

DISCUSSIONS END WITH SUCCESS

Limerick Sign Anderson as Player-Coach

By TONY PURCELL

THIRTY-YEAR-OLD Tommy Anderson, the former St. Mirren and Leyton Orient player, became the third Scot to be appointed Player-Coach of Limerick A.F.C. in the 30 years' history of the club last night when he signed a two-year contract. His appointment culminated a series of long discussions with Limerick directors.

"I am delighted with my new post. I look forward to coaching Limerick in Irish football," stated Anderson soon after his appointment was announced.

The Edinburgh-born half-back or inside-forward should prove a decided asset as Player-coach of Limerick. He has had great success as a Coach in Australia and South Africa. A Scottish schoolboy international, Tommy Anderson has had offers to go back to Australia and South Africa, but he prefers playing in Europe.

Tommy, who is single, started his professional football career with St. Mirren, the Scottish First Division club before moving to Watford. Then he joined Wrexham, the English Fourth Division side, with whom he played with centre-half, Alan Fox — now Player-Coach of Dundalk.

Anderson played his first

game for Limerick last Sunday when they drew 1-1 with Cork Hibernians in the League at the Markets Field. He impressed at inside-right.

Limerick Directors are to have discussions with Manager, Paddy Coad, to-night.

Anderson is the third Scottish player to have charge of Limerick — the first was Jimmy Docherty and then Ewan Fenton — now Manager of Linfield — who had the distinction of leading Limerick into the final of the F.A.I. Cup for two seasons running during his seven years with the club.

Limerick face formidable teams in the League Championship in the next three weeks Dundalk, Shamrock Rovers (at home) and Waterford.

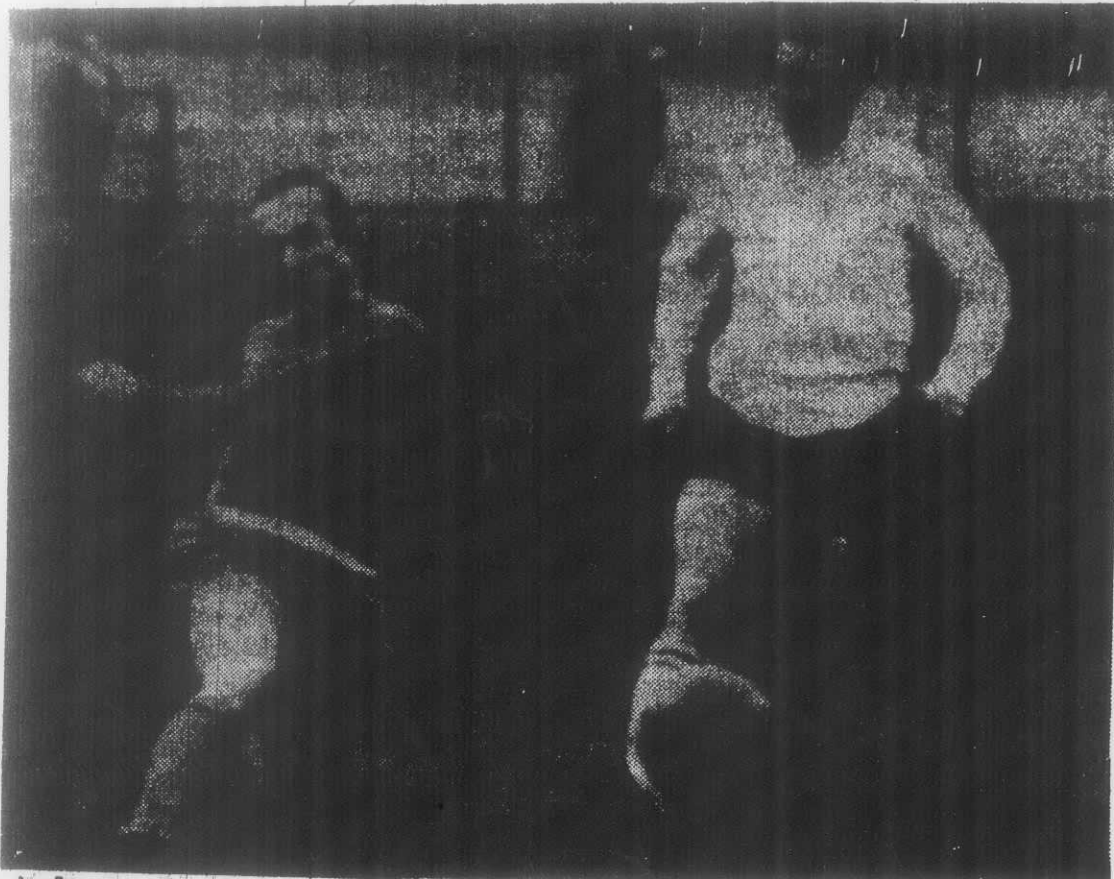
After a bad start, Dundalk have regained their top form in recent weeks, and this was indicated forcibly with a 5-1 win over Bohs recently. Limerick scored a fine 2-1 success over the Oriel Park side in the Shield but will have to show a big improvement on current form if they hope to emerge victorious on this occasion.

DEATHS

BURKE December 11 at Barrington's Hospital, Burke, 7 Lelia Place (J. & G. Boyd Ltd., Lin). Deeply regretted by his sister and relatives. R.I. Mains will be removed John's Cathedral this (T) evening at 8.15 p.m. R. Mass to-morrow (Wed) at 10 a.m. Funeral at same day to Mount St. Laurence Cemetery.

COLLINS (Limerick) December 18, 1967, at his residence, St. Teresa's, 6 Swansboro, O'Connell Avenue, Den. Loved husband of Mrs. Collins. Deeply regretted by loving wife, sons and relatives. R.I.P. Remains will be re-interred to St. Michael's Church (Tuesday) evening at 7. Requiem Mass to-morrow (Wednesday) at 11 a.m. immediately afterwards at Mount St. Laurence Cemetery. House private, please.

LISTON (nee McCarr) December 18, 1967, at Camillus Hospital, Bridgeton, late of Rope Wall, grave Street, Limerick. Regretted by her loving nieces, relatives and R.I.P. Remains will be re-interred to St. John's Cathedral (Tuesday) evening at 8. Solemn Requiem Mass to-morrow (Wednesday) at 10.30 a.m. Funeral at 3.45 p.m. at Mount St. Laurence Cemetery.



Anderson, Limerick's new player-coach, gains possession in Sunday's league game at the Markets Field, Limerick.

