrett; J. Ruane; A. Kilcourse, A. Burke, G. Jordan; B. Scahill, S. Potter, N. Clarke; P. Golden, P. Finnerty.

Cork's Under 18's Now Take The Limelight

FOLLOWING Cork's hectic wins in the Munster Junior and Senior championships on Sunday last it is now the turn of the Under-18 side to take the limelight. They make the long journey to Castleisland where they take on Kerry on Sunday.

For this game Cork will have four of last week's senior twelve. They are Mary Whelton and Marion McCarthy, who made such impressive debuts on the senior side, Rosie Hennessy, who scored two grand goals and Pat Moloney, who did so well when Tipperary began to get on top. In addition Cork have seven of the junior side including Marion O'Leary, Anne Keane, Angela Higgins and Kay Doherty, all of who did so well for the juniors on Sunday last. This means that Cork must have a very strong side for this grade and must surely begin its favourites. However, Kerry have not played so far this season and are an 'unknown quantity'. In the past few years they have got a number of schools playing camogie in the county and no doubt they will draw on these players. They could produce quite a useful side but with Cork having a victory over Limerick behind them Kerry will hardly be able to match them in experience.

Cork Panel — M. Whelton (S.P.P.), B. McAuliffe (Olds Als.), N. Jennings (do.), M. O'Leary (do.), M. Mackey (Blarney), A. Higgins (Watergrasshill), A. O'Donovan (S.P.P.), M. McCarthy (do.), M. McSweeney (Youghal), P. Maloney (do.), P. Walsh (Old Als.), R. Hennessy (do.), K. Doherty (Blarney), A. Keane (Buttevant), M. Roche (Glanworth), C. Buckley (Ballinlough), G. Ring (Inniscarra).

CORK WIN EASILY

Cork 6-6, Kerry 0-1

Cork easily defeated Kerry in the semi-final of the Munster Under 18 camogie championship at Castleisland yesterday. After leading at half time by 6-4 to 0-1 they eventually won on the score of 6-6 to 0-1.

Scorers — Cork: R. Hennessy 2-1, P. Walsh 2-0, M. McCarthy 1-5, P. Moloney 1-0, M. McSweeney 0-2. Kerry's lone score came from Mary Geaney.

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The Roscommon Co. Camogie Team which defeated Mayo in the Connacht Camogie Final at Breaffy Park, Castlebar, on Sunday.

Back Row — L. to R. — Cathryn Byrne, Kathleen Delaney, Maura Hegarty, Sheila McNeill, Kathleen O'Connor, Mary Mulhern, Ann Gannon.

Front Row — L. to R. — Margaret Grehan, Marie Keane, Mary Margaret Naughton, Mary Walshe, Patsy Smith (Captain), Noreen Flanagan, Catherine Higgins.

Cork seem set for home double

For the past three years Cork have been represented on All-Ireland Final day. With the advantage of playing at home in their semi-final engagements with the Connacht champions on Sunday, they look forward hopefully to keeping their annual date at Croke Park. Galway provide the opposition in the senior game while Roscommon will keep the juniors occupied.

An All-Ireland Camogie title, in any grade, has yet to be annexed by a Connacht team. However, it would be foolish in the extreme for Cork to assume that they will have it all their own way. Galway, time and again, have toppled fancied sides who dared to treat them lightly. The meeting of these teams in Fermoy a few years ago serves as a grim lesson. Cork who, having swept through Munster, were pre-occupied with the prospect of meeting Dublin in the final. They were stunned by the showing of Galway and well beaten.

Galway's current form is unknown. They were unopposed in Connacht. As they withdrew from the championship last season, they have not played a championship match since losing by a point to Antrim in August, 1969. Undoubtedly, their side will have altered in the meantime but Rita O'Flaherty, Jane Murphy, Pat Feeney, Grace Divley and Mary Kilkenny should find places in the line-out.

WELCOME RETURN

Betty Sugrue makes a welcome return to the Cork team. She comes in at centre-field. Anne McAuliffe, who moved to centre-back in the Tipperary game, was such a success that she retains this vital position. Down the middle of the field from goalkeeper to Rosie Hennessy, Cork look strong. The combination and teamwork of the three South Pres. girls across the centre should prove advantageous. Cork will need to step up on the Munster Final performance but they are capable of rising their game well above that standard.

Roscommon will be breaking new ground in the junior title

This will be their first competitive match outside the boundaries of their own province. After many years in the doldrums the county was re-organised. The hard work of the officials involved was rewarded when Roscommon captured the Connacht Junior Championship last year. They gave Dublin, the ultimate winners, a good run for it in the All-Ireland semi-final.

Good victories over Sligo and Mayo put them in line for the Cork game. The team moved well in those outings and they travel south confident and going a step farther this year. Mary Mulhern, Noreen Flanagan, ex U.C.D. player Kathleen O'Connor and Catherine Byrne are the stars of what will be a very fit and eager outfit.

SHAKY

Cork juniors built up a commanding lead in the Munster Final but alarmingly watched it flitter away in the second half. The defence looked shaky under pressure. Nuala Jennings is introduced at left-back and should have a steadying effect on that sector. Rosie O'Sullivan, Mary Murphy, Blanch Gibbons, Deirdre Sutton and Marion O'Leary experienced disappointment at this stage of the competition last year. They are determined not to be caught again. The dangers of over-confidence and relaxation have been brought home. Cork have the ability to win this game and to set a headline for their seniors.

Cork (seniors): M. Cummins; M. Costin; H. Dinneen; A. McAuliffe; M. Whelton; A. Comerford; B. Sugrue; M. McCarthy; P. Moloney; L. Garvan; N. Gulliley and R. Hennessy. Subs. D. Sutton; M. Coleman, M. J. Ryan.

Cork (juniors): D. Sutton; M. Salter; R. O'Sullivan; M. O'Leary; N. Jennings; A. Higgins; M. Murphy; A. Keane; B. Gibbons; M. McSweeney; P. Walsh and K. Spillane. Subs. M. Mackey; P. Mortell; A. O'Donovan and M. Humphries.

Fixtures: All-Ireland semi-finals at Mardyke. Junior: Cork v Roscommon 2.15 (referee N. Mangan, Dublin). Senior: Cork v Galway 3.30 (ref. P. Breslin, Dublin).

Cork for camogie deciders

By TAOBH LINE

ALTHOUGH the first set of camogie semi-finals had to be postponed because of the position in the North, the second set goes on as scheduled on Sunday at Cork, where the home side face the Connacht champions in both senior and junior grade for the right to contest the All-Ireland finals at Croke Park on the third Sunday in September.

In the opening game, Cork face Roscommon in junior grade while the Cork senior holders of the All-Ireland title and the O'Duffy Cup will entertain Galway in the big game of the day.

Roscommon, who made their big breakthrough a year ago when they won their first Connacht title, and then gave the ultimate winners Dublin a good run in the junior semi-final, will travel south in hope. They retained their Western title in flying style by defeating Mayo, who had earlier accounted for a rather fancied Galway line-out.

They have talented players on their panel including Catherine Byrne, Nora Flanagan, Anne Gannon and Mary Benedetti.

On the other hand, the Cork juniors, who have been supreme in Munster since this competition began there, have been very hard-pushed to retain their southern title this year. They were held to a draw by Tipperary in the Munster final at Cloughjordan, and only narrowly survived a stern second-half

rally by the Tipperary girls in the replay at Cork.

Moreover, Cork failed at this stage in this grade a year ago, when they lost to Armagh before their own followers at the Mardyke, so their victory now cannot be taken for granted.

However, they are able to field a pretty seasoned side, with three experienced stalwarts in goal-keeper Deirdre Sutton, Marion O'Leary and Blanche Gibbons, and while Roscommon will make a bold bid for victory, I fancy Cork to come through.

In the senior game, the odds would seem to be more heavily stacked in favour of the home side, since this is Galway's first competitive appearance for two years.

They have not been asked to play in the senior grade in the west for two seasons, while last year they did not field against Kilkenny in their scheduled All-Ireland semi-final.

However, on their last competitive appearance, the Galway girls gave quite a hard semi-final run to fancied Antrim. And certainly two of their stars, Jane Murphy and Pat Feeney, have been playing some great camogie in the Ashbourne Cup series.

Moreover, they have quite a plus some of their former stars, schools players on whom to call, number of up and coming and they could well have a surprise in store for the All-Ireland champions.

Moreover, Cork are short at least three of last year's titles-

winning side as Aona Crotty and Peggy Doran have retired and Sheila Dunne is still abroad. Moreover, their famed forward, Liz Garvan, has not been in training due to an injury in the Munster final. But Betty Sugrue will be back in action and together with Mel Cummins, Marie Costin, Rosie Hennessy and Hannah Dineen should help see the holders through to the final for the second successive year.

The Cork teams are:

Senior — M. Cummins, M. Costin, H. Dinneen, A. Auliffe, M. Whelton, A. Comerford, B. Sugrue, M. McCarthy, P. Moloney, L. Garvan, N. Gulliley, R. Hennessy.

Junior—D. Sutton, M. Salter, R. O'Sullivan, M. O'Leary, N. Jennings, A. Higgins, M. Murphy, A. Keane, B. Gibbons, M. McSweeney, P. Walsh, K. Spillane.

CORK BLUNT ROSCOMMON'S TITLE HOPES

Roscommon's hopes of an All-Ireland camogie title were shattered on Sunday last by a strong Cork twelve which had an unexpected easy 5-6 to 1-2 win in a hard fought All-Ireland junior semi-final at the Mardyke.

The encounter was however by no means as one-sided as the final scoreline indicates with Roscommon very much in the game particularly in the first half. Trailing by only three points at the interval, the stage looked set for a thrilling second half. Even when Cork 'stole' away for their third goal five minutes after the resumption, Roscommon still looked capable of coming back. Though Roscommon did make a determined effort to get on terms, they had no really effective answer for a great late second half Cork rally that brought them two further goals and two points to clinch victory.

MIDFIELD PULL

Cork were vastly superior at midfield and it was indeed in this sector that this game was won and lost. With the exception of occasional patches the Roscommon trio were outpaced and over-shadowed to such an extent that they never looked like attaining the prominence they enjoyed in their previous outings. With the service to the forwards thus greatly curtailed the front line of attack never moved with the fluidity which had been the pattern of recent outings. The tendency of the entire attack to pick the ball proved a costly tactic which could not succeed against a close marking Cork defence.

But if the ground work for this Cork victory was laid at midfield it must be regarded as something of a personal triumph for centre half forward Marion McSweeney who roaming at will catching and carrying the ball to her forward colleagues. In the second half she completely upset the Roscommon defence and set up her side's four second half goals while notching two good points herself.

Fit and eager Cork set the pace from the throw-in, but though they did all the pressing during the early period nearly ten minutes elapsed before full forward Kay Spillane broke through for their first goal. Minutes later the same player pointed a 15 yard free to stretch the lead. Such a whirlwind start might have daunted a team of lesser spirit, but Roscommon showing great determination struck back. Mary Walsh lobbed a 30 yards free into the goal mouth where Catherine Byrne won the ensuing struggle for possession to finish it to the net.

This score set in motion a seesaw struggle for superiority which lasted for the remainder of the half with Roscommon making a tremendous effort to draw level. But it was Cork at times struggling to maintain their slender lead that got the next score when Mary Murphy pointed a close-in free. The same player had a point before Kathleen O'Connor did likewise at the other end for Roscommon. Cork's next score came directly from a back out with Mary Murphy sending a point from 30 yards to leave the half time score 4 to 1-1.

cope with a now rampant Cork attack which added two final goals per Kay Spillane and two points per Marion McSweeney to put the issue beyond doubt. While Roscommon had the disheartening experience of losing a game which they were given equal chances of winning, they can be justifiably proud of their performance. There was very little between the sides in basic skills. They came up against a good team and to have matched them in most aspects of the game except in the important matter of scoring was no mean feat.

The defence had a trying time in coping with an elusive Cork attack but they stuck to the task right through the game. In this sector Maura Hagerty and Patsy Smith gave polished performances when trying to subdue Marion McSweeney and Blanche Gibbons. At full back Mary Mulhern stuck resolutely to her task of marking danger forward Kay Spillane. Star of the defence however was goalie Kathleen Delaney who time and again stood between Roscommon and greater defeat.

Midfield appeared to be Roscommon's problem sector and neither Kathleen O'Connor, Noreen Flanagan or Marie Keane produced the expected form. None of the forwards reached the standard they are capable of and though they all tried hard only Mary Walsh and Catherine Byrne met with limited success.

In addition to those already mentioned Cork were well served by Rosie O'Sullivan and Marion O'Leary at half back. Deirdre Sutton was spectacularly sound in goals while Mary Salter at full back was the rock on which many Roscommon attacks perished.

Scorers — For Roscommon — C. Byrne (1-0), K. O'Connor (0-1), M. Walsh (0-1).

For Cork — K. Spillane (3-1), M. Murphy (1-3), M. McSweeney (0-2), B. Gibbons (1-0).

Cork — D. Sutton; M. Salter; Rose Sullivan, M. O'Leary, N. Jennings, A. Higgins, M. Murphy, A. Keane, B. Gibbons, M. McSweeney, P. Walsh; K. Spillane, McSweeney, P. Walsh; K. Spillane.

Roscommon — K. Delaney; M. Mulhern, S. McNeill, P. Smith, M. Hagerty; N. Flanagan, K. O'Connor, M. Keane; C. Higgins, M. Naughton, M. Walsh; C. Byrne.

Subs. — M. Grehan for S. McNeill; M. Dervin for M. Keane, A. Gannon for N. Flanagan.

Ref. Patricia Rafferty, Dublin.

Cork Seniors were never tested

CORK 3-14; GALWAY 0-3.

HOLDERS Cork were never tested in the All-Ireland senior camogie semi-final against Galway at the U.C.C. Grounds, Mardyke, yesterday. They also had things rather easy in the junior semi-final in which they defeated Roscommon.

Galway have not had a match for two years and this lack of match practice was very obvious throughout the game. They are the only team in Connacht which makes them automatic champions and because of a dispute last season they did not take part in the All-Ireland campaign. They had a number of very useful and hardworking players yesterday including goalie Margaret Killeen, full back Mary Kilkenny, centre Kathleen Quinn and forward Jane Murphy, but their lack of teamwork and fitness made theirs an impossible task from the start.

Then they had to contend with the tremendous scoring power of the Cork forward line. Rosie Hennessy at full forward was in brilliant scoring form, adding 2-5 to her side's tally. They had the constant threat of Liz Garvan at half forward. Liz, showing no ill effects from her injuries received in the Munster championship final, was everywhere, while Nuala Gilley snapped up her chances in grand style.

In the centrefield too, Cork were far superior with Galway having no answer to Anne Comerford, Betty Sugrue and Marion McCarthy. The Cork defence was never really tested but goalie Mel Cummins and backs Marie Costin, Hannah Dineen, Anne McAuliffe and Mary Whelton all dealt capably with whatever came their way. Proof of this is the fact that Galway only managed to score three points in the entire game.

FIRST TO SCORE

Galway were first to score with a point from a thirty by Jane Murphy, but Cork were quickly back on terms with a similar score from Liz Garvan. Almost immediately, Cork went ahead with another point from Marion McCarthy which was quickly followed by Rosie Hen-

nessy's first point. Then came the first goal of the game which Nuala Gilley scored for Cork and before the interval, the holders added five further points from Liz Garvan (0-2), Anne Comerford (0-2) and Nuala Gilley (0-1). To all this, Galway had no reply, leaving the half-time score at 1-8 to 0-1.

On the resumption Cork went quickly into the attack once again with a great goal from Rosie Hennessy which she quickly followed with a point. It was in this half that Rosie really came into her own adding a further 1-3 before the finish. Marion McCarthy and Liz Garvan also added points and Galway's only scores in this half were two points from Jane Murphy and Phil Foye, who came on as a reserve in the closing stages.

Cork now meet the winners of Antrim and Wexford, which is expected to be played on Sunday next, in the All-Ireland final.

Scorers: Rosie Hennessy (2-5), Nuala Gilley (1-1), Liz Garvan (0-4), Marian McCarthy (0-2) and Anne Comerford (0-2) were on the mark for Cork while Jane Murphy (0-2) and Phil Foye (0-1) were Galway's scorers.

Cork — M. Cummins, M. Costin, H. Dineen, A. McAuliffe, M. Whelton, A. Comerford, B. Sugrue, M. McCarthy, P. Moloney, L. Garvan, N. Gilley, R. Hennessy.

Galway: M. Killeen, M. Kilkenny, R. O'Flaherty, B. Buckley, R. Divilly, K. Quinn, C. Collins, S. Quinn, M. Forde, J. Murphy, K. Ward, M. Murphy. Subs.: M. Burke for M. Murphy, P. Foye for S. Quinn.

Juniors had it tougher

Cork 5-6, Roscommon 1-2.

Cork had a tougher game than their Junior All-Ireland semi-final against Roscommon, which was played at the U.C.C. Grounds, Mardyke, prior to the senior game.

In the first half, Cork led by 1-4 to 1-1, with the score coming from Kay Spillane (1-3), Mary Murphy (0-2) and Marion McSweeney (0-1). In this period Roscommon had a fine goal from Catherine Byrne and a point from Kathleen O'Connor. In this half, Cork had to fight a hard way, and Roscommon, who are only playing competitive camogie for five years, still looked in the game with a good chance.

However, in the second period Cork gradually began to dominate the game with a quick goal from Mary Murphy, which was soon followed by two goals from Kay Spillane, one of these a very spectacular affair. At this stage Roscommon added their single point of the second half from Mary Walsh, but Cork showed no mercy, and before the end Marion McSweeney added a further point and Blanche Gibbons finished the scoring with a well taken goal.

IMPRESSIVE

This left the full-time score at 5-6 to 1-2, which was a very impressive win, indeed, and must surely make up for their disappointing performance in last season's semi-final, when they were surprisingly defeated by Armagh in Cork.

Cork had great scoring power in the persons of Kay Spillane and Mary Murphy, while also impressive for Cork were Blanche Gibbons, Nuala Jennings and Angela Higgins. Roscommon, who were playing out of their own province for the first time had their best players in Catherine Byrne and Kathleen O'Connor.

Scorers:—K. Spillane (5-1), M. Murphy (1-3), M. McSweeney (0-2) and B. Gibbons (1-0) scored for Cork while M. Walsh (0-1), C. Byrne (1-0) and K. O'Connor (0-1) were on the mark for Roscommon.

Cork — D. Sutton, M. Salter, M. O'Sullivan, M. O'Leary, N. Jennings, A. Higgins, M. Murphy, A. Keane, B. Gibbons, M. McSweeney, P. Walsh, K. Spillane.

Roscommon — K. Delaney, M. Mulhern, M. Hagerty, P. Smith, S. McNeill, N. Flanagan, K. O'Connor, K. Higgins, M. M. Naughton, M. Walsh, M. Keane, K. Byrne.

Subs.—M. Grehan for S. McNeill, M. Dervin for M. Keane, A. Gannon for N. Flanagan.



Cork's Liz Garvan breaks away with the ball followed by Galway's Barbara Buckley during the All-Ireland senior camogie semi-final at the Mardyke. —("Examiner")

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CAMOGIE CHAMPIONS—The Ahane team which defeated Emmets by 2-3 to 0-1 in the final of the Co. Limerick Senior Camogie Championship at the Gaelic Grounds. This is Ahane's fifth successive win in the championship.



It's a goal for Cork, the first one, scored by K. Spillane, during the Munster junior camogie semi-final against Roscommon at the Mardyke. —("Examiner")

Wexford can win through to final

By TAOBH LINE

THE ANTRIM and Armagh camogie teams come South on Sunday next to take on the Leinster champions in the re-arranged All-Ireland camogie semi-finals.

These games were originally scheduled for last Sunday week, but Antrim then informed Central Council that they would be unable to fulfil their fixture which was to take place at a Wexford venue. Later the second semi-final between Dublin and Armagh was postponed.

Convincing

However, Wexford offered to waive their right to a home venue, the Ulster teams decided they could make the trip as far as Dublin, and the G.A.A. kindly placed Croke Park at their disposal, although it is not usual to play games on that pitch on the Sunday before the All-Ireland hurling final. So Armagh now meet Dublin at G.A.A. headquarters at 2.30 on Sunday next followed by Antrim and Wexford in the senior semi-final at 3.30.

Antrim, unlucky enough to lose to Cork, the ultimate championship winners, in last year's semi-final, have come very successfully through yet another Ulster campaign with very convincing wins over Derry and Down in turn. They still have a number of the players who achieved All-Ireland honours in 1967, notably goalkeeper Teresa Cassidy, Kathleen Kelly, now at full-back, Sue Cashman at mid-field, Mairead Diamond, now at centre-back, Mairead McAtamney on the left wing, Chris O'Boyle, Lily Scullion and Anne McIvor in attack.

Newcomers Maureen McGlone, Breda McAteer and the McClements sisters, Josephine and Bernadette, are up to the accepted Antrim standards and despite the fact that their training has necessarily been restricted, Antrim will travel South very hopefully indeed.

They face a stern task in taking on a Wexford side that, after winning the All-Ireland titles of 1968 and '69, feel they let the honours slip last year because of complacency. But they certainly showed plenty of

dedication this season, and reaped their reward when regaining the Leinster title.

First, they defeated holders, Kilkenny, at Kilkenny, a considerable achievement, and then they had four goals to spare over fancied Dublin in the Leinster final. On that showing, Wexford now may well be even more effective than they were in their championship years.

Teresa Shiels in goal, Joan Murphy, Bridie Jacob, and Mary Shannon are sound and experienced defenders. Wexford have a powerful mid-field trio in Annie Kehoe, Colleges star, Elsie Walsh, and the great Margaret O'Leary and sharp-shooting forwards in Mary Walsh, Josie Kehoe, and Mary Shiels.

All previous meetings between Wexford and Antrim have produced close and thrilling games. Next Sunday's clash should be no exception, but I think the greater all-round power of the Wexford girls should just see them through to another narrow victory.

New side

In the curtain-raiser Armagh will be hoping to avenge last year's defeat by Dublin in the junior final. Armagh will have many stars of that 1970 team on duty again, but Dublin as winners have had to find an entirely new side.

Armagh, backboned by two brilliant players, mid-fielder Mariar Delaney and the Newry All-Ireland Colleges captain Anne McCone at centre-back, were fancied to sweep past all opposition in the North but got an unexpected close call from Monaghan in the Ulster final. The McCone-Delaney axis, aided by goal-keeper Mary Finnegan, Angela Toal, Marian Courtney, Aileen McRory and Irene Patterson could see Armagh through to the All-Ireland final against Cork.

However, Dublin, led by the determined Pat Morrissey, and with very useful units in Jenny Dooley, Pat Rafferty, Sheila Wallace, Anna McManus, Dympea Caldwell and Miriam Higgins, came through Leinster in impressive fashion and are well capable of creating a surprise.

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Leinster Sides In Command

By AGNES HOURIGAN

TWO Leinster sides, Dublin (junior) and Wexford (senior) qualified for the All-Ireland camogie finals when they defeated Ulster champions Armagh and Antrim respectively in entertaining semi-finals before a small crowd but in bright sunshine at Croke Park yesterday.

Wexford Power Won The Day

WEXFORD 6-3

ANTRIM 3-3

Wexford All-Ireland champions in 1968 and 1969, readily qualified for the senior title for the third time in four seasons, but their eventual margin of three goals was slightly flattering, as Antrim had much of the play, but missed some reasonable scoring chances.

The start was sensational, with Lily Scullion scoring an Antrim point from the throw in. Mary Shiels dashing through for a Wexford goal almost from the puck-out, and Lily Scullion again putting Antrim in front with a great goal inside another minute.

Nine minutes later Josie Kehoe nipped in with a goal to give Wexford a lead they were never again to lose. Just on the half-time whistle, Mary Shannon goaled to leave the Leinster side in front 3-0 to 1-1 at the break.

Quick points by Margaret O'Leary and Mary Walsh on the restart stretched the lead for Wexford who now had the assistance of the wind.

A great goal by Lily Scullion briefly revived Antrim hopes, but two Wexford goals in the 10th minute, one from a Margaret O'Leary free and one from Mary Shiels decided the outcome.

Scorers — Wexford: Mx. Shiels (1-0), M. O'Leary (1-1), J. Kehoe (1-0), M. Shannon (1-0), M. Walsh (0-2), Antrim: L. Scullion (2-1), S. Cashman (1-1), M. McAtamney (0-1).

WEXFORD: T. Shiels; J. Murphy, P. Doyle, B. O'Connor, B. Jacobs; E. Walsh, M. O'Leary, A. Kehoe, M. Shannon, M. Walsh, M. Shiels; J. Kehoe.

ANTRIM: Y. Cassidy; K. Kelly; M. McGlone, M. Diamond, J. McClements; B. McAteer, S. Cashman, M. McAtamney; C. O'Boyle, A. McIvor, B. McClements; L. Scullion.

Referee: Miss L. O'Grady (Cork).

Dublin's Team Work Rewarded

DUBLIN 4-2

ARMAGH 1-2

Dublin, who beat Armagh by a point in last year's junior camogie final repeated that victory, but much more decisively, in yesterday's semi-final of the same grade.

Dublin, leading by 2-0 to 1-0 at the interval, proved much the more effective side in the second-half and had stretched their lead to seven points entering the last quarter.

However, they again had to thank their defence for holding off a late Armagh rally, before Miriam Higgins clinched victory for the Dubliners with a last-minute goal.

Scorers — Dublin: D. Caldwell (2-0), M. Higgins (1-1), M. O'Leary (1-0), A. McManus (0-1), Armagh: J. Austin (1-0), M. Delaney (0-2).

DUBLIN: M. Raymond, J. Dooley, P. Morrissey, S. Wallace, P. Rafferty, Dignam, M. Conroy, A. McManus; E. Sweeney, S. McEvoy, H. Higgins; D. Caldwell.

ARMAGH: Marie Finnegan; L. Scullion; M. Courtney, A. McCone, J. McCreamor; A. Toal, F. Delaney, L. Patterson; J. Austin; S. O'Hara, A. Beagan; McLaughlin, Subs: A. Kearns, S. O'Hara, M. McKenna for Beagan.

Referee: Miss M. Moran (Cork).



Wexford's J. Kehoe tries to get in a shot, as Antrim's M. McGlone covers off and goalkeeper K. Kelly anxiously awaits outcome during the all-Ireland Camogie Senior semi-final at Croke Park yesterday.

Cork's Marian McCarthy was in brilliant form

Cork 7-9, Tipperary 4-1

CORK won their third Munster camogie title of the season at Ballinlough yesterday when they defeated Tipperary by 7-9 to 4-1 in the under-18 final.

The Cork team was made up mainly of senior and junior players and their greater experience was obvious from the start. However, playing with a strong wind in the second half, Tipperary made a gallant bid to come back into the game, with two great goals from Biddy Heffernan. But their efforts were not enough, as Cork came storming back and, for the last quarter, there was only one team in it.

Marion McCarthy, who is playing her first senior county season, was in tremendous form in the centre of the field. She was a very accurate free-taker and got a great goal from one of these frees. In addition, she did great work around the centre and must be one of the big successes of the current season.

TOP-CLASS ATTACK

Tipperary, too, were up against a top-class forward line. Rosie Hennessy and Pat Moloney, both members of the Cork senior side, were in wonderful scoring form, while Marion McSweeney, a member of the junior side, had a great game in this sector also. To this challenge, Tipp had no answer, despite the untiring efforts of Siobhan Tynan, who tried again and again to get her side going.

Cork were also well served by Nuala Jennings, Marie Mackey and Angela Higgins, while Tipperary had their best players in Siobhan Tynan, Biddy Heffernan and Marion Troy.

Cork opened the scoring with a quick point from Marion McSweeney, which was immediately followed by two further points from Marion McCarthy. Then came Cork's first goal from Rosie Hennessy, which she followed in a few minutes with a similar score.

Then Marion McSweeney

added a goal before Tipp got their first point from Margaret Teehan. Tipperary then enjoyed a short period of superiority, with Margaret Teehan and Joan Carroll scoring two further goals. But Cork came back with a minor from Rosie Hennessy, to leave the half-time score at 3-4 to 2-1 in the home team's favour.

HAD ADVANTAGE

In the second half, Tipperary had the advantage of a strong wind, but it was Cork who opened the scoring once again with a grand goal from Rosie Hennessy. Pat Moloney then added a point before Tipperary made their come-back bid. This consisted of two great goals from Biddy Heffernan, and for a short period, it looked as if Tipperary were back in the game with a chance.

However, their hopes were short-lived, as Cork went on a scoring spree and before full-time had added 3-3 to their side's tally, leaving the final score at: Cork 7-9, Tipperary 4-1 — a very convincing win indeed.

After the game, the trophy was presented to the Cork captain, Angela Higgins, by Miss Eithne Neville, secretary of the Munster Council.

The scorers for the winners were: Rosie Hennessy 4-3, Marion McCarthy 1-4, Marion McSweeney 1-1 and Pat Moloney 1-1, while Biddy Heffernan 2-0, Margaret Teehan 1-1 and Joan Carroll 1-0 were on the mark for Tipperary.

Cork — M. Whelton, B. McAuliffe, N. Jennings, M. O'Leary, M. Mackey, A. Higgins (capt.), A. Keane, M. McCarthy, M. McSweeney, P. Walsh, R. Hennessy and P. Moloney.

Tipperary — J. Carroll, M. Minogue, P. Quigley, S. Tynan, B. Feehan, M. Ryan, N. Dwane, T. Molloy, B. Heffernan, M. Teehan, M. Troy and M. Moynihan. Subs. M. Tynan for M. Moynihan, B. Sullivan for P. Feehan.



for a high ball in the All-Ireland senior camogie semi-final between Antrim and Wexford at Croke Park yesterday.

Cork bid for a clean sweep

By TAOBH LINE

WILL Cork make a clean sweep of all available camogie honours this season? It seems quite possible because, after making a clean sweep of every Munster championship, both Colleges competitions, and the minor, junior and senior inter-county grades, the Cork girls now have high hopes of taking both all-Ireland titles when the senior and junior finals are played at Croke Park on Sunday, September 19.

No county has ever before captured both the senior and junior all Ireland crowns in the same season, nor indeed have both titles ever gone in the same year to the same province.

But Cork were once before involved in a bid for the double. That was in 1968 when they failed to win either title, the juniors losing to Down, and the seniors failing to Wexford. In the following year, the juniors again appeared in the final, but were again narrowly and unexpectedly defeated by an Ulster side, Derry this time.

LONG LAPSE

Last year, when the Cork seniors retained the title and the O'Duffy Cup after a 29-year lapse, the juniors, though they did win through again in Munster, did not appear in the final, as they were beaten by Armagh in the semi-final and Armagh failed by a point to Dublin in the final.

In fact, Cork could record a triple success at Croke Park on All-Ireland camogie final day, as this time, to help ease a fixtures crunch, the camogie finals will be followed by the All-Ireland Under-21 football final, in which Cork are also engaged against Fermanagh.



● Mrs. Mary Jo Daly, formerly Ryan, of Tallow Street, Youghal, Co. Cork, showing the many trophies won by her family for hurling and camogie. Mary Jo, holder of an All-Ireland Senior, five Munster and County Junior and Intermediate medals with Youghal, is a member of the Cork panel for the All-Ireland Senior final at Croke Park on September 19.

CORK BID FOR FIRST CAMOGIE DOUBLE

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Betty Sugrue (South Pres.), captain of the Cork team for Sunday's senior camogie championship final at Croke Park.

CORK stand the chance of making camogie history in Croke Park on Sunday when the junior and senior teams contest the All-Ireland finals. No county has ever brought off the double. The standard of the opposition, however, makes Cork's task a very formidable one indeed.

In the senior game, Cork, the holders, face Wexford. The Model County won the cup in 1968, when they beat Cork in the final, and again in 1969. On their way to the final, Wexford have been very impressive. They overcame top-class teams in Kilkenny, Dublin and Antrim. Cork, on the other hand, did not make the same impact. They scraped home by a point against Tipperary and had an easy win over a very poor Galway side in the semi-final.

Wexford will start as favourites. Their line-out contains a galaxy of stars. Teresa Shiels, Joan Murphy, Bridget O'Connor and Peggy Doyle are experienced and very competent defenders. Newcomer Bridie Jacobs (a sister of Wexford hurler, Christy) has settled down very well in this sector. Wexford's greatest strength lies across the centre of the field. Schoolgirl Elsie Walsh, the renowned Margaret O'Leary and Annie Kehoe form a powerful line. The 1968 captain, Mary Walsh, is playing brilliantly at centre-forward, and has very able helpers in Mary Shannon, Josie Kehoe and breakaway forward Mary Shiels.

BUSIER TIME

While Cork had a runaway win over Galway, one wonders how much higher they could have raised their game had the occasion demanded it. "Melon" Cummins, who kept her goal intact on that occasion, may expect a much busier time from the Wexford forwards. Marie Costin has matured into a fine full-back and has built up a good understanding with her goalkeeper. Hannah Dineen and Mary Whelton will have their hands full with the speedy Wexford wingers. To Anne McAuliffe falls the task of curbing the dangerous Mary Walsh. Anne has the speed and energy to keep with her.

Cork's chances of success hinge to a large degree on their ability to hold the Wexford centre-field. Dublin, in the Leinster final, failed miserably. They over-concentrated their attention on Margaret O'Leary, thus leaving the wingers ample room to move, with disastrous results. Marion McCarthy, Betty Sugrue and Pat Moloney will each have to be responsible for her own player. If this talented Cork trio set about the job in determined fashion, they could throw their opponents off their stride.

Anne Comerford moves into the forward line, where she joins Liz Garvan, Nuala Gullley and Rosie Hennessy. All four are capable of taking their scores, but they must make use of every opportunity that comes their way. While indications point to a Wexford victory, no team is unbeatable. If Cork set about their task in a determined state of mind, they could upset their fancied opponents and retain the trophy. It would, however, be fatal for Cork to allow Wexford to dominate or to try to play them at their own lifting, physical game. Cork's answer must be first-time ground play.

JUNIORS' BID

The junior tie should provide a sharp contrast of style to the senior game. Dublin are essentially a team. They do not depend on one or two stars, but field 12 useful players who have been blended into an effective outfit by their coach, Nell McCarthy. Each Dublin girl has been drilled in the requirements of her role, understands the play of her team-mates and forms part of an accomplished machine.

Pat Morrissey, Sheila Wallace, Marion Conroy and Dymphna Caldwell may shade the others in ability, but there is no weak link in the side. Every Cork girl will have to accept responsibility for the individual she is marking and make sure that she will be one cog in the wheel which will not click.

MOVED WELL

Cork moved well against Roscommon in the semi-final. The defence looked tighter than in previous outings. Dublin employ their wing forwards much more than any other county, in an effort to get in behind the defence. Rosie O'Sullivan and Nuala Jennings must try to seal the side entrances. Anne Keane looks back to her best form during training. She, Mary Murphy and Angela Higgins could lay the foundations of a Cork victory by exerting their authority in midfield.

Blanch Gibbons, who is on her honeymoon, will be missed. However, her absence will be compensated to some degree by the return of Mary Mahon, who was away for the last two games. The forwards may expect nothing easy from the quick-tackling Dublin backs. The Cork juniors have experienced disappointment in two All-Ireland finals. They have the ability to alter that situation and set a headline for their seniors.



Deirdre Sutton (Glen Rovers), custodian and captain of the Cork junior team for Sunday's All-Ireland championship final.



Fourteen-years-old Ann Keane, Buttivant, youngest of the Cork players, lines out at centre-field against Dublin.



Ann Comerford (South Pres.), who captained Cork last year, lines out this year as wing forward against Wexford.



Rosie Hennessy (Old Aloysians), full-forward with Cork seniors.



Angela Higgins (Watergrasshill) lines out at centre-field on the Cork junior team.

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WEXFORD TO DETHRONE THE CHAMPS!

'WEXFORD to triumph'—behind this prediction lies nights, weeks, months of preparatory work-outs by the girl-Gaels of Wexford, who take on the holders Cork in the 39th All-Ireland senior Camogie championship final at Croke Park on Sunday next (2.30 p.m.).

With devoted attention to detail, the rigorous demands of full training have been gone into by both panels and this and other factors combine to assure a fitting feast for followers who will be flocking to Headquarters from early morning on. 'Thriller' is a word that to-day has come in for quite a lot of mis-use: it is thrown around lightly by many sportswriters—yours truly included, no doubt!—so that it has become by and large a mere euphemistic tag for all games, be they big or small.

However, next Sunday afternoon's game is one of the most long-awaited clashes of the last few years, and with the standard of Camogie showing remarkable progress year after year at every level, it is not being over-optimistic to say that the game should herald a new, exciting milestone in the sport.

Pitted against each other for the premier prize—the O'Duffy cup—are two of the foremost Camogie players in Ireland to-day. Since many years ago a full-blooded, stirring rivalry has existed between the Gaeldoms of Corcaigh and Lec Garman, but in the game of the girl-Gaels the rivalry can be traced back to a mere three years ago when the two counties contested the senior final. This was, in fact, the first time in the history of the game that both were drawn against each other in a Camogie game (and has been the only time), the added attraction being that it was the championship final.

That memorable year Wexford created history by taking their first Leinster senior title, for the first time since the inauguration of the series thirty-six years before (1932). The Slaneysiders created further history travelling to the green glens of Glengarriff (Antrim) and defeating the homesters in the semi-final. This was a big 'shocker' in Camogie circles—'fledgling' Wexford, making their way up the ladder for the first time, defeating the experienced Northerners on home ground, and qualifying for the All-Ireland final for the first time.

POWER AND GLORY

The final, of course, is now part of history. The year 1968 unleashed on the land, for the first time, the power and glory of Wexford Camogie. That year they showed little trace of 'nerves' by defeating the top sides, and in the decider overcame Cork in a tough, history-making game. So next Sunday sees a repeat of this—when Cork will be out to avenge that galling '68 defeat, quite apart from seeking to retain their title, easily won from Kilkenny last year.

Cork show a few changes from the side that last met Wexford, but the bulk of that year's team will again see action on Sunday. New faces on the Leaside line-out this time are Mary Whelton (defence); Marion McCarthy, Betty Sugrue (capt.) and Pat Moloney—the midfield trio—and Nuala Guillely in the attack. Included in those missing from the Wexford team of that year are Carmel Fortune, Phyllis Quinn (née Kehoe), Brigid Doyle and the legendary Mary Sinnott.

In Camogie time passes quickly for the young successful county. The rapidity with which the game has accelerated in Wexford has been truly amazing in the period 1968-'71, and the county even now is doing its utmost to keep up with the pace. This breath-taking upsurge has had its advantages and disadvantages, but in the main the latter outweigh the former, so that to-day Wexford is one of the most talented, youthful, well-equipped, forward-looking and best organised counties in Ireland.

Sunday's final, it is hoped, will be a memorable occasion, as good and indeed better than the '68 clash. Cork completed their Munster campaign well, defeating Tipperary in a hard-fought final, and easily accounting for Galway in the qualifying semi-final. Behind them they have a great tradition—they took the title in its 3rd year (1934) and went on to record six more wins ('35, '36, '39, '40, '41 and then '70), and were runners-up in '38, '42, '43, and '55, '56 and '68. Their fantastic feats in finals in the '40's—six All-Ireland appearances in a row—amply illustrate this tradition, compared with Wexford's more recent success of winning the finals in '68 and '69. This tradition, too, counts for a lot, but in reality it has no real bearing on next Sunday's game.

To-day the emphasis is fully on youth and speed, though the craft of 'veteran' sides as Antrim is never to be discounted for an instant.

Still, it is essential to have this youth and, better still, experienced youth. In this department both Wexford and Cork are well represented, particularly Cork who, as one of the best organised counties in the country, will rely heavily on the stars of the College fields. Two, in particular—19-year-old brilliant U.C.C., county, province and ex-Old Aloysians' star Liz Garvan, and 18-year-old Als' starlet, Rosie Hennessey (full-forward)—two 'greats' of College competition.

Most of the present Cork line-out first came to notice in inter-college competition. It was only this year that we in Wexford got going seriously in this line, and for the first time a player famed at college level—18-year-old Elsie Walsh—is included on a Wexford senior team.

Can Wexford recapture the cup they last won in 1969? Yes—very definitely. On Wednesday they completed one of the most demanding training sessions ever undertaken by a Wexford team, sessions that have been going on since April last. However, it was only before and after the All-Ireland semi-final that they got down to the grinding, no-nonsense boots that would do justice to the county hurling team. Yes, they have the talent and ability to bring home the crown once more and deprive Cork of everyone's ambition—to beat Wexford in the championships.

Goalie Teresean Shiel, with the best of cover from sound full-back Joan Murphy, should be at her best and the half-backs are effectively and quickly 'finding their feet,' even in the face of prolonged pressure from some of the best attacking units in the game. To centre-back Bridget O'Dwyer goes the unenviable task of marking Cork's Liz Garvan: stylish, strong and intelligent, Liz is deadly dangerous from play as she is from placed balls. Of Cork's 5 goals and 7 points total (to 3-2) in last year's final, Garvan scored an impressive 3-3, scorier 2-2 of their interval total of 3-4 in the first half.

DANGER FOR WEXFORD

There is real danger here for Wexford in the blond Leaside bomber Cork will be out for early scores in an effort to intimidate Wexford into errors, and Garvan is just the one to do this. However, I have a great regard for Bridget O'Dwyer, one of the most underestimated players on the Wexford team, and I feel she, 'Never say die' Bridie Jacob, and the rest of the defence will come out on top.

Midfield could hold the key of the game and in the Kehoe/O'Leary-Walsh partnership Wexford must surely hold all the aces. This is, to my mind, the best midfield in Ireland—the brilliant O'Leary flanked by two youthful, energetic and stylish stars—and I will be surprised if they don't have a decided 'edge' over Cork's Marion McCarthy, captain Betty Sugrue and Pat Morrissey. However, the Wexford trio will want to improve very much on their semi-final form.

But now on to the forwards. A good deal of criticism has been levelled at this sector—"The forwards are very suspect," etc.—but in each game they have ended up with five and six goals per match. Suspect? I don't think so, for they are certainly improving and Mary Walsh, that strong centre-forward and great artiste, has hit top gear the whole year. One of the forwards' chief failings in the past has been a 'craze' for lifting the ball in all circumstances—even a few feet from the goal. This, of course, is most undesirable, and the Wexford girls will get nowhere against the likes of Hannah Dineen, Ann McAuliff and Marie Coston if they start 'messing.' First-time pulling is the only thing and thankfully the Wexford attack has improved 100 per cent. on this score—with the inevitable happy results.

This is a well-balanced Wexford team and one of the best to represent the county in many a year. They have shown the seriousness with which they can take their tasks by defeating three top teams. Brilliant Margaret O'Leary will be high on the list of 'dangers' for Cork, but they must also reckon with such match-winners as Elsie Walsh, Bridie Jacob, Mary Walsh, Jessie and Annie Kehoe, Bridget O'Dwyer and the rest.

The team will not be found wanting in stamina, and this, allied to their natural skills and abilities, and, above all, the over-riding desire to bring the O'Duffy cup to the Slaneyside, should see them lower the red flag of Cork next Sunday afternoon, even if by a couple of points.

It will take a hard, taxing 50 minutes, but my vote goes solidly to the determined caillins of the Model County.

*Finally, it would be wise to remember that on Sunday Cork will be engaged in no less than all three games at Croke Park—senior and junior Camogie, and under-21 football. The expected large following from Wexford will likely be outnumbered by something like 2 to 1, so a bit of advice: to the Wexford team—"We're all behind you to the finish," and to supporters—"Let yourselves be heard!"

Wexford to spoil Cork hopes

By TAOBH LINE

CORK. THE 1970 camogie champions face a very stern challenge to their supremacy when they face Wexford, champions in 1968 and 1969 in the All-Ireland senior final at Croke Park on Sunday next. The Cork girls will be seeking a double, as their juniors figure in the opening game, in which they face the current champions, Dublin.

Cork, who by defeating Kilkenny in last year's final, recaptured a title they had not held since 1941, must field without three of last season's side. Peggy Dorgan and the great Anna Croty have retired from the game, while Sheila Dunne, who has only recently returned from a summer of holiday-work in the United States, is not reckoned fully fit as yet, but it is quite likely to make her appearance before the game is over.

However, Cork aim to field the same side as routed Galway in the All-Ireland semi-final, and after a sharp spell of training the team to feel reasonably confident.

They had a very close call indeed against Tipperary in the Munster final, and had to battle hard to hold on to their one-point lead through the closing stages.

But they are now a much better balanced side. In addition to the players already named Mary Jo Ryan is another of last year's team now among the reserves.

Ann McAuliffe has been filling the centre-back position with authority and has fine helpers in goalkeeper Eleanor Cummins, full-back Marie Costin and right-back Hanna Dineen.

Betty Sugrue, who captains the side is again at mid-field after missing some of the earlier matches. Marion McCarthy retains her place on the right wing but Pat Moloney is now on the left wing, switching places with Anne Comerford, who is now at right forward.

Lively players

Nuala Gullley is in the other corner berth, with the two lively former Colleges' stars, Liz Garvan and Rosie Hennessy at centre-forward and full-forward respectively.

This is a sound Cork side, and

will take a deal of beating, but they have not been as stiffly tested on the way up as their Wexford opponents have.

In the Leinster semi-final they had their closest run from the provincial title-holders Kilkenny. Then in the final they had their easiest ever win over Dublin finishing twelve points ahead of the team that had knocked them off their All-Ireland throne last season, while in the All-Ireland semi-final they lasted the pace too well for an Antrim side that faded after a flying start.

With eight players who have already won All-Ireland medals, Wexford do not lack experience and they are very strong in every sector of the field. To date, their most effective sector has been provided by the mid-field trio of Margaret O'Leary, Elsie Walsh, and Annie Kehoe, their captain from Adamstown-Cloughbawn, whose sister Josie plays at full-forward.

Good teamwork

Even if one or other of this trio is contained their teamwork is still such as to give the side the advantage. Margaret O'Leary was well held by Sue

Cashman through the opening half of the game against Antrim and still proved a great force after the interval when school-star Elsie Walsh also did remarkably well against the great Mairead McAtamney.

Teresa Shiels is a very experienced goalkeeper, while Peg Doyle, Joan Murphy, Bridie Jacon and Bridget O'Connor are all very sound defenders.

In attack Mary Shannon, Mary Walsh, Josie Kehoe and Mary Shiels have all proved their worth before now.

Although I feel we have not yet seen Cork at their best this season, Wexford have come triumphantly along a much harder road to this final, and on those grounds get my vote for a narrow victory.

In the junior final, Cork, who have twice in three seasons missed junior honours by a single point at Croke Park, will be slightly fancied to take this title at the third attempt.

But Dublin were very impressive in their semi-final victory over Armagh, and if they can field at full-strength—they have been dogged by injuries of late—could spring a surprise.

Cork had to go to a replay

to defeat Tipperary in Munster but outpaced Roscommon in the second half of their semi-final. Dublin had good Leinster victories over Meath, Kilkenny and a fancied Wexford side to retain their Leinster title.

WEXFORD

J. Murphy
P. Doyle B. O'Connor B. Jacob
A. Kehoe (capt.) M. O'Leary E. Walsh
M. Shannon M. Walsh M. Shiels
J. Kehoe
Reserves—T. Shannon, P. Moore,
B. Murphy, M. Hearne.

CORK

E. Cummins
M. Costin
H. Dineen A. McAuliffe F. Whelton
M. McCarthy B. Sugrue P. Moloney
(capt.)
A. Comerford L. Garvan N. Gullley
R. Hennessy
Reserves—D. Sutton, M. J. Ryan,
S. Dunne, M. Coleman.

JUNIOR

Cork — D. Sutton, M. Salter, E. O'Sullivan, M. O'Leary, N. Jennings, A. Keane, M. Murphy, A. Higgins, M. Humphries, M. McSwaney, M. Mahon, K. Spillane.
Dublin — M. Raymond, J. Dooley, P. Morrissey (capt.), S. Wallace, P. Rafferty, C. Dignan, M. Conroy, A. McManus, E. Sweeney, S. McEvoy, M. Higgins, D. Caldwell. Subs.—M. O'Reilly, F. Murray, U. Cormican, C. Lyons.

CAMOGIE ALL-IRELAND



Three East Cork girls on the Cork junior team for Sunday's All-Ireland Junior Camogie Championship final against Dublin. From left—Rose O'Sullivan, Castlemartyr, Mary Salter and Kay Spillane, Churchstown.



Cork junior team forwards Mary Mahon (Munster Inst.) and Mary Humphreys, Blarney, for Sunday's All-Ireland Junior Camogie Championship final against Dublin at Croke Park.

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PEN PICTURES OF COUNTY'S BEST

TERESA SHEIL (goal): Cool as a cucumber, eye of an eagle — dependable and consistent, usually superb, often scintillatingly brilliant. She has worked out a great understanding with her full-back and with this cover is one of the most dependable and spectacular 'keepers in the game. In a county that has thrown up so many now stars in latter years, surprisingly few 'regular' goalies have come to light; those who have have certainly been inspired by Teresa, one of Ireland's top four cult-baires.

CLUB: St. Ibar's, Castlebridge. **Residence:** Screen, **Honours:** Two All-Ireland, 3 Leinster senior, 2 inter-provincial, Leinster intermediate.

JOAN MURPHY (full-back): If ever a position was made for a player, the full-back role was 'made' for the pride of Wexford town's Hill Street. One of the 'greats' of Irish Camogie, she has brought great distinction to Slaneyside Camogie long before the current revival that stemmed from the '68 win. A full-back's role rivals that of goalie in its responsibility—Joan Murphy has turned in amazing thorough displays year after year so that today she ranks with the all-time greats.

CLUB: St. John's, Wexford. **Residence:** Wexford. **Honours:** Two All-Ireland, 3 Leinster senior, 8 intermediate, 5 inter-provincial (7 appearances). **Power's** Gold Label Award (1970).

PEGGY DOYLE (right half back): Member of the Wexford team that won the provincial junior final in 1968, its inaugural year. Steady club player, it's her first year on the senior team—she was sub. in 1970, coming on in the ill-fated semi-final against Dublin, and in '69 and '68. Unspectacular but solidly sound, very quick to cover off. Though still young, has been playing Camogie for many years and is an experienced player.

CLUB: St. Ibar's. **Residence:** Ballynasc, Ballymurrin. **Honours:** Two All-Ireland's, 1 Leinster senior, 1 Leinster junior.

BRIDGET O'DWYER (centre half-back): Appearances can be deceptive and with Bridget able, unremarkable and devastating

O'Dwyer this is certainly the case. The apparent casualness with which she clears away danger, cutting it off so expertly before it has a chance to ferment, is a heart-warming sight. Tidy, controlled play is her hallmark. Flanking to the left the great centre-back Bridget Doyle in the team's half-back line of earlier successes, Bridget has taken over the vital centre-back role with splendid ease. Better known as Bridget O'Connor, but better known still as one of the most effective defenders in the game. Most deservedly earning inter-provincial recognition last season.

CLUB: St. Patrick's, Campille. **Residence:** Old Ross. **Honours:** Two All-Ireland's, 3 Leinster, 1 inter-provincial.

BRIDIE JACOB (left half-back): Wiry Bridie would worm her way out of half a dozen players as she would round one attacker. Only in comparatively recent times did she take up the game—1969, when she played with St. Ibar's in the county final — and is even at present improving, improving, improving. Covered great ground, did tremendous work against Antrim, bringing welcome steadiness to the backs early in the game—will surely do the same against Cork. Is one of the most active workers for the game in the county and a leading organiser in her club. Sister of hurling brothers Mick, Charley and Robbie.

CLUB: Buffers Alley. **Residence:** Monavullion, Oulart. **Honours:** One Leinster senior.

ANNIE KEHOE (centre-field, right): Team captain, speedy, long-striding Annie, on her day, is a terrific artist. A 'speedier' Bridie Doyle (her sister) is a good description—conveying the range of abilities of red-haired Annie. Still young—she was a brilliant member of the '68 junior team — she was drafted on to the senior side the following year, overcoming early nerves to become a regular member. She is one of the famous Kehoes of Clonleith and is seen at her brilliant best with her club. With her club she is usually centre-forward, from where she is one of the deadliest, most unpredictable, able, unremarkable and devastating

centre-forwards in club championships, shooting with spectacular accuracy from left or right. She had an untypically poor outing in this year's semi-final against Antrim, but no doubt this was just an off-day and that she will lead her side to a great win, in true captain's style, next Sunday.

MARGARET O'LEARY (centre-field, centre): If Camogie was Soccer, Margaret O'Leary would be receiving a weekly wage something like £3,500. The one and only, she has brought unprecedented distinction to the game in her country and county. A cracked ankle has posed no problems for the Camogie Queen. In the semi-final and neither will 13 Cork girls next Sunday. Totally, utterly dedicated to the game, she has been the inspiration of Wexford seniors in countless games, and as well to hundreds of girls to take up the game all over the county. It could have been simple for her to have won a few All-Ireland's with Dublin when she worked and resided there in the '60's, but she kept plugging with her county in intermediate and senior until at last success came. There is no player to rival her as Ireland's most effective exponent of Camogie.

CLUB: Buffers Alley. **Residence:** Garrydaniel, Monamolin. **Honours:** Two All-Ireland, 3 Leinster senior, 7 intermediate, 4 inter-provincial (6 appearances), 1 All-Ireland club championship (Eoghan Ruidh, Dublin, '68), Power's Gold Label Award (2), Cuchullain and Gaelic Weekly awards, Irish Press 'Sport Star of Week' ('68).

ELISE WALSH (centre-field, left): When Elise Walsh was nominated as the 1970 Camogie star of the year in The Echo's sports review in January last, it was an award that was historical. The year before she had, though only 17 years of age, brought new glory, new colour to the Camogie scene in Wexford. 1970 was a terrific year for her—an outstanding player who figured in outings with the county senior and junior teams, Mercy Convent, Enniscorthy, in the inter-colleges' series, and senior championships with her club. Our nomination was a tribute to

her versatility and her talent, and this has been so profoundly emphasised more than ever in 1971. This year she led the school team to take the premier award — a uniquely historical event in Wexford's Camogie story — and is fast following in the footsteps of her renowned clubmate Margaret O'Leary. Elise, a regular with the county junior team since aged 13, has tasted the cup of success in many directions — the outcome, surely, of her great-heartedness, her skill and talent. What is most satisfactory about this, however, is that in the process she has shown admirable maturity in her star-studded path to the heady temperament of a senior inter-county star.

CLUB: Buffers Alley. **Residence:** Efernogue, Ferns. **Honours:** One Leinster senior, 1 Leinster junior colleges (first, 1970/'71), Echo Camogie star of Year (1970, first). **MARY SHANNON** (right half-forward): Strong and forceful Mary, a member of a well-known family—sister of Dick, niece of Paddy, sister of Teresa (sub, goal) and Ellen—can be devastatingly effective around the goal. Her only failing has been a tendency to lift the ball near the goal-mouth, but this year she has overcome this very well and even when 'pulling first time' retains the strength and power to knock holes in the best defensive set-ups.

CLUB: St. Patrick's. **Residence:** Aclare, Campille. **Honours:** Two All-Ireland, 3 Leinster.

MARY WALSH (centre half-forward): Mary Walsh has, in her long and distinguished career, had many fine years, but many people around are of the opinion that 1971 is by far her finest. And who is to argue with this after seeing her excellent display against Dublin in the provincial final and then an event better outing in the semi-final against Antrim. History-maker Mary, one of the pillars of her club team, was the girl who captained her county to its first ever All-Ireland title in memorable '68. Cork were the victims on that occasion and the Leinsterers will once more this year discover that Mary is the all-time great she was on that occasion three years ago. **CLUB:** St. Ibar's. **Residence:**

Ballysimon, Monageer. **Honours:** Two All-Ireland's (capt. first '68), 3 Leinster senior, 2 inter-provincials (captain '68), 7 intermediate. **MARY SHEEL** (right half-forward): The third Mary of the half-forward line, Mary will be better known as the former Mary Doyle. Opportunist Mary is the master of the half-chance—if the ball rises in mid-air near the goal for a split second, Mary Sheel will have it in the net before someone else has her stick half-raised to clear. Dangerous to all defenders, especially to those unfortunate enough to hesitate even for the blink of an eye. Sister of half-back and sister-in-law of the goalie. **CLUB:** St. Ibar's. **Residence:** Wexford. **Honours:** 2 All-Ireland's, 3 Leinster, 1 inter-provincial.

JOSIE KEHOE (full-forward): Another of the famed Clonleith family, Josie swings a bundle of dynamite in her left-handed shots, and possesses the 'head' to avail of any opening or slackness by backs. Josie came to prominence in '68, being a notable member of the junior side and then being drafted on to the senior team for that year's All-Ireland final. That year, too, she played a major part in the history-making feat of her club—the winning of both county junior and senior titles in the same year—and they haven't been beaten in the two senior finals since.

Residence: Adamstown-Cloughbawn, All-Ireland, 3 Leinster senior, 1 Leinster junior.

THE RESERVES

TERESA SHANNON (sub, goalie): Club: St. Patrick's. **Residence:** Aclare, Campille. **Honours:** One Leinster senior, 1 Leinster junior.

BERNIE MURPHY. **Club:** St. John's. **Residence:** Wexford. **Honours:** Two All-Ireland's, 1 Leinster senior, 1 Leinster junior (capt. first, '68).

PEG MOORE: Club: Kilrush St. Brigid's. **Residence:** Kilrush. **Honours:** One All-Ireland, 1 Leinster senior. **MAGGIE HEARNE**: Club: Buffers Alley. **Residence:** Wexford. **Honours:** One Leinster senior, 7 intermediate, 2 inter-provincials (appearances).

CORK SENIOR TEAM

- ELEANOR CUMMINS (South Pres.)
- MARIE COSTIN (Cloyne)
- ANNE McAULIFFE (Old Als)
- HANNAH DINEEN (South Pres)
- MARY WHELTON (South Pres)
- MARION MCCARTHY (South Pres)
- BETTY SUGRUE (South Pres) (captain)
- PAT MOLONEY (Youghal)
- ANNE COMERFORD (South Pres)
- LIZ GARVAN (U.C.C.)
- NUALLA GUILLEY (Cloyne)

ROSIE HENNESSY (Old Als)

Subs: Deirdre Sutton (Glen Rovers), Mary Jo Ryan (Youghal), Sheila Danne (Canovee), Maura Coleman (Glen Rovers).

CORK JUNIOR TEAM

- DEIRDRE SUTTON (Glen Rovers)
- MARY SALTER (Churchtown)
- MARION O'LEARY (Old Als)
- NUALA JENNINGS (Old Als)
- MARY MURPHY (Old Als)
- ANGELA HIGGINS (Watergrasshill)
- MARY HUMPHRIES (Blarney)
- MARION McSWEENEY (Youghal)
- MARY MAHON (Munster Institute)
- KAY SPILLANE (Churchtown)

Subs: Pat Mortell (Battavant), Mario Mackey (Blarney), Annette O'Donovan (South Pres), Phil Walsh (Old Als)

FIXTURES

SUNDAY — All-Ireland camogie finals at Croke Park — 1.50; Junior, Cork v. Dublin (referee, N. Murray, Antrim); 2.50; senior, Cork v. Wexford (referee, L. Spence, Antrim).

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PEN PICTURES OF THE TEAMS

The following are pen-pictures of JUNIORS the Cork players:

Eleanor Cummins (South Pres.) goalkeeper. Her efficient goalkeeping played a big part in Cork's All-Ireland success last season. Regular inter-provincial player. Her trophies include 1 All-Ireland, 1 Gael-Linn, 6 Munster Senior Champ., 3 Cork Co. Champ., and 1 Munster Inter-Club award.

Marie Costin (Cloyne) full-back. Must rank as one of the best full-backs in the country. Has filled this position for Munster; 1 All-Ireland, 2 Munster Senior, 3 Munster Secondary, and 1 Cork Intermediate Championship medals are among her souvenirs.

Hannah Dineen (South Pres.) right-back. A very experienced player who is noted for her long clearances. Has fielded for Munster and Combined Universities. Retains 4 Munster Senior, 1 Munster Secondary, 3 Ashbourne and 3 Cork Co. Championship medals.

Anne McNeill (Old Als) centre-back. Her energetic style of play has made her a regular on the Munster side. Has adapted herself very well to her new position. Captain of her club. Anne has 1 All-Ireland, 4 Munster Senior, 1 Munster Secondary and Senior League medals.

Mary Whelan (South Pres.) left-back. First year on senior side, but has represented Cork at Schools, Junior, Minor and Secondary levels. Played Schools camogie with South Pres. before joining her club, with whom she has won 3 Co. Championship and Munster Inter-Club honours.

Marion McCarthy (South Pres.) right-centre. Though this is Marion's first season with the Cork Seniors, she has plenty of experience behind her. Played in 1969 All-Ireland Junior final. Has All-Ireland, 2 Munster Senior, 2 Munster Junior, Munster Secondary, Inter-Club and Minor and 3 Co. Championship medals.

Betty Sugrue (South Pres.) centre-field. Will lead Cork in the parade on Sunday. One of the top centres in the game, Betty has also done duty for Munster. Has All-Ireland, 2 Munster Senior, Munster Secondary and Inter-Club and Cork Championship medals in all grades, Junior, Intermediate and Senior.

Pat Moloney (Youghal) left-centre. Switches to centre-field for the final where she should have plenty of scope for her style of play. Has represented the Cork Schools and Munster. Won All-Ireland, 2 Munster Senior, Munster Secondary, Junior and Minor medals.

Anne Comerford (South Pres.) right-forward. Immortalised her name by captaining Cork's All-Ireland winning team last September. Has been honoured by the Munster Selectors on many occasions. Was a noted Schools player. An All-Ireland, 5 Munster Senior and 3 Co. Championship medals are among her proud possessions.

Liz Garvan (U.C.C.) centre-forward. An all-round sports star, Liz has collected several individual awards, including "Miss Camogie 1971", Munster Sports Award 1968 and 1970. Was at her brilliant best in last year's final when she scored 3-6. Has represented Munster in both camogie and tennis and also the Combined Universities. Has a massive collection of trophies.

Nuala Guillea (Cloyne) left-forward. A sub on last year's side, Nuala has now secured a place of her own. Learned the game in school at Middleton. Holds 1 All-Ireland, Munster Junior, Secondary and Senior medals. Is Secretary of Co. Board.

Rosie Hennessy (Old Als) full-forward. Cork's top scorer this season. Named on the Munster team to meet Ulster next month. Despite her tender age, Rosie has a remarkable collection of medals which include 1 All-Ireland, 2 Munster Senior, 2 Munster Junior, 1 Munster Secondary and Minor, 4 Munster Colleges and 4 Cork Schools Championships.

Sheila Dunne (Canevee) back. Missed the earlier matches of this year's campaign owing to a visit to America. Member of Cork's All-Ireland team and has also lined out with Munster and Combined Universities. Holds 2 Munster Senior, 2 Ashbourne, Cork Junior and Intermediate Championship medals.

Mary Jo Ryan (Youghal) back. Was centre-back on the All-Ireland winning side but has played little camogie since. Has represented her province. Holds Cork Junior and Intermediate Championship, Munster Secondary and 3 Munster Senior medals in addition to her All-Ireland award.

Maura Coleman (Glen Rovers) forward. Won a Junior Championship medal with Donoughmore before joining Glen Rovers, with whom she collected 2 Co. Championship and Munster Inter-Club awards. Another member of Schools camogie, Maura has 2 Munster Senior medals.

Deirdre Sutton (Glen Rovers) goalkeeper. One of the two Cork players ever to win a Gaelic All-Star Award. Originally caught the eye as a diminutive but very talented goalkeeper with St. Vincent's Schools team. Pursued a distinguished career with Glen, Cork and Munster. Captains Cork on Sunday. Among her trophies are 2 Gael-Linn, 7 Cork Co. Championship, 3 Munster Senior, 2 Munster Junior and 2 Munster Inter-Club medals.

Mary Salter (Churchtown) full-back. Previously played for Cork in the Munster Secondary Competition of 1967. Has lined-out with Imokilly in the Senior Championship; holds Munster Junior, Munster Secondary, Cork Junior and Intermediate Championship medals.

Rosie O'Sullivan (Our Lady's Hospital) right-back. Started her career with Youghal, with whom she won Cork Junior and Intermediate championships. Possesses 2 Munster Junior medals and hopes to add to her collection when she lines out with Seandun in forthcoming Intermediate final.

Marion O'Leary (Old Als) centre-back. A prominent Colleges player, she has won 4 Cork and 4 Munster Colleges awards with St. Als side. Regular member of Cork Schools team for past few seasons. Has helped Cork to attain Munster Minor, Junior and Secondary Championship honours.

Nuala Jennings (Old Als) left-back. Won recognition from Cork Selectors this season as a result of good performances for her club and school. Is a difficult player to pass. Holds 3 Cork Schools Championships, 3 Munster Colleges, Munster Minor Championship and Senior League medals.

Anne Keane (Buttevant) right-centre. Only took up camogie a few months ago and immediately displayed her natural talent for the game. At fourteen Anne is the youngest player on the side. Recently added Munster Junior and Minor medals to her numerous sprinting trophies.

Mary Murphy (Old Als) centre-field. Playing in her second All-Ireland final, Mary has also lined out for the Cork Seniors. Has captained her school and club. Has 1 Munster Senior, 3 Munster Junior, 4 Cork Schools Championships, Senior League and championship awards.

Angela Higgins (Watergrasshill) left-centre. Cork Minor captain. One of the key players in Loreto, Fermoy's success in Schools' camogie. Plays for Imokilly in senior championship. Her collection of medals include 1 Munster Junior and Minor, 1 Cork Junior Championship, Cork Schools Intermediate Championship and League.

Mary Humphries (Blarney) right-forward. Was a member of Cork's 1968 All-Ireland Junior panel. Played Schools camogie with North Pres. Convent. Won Junior Championship, Junior League, Intermediate Championship, Inter-League and Munster Junior Championship medals.

Marion McSweeney (Youghal) centre-forward. Another star of the Loreto, Fermoy, team. Has represented the Cork Schools and plays senior championship with her club. Won Munster Junior and Minor and Cork Schools Intermediate medals.

Mary Mahon (Munster Institute) left-forward. A very hard-working player. Mary missed the Tipperary and Roscommon games but returns to her favourite position where she won Munster Secondary and Junior medals with Cork. Fielded with N. Gohnath in senior championship.

Kay Spillane (Churchtown) full-forward. First season in the Cork colours. Nearly always manages to get her name among the scorers. Played for Imokilly and won a Colb tournament medal in addition to her Munster Junior Championship.

Pat Mortell (Buttevant) back. Pat has played a big part in bringing the newly-formed Buttevant club to the fore. With them she has already picked up nine tournament medals. Is a useful badminton player.

Marie Mackey (Blarney) back. Has helped Blarney to win Junior Championship, two Inter-League and Inter-Championship. Fielded in Senior Championship with N. Gohnath. Won Munster Minor and Junior medals with Cork.

Annette O'Donovan (South Pres.) centre. Possesses a beautiful style of camogie. Won Munster Minor, Junior and Inter-Club honours and 2 Co. Championship medals with her club.

Phil Walsh (Old Als) forward. Was promoted to Old Als senior side for this year's championship and acquitted herself with distinction. Prominent member of St. Als team with whom she has won Cork and Munster Schools medals. Played for Cork Schools team. Won Munster Minor and Junior medals.



PREPARING FOR SUNDAY—Jack Dempsey, Youghal trainer of the Cork Camogie teams, giving advice to Junior and Senior players during training session at Ballinlough, Cork contest the All-Ireland finals junior against Dublin and senior against Wexford at Croke Park on Sunday—(Sheehan)



TERESA: No goalkeeper's save is simple . . .

MARY HUMPHRIES (Blarney) (Youghal)
MARION McSWEENEY (Churchtown)
KAY SPILLANE (Churchtown)
MARY MAHON (Munster Institute)

THE RESERVEVES
TERESA SHANNON (club)
BERNIE MURPHY (club)

MARY WALSH (centre half-forward)
ELISIE WALSH (centre-field)

ANNIE KEHOE (centre-field)

PEGGY DOYLE (right half-back)

BLAKE O'DWYER (centre half-back)

FIXTURES
SUNDAY—All-Ireland camogie finals at Croke Park—1.20: Junior, Cork v. Dublin (referee, N. Murray, Antrim); 2.30: senior, Cork v. Wexford (referee, L. Sponce, Antrim).

Subs: Pat Mortell (Buttevant), Marie Mackey (Blarney), Annette O'Donovan (South Pres.), Phil Walsh (Old Als)

Reserve: Mary Walsh (centre half-forward), Marie Costin (Cloyne) full-back, Eleanor Cummins (South Pres.) goalkeeper, Hannah Dineen (South Pres.) right-back, Anne McNeill (Old Als) centre-back, Betty Sugrue (South Pres.) centre-field, Pat Moloney (Youghal) left-centre, Anne Comerford (South Pres.) right-forward, Liz Garvan (U.C.C.) centre-forward, Nuala Guillea (Cloyne) left-forward, Rosie Hennessy (Old Als) full-forward, Sheila Dunne (Canevee) back, Mary Jo Ryan (Youghal) back, Maura Coleman (Glen Rovers) forward, Deirdre Sutton (Glen Rovers) goalkeeper, Mary Salter (Churchtown) full-back, Rosie O'Sullivan (Our Lady's Hospital) right-back, Marion O'Leary (Old Als) centre-back, Nuala Jennings (Old Als) left-back, Angela Higgins (Watergrasshill) left-centre, Mary Humphries (Blarney) right-forward, Marion McSweeney (Youghal) centre-forward, Mary Mahon (Munster Institute) left-forward, Kay Spillane (Churchtown) full-forward, Pat Mortell (Buttevant) back, Marie Mackey (Blarney) back, Annette O'Donovan (South Pres.) centre, Phil Walsh (Old Als) forward.

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Second successive title for Cork

CORK 4-6, WEXFORD 1-2

IT WAS glory all the way as Cork stormed their way to their second All-Ireland senior camogie title at Croke Park yesterday. But the juniors failed to complete a unique double when they lost to Dublin after a very exciting game.

Wexford began the senior as favourites. In the first quarter they looked like making very tough for Cork with Margaret O'Leary and Annie Kehoe rampant in the middle of the field. Then they got the first goal of the game — a great one from Mary Walsh and Cork were really up against it.

At that stage it looked as if Wexford were going to dominate the game, but in true championship style Cork brushed aside this setback and set about getting on terms in a workmanlike manner.

Rosie Hennessy, who was one of the big stars of the game notched a point almost immediately which was quickly followed up by a similar score from Liz Garvan. Then Anne Comerford scored a great goal which saw Cork back in the game with a bang. The girls from the Model County notched another minor from Josie Kehoe, but Cork struck back immediately with the first of Rosie Hennessy's two goals.

From then until half-time it was all Cork and they added a further point from Liz Garvan and a second goal from Anne Comerford, to leave them a comfortable interval lead of 3-3 to 1-1.

TRUE CHAMPIONS

On the resumption, Wexford tried very hard to get back into the game, but in spite of great effort from Annie Kehoe, Mary Walsh, Margaret O'Leary and Josie Kehoe, they were up against true All-Ireland champions yesterday.

Cork can thank each and every

one of the players for this great win. In fact, it is hardly fair to single anyone out for particular mention. However, who can forget the marvellous saves of Eleanor Cummins or the tremendous defensive performance of Hannah Dineen. But let's not forget Mary Whelton, Marie Costin or Anne McAuliffe, who all played their part in Cork's wonderful defence.

Then there was the centrefield trio of Marion McCarthy, Betty Sugrue and Pat Moloney, who were up against one of the strongest centrefields in the country. But the Cork girls came through this game with flying colours.

In the attack too, Cork had more than their share of talent. Rosie Hennessy must get particular mention in this sector. She scored 2-2 of her sides tally and made it all look so easy. Then there was Anne Comerford, who shone in her new position of corner forward and celebrated with a score of 2-1 of Cork's tally. To complete the forward line there was Liz Garvan, who is such an efficient free taker and Nuala Guilley, who though she failed to score on this occasion, was a vital cog in this lethal line-up.

PEAK FITNESS

Finally, a word about Cork's trainer, Mr. Jack Dempsey, who had the team at peak fitness and who, for the past two seasons, has instilled a spirit and confidence which was lacking in Cork teams for years.

Scorers for Cork were — R. Hennessy (2-2); A. Comerford (2-1); and L. Garvan (0-3), while M. Walsh (1-0), M. Ahern (0-1) and J. Kehoe

(0-1) were on the mark for the losers.

Cork — E. Cummins, M. Costin, H. Dineen, A. McAuliffe, M. Whelton, M. McCarthy, B. Sugrue (Capt.); P. Moloney, A. Comerford, L. Garvan, N. Guilley, R. Hennessy.

Wexford — T. Sheil, J. Murphy, P. Doyle, B. O'Dwyer, B. Jacob, A. Kehoe, M. O'Leary, E. Walsh, M. Shannon, M. Walsh, M. Shiel, J. Kehoe. Sub: M. Ahern for M. Shannon.

Dublin retain junior title

Dublin 2-2, Cork 1-2

MISSED chances proved costly for Cork in the junior All-Ireland final, which was played prior to the senior tie and which saw Dublin retain the title.

All due credit to the winners for this fine victory, as they had to field a completely new side this season, having won the trophy last year. But a note of irony for Cork was that Miriam Higgins, who was a Cork junior last year, played a major role for Dublin at wing-forward.

Cork went into the attack from the throw-in and dominated the game for the first 10 minutes. However, in this period they missed glorious chances and Dublin retaliated with a goal from Evelyn Sweeney. From then until the interval the winners came more and more into the game with Evelyn Sweeney notching a further point, while Cork continued to waste opportunities.

GREAT RALLY

In the second half Cork hopes were raised with a tremendous rally from the southerners. Deirdre Sutton had an inspiring game between the posts, and with Nuala Jennings, Mary Salter, Marian McSweeney and Phil Walsh, when she came on, all in brilliant form, Cork looked as if they might pull the game out of the fire. A point from Marian McSweeney and a grand goal from Kay Spillane saw Cork jump into the lead midway through the half.

But Dublin were far from beaten and a great pass from Miriam Higgins found Evelyn Sweeney, who shot to the net. The ex-Cork player then added a point of her own. To this Cork had no reply, and though they put up a tremendous performance in the last quarter, they had to admit a one-goal defeat.

Scorers for the winners were: E. Sweeney 2-1, M. Higgins 0-1; for Cork: K. Spillane 1-0, M. A. Murphy 0-1 and M. McSweeney

0-1. Dublin — M. Raymond, S. Dooley, P. Morrissey, P. Rafferty, S. Wallace, D. Dignam, M. Conroy, A. McManus, S. McEvoy, E. Sweeney, M. Higgins, D. Caldwell. Subs: F. Murray for S. McEvoy.

Cork: D. Sutton, M. Salter, R. O'Sullivan, M. O'Leary, N. Jennings, A. Keane, M. Murphy, A. Higgins, M. Humphries, M. McSweeney, M. Mahon, K. Spillane. Subs: P. Walsh for M. Humphries, P. Mortell for M. Murphy, M. McKay for R. O'Sullivan.

After the games the trophies were presented to the winning captains by Miss Nell McCarthy, president of the Camogie Association.

VICTORY PARADE

The victorious Cork team will arrive at Kent Station this evening at 9.20 and will parade to the Victoria Hotel, where they will be accorded a reception.

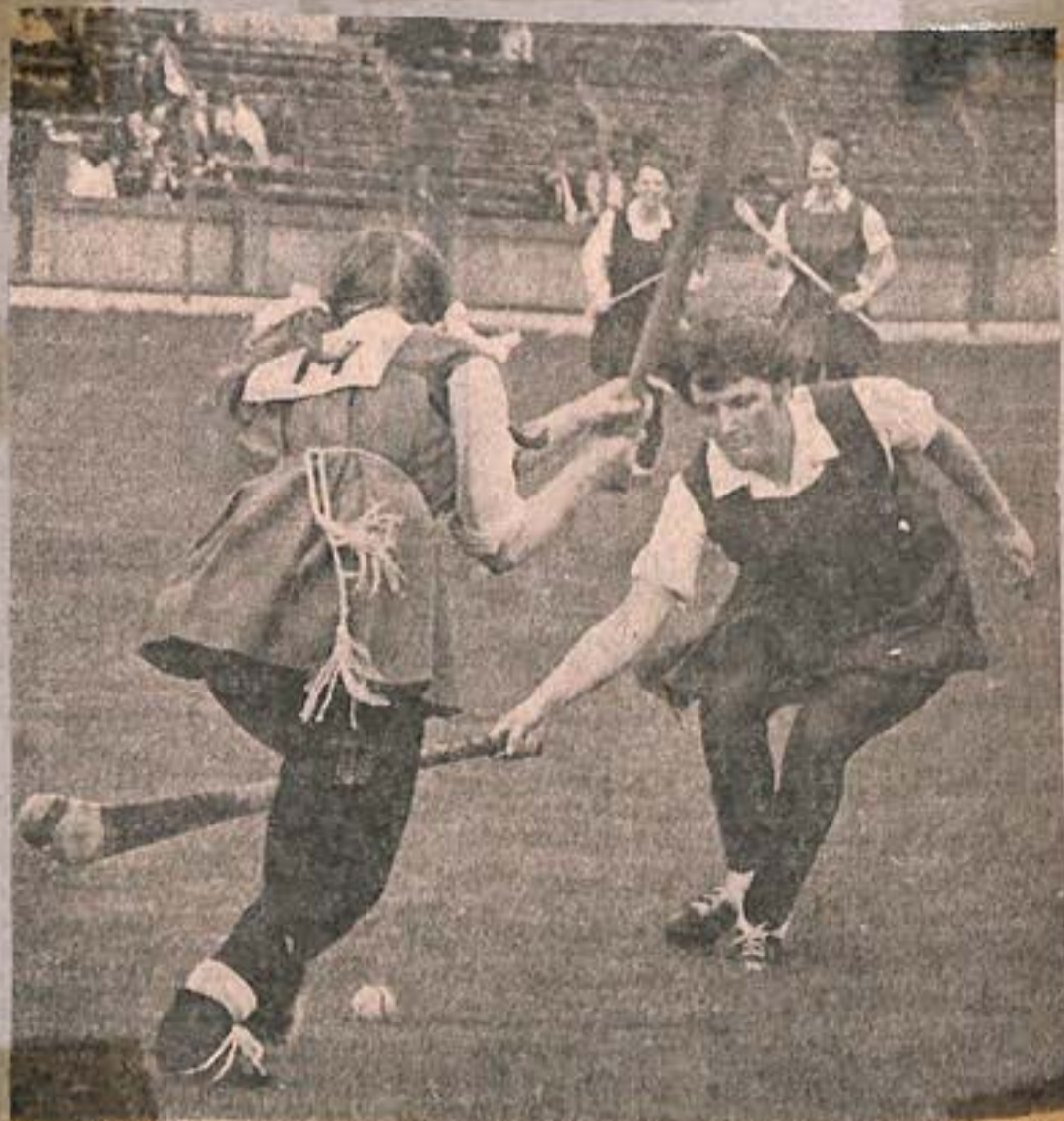
'Miss Camogie'



● LILY SPENCE

Miss Lily Spence, who refereed the All-Ireland senior camogie final in which Cork defeated Wexford at Croke Park, has given remarkable service to the game in many capacities.

A former All-Ireland medallist with Antrim, she is a past president and present treasurer of the Camogie Association and is also chairman of the All-Ireland Colleges' Camogie Council.



Mary Shiels (Wexford), left, and Anne McAuliffe Cork in a tussle for possession at Croke Park yesterday.

CORK KEEP

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TITLE WITH EASE

Wexford Are Shattered By Three Quick Goals

Cork readily retained the All-Ireland senior Camogie title when they shattered Wexford with three great goals in the five minutes before half time at Croke Park yesterday.

The game was won and lost in the five minutes preceding the interval with Wexford leading 1-1 to 0-2 in the 20th minute when, Rosie Hennessy and Anne Comerford, last year's captain, cracked home three Cork goals.

Wexford, who had been playing confidently, never recovered.

In a scrappy opening ten minutes, with each player staying close to her opponent, there was very little excitement and no scores. Cork, who hit the cross-bar, came closest in the tenth minute. However, Wexford, who faced the breeze were first to score when Mary Walsh netted a pass from Annie Kehoe in the twelfth minute.

After this score, the game

By AGNES HOURIGAN
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livened up, Cork sent their forwards attacking and Rosie Hennessy scored a brilliant point which was followed by a similar score from Liz Garvan before Anne Comerford put the champions ahead with a clever goal.

Scoring Spree

Wexford's Josie Kehoe had a point to leave the score 1-2 to 1-1 with twenty minutes of this half gone. Cork then went on a scoring spree when Rosie Hennessy netted a clever pass from Marion McCarthy, Liz Garvan added a point and Anne Comerford goaled the rebound from the post after a free by Liz Garvan to leave the half-time score Cork 3-3, Wexford 1-1.

When the sides lined out for the second half Wexford's Margaret O'Leary had moved from centre-field to centre-back. Bridget O'Dwyer had moved out to the left back position and Bridie Jacob had gone to midfield.

Wexford now had the advantage of a slight breeze and their fans waited for the come-back. They attacked constantly in the first eight minutes but they were foiled on many occasions by Cork's great goalkeeper Eleanor Cummins, and by faulty shooting.

Outwitted

Cork, moreover strengthened their position in their first attack when Rosie Hennessy outwitted the Wexford defence to add a brilliant goal. This was followed by three points as Cork took over and they were coasting to victory when Margaret Hearne, who had replaced Mary Shannon, scored a late point for the Slaneysiders.

The winners had a brilliant goalie in Eleanor Cummins and staunch defenders in Marie Costin, Hannah Dineen and Anne McAuliffe. Betty Sugrue played a captain's part at midfield and she got great assistance from the youthful Marion McCarthy and Pat Moloney on the wings while Cork

had three clever forwards in Rosie Hennessy, Liz Garvan and Anne Comerford.

For the losers Margaret O'Leary played soundly both at midfield and centre back. Annie Kehoe worked hard on the wing and Mary Walsh was the most effective in the attack where diminutive Mary Shiels found the stronger Cork defenders hard to pass.

Scorers: Cork—E. Hennessy (2-2), A. Comerford (2-1), L. Garvan 0-1. Wexford—M. Walsh (1-0), J. Kehoe (0-1), M. Hearne (0-1).

CORK—E. Cummins; M. Costin; H. Dineen; A. McAuliffe; M. Whelton; M. McCarthy; B. Sugrue (Capt.); P. Moloney; A. Comerford; L. Garvan; N. Guillely; R. Hennessy.

WEXFORD—T. Shiels; J. Murphy; P. Doyle; B. O'Dwyer; B. Jacob; A. Kehoe (Cap.); M. O'Leary; E. Walsh; M. Shannon; M. Walsh; M. Shiels; J. Kehoe. Subs.—M. Hearne for M. Shannon.

Referee—L. Spence (Antrim).



● A smile from the Cork captain, Betty Sugrue, as she holds aloft the O'Duffy Cup.

SPORTS

PERSONALITY



OF THE WEEK

★ If the goalkeeping of Melon Cummins played a major part in the victory of the Cork girls in Sunday's All-Ireland camogie final at Croke Park, the player who really broke the hearts of her Wexford opponents was Cork's accurate and opportunist full-forward youthful Rosie Hennessy (above) of the Old Aloysians' Club.

It was 17-year-old Rosie, who only left school three months ago, who opened Cork's scoring with a brilliant point, and whipped through for a great goal to start a three-minute scoring spree just before the interval that provided a shattering blow to Wexford hopes.

Then, in the second half, after Wexford had pressed continuously for nearly ten minutes in a vain attempt to recover lost ground, it was Rosie Hennessy who again proved the scourge of Wexford when she bamboozled the defenders to shoot a spectacular goal that really ended the game as a contest.

But then the big occasion holds no fears for Rosie who has won four Munsters Colleges, one Munster junior and two senior provincial medals, and yesterday collected not alone her second All-Ireland trophy but nomination as our Sports Personality of the Week.



● A fine shot from the All-Ireland senior camogie final between Cork and Wexford at Croke Park yesterday.



● ABOVE: Cork's Anne Comerford cuts in for goal despite the close attention of Brigid O'Connor (Wexford) in yesterday's senior camogie final at Croke Park. BELOW: Pat Morrissey, captain of the Dublin team which won the junior title, holds up the New Ireland Cup.



All-Ireland Senior Camogie Final

WEXFORD CRASH TO BRILLIANT LEESIDERS

CORK 4-6 (18), WEXFORD 1-2 (5)

THE unanimous vote of confidence placed in their team by Wexford Camogie followers swiftly and surely faded into the gentle breeze of Croke Park last Sunday afternoon when the side went down to their second defeat in three years and their biggest ever in a championship match.

Ladies' Day at Croke Park—the showcase for Camogie—is the All-Ireland finals on the third Sunday of September each year, and for Wexford, facing Cork (holders) in the senior decider, it was indeed a 'showpiece,' but with one great difference. Confidently expected to wrest the crown from the Leesiders in the majority of pre-match forecasts, instead the Shaceysiders were subjected to a classical performance by a brilliant Cork team, the aftermath of which, considering the air of confidence in the Wexford camp before the game, left them a shattered, demoralised side.

How on earth did it happen? When so much was expected, so precious little was forthcoming and Wexford followers, dejected and unconsoled, sat in numb, trance-like state at the end, quite unable to comprehend the whole affair. Yes it was hard to realise that their much-trailed team was beaten—and beaten so thoroughly. It was hard to admit defeat, at least this kind of defeat. Not only was the team beaten, but they were utterly played out of the game, which, when it is most unexpected, comes as the biggest and often bitterest defeat of all.

WORTHY WINNERS

That Cork were worthy winners is beyond a shadow of doubt. Wexford followers are a highly critical band whose constructive criticisms, in both victory and defeat, is a notable aspect of the game in a county that, blunty speaking, is 'not used to losing.' For these, it is a case of the best team winning, no matter who, and on Sunday they had no qualms with the result. The body-blow for them, however, is that while Cork, in giving a top-drawer exhibition of Camogie, were far and above the better side and consequently deserved every point of their win, their own team actually played badly, as far removed as possible from the form that brought them to the final.

It is a realisation—that not just was Cork great, but that Wexford were bad at the same time—that totally mystified the dismayed followers, who were there in their legions to judge from the Purple and Gold-bedecked scene. The fact of the Model County side not playing well was, indeed, the chief reason for the defeat, as I see it. On form, the game should have been a thriller, but from the time they countered an early Wexford lead Cork were never troubled and they hammered home goal after goal like nobody's business.

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easy to saddle them with a lot of the blame for notching a mere 1-2—a point every ten minutes in the game. True, they wasted some some good chances, mainly through inaccurate shooting, and goodness knows could have added a couple more goals. But it was the defence and not the forwards who sealed our hopes, for the Wexford attackers were faced with four backs whose sheer determination I've yet to see equalled. Should a Wexford forward at any time succeed in breaking through for a shot, they found little hope of beating a brilliant culaibre in Cork's Eleanor Cummins—a combination of Sally Long (Tipp.), Jo Golden (Kil-kenny) and our own Teresa Shell.

Wexford did most of the attacking at the start and shots by Elsie and Mary Walsh were narrowly wide. In the 10th minute team captain Annie Kehoe broke along the right and ran near the Cork goal before crossing to unmarked Mary Walsh in the centre. Despite the attention of Ann McAuliffe, Mary let fly a ground shot that beat a packed goal and rattled the net. Almost immediately Cork hit back through a great point by the equally great Rosie Hennessy (full-forward), and from a '30' Liz Garvan pointed to reduce Wexford's lead to a point. Margaret O'Leary was wide from a '30' after fifteen minutes, but then came the fireworks. Red in colour.

A lobbing Garvan centre was blocked down near the Wexford goalmouth and snapping it up Ann Comerford rounded Bridie Jacob and shot home past a helpless T. Shell. Wexford hit back through a good point by Josie Kehoe, from a pass by sister Annie that left Cork in front by a point (1-2 to 1-1) with five minutes left in the first half. The remaining minutes will live long in the memory of the Wexford team and their followers, for it was in this brief spell that Cork, with craft and also ease, shattered Wexford's hopes with a scoring spree that netted two goals and a point—R. Hennessy (1-0), L. Garvan (0-1) and A. Comerford (1-0), scoring it after a Garvan free rebounded off a post into play).

NEVER GAVE UP BUT—

The champions were in front 3-3 to 1-1 as the teams began the second half, yet in spite of Cork enjoying a 'treble ace' advantage, Wexford followers were quite confident that their team would stage a dramatic comeback. This did not materialise and though Wexford never gave up and had more than their share of the play, still no scores came. Wexford switched Margaret O'Leary to centre-back, moving Bridget O'Dwyer to the left wing and bringing Bridie Jacob

could have gotten to some of the shots that beat her, no blame can be attached in the big defeat to the Wexford goalie Teresa Shell. Normally any of the four shots that passed her would have been 'child's play' to her but Sunday was not quite normal, for she received scant cover so that she was left exposed to practically anything Cork could 'cook up'. It is a tribute to Teresa, in fact, that in all the panic and confusion Cork netted only four times.

DOYLE, JACOB BEST

The backs admittedly faced a terrific Cork attack and they never had to handle such an elusive and hard-hitting quartette the whole year. However, they were guilty of costly errors at times and in my mind Peggy Doyle was the only one to survive 'intact'. Bridie Jacob made one slip, but after getting going well and played wholeheartedly and very effectively throughout. Bridget O'Dwyer seemed happy only when moved from centre-back to the wing. Full-back Joan Murphy had a complete off-day, having one of her poorest outings in the county colours.

Wexford fared best at midfield and here we had the team's most consistent player Elsie Walsh, and one of the side's most effective stylists Annie Kehoe, the captain. In a losing team that apparently had an ideal blend of youth and experience, it was the youth that left the greater impression: Elsie in her first year with the seniors, played her heart out which, despite shortcomings, was all that was asked, while Annie showed a major improvement and was a 'right for sore eyes' in her dashes up the wings. Margaret O'Leary, by her own standard, was in subdued form, but nevertheless was

an effective bulwark against complete Cork domination, which was something to be thankful for.

The forwards posed little threat and this was a great pity. It is a long time since they ended up with so little, but then again it is a long time since they faced such a powerful defence. None stood out but Mary Walsh tried very hard for the best part.

Scorers for winners — R. Hennessy (2-2), A. Comerford (1-1), L. Garvan (0-3), and for losers — M. Walsh (1-0), J. Kehoe and M. Hearne (0-1 each).

Cork — E. Cummins; M. Costin; H. Dineen, A. McAuliffe, M. Whelton; M. McCarthy; B. Sugrue (captain), P. Maloney; A. Comerford, L. Garvan, N. Guilley; R. Hennessy.

Wexford — T. Shell; J. Murphy; P. Doyle, B. O'Dwyer, B. Jacob; A. Kehoe (captain), M. O'Leary, E. Walsh; M. Shannon, M. Walsh, M. Shell; J. Kehoe, sub., M. Hearne (for M. Shannon).

Referee — Miss Lily Spence (Antrim).

*Last word: Perhaps the only real happy note of the afternoon was that Dublin (holders) beat Cork in the Junior final (2-3 to 1-3). Aside from keeping at least one trophy in Leinster, this also puts Dub'n 'out of the way' for 1972 as far as Wexford are concerned. Dub'n beat Wexford in this year's provincial final and having to now field a new team for next year, they should pose no problems for us in Junior next year.