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ULSTER FOOTBALL FINALS

AT ST. TIGHEARNACH'S PARK, CLONES
ON SUNDAY, 28th JULY, 1974

Sinsir :

DÚN NA nGALL

v.

AN DÚN

at 3.45 p.m. (80 minutes)

Réiteoir : P. Ó Doibhlin (Tír Eoin)

Mionúir :

at 2.15 p.m. (60 minutes)

CABHÁN

v.

DOIRE

Réiteoir : S. Ó Muirí (Muineachán)

Maoil-Cúl : F. Ó Tiarnaigh (Cabhán), A. Mac Póilín (Aontruim),
T. Mac Seain (Fir Manach), L. Mag Uidhir (Muineachán).

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THE ULSTER FINAL

Some Facts
and
Figures



by M. Feeney

A LONG line broken . . .

Whoever wins to-day's Senior Final a long, and remarkable line of successes will have come to an end. One has to go back sixty years to find a year ending in —4 when Cavan did not win the title. In 1914 Monaghan won the championship but in 1924, 1934, and 1944 Cavan emerged victorious over Monaghan; in 1954 Cavan defeated Armagh and in 1964 they defeated Down.

So remarkable have Cavan's achievements been that to-day marks the first time ever on which Cavan have been out of the Final for the fourth successive year. The Breffni county has contested 29 of the past 40 Ulster Finals, winning 20 of them.

Equally remarkable is the Down record. Having contested the Final in 1940 and 1942 without success, it was not until 1958 against Derry that they made a really big impact on the provincial scene and they are to-day in their fifteenth Final in seventeen years. Worthy of note is the fact that to-day's Down team includes two players who were members of the Down panel in every one of those fifteen finals, Sean O'Neill and Dan McCartan.

Donegal, for generations one of the strongest G.A.A. counties on the club front, reached their first final in 1963 and are to-day playing in their fourth. They won their one title in 1972 defeating Tyrone. Perhaps Donegal's greatest hour was in that year when they were narrowly and unluckily beaten by Offaly in the All-Ireland semi-final, an Offaly team which subsequently won the All-Ireland comfortably.

In fact, the record of Ulster teams in the senior All-Ireland series has not been as good as we would have wished. Ulster champions have reached 18 All-Ireland Senior Football Finals, as follows: Cavan (10), 1928, 1933, 1935, 1937, 1943, 1945, 1947, 1948, 1949, and 1952. Down (3), 1960, 1961 and 1968. Antrim (2), 1911 and 1912. Monaghan (1), 1930. Armagh (1), 1953. Derry (1), 1958.

Out of the 18 All-Ireland Finals that Ulster teams have contested, only Cavan (5) and Down (3) have won the title.

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CRAOBH PEILE NA MIONUR

CABHAN

(Colours — BLUE and WHITE)

1. **P. Mag Uidhir**
(F. Maguire, Maghera)
2. **C. Mac Coitín**
(C. McCutcheon, Cootehill)
3. **D. Ó Sioradáin**
(D. Sheridan, Maghera)
4. **R. Mac Conluain**
(R. Cullivan, Laragh Utd.)
5. **R. Mac Diarmada**
(R. McDermott, Ballinagh)
6. **M. Ó Rodáin**
(M. Rudden, Laragh United)
7. **M. Ó Brádaigh**
(M. Brady, Ballinagh)
8. **G. Ó Brádaigh**
(G. Brady, Arva)
9. **T. Mac Con Midhe**
(T. McNamee, Lurgan)
10. **T. Ó Brádaigh**
(T. Brady, Castlerahan)
11. **O. Ó Máirtín**
(O. Martin, Templeport)
12. **S. Mac Gabhann**
(J. Smyth, St. Pat's., Sligo)
13. **P. Ó Fionnagáin**
(P. Finnegan, Cavan Gaels)
14. **B. Ó Donnchadha**
(B. Donoghue, Laragh)
15. **T. Ó Brádaigh**
(T. Brady, Castlerahan)

FIR IONAID:

16. **P. Ó Máirtín**
(P. Martin, Templeport)
17. **A. Ó Connachtaigh**
(H. Conaty, Ballyhaise)
18. **T. Ó Cearnaigh**
(T. Kearney, Cootehill)
19. **M. Mac Eafartaigh**
(M. Caffrey, Mountnugent)
20. **S. Ó Brádaigh**
(J. Brady, Mullahoran)
21. **C. Mag Uidhir**
(C. Maguire, Templeport)
22. **T. Ó Floinn**
(T. Flynn, Cootehill)

CRAOBH PEILE NA MIONUR

DOIRE

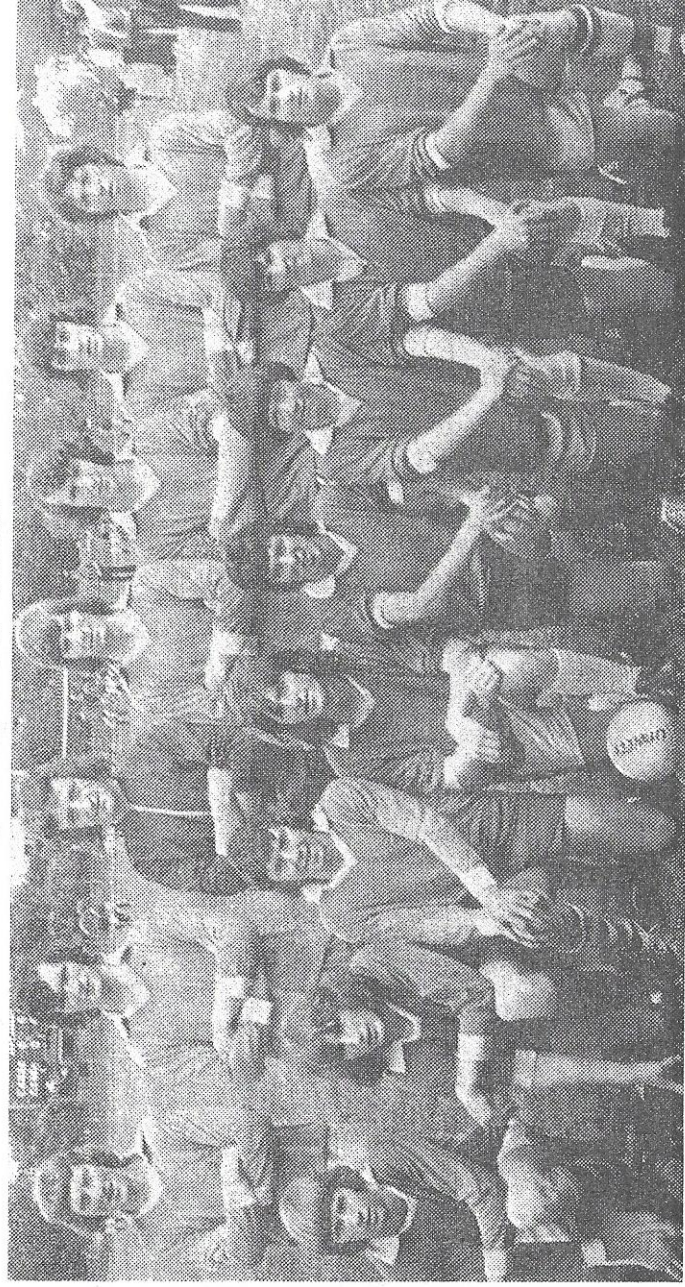
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1. **T. Ó Casaide**
(T. Cassidy, Derry Colmcille)
2. **S. Ó hEireamhoín**
(J. Irvine, Glack)
3. **P. Ó Treinfhir**
(F. Treanor, Coleraine)
4. **T. de Burca**
(T. Burke, Claudy)
5. **C. Ó Braoin**
(C. Breen, Desertmartin)
6. **G. Mac Ainmhire**
(G. Convery, Glen)
7. **M. Ó hAodha**
(M. Hughes, Castledawson)
8. **C. Ó Duain**
(K. Kidd, Desertmartin)
9. **G. Mac Giolla Chainaigh**
(G. McIlhenny, Banagher)
10. **B. Ó Treinfhir**
(B. Treanor, Coleraine)
11. **L. Ó Mordha (Capt.)**
(L. Moore, Glack)
12. **G. Ó Cathain**
(G. O'Kane, Glenullin)
13. **C. Ó Neill**
(C. O'Neill, Derry Colmcille)
14. **A. Mac Uilliam**
(H. McWilliams, Kilrea)
15. **P. Cruiseir**
(P. Crozier, Ballymacquigan)

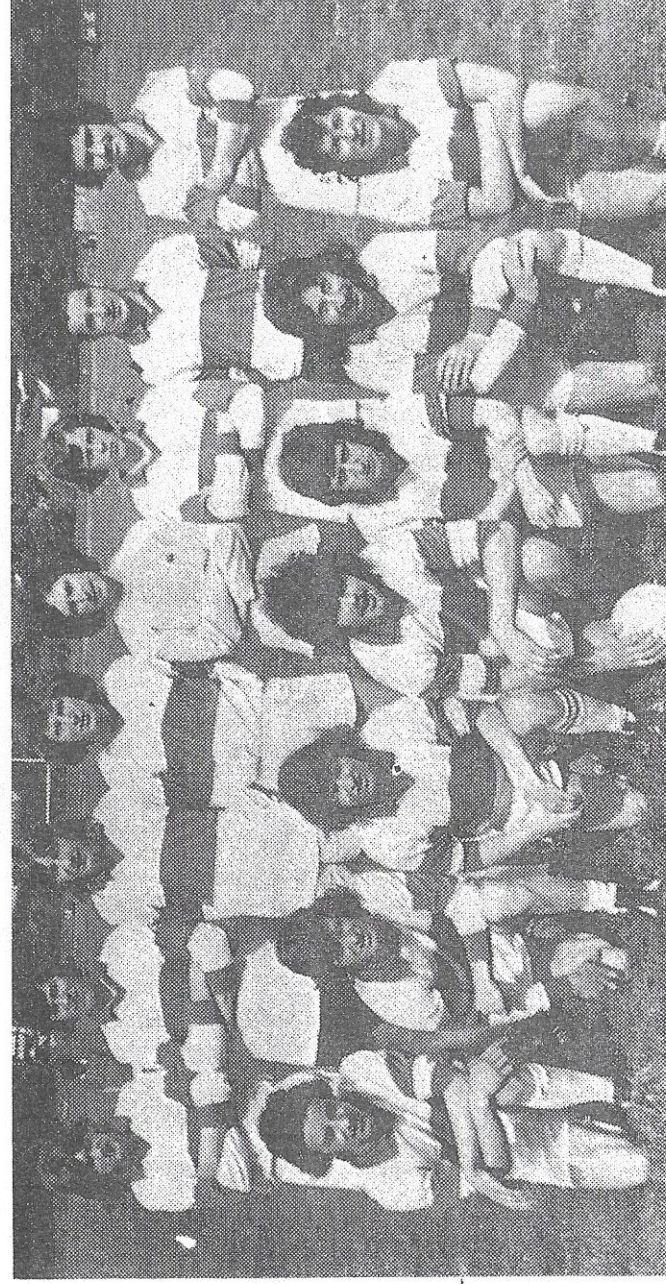
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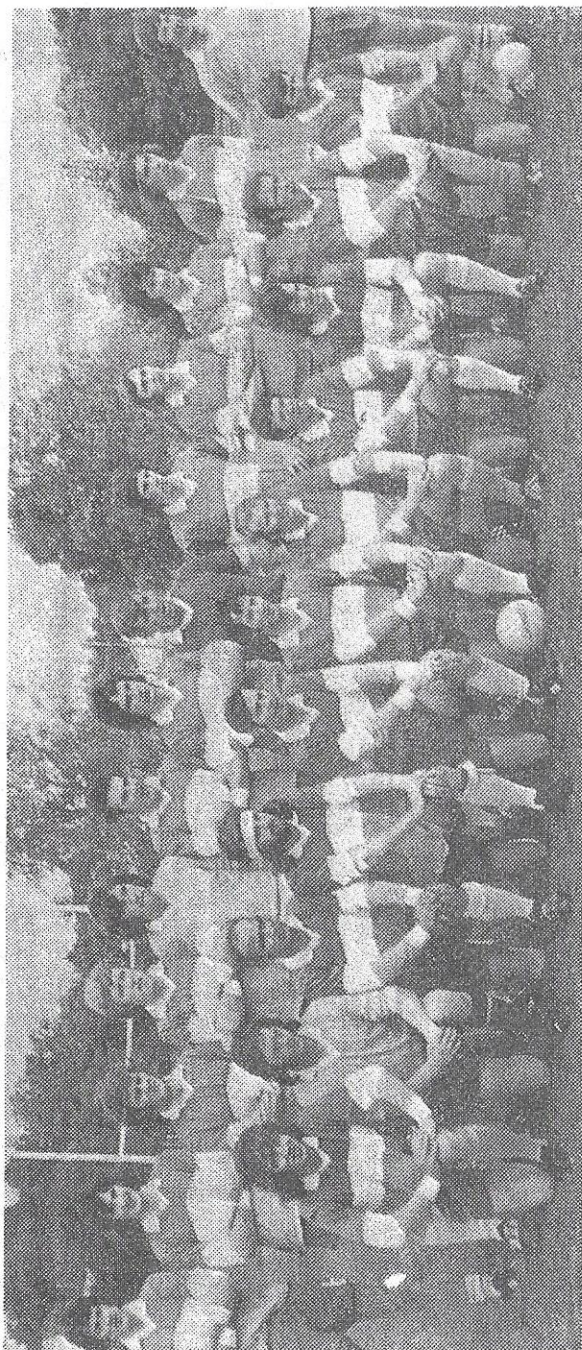
16. **S. Ó Briain**
(J. O'Brien, Glack)
17. **S. Mac Bhloscaí**
(J. McCloskey, Banagher)
18. **P. Ó Docharthaigh**
(P. Doherty, Kilrea)
19. **G. Ó Maolain**
(G. Mullen, Derry C'mcille)
20. **L. Ó Ceallaigh**
(W. Kelly, Glack)
21. **P. Ó Sionnaigh**
(P. Shivers, Lavey)

CAVAN MINOR TEAM



DERRY MINOR TEAM



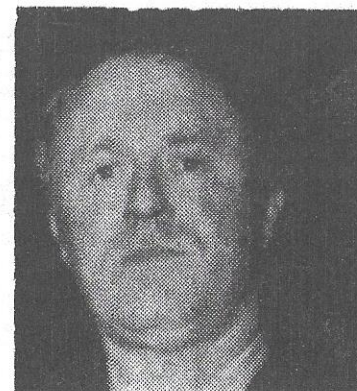


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DONEGAL

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OPTIMISTIC is the only way to describe the football people of County Donegal these days. Triumphant after their marvellous victory over old rivals and 1973 Ulster Champions Tyrone at Omagh; their ambitions set further alight by a resounding victory over Antrim in the Ulster semi-final, they come again to Clones for the Provincial Final with sights set on an All-Ireland semi-final appearance. Many good judges of football believe they can do just that.

However, no Ulster title is ever won without a wholehearted effort, and with Donegal showing their 1972 spirit this effort should be forthcoming, even against Down.

How good is Donegal?, a question often asked nowadays. The answer is that they are as good as the 1972 Ulster winners and in some sectors better.

In defence, Alan Kane is sound while Pdraig McShea has had his best ever year to prove at leisure the county's best of all backs. Andy Curran is also a sturdy defender Donal Monaghan and Brian McEniff are playing as well as ever, while Anthony Gallagher and Finian Mac a'Bhaird are top class footballers.

At mid-field Michael Lafferty and Martin Carney have proved their worth while minor Paul McGettigan can be ever effective when inclined.

In attack where finishing is a very strong weakness, Hughie McClafferty is a strong booter ably assisted by Seamus Bonner. Sean McGranaghan and Neal Gallagher still take their scores with skill, while Joe Winston, Kieran Keeney and Michael Carr will fight for

every ball.

It all adds up to a very intriguing final against Old Masters—Down.

Dun na nGall

CRAOBH PEILE NA SINSEAR
Colours :
GREEN and GOLD

1 A. Ó Catháin (A. Kane) (Ballyshannon)		
2 D. Ó Manachain (D. Monaghan) (Donegal Town)	3 P. Mac Se (Capt.) (P. McShea) (Ballyshannon)	4 A. Ó Corrain (A. Curran) (Sean Mac Cumhailis)
5 B. Mac Conduibh (B. McEniff) (Bundoran)	6 A. Ó Gallchobhair (A. Gallagher) (St. Eunan's)	7 F. Mac a'Bhaird (F. Ward) (Glencolmcille)
8 M. Ó Laifearthaig (M. Lafferty) (Sean Mac Cumhailis)	9 M. Ó Cearnaigh (M. Carney) (Ballyshannon)	
10 S. Mac Reannachain (J. McGranaghan) (Bundoran)	11 A. Mac Laifearthaigh (H. McClafferty) (Downings)	12 N. Ó Gallchobhair (N. Gallagher) (Gweedore)
13 S. Mac Aodhain (J. Winston) (St. Eunan's)	14 S. Ó Cnaimhsi (S. Bonner) (Donegal Town)	15 C. Ó Cianaigh (K. Keaney) (Ardara)

Fir Ioid: (16) N. Mac Comhail (N. Cole, The Rosses), (17) S. Ó Buaigh (J. Boyce, Downings), (18) M. Mac Griffin (M. Griffin, Sean Mac Cumhailis), (19) P. S. Mac Gabhann (P. J. McGowan, Sean Mac Cumhailis), (20) P. Mag Eiteagain (P. McGettigan, St. Eunan's, Letterkenny), (21) G. Mac Giolla Bhuil (G. McElwee, Rosses), (22) S. Ó Cuinn (J. Quinn, Glenties), (23) D. Mac Giolla Easpaig (D. Gillespie, Kilcar).

	1adh Leath (1st Half)	2adh Leath (2nd Half)	Iomlán (Iomlán)
Cúil (Goals)
Cúilíní (Points)
Seacháí (Overs)
50 sl. (50's)
Saor-Chiceanna (Free Kicks)

An Dun

CRAOBH PEILE NA SINSEAR
Colours :
RED and BLACK

1 S. Ó hÍr (J. O'Hare) (Newry Mitchels)		
2 B. Ó Sluain (B. Sloan) (Attical)	3 D. Mac Artain (D. McCarten) (Tullylish)	4 P. Ó hAdhmaill (B. Hamill) (Clonduff)
5 C. Mac an Deaganaigh (C. Digney) (Saval)	6 M. Mac Toirealaigh (M. Turley) (Glen)	7 M. Ó Sleibhin (M. Slevin) (Warrenpoint)
8 D. Mag Mhuirneachain (D. Gordon) (Loughinisland)	9 P. Ó Ruanaigh (Capt.) (P. Rooney) (Warrenpoint)	
10 C. Mac a'Bhaird (C. Ward) (Bryansford)	11 M. Ó Cuinneagain (M. Cunningham) (Bryansford)	12 C. Mac Giolla Earra (C. McAlarney) (Leitrim)
13 P. Mac Craith (P. McGrath) (Rostrevor)	14 S. Ó Neill (S. O'Neill) (Newry Mitchels)	15 L. Breathnach (W. Walsh) (Downpatrick)

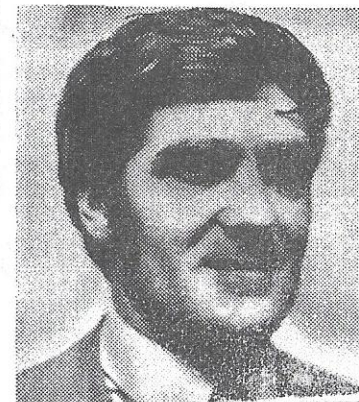
Fir Ioid: (16) L. Mac Giolla Fhiondain (L. McAlinden, Castletwellan), (17) B. Mac Giolla Mhaoil (B. Bell, Ballycran), (18) S. de Brun (J. Browne, Tullylish), (19) P. Mac Fhiobhui (P. McAvoy, Tullyish), (20) L. Gairneir (W. Gardner, Brede), (21) E. Grannt (E. Grant, Bryansford), (22) C. Mac Gabhann (K. Smith, Ballykinlar), (23) S. Mac Raghallaigh (J. Crilly, Clonduff).

	1adh Leath (1st Half)	2adh Leath (2nd Half)	Iomlán (Iomlán)
Cúil (Goals)
Cúilíní (Points)
Seacháí (Overs)
50 sl. (50's)
Saor-Chiceanna (Free Kicks)



DOWN THE SEASONED CAMPAIGNERS

Antoin Mac Liam



TO-DAY An Dún are appearing in their fifteenth Ulster Final in seventeen years, a feat surpassed only by one other Ulster County, Cavan.

We in Down are justly proud of that achievement but we realise that we cannot live on past glories. We approach to-day's game with the same determination that proved so successful in the Sixties—a determination that is essential at any stage of the Championship.

At the beginning of the present series Down were being written off as serious contenders for the 1974 title. Even in the Mourne County supporters were not optimistic for following their county's disappointing performance in the National League, they were beaten by Antrim in the first round of the Dr. McKenna Cup in Belfast.

However, the introduction of several members of a promising U-21 side saw Down score a satisfactory win over neighbours, Armagh at Lurgan in the first round.

The return of Colm McAlarney, absent through injury since last year's Ulster final, and Cecil Ward, just back from New York, boosted the morale for the visit to Cavan. It is now an established fact that the introduction of the former during the game paved the way for a memorable victory over the Breffnimen on their own soil. In the semi-final against Derry Down's blend of youth and experience and their excellent brand of football plus their superb fighting qualities won them a deserved place in the Final.

However, Down are up against it in that their opponents are Donegal, an outstanding side which disposed of the reigning champions Tyrone and subsequently a formidable Antrim XV in the semi-final. We hold the men from Donegal in the highest regard. In the two previous meetings between the counties in an Ulster Final Down have emerged victors. We are quietly confident that the long and arduous training programme will hold them in good stead and reap its just reward and that Down will recapture the Anglo-Celt Cup after a lapse of three years. If, however, we cannot carry Ulster's standard in the All-Ireland series, Down will be confident in the knowledge that it will be fittingly borne by the men from Donegal.

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THIS DAY eleven years ago, 28th July, 1963, to-day's two finalists Donegal and Down met for the first time in an Ulster Senior Final. On a glorious sunny day, what was probably the greatest number of supporters ever to gather for an Ulster game thronged into Cavan town for a memorable match in Brehin Park.

The occasion was made memorable too by virtue of the fact that a new trophy was being presented to the winners—the magnificent Anglo-Celt Cup—to replace the original Anglo-Celt Cup which had been presented in 1925. At the final whistle eleven years ago, the first captain to receive the coveted trophy was the Down skipper, George Lavery. Who will have the honour to-day?

Of the Down team on that occasion two players are still on the team, the evergreen Sean O'Neill and Dan McCartan, although neither is in the position he occupied in 1963. None of the Donegal team of that occasion is on the team to-day; indeed one of that history-making team has already been called to his heavenly reward, that great hurling and football star, the late Des Houlihan. Ar Dheis

De go raibh a anam dilis.

The referee of the Senior Final in 1963 was Jack Martin of Omagh; to-day's referee is another Omagh man, Patsy Devlin. Donegal and Down also met in the Minor Final on that occasion and the referee was Monaghan's Liam Maguire; to-day's Minor Final is also being controlled by a Monaghan man, Seamus Murray. Incidentally, Liam Maguire is an umpire in the Senior Final to-day.

It is interesting to recall the teams of that 1963 Final.

Down: P. McAlinden; G. Lavery (capt.), L. Murphy, P. Rice; P. O'Hagan, D. McCartan, K. O'Neill; J. Lennon, A. Haddon; S. O'Neill, J. McCartan, P. Doherty; B. Morgan, B. Johnston, J. Fitzsimons.

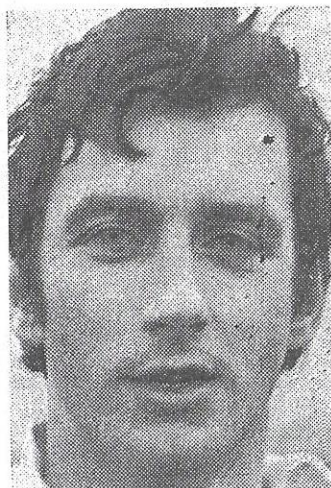
Donegal: S. Hoare; F. Gallagher, B. Brady, B. McFeeley; S. O'Donnell, J. Hanigan, P. Kelly; F. Feeley, P. J. Flood; D. Breslin, S. Ferriter (capt.), D. Houlihan; C. Breslin, M. Griffin, A. Lavery.

CAPTAIN'S OF TODAY'S TEAMS

Senior Final



P. ROONEY
(Down)



P. McSHEA
(Donegal)

Minor Final



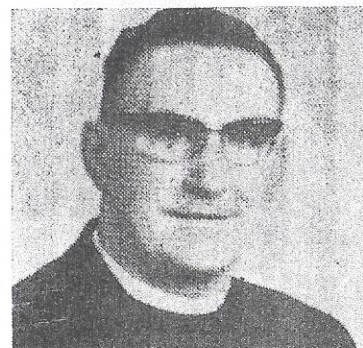
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(Cavan)



L. MONE
(Derry)



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(Vice-President Ulster G.A.A.)



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