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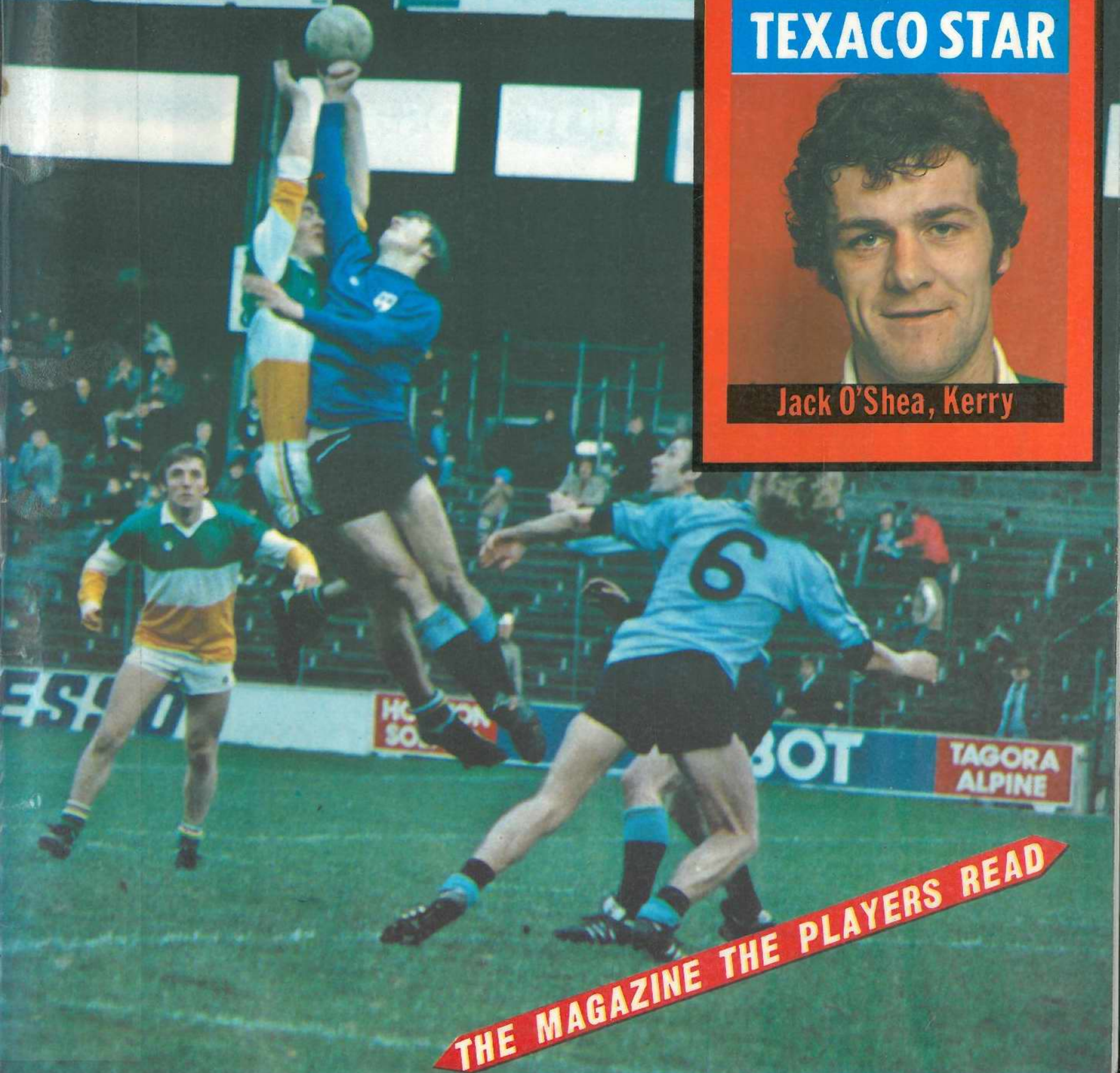
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TO BE OR NOT TO BE?

THE arguments for and against the decision to play the Centenary Year All-Ireland senior hurling final at Thurles are gaining in intensity. So much so that what appeared at Congress in Killarney last year as a clear and decisive move has now sparked off a controversy that is hardly helping to encourage optimism about the image or the standard of the celebrations for the Centenary.

On the score of sentiment or tradition, Thurles is the perfect setting for the 1984 final. It would be difficult to find a better way of linking the foundation of the G.A.A. in the County Tipperary capital almost 100 years ago, and the ceremonies to mark that event than by the playing of the 1984 hurling decider at Semple Stadium.

But sentiment must still take second place to the harsh realities of everyday life. Some of these realities as far as the 1984 final are concerned have to do with the capacity of Semple Stadium, and the catering and hotel facilities in and around the town.

Many openly question the ability of Thurles to measure up successfully with an All-Ireland final crowd under the above headings alone.

This is an understandable concern. But in fairness to officials in Tipperary it must also be said that they have not only expressed the fullest confidence in their ability to rise to the challenge, but have backed up this confidence with impressive facts and figures.

We are in no position to take sides. What we do say, however, is that it is time for the Association to say one way or another whether the Congress decision at Killarney on Thurles for the 1984 final will, or will not stand. Then, it should be full scale preparations for the game.

Hurling is such an integral part of the G.A.A., that the 1984 All-Ireland final must be a high point of the celebrations. And, already time is running out fast — the Centenary Year celebrations are due to open in just under two years.

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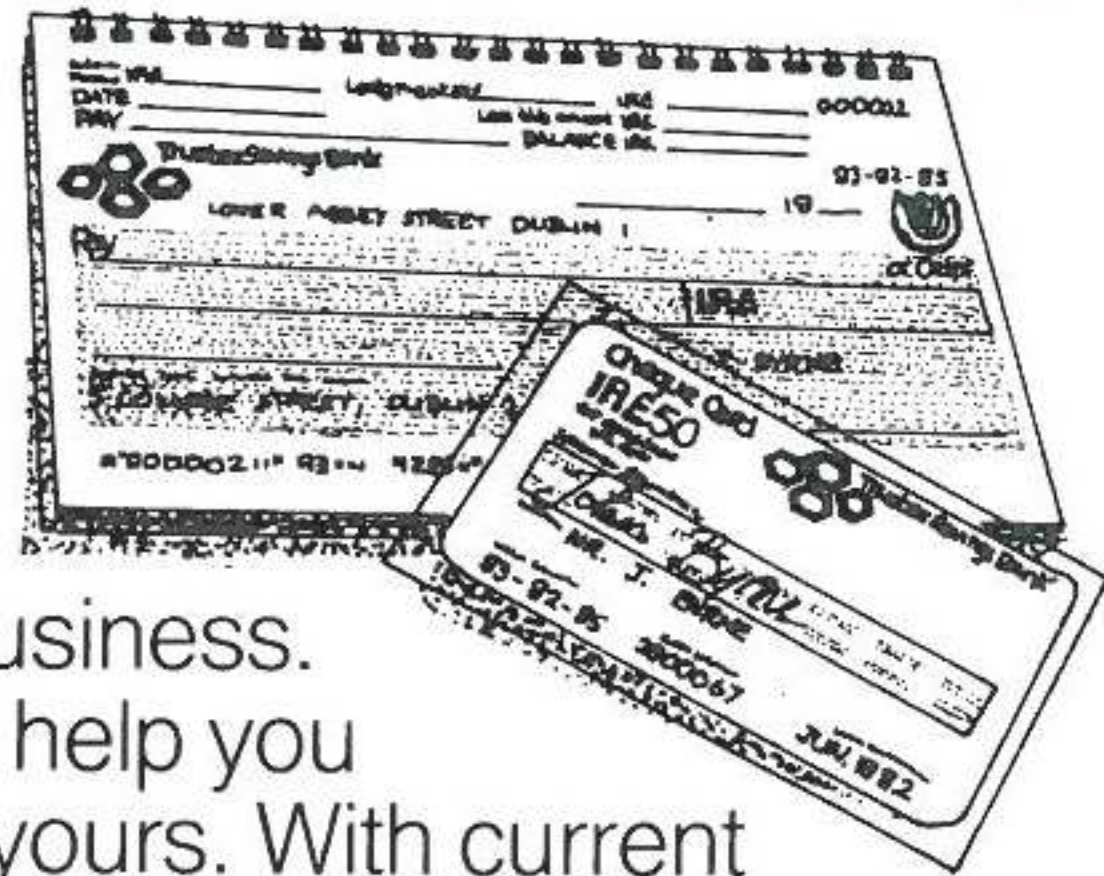
Whatever about the differences of opinion on the venue for the Centenary Year hurling final, there will be unanimity in warmly welcoming Paddy Buggy to the Presidency of the G.A.A., which he takes over at the Congress in Kilkenny.

The Kilkenny native is well versed in all aspects of the G.A.A. He has made his mark as a hurler and as an administrator of many years experience over most levels.

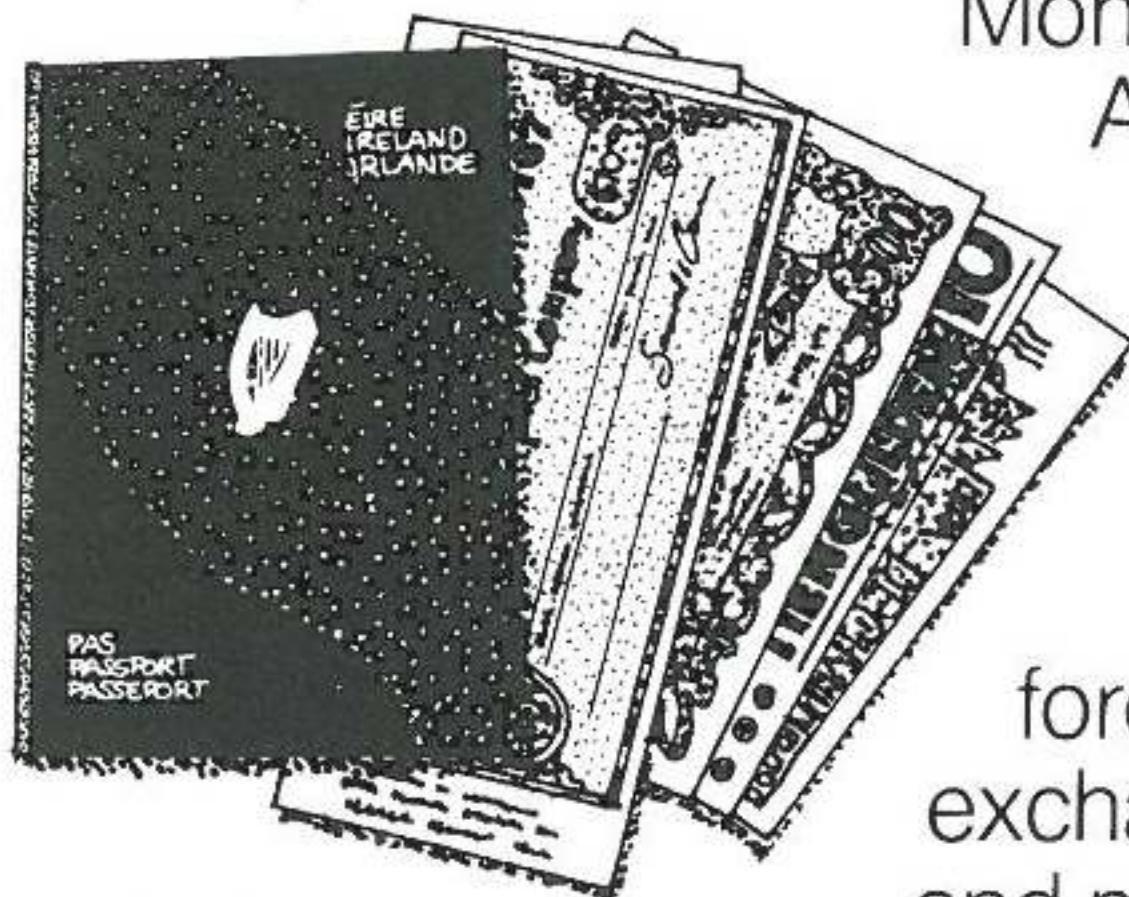
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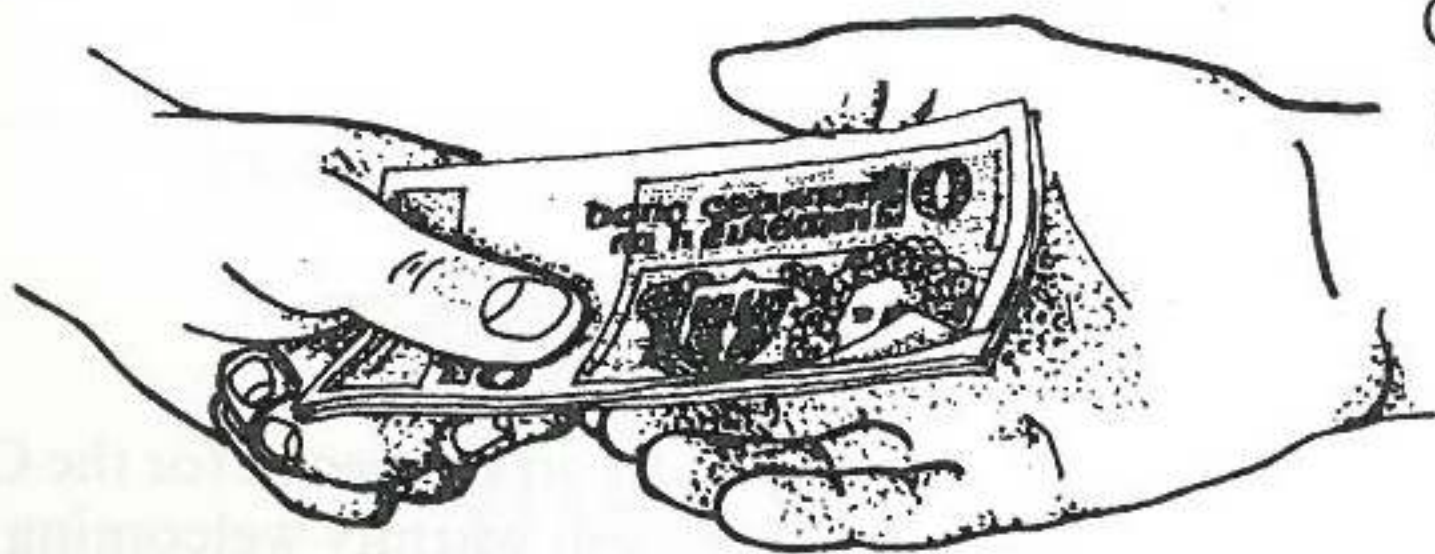
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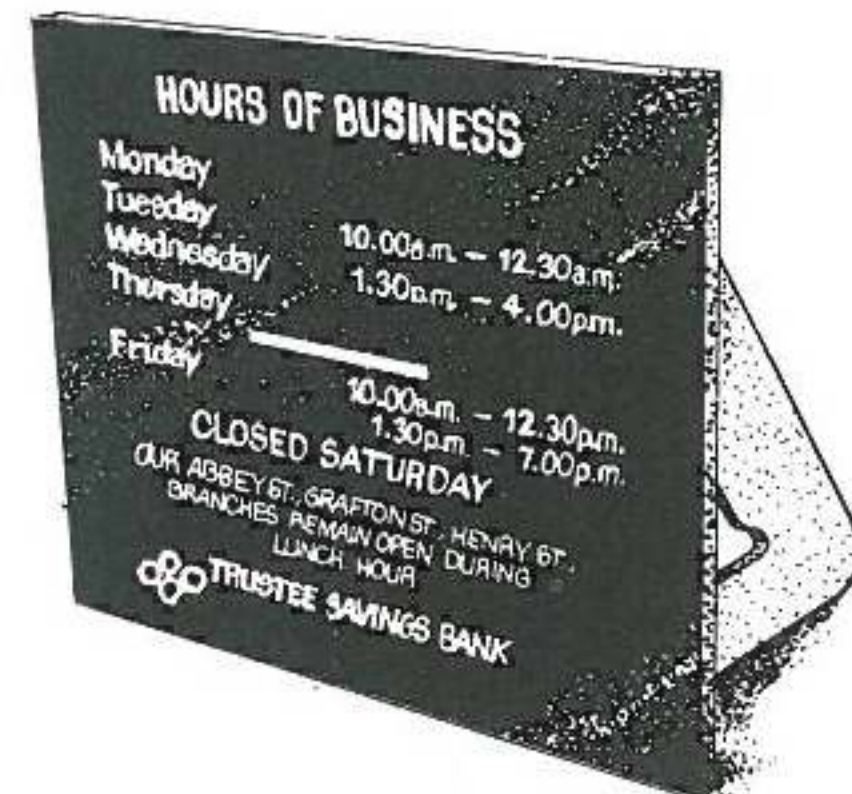


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TALKING POINT

IN TALKING POINT in this issue we feature two leading and very prominent personalities from widely separated areas. They are Brendan Vaughan, who is P.R.O. of the Clare County Board and a former Clare Chairman, and Liam Kane, the Wicklow County Board Secretary.

Both present very full and frank views on a wide range of topics in a discussion conducted by the Editor of GAELIC SPORT, Tommy McQuaid.

Editor: The handpass has been widely blamed as the reason for the poor standard of football in the past year. But would you agree that coaching techniques may also have contributed to the position? For example, is there too much of an emphasis on physical fitness to the exclusion of the skills of the game?

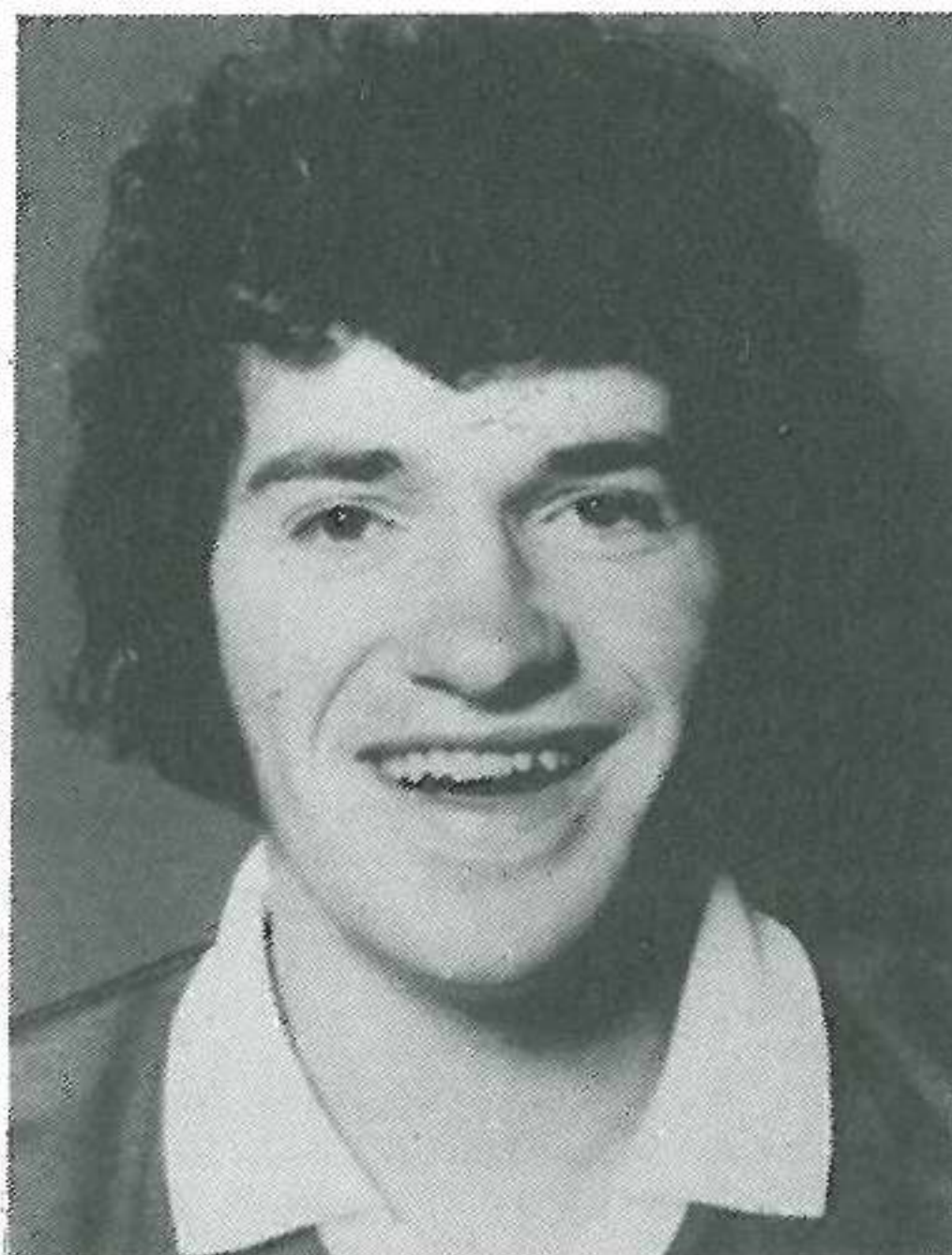
Brendan: Deterioration of standards is usually multicausal. Coaching techniques would be a minor cause in so far as emphasis is put on negative tactics, such as spoiling. It is much easier to attain physical fitness than to develop skills, so it is fair to say that the former gets much more attention than the latter.

Liam: The modern game seems to put all on physical fitness, but all the skills I feel have not gone from football. The handpass when executed in a forward moving manner, i.e. players running on to a

hand pass just like a kick into an open space is nice to watch. Most people seem to comment on a team's fitness rather than their skills after matches.

Editor: A shortage of scoring forwards is another feature of the modern game. Time was when nearly every county had at least one sharpshooter, but there are few such exciting finishers in the game today. Any views on the reasons for this position?

Brendan: It could be that a lot of our thinking here is of the "far away hills look green" variety. What



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deterioration there is of standards — temporary we hope — is bound to be reflected most in the scoring stakes, always the most difficult art in the game.

Undoubtedly, there are less "characters" and less "stars" around today, but that's because modern life seems to throw up more "journeymen" and less "specialists" than of yore.

Liam: I think the emphasis on winning has put fear into forwards to shoot in case they miss and cause their team to lose. Every county team still has a sharpshooter but the majority of his scores seem to come from placed balls.

Editor: What are your views on referees and refereeing standards? Are referees generally as fully conversant with the rules as they should be? Would you agree that there tends to be too much of the emphasis on interpreting the rules rather than enforcing them as in the rule book?

Brendan: Considering the complexities of our games our referees do a very adequate job on the whole. There is always room for improvement, but my impression is that referees are, by and large, dedicated to raising their standards.

Liam: Modern referees according to themselves are generally fully

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TALKING POINT

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conversant with the rules. They have a hard job in enforcing the rules as per the Official Guide as there does not seem to be a universal interpretation among referees.

Editor: Is football suffering because of the Fixtures schedule? Counties have a surfeit of League games from October to March, and many then play only one in the Championship during the long summer period. Is there a case, then, for running off the Leagues in conjunction with the championships on separate dates in a season from February to October?

Brendan: Basically, no. No doubt the Fixtures Schedule is too long and could with advantage be pruned somewhat and re-arranged. The drawback of having League-Championship fixtures in the best months is that it likely entails pushing club fixtures into the worst months. That could be a disastrous remedy in the long term.

Liam: No. We must consider the "grass roots" of our Association — the clubs who have to play as well, and if we have inter-county games from February to October there would be very few Sundays left to play the County Championships. Especially for the successful counties at inter-county level.

Editor: What steps do you feel are needed to improve football standards?

Brendan: It would, I believe, be a step in the right direction if the present sloppy mode of getting the ball off the ground into the hands was outlawed. The clean chip-up and more emphasis on football would thus be encouraged. In the longer term, better coaching structures at all levels, allied to clubs developed to something near their full potential is the best guarantee of improved standards.

Liam: Counties must know by now that they must aim for the top, and get a group of players together who are prepared to give their all to put their county first. Standards will not rise in the weaker counties without work and the top teams

when they taste victory like it and won't give way too easily. Coaching and playing against the best will help the weaker counties to raise their standards.

Editor: The past year was a good one for hurling. Can the G.A.A. take any steps to build on the new interest to help promote the game in Ulster, Connacht and parts of Leinster?

Brendan: Yes. County Boards in the predominantly football counties should be pressed, as well as assisted, to give hurling a much higher priority rating. A Board solely devoted to the promotion of the game should be established in these football counties.

Special emphasis should be laid on promotion in the schools and external help should be available in the form of coaching. Seven-a-side competitions might be made the norm rather than 15-a-side — this would have several obvious advantages.

Liam: The past year was a great one for hurling and to build on it, we must use the heroes in every way possible. I think we would be doing good work by starting in our schools in counties where hurling is the "poor relation"; boys must take up

hurling at the early age to develop the skills of the game. Counties can help by supplying at a reduced rate hurleys and by holding their own Feilithe, bringing in stars to help out in skills.

Editor: Are players generally giving the necessary commitment to Gaelic Games? There have been reports of players in some counties declining to turn out with their county teams. Is it time, then, to secure a firm commitment from such players to give first allegiance to Gaelic Games at all time, and if this is not forthcoming to exclude them from club competitions?

Brendan: On the whole I would incline to the belief that inter-county players are fully committed. There are the exceptions, of course, who play two or more field games and have no loyalty to any of them. If their first allegiance is not for Gaelic Games, then I would drop such players whatever the cost. No carry over, though, to club competition!

Liam: I can only comment on other counties from what I read in the media. I think that it is hard to be a "Jack of all Games" in the modern sports world. From a Wicklow point

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● Pictured here are two men who provided many thrilling moments, for hurling followers, in the 1981 season — George O'Connor (Wexford) and Aidan Fogarty (Offaly) on right.



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of view, two years ago we got the bulk of our present County football panel together and they were asked to give a commitment to play and train for Wicklow when required to do so. Some players did not sign the request and they were dropped from the panel. The remainder have now become a very closely knit team, and have as we see become a very good team on the way up.

THE MINORITY

Editor: Do you feel that the players generally are putting enough back into the games, either through coaching, acting as mentors to underage teams, or in general at club level as officials?

Brendan: Considering all that players have got via coaching and assistance to reach the top bracket, it surely is true to say that most put little back into the games. Certainly the minority! Too many question what the games are doing for them rather than what they do for our native games.

Liam: Some do, some don't. The latter are in the majority, unfortunately.

Editor: Is the G.A.A. doing enough to promote the games among the youth? If now, what suggestions have you as means that would accelerate the development of hurling and football among the youth?

Brendan: Enough can never be done — we can only strive towards that goal. By and large the Association is doing quite well considering the limitations of finance and personnel. However, much more thought and effort must be applied to promotion in the urban areas.

Coaching clinics, different competition structures, some extra finance, plus fresh thinking could provide the answers — or some of them.

Liam: Here in Wicklow there is a big drive to involve the youth in playing our national games. We now have minor football Leagues in operation throughout the year. The name of the game as far as youth is concerned is **playing** and the G.A.A. must keep these players of the future happy by providing games on a regular basis.

However, we must also set aside time for coaching, and in order to make both the above work mentors in charge of a youth team in a club should not be involved in the running of any other team in the club.

Editor: On a general theme, do you feel the G.A.A. is devoting too much attention to issues such as the "political" one that caused such discussion at Conventions, the erection of Ceannarus and the provision of bars at club centres, and not enough to the promotion of the games, which are the cornerstones of the Association?

Brendan: No. These things are important, too. The so-called "political" issue has been blown out of proportion by the media. While bars must be firmly controlled, Ceannarus and Club Developments are all part of the organisational structures necessary in these times, no doubt — within which the games must operate to be successful and attract a broad spectrum of the people of the country. These things, like stadia and high standard pitches, are complementary to the well-being of the games.

A CHARTER

Liam: Too much ink is given to the few who devote too much of their time to "political" issues. In the G.A.A. we have a charter that covers the aims and a President who is able to speak fully on our behalf about politics.

Ceannarus is needed. Our Association's headquarters should be a showpiece, and those who work at

Croke Park should be given proper working facilities.

The provision of bars at club centres will always be a talking point. They are a great source of income, especially in the years when paying back loans. In our modern society we must have places to meet, and so the Centres are badly needed.

There will also always be a great need to promote our games, especially with the influence of TV

and the screening of other games, which seem to get a lot more air time than hurling and football.

We must counteract such as Match of the Day by having a Gaelic Game on every Sunday night, and increase the circulation of G.A.A. magazines to the youth, even if it's a loss financially. That would reap the rewards in the end through bigger attendances at games and greater participation.

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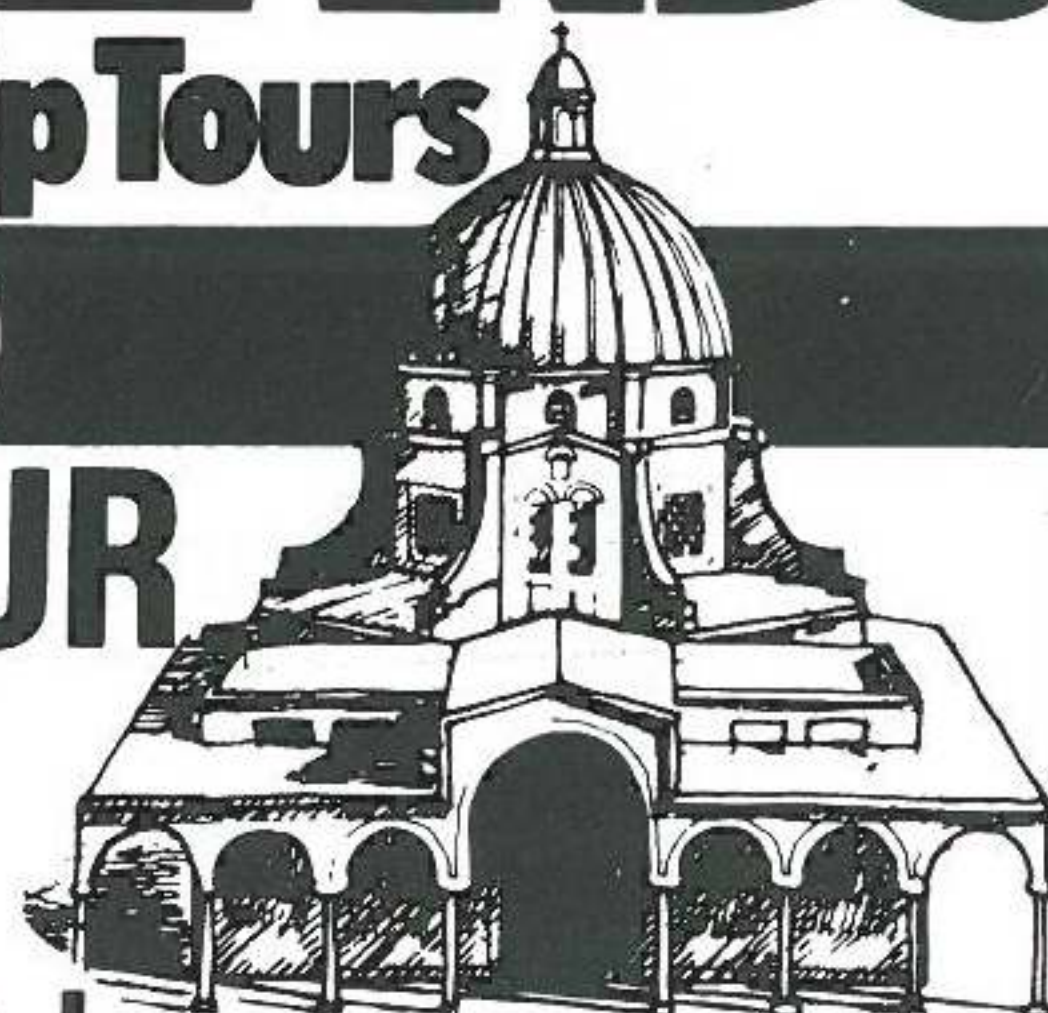
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Tyler Top Ten

ARMAGH PAIR SET PACE IN FOOTBALL

AS another Tyler Top Ten campaign gets under way with the first charts of 1982, Armagh in football, and Kilkenny in hurling, two counties with sharply contrasting fortunes in the titles stakes, dominate the review, which covers games played from the start of the year up to and including February 28.

Armagh's march to the Football League semi-finals, which was highlighted by their dramatic win over Kerry at Killorgan, was the outstanding feature of the schedule. The Northerners had many stars in this latest success story, but pride of place in our returns goes to Fran McMahon.

He did much to spark his team's fight back from arrears of six points at the interval against Cork in late January for a great win, and he also scored his side's only goal. McMahon also impressed in the subsequent wins over Kerry and Dublin, and as a result he earns ranking as football's first chart-topper of the year on 34 points.

The Armagh midfielder has four points to spare over his nearest rival, county mate Jim McKerr, whose well directed sideline kick led to Armagh's dramatic last second winning goal against Kerry. The full back also showed up well

throughout that game, and then had a splendid match in the win over Dublin at Armagh.

Kilkenny made it a short stay in Division 1 "B" of the League by ensuring promotion with wins this spring over Limerick, Wexford and Carlow. The amazing accuracy of Christy Heffernan had much to do with those victories.

MAYO HURLER!

He put up excellent scoring returns in clashes with Limerick and Wexford, and then really excelled by setting all sorts of records with a tremendous 5-4 against Carlow. The Glenmore club man now gains an added bonus as hurling's Top Ten chart-leader on 33 points — three more than another of the early score-getting stars of the year, P.J. Molloy.

The Galway man did many excellent things, and also helped himself to 1-7 as Connacht surprised defending champions Munster in the Railway Cup hurling semi-final, and that game helped him in a major way to his standing on No. 2 in hurling on 30 points.

The most unusual feature in the hurling chart is the appearance of a representative from Mayo! But after the excellent work that Dave Synnott

got through in Connacht's goal in their Railway Cup semi-final win, the County Wexford-born hurler just had to find a place. He coloured his display with a great last minute save from Pat Horgan (Cork), a save that in the final analysis won the day for the West, and Synnott makes his debut on 24 points.

The first TYLER TOP TEN personalities of 1982 are:

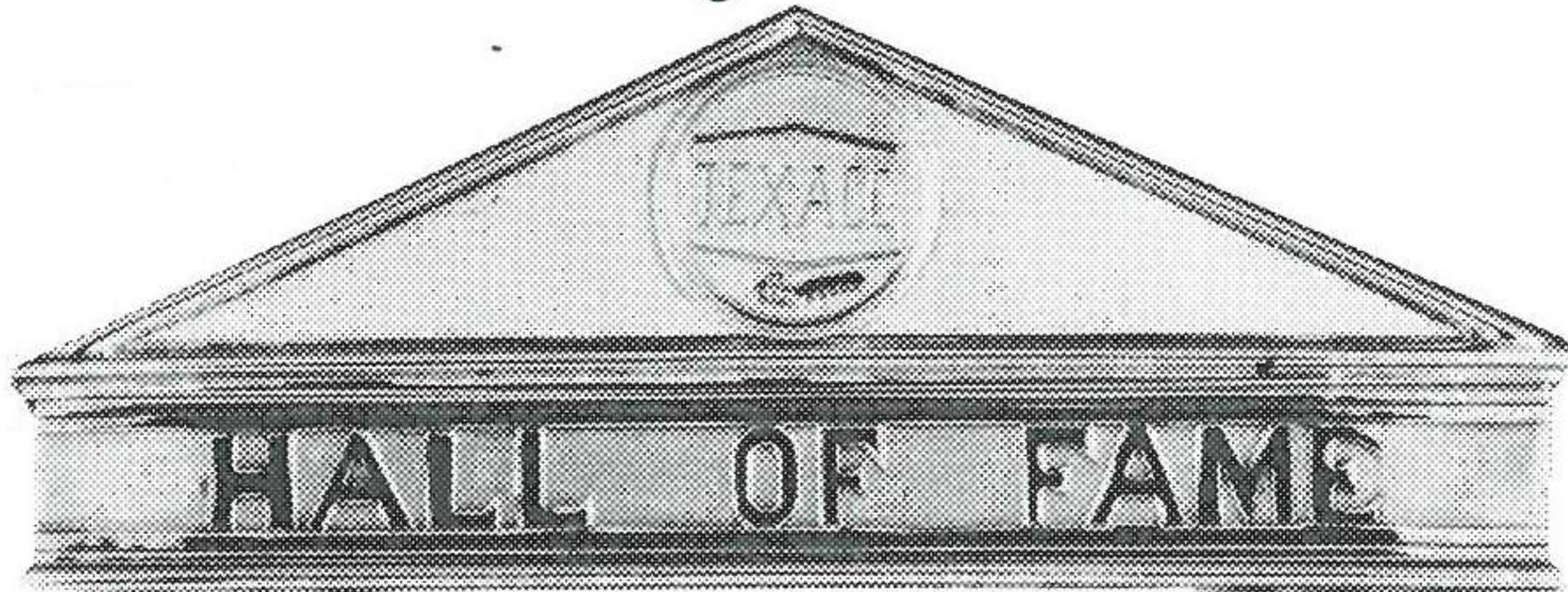
FOOTBALL

- 34 F. McMahon (Armagh)
- 30 J. McKerr (Armagh)
- 29 K. Kehily (Cork)
- 28 J. O'Shea (Kerry)
- 26 S. Walsh (Kerry)
- 25 P. O'Toole (Wicklow)
- 24 P. McNamara (Clare)
- 24 T.J. Kilgallon (Mayo)
- 23 S. McHugh (Galway)
- 22 J. McKiernan (Antrim)

HURLING

- 33 C. Heffernan (Kilkenny)
- 30 P.J. Molloy (Galway)
- 28 G. McInerney (Clare)
- 27 B. Fitzpatrick (Kilkenny)
- 26 P. Horgan (Cork)
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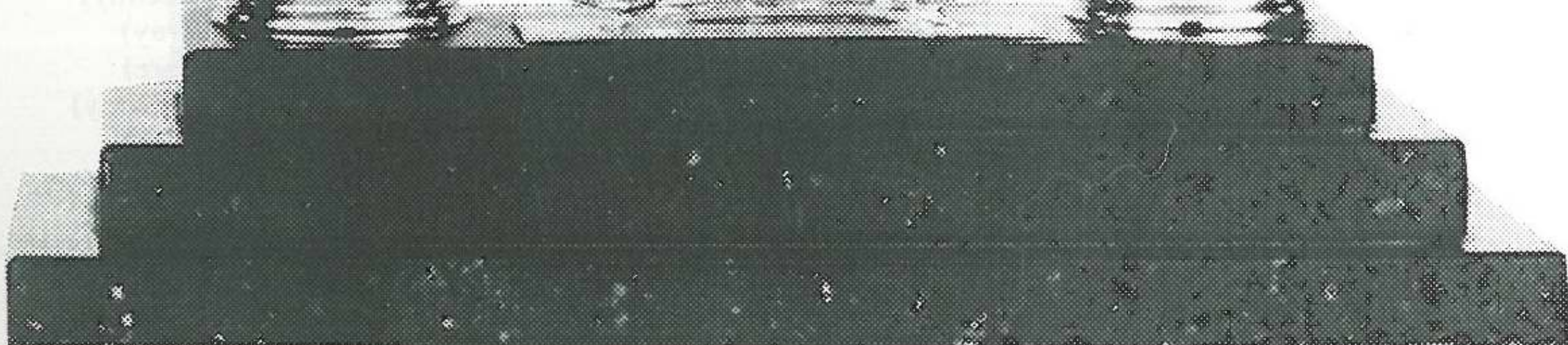


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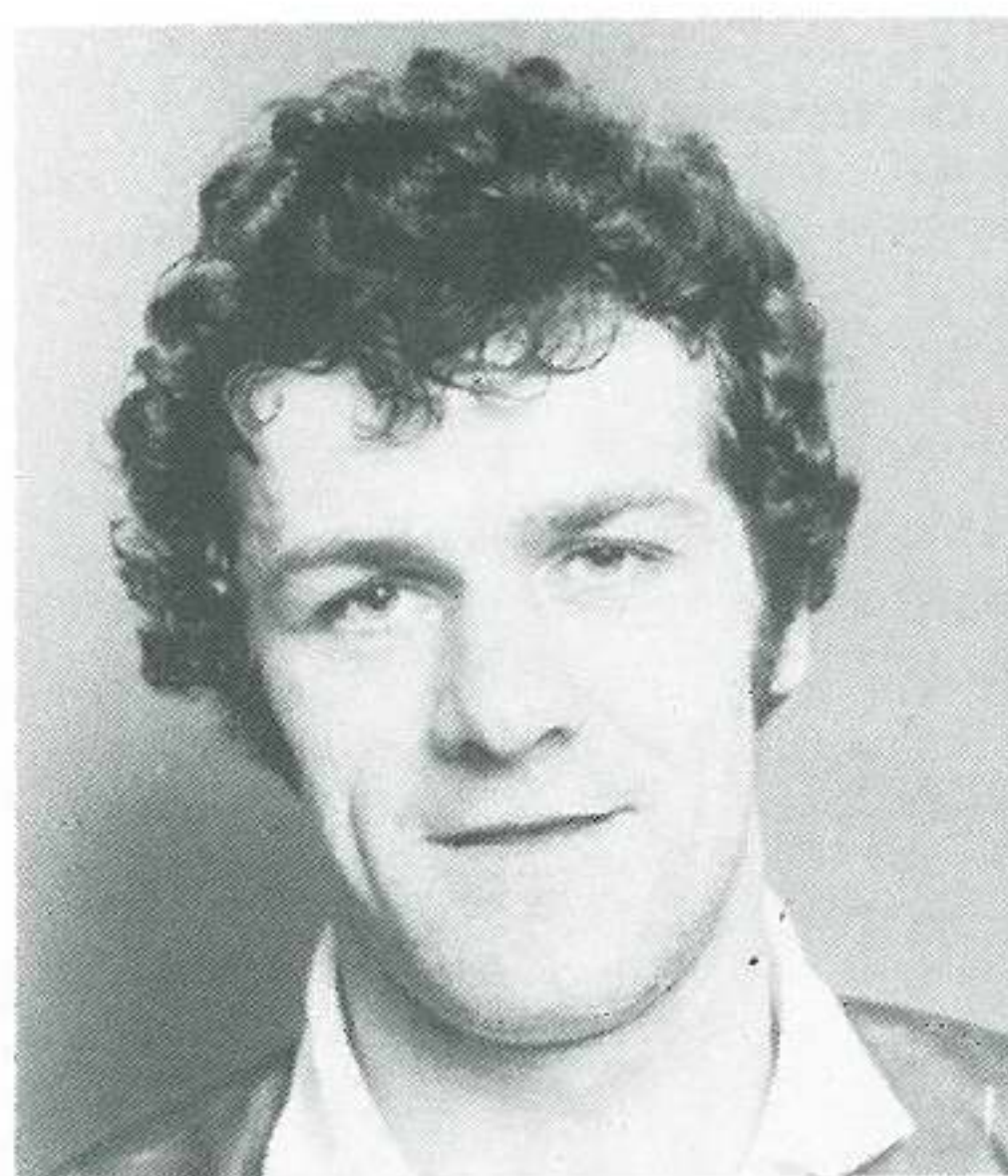
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Pat Delaney and Jack O'Shea provided memorable moments in '81 finals

SAYS
TERRY McGRATH



THESE were many highlights in Gaelic Games in the past year, but for me two of the brightest were the display of Pat Delaney in Offaly's amazing break-through against Galway, and the classic goal by Jack O'Shea that put the final golden and memorable flourish to Kerry's rare feat of four All-Ireland titles in succession in the clash with Offaly footballers.

In battling back bravely from an intimidating deficit of seven points early in the second half to eventually beat Galway for that historic hurling final win, Offaly had many heroes. But I thought that Pat Delaney was one of their most glittering stars. Not only did he get through an amazing amount of progressive work in the half back line, but his points scoring — he put over five — was another major factor in shaping the unique victory.

O'Shea, too, had a good game in the football final. He was a tireless worker all through, progressive in everything he did, and his goal a couple of minutes from the end was an object lesson in turning an opportunity into a brilliant score.

The move that led to the goal was vintage, started by Tim Kennelly in the Kerry defence, and O'Shea proved equal to the occasion when it presented itself by blasting a right footed shot just inside the 21 yards line to the Offaly net. That was one of the best moments of an otherwise far from memorable final.

JACK O'SHEA

... the St. Mary's, Cahirciveen clubman who has carried off the Texaco Award for the second successive year. Few can deny that the popular Kerryman merited these accolades — his continually consistent displays at midfield have contributed greatly to the Kingdom's four-in-a-row.

If only for their performances in those top games of the year, I would have no hesitation in congratulating Delaney and O'Shea on receiving their latest honours in Gaelic Games — the Texaco awards. But those were only features — admittedly very eye-catching and very important ones — in what were highly successful campaigns by this gifted pair.

PIPPED

Delaney was one of the most consistent performers in hurling. That point was emphasised in the last issue of this magazine when it was revealed that he had just been pipped on the post for the GAELIC SPORT TYLER TOP TEN award of 1981 in hurling. He led the way in the returns for most of the year, and that fact alone is the best possible indication of the high standard of hurling that he produced consistently through the season.

O'Shea did not gain nearly as high a place in the football ratings — Kerry's defeat by Galway in the League semi-final did not help his chances in that regard — but he still left a big impact on the season overall with his artistry, sure-fielding and solid play.

And, as far as consistency goes, O'Shea scored heavily as well. This was his second successive year to

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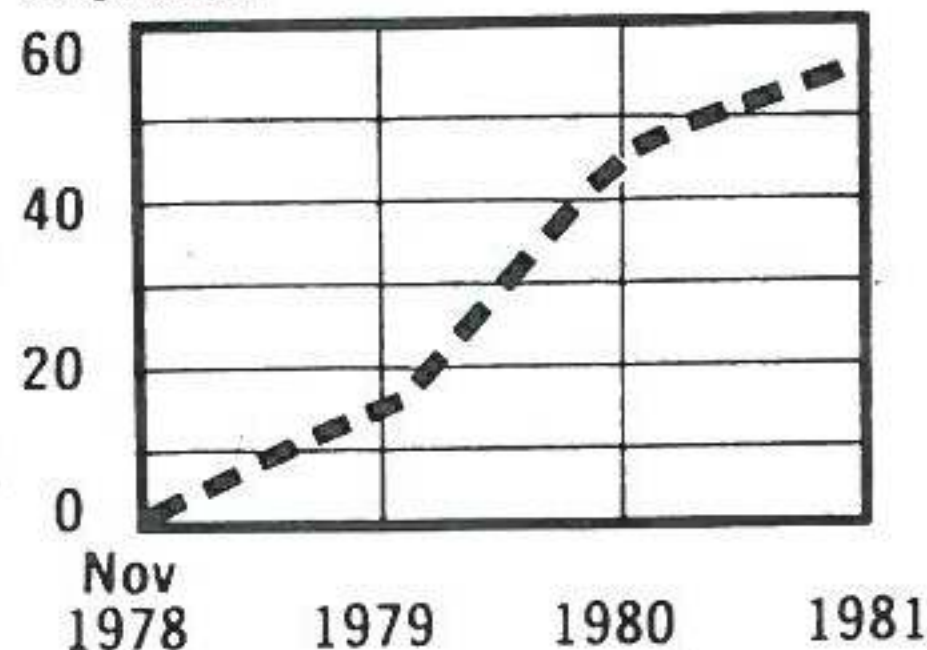
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step up for a Texaco award, and that says much for his own skills and his high grade play over a lengthy enough period.

O'Shea must now rank as one of Kerry's greatest-ever midfielders. He has all the traits of the master—sure-fielding, work-rate, intelligent distribution, long-kicking, and as we saw in the All-Ireland final last September, the ability to snap up a chance of a goal or point when it comes his way.

Delaney, too, has proven his right to rank with the best of them at half back. He has not enjoyed anything like the success of Jack O'Shea, but since Offaly "arrived" as a real hurling force, the centre half has displayed great character and ability, and proven an inspiring general into the bargain.

O'Shea and Delaney, like so many other seniors in the game today, graduated from the minor ranks. I recall being much impressed by the Kerry senior of today as he turned on the style in the No. 14 jersey for the Kingdom in their 1975 All-Ireland minor final win over Tyrone.

Some weeks later he gave another fine display in the full forward position in another All-Ireland final win — that one at under-21 at the expense of Dublin. Jack O'Shea had truly arrived as an inter-county player!

SOLID LINK

Delaney did not enjoy anything like Jack O'Shea's success medals-wise in the minor ranks. But he still displayed the budding skills that were to make him such a commanding figure at senior to excellent effect at under-18, and also in the under-21 grade.

He found favour for the first time with the Offaly selectors in 1974, and over the years he has been a solid link in the build up that finally came to full blossom for the Midland county with that first-ever Liam McCarthy Cup win last September.

The cool, competent centre half, who won under-age county medals and also helped Kinnity to senior championship successes, had his first major award in 1980 when he did much to fashion the first-ever Leinster senior hurling title for Offaly with the victory over Kilkenny.

Probably the most surprising aspect is that, despite his high-standard and excellent hurling in recent campaigns, Delaney has still to find favour with the All Stars selectors. But that is something that should be put right, because not only is the Kinnity club man an outstanding campaigner — a tried and proven one in fact — but time is still very much on

his side. He is only 26.

O'Shea, who has been such a power-house of the Kerry four-in-a-row success story, has a truly remarkable place in football. He has won at least one All-Ireland medal a year since 1975!

There was that minor and under-21 medals double in 1975. All-Ireland under-21 medals were added to the list for 1976 and 1977, and then came those awards at senior.

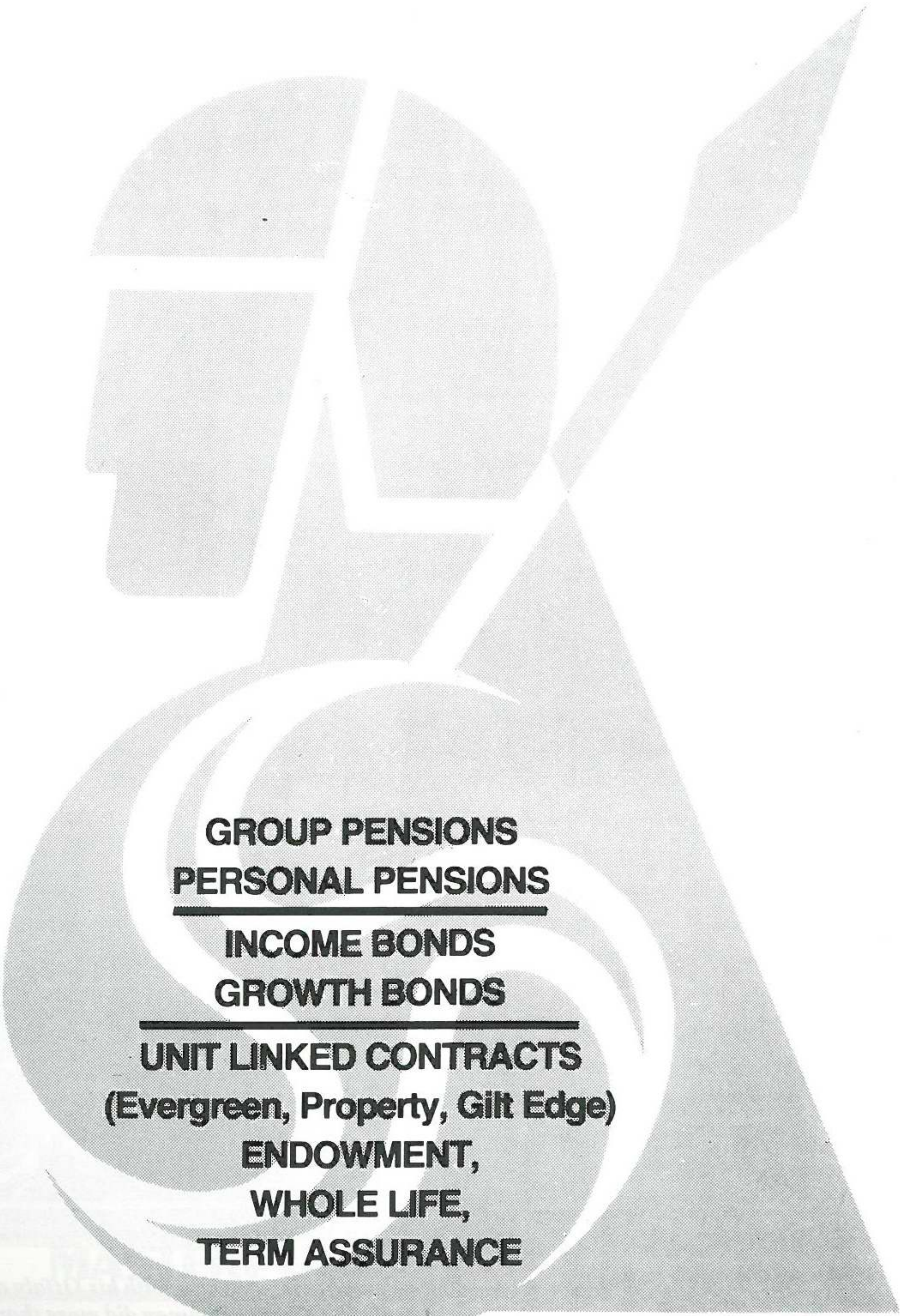
O'Shea, who is only 23, plays club fare with St. Mary's, Cahirciveen, and won a county senior medal with South Kerry last year. He also found recognition from the All Stars at midfield — his second successive award.

Jack O'Shea, then, has lost no time in maturing into a footballer of exceptional ability, a man who has honed his skills and class to such a high degree that he has been a shining light in a team of bright stars in one of Kerry's most successful eras yet.

He is likely to be a tremendous rallying force for Kerry in their bid to make history later this year by winning the first-ever place in hurling or football as All-Ireland champions five years on the trot. The same, too, can be said of Pat Delaney as Offaly strive to become the first Leinster county in seven years to make a successful defence of the Liam McCarthy Cup.



** Texaco star Pat Delaney, fourth from left (back row), pictured here with his Offaly colleagues prior to the start of the historic '81 All-Ireland final. The Kinnity clubman did more than his share in bringing the "Liam McCarthy" to the Faithful county for the first time.*



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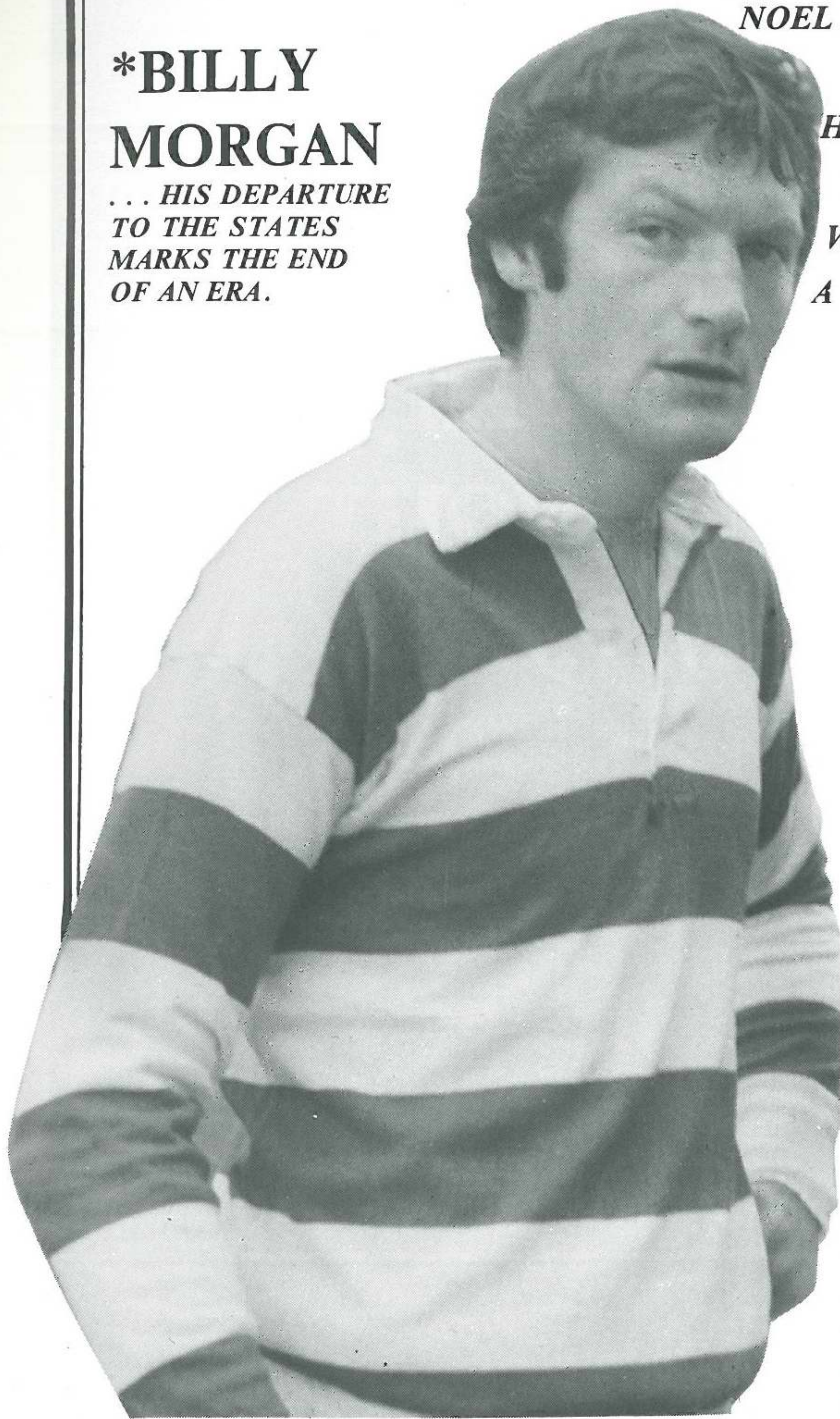
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**NOEL HORGAN RECALLS
SOME OF THE
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CAREER OF A MAN
WHO HAS BECOME
A LEGEND IN CORK
FOOTBALL**

BACK in the 65-66 season I made the trip to the old Cork Athletic Grounds to view a vital National Football League game between Kildare and Cork. At the time both counties — dormant for a lengthy spell — were rated among the more up-and-coming in the land, having contested a brilliant All-Ireland Under-21 final in 1965, a game which Kildare won.

The apparent turning of the corner was warmly welcomed by both sets of fans but especially by the Leesiders who had watched with anguish as their favourites trudged the lonely road of failure in Munster for the preceding nine years. Indeed, Cork's fortunes had plunged to new depths in '65 when the Rebel County fell to lowly Limerick in the Munster semi-final.

Stringent efforts were made, subsequently to restore Cork's pride and the performance of the Under-21 squad allied to a string of encouraging League displays had produced a notable degree of optimism. Like most Cork-folk, therefore, I journeyed to that crucial match, reasonably confident of a good game and a home win. But my expectations were only partially fulfilled that day.

The teams produced a fine hour's football in sticky conditions but Kildare took the honours, principally because of two disastrous errors by Cork goalkeeper, Brian Murphy. So we left the

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'Park' disappointed at the loss of a match which might easily have been won but little realising that Murphy's mistakes would later prove to be a huge blessing in disguise.

Crosshaven's Brian Murphy, not to be confused with Nemo Rangers dual All-Star of the same name, was transferred from the goalkeeping slot to a corner-back post where he had several good seasons in the red jersey but even more beneficial was the fact that he was replaced between the sticks by a youthful student named Billy Morgan.

It was the beginning of a glittering career for the Nemo clubman which yielded all the game's major awards and which was capped by his capturing of Cork's Sam Maguire Cup winning side in '73. Morgan was the complete netminder and remained, without a serious challenge, as Cork's No. 1 for almost two decades.

Brilliant and consistent, his balance and anticipation were perfect, his concentration total. His dependable play had an immense

steadying effect on any defence which fronted him and his inspirational saves turned many a tide for the Rebel county.

What was his greatest performance ever in the Cork jersey? Many will argue about this but, for me, the '74 Munster final in Killarney was Billy Morgan's finest match.

RAISED SIEGE

Cork had shocked the Kingdom with a five goal first-half blitz the previous year and Kerry were hungry for revenge and confident of achieving the same on home soil. Backed by a strong breeze, Kerry dominated the early exchanges and pounded the Cork goalmouth in this period. But Billy Morgan was brilliant in goal as was Millstreet's Humphrey Kelleher at full-back and between them they kept Cork within striking distance at half-time.

On the restart, the Leesiders raised the siege with an early goal from Clonakilty's Dave McCarthy signposting the way to what became, in the end, a convincing Cork win. Coincidentally, that game brought the curtain down on the career of

another footballing immortal. Mick O'Connell, introduced as a second-half substitute, had his final outing for Kerry that day.

Some will say that midfielder Mick and goalkeeper Billy, because of the vast difference in their roles, cannot be compared but I disagree with this. It is fair to say that both were peerless in their posts and perfectionists in their play.

During his lengthy intercounty career Billy Morgan's brilliance kept several capable Cork goalkeepers in the wilderness, notably Ballyphehane's Declan O'Mahony, Bertie O'Brien of St. Finbarrs and Finbarr Delany of St. Michaels. But Morgan's recent departure to the States to further his P.E. studies has opened up a new era in Cork goalkeeping and the race to replace him will be keenly contested.

Ballyvourney's Mick Creedon played in the post Christmas league games and emerged unscathed in his outings against Armagh, Offaly, Roscommon and Kerry. An All-Ireland under-21 medallist last year he remains the current favourite to don Billy Morgan's mantle in this year's championship.



* The highpoint in Billy Morgan's career is recalled by our photograph of the Cork team that won the 1973 All-Ireland Senior Football Championship. Billy was an inspiring captain of that team which took the "Sam Maguire" back to the Lee after an absence of twenty eight years.

Tyler Top Ten Awards Reception

ON the 23rd of February last, at a luncheon reception in the Burlington Hotel, Dublin, representatives of the G.A.A., the Press and the business world were guests of John Tyler & Sons, to honour the Top Ten Stars of 1981.

Addressing the gathering, Paul Mongor, on behalf of the sponsors bestowed lavish praise on both Ger Coughlan and Eoin Liston, not alone on their winning achievements but on the level of sportsmanship displayed by both men on the playing field.

"As an example to our young people, Ger Coughlan and Eoin Liston epitomised the true sportsman and brought great credit to their teams, their counties and the Association which they so proudly represent" said Mr. Mongor.



** Paul Mongor, Director, John Tyler and Sons, presenting the trophy to Ger Coughlan of Offaly who emerged as the leading hurler of 1981 in the Tyler Top Ten ratings.*



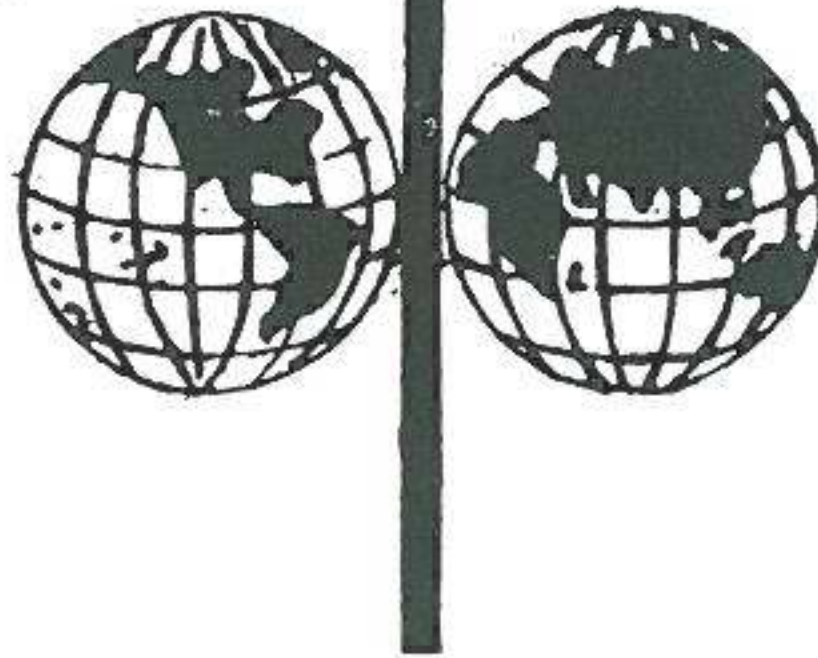
** Pictured (from left): Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh, the well-known radio and T.V. commentator who accepted the Top Ten football trophy on behalf of his fellow countyman Eoin Liston, Liam Mulvihill, Director General of the Gaelic Athletic Association, Paul Mongor, Ger Coughlan and Offaly Co. Secretary and Leinster Council Chairman, John Dowling.*

● This very relaxed group of smiling faces includes (from left): Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh, Paul Mongor, Ger Coughlan, Donal Keenan (Independent Newspapers), Paddy Downey (The Irish Times) and Tommy McQuaid, Editor, Gaelic Sport.



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SLÁN LEAT, MARY!

BY
AGNES HOURIGAN

● Mary Moran (left) pictured on the occasion of the presentation of the B + I camogie player of the year award to Liz Neary (Kilkenny).



THE Annual Congress, at the end of March, will elect a new President, Miss Mary Moran, Cork, will have completed a very fruitful term of office in which she travelled the length and breadth of the country to games, coaching courses and meetings.

Mary saw the Association open new ground in the appointment of Seosaimhin Nic Uaildrich, as the first full-time officer, a step forward in the right direction.

Miss Moran can also feel satisfied with the progress that the Junior National League has made and with the motivation, confidence and improved skills that are evident in each one of the counties.

There are three nominations for new President. Miss Mary Fennelly (Kilkenny), Mrs. Mary Lynch (Monaghan) and Mrs. Bel O'Loughlin (Down). All three have vast experience in their own provinces and Provincial Councils. Mrs. Lynch has been a member of Ard Coiste for some years.

The new season's fixture list is already available and the senior and junior leagues are now well underway.

The biggest change in dates is the moving of the All-Ireland Final

from the second Sunday of September to the fourth Sunday. Many feel this new date is more suitable and may help to attract a bigger attendance. We seemed to be losing out by being sandwiched in between the Hurling and Football Finals.

The Junior and Senior League Finals are arranged for May 30. It will be interesting to see how the new set-up for the Junior League works out. Heretofore the Junior League was confined to junior counties but a motion passed at Congress '81 opened it up to all county junior teams.

Many feel if the new entrants dominate the closing stages of the competition that the Congress decision is open to question.

As usual the minor final is arranged for August but it is brought forward to mid-August.

The Senior Championship (Open Draw) starts on June 20 with the Féile na nGael the following weekend at Dublin.

At time of writing the Ashbourne Cup has been retained for the third year by University College, Dublin and St. Mary's, Belfast have won the College's Championship, Purcell Cup.

Four teams remain in the League. St. Mary's, Belfast are at home to University College, Dublin, both Champions in their respective groups.

The other semi-final is a repeat of the Ashbourne semi-final — between Queens, Belfast and University College, Cork. The Cork girls won that tie with a goal in the closing minutes so it is anyone's victory this time.

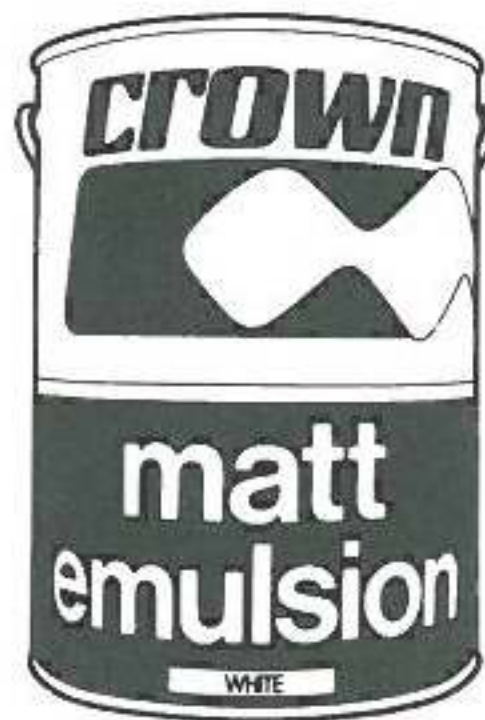
New faces have appeared in the semi-finals of the Post Primary Schools. St. Raphael's, Loughrea rocketed to the limelight in Connacht by winning the Senior and Junior titles for the first time.

Shannon Comprehensive are Munster champions and St. John of God, Kilmore, are Leinster winners. the latter won the Junior All-Ireland title last season when they took over from another Dublin School, Maryfield College, who have won the Leinster Junior title and will play last years finalists, St. Patrick's, Cork, in the semi-final.

Bawnboy, Cavan, are Ulster senior champions for the first time, so their clash with Loughrea will produce a new All-Ireland finalist.

Loreto, Letterkenny, qualified for the second semi-final when they defeated St. Aidan's Cootehill.

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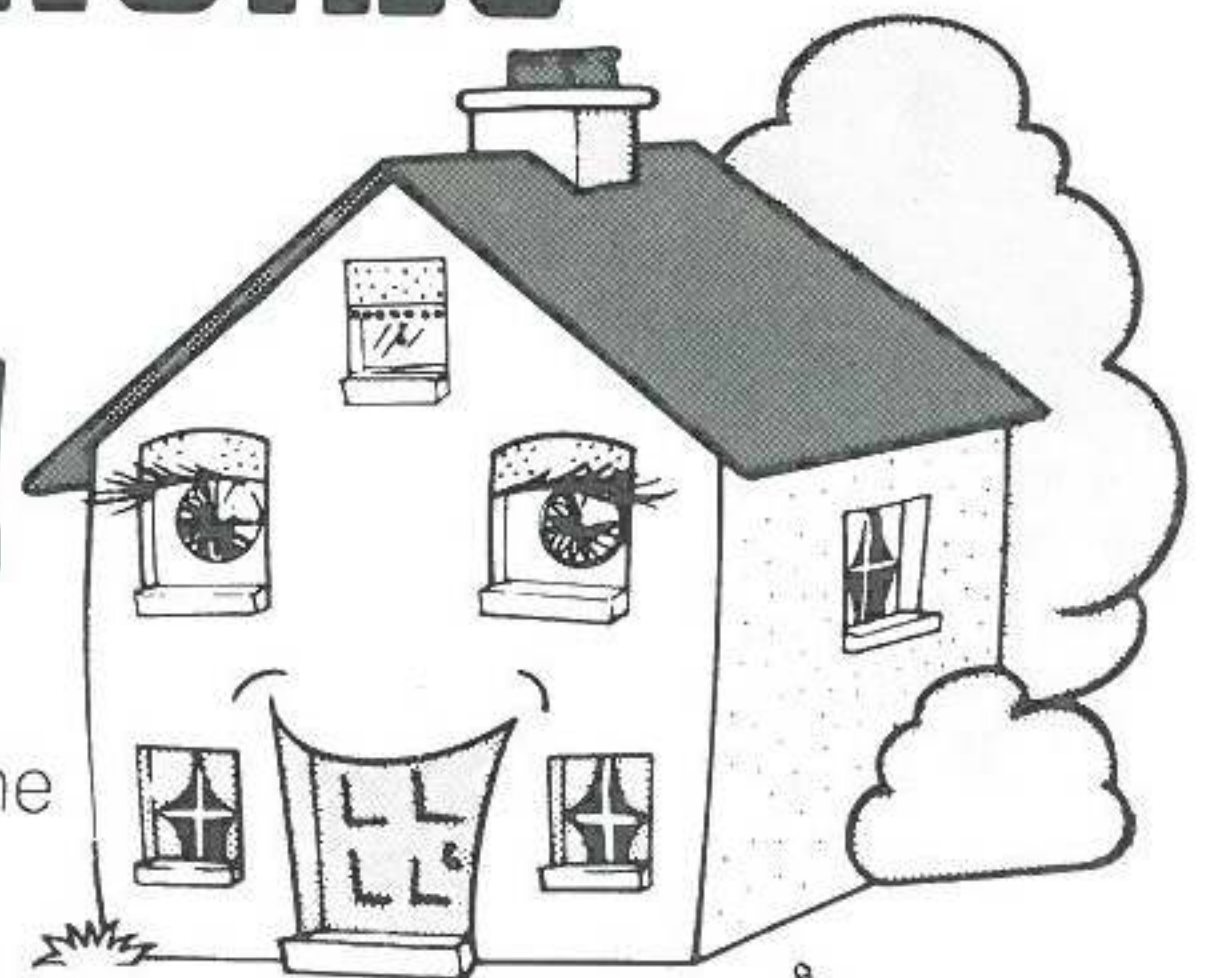


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SEMPLE STADIUM PLANS

BY JOHN KERRIGAN

THE County Tipperary G.A.A. Centenary and Development Committee is pushing ahead firmly with plans for the financing and completion of the development at Semple Stadium, Thurles, for the Centenary Year of 1984.

A sum of £350,000 is still outstanding on the work completed and further expenditure in the region of £200,000 is planned to complete the Stadium. Now the Committee has come up with a unique scheme to raise £500,000.

Fr. Pierce Duggan, Chairman of the County Tipperary G.A.A.

Centenary and Development Committee told GAE LIC SPORT that the scheme is a "worthwhile opportunity for supporters, investors and ourselves".

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"In addition, there are the added attractions of doubling your money within a short period and of winning a free ticket to the All-Ireland Senior Hurling Final of 1984.

"These opportunities are being made available through the offer for investment of 5,000 units at £100 each and are open to individuals, companies and organisations both within County Tipperary and outside. We are placing no restrictions on the number of units which may be purchased by any one investor", says Fr. Duggan.

Work on the completion of the development of Semple Stadium is

planned to begin in the next few months and will include the terracing of the Killinan end and environs, the provision of accesses, egresses and complementary facilities and the landscaping of the over-all development.

So far, the development work costing £850,000 has been completed, of which £500,000 has already been raised.

When completed, Semple Stadium will have a capacity in excess of 65,000 and the total cost of the development will be over £1 million.

Michael Maher, former Chairman of the Tipperary County Board and Patron of Semple Stadium Development Committee, told us:

"Not today or yesterday, but for some years back has Tipperary been conscious of Centenary Year 1984. Imbued as we are with the very ethos of the G.A.A. we intend to — and plan to participate in its centenary celebrations in a very meaningful way.

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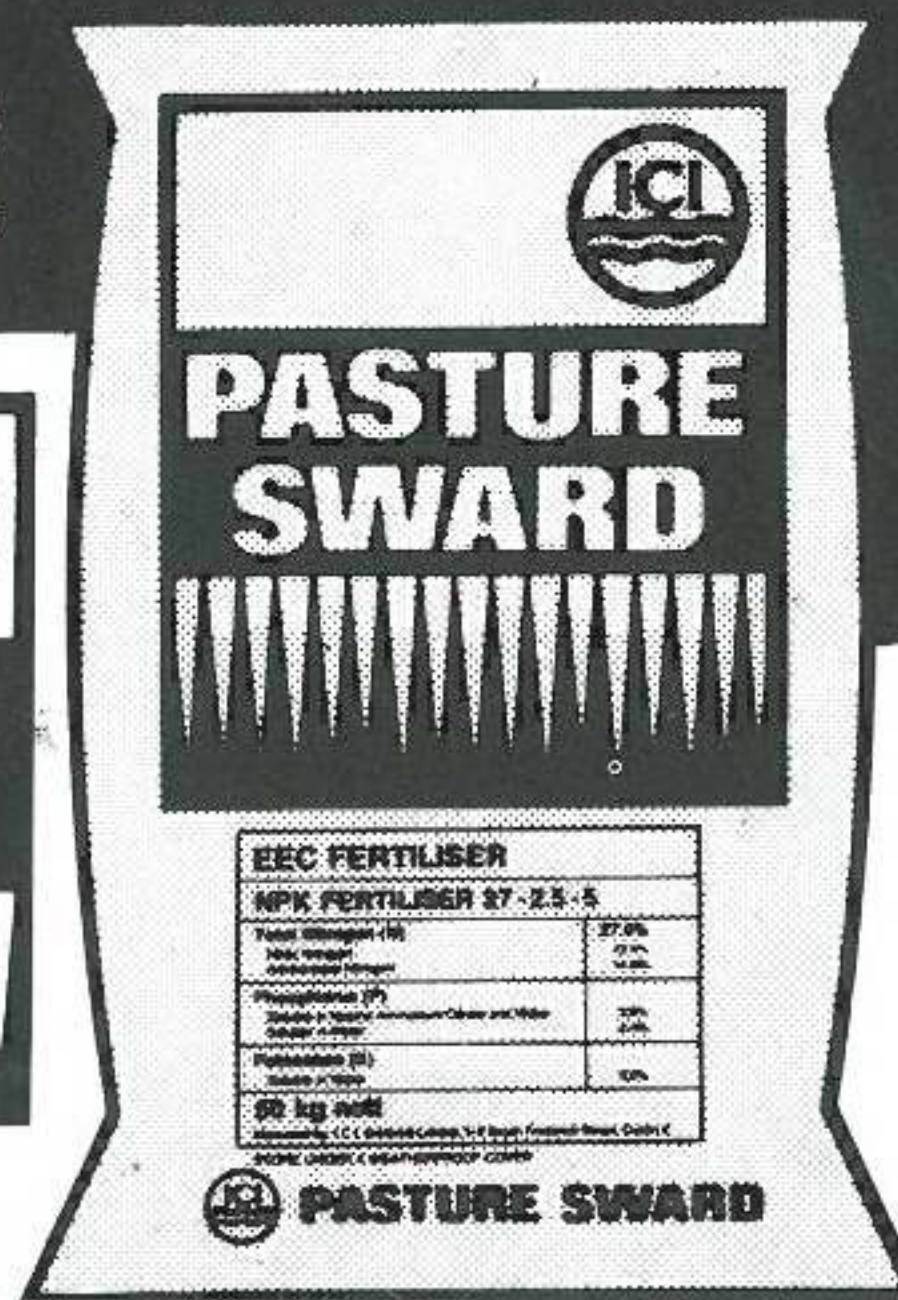


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GOOD TIDINGS FROM CONNACHT

ONE of the most pleasing aspects of Irish Handball in recent years has been the emphasis placed on coaching, the results of which are evident in the high

standards that now obtain at all levels — particularly among juveniles and in the 40 × 20 grade. Indeed, the success of the young Kilkenny player, Michael Walsh, in

the USHA championships at Tucson, Arizona, could be attributed directly to the impact of coaching.

During the past year, the Irish Handball Council, under the chairmanship of Sean Lee has completed a very extensive coaching programme throughout the country. It incorporated many sessions at National, Regional, county and club levels, under the direction of Lee, Enda Timoney, Dominick Neff, Liam Hanley and Pat Travis.

A new dimension was added to the coaching programme recently when top USA Handball coach, Pete Tyson, from Austin, Texas, conducted a series of courses in Belfast, Castlereagh and Dublin.

He was very impressed with the commitment and dedication of those who attended the courses and promised to return in the near future.

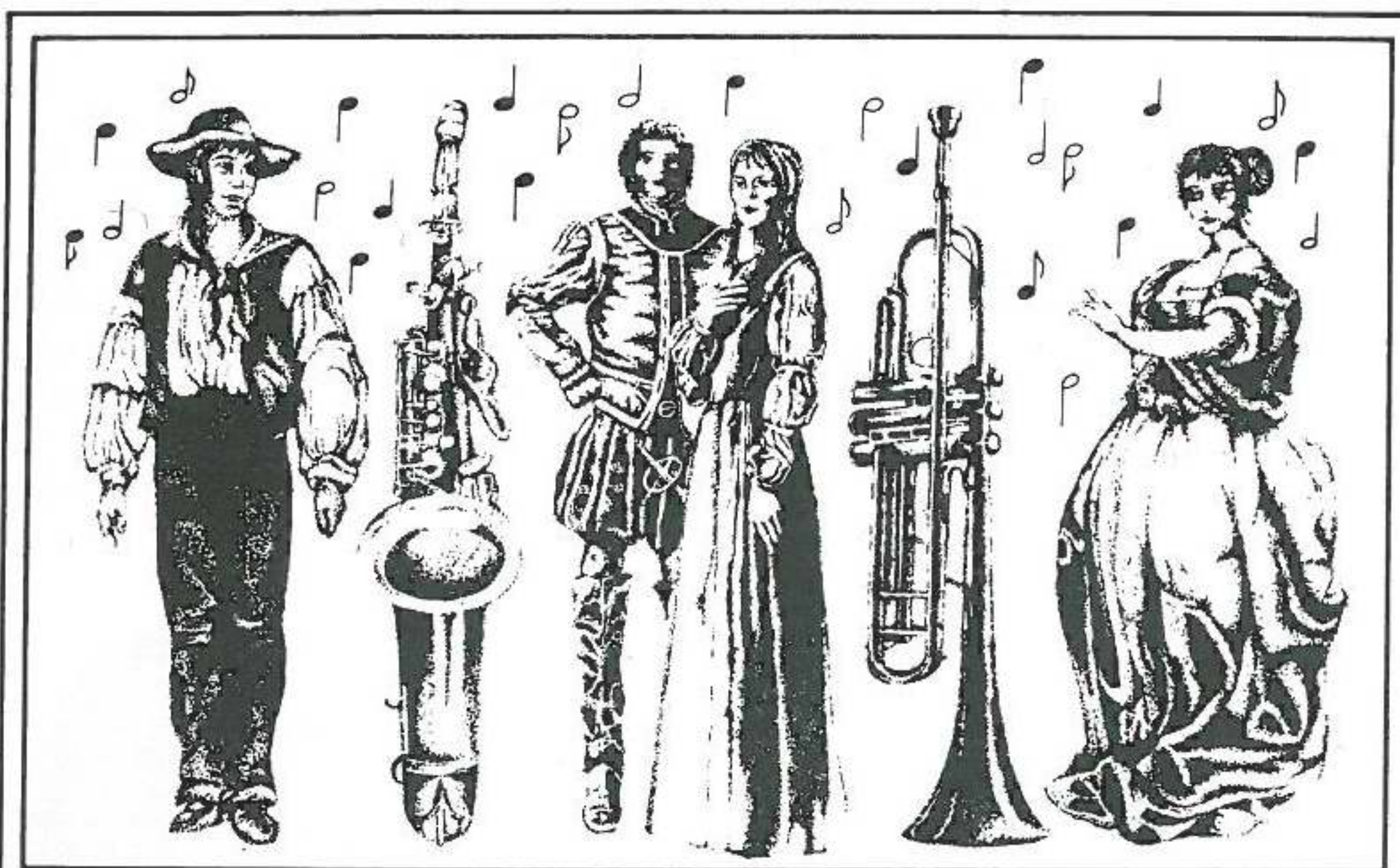
Members of the Handball Council attributed the success of coaching to the generous grant-in-aid provided by the Department of Education, who have played a major role in the production of an extremely attractive booklet entitled, "Guide to Better Handball".

It covers all facets of the game and could prove to be as beneficial to the senior star as it would be to the novice player.

Copies of the Guide are now available from Joe Lynch, the administrator of the Irish Handball Council at Croke Park, Dublin 3.

The general news bulletins emerging from the Provincial Conventions which have been held recently is that handball is peaking at the present time from the viewpoints of development and organisation.

I was particularly pleased with the good tidings from Connacht.



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Not so long ago the game in the West had slumped considerably and an apparent apathy was visible amongst both players and officials.

SUCCESS WAVE

Then corrective action was taken as the task of reviving the game was entrusted to Frank Mullen, Steve Casey and Mickey Walsh.

Their combined contribution has been enormous and the game is now on the crest of a successful wave.

The revival, in fact, is so effective, that I am led to the belief that Connacht players will be figuring with distinction in the concluding stages of this year's championship.

Ulster Handball, for so long reckoned to be the Cinderella of the code is surging forward with tremendous impact.

A touch of silver lining is ever evident in such counties as Derry and Fermanagh where the game has been dormant for years.

It has been mooted that courts will be constructed in these two counties in the near future, an event that would give a major boost to the game in the Province. Ulster also led the way last year with the country's first ever ladies provincial championship and with an entry of sixty, it was an outstanding success.

THE LADIES

The girls also made further news when a team was entered in the hitherto all male preserve of the A.I.B. Northern Division League.

This is certain to improve their standard of play and might also provide a cue for other legislators through the country. Mick Tyrell was uncompromising when, in his capacity as secretary he reported to the Munster Convention.

He hit out strongly at the former handball members who are now promoting racquetball. He is of the opinion that they are only riding on the handball bandwagon and advises them to build their own courts for the promotion of Racquetball. On the other hand the

performance of Munster players on the international circuit was particularly pleasing as was Tony Ryan's outright victory in the All-Ireland 40 x 20 Senior Single grade.

I was sorry to see the popular Kildare official Paddy Monaghan vacating his position as Chairman of the Leinster Council after only one year in office.

He had filled the position ideally and has won the respect of all counties for his impartiality.

One hopes that Paddy will still retain a definite interest in the

administrative side of the game.

Court construction is also relevant in the Leinster context.

NEW COURTS

Courts were opened at Cloughbawn and St. Maurs and in recent times the construction of the new court at Ashbourne has given the game a magnificent uplift.

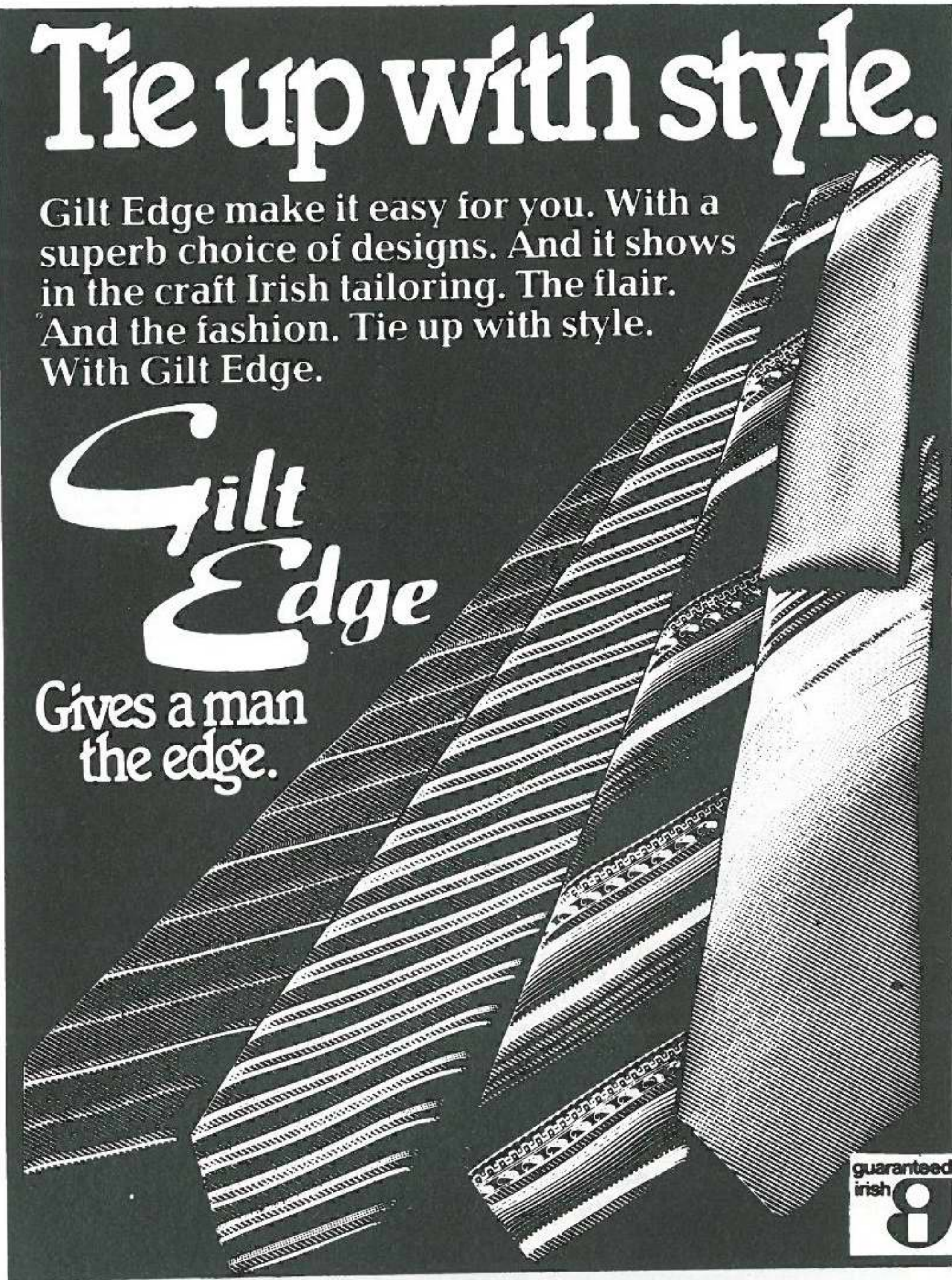
Arklow, Rathdrum, Piltown and Lisdowney are all in the process of building courts. It is all go in handball circles these days.

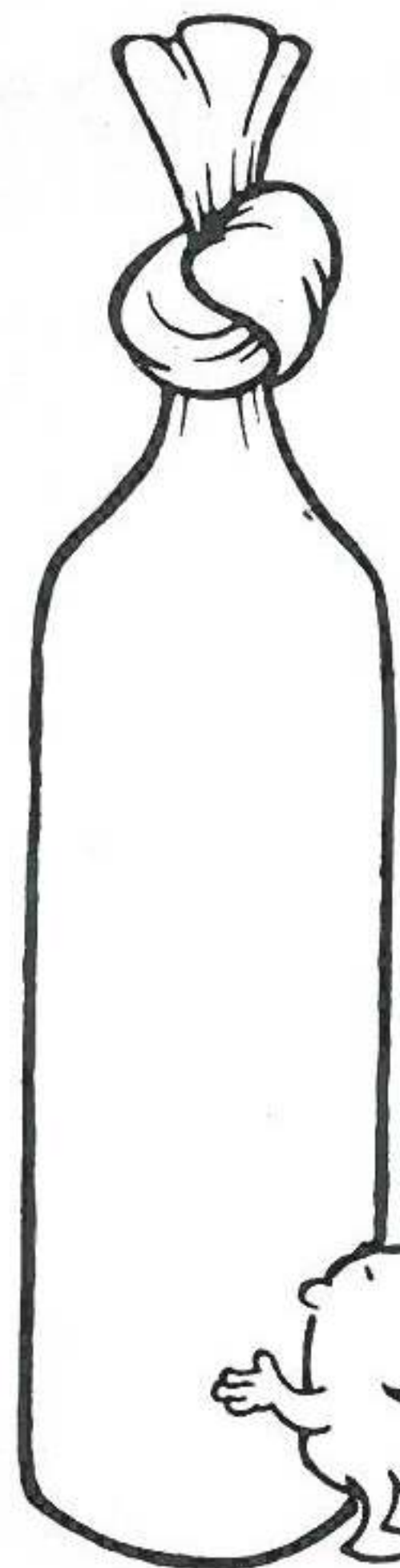
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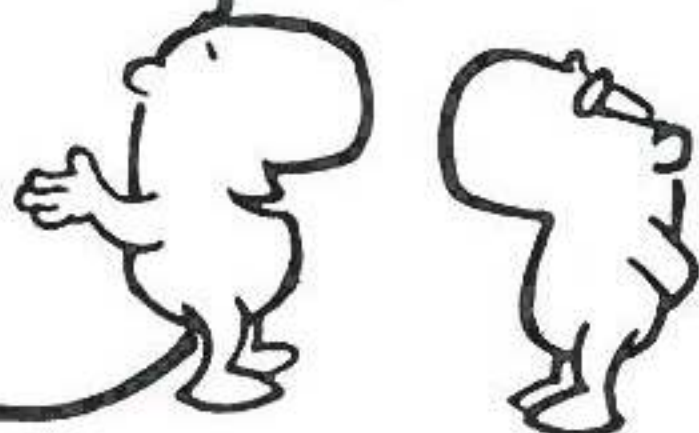
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QUARE GOINGS ON!

BY DECLAN REID

WHEN is a League not a League?

When it is promoted by the G.A.A.

That might seem at first glance a rather facetious answer to the question, but it is not all that far short of the mark when one considers the number of play-offs that resulted in the 1981-82 National Football and Hurling Leagues . . . play-offs designed to clear the way

to knock-out stages.

If a League means anything it means teams meeting each other for points on a win and a draw basis with the team with the greatest number of points taking the title. Or possibly winners of each League section meeting in semi-finals or a final proper.

But by no stretch of the imagination can this be said of the

National Football and Hurling Leagues. Both are virtually knock-out competitions, with the football test a particularly notable example in this regard.

Take Division I. There are eight teams, and as many as four or half go through to the knock-out stages. Of the remainder, two are relegated, and two remain in a sort of "limbo"

● OVERLEAF

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awaiting the next season's competition.

Then, we have the ludicrous situation of teams being involved in what are quaintly termed preliminary quarter-finals, followed by quarter-finals proper, and the concluding matches. The position would be laughable and a butt of jokes if it was not such a serious one for the advancement of the G.A.A.

And, let's be blunt about it. This

current arrangement for the Football League, which so many find so difficult to follow, is not helping the competition to realise its full potential.

It could be argued that few could have anticipated the big number of play-offs that were necessary in March to decide the issues leading up to the semi-finals proper. A fair point, but with so few teams in each group, that development was always on the cards.

THE NORM

Nor is the set-up in the Hurling League much better. Seven teams play off in Division I "A" for four places in the knock-out stages! Two go down, leaving one "out in the cold" so to speak. Again, this is an amazing set-up by any standard.

Here, too, play-offs are the norm, so that the over-all impression one comes away with is that the National Hurling and Football Leagues are league competitions in name only.

The play-off games result in extra finance for the counties. That, I suppose, is the chief factor in favour of the plan, and the cynics will say that the G.A.A. is only interested in money. They will argue, too, that finance is the main reason why officials dropped scoring averages some years ago as a means of deciding issues concerning the placings in the final League tables, in favour of the play-offs.

I don't think that is fair to the G.A.A. Personally, I'm against scoring averages. Admittedly, they would do much to streamline the programme by eliminating play-off games, but the plan introduced too much of the computer-like cult into Gaelic sport for my liking.

No, what we need is not play-offs or scoring averages, but a proper League system. A plan such as is in operation in other codes in League competitions, with possibly some modification to suit our own particular requirements.

For example, I am not opposed to finals in the Leagues as such. They have been part and parcel of the scene for so long now that the year would lose much of its appeal if such games were scrapped. Moreover, the Hurling and Football League finals are among the greatest money-spinners of the annual programme.

But it should not be beyond the imagination of officials to devise Leagues that would be proper competitions in the terms of reference of such tests, with finals to set the seal on the competitions.

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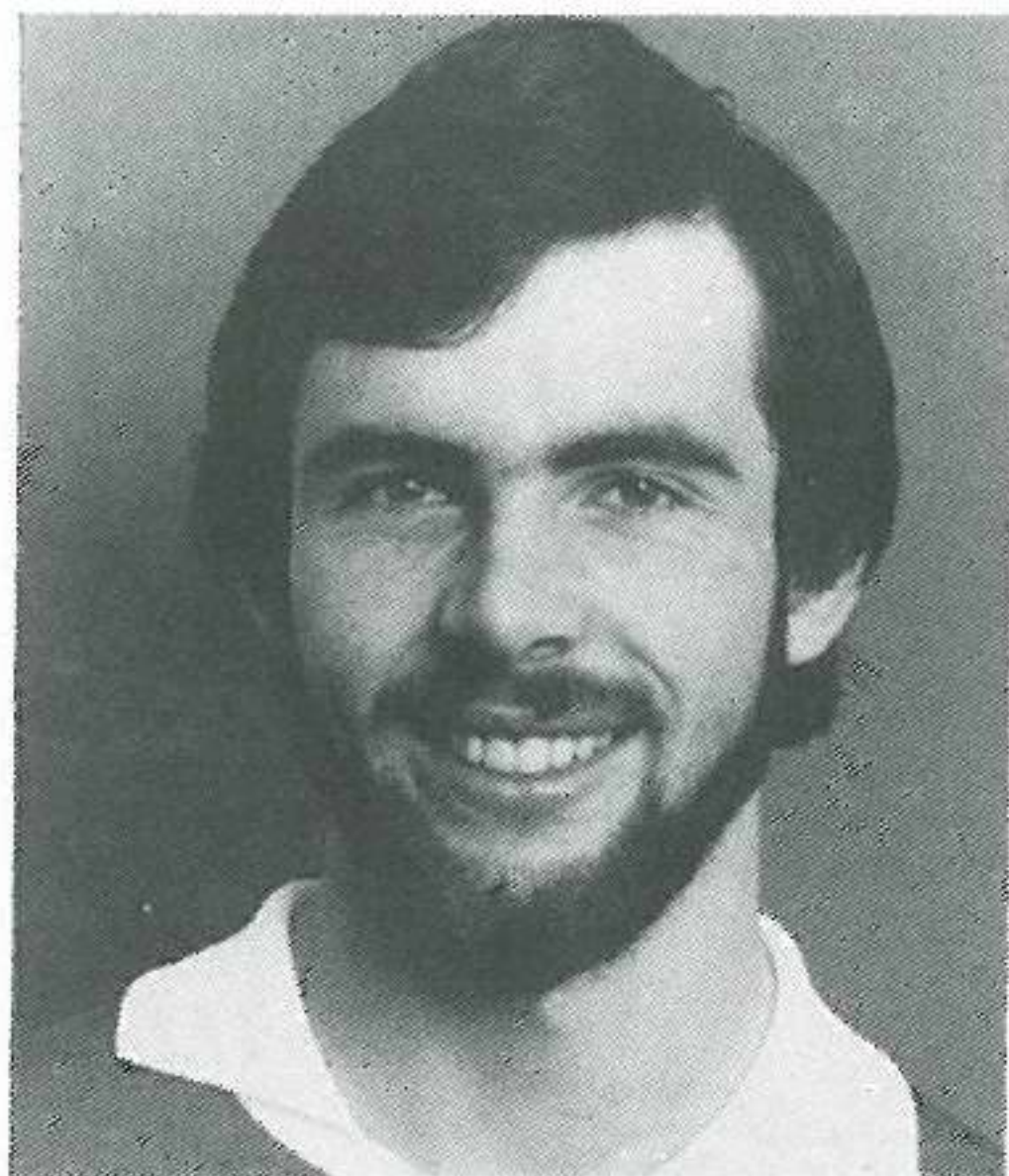
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LITTLE APPEAL

I know that travelling is becoming more and more expensive in these days of high inflation. But if Antrim hurlers can make the long journey to Ardfert for a League tie in the gloom of November, as was the case last year, and that for a fixture that obviously had little crowd appeal, then I don't see any argument against Kerry playing in Antrim in football, for example, or Derry visiting Cork.

So I do not accept that travelling should be an over-riding consideration in devising a League competition proper — a consideration, undoubtedly, but not



• **Liam Currams**
(Offaly)

the main one. The principal aim should be to have Leagues that are just that . . . simple, concise tests, culminating if need be in a final.

The move, too, would ensure that the Leagues would prove even greater drawing cards than they are at present, and would do much more in harnessing the pulling power of football and hurling.

Take an example: In Football, a League of two distinct groups, senior for the top teams, and intermediate composed of the weaker counties, with promotion and relegation operating automatically.

Each section could be sub-divided into two groups, in order to retain the National League final proper

featuring the sectional or group winners in the premier League.

Instead of many money-wasting and uneven games as is the case at present, this plan would have full programmes of appealing games and would create greater interest.

That in turn would make the competition a bigger money-spinner than is the case under the current set-up.

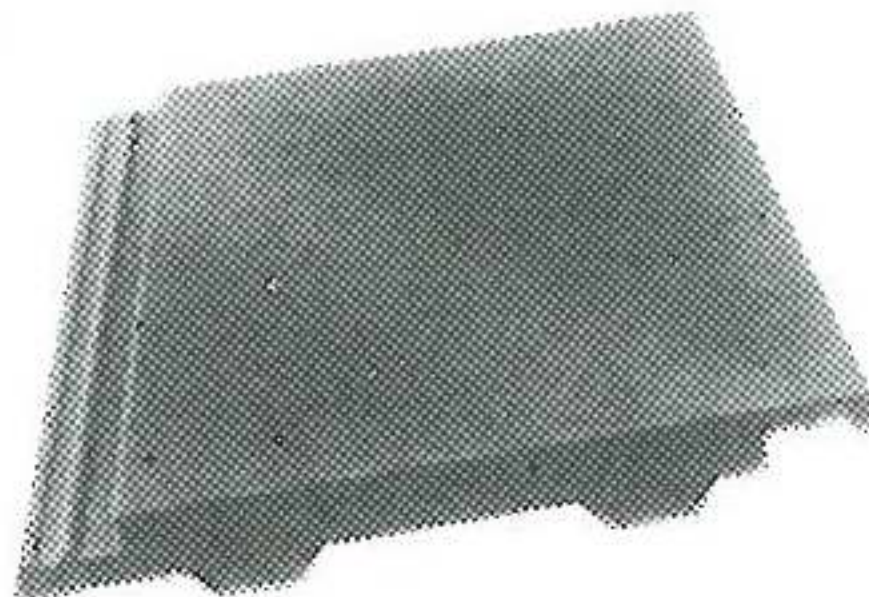
In hurling, we could have eight or ten counties in a single senior group.

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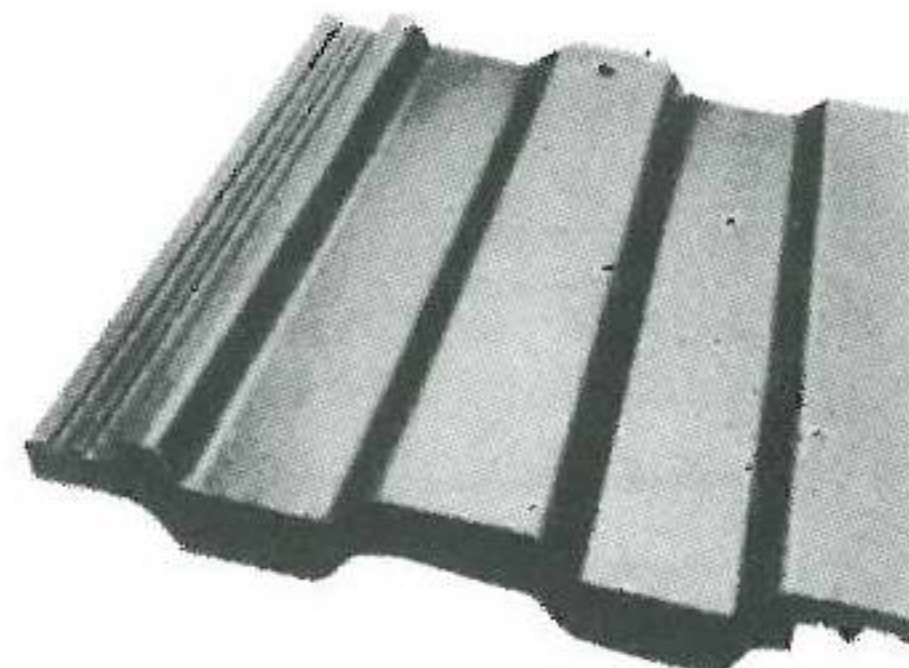


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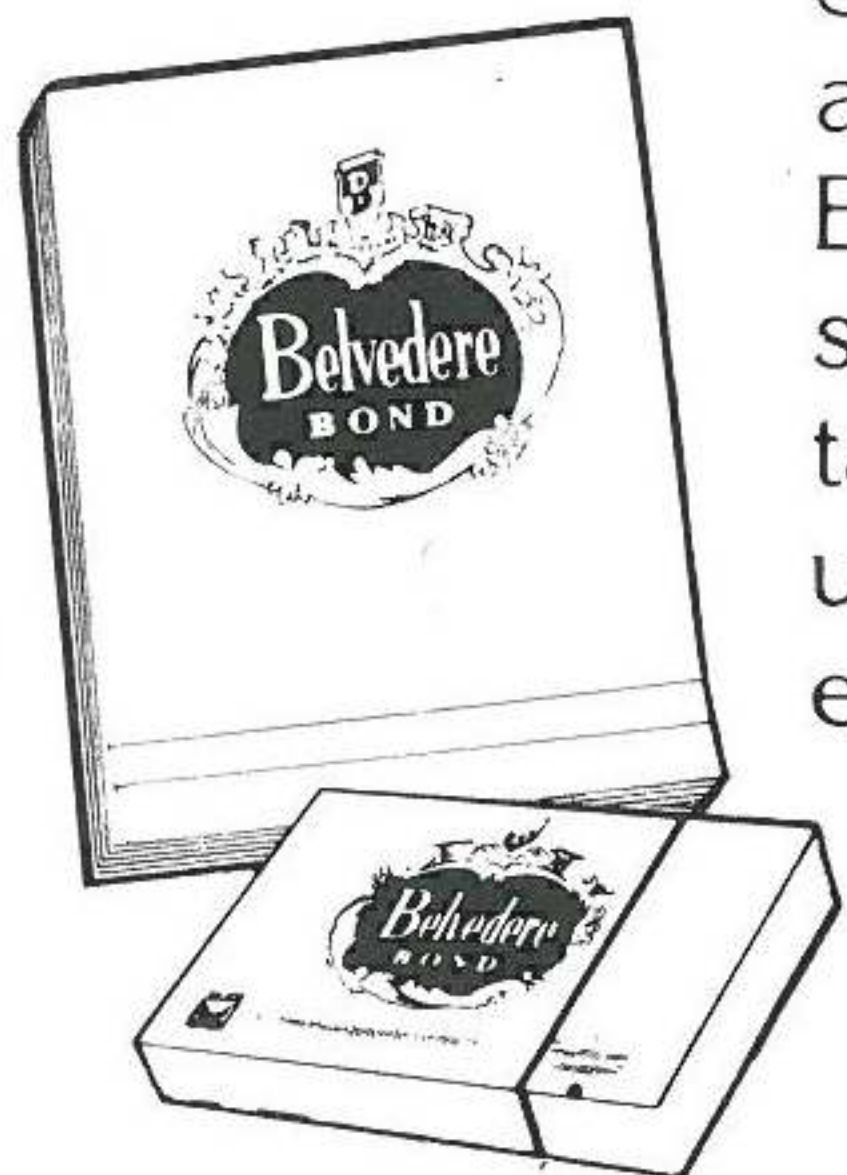


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CONGRESS PREVIEW

BY
LIAM DEEVY

THE '82 Annual Congress will be an extra special one for Kilkenny. Not only is this the bicentenary year of St. Kieran's College, the venue for the yearly get-together, but a Kilkenny man, Paddy Buggy, will also take over as President of the G.A.A.

Is the Congress really relevant?

Many maintain that each year's event is something of a non-event, a talking shop where the conservative approach to change has been the feature down the years, with the result that new ideas and new approaches are frequently stifled at birth.

There is a lot to be said for this argument.

Certainly, Congress has leaned

heavily towards tradition, for good or ill down through the years. One has only to look at the way delegates have year in year out, turned their face against the Open Draw proposal for the All-Ireland senior championships.

Nevertheless, Congress has its merits.

The annual gathering brings followers from all parts of the country together and provides a platform for their views and opinions. But there might be a case for spelling out issues and stands more clearly than has happened in the past.

The "political issue" is a case in point, and one that will, no doubt, get another airing at the Noreside session. In the last issue of GAEILIC SPORT, Derry County Board Secretary, Sean Mac Loingsigh, said that the G.A.A. is being forced to spend too much time on this matter by the antics of a few "publicity seeking individuals".

Many will echo that viewpoint. But the other side of the coin is that committed enthusiasts, deeply concerned by any aspect of G.A.A. policy, are entitled to make their views known as forcefully as possible through every means at their disposal and more especially at Congress.

That is what democracy is all about.

Probably the greatest weakness in Gaelic games is that there is too much ambiguity about certain matters, and about the "political" one in particular. Even some of the most respected men in the G.A.A. have found it difficult to understand just exactly where the organisation stands on this one vital matter. The time, then, has surely come for the G.A.A. to avail of Congress to spell out its stand, coolly, calmly and in clear unequivocal terms, so that no doubt remains in the air.

Except for this topic, Congress, with no playing rules coming up for revision, is likely to prove a quiet one. Probably the most contentious issue will centre around moves to

have the 1984 All-Ireland senior hurling final played in Dublin and not in Thurles as was decided last year at Killarney.

This has developed into a "sore" point among some officials. A strong case can be made both for and against Thurles for the Centenary final, but let's have a rational approach to the issue. Last year it could be argued that the move for Thurles was carried at Killarney purely on a wave of sentiment.

Finally, a "well done" to Paddy McFlynn, who reaches the end of his three year term as President. His quiet, dignified and courteous approach in the office enhanced the position of President and no doubt the Ulster man's vast experience of G.A.A. affairs will continue to be availed of by the Association.

QUARE GOINGS ON! • FROM PAGE 31

Here, to ensure a final, and at the same time a keen chase for the runners-up spot, the group winners and the second team could play-off for the title proper in a decider.

I know that many officials in the weaker counties would cry: "Second Class Citizens" in terms of this arrangement. They would say the plan would mean that they would be debarred from competing for the League crowns, especially the football title.

A valid enough point. But the truth of the matter is that while every county in the football league at present has mathematically a chance of winning the title, the list of challengers is still confined to a select few.

It is time officials in the weaker counties recognised this, and that we had League competitions that would live up to their names as leagues, and also prove better all round tests.

The present arrangements is causing too much confusion each spring, leading to unnecessary games in the Leagues, and pushing such as the the provincial and All-Ireland club championships more and more into the background.



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QUIZ TIME

ON THE SPOT . . .

BY TOMMY McQUAID

ONE of the major features of the Gaelic games scene each Spring is the annual Congress. So, what better way to launch the first ON THE SPOT . . . of 1982 than by starting the Quiz with a section dealing with the annual gathering and some of the events and personalities of recent times?

There are four separate sections in the quiz, and as usual we follow the now proven and very popular practice of awarding marks at the end of each section.

The majority of the events put into focus are of comparatively recent vintage, but one or two may bring some readers up with a halt. For example, our questions on the venue for the Congress that ended the Ban, and a one-time footballer who followed a historic win on the playing fields by succeeding to the top post, may present some readers with some head-scratching.

At any rate, let's sharpen the pencils, and get under way with our opening section:

CONGRESS

1. The then 66 year old "Ban" rule prohibiting members from playing or attending or promoting Rugby, Soccer, Hockey and Cricket, was removed from the Rule Book in 1971 at that year's Annual Congress. Where was that particular Congress held — Dublin, Belfast or Ballina?

2. Who was elected President at the 1976 Congress in Ennis?

3. Paddy McFlynn (Down), who completes his three year term as President at the Kilkenny gathering at the end of March, has a unique ranking among the list of leaders. Can you say what that ranking is?

4. In what year was the last Congress held over the Border? And for an additional five marks give the venue for the event?

5. Paddy Buggy, who will succeed Paddy McFlynn as President at Kilkenny, is the first native of his county to be elected to the post. True or false?

6. Who ranks as Connacht's last President, and when and where was he chosen to the position?

7. In what year was the Congress last held in Dublin . . . that is a full Annual Congress and not a special one?

8. Who was President when the "Ban rule was deleted from the Rule Book?

9. A President of modern times helped Ulster to their first Railway Cup football final win in 1942, and was one of the most stylish forwards of his time. Who is the personality in question?

10. A simple one to end on. The venue for last year's Congress?

Five points for each of the above questions, other than Numbers 4 and 6. Help yourself to a bonus of

five for each if you answer each correctly. So, this section could get you off to a flying start to the quiz with 60 points.

YOUR MARKS

A short, snappy exercise, now on the GAELIC SPORT-TYLER TOP TEN award winners, details of the presentation are included elsewhere in this issue.

1. Eoin Liston is the first Munster footballer to win the award. True or false?

2. Ger Coughlan is the first hurler to win an All-Ireland senior medal and a GAELIC SPORT-TYLER TOP TEN award in the same year. True or false?

3. A ten points bonus if you can name the initial winners of 1977. It may help you to know that the hurler is a native of Clare, and the footballer a former Dub.

4. Name the clubs of Liston and Coughlan?

5. Has Eoin Liston a National League medal among his collection of top awards?

Five points a question, plus that additional ten points on offer for No. 3 means that this short section can improve the points rating by 35. YOUR RECORD:

Now we come to our PICTURE SECTION. We publish here two well-known personalities:

1. Who are the players pictured

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2. What are their clubs?

3. One has won an All-Ireland medal with this CLUB. Name the personality concerned?

Five points a question, or 15 points in all.

YOUR TALLY:

We round off the Quiz now with a general review of events that took place in Gaelic Games since the start of the year. Some may not prove too difficult, others may catch some readers out, especially as we enlarge the review to include camogie and handball.

And, we start with camogie in this:

GENERAL REVIEW

1. The Ashbourne Cup, the Universities' senior championship, was played in Dublin in February. Name the winners of the title?

2. Armagh provided one of the biggest upsets of the early in the year programme by beating Kerry. Where was that National Football League game played?

3. It is hardly necessary to record that Connacht had another rare Railway Cup hurling semi-final win over Munster. But was their winning margin two points, a goal or four

points?

4. The goalkeeper was a bright star for Connacht and was representing a county we do not readily associate with hurling. Name the player in question and the county he was representing?

5. Dublin lost to Armagh in the League at the Athletic Grounds in Armagh in mid-February. How many points did the Dubs score in that game?

6. Christy Heffernan scored an amazing 5-4 for Kilkenny in one of their recent National Hurling League games. Did he record that huge tally against Kerry, Carlow or Wexford?

7. Who knocked Carmelite College, Moate, All-Ireland champions in 1980 and 1981, out of the 1982 Leinster championship in February?

8. Waterford won Division I "A" of the Hurling League at the end of February. They clinched that position with a home win over what county?

9. The Annual Handball Congress was held in Dublin in mid-March. Who is President of the Handball Council?

10. Cork beat Tipperary by two points in a National Hurling League tie in early February. Was that game played at Thurles, Pairc Ui Chaoimh or Nenagh?

Again five points on offer for each question. However, award yourself an additional ten points if you "go through the card" by answering all ten questions correctly. Therefore, it is possible to gain 60 points to round off the quiz.

YOUR RECORD:

HOW DID YOU FARE?

Total marks possible: 170. An excellent rating for 150 or more. Very good for 130-plus, and good

for 100. Under that? Well, place a regular order for GAELIC SPORT, and keep abreast of what is happening in Gaelic Games!

ANSWERS

(Printed in reverse to avoid distraction)

1981. 10. Thurles. (Clare), elected to the position in their final game. 9. Caimin Jones 0-6 to 0-5. 8. Waterford beat Offaly College, Gormanston, who won by Against Carlow. 7. Franciscan playing with Mayo. 5. Five points. 6. Wexford-born Dave Synnott, now Two points — 1-13 to 2-8. 4. 1. U.C. Dublin. 2. Killorglin. 3.

GENERAL REVIEW

1980 national club title. member of the team that won the (Kennedy). 3. Joe Connolly, a Castlegar (Connolly) and Glen Paddy Kennedy (Down). 2. 1. John Connolly (Galway) and

PICTURE SECTION

Top Ten. Ireland medal in 1980 and the Tyler No. Note: Sean Silke won an All-Ireland medal in 1980 and the Tyler (Liston) and Kinnity (Coughlan). 5. O'Neill (Dublin) in football. 4. Beale Loughnane (Clare), hurling, and Pat 1. True. 2. False. 3. Ger

TOP TEN

GAELIC SPORT-TYLER

from 1964 to 1967. 10. Killarney. Alf Murray (Armagh), President 1980. 8. Pat Fanning (Waterford). 9. the 1973 Congress at Waterford. 7. Keenan (Roscommon), elected at represented Laois. 6. Dr. Donald President from 1935 to 1938, but Kilkenny-born Bob O'Keefe was President from 1901 to 1921, and capacity. James Nowlan was the county to be honoured in this Paddy Buggy is the third native of Newcastle in County Down. 5. False. Ballina. 4. 1980, when the venue was position at the 1978 Congress at President-Elect when elected to that 3. He was chosen as the first 1. Belfast. 2. Con Murphy (Cork).

CONGRESS

JUNIOR DESK



By
**JACK
MAHON**

THE Colour Cut-Out this month is Cork hurler Pat Horgan. And what a sweet striker he is. Moves faster than he appears to and fast becoming one of Ireland's Top hurlers. A worthy representative of "The Glen."

REVIEWS OF BOOKS, YEARBOOKS ETC.

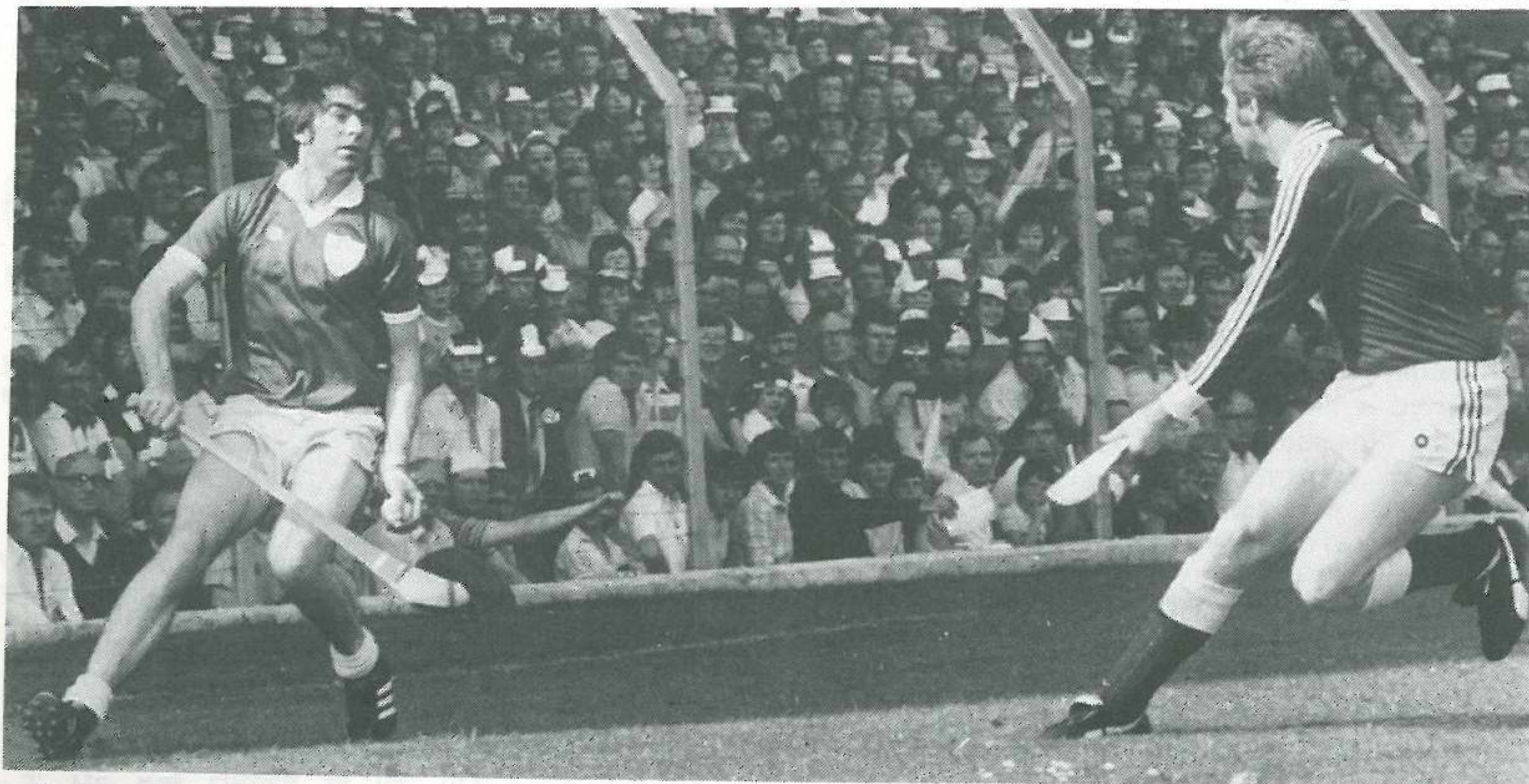
Kerry G.A.A. Yearbook 1982. Price £2.20. Compiled and edited by Michael Lyne, Valentia, Co. Kerry, this year's annual keeps up the fine standard set by last year's McNamee Award winning effort. Goes outside the county for some contributors.

As always Owen McCrohan's contributions are first-class. Nice to see him broaden his field of activity in the writing sphere latterly. Well worth buying. 100 pages with lovely colour cover and a colour pullout of Kerry's four successive winning All-Ireland teams.

Galway G.A.A. Annual '82 costs £2 and has an outstanding cover with seven photos embracing the entire G.A.A. scene in Galway in '81 — football, hurling, Feile na nGael, Scór, the supporters. Having been on the editorial committee of this one I'm not going to overpraise it! This is a very big annual — page size I mean and like Kerry's has 100 pages. It is full of photos of teams, personalities

and has some quite outstanding photos. The *piece de resistance* of the book is Michael Glynn's article on Galway hurling. There is another outstanding article by former Galway hurling star Fr. Paddy Gantley. Well worth buying too. Send on 50p extra to include postage. From Galway G.A.A. Office, 45, Dominick St., Galway.

Cill Dara '81 — Kildare's Yearbook is a very big improvement on last year's effort in every way. Costing £2 this too is a 100 page production and as big as Galway's. Lovely colour cover of the legendary Larry Stanley. The centrepiece of the 1981 Co. Stars printed on light blue paper is very impressive. I liked



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too the Juvenile Quiz Corner, the contributions from Colette McCormack and Eoghan Corry who with the rest of the Co. Kildare G.A.A. Communications Committee deserve great credit. I liked too the article "Whats In a Name" listing the names of all the G.A.A. Cups in Kildare. Other Yearbooks please note. Price £2.50 from Collette McCormack, 78, Castletown, Leixlip, Co. Kildare.

Limerick G.A.A. Yearbook '82 costs £1.50, is bigger than any of the others and follows in much the same line as its predecessors for years back. This is published by a Limerick Co. Board County Publications Committee with Sean Murphy, Liam McKenna, Seamus Ó Ceallaigh, that great old G.A.A. Historian, Michael Weeker and Kevin Fitzgerald heavily involved. Impressive features are the Limerick Championship Finals 1981 Centerpiece, the pictorial parade section featuring so many teams (all named as should be), the article on the "Thank You" dinner from supporters to the Limerick hurling team last year (what a nice idea), the Profile on Jimmy Carroll by Liam McKenna, the interview with Mick Quain the referee, the article entitled "The Train Down to Thurles" and of course Seamus Ó Ceallaigh's historical pieces. Worth getting, also from (add 50p for postage). Sean Murphy, Villa Maria, Lower Park, Limerick.

Clare G.A.A. Yearbook '82. Costing £1, this 108 page Annual is great value with its colour cover of the Clare Minors (front) and the Camogie champions (back). Articles to savour are the profile of Jimmy Cullinane, the Feakle piece by Liz Howard, Gerry Sloan's tribute to Fr. Seamus Gardiner, the tribute to George Comerford by Seamus O'Reilly. Brendan Vaughan, Larry Donnelly and Seamus O'Reilly deserve credit. Price £1.50 including postage from Larry Donnelly, Lisheen, Ballynacally, Ennis, Co. Clare.

Salthill G.A.A. Yearbook 1981 costs £1.50 and is the first club Yearbook I have seen to date apart from some publications from Claremorris a year ago. This is my

● **OVERLEAF**

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own club and is a thriving one concentrating on youth for some years now and getting places at last. Editor Kieran Muldoon deserves credit for a fine publication. In the yearbook Liam Sammon, who is still a great inspiration at club level, is interviewed in a novel way by his son Paul. Copies can be had from Kieran Muldoon, 43, Glenard Crescent, Salthill, Galway.

Milltown G.A.A. Club History compiled by Jim Carney (R.T.E.) and selling at £2 is a very interesting club compilation. Carney's infectious enthusiasm for Gaelic football comes through in every page. — It is a very well printed booklet and is full of good photos none better than an action one of Milltown's best known player Noel Tierney.

Copies from Jim Carney, c/o Connacht Tribune, Market St. Galway.

THE MAILBAG

I'm holding the mailbag over till next month so the following will have to wait. Kieran Rosney (Athlone), Tom Agnew of Navan (please write to Paddy Moclair,

Ballina, Co. Mayo with your request) Eddy O'Brien (Finglas), Roy McCarnon (Lisburn) — thanks for your comments Roy re my criticism of Brian McEniff's approach to winning — Donal O'Dwyer of Blackrock, Cork, Kevin Maher of Dunkerrin (member of a great G.A.A. family) Declan Ryan of Clonmel, Fintan Diviney of Tubber.

Paul Maher of Dunkerrin (I'll include your questions based on "Clash of the Ash" next month d.v.) Sean Coleman of Castlepollard, old faithful Tim Murphy of Rathmore, Declan Cronin of Durrow, Anne Walsh of Castleisland, Adrian Daly of Tullamore (I agree with your complaints Adrian), Norman Rochford of Gort still up in the moon over Gort's Co. S.H.C. title success, plus a load of letters not used in a previous issue.

DIFFERENT PRIZES

Next month Junior Desk will be devoted to "Mailbag" only and I will be offering ten different prizes for letters written. I hope to write about a former Derry star who because of an accident while in the prime of his football life is for years

confined to a wheelchair. This cruel accident hasn't weakened Colm Mullan's will and he has for a number of years been prominent with youth (A photo of Colm, who played for St. Columb's College, Derry Combined Universities and Maynooth will appear with the article along with his youthful charges from Ballerin). What a marvelous example is Colm Mullan to the rest of us. But all about that next month too.

Finally I have a letter from Dermot McCarthy of Bath with some programme swops. All that next month. Keep writing (and remember the ten prizes) to:

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- 9th May — 1st Rd. — Tiobraid Árann v. Portlárige.
- 23rd May — McGrath Cup Final.
Clár nó Luimneach v. Tiobraid Árann nó Portlárige.
- 6th June — Semi-Final — Ciarraí v. Clár nó Luimneach.
- 6th June — Semi-Final — Corcaigh v. Tiobraid Árann nó Portlárige.
- 4th July — Cluiche Ceannais.

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- 28th July — Cluiche Ceannais Iomána fé 21.
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