

OBITUARY

Mrs. K. Sheehy, Ballysteen.

The death of Mrs. Katherine Sheehy, Issane, Ballysteen, County Limerick, has been learned of with extreme regret and sorrow. She was a kind and charitable woman, an ideal neighbour and a loving wife and mother. The funeral from Ballysteen Church to the family burial ground at Askeaton was of very large proportions, testifying to the esteem and respect in which the decease and her highly respected husband and family are held.

Very Rev. D. O'Donnell, P.P., and Rev. P. O'Dea, C.C., Askeaton, officiated at the graveside.

The chief mourners were:—Mr. John Sheehy (husband), Mr. Patrick Sheehy (son), Katty, Ellen, Mrs. O'Keeffe and Mrs. Cooney (daughters).

Mass cards were received from—John Sheehy (husband); Patrick (son); her loving daughters, Katty, Ellen, Mrs. O'Keeffe and Mrs. Cooney; Ned and Mrs. Sheehy, Ballynorth; Lena Somers, Ballysteen; Paddy and Nellie Sheehy, Ballinacourty; John and Mrs. Somers, Issane; Catherine Somers, Dublin; Mrs. Berkery, Limerick; Mrs. O'Shaughnessy, Ballinacourty; the McKnight family, do.; the Hough family, Knockaderry; the Hayes family, Ballysteen; Mrs. and Mattie Carroll, Ballysteen; Mary and Ml. Carroll, Ballysteen; Mary and Sheehy family, Mitchelstown; the Naughton family, Ballysteen; the Ranahan family, do.; the Kenrick family, do.; Mrs. O'Sullivan, N.T., do.; Mrs. Casey, Islandroe; Pat and Mick Shaughnessy, Ballyvadock; the Kilbridge family, do.; the Finehy family, Ballinacourty; Myra and Davie Fitzgerald, Ballynorth; the Holland family, Ballinvoher; the O'Connor family, Barrigone; Eva Kenrick, Dublin; Nellie Hayes, do.; Annie O'Donoghue, do.; Jack and Madge Fitzgerald, Askeaton; Dilly and Mick O'Mahony, do.; James and Mrs. Collins, do.; Josie and Eileen O'Shaughnessy, Askeaton; Maureen Michael Sheehy, Ballinacourty; the Ryan, Limerick; the Donoghue family, Ballysteen.

Telegrams and letters of sympathy from—Mary Somers, Limerick; Mick Sheehy, Oldcastle, Co. Meath; Jim, Mark, Peter and Dan Sheehy, England; Mick and Nancy Murphy, Bristol, England; Teresa Kenrick, Worcester; England; J. and Bridie Connolly, Dublin; Maura Wrenn, Dublin; Mary Shannon, Dublin; Mrs. Connolly, do.; Margaret Brady, do.; Thomas McGovern, do.; Agnes and Joe Smith, Limerick; Jim Collins, T.D. Abbeyfeale; Hannie Naughton, Dunmoylan, Kilcoleman.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING

IRISH EX-CHAMPION'S VIEWS

(To the Editor, "Limerick Leader.")

Sir—Kindly allow me space in your paper to call attention of all athletes to the fact that now is the proper time to start training for the coming cross-country events. I would suggest that cross-country

OUR NATIONAL PASTIMES

Western Gaels Defeat Abbeyfeale

(By "CRAOBH RUADH")

THERE were no major surprises in last Sunday's programme, when results turned out as generally anticipated. Western Gaels had an easy win over Abbeyfeale, Brúree duly emerged Southern standard bearers in junior hurling, Ballysimon-Faughs met with their second major defeat in the space of a week, while Cappamore took the East Limerick title, although they had to hurl ever so much harder than was expected to defeat the South Liberties. Results in brief were:—

S.F. Championship, at Newcastle West—Western Gaels, 4-10; Abbeyfeale, 1-4. South J.H. Final, at Kilmallock—Brúree, 7-8; Bruff, 4-4. East J.H. Final, at Caherconlish—Cappamore, 3-3; South Liberties, 2-3. City League H. Semi-Final—Treaty-Sarsfields, 4-4; Ballysimon, 3-3. Juvenile F. Championship Final—Claughaun, 2-2; Treaty-Sarsfields, 0-3. Juvenile H. Championship—Shamrocks, 3-0, Ballybrown, 2-2.

There were splendid all-round attendances, gates at Newcastle West, Caherconlish and Kilmallock realising £35, £75 and £85, respectively.

Western Gaels Did Not Impress.

Whether they were feeling the effects of the previous Sunday's hour and a half's battle with Pallasgreen or otherwise, Western Gaels, although they had a big margin over Abbeyfeale, never impressed at Newcastle West, and the latter, who were hard pressed to field a full fifteen, and included in their make-up many novices to the game, dominated exchanges for long periods and made a real good fight of it in the second period. It was well into the final quarter before the "Gaels" clinched their victory.

The teams lined out:—

Western Gaels—T. Mann (Ballysteen), M. Fitzgerald (Glin), M. Curtin (Ballynahill), S. Dalton (Athea), Dan Liston (do.), Mick Dalton (do.), D. Murphy (do.), O. Liston (do.), M. O'Connor (Kilcolman), C. O'Connell (Athea), P. Fitzgerald (Glin), D. Fitzgerald (Kilcolman), Mce. Hayes (Ballysteen), P. O'Connor (Athea), and K. Barrett (Glin).

Abbeyfeale—P. Collins, J. Furlong, N. Murphy, D. Prenderville, P. Colbert, E. Sweeney, E. McCarthy, J. O'Rourke, J. Mackey, E. McCarthy, J. O'Connor, F. McEnery, B. O'Connor, C. Feeney and D. J. O'Riordan.

The Scoring.

Western Gaels opened the scoring with a point by P. O'Connor. O. Liston set them attacking again from the goal delivery, but Neilus Murphy cleared. Barrett, with the ball on the "21," looked like scoring, but his effort went badly wide. Abbeyfeale defence were hard pressed, but Murphy and Eddie McCarthy shone out and kept the

lads, particularly around defence, where they held the Cappamore forwards in a vice-like grip for the hour, might easily have gained the advantage and brought the title to the "outsiders."

There was never more than a couple of scores between the sides. It was even, hard and rugged hurling for most of the first half. Cappamore, at times, appeared as if they would draw away from the opposition but Liberties always came back and were only a goal down at the interval. For twenty minutes of the second half there was only one score, a point, for Liberties. At this stage it was anybody's game. True, Cappamore held the advantage territorially and had most of the play but they were never able to overcome the Liberties defence and there was always the chance that one of the South's occasional bursts upfield would result in a goal.

It was a battle royal between the Liberties backs and the Cappamore attack. Honours were going to the former, while anything that passed them got short shrift from J. Power, who played an inspired game in the Liberties net and on the day's play would stop the proverbial "taws", so much so, that at times it looked as if he had an invisible partition across the posts. After such a brilliant defence it was a tragedy that the goal that beat him was the easiest of the match and came in most unexpected fashion. Mulcahy it was that dropped in a high ball. Corbett just got to it and the ball trickled towards the goal line. Power stood up to let it off, but the sliotar just curled around the post and to the net for a goal. Individuals Won For Cappamore.

Cappamore were certainly not the side we saw in action against Fedamore and their forwards, long regarded as their strongest section, were out of it for most of the hour. Chiefly they owe their victory to a few brilliant individual performers, John Mulcahy, Paddy Creamer, Chris McCarthy, T. Hayes, Mick Connery, P. Clarke and Corbett. Mulcahy's stick-work was always a treat to watch, while Creamer's long, raking clearances, which changed defence to attack on numerous occasions, broke the heart in the South Liberties at every stage. Eddie Stokes hurled hard at midfield but it was his partner, Hayes, who shone out most and the Pallas man certainly had a great hour. Chris McCarthy was outstanding on the wing, while Corbett was the pick of the inside line.

Not so brilliant individually, but teaming much better was the South

Eddie Stokes, in a overhead clash with the ball over the bar for Cappamore. From Liberties stormed the goal. The ball ran a number of times came out to clear, and relieved pressure with drive. Ryan missed Jimmy Coffey did ill Power, from the wing, Liberties point, to let in it and only minutes to the interval.

Play had slowed up this, as players tired, hectic, tremendously quarter. Hurling with both defences came Clarke and Connery shone, Mangan and Liberties. Frees were both sides, M. Dooly luck when he sent a 14 yards drive in front but J. Dooley made a like position, sending bar for a point. Just short whistle, Paddy C the correct range and a long distance free, sides resting 2-2 to 1-2 Cappamore.

Second Half.

Marking was closer, harder and more determined second period. Should clashing was a feature game progressed short came the order. It was hurling, although there bouts of the highest was exciting, thrilling blooded battle which kept on their toes from start.

A Scoreless Period.

Cappamore broke away second throw-in, M from Creamer, Power dangerous ball from free relieved the situation Liberties and the Ca had a narrow escape end, as Dooley and P turn for goals. M Creamer, Willie Do tackling each other, but each others shots; ten around midfield and no the advantage. Jimmy wide from a Creamer saved a pile driver from Cappamore pressed ha the Liberties back line sible one to penetrate fenders, hard-hitting s the battle raged Liberties net. Mick Do Son Mangan cleared again as Chris. M Mulcahy rained ball af on their lines.

JUNIOR HURLING CUP