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Clearing all before them again

by Sean Cooke Limerick C.B.S. crush De La Salle and

retain Dr. Harty Cup

All-Ireland final next on list By Des Hanrahan

LIMERICK C.B.S. 4-6 DE LA SALLE, WATERFORD 1-5 NEXT outing for Limerick C.B.S. senior hurlers will find them contesting the final of the All-Ireland Colleges Senior Championship. On Sunday's showing at Thurles, where they retained the Dr. Harty Cup (Munster Championship) they must have a wonderful chance of again completing the big-time double which they achieved for the first time thirteen months ago.

This was success as clear-cut as any supporter could wish; gained, I might add, against players representing wide radius . . . five of them Cork-born; three from Waterford; a like number with Kilkenny qualifications, while the captain, Liam Griffin, and centre-forward John Whelan have worn the Wexford jersey.

Making the Waterford team virtually a five-county selection were full-back Phil O'Connell, a native of Doon, and mid-fiffer John O'Hehir who also halfs from Limerick.

the game out of the fire.

However, during the break period they took the only course open to them. Having already replaced the injured and bespectacled Liam Leahy (5) by

De La Salle trainer, Bro. Eugenius, whose home is in Leitrim, was first to admit that the better side had carried the day. "C.B.S. played a fine brand of hurling and we have no regrets in losing to such a team," he told me. on reflection, one could the score-line, repre-

spectacled Liam Leahy (5) by Mossy Power—son of Jack Power, a very fine Waterford player of ome moons back-the made pisitional changes in key positions. The captain, Liam Griffin, moved to centre-forward; John Whelan dropped back to midfie'd, and Tom Grant filled Griffin's original position.

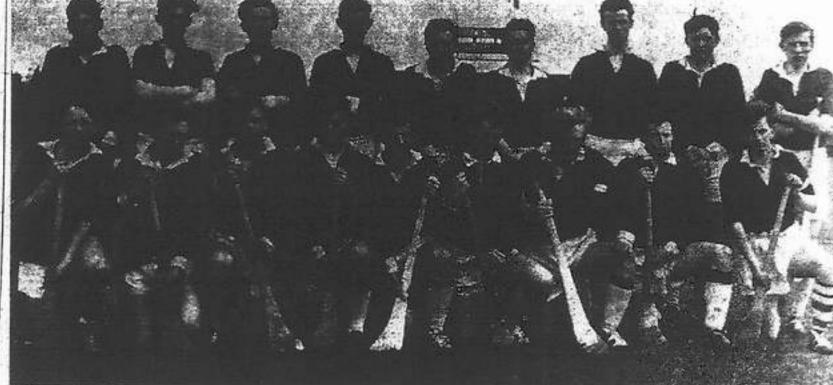
Tom Clohessy followed up player on the field, but no one with a goal, and when Grimes worked harder for victory. In nicked off a point and soon after the first-half, he had the size-

C.B.S. supporters were already switched edging their way to the side he ever line to "chair" the heroes of a goal.

As one who followed the all-conquering march of last year's combination with the greatest of interest and who could not help but notice the manner in which Eamonn Cregan and a few more of the more prominent players were given five-star treat-ment after each game. I am very glad, indeed, now to rethat substitutes and

again, the result able task of facing the De La cone conclusion. Salle captain, Liam Griffin, of was a foregone conclusion. Salle captain, Liam Griffin, of When Johnny Whelan pointed Rosslare, battled manfully but at the Limerick end, only to had to acknowledge defeat have his score answered by after, for him, a scoreless 30 minutes, and it was only when minutes, and it was only when switched to a new position that he eventually got through for

Russell, a glutton for work, set an example by his inspired tackling and first-time pulling, and John Leonard, Donal Manning and Tony Cronin in the full-back line and Russell's colleagues in the half back line (Michael Keogh and Liam Moloney), too, carried out the instructions of their trainers, Brother Burke and Brother Hennessy, to the letter. If there was a weakness in this players alike were given a | department the failing escaped



CHAMPIONS - spelled with capital letters . . . the Lime-rick C.B.S. team and substitutes who at Thurles on Sunday retained the Dr. Harty Cup with a clear-cut 4-6 to 1-5 win over De La Salle.

Waterford, in the final. They are now in the final of the All - Ireland Colleges Championship and if successful on May 25, against St. Mary's of Waterford or St. Kleran's of Kükenny, will become

Dr. Croke Cup for the second year in succession. Back row (left to right)-John Leonurd, John Finucane, Liam Moloney, Donal Manning, Tony Cronin, Michael Hennessy Pat

PICTURE COVERAGE...

O'Doherty, Matt Grac-Michael O'Brien, From (l. to r.)-Gerard Me. Tony Brennan, Michael he-Phil Aherne, Pat Mc; Donal Russell (cupt.), 3

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at 3 points, and also had a hand in two other defencesplitting movements

At the same time, it can be reported that this was Tom Clohessy's outstanding game in the C.B.S. attack. His solo running was a feature and his Eamonn

Deputy Paddy Clohessy's son, stood out as a player of great had De La Salle ahead again, ability. Although not 100 per but only just. Eamonn Grimes' cent. fit owing to a recent first goal gave the C.B.S boys attack of 'flu, he gave his best display of the season, almost up to the performances that and then Tom Clohessy took a carned top-rating in last year's added a goal and a point the added a goal and a point the

campaign.
Pat McCarthy, Mick O'Brien,
Matt Grace and Liam Ryan all played their parts in a win that is a further Boost to extremely Limerick's healthy position in the G.A.A. world. And we must not forget the substitute, Mick Hennessy, who did so well in the brief time that he was in action.

TOP DRAWER SAVES The winners goalkceper, Tony Brennan, covered himself in glory; some of his saves and time clearances clearances being out of the top drawer.

De La Salle, who were en-vouring to complete the clusive Munster Cup (senior football) and Dr. Harty Cup double will. I feel, be fully aware that they were beaten by a very formid-able combination when C.B.S. play the All-Ireland Colleges final against St. Kieran's of Kilkenny or St. Peter's of Galway late next month. In their 15 stone -oa'keeper,

Eamonn Quinn, the losers had a player of more than average ability. I thought their centrebaif back, Brendan O'Sullivan, their star, but Phil O'Connell' and Pat Lynch, too, toiled man-fully in defence. Liam Griffin, Jerry O'Shea and John V elan were triers all the way in attack, but met a half-back line that struck a purple natch,

THE SCORING De La Salle started with the aid of a cutting and telling breeze, but they weer way off beam with their early shoot-

A free taken by Jerry O'Shes gave them their first point after eight minutes. Two minutes later, when Pat Doherty was upended bursting his way through, Pat McCarthy equalised from the free.

In the 15th minute C.B.S. were ahead when Tom Clohessy

sent over the bar from a closein free.
After two good saves by Tony Brennan for C.B.S., Brendan O'Sullivan, from the 70s" that resulted, sent high and well between the uprights. Limerick were level in the 24th minute when Mick O'Brien

C.B.S. goalkeeper Tony Brennan shows his class as he deals with a piledriver from the De La Salle captain, Liam Griffin. This picture was taken in the first half when the Waterford side had the wind helping them, but a great defence, in which Brennan starred, kept them at bay. C.B.S. led at the

THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE

paved the way for Pat

O'Doherty to send Eamonn Quinn reaching for the "sky. A great run by Tom Clohessy produced the first green flag. Matt Grace finished the rhovement with a cracking drive to leave Limerick ahead changing ends by 1-3 to 0-3.

THE WRITING

added a goal and a point the writing was on the wall for De

Before the end of a sporting encounter. John sporting encounter, John Whelan (De La Salle) and Mick Hennessy exchanged points

LIMERICK C.B.S. : Tony Brennan Donal Manning

Tony Cronin Liam Moloney Ml. Keogh Donai Russell (capt.) Pat O'Doherty John Finucane Pat McCarthy, Tom Clohessy Liam Ryan Matt Grace Eamonn Grimes Sub. — Michael Hennessy for O'Brien.

DE LA SALLE, WATERFORD: Eamonn Quinn Phil O'Connell Michael McCarthy Des Power Brendan O'Sullivan Liam Leahy Pat Lynch

Liam Leahy Pat Lyn Tom Grant John O'Hehir John Whelan Liam Griffin Jerr (capt.) Ambrose Madders Mick Monaghan Dannon Shea Sub. — Maurice Power for Referee-M. McElgunn (Tippe

rary).



to try and make yet anoth spectacular says



ten points, was somewhat in his new position with a goal flattering. De La Salle, who that Ton- Brennan had no elected to play with the strong wind at their backs in the later right corner forward Mick limit half, shot seven wides Monaghan tacked on a point to elected to play with the strong wind at their backs in the first balf, shot seven wides before Jerry O'Shea opened with a point from a free. By interval time they had only 3 points to their credit, the other two coming from "seventies." beautifully taken by Kilkenny minor centre-back of last year, Brendan O'Sullivan. of last year, Brendan O'Sullivan.

'Having answered each white
flag with a like score, Sexton
Street were well on the road
to success when Matty Grace,
following a grand solo effort
by Tom Clohessy, goaled in the
27th minute to leave them
ahead by 3 points starting the
second half.

At this stage, one could be forgiven for imagining that the other thirty minutes would be one-way traffic. It was impossible to see De La Salle, now facing a breeze of considerable force, pulling

give De La Salle a short-head lead for the third and final time, it was obvious that they had no intention of "throwing in the towel'

CUT LOOSE But the anxlety in the Lime-ric: "camp" was only momentarily. In the fifth minute Eamonn Grimes cut loose for a sparkling goal and when full forward Llam Ryan tacked on a splendid point the tide had well and truly turned against De La Sale.

A proud moment for Lime-rick C.B.S. captain, right-half Donal Russell, who, after playing a major part in his side's win over De La Salle, receives the Dr. Harty Cup from His Grace, the Arch-bishop of Cashel, Most Rev.

Fifteen stone of brawn and muscle — De La Salle goalkeeper Eamonn Quinn finished on his back after this crashon his back after this crashing body-charge by Limerick C.B.S. top scorer Eamonn Grimes. On right is C.B.S. full-forward Liam Ryan being "policed" by De La Salle full-back, Limerick-born Phil awarded a free at this stage.

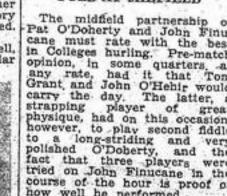
wonderful reception after referee Michael McElgun, of Tipperary, had signalled "full-

I know that the brilliant solo bursts by Tom Clohessy, Eamonn Grimes and Pat O'Doherty and the spectacular saves of goalkeeper Tony Brennan will have left a lasting impression, but without the support given by the other members of the team victory

would not have been achieved.

CAPTAIN'S PART

The captain, Donal Russell, was not the most spectacular



substitute late in the hour)

players without some note of

criticism might appear ridicul-ous, but I think it will be agreed that the suspect de-

partments rose to the occasion

It is only a few weeks since some of the forwards came "under fire" in our

columns for the second half fold-up that all but cost them victory in the semi-final against St. Finbarr's, of

Farranferris. However, the wasted chances were so few and far between this time

that only the person seeking perfection could afford to be critical.

in no uncertain manner.

It is not often that all six

injury is missing from the panel of marksmen, but he Quinn had he not parted to better-placed colleagues so often O'Brien did the spade work for Pat O'Doherty's point that levelled the scoring

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C.B.S. piled on the present the second half and shot by Eamonn Gricus in picture) is seen here on way to target as harmen Limerick's Pat Carthy (10) and de la Saliright-back, Mick Set and



PULL AT MIDFIELD The midfield partnership of Pat O'Doherty and John Finucane must rate with the best in Colleges hurling. Pre-match opinion, in some quarters, at any rate, had it that Tom Grant and John O'Hehir would carry the day. The latter, a strapping player of great physique, had on this occasion, however, to play second fiddle to a long-striding and very polished O'Doberty, and the fact that three players were tried on John Finucane in the course of the hour is proof of how well he performed. cane must rate with the best now well he performed. O'Doherty was a tower of strength in the first half, in particular, but Finucane, too, gave a most workmanlike dis-

forwards score in the course of an hour. My "bull's-eye" sheet for C.B.S. reads: Eamonn Grimes (2-1). Tom Clohess, (1-1). Matty Grace (1-0). Pat McCarthy (0-1). Liam Ryan (0-1). Mick Hennesse (0-1) and midfieldes. nessy (0-1) and midfielder Pat Doherty (0-1). Mick O'Brien, who had to re-tire in the second half through might easily have beaten the De La Salle netminder. Eamonn

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