

## COUNTY HURLING CHAMPIONS



The famed Ahane hurling team which recaptured the County Hurling Championship by defeating Geraldines at the Gaelic Grounds last Sunday. It is seven years since Ahane last won the title. Bottom row (left to right)—P. Kelly, J. Doyle, P. Byrnes, D. Leonard (Capt.), S. Herbert, J. Graham, D. Houlihan. Standing (left to right)—Paddy McMahon (trainer), James Conway (treasurer), John Power, Tom Casey, Paddy Enright, Mick Herbert (Committee), Michael Kelly, Phil Ahern (Vice-Captain), John Ryan, William Keane, Sean Leonard, Very Rev. J. Fogerty, P.P., Castleconnell (President); John McMahon, Secretary.

## CHAIRING OF THE CAPTAIN



Enthusiastic Ahane supporters chair their Captain, D. Leonard, following the presentation of the coveted trophy.



THE AHANE HURLING TEAM:—Back Row—W. F. Lee, A. Mackey, Ml. Mackey, Tim Ryan, Ml. Hickey, P. Scanlan (capt).  
 Jack Keane (Trainer). 3rd Row—D. Malley, M. McDonagh, P. Hilliard, Ml. Quinlivan. 2nd Row—Ned O'Brien, John Mackey, M. Ryan, P. Joyce. Front Row—Ml. Hourigan, Joe Ryan.

## Champion Hurlers & Champion Footballers 1936



By defeating Abbeyfeale the Ahane Club become Football Champions of County Limerick. They are also County Hurling Champions. Included in the photograph of the football team are many of the famous county hurling team, All-Ireland Champions.



*AHANE— 1937 Limerick. Senior Hurling Champions.*





**I'M going to start off with a complaint about the Press—not THE SUNDAY PRESS, but the Press in general. It's this: They've spoiled many a good youngster by 'blowing him up.'**

It takes a level-headed sort of chap to hit the headlines in his early playing days and keep his head, and we're not all built that way. Give a young fellow an exaggerated idea of his own importance and he turns cocky.

Put him on a pedestal and he'll just stand there and wait for the play to come his way. Beat him for a ball and as often as not he'll lose his temper. Unless he's a strong character the ballyhoo will beat him—so let's cut out a bit of the ballyhoo. There will be plenty of time for that later on, if he's as good as people think he is.

I've seen many a good young player ruined by having his head turned.

Hurling to-day isn't nearly up to the standard of the 1930's and 1940's. At least that's my opinion. You do see some fast and lively games and attendances are growing all the time, but the all-round quality we used to have isn't there any more. It's hard to explain why—we weren't any fitter or faster than the lads are to-day. I think the answer is that we

## It's My Opinion—Jackie Power

# STOP PLAYING MEN OUT OF THEIR POSITIONS

went in more for first-time ground hurling and overhead striking. The result was, the ball was kept on the move all the time.

We didn't waste time picking up the ball, especially in a fast bout of play. That would have been asking for trouble. Get rid of it quick, that was the idea—in the right direction, of course! That made the game faster, more exciting, and more spectacular, and I'd like to see some county develop that type of game again.

Anyway, there's far too much **DELIBERATE ELBOWING DANGEROUS MARKING AND HORSEPLAY** in the game nowadays. I think most of that would not happen if the ball were kept on the move all the time—they wouldn't have time for it.

The rough stuff needs to be cut out. You find too many young players, maybe starting in their first jobs, who chuck up playing because they can't afford to run the risk of getting hurt, and maybe hurt badly.

**SO IT'S TIME THEY STOPPED CONCENTRATING ON THE MAN AND PAID A LITTLE MORE ATTENTION TO THE BALL.**

It's the winning of the game that counts—not whether you can stop so-and-so.

There was a time in Dublin when a committee was formed to watch out for the little incidents that went on behind the referee's back. That was a first-class idea—I wonder why it was dropped.

It certainly cleaned up the game in Dublin very quickly. Offenders were brought before the Co. Board and suspended. That may seem a bit drastic, but I'd still like to see that system introduced all over the country.

**JACKIE POWER**—who won an all-Ireland hurling medal with Limerick in 1940, was one of their most versatile players. He played in different positions ranging from the back-line to the forwards for his county and province.

There have been suggestions made that extending the parallelogram or dropping full backs and full forwards would give the goalkeeper a chance. **I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY NEED FOR ANYTHING LIKE THAT.**

It's up to the goalkeeper to give himself a chance. And the way to do it is so simple. The man between the sticks is in command of his particular area—and it's upto him to impress on his backs the fact that he **IS** the man in charge.

The goalkeeper should direct the traffic. If he says "Let it come," then the backs should let it come. He's the man who knows and who can see the whole situation at a glance.

The goalie gives the orders—and that's ideal defensive play when you have a proper understanding between the goalie and his backs.

The trouble with most teams is that the backs are too much inclined to play every ball themselves even when they're badly positioned. There's many a shot that would be far better left to the goalkeeper. Instead, they are apt to get in his way and then blame him if things go wrong.

I think we had the almost perfect defensive plan in Limerick in the days when **PADDY SCANLAN**, probably the best goalkeeper ever, was playing. Paddy himself will tell you it all depended on the co-operation of McCarthy, Kennedy

and Cregan in front of him. They let him see the ball and deal with it. And how Paddy could deal with it!

Any team can afford to carry one sharpshooter, for his shooting alone—but no more. From frees and from play, such a man can be invaluable, and many a team has won an All-Ireland just because one man had his eye in.

I'm all against playing a man out of his best position if it can possibly be avoided.

Keep your forwards on the move—the fast attack with the surprise element is half-way there already.

Keep full-backs and full-forwards—the only people who would really like to see them go are half-forwards looking for an easy path to goal.

Try the first-time stuff. Keep the ball on the move, the way we used to do. Refereeing was a very easy job in my day—we just hurled away and had no time for anything else.

Two teams should be sent to the U.S. every year. It's really very unfair to refuse permission to a side that's invited. I was on the 1936 trip, so I know what they'd be missing.

Just a word now about the progress hurling is making in Kerry. I trained and played with the Kingdom for a couple of seasons, and I'll say this about them—Kerry will be a force in hurling yet. That brilliant performance against Antrim was no flash in the pan.

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## CO. CHAMPIONSHIP

At Limerick Gaelic Grounds, Ahane retained the County Championship when they defeated Rathkeale 4-2 to 1-8 in one of the most interesting finals ever seen in senior hurling. The score was flattering to the victors, who in the last stages were fighting grimly to retain their laurels, which they had now won eleven times in thirteen years.

Best for Rathkeale were Eamon Neville, Fitzgerald, Guiry and Ryan. For Ahane, John Mackey, Mick Mackey, Hassett, McMahon and Jim Cooney were about the pick.

The teams were:

Ahane—P. Burns, M. Herbert, T. Bridgeman, P. Enright, P. O'Connor, J. Power, R. Kelly, R. O'Shea, T. Ryan, Jim Cooney, John Mackey, M. O'Grady, Mick Mackey, P. McMahon, Jim Hassett.

Rathkeale—Tim O'Shea, Wm. Mulcahy, M. Sheehy, P. O'Grady, Tim Larkin, Dave Guiry, Sean Ryan, P. Fitzgerald, Denis Ryan, D. McCarthy, M. Foley, E. Neville, Dermot Keane, Paddy Roche, S. Foley. Referee was Jim Roche, and there was a record gate.

## Gael

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The death of Mr. W. F. Lee, Castleconnell, deprived Gaelic games of a life-long enthusiastic notary. He was a supporter from boyhood and was instrumental in founding Ahane hurling club, which had given the finest exponents to Limerick All-Ireland hurling teams, an ex-Principal of Ahane National School, he was attracted to the language movement early in life and took a keen interest in the folklore of the countryside. Rich in memories of Castleconnell and the people who came to fish in the limpid waters of the Shannon, his passing was mourned by the Gaels of city and county.

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### OTHER RESULTS.

## LATE MR. WILLIAM F. LEE

LIMERICK Gaeldom has lost one of its most popular and esteemed figures by the death of Mr. William F. Lee, ex-N.T., of Castleconnell, Co. Limerick, who passed away on Thursday of last week after a somewhat grievous illness.

One of the most widely known men in Munster G.A.A. circles, deceased was up to his retirement about ten years ago Principal of Ahane National School, cradle of the far famed hurling team that brought honours to Limerick for many years and is still providing the nucleus of a hurling combination that ranks amongst the highest in the land. All the members of the original Ahane team, it is of interest to note, were pupils of Mr. Lee's and he naturally took a fatherly interest in their growth. The late Mr. Lee was for many years a writer on G.A.A. matters of wide distinction while he always took an active and helpful interest in the affairs of the Association. A pioneer of the I.N.T.O., he helped in the early days to put the organization on a solid foundation, and was up to the very last one of the most outspoken advocates of improved conditions for the members of the teaching profession. Mr. Lee was in addition a life long Nationalist.

In private life the late Mr. Lee was of a most kindly and unassuming disposition and his charming personality and generous fund of wit earned for him the esteem and regard of a very large and ever increasing circle of friends and acquaintances. 10-11-45

# 30 YEARS AGO 1946

## Property

Mr. Alfred J. Sexton, auctioneer, sold the residence, "Glencree," Ennis Road, for £2,000 and fees. The same auctioneer sold "Avoca," Ballykeeffe, a two-storey detached residence with building plot adjoining, for £1,000 and fees.

## Archbishop

His Grace, the Most Rev. Dr. John Harty, Archbishop of Cashel and Emlly, died. Born in Knocknagurteena, Murroe, in 1867, he received his early education in the local schools and later began his classical studies at Crescent College. He entered the Diocesan Seminary, Thurles, in his 18th year, and two years later went to St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, where he had an exceptionally brilliant career.

## Aviation

One of the biggest steps in the history of Trans-Atlantic air services in Ireland was taken when, for the first time, the Shannon Airport was recognised as an air terminal with a direct New York-Shannon service, and

not as a transit station as hitherto. To begin with, there were three New York-Shannon and Shannon-New York flights. The service was unscheduled, but it was hoped to establish it as a regular service within a month. Mr. Jesse L. Boynton, manager of P.A.A., said that as a result of recommendations which had been made to the Atlantic Division in New York from the Company's Traffic Department at his station, and after a study of the traffic potentials on the Shannon-New York route, the P.A.A. had been successful in petitioning the Ceoil Aeronautics Board to permit the establishment of an aviation service with the U.S.A.

## Hurling

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**M**ICK MACKEY played an outstanding part in Limerick's narrow National League victory over Waterford last Sunday.

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Playing at centre field, he gave a grand display, and were it not for him Limerick might have finished up a defeated team after a hard hour's play. Showing an artistry that has characterised some of his best outings was easily the most prominent man on the field.

His fine individual bursts tested the Waterford defence to the utmost.

Charlie Ware, Regan, Curley and Keane shone for the wearers of the blue and white, but they were out-matched by the Limerick captain, who had a part in all his team's scores.

Scores were level a few minutes before the final whistle, but Mackey saved the day for Limerick, when he led a strong rally and sent in a smashing shot to Dave Givens — the centre forward — who could not get his stick to it. Instead, Givens hurriedly made up his mind and kicked the ball to the net.

Ware, in the Waterford goal, covered up the shot fairly well, but in an effort to save he turned the ball over the bar for a point, which was Limerick's match-winner. This notable hurler of the Shannon has given great service to the G.A.A. He captained a number of All-Ireland Championship teams — and the victory over Waterford hot on the tail of the recent All-Ireland success makes 1940 one of his outstanding years.

## Finish Beats <sup>1944</sup> GREAT DISPLAY BY LIMERICK

Limerick, 7-6 (27); Antrim, 1-3 (6).

A CROWD of 5,000 at Corrigan Park, Belfast, yesterday saw Limerick give a spectacular exhibition of hurling in beating Antrim by 7-6 (27) to 1-3 (6).

Mackey's solo runs enamoured the spectators, and he was Limerick's principal scorer with a bag of 2 goals and 3 points. D. McCarthy (2-1), P. Fitzgerald (2-0), S. Herbert (1-0), R. Stokes (0-1), and O'Shea (0-1) completed Limerick's total.

P. McKeown was Antrim's best half-back and Kevin Armstrong, though unorthodox, did good work at midfield, where Limerick's experienced players dominated. Tom McAllister and Sean Quinn were smart Antrim forwards, with the new full forward, C. Mullan, a live-wire, who scored Antrim's only goal. T. McAllister, S. Quinn and S. McHugh scored Antrim's points.

## Duggan's Goalkeeping Saved Liam Mellowes

Ahane, 2-3; Liam Mellowes, 1-6.

THE brilliant goalkeeping of Sean Duggan, the Galway County goalkeeper, more than anything else, enabled Liam Mellowes, the Galway Co. champions, to draw with Ahane, the Limerick Co. champions, in a S.H. challenge at Galway yesterday.

Duggan's work was the highlight of a game that provided bouts of good hurling, but never rose to great heights.

Scorers for Mellowes were: Meeney (1-1), M. Doyle (0-2), D. Flynn (0-1), R. Forde (0-1), and O'Connor (0-1). Scorers for Ahane were: McGrath (1-0), Herbert (1-0), M. Mackey (0-1), Power (0-1), and Kelly (0-1).

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AHANE WIN AT  
KILFINANE.

In a tightly contested hurling match at the Co. Limerick Feis at Kilfinane yesterday, Ahane beat Kilfinane (selected) by 4 goals 2 points to 1 goal 3 points. At half-time Ahane led by goal 4 points to 3 points.

# Ahane Win Another Limerick Title <sup>15</sup>/<sub>9</sub>/<sub>47</sub>

Ahane (Holders), 5—6; St. Patrick's, 1—5.

AHANE'S supremacy in Limerick hurling was carried a stage further at the Limerick Gaelic Grounds, yesterday, when the Champions disposed of their younger rivals, St. Patrick's, by the convincing margin of 5—6 to 1—5, and so added another County title to their list of thirteen out of seventeen attempts.

There were many who expected that the issue would be much closer, but they were disappointed. However, more so the St. Patrick's supporters who saw their team behind at the interval on the score 3—2 to 0—2, and hopes of dethroning the champs were never raised.

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## Eire Og And Ahane In Thrilling Draw

Eire Og (Kilkenny), 2-6; Ahane (Limerick), 2-6.

WITH all the thrills packed into the last quarter Ahane, Limerick champions, and Eire Og, Kilkenny champions, finished on level terms, 2-6 each, in their senior hurling challenge at Nowlan Park, Kilkenny, yesterday.

Ahane did better in the first half and led 2-3 to 0-2 at the interval. Midway through the second period Eire Og drew level at 2-4, and in a hectic finish actually led twice, only to see the Limerick champions wipe out the deficit on each occasion.

Langton and O'Brien had points for Eire Og, but Ahane took the lead when, following a point by Ryan, Connolly added a goal. Ahane continued to do well and Ryan (point from free), M. Mackey (goal), and J. Mackey (point) left them in front by seven points at half-time.

After Eire Og forwards had lost charges Langton sent over the bar, and then Mulcahy had a goal. Langton and M. Mackey exchanged points from frees, and when Lennon finished a centre by Langton for an Eire Og goal the scores were level. Langton put Eire Og ahead with a point, and Connolly replied for Limerick. Shortall put Eire Og in the lead again with a point, and just on time Ryan balanced from a free.

The Herbert brothers, Mackey brothers, Power, Kelly, O'Brien, Ryan and Connolly were best for Ahane. Most prominent for Eire Og were Langton, Grace, Hayden, Mulcahy, M.

## Another Title For Ahane

Ahane, 2-3; Croom, 0-1.

AHANE won their 15th Limerick Hurling Championship by defeating Croom 2-3 to 0-1 in an exciting game at Limerick yesterday. Croom played for the major portion of the game with only 14 men, due to one of their players being sent to the sideline.

The game was marred by a most unpleasant fracas around the Croom goal early on, as a result of which spectators invaded the pitch. It later transpired that Sexton (Croom) was rather badly injured. He resumed, but had to retire in the second period and receive hospital treatment.

Ahane were a scientific combination and made a fine start when Coffey had a goal within three minutes. Mick Mackey goaled fifteen minutes later, and then put his team in a nice position with a point just before the interval.

Some really excellent hurling was seen in the second period when Croom put up a spirited show and had a point from M. Mullane, but poor marksmanship, however, lost them several scores. Coffey had a point for Ahane, and Birrane clinched the issue with a similar score.

For Ahane, Creamer (goal), M. Herbert, S. Herbert, M. Mackey, and J. Power were outstanding, while Croom were well served by Wilson, Sexton, R. Mullane, the Cregan brothers and Simcox.

## Hurling 1946

At the Gaelic Grounds, Ahane had a decisive 5 goals 8 pts. to 2 goals 3 pts. win over St. Patrick's in the first round of the county hurling championship.

Timmy Ryan had a field day for Ahane and P. Kelly and J. Power rendered able support in defence. P. Byrnes in goal was seldom severely tested though he was called on in the early stages to save many a dangerous situation. In attack, Mick Mackey was the chief marksman, receiving valuable assistance from his brother, John, and from D. Leonard.

P. Collopy in the St. Patrick's goal was in rare form. C. McInerney, M. O'Connell, L. Ryan and P. Fitzpatrick were also outstanding in defence. G. O'Sullivan was the outstanding forward on view, and of the others T. O'Brien, S. O'Connell and B. McSweeney were best.

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viously won a race in 30.80 on the Clonmel track.

## AHANE TRIUMPH. 17-4-48

Large numbers of local Gaels travelled to Hospital on Sunday last to see the popular Limerick county hurling champions, Ahane, triumph over the Tipperary county hurling champions, Carrick Swans. Although the match fell below inter-county standard, nevertheless it was a dour struggle, with some brilliant individual hurling flashes. Tommy O'Brien, of Ahane, was the best hurler on view, and his neat lifting and striking were a treat to watch. Others who played well for Ahane were Jackie Power, Mick Herbert, Jack Mulcahy and Con Birrane, while Murphy, Gorman, Haughey and Wall were the pick of the Suirside fifteen. The final score was: Ahane, 7 goals 1 points; Carrick Swans, 7 goals 1 point.



Ahane Hurling Club who won their fifteenth County Senior Hurling Title in beating Croom at the Gaelic Grounds on last Sunday week.

# AHANE HAD SOFT WIN

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**C**LAUGHAUN, in their first appearance in senior hurling ranks at Ballysimon, on Sunday evening, were unfortunate in being drawn against the champions. In their long list of championship victories, Ahane have never had an easier one. From start to finish they completely dominated the scene and for most of the hour simply toyed with the opposition.

Play opened quietly, and it was obviously early on that Claughaun were feeling the effects of their first big encounter. Paddy Kelly collected from the throw-in but his long shot went narrowly astray. Coffey missed the puck-out and it fell short. A free on the '21' and Mick Mackey scored the first point within a minute of the start. Mackey had two wides running before Claughaun made any advance and then Harding was off the range at the other end. Ahane were back from the delivery and Mick Mackey shot a 'soft' goal from thirty yards' range. A Claughaun free taken by Paddy McCarthy was beaten off, and with play in City territory once again Jimmy Coffey got through for a goal. It was the signal for a long period of supremacy by the champions, scores came regularly and without reply and with ten minutes still remaining, Claughaun were in a hopeless position being led by 5-4 to nil. Jim Mackey, Eddie Stokes and Mick Mackey having added a goal each and Coffey and Mulcahy a brace of points.

Claughaun had their one and only score in this half from a point by Tom Neilan. Tommy O'Brien replied with a point from a '70.' Jimmy Coffey followed with a goal and just before the interval Jim Mackey scored another goal, which was disallowed, and the teams rested with the score reading 6-5 to 0-1.

## CHAMPIONS EASE UP.

When the Mackey brothers shared in another goal immediately after re-summing, the game was as good as over. True, exchanges from this on were even enough, but only because the champions eased up to a certain extent. There were occasional glimpses of lively hurling and some nice puck-ing but these were few and far between and a more one-sided affair could hardly be visualized. Claughaun looked like putting in a bit of an effort when Paddy McCarthy struck low from a 21 yards free and Mac-Namara doubled to the net but almost immediately Jim Mackey nullified his performance at the City end. MacCarthy then had a brace of points for Claughaun but Stokes in return added an Ahane goal. MacCarthy closed the scoring with a point leaving the full-time score 9-5 to 1-4.

Paddy Clohessy refereed.

## OGONNELLOE H.C.

### RECENT TOURNAMENT FINAL

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.")

Dear Sir—Permit me a little space in your valuable newspaper to refer to a hurling tournament final played on 13/11/49, at Daly's Cross, between Ahane and Ogonnelloe. This game was sponsored by Castleconnell Gaelic League and was fixed for O'Brien's Bridge. When the Ogonnelloe team arrived 25 minutes before scheduled time they were informed that the match was not to be played as a certain gentleman had not given the field, and a member of the Garda Síochana, who was on point duty, told us (Ogonnelloe team) to proceed on to Daly's Cross, as the match was being played there. This arrangement was made without our consent. Six of our team, who were ignorant of the change of venue, had to content themselves in O'Brien's Bridge for a considerable time, and did not arrive at Daly's Cross at all. As sportsmen, we played this game under appalling conditions. I would term this playing pitch a little wet paddock, with rushes surrounding it, and swamps galore. There was neither a sideline, nor a sideline man to do duty, and surely one would expect something to be done about it. We (Ogonnelloe team) were the victims. We had defeated Killaloe and Ballina in quarter final and semi-final, respectively, and were forced to travel to Ahane to play Ahane in the final. We demand the right to play Ahane again in this final at a neutral venue or, alternatively, we will put up a set of medals ourselves, and play Ahane for them.

Yours sincerely,

T. HAYES,

Secretary, Ogonnelloe H.C.

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# Ahane's Great Hurling Record

## Successes Through The Century

### AHANE COUNTY CHAMPIONS.

Castleconnell and Ahane are sister parishes under the one Parish Priest. In the early days the Club was named Castleconnell and was prominent in hurling ranks from the foundation of the G.A.A.

In 1900, the team included "Tyler" Mackey and brothers, Sean Carroll and brothers, the Herberts and Vaughans, Davy Conway, Mick Danaher, Jackey Ryan (goalie).

Castleconnell won the County Senior Hurling Championship in 1900 and 1909. The 1909 team afterwards led Limerick to a great championship success, creating quite a sensation when they beat a strong Cork fifteen at Tralee. They had all the ill-luck and many disallowed scores in the All-Ireland Final of 1910 in which Wexford beat them by the narrowest score.

Limerick were Munster champions again in 1911, but gave Kilkenny a walk-over in the All-Ireland Final—refusing to play in Thurles—after the original fixture for Cork Athletic Grounds had to be postponed owing to the flooded nature of the pitch.

A team called Ahane flourished for a brief spell in 1910, and won the Co. Junior Hurling Championship about that time.

This Club was revived after a lapse of many years at a meeting on 22nd Nov., 1926. Officers—President, Rev. P. O'Reilly; vice-president, T. Fitzpatrick, N.T.; sec., Patk. O'Reilly; treas., Denis Ryan. Members of the Committee included—Davy Conway, Sean Carroll and Paddy Scanlan.

Timmy Ryan came on the Committee in 1928, and on that year Ahane had their first Championship victory (junior hurling) when they beat Fedemore in the first match played at the new Gaelic Sports Field, Ennis Road, Limerick, on August, 1928. The Ahane lads never looked back since. They won the Co. J. H. Championship that year, defeating Kilmee in final (at Adare).

Ahane participated in the Intermediate Championship in 1929, but were knocked out in the closing stages through an objection.

On June 1st, 1930, an Ahane selection played Erin's Own (Waterford) at Clonmel on

the occasion of the opening of the Clonmel Sportsfield. In the 1930 Senior Hurling Championship, Ahane beat Treaty on a replay; beat Claughaun on a replay; lost the East Limerick final to Young Ireland, 19 pts. to 17—their first defeat on the playing field since August, 1928.

Ahane Minor Hurlers won the Minor Hurling Championship in 1930, beating Doon in final.

In the same year Ahane also won the Co. Junior Hurling Championship beating Bruree in the final.

In 1931, Ahane beat the Co. Champions, Young Ireland, in the opening round of the Senior Hurling Championships at Croom and went on to take the title—their first senior hurling one—beating Croom in the final.

In 1932, Ahane lost in a great game to Young Ireland in the opening round—the latter regained their title beating Newcastle West in the final. Since this defeat, Ahane have won every Championship played with the exception of 1940 and 1941, Croom defeating them in the finals in those years.

Co. Final results in which Ahane participated (Senior Hurling) are:

1931—Ahane, 5-5; Croom, 1-4. 1933—Ahane, 1-7; Croom, 1-1. 1934—Ahane, 6-6; Kildimo, 3-3. 1935—Ahane, 6-8; Kildimo, 2-3. 1936—Ahane, 7-8; Croom, 0-3. 1937—Ahane, 9-5; Croom, 2-1. 1938, Ahane, 4-5; Croom, 2-2. 1939—Ahane, 5-8; Croom, 2-4. 1940—Croom, 4-2; Ahane, 3-1. 1941—Croom, 4-2; Ahane, 4-1. 1942—Ahane, 7-8; Rathkeale, 1-0. 1943—Ahane, 7-2; Croom, 1-2. 1944—Ahane, 4-2; Rathkeale, 1-8. 1945—Ahane, 5-9; Granagh, Ballingarry, 3-2. 1946—Ahane, 6-7; Rathkeale, 1-1. 1947—Ahane beat St. Patrick's.

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# Ahane Mo Come

**B**EST bit of news this week concerns the Ahane Club, the memory of which will ever be associated with the adoption of Hurling as Limerick's main game.

At the outset of last year's Co. Championships, Ahane withdrew from all competitions, leaving a wide circle of Gaels in a state of profound uneasiness. However, I am now in a position to state positively that teams representing this grand old club will be challenging for Championship honours again this year.

Without Ahane, Limerick could never have blown its trumpet in 1934, 1936 and 1940—years when Tim Ryan and Mick Mackey captained teams (made up mainly of Ahane players) that kept the county in All-Ireland power. No greater club, to my way of thinking, at least, has ever adorned hurling, and for evidence of this we have only to look at the records.

In the early part of the 20th century, Castleconnell had its own team led by Tyler Mackey, who was subsequently partnered by the Herberts, Hickey and Ryans, etc. These great hurlers trans-

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mitted power in hereditary succession to sons, who took up with Ahane in 1928 and 1929, and who are with us even to-day.

Ahane captured its first Junior Hurling Title in 1928, and the year following the Mackey Brothers—Mick and John—together with Timmy Ryan, Dan Givens and Paddy Scanlan, helped to win a minor title. In 1930 they were only just beaten in the final of the senior championship, but the next year success was theirs.

1932 was blank, but then followed seven successive wins in the Senior Championship, in the course of which Jackie Power came on the scene.

After losing winning form in 1940 we find them back again in 1942, reigning supreme and having some excellent material, including the Herberts—Tony, Sean and Michael—to carry on. Another good innings followed, for they did not taste defeat again until 1948.

It is not generally known that Ahane were football champions from 1935 to 1939. However, since then, football has only been a secondary consideration, and there is some little doubt about it being on the Ahane programme at all this year.

All Limerick will be glad that the County Selectors will be able to call up the Ahane players for the Munster Championship game against Tipperary on June 18. At this stage the "odds" are against Limerick winning this match, but when it is remembered that last year they put Waterford (All-Ireland champions of the previous year) out first pop, the chance of a surprise result cannot be ruled out.

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## LIMERICK—"TIPP" MATCH

### Reply To Jackie Power

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.")

A Chara—With reference to Jackie Power's letter, which appeared in your issue of 8th instant, in which he alleges failure on the part of the County Board to provide transport for him from Claremorris for the senior hurling match, Limerick v. Tipperary, on the 18th ultimo, I shall be glad if you will give me space to state briefly the facts as given by me to the County Board at its meeting on the 24th ultimo.

Twelve days prior to the match, I notified Jackie Power at Claremorris, where he was then working, of his selection on the Limerick team. As he regularly came home to Annacotty each week-end (this was the condition that made it legal for him to play in Limerick), I made arrangements for a car to collect him, as usual, at his home in Annacotty on the day of the match.

On Thursday prior to the game, as final arrangements were being sent out, Mr. Michael Kennedy, a member of the Selection Committee, informed me that he had received, on that morning, a letter from Jackie Power stating, inter alia, that I (County Secretary) was expecting him down, as usual, for the week-end, but he was afraid he would not be down this time; that he had exhausted his leave. Mr. Kennedy spoke on the 'phone to Jackie Power and informed him that my instructions were to hire a car to bring him from Claremorris to Limerick for the match with Tipperary. He was given the option of travelling down on the Saturday evening prior to or the Sunday morning of the match, according to his choice. He (J. Power) agreed to hire a car, as instructed, and promised to be at Fitzpatrick's at 1 p.m. on the Sunday of the game.

About 8 p.m. on the Saturday evening prior to the game, Mr. Kennedy brought me a letter which he had received from J. Power, in which the latter stated that, as he had decided to give up hurling, he would not play for the County on the following day and, accordingly, would not travel as arranged.—Mise, le meas,

SEAN O CONAILL,

Secretary, Limerick County Board, G.A.A. 11th July, 1950.

## G.A.A. SUSPENSION

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### THE CASE OF JACKIE

#### POWER

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.")

A Chara—Without wishing to enter into the controversy—Limerick Co. Board, G.A.A. v. Jackie Power—I would be pleased if you would give me a little space in your widely read paper to put a few questions to the Secretary of the Co. Board. Why was J. Power suspended for failing to give notice of his intention not to play in Limerick v. Tipperary match, when he had, in fact, written to Mr. Michael Kennedy, member of Selection Committee, stating that he didn't intend playing, as he had decided to give up hurling? Was this letter from J. Power to M. Kennedy not considered official? If it was not were M. Kennedy's instructions to J. Power to hire a car in Claremorris official?

Was J. Power's letter late? If so, how many hours and did it help matters to communicate through

the Co. Board. Undoubtedly Jackie Power did disappoint countless hundreds, but the disappointment, as bad as it was, will never blot out the memory of his great displays in the past. Who could ever forget such a star, who always gave of his best. If he had played in that match it is quite possible that it might have made little or no difference with the final figures on the score-board. But one could not help seeing, while watching that match with the gallant Limerick fifteen going great guns, that the full-forward line lacked "power."

In conclusion, I wish to congratulate Jackie Power on his past hurling career, and wish him health and happiness in the future.

Thanking you Mr. Editor in

# ANTHONY MACKEY

(CASTLECONNELL)

Though he was a hurler who never hit the headlines as much as his brother, "Tyler," and his nephews, Mick and John, Anthony Mackey of Castleconnell, County Limerick, was a grand caman weilder in his day and helped that famous club, Ahane, in many of their early successes in Limerick hurling.

Anthony began his hurling with the old Castleconnell team in 1915 in company with such stars of that period as Tommy Benn, the O'Carroll brothers, the Herbert brothers, and a host of other hurlers whose names were household words in Limerick at that time.

In his second year in hurling Anthony was called in as a substitute for Limerick against Cork in the Munster Minor championship in 1917 when Limerick won. In the final, however, Limerick were beaten by Tipperary—on a replay.

### PLAYED WITH CLAUGHAUN.

It is not generally known that Anthony played with the City club,

Claughaun, and helped them to win two Limerick county championships in 1926 and 1927.

### FIRST WITH AHANE SENIORS

When the Ahane Club went into senior ranks, Anthony was one of the first to don the famous green and gold colours of the Club. He was on the Ahane team that beat Croom in the 1931 County Championship final. In all he figured in five County championships and was a substitute on the Limerick team that won the 1934 All-Ireland title. When he was not hurling it was no trouble for him to cycle to championship games in Thurles and return home that same evening.

### A FISHERMAN.

He is also a keen fisherman and has acted as guide to leading anglers who visited Castleconnell throughout the years. He is a grand sportsman and is a credit to the village of Castleconnell.

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## 23 Years At The Top

**WHEN** Mick Mackey leads Ahane on to the field at Kilmallock to-day to play Treaty Sarsfield in the Limerick Senior Hurling Championship semi-final, it will be in far more optimistic vein than this time a year ago.

In last year's clash the Castleconnell men were a spent force at half-time; but, having trained honestly for to-day's game, they are hopeful of repeating themselves.

It will be quite a feat if Mick Mackey wins another Senior Championship medal; for Mick, voted the greatest hurler of our time, is on his 23rd year in top-class competition. He will be playing full back to-day.

"Treaty" have won every Limerick title except senior hurling. They hope to remedy this fault to-day. The winners—probably "Treaty"—will play Geraldines in the final.

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## AHANE FOUND BRUREE OFF FORM IN REPLAY

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Ahane, 4-12; Bruree, 2-3.

The replay of the first round Limerick Senior Hurling Championship at Kilmallock yesterday between Ahane and Bruree fell far short of expectations and was not up to the standard of the drawn game. Ahane won rather easily on the score of four goals and twelve points to two goals and three points for Bruree. Played before a crowd that was a record for a first round game, the match was fairly good in the first half with both defences coming out on top in a tense struggle. At the interval, Ahane, after playing against the breeze, were leading by one goal and six points to one goal and two points for Bruree, and when they consolidated their position with two goals before ten minutes of the second half had gone, the game became a lifeless affair with Ahane calling the tune, the only bright spot at that stage being the fine display of Mick Mullane at full-back for Bruree.

Bruree, last year's county junior champions, never struck their usual form and had marksmanship ultimately brought about their defeat. Mick Mackey, the Limerick hurling star of the 'thirties and early 'forties, displayed some of his old wiles, being responsible for eight points of Ahane's total. Others to score for Ahane were Sean Herbert, T. Conway, T. Casey, M. O'Brien, A. Graham, while Bruree's scores were obtained by M. Potter, J. Simcox and J. Carney.

Mr. T. Long, Drumcollogher, refereed.

## AHANE HELD TO DRAW BY BRUREE

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Ahane, 3-1; Bruree, 2-4.

Ahane lived to fight another day when they met last year's Limerick junior champions, Bruree, in the first round of the Limerick senior hurling championship, at Limerick, yesterday. In the last stages of a game which was remarkable for its vigorous ground play, Bruree sent chances abegging and must ruefully remember the last-minute free from an easy angle which was missed by B. Mullane.

The game throughout was well contested and even though inclined to be rugged at times, provided a large gathering with excellent entertainment. Although early in the second half Ahane appeared to be well on the way towards victory, a splendid rally by the Bruree forwards paid dividends and a series of three points eventually enabled them to obtain the equaliser.

Although he gave a fine display in the Bruree goal, M. Sexton, with T. Conway, Ahane's centre-forward, was sent to the sideline midway through the second half by Referee J. Vaughan, of Lismore, and was replaced in the net by C. Simcox.

Five minutes after the start, Bruree went ahead when B. Mullane scored a goal. Almost immediately, however, Conway had the equaliser from a free all the way, but after ten minutes Potter, who distinguished himself throughout at centre-field for Bruree, pointed from a free. From a seventy, following a lively Ahane rally, P. Kelly again put his side on equal terms, but some minutes later Sexton, endeavouring to save a fine shot from S. Herbert, had the misfortune to send the ball into his own net.

Ahane went further ahead after the resumption, when S. Herbert, receiving a neat pass from Leonard, had their third goal. Bruree came back again with a point from Potter, and C. Carroll with a goal further reduced the arrears. Exchanges then reached a high level of excitement, with Ahane fighting hard to maintain their advantage, but after twenty minutes Carroll brought the margin within one point, and five minutes later Potter gained the equaliser. Mullane, taking a free

### AHANE G.A.A. CLUB 53

At the annual general meeting of the Ahane G.A.A. Club, it was decided to affiliate teams in all grades in both hurling and football codes. Several members spoke enthusiastically of the success of the Parish League hurling competitions last year and it was hoped that more promising players would be discovered this year. The following appointments were made:—President, Very Rev. J. Fogarty, P.P.; Joint Chairmen, Rev. Fr. E. J. Whyte, C.C., and Rev. Fr. J. Gaffney, C.C.; Vice Chairman, D. Leonard; Hon. Secretaries, M.

# E GETS IT TO

## Paddy Scanlon Says Cut Out This Charging Of The Net Minder

**K**EVIN MATTHEWS has told you, from this Forum, that the net-minder gets it tough and rough, but I'll go further and state that he gets it the toughest of all. Again I would refer to Dan O'Keeffe's contention that a goalkeeper has a great chance of protection if covered by good backs. I was in a similar position in my day—I stood behind one of the finest and most solid full-back lines ever. And granted they gave me a chance, too. But I ask you why, in a game of hurling—or any other game for that matter—should a man have to depend on physical protection from his opponents? Where is the skill in that? Is it sporting?

Mackey knew what he was talking about when he said it was ridiculous to see forwards jumping on the goalkeeper when the ball was going over the bar. That, I can tell you, was putting it mildly—especially from the goalie's point of view, when he had to pick himself up from the back of the net afterwards.

The cause of the whole trouble, to my mind, is the fact that forwards are allowed to charge the goalie in possession. And remember that up to a year ago or two the goalie could be charged whether in possession or not—in other words, at any time.

My view is that, as the rule is open to so many forms of interpretation, charging of the goalie

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**Paddy Scanlon**  
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**Larry Stanley**

should be forbidden altogether.

### Give Vouchers For Goods

**N**OW, I don't want to hear cries of "professional" when I start talking about my next subject. Without wishing in any way to make the game professional, I say give players a voucher for goods, such as a suit of clothes, shoes, overcoats, etc. Two teams play in a final, the winning team goes to America, the runner-up team get nothing. Why? Don't you agree that at least they should get knicks, boots, hurleys free? Sure, even in all the talk there was from this Forum about collective training, not a lot was said about paying the player full wages while he was in training.

### Play On To Victory

**A**S your Christmas pudding is hardly yet digested, I intend to cut very short my say. Briefly, my views are:—

**REFEREEING:** Give us a training school for them, and have regular classes.

**TIME:** I want the Bogue clock. And I don't want a "replay" All-Ireland final—extend the time unto victory.

**THE BAN:** No, sir, away with it!

**SUBSTITUTES:** Have none at all. It's unfair to the men who have played, say, 40 minutes, to find themselves suddenly confronted by "fresh" fellows.

● The views expressed in this article, given to our representative in an interview, are not necessarily those of THE SUNDAY PRESS.

*Keppel playing hurling with Diamond club in Dublin.*



**TOMMY CASEY**  
(Ahane)

Age 23      Height 5-10      Weight 12 st.

Occupation—Engineer.

Position—Midfield.

The Ahane man may not be a spectacular hurler, but that he is a mighty effective one was proved in the Munster final when he played a very big part in blotting out Clare in the important midfield department. A tireless worker, he lends considerable aid to attack and defence when the occasion demands it. At one stage seemed likely to make his name as a half-forward, but took to midfield as if he had played there all his life. Has helped his club to win the Limerick senior title. Followers feel that if he repeats his Munster final display he will help the county to reach the all-Ireland for the first time since 1940, when present trainer Mick Mackey led the side which defeated Kilkenny by 3-7 to 1-7 for highest honours.

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# Famous Ahane Win Hurling Title For Sixteenth Time

**A** HANE, famous throughout the country as a great hurling stronghold, came into the Limerick County senior hurling championship picture again at the Gaelic Grounds yesterday. By their win over Geraldines they won the championship for the sixteenth time.

Memories of Ahane's dominance in Limerick hurling were pleasantly revived for their supporters at the Gaelic Grounds yesterday. The senior final day pattern of old was resumed when Ahane, in a rather listless decider before a big gathering, accounted for the East Limerick selection, Geraldines, to win the title for the sixteenth time. In the days of the Mackeys and the Ryans, Ahane's prowess sparkled brightly, and their feats in the senior hurling arena helped the County selection to occupy a prominent place in the Munster and All-Ireland championship struggles.

Perhaps, Ahane's 4-4 to 2-2 win yesterday and their return to the championship limelight will, by coincidence, give a fillip to Limerick hurling.

### LINK WITH THE PAST.

It was fitting that Jackie Power, a link with the Ahane of old, should play the most prominent part in Ahane's revival and return to power. He was the chief marksman for the new champions. His three goals were well taken and his general hurling craft and experience were factors that made him an outstanding player.

The standard of hurling displayed by both teams was somewhat disappointing. Many went to the ground with the expectation that the match would be a thriller. Geraldines were hailed in many quarters as the probable new champions, because of their scoring feats in the preliminary rounds, and for that reason a close struggle was anticipated. Geraldines were never

and the final, on that account, was a rather easy one for Ahane.

Geraldines contributed to their own defeat by miserable finishing. Time and time again in the second period they got within scoring reach, but chances were frittered away. Ahane were certainly better served in "shooting power" and chances were availed of promptly in returning the Club as champions after a lapse of seven years.

The scoring opened when Shanahan pointed for Geraldines. Jackie Power had two quick goals for Ahane, who led at the half-way stage by 3-2 to 1-2. Showing better finish in the second half, Ahane had little difficulty in surviving the Geraldines' pressure.

Marksmen for each side were—for Ahane—Power (3-0), Enright (1-0), Keane, Leonard, Houlihan and O'Brien (points each), and for Geraldines—O'Connell (1-0), Shanahan (1-2).

### A BIG SURPRISE

A big surprise was caused at Kilmallock yesterday when Kilmallock mastered the warm favourites, Treaty Sarsfield, in the County minor hurling final.

It was a high scoring encounter in which Kilmallock started in a great flourish and demoralised the city team's defence. By half-time the Kilmallock boys were 6-2 to 1-2 in the lead and their position looked unbeatable. Treaty Sarsfield were much more themselves in the second half and proceeded with great elan to reduce the deficit. They were still playing strongly at the finish but had not done enough to

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## COUNTY HURLING CHAMPIONS



The famed Ahane hurling team which recaptured the County Hurling Championship by defeating Geraldines at the Gaelic Grounds last Sunday. It is seven years since Ahane last won the title. Bottom row (left to right)—P. Kelly, J. Doyle, P. Byrnes, D. Leonard (Capt.), S. Herbert, J. Graham, D. Houlihan. Standing (left to right)—Paddy McMahon (trainer), James Conway (treasurer), John Power, Tom Casey, Paddy Enright, Mick Herbert (Committee), Michael Kelly, Phil Ahern (Vice-Captain), John Ryan, William Keane, Sean Leonard, Very Rev. J. Fogerty, P.P., Castleconnell (President); John McMahon, Secretary.

### CHAIRING OF THE CAPTAIN



Enthusiastic Ahane supporters chair the Captain, D. Leonard, following the presentation of the coveted trophy.

## Feb Death Of 56 Well-Known Old I.R.A. Personality

THE death occurred in the Limerick County Infirmary on Wednesday of Mr. Sean O'Carroll, Castleconnell, at an advanced age.

The late Mr. O'Carroll was a member of the First Republican Dail and had from an early age identified himself with the physical force movement. He was also an enthusiastic language revivalist. He joined the Volunteers at their inception and became O/C of the Mid-Limerick Flying Column. A fearless fighter, he took part in many ambushes, was imprisoned and underwent more than one hunger strike.

The late Mr. O'Carroll, who was a noted angler on the Shannon, came into conflict with the E.S.B. a few years ago. He defied a ban imposed by the Board in respect of certain fishery rights and as a result he was committed to jail for one month.

Deceased was a noted hurler in his day and in the years between 1911 and 1914 he was a member of the famous Castleconnell All-Ireland selection.

Very deep sympathy is tendered to his sisters, nephews, nieces and other relatives in their bereavement.

The remains were removed from the Co. Infirmary yesterday (Thursday) evening to Castleconnell Church. The cortege was of very large proportions, testifying to a marked degree the popularity of the deceased.

The funeral took place to-day (Friday), full military honours being accorded.

## SARS. BEST IN HIGH SCORING GAME

Sarsfields (Cork), 12-5; Ahane (Limerick), 6-5

In the presence of a fairly large crowd at University College Grounds, Cork, last evening, Sarsfields (Cork) beat Ahane (Limerick) by 12-5 to 6-5, having led at half-time by 3-2 to 2-1.

The Sarsfield team were much better balanced and showed a fine turn of speed. Their teamwork was far superior to that of the visitors, who had some good individual players. However, the high scoring was largely due to the fading light, as no fewer than eight of the goals and some of the points were scored during the last ten or twelve minutes. Up to the last quarter the game was fairly interesting but the heavy scoring then spoiled the finish.

Scorers for Sarsfields were—L. Dowling, D. Shine, D. Hurley, P. Barry and T. Murphy; for Ahane, L. Ryan, D. Houlihan, J. Graham, S. Herbert, L. Kelly.

Mr. P. Cronin (St. Finbarr's) refereed.

## WELL-KNOWN I.R.A.

### OFFICER

## Death Of Comdt. Sean O'Carroll

Over a hundred Old I.R.A. men, representing the three Tipperary Brigades of the I.R.A. during the fight for freedom, attended at the funeral, after solemn Requiem Mass and Office, at Castleconnell, on Friday last, of Comdt. Sean O'Carroll, former Flying Column O/C of the Mid-Limerick I.R.A. and one of the most outstanding personalities of his generation.

Deceased, who had been chairman of the North Tipperary Republican Memorial Committee, up to the time of his death, was associated from an early age with the national struggle.

In 1908, he helped to found a branch of the Gaelic League in his native parish. In 1910-11 he was a member of the Limerick All-Ireland hurling team when the noted hurler John ("Tyler") Mackey was captain.

He joined the Volunteers at their inception and in the ensuing years, during the Black and Tan terrorist reegee and in the Civil War, he was the central figure in many thrilling episodes. Although he had many hairbreadth escapes, he was never wounded or captured.

Some years ago he was again in the limelight when he was jailed in Mountjoy following his contravention of a High Court injunction obtained in 1937 by the E.S.B. to restrain him from fishing in the Shannon fisheries vested in the Board. It was made clear subsequently that his protest was not aimed at the E.S.B. but against what he held to be oppressive legislation that had the effect of denying the fishing amenities of Irish rivers and lakes to all but well-to-do aliens and privileged local sections. Protests against the imprisonment were nation wide.

The officiating clergy were Very Rev. J. Fogarty, P.P. (nephew of the late Most Rev. Dr. Fogarty, Archbishop Bishop of Killaloe), assisted by Rev. J. Meehan, C.C., and Rev. J. Gaffney, C.C.

The Old I.R.A. guard of honour was under Brigadier P. MacDonnell (Nenagh) and the Tipperary contingent of Old I.R.A. officers included Messrs Ned Reilly (Cashel), Paddy Kinane (Upperchurch), Sean Gaynor, Eddie John Ryan and Jack Meagher, Nenagh, and Jim Larkin, Ballina.

The Gaelic League was represented by Rev. Dr. de Hindeberg (Limerick area), and the G.A.A. was represented by Mr Pat Reilly, chairman of Limerick Co. Board. Former noted hurlers present included Messrs Jim Hurley (Cork), Paddy Scanlon (Ahane), John ("Tyler") Mackey and Jack Keane, Castleconnell; also Gerry O'Riordan (Cork), and Jackie Power, Lime-rick.

Included in hundreds of messages of sympathy were telegrams from Lieut.-Genl. Tom Barry, the Daly family (Dublin and Limerick), Brigadier Leahy and family (Mid-Tipperary), Rev. J. Perkins, C.C., Newport; Messrs Eamonn Leahy Boherlahan), Miceal O Riain, Fen-

## RECENT

### COMDT. SEAN O'CARROLL.

Deep and widespread regret was occasioned by the passing of Comdt. Sean O'Carroll, Castleconnell, one of the outstanding personalities of his generation in the struggle which commenced in 1916 for Irish freedom. The cortege, after Solemn Requiem Mass and Office at Castleconnell Parish Church, to the local cemetery included more than a hundred prominent Old I.R.A. officers and members from Limerick, Tipperary and Clare, and many other parts of the country. The G.A.A. and the Gaelic League, and associated organisations, were also prominently represented. Very many of the thousands who attended travelled long distances to join in a most impressive tribute to the deceased. The coffin was draped in the Tricolour and nephews of deceased were the pall bearers. The Guard of Honour was drawn from Mid-Limerick and North Tipperary Brigades of the Old I.R.A., under Brigadier P. MacDonnell (Nenagh), the Mid-Limerick section being headed by Mr. Tom Brennan (Annacotty).

The oration at the graveside was delivered in Irish and English by Mr. Sean Hynes (Lisnagry), who reviewed the life of the deceased, and said that from the time he joined the Gaelic League in the early years of the century until his death, he had built up a shining reputation for his integrity and the purity of his ideals. He was a great Irishman, Mr. Hynes said, he had lived up to the high Fenian tradition in which he had been bred, and it was sad to think that Sean O'Carroll, who had fought so fearlessly against the Black and Tans, and had defeated all their strenuous efforts to capture him, should have been imprisoned in the evening of his days by his own people, simply because he opposed what he firmly believed to be oppressive legislation that reserved the amenities of Irish rivers and lakes for a well-to-do section, and denied those amenities to the ordinary people of the country. A dheis De go raibh a anam.

The officiating clergy were:—Very Rev. F. Fogarty, P.P. (nephew of the late Most Rev. Dr. Fogarty, Archbishop-Bishop of Killaloe), assisted by Rev. Father Meghan, C.C., and Rev. Father Gaffney, C.C., Castleconnell, and the attendance included the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, Mr. M. J. Keyes; the Mayor of Limerick (Ald. G. E. Russell); members of the Limerick Corporation and County Council, Mr. Jim Hurley, Bursar, U.C.C.; Rev. Father P. Henebry, S.J., President, Gaelic League, Limerick; John ("Tyler") Mackey and Jack Keane, Castleconnell, former noted All-Ireland hurlers; Mr. Sean Hayes, Clare Co. Councillor; Rev. J. Perkins, C.C., Newport; Mr. P. Kinnane, ex-T.D., Upperchurch; Mr. Ned Reilly, Cashel; Mr. Jack Mulcahy and Mr. Jack Barrett of Mallow.

Telegrams and letters of sympathy

# AHANE G.A.A. CLUB FACES 28-2-59 FUTURE WITH OPTIMISM

THE annual general meeting of the Ahane G.A.A. Club was held in Richill School. In the unavoidable absence of the Club President, Very Rev. Father Fogarty, P.P., Mr. Sean Herbert, Chairman, presided.

## CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS.

At the outset the Chairman welcomed all those present and went on to give a brief review of the club's progress for the year. He wished especially to congratulate the minor hurling and football teams on their fine performance during the year. The enthusiasm they showed with regard to their training, etc., may well be an example to the senior team. He sincerely hoped they would continue the good work during the coming year. He would like to remind the players in all grades of their strict obligation to uphold the good name of the Club with regard to good conduct both on and off the field and never be guilty of any action that would bring their own or the Club's name into disrepute.

Congratulating the officials and committee on the vast amount of time and energy they put into their work, he said that all too often players did not realise the difficulties that had to be overcome from time to time and he appealed to all for their full co-operation in the future.

## REVIEWS OF YEAR'S ACTIVITIES.

The Joint Secretaries, Mr. W. Keane and Mr. S. McMahon, then presented their report as follows:

"A Cairde Gaedheal—Once again we have the honour of reviewing for you the activities of our Club for 1958. During the year teams representing all grades played 29 matches for the Club, constituted as follows:—

"Senior hurling, five; senior football, four; junior hurling, five; junior football, one; minor hurling, five; minor football, six, and juvenile hurling, three.

"The Club also sponsored a very successful school hurling league, six games in all being played. A high standard of hurling was maintained right through the competition and both pupils and teachers are to be congratulated on the keen interest taken in the league.

"Castleconnell School emerged victorious, having taken all points and are to be sincerely congratulated.

## THE SENIOR HURLING TEAM.

"As since 1955 our senior hurling team once again disappointed. Although victorious in the first round of the championship against Patrickswell their performance left a lot to be desired and shortly afterwards made their exit from the competition, finishing badly against a southern selection.

"While it is understandable that every club experiences a lean period from time to time our present position with regard to our senior hurlers is not as it could be. The remedy lies with every player concerned, and we confidently expect that a special effort will be made by all for the coming season. With many of our minors now on the threshold of manhood we feel that we can face the future with a more optimistic outlook.

## JUNIORS, MINORS AND JUVENILES.

"Although once again defeat was the lot of our juniors, they are to be congratulated on the manly way they took on older and more experienced rivals.

"Our minors, we are glad to report, had a very successful year, creating a record in winning both Eastern Divisional honours

"Our minor hurlers, notwithstanding that they were defeated in the county semi-final by old rivals, Croom, put up a very creditable performance. Our minor footballers, having beaten Croom in the semi-final, had to give second best to a very strong Abbeyfeale team after a very dour struggle. We would like to congratulate them on the great interest they took in their training and preparation for every game and any honours they gained they richly deserved them. We do hope that they will persevere with this spirit on into senior ranks.

"The juvenile hurling team captured group honours and were subsequently defeated in the divisional semi-final by a brilliant South Liberties fifteen, who easily went on to take the county championship.

## FINANCIAL POSITION.

"Despite the fact that the expenses of the Club's activities are very high, it will be seen from the treasurer's report that the financial position is fairly sound. At this stage we would like to thank all those who supported the various functions organised for the purpose of raising funds for the Club. Our sincere thanks are due to all those who so kindly helped to make the Club social the success it was.

"The Club suffered a grave loss during the year, when it lost the services of its very active Vice-President, Rev. Father Mulqueen, C.C., and we feel sure that all the members will join with us in wishing him every grace and happiness in his new parish.

"May we take this opportunity to congratulate, on your behalf, T. Casey on his inclusion in the Munster team and wish him every success in the Railway Cup competition.

"We are very much indebted to Mr. P. O'Reilly for having kindly placed his field at our disposal.

"To all who suffered bereavements during the year, and in particular our three priests, Father Fogarty, P.P., on the death of his brother; Father Meehan, C.C., on the death of his father, and Fr. Madden, C.C., on the death of his mother — we extend on your behalf our sincere sympathy."

The following officers and committee were elected:—

President, Very Rev. Father Fogarty, P.P.; Chairman, Mr. Sean Herbert; Vice-Chairman, Mr. Michael Minihan; Joint Secretaries, Messrs. Willie Keane and Sean McMahon; Treasurer, Mr. J. Conway.

Committee — Messrs. Patrick O'Reilly, Mick Mackey, John Doyle, Donal Brennan, Paddy Enright, Tom Conway, Pat Kelly, Paddy McMahon, Tom Brideman, John Ryan, James Hassett and Willie Coffey.

S.H. Captain, W. Keane; Vice-Captain, W. Coffey. S.F. Captain, W. Coffey. Vice-Captain, J. Hassett. M.H. Captain, J. Flynn; M.H. Vice-Captain, D. Tierney; M.F. Captain, G. Kingston; Vice-Captain, G. McCormack; J.H. Captain, D. Hynes; Juvenile H. Captain, M. Berkery.

## LIMERICK LEADER, SA

# HURLING AT 25-4-59 NEWPORT: AN EXCITING GAME

MANY well known Gaels were present at the Paddy Ryan Lacken Memorial Park, Newport, on Sunday to witness an exciting and closely-contested game in the local senior hurling tournament, played between Ahane and Murroe (writes our Newport correspondent). Both teams were in good form and although Ahane won, it took them 50 minutes to shake off the Murroe challenge.

## THE PLAY

With the wind advantage, Ahane were first to attack and had a few wides before P. J. Keane had two points and W. Coffey had another point to give Ahane a three points lead. These proved to be vital scores because in the subsequent exchanges there was nothing between the teams and the game was of the most exciting variety. B. Kelleher next had two points for Murroe. A point by M. Rainsford gave Ahane a two points lead. At this stage it looked as if Ahane enjoyed most of the play, but Tim Hogan, in the Murroe goal, made some remarkable saves and the play was transferred quickly to the other end and amidst great excitement Pat Kelleher got through for a goal to leave Murroe in the lead by one point. A goal and a point by M. Rainsford gave Ahane the lead again at the interval, on the score, Ahane, 1 goal 5 points; Murroe, 1 goal 2 points.

## SECOND HALF

In the second half fortunes swayed to and fro as the ball travelled quickly from one goal to the other and Ahane, by clever hurling, just held on to win in the final stage on the score, Ahane, 4 goals 9 points; Murroe, 2 goals 3 points. P. J. Keane, M. Rainsford, D. Holohan and W. Coffey were the scorers for Ahane. W. Keane, J. Doyle, S. Ryan and L. Kelly also played well for the winners. The Kelleher brothers had all the scores to their credit for Murroe. They were well assisted by Dan Kirby, T. Hogan, M. O'Grady, M. Humphreys and the O'Meara brothers.

## THE TEAMS

Ahane—W. Connolly, J. O'Brien, J. Doyle, W. Keane, J. Hassett, W. Coffey, Sean Ryan, S. Hynes, P. Tuohy, P. J. Keane, L. Kelly, M. Rainsford, L. Ryan, D. Holohan, S. Hassett.

Murroe—T. Hogan, I. O'Meara, J. J. O'Meara, D. Kirby, M. Humphreys, M. Ryan, E. O'Brien, P. Ryan, W. O'Meara, T. Foley, P. Kelleher, B. Kelleher, M. Ryan, M. O'Grady, T. O'Connell.

Mr. M. Carey refereed.

# Holocross To Meet Ahane In Newport S.H. Tournament

Aug 59

After a keenly contested game, Holocross defeated Newport in the semi-final of the Newport G.A.A. Senior Hurling Tournament at the Ryan Lacken Memorial Park, Newport, on Sunday evening (writes our Newport correspondent). By this victory, Holocross have qualified to meet Ahane in the final. This was a very good game and it was a pity that it did not start at the time appointed, as the last quarter was played in twilight. Despite this fact the game was played at a fast pace throughout, and both teams threw everything they knew into action in order to gain supremacy.

### THE PLAY

Against the wind Newport had a fair share of the play in the opening half, but their attack could make little headway against a very solid defence. They did not make nearly enough use of their opportunities. On the other hand, Holocross had the assistance of two well-known All Ireland hurlers in Pat Stakelum and John Ryan, both of whom played a most successful roving commission, and although well marked, it was they that almost assured Holocross of victory.

For the winners, J. Doyle, P. Stakelum, J. Hayes, E. Ryan, P. Cahill, J. Ryan, R. Dwan, and O. O'Brien were best, while the Ryans, Nicholases, D. Kennedy, J. Fitzgerald, and M. Caplis, were good for Newport.

### FIRST HALF

Holocross opened the scoring with a point from a free taken by J. Doyle. Shortly after P. Stakelum had a goal, also from a free. Holocross had 3 points in a row before Newport had their first score, a point, per J. Ryan. Holocross had a further point before Newport had a goal, to leave the interval score: Holocross, 1 goal 5 points; Newport, 1 goal 1 point.

### SECOND HALF

During this half Newport pressed hard, and were rather unlucky on two occasions in not registering scores. Holocross stood up well to the pressure and succeeded in getting a point and a goal before Newport had a point. Holocross had two points in succession before Newport had the last point of the game. Newport finished strongly and 3 close-in frees did not assist them in changing the final scores, which read:—

Holocross, 2 goals 8 points;  
Newport, 1 goal 3 points.

### THE TEAMS

**Holocross**—J. Hayes, P. Ryan, E. Ryan, R. Dwan, J. Stakelum, P. Stakelum, P. Butler, J. Ryan, P. Cahill, J. Ryan (N), J. Doyle, O. O'Brien, J. Ryan (R), F. Maher, M. Ryan.

**Newport**—J. Fitzgerald, M. Caplis, E. Ryan (O), W. Ryan (J), P. Jones, P. Ryan (O), D. Egan, M. Ryan (C), J. J. Nicholas, J. Sweeney, M. Ryan (K), D. Kennedy, M. Ryan (L), J. Ryan (M), W. Nicholas.

Mr. M. Carey refereed.

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## AHANE G.A.A. CLUB

April 5th 1956.

A Chara,

No doubt you will have heard that Mick Mackey has been invited by the Limerickmen's Association in New York to visit the United States under its auspices and that Mick has accepted the invitation and will leave on April 20th and will be about three weeks in America.

The Limerick Gaels in New York will supply Mick Mackey with a Return Ticket but he will have to undergo much personal expense before he returns to Ireland. A suggestion has been made that as a token of appreciation of what Mick Mackey has done on the hurling fields of Ireland to bring honour to his native Limerick, a testimonial would be made up for presentation to this great Limerick hurler before he leaves Ireland during the next few weeks.

It has been suggested that many admirers of Mick Mackey throughout the County are anxious to subscribe to this testimonial and in order to give them an opportunity of doing so we take the liberty of bringing to the notice of club members and all Gaels that subscriptions towards this fund will be received up to the 15th April and will be duly acknowledged.

We solicit your co-operation in informing all your friends of the project and we feel sure that the matter of making this presentation to Mick Mackey will receive much support.

Subscriptions may be sent to :—

R. LEONARD, B.E., Castletroy, Limerick or W. KEANE,  
Sec., Ahane G.A.A. Club, Castleconnell, Co. Limerick.

Sinne le meas,

R. LEONARD, B.E.	PADDY KELLY
SEAN HERBERT	J. DOYLE
T. CONWAY	T. BRIDGEMAN
W. KEANE	J. POWER
S. McMAHON	M. MINIHAN
MICK HERBERT	P. ENRIGHT

# TWO GREAT TEAMS IN THRILLING ENCOUNTER

Aug 1959

**A** FAST, exciting and closely contested game was witnessed at the Paddy Ryan Lacken Memorial Park, Newport, on Sunday evening when Holycross defeated Ahane by 4 goals 5 points to 3 goals 5 points in the final of the Newport G.A.A. Senior Hurling Tournament (writes our Newport correspondent). Both teams have figured prominently in hurling in their respective counties for some years past. Holycross have won many Co. Tipperary Senior Hurling Championships and reached their peak in 1949, 1950 and 1951 when they had the selection of the county team that won the All-Ireland Cup three years in succession. In like manner Ahane resurrected hurling in Limerick in the year 1930 and since then they have proved their worth in helping to keep the game to the fore in the county.

## RECORD CROWD.

Taking into consideration the records of these two famous hurling centres, it was no surprise on Sunday evening to find a record crowd present at the Newport Gaelic Grounds to see these teams in action. The attendance included many well-known Gaels from Limerick and Tipperary. From Holycross came many inter-county players, including Messrs. D. O'Gorman, J. Doyle, M. Maher, J. Ryan, L. Skelly, W. Tuohy, P. Hennessy, T. Dwyer, P. Stakelum and J. Duggan. Ahane supporters included J. Keane, T. Ryan, P. McMahon, T. Conway, P. Enright, M. Ryan, P. Ryan, J. Ryan, S. Hollis, J. Hassett and P. O'Reilly, Chairman of the Limerick County Board. Other Gaels present included Rev. Father Gilmartin, C.C., President of East Limerick Board, G.A.A.; T. Rainsford, Chairman, do.; Rev. Fr. Fogarty, P.P., Castleconnell; Rev. Fr. Mulvihill, P.P., Newport; Rev. P. J. Lee, P.P., Pallasgreen; Rev. Fr. Perkins, C.C., Newport; Rev. Fr. Hogan, C.C., do., and Rev. Fr. O'Brien, C.C., Ballinahinch. The Newport G.A.A. officials in charge of the arrangements were: Messrs. P. J. Humphreys, M. Ryan, T. Hackett, W. Nicholas, E. Ryan, P. Ryan, M. Rainsford and the members of the local hurling team.

## THE GAME

The game started almost on time and the Newport School Boys' Band played the teams on to the field. Ahane played with the wind in the first half and set up a series of determined attacks on the Holycross goal, but they were met by a very resolute defence who repulsed attack after attack. The Holycross goal had some narrow escapes before the ball was returned to the Ahane end. The ball travelled from goal to goal with lightning speed and the spectators roared themselves hoarse as they cheered encouragement to the teams. At one period it would be Holycross and the next minute it would be Ahane. The goalkeepers were well tested and J. Flanagan, for Ahane, and R. Dwan, for Holycross, made some remarkable saves. After ten minutes play Holycross opened the score with a point. Ahane also scored a point and the teams were on equal terms for another ten minutes before Holycross again took the lead by a well-directed goal. Ahane next had two points and then came a goal and a point, to give them the lead. Two points by Holycross reduced the Ahane lead to a point at half-time, when the score stood: Ahane, 1 goal 4 points; Holycross, 1 goal 3 points.

## SECOND HALF.

In the second half Ahane pressed hard for a score and the Holycross defenders, R. Dwan, P. Ryan, F. Bannon and P. Stakelum were on the move at all times. P. J. Keane, M. Rainsford, J. Doyle and D. Holohan were working hard for an Ahane score. However, Ahane succeeded in increasing their lead by another point. The Ahane defence was next under pressure and W. Keane, W. Coffey, P. Enright, J. Flanagan, S. Ryan and J. Hassett were well tested. The game now opened in a lively fashion and J. Doyle, P. Cooke, J. Ryan, L. Kelly and T. Kelly were quick on the attack for Holycross. The Ahane defence weakened under constant pressure and it was then that Holycross enjoyed a run of scores. Scoring two goals and two points in this spell, Holycross completely took command and it looked as if Ahane were out of the game. This was not the case, however, as Ahane rallied in a final effort just almost on time and scored 2 goals in quick succession, and brought the teams on level terms. Great excitement prevailed as both teams

threw everything they knew into action which kept the spectators on their toes. With about two minutes left it looked as if the teams would be meeting again to decide the issue. This was not to happen as a close-in free awarded to Holycross resulted in a goal which brought victory to their side. The Ahane players objected to the score being allowed as they claimed the scorer had been inside the parallelogram. The score was allowed and the full result was: Holycross: 4 goals 5 points; Ahane, 3 goals 5 points.

P. Stakelum, J. Doyle, F. Bannon, J. Ryan, R. Dwan, and P. Ryan, played well for Holycross, while P. J. Keane, W. Keane, W. Coffey, S. Ryan, P. Enright, J. Dwyer, J. Hassett, D. Holohan, L. Kelly were good for Ahane.

## THE TEAMS

**Holycross**—R. Dwan, M. Ryan, P. Ryan, F. Bannon, L. Quinn, P. Stakelum, B. Bannon, P. Cahill, J. Ryan, J. Ryan, J. Doyle, P. Cooke, L. Skelly, T. Kelly, J. Ryan.

**Ahane**—J. Flanagan, L. O'Brien, P. Enright, W. Keane, J. Hassett, W. Coffey, S. Ryan, L. Kelly, S. Hynes, P. Tuohy, P. J. Keane, M. Rainsford, L. Ryan, J. Doyle, D. Holohan.

Mr. M. Carey refereed.

Askeaton 5-9  
Sean Finns 2-6

# Askeaton are far too good

17/5/86

THIS 1ST round senior football championship game played at Askeaton on Sunday last produced some great passages of football from both sides, despite the slippery underfoot conditions.

The boys in blue decided to play with the wind in the first-half, and for ten minutes or so played splendid football and raced into a three points lead and almost got a couple of goals, but for great defensive work by Ivess and Neville. on the quarter hour mark Rathkeale scored an own goal against the run of play.

Burke and Barry added points before the losers had a splendid goal by Sheehan-O'Connell and Barron at midfield took over shortly after and when Big Tom ran at the Rathkeale defence he found Finty Ryan unmarked at the edge of the square, and he duly scored the winners second goal. Horgan and McDaid saved Askeaton on numerous occasions before half-time to leave the winners ahead by 4 pts. at the break for ten minutes of the second half, Rathkeale found new life and came thundering back in to the game to narrow the gap to two points, but then John R. Madigan and Finty Ryan together with Bourke and Barry produced three master moves for well-taken goals, points followed at will and the last ten minutes proved that the step up from junior to senior is indeed a big one. But fair dues to the upper Deel lads they tried gallantly to the end.

Newcastle West 0-9  
Askeaton 0-3

Newcastle West went into this game as hot favourites as they had six members of the County under 21 team on duty, but for fifty minutes the game hung on a tread as the losers rose to the occasion in great style.

And with R. Neville at No. 6 giving an outstanding display of all that is good in the game a surprise looked on the cards. The winners full-back brought off a fantastic save from A. Burke half-way through the first-half, and this enabled the winners to lead by 0-4 at the break.

With eight minutes left to play it was 0-5 to 0-3 and Askeaton missed two close in frees to the delight of the magpies. But in the last six the class of the winners shone out as Keane, Kelly, King, Sammon and Cremmin showed rare skills to put the issue beyond doubt with four good points.

However Askeaton with all but one of the team eligible for next year had great displays from the Nevilles, Burke, O'Donnell, Barry, Kelly and the youngest man on the field sixteen-year old John Shiels here surely is a player for the future, full marks to the Ballyhahill club for having all things in order, despite the winter like weather, also referee Pat Lane for

## Fixtures

**Saturday, May 17th (7.30 p.m.)**  
Quaid Park, S.F. Fr. Casey's v. Rathkeale.

Ballyhahill: Under 21 F. Athea v. St. Senans.

Novice Hurling: Ardagh, Monagea v. Adare, P. Molyneaux. Feenagh, Broadford v. Granagh, J. Long.

Dromcolliher: Killeedy v. Dromcolliher, Jack Quaid.

Croagh, Ardagh v. Knockadery, T. Bustin.

Ballingarry (Old Field), Tournafulla v. Kilcornan, D. O'Keeffe.  
**Sunday, May 18th-**

Dromcolliher, 2 p.m. S.H. Feohanagh v. Ardagh, T. Bustin. 3.30 p.m. S.H. Killeedy v. Tournafulla, T. Long.

Askeaton: 2 p.m. S.H. Ballingarry v. Adare, J. Molyneaux. 3.30 p.m. J.H.L. Rathkeale v. Kilcornan, D. O'Keeffe.

Abbeylea, 7.15 p.m. under 21 final, Fr. Casey's v. Templeglantine, T. Woulfe.

Tuesday, May 20, at 7.30 p.m. Junior Football League, Mountcollins, Mountcollins v. St. Senans, J. O'Sullivan.

Novice Football: Tournafulla, Fr. Casey's v. Mountcollins, B. Mullane.

Ballyhahill, Glin v. Gerald Griffins, P. Scannell.

Quaid Park: Dromcolliher v. Feenagh-Killeedy, J. Quaid.

**Wednesday, May 21, 7.30 p.m.**  
Novice football: Croagh, Adare

v. Granagh, J. Lenihan. Ardagh: Templeglantine v. Kilcornan, P. Molyneaux.

**Friday, May 23, 7.30 p.m.**  
Novice Football, Dromcolliher, Monagea v. Broadford, D. Carroll.

**Saturday, May 24, 7.30 p.m.**  
Senior Football, Ballyhahill, Askeaton v. Fr. Casey's.

Askeaton, Sean Finns v. Glin.

**Sunday, May 25, Senior hurling.**  
Newcastle West, 2 p.m. Killeedy v. Ardagh, 3.30 p.m. Tournafulla v. Feohanagh.

Askeaton, 2 p.m. Newcastle West v. Adare.

**Wednesday, May 28, 7.30 p.m.**  
Senior Football, Ballyhahill, Glin v. Newcastle West. Rathkeale, Askeaton v. Adare.

**Saturday, May 31, 7.30 p.m.**  
Senior football, Tournafulla, Fr. Casey's v. Newcastle West.

Askeaton, Sean Finns v. Adare. Ballyhahill, Askeaton v. Glin.

## Bord na nOg

**Friday, May 16th,-Under 16**  
F.C. at Newcastle West, Gerald Griffins v. Dromcollogher, Broadford at 7 p.m. Pat O'Connor, at Rathkeale, Adare v. Knockaderry at 7 p.m. Seamus Burns.

**Saturday, May 17th, Under 12**  
H.C. at Pairc Mac Uaid, 2 p.m. Granagh-Ballingarry v. Killeedy, Denis Carroll.

3 p.m. Dromcolliher-Broadford v. Tournafulla, Neilus

Browne, at Newcastle West. 2 p.m. Templeglantine v. Rathkeale.

3 p.m. Fr. Casey's v. Feohanagh. Referee both Pat O'Connor.

At Rathkeale, 2 p.m. Askeaton v. Feenagh-Killeedy, 3 p.m. Knockaderry v. Ardagh. Referee both Seamus Burns.

At Ardagh, Newcastle West v. Gerald Griffins, 3 p.m. Paddy Molyneaux.

At Croagh, Adare v. Croagh-Kilfinny 3 p.m. Jim Long.

**Monday, May 19th, Under 14**  
H.C. at Ahalin-Knockaderry v. Granagh-Ballingarry at 7 p.m. Jim Long.

At Rathkeale, Adare v. Newcastle West at 7 p.m. Seamus Burns.

At Ballingarry, Croagh-Kilfinny v. Killeedy at 7 p.m. Davy O'Keeffe.

At Coolcappa, Askeaton v. Ardagh at 7 p.m. Tommy Kelly.

At Ardagh, St. Kierans v. Feenagh-Killeedy, at 7 p.m. Paddy Molyneaux.

At Glin, Glin v. Gerald Griffins at 7 p.m. Jim Orpan.

Referees please note their appointments.

Results, Under 16 H.C. Newcastle West 3-3. Knockaderry 2-2. Adare 4-2. Dromcollogher-Broadford 4-2.

Under 12 F.C. Knockaderry 4-4, Fr. Casey's 0-1 Mountcollins 1-1. Gerald Griffins 0-2.

Athea beat Askeaton. St. Senans beat St. Kierans.



Askeaton winners of the under 14 football tournament promoted by Askeaton G.A.A. club last weekend.

Photo: Michael Hanley, Rathkeale.

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