

Scotland Ladies Hockey Leagues Association Team

Introduction

The All England Women's Hockey Association (AEWHA) was formed in 1895 and was to govern the game of ladies hockey for many years. Soon after they had formed, they approached the Hockey Association (HA), the men's hockey governing body (formed in 1886), with a view to forming one Association but the men were against the women joining and so the women's body remained a separate organisation and men's and women's hockey in England remained governed by these different bodies until 1997. However, one aspect of hockey the two bodies agreed on was their dislike for competition in the form of league and cup hockey. There were certain exceptions, as some competitive hockey was played in schools, universities and in the services, but clubs associated with the AEWHA and the HA would play friendly games at the weekend and often in mid-week.

A major problem arose for the AEWHA when women's leagues began to form in England. The Ladies Hockey League which was formed in 1910 in Manchester, although not the first hockey league, showed how women's hockey leagues could be successful and as the number of women's leagues began to increase the question was, how should the Association deal with them? There were compromises on each side but the differences were never fully resolved and eventually a number of women's leagues decided to go their own way and in 1932 a new women's hockey Association was formed in England. It was called the English Ladies Hockey Leagues Association (ELHLA). A number of women's leagues joined the new Association, with the majority located in South Lancashire. The Liverpool Women's Hockey League, the Lancashire Central League, the Manchester Sunday School League, the Stockport Ladies League and the Middleton Ladies League were the initial members, ¹ although, during its existence leagues joined and left the Association and currently research is being conducted into the history of the Association to fully understand the impact it had on the women's game. There were a number of Leagues that did not join the Association and remained affiliated with the All England Women's Hockey Association (AEWHA), one being the Sheffield Ladies Hockey League, and some continued without affiliation to any of the Associations.

The ELHLA's main objective, as noted in the Lancashire Daily Post, in 1933 was,

'...the fostering of enthusiasm for the sport by the organisation of competitive games in which no distinction, save that of excellence in the field, can aid the player who is desirous of gaining the game's highest honours' ²

In order to fulfil this objective, the secretary of the E.L.H.L.A., John Lishman, made attempts to play against other countries. Initially he approached Ireland but to no avail. ³ Far from being deterred by this setback on March 4 1933 a match against a Scottish League team was arranged. ⁴

This first league 'international' match however, was not thought a good idea by everyone in the hockey world. The hockey reporter in the Sheffield based paper the Sports Special ("Green 'Un"), Penalty Bully, was definitely not impressed,

"At the moment, the English Ladies' Hockey League executive are occupied with the arrangements for the match between a team of Lancashire players and a representative Glasgow XI., to be played in Glasgow, and whether we are to consider this an international encounter is not made quite clear.

I am aware, however, that while this 'mock international' is being staged in Scotland, many of the clubs affiliated to the English body will be playing their inter-club matches under the most elementary condition – many even without an umpire.

While such conditions prevail among the rank and file. I contend that it is impossible to enthuse over such encounters as that which is to be played in Glasgow.

Small wonder, therefore, that the All-England Women's Hockey Association are not unduly perturbed at the activities of this newly-formed body who are attempting to emulate the governing association without undertaken any of the spade work." ⁵

Penalty Bully makes the point that the ELHLA team was 'a *team of Lancashire players.*' While this was true, it was not the ELHLA's fault, as any women's hockey league in England could join the Association. Interesting, many of the Yorkshire Ladies Leagues, such as the Sheffield Women's League, had not joined and so Penalty Bully's view may have been slightly biased.

Despite, not everyone being keen on these international league matches, England and Scotland continued to play annual matches until 1939 and in the 1938 – 39 season Ireland was invited to play and the three countries played in a triangular tournament for a trophy donated by Mrs Arthur Moores, president of the ELHLA. ⁶

In October 1938 after the Scotland v Ireland game, discussions were held about forming an 'International Ladies Leagues Association' and in a report in the 'Ireland Saturday Night' newspaper their correspondent 'Referee' noted that '*the three bodies interested at the inauguration of the Association will be the Liverpool, Glasgow and Northern Ireland Leagues.*' ⁷ A report after the 1939 England v Scotland match at Cheadle Heath names Mr H. Barnes as chairman of the International Leagues Board, as well as chairman of the ELHLA and notes that Mrs Furness of Belfast is a vice president of the same body ⁸ and so the early discussions must have led to the formation of an International Board of some description.

Unfortunately, the 1938 – 39 season was to be the last season the league 'international' matches were played. They did not continue after the Second World War. The matches had seemed to be successful, the ELHLA continued up until the early 1960's, an 'International Leagues Board' had been formed in 1938 and so quite why they did not resume after the War is a mystery. It is known a number of the leagues stopped playing during the War but the ELHLA did continue to play some form of representative matches as an English Leagues team played against a team known as the 'The Rest' in aid of the British Red Cross in 1940, 1941, 1943, and 1944. A number of the players who played in these matches were the players who had appeared in the English league teams from 1933.

During the short period these league 'international' matches were played the three 'official' national women's hockey associations the Scottish Women's Hockey Association (S.W.H.A.) the A.E.W.H.A. and the Irish Association were also playing international matches against each other and against other teams.

The history of the league 'international' games is not widely known and it is only recently that information about the matches is coming to light. The British Newspaper Archive site has provided information on the games, examples of these reports are included at the end of this article. The Eliza Knight Collection, held at The Hockey Museum, has provided information about the 1939 England v Scotland game. Eliza was a member of Albert Mills women's hockey team who played in the Stockport Ladies Hockey League. She played in the 1939 England v Scotland game for the ELHLA and in a couple of the war time games played by the ELHLA, she also played in the 1939 England match against Ireland. A recent find by the Scottish Hockey Heritage Group, a notebook of M. Gourlay, one of the Scottish players, contains valuable information on a number of the Scotland v England games and on the 1938 Scotland v Ireland game. At present not much is known about Miss M Gourlay but she played in at least three of the games against England 1934, 38 and 39 and in the 1938 match v Ireland, in which she scored two goals.

I have used these sources to provide a summary of the games and to look at why there is a difference in the names some sources use for the Scottish team. I have included a list of the Scottish, English and Irish players who played in the games and although, there are some gaps, as research continues it is hoped they may be filled. I have included some information about the 'International Ladies League Association', an organisation that very little is known about. Research on these matches is ongoing and as more information comes to light, I will ensure updates are added.

Scotland's International League Matches Against England

1932 – 1933 season

The first 'international league' match was played at Milburn Park, Alexandria, Glasgow 9 on Saturday, March 4.1933. 10 The Lancashire Daily Post reported on the game which they said was played before 'Three thousand enthusiastic spectators.' Scotland started well but A. Hawkins scored for England. Scotland then raised their game and Miss Crosbie equalised, making the half-time score 1 – 1. Miss Passmore, Mrs Burgess and Miss Brayshaw all played well for England in the first half. The second half started with Scotland on the attack but England held on and Miss Hawkins scored a second for England and the game finished 2 – 1. Miss Rowcroft, the English centre was outstanding. After the match the visitors received 'magnanimous hospitality' from their hosts. 11

There is a slight discrepancy in who scored in this match as the Scotsman lists the scorers as A. Hawkins and E. Rowcroft and M Laird for Scotland. 12 There is also a slight discrepancy in the name of the Scottish team The Scotsman paper referred to the Scottish team as 'Glasgow and District Ladies' Hockey League'. 13 The Lancashire Daily Post though, referred to the Scottish team as 'the Scottish Association'. 14 The line up for the Scottish team contains players who all play for teams in the Glasgow and District Ladies Hockey League, this is why the Scotsman calls the team the 'Glasgow and District Ladies Hockey League' team. There were five players from Dumbarton Academy Former Pupils, three players from Vale of Leven Academy Former Pupils, one player from Linthouse, one player from Langside and one player from Eastbank Academy Former Pupils. 15

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Games for Saturday.

Petershill F.P. v. Hamilton Academy F.P.
Reserves, at Barshaw Park; Uddingston Grammar
F.P. v. Templeton United Reserves, at Uddingston;
Great Universal Stores v. Macfarlane Lang
Reserves, at Richmond Park; Greyfriars v. Lang-
side Reserves, at Glasgow Green; Knightwood v.
Imperial Tobacco Co. Reserves, at Knightwood;
Public Health v. Comptometer Reserves, at Mary-
hill Park.

FIRST DIVISION.							
	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Vale of Leven Ac. F.P.	7	7	0	0	29	4	14
Hamilton Ac. F.P.	7	5	2	0	14	7	10
Dumbarton Ac. F.P.	6	4	2	0	20	16	8
Linthouse	7	4	3	0	18	13	8
Langside	6	3	2	1	12	12	7
Cludebank Ac. F.P.	5	3	3	0	16	16	6
Albion	5	1	3	1	9	14	3
Templeton Un.	6	1	4	1	14	20	3
Broomfield	5	0	4	1	5	12	1
57th Girl Guides	5	0	5	0	2	25	0

SECOND DIVISION.							
	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Comptometer	9	7	1	1	29	10	15
Ruchill	8	7	1	0	32	9	14
Eastbank Ac. F.P.	9	7	2	0	36	23	14
Co. Macfarlane Lang & Co.	9	6	3	0	35	18	12
Brymay	9	5	2	2	18	8	12
Imperial Tob. Co.	9	4	4	1	12	9	9
Herriothill	7	5	3	1	21	15	7
G.P. St. George's	7	3	4	1	12	21	6
Dennistoun Baptist	9	2	7	0	17	32	4
John St. School F.P.	8	1	6	1	6	17	3
Jordanhill College School F.P.	7	0	5	2	10	28	2
Villafield	7	0	7	0	3	34	0

THIRD DIVISION.							
	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
56th Rangers	8	7	0	1	44	5	15
Morrisons	7	6	0	1	20	5	13
Petershill F.P.	8	6	2	0	27	8	12
S.W. Ladies	9	5	3	1	14	19	11
Govan High F.P.	8	3	1	4	17	10	10
Civil Service	8	4	4	0	15	25	8
Armstrongs	8	3	4	1	17	20	7
Uddingston Gram.	7	2	5	0	14	19	4
Hamilton F.P. Res.	7	1	4	2	11	19	4
Scottish Oils	8	2	6	0	12	23	4
Templeton Un. Res.	7	1	5	1	13	26	3
Queen Margaret	9	1	7	1	9	36	3

FOURTH DIVISION.							
	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
122nd Girl Guides	7	6	0	1	40	5	13
Ruchill Res.	8	5	2	1	19	19	11
Langside Res.	6	4	1	1	28	10	9
Public Health	7	4	2	1	24	13	9
Knightsw'd Tenants	6	3	3	1	12	6	7
Comptometer Res.	5	1	2	2	4	5	4
Greyfriars	6	1	3	2	7	14	4
Gr. Univer. Stores	6	2	4	0	7	18	4
Macfar. Lang Res.	7	1	5	1	8	33	3
Imp. Tob. Co. Res.	6	0	6	0	9	29	0

League table of the Glasgow and District Ladies Hockey League from 26.11.1932 showing the teams in the League (M. Gourlay collection)

The England team contained five players from the Manchester League, four players from the Liverpool League, two players from the Stockport League, one player from the Lancashire Central League and one player from the Middleton League.



Scotland Leagues v England Leagues, Milburn Park, 1933 16



The English League team who faced Scotland in the first women's league 'international' in 1933 17



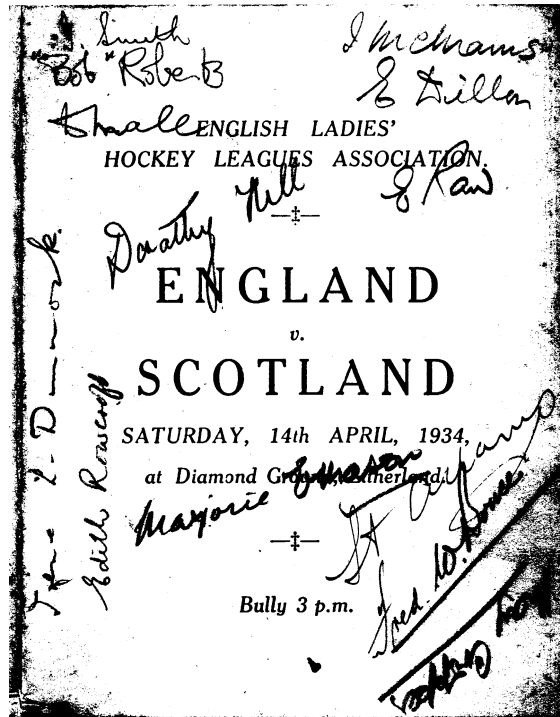
Miss E. Rowcroft, centre forward for the ELHLA in their first international match against Scotland 18

1933 – 1934 Season

The notebook of M. Gourly has helped with information for this match. It contains a programme from the match which lists the two teams and the umpires. The game was played on Saturday, 14th April 1934 at the Diamond Ground, Litherland, Liverpool with the bully at 3 pm. The Liverpool Post and Mercury says, *'The teams prior to the match, will visit the chief Liverpool stores and also journey to Southport where they will have lunch. In the evening, they are being entertained to dinner, when there will be upwards of 70 in the party.'* 19 England won the match 3 – 1 and in the Liverpool Post and Mercury's report on the game it says Miss Mason (Holt SSOG, Liverpool League), scored three goals in the last seven minutes. M. Laird scored Scotland's only goal in the first quarter of an hour of the game. It also says *'Miss White, the Scottish custodian, and Miss Carnock, at left back played a sparkling defence'*. It continues praising the English defence, *'Miss Dimmock and Miss Dillon were a steady pair of England backs in the second half, keeping at bay the strong advances of the Scots' right wing in which Miss Dunn was prominent and Misses Smith and McManus did some pretty half back work for the home team.'* 20 The Scottish team contained four Vale of Eden players, three Dumbarton players, one from Linthouse, one from Albion (M. Gourlay) and the goalkeeper, Miss N. White who played for Hamilton.

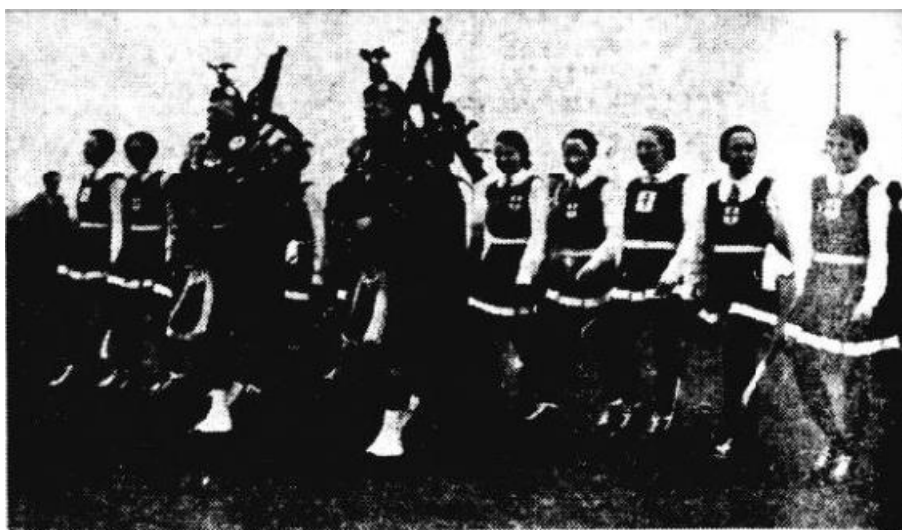


Pipers leading out the Scottish team at Litherland in the 1934 match (M. Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)

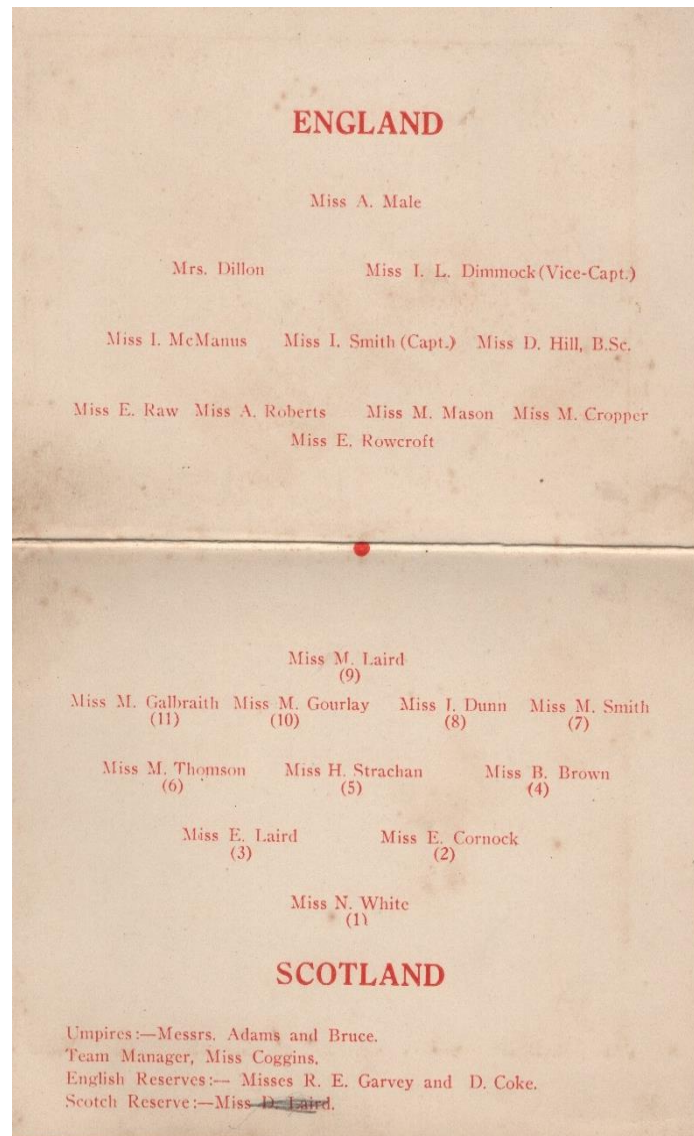


Programme from the England v Scotland game, 14th April 1934 at the Diamond Ground, Litherland, Liverpool with the signatures of some of the players (M. Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)

The England vice-captain Irene Dimmock, was not only an excellent hockey player but she was an international tennis player. She played in the Junior Lawn Tennis Championship at Wimbledon when she was 17 and in 1933, she played for Wales in an international tennis tournament for Wales against England at Llanelly. ²¹ She only played once for the ELHLA in the 1933 – 1934 match when she was playing for Longton, in the Lancashire Central League. In the 1934 – 1935 season she must have been playing for a team not in the ELHLA, as she played for Lancashire in a match against Yorkshire and went to Ireland to play for Lancashire in a match against Ulster. In 1936 she won her first Welsh hockey cap when she was picked to play at Cardiff against Scotland. ²² She is the only player to play for the ELHLA and Wales.



Miss Irene Dimmock, (second from the right) a tennis international as well as a hockey international



Programme from the England League v Scotland League 1934 (M. Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)

The ELHLA team was picked after trial games and for this game the final trial for the English team was played on the Leyland Motors ground on Saturday 3rd March. A team of England 'Probables' played a representative side from the Lancashire Central Ladies Hockey League. The 'Probables' won 5 – 4 and at least two of the League team players were selected to play in the England team, Miss A. Male and Miss M Cropper. **24**

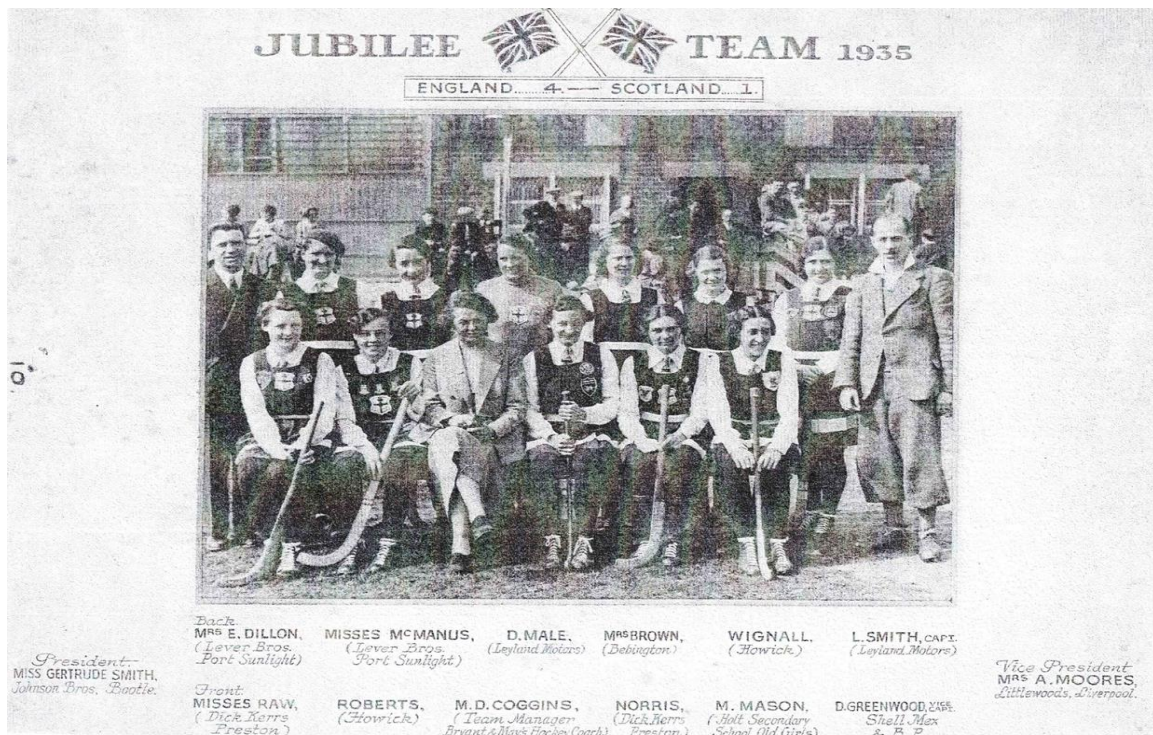
1934 – 1935 season

The 1935 game was played at Boghead, Dumbarton on Saturday April 27 in front of a large crowd of about 1500. **25** The English team travelled by train from Lime Street Station, Liverpool. They were managed by Miss Coggins from the Liverpool League. **26** A report on the match said the game was played at, 'a fast pace' and that the first half was contested, 'on fairly equal terms' until near the interval when a misunderstanding in the Scottish defence led to Miss Greenwood scoring from close quarters. Shortly after the interval Miss M. Laird equalized, scoring from a penalty bully but England went on to score 3 more goals two from Miss Roberts and one from Miss Raw. England won the game 4 – 1. **27**

The Scotsman, again referred to the Scottish team as the 'Glasgow and District Ladies League'.



Newspaper cutting in relation to the 1935 match (M. Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)



Picture of 1935 English team who beat Scotland 4 – 1 in Glasgow 28



Scotland's league international top goal scorer, Miss Madge Laird (Dumbarton Academy F.P.'s) receiving the Lewis Cup, Glasgow and District Ladies Hockey League's cup competition (M. Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)

1935 – 1936 season

Scotland returned to Liverpool and the Diamonds Ground, Litherland in 1936. The game was played on April 25th and a report on the match in The Liverpool Echo, says Miss Rutter, the England goalkeeper made some excellent saves before Miss Laird opened the scoring for Scotland after ten minutes. Miss Mason equalised for England in the second half with an outstanding shot. However, the report says that *'A very even game followed, but the hockey was rather desultory, although Mrs Brown, the English left half, kept the strong Scotland attack at bay. The English forward line was not too well balanced and missed several chances.'* ²⁹

The Liverpool Daily Post also reported on the game saying how well the English defence played after strong Scottish attacks, *'but subsequent attacking found the English defence proof against all comers by a sterling display, Miss Dillon at right back marking her opposition wings in capital style.'* There was some criticism for the English forward line, *'On the English left wing Misses Greenwood and Mason were speedy and sure, but the forward line as a whole was not well balanced.'* ³⁰

It has not been possible using the BNA to find a report on the game from one of the Scottish newspapers.

The match finished in a 1 – 1 draw. The first draw after three English wins.

1936 – 1937 season

The 1937 match was held at Templeton's Recreational Ground, Stonelaw Dowe, Rutherglen, Glasgow on April 24. ³¹ A report in The Lancashire Daily Post gave a summary of the match. L. McKnight was a persistent menace for the English and scored after 5 minutes. Although, J. Dougall, the Scottish right inside, equalised after 20 minutes. England's lead was restored by a goal from H. Rees, the English centre, but Scotland again equalised this time thanks to M. Laird. Three minutes before the interval A. Roberts put England in front only for Scotland to draw level again through R. Maxwell. England were hampered by an injury to Roberts and although she continued to play her game was affected. J. Coulson made a number of important saves and the game eventually finished in a 3 – 3 draw. ³²



Two of England's most prominent forward players – Miss A. Roberts and Miss D. Edwards, both members of the Dick, Kerr's ladies' hockey team **33**

A number of the England players played hockey for the Dick, Kerr's ladies hockey team. The company was perhaps more famous for their ground breaking ladies football team. However, the factory also supported a very successful ladies hockey team who were one of the leading teams in the Lancashire Central Ladies Hockey League. It is believed a number of hockey players also played football and further research needs to be undertaken to look at the link between the two sports.

1937 – 1938 season

The game was played at Cheadle Heath on Saturday April 9th and each team contained five newcomers. **34** The notebook of Miss Gourlay contains a number of items which help to tell the story of the match. There is an itinerary for the day for the Scottish team, a signed programme with the names and positions of the players, photographs of the two teams and a ticket for the evening dance with Miss Gourlay's name on. On the photograph of the England team there is a handwritten note which confirms the score, a 2 – 0 win for the English. **35**

The itinerary says the Scottish team will be met on their arrival and conveyed to the Alma Lodge Hotel where breakfast will be provided. There was then a visit to Woodrow's hat works for the officials and then a visit to the Stockport War Memorial. There was then some free time before the party returned to the Alma Lodge Hotel for lunch. The team and officials were then to be conveyed to Cheadle Heath Sports Ground for the match. After the match the official party were taken to the Co-Operative Society's new café for tea and speeches by the presidents, chairman and captains of each country and finally they were to be conveyed to the Town Hall for the 'International Dance' with music by the 'New Lyricals' Dance Band. **36**

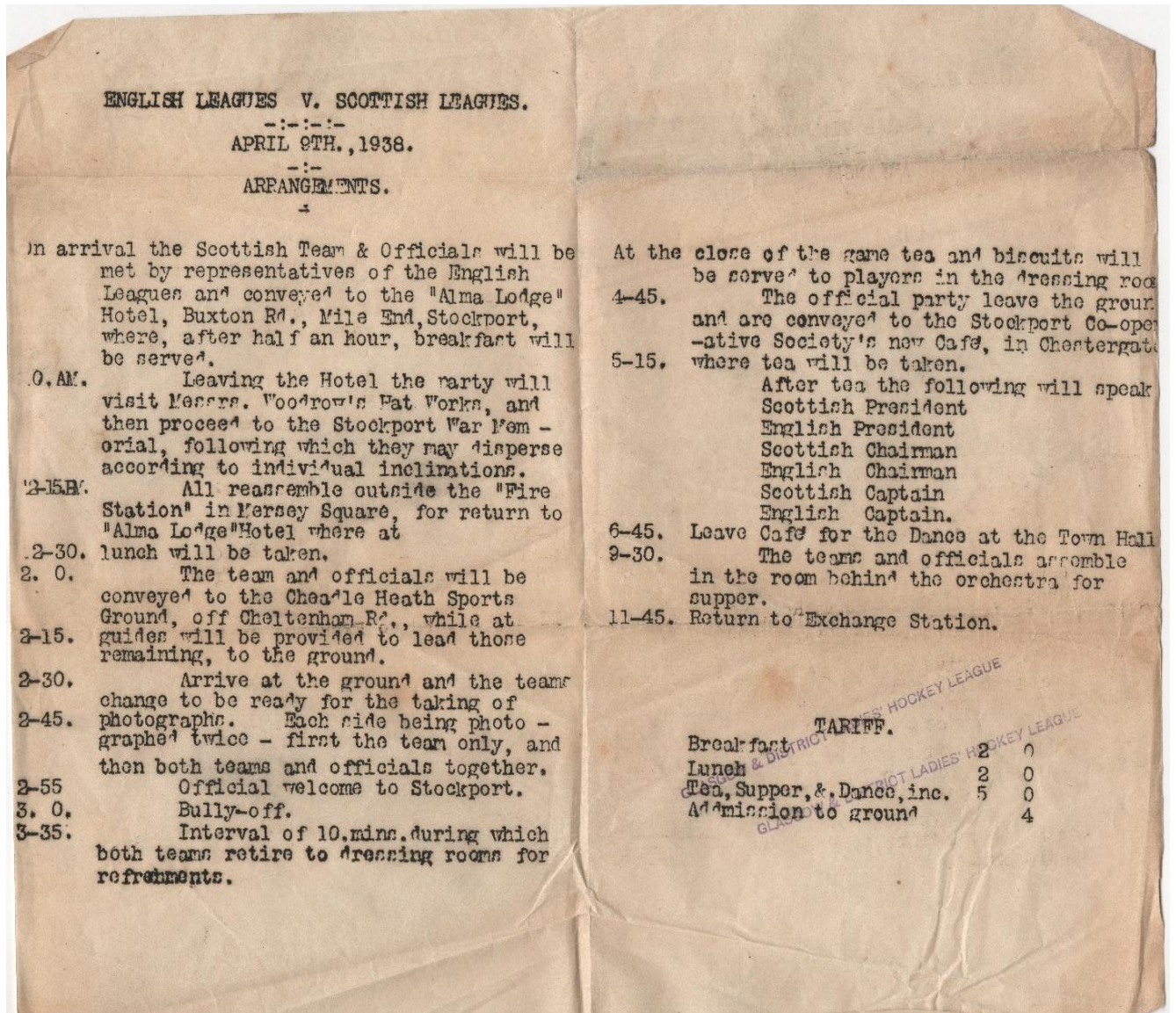
A comprehensive report in the Alderley and Wilmslow Advertiser mentions the trip to the Stockport War Memorial where in the Hall of Memory both captains, Miss Madge Laird and Miss Alice Oldham laid wreaths at the foot of the memorial. Alderman Henry Patten J.P., Chairman of the Education Committee, gave a speech and noted that '*hockey was coming to the fore very much in connection with the schools and works.*' The report says that the match must have been '*witnessed by what must have been the largest crowd to attend a hockey match in the North.*' It said the English were the superior side but that Scotland were not outclassed although '*the quickness of the English side in their passing often had the visitors a little non-plussed.*' The English wingers, Miss Rodger (Liverpool League) and Miss Edwards (Lancashire Central League) were praised and Miss Roberts, who scored both the English goals, was praised for '*..both her scoring shots*' which were '*..terrific ones.*' The English captain, Miss Oldham (Stockport League), the centre half '*gave an excellent performance, and Miss Gourlay, the opposing centre, had not much chance against her.*' In relation to the Scottish side the report notes, '*Mrs. Couston, the Scottish goalkeeper, did some fine work and though she was well covered by Miss Maille (Clydebank) and Miss Robson (Templeton United) the two backs, her accurate hitting prevented the score from raising. Miss McCormick (Templeton United), the inside right, probably had the better chances than her team mates, but was unable to convert them.*' **37**

The Liverpool Daily Post also reported on the game and notes that A. Roberts scored both the English goals in the first half and says, '*she played a brilliant game at inside right*'. Miss Robson, one

of the Scottish backs also gets a mention as she 'staved off many potential goals', and Miss Couston, the Scottish goalkeeper is described as having 'a great game'. The article concludes with a little dig at the English team saying, 'Despite being the superior side in all departments, England did not deserve a bigger margin owing to the lack of cohesion.' 38

Also, this year the ELHLA picked a reserve XI team to play against the Northern Ireland Ladies Hockey Union on Easter Monday at Liverpool. 39 This may have given the countries the idea of playing a three-way tournament which they did in the 1938 -39 season.

The picture of the English team from the Alderley and Wilmslow Advertiser includes Mrs M. Moores, president of the ELHLA, who the following season, would present the three countries with a trophy for the 1938 - 39 three-way tournament 40



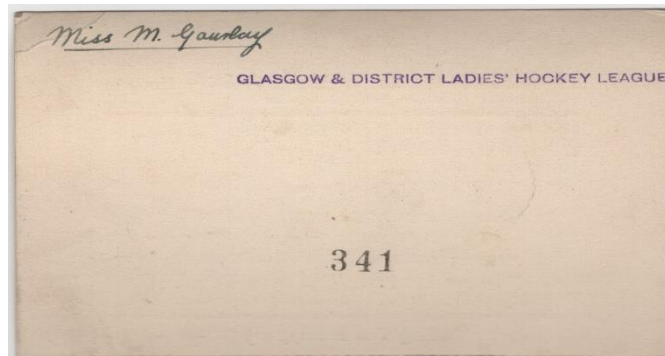
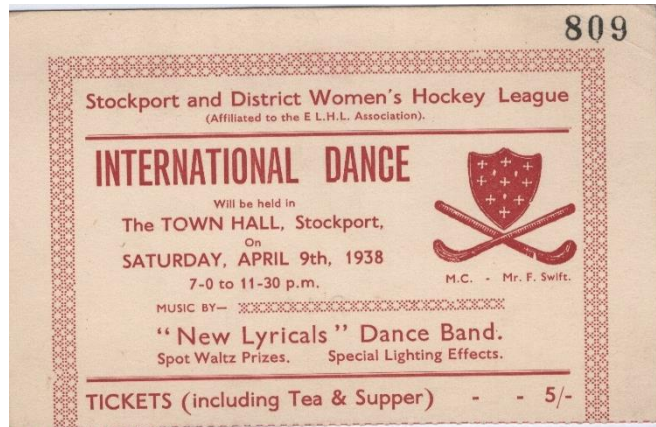
The arrangements for English Leagues v Scottish League, April 9th 1938 (M Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)



Programme for the England v Scotland match on Saturday, 9th April, 1938 at the Cheadle Heath Sports Ground, Cheadle Heath (M. Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)



Programme for 1938 Scotland v England match with the teams and some signatures (M. Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group).



Miss M. Gourlay's Ticket to the 'International Dance' after the game (M. Gourlay collection, Scottish Heritage Group)



Scottish team who played against England at Cheadle Heath on Saturday 9th April 1938 (M. Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)

WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE HOCKEY TEAMS



The English team which beat Scotland 2-0 at Cheadle Heath in a women's hockey league international match. Names: Front row (left to right), J. Passmore (Stockport), A. Roberts (Lancashire Central), A. Oldham (Stockport) (captain), E. Goodsir (Stockport), T. Bell (Lancashire Central); back row (left to right), E. Rodger (Liverpool), M. Wignall (Lancashire Central), P. Bate (Lancashire Central), Mrs. E. Browne (Liverpool), D. Edwards (Lancashire Central), A. Monks (Leigh).

Scotland beaten 2-0

1938
April

The English team who played against Scotland at Cheadle Heath on Saturday 9th April 1938 with handwritten note of the score - 'Scotland beaten 2 - 0' and the date - 'April 1938' (M. Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)



The English team with the mayoress of Stockport, Mrs Shepherdson and the president of the ELHLA, Mrs Moore 41

1938 – 1939 season

This was the last season games were played by the 'international' league teams. The games did not resume after the Second World War. The reason for this is still unknown.

The formula for this season was to be a bit different as a triangular tournament was introduced and alongside Scotland and England a team from the Irish Union was invited to play. A trophy had been donated by Mrs A. Moores of Liverpool, President of the ELHLA. England won the tournament and were presented with the trophy after their game with Scotland. England won both of their matches beating the Irish Union 7 – 0 and Scotland 4 – 1 42. Scotland defeated the Irish Union 3 - 1. 43

The England v Scotland match was played at Cheadle Heath Sports' Ground for the second year in succession. A report in the Stockport Express says, '*England got off the mark straight away and although they were very much the better side throughout it was their early precision that won them the game*'. Miss Roberts scored inside ten minutes and Miss Edwards added a second and Miss Knight a third within a short period of time. Before the end of the first half, M. Smillie scored for Scotland making the half time score 3 – 1. The second half was very even but Miss Knight scored again making the final score 4 – 1. 44

After the match a number of speeches were made. Mr H. Barnes from the Stockport League and chairman of the ELHLA, congratulated the teams on their display of hockey. Interestingly he is also listed as chairman of the International Leagues Board and he introduced Mrs Furnes from Belfast who was listed as the vice – president of the International Leagues Board. The teams had tea at Crossley's café where more speeches were made, including a speech from the England captain, Miss Goodsir and the Scottish captain, Miss H. M. Boyd. In the evening, as in 1938, the teams attended a dance at Stockport Town Hall. 45

The Hockey Museum has a number of items relating to this match as a result of a donation from the family of one of the players, Eliza Knight, who played for Albert Mills in the Stockport League. When I collected the items from her son, he recalled that the owners of the Mill had been so delighted with the fact Eliza had been chosen to play for England that they held a presentation and presented Eliza with a new hockey stick. It was only later that she discovered that the money for her stick had been taken out of her wages!!

The donation includes a programme listing the two teams, a ticket to the 'international dance' which as in 1938 was held at Stockport Town Hall. One difference to the dance arrangements was that the tickets were only 4/- in 1939 compared to 5/- in 1938, however this can be explained by the fact in 1938 you could get 'tea and supper' in 1939 you could only get 'tea'. There are also a number of newspaper cuttings reporting on the match and the day's activities including pictures of the two teams. One of the pictures of the England team shows the England captain, Miss E. Goodsir (Stockport League), holding the trophy which was presented by Mrs A. Moores. There is a cloth ELHLA badge which would have been worn on the players tunics. **46**



Programme for the match against Scotland on Saturday April 15th 1939
(Eliza Knight Collection, Ther Hockey Museum)

ENGLISH LADIES' HOCKEY LEAGUES ASSOCIATION.

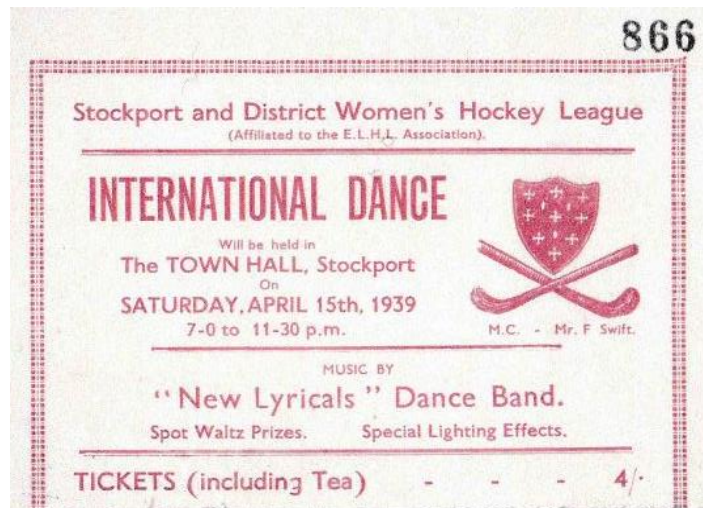
ENGLAND.

		1 Miss A. MONKS (Wigan).		
	2 Miss E. GOODSIR (Stockport) Capt.		3 Miss B. DANSON (Stockport).	
	4 Miss J. PASSMORE (Stockport).	5 Miss M. WALTERS (Leigh).	6 Miss M. BROWN (Liverpool).	
7 Miss E. KNIGHT (Stockport).	8 Miss B. ROBERTS (Lanc. Central).	9 Miss P. CHADWICK (Wigan).	10 Miss H. KIRKMAN (Leigh).	11 Miss D. EDWARDS (Lanc. Central).
11 Miss M. POLLOCK (46th Rangers).	10 Mrs. M. SMILLIE (Dumbarton).	9 Miss M. GOURLAY (Albion Motors).	8 Miss N. McCORMICK (Templeton United).	7 Miss H. WADDELL (Templeton United).
	6 Miss P. COUPER (Dumbarton)	5 Miss M. WARNOCK (Public Health)	4 Miss H. BOYD (Dumbarton)	
	3 Miss B. LOWE (Dumbarton).		2 Miss B. ROBSON (Templeton United).	
		1 Mrs. J. COUSTON (Greyfriars).		

UMPIRES : Mr. S. KING, Stockport.
Mr. W. HINSHELWOOD, Glasgow.

SCOTLAND

Teams for 1939 E.L.H.L.A. v Scotland Leagues match taken from the programme (E. Knight Collection, The Hockey Museum)



Ticket to the 'International Dance' which was held at Stockport Town Hall on Saturday April 15th 1939 after the Scotland England game. (E. Knight Collection, The Hockey Museum)

International Women's Hockey in Stockport.



Stockport Express Photo

THE ENGLISH TEAM (top).—Standing: J. Passmore, A. Monks, E. Knight, E. Browne, P. Chadwick, H. Kirkman.
Sitting: M. Waters, A. Roberts, E. Goodsir (capt.), B. Danson, D. Edwards.

Stockport Express, Thursday, April 20, 1939 (from the Eliza Knight collection, The Hockey Museum)



The Scotland team for the 1939 Scotland v England game
Stockport Express, Thursday, April 20, 1939 (The Eliza Knight collection, The Hockey Museum)

ENGLAND 4. SCOTLAND 1.

Stockport is an ideal place for women's hockey. Internationals from England's point of view—for on Saturday, for the second year in succession, Scotland came down to the Cheadle Heath Sports Ground to meet England, only to lose once more. England, with four Stockport players (one being the captain, Miss Goodsir), fresh from their triumph over Ireland the previous Saturday, delighted their fans.

On arrival the Scottish team was met by the English representatives and conveyed to Alma Lodge, Buxton-road, where breakfast was served. All the party gathered at the War Memorial, where the captains laid wreaths prior to luncheon.

The game commenced at Cheadle Heath at 3 p.m. and there was a very large crowd. Both teams were welcomed to Stockport by Alderman C. Royle, J.P., before the game.

The English women's hockey team fully deserved their 4-1 victory, thus winning the International Leagues' trophy, having beat Ireland 7-0 on Easter Monday. The result on Saturday proves that the selection committee's choice was justified.

The teams were:—
England: A. Monks (Wigan); E. Goodsir (Stockport, captain) and E. Danson (Stockport); J. Passmore (Stockport); M. Waters (Leish); E. Browne (Liverpool); E. Knight (Stockport); A. Roberts (Lancs. Central); P. Chadwick (Wigan); H. Kirkman (Leigh); D. Edwards (Lancs. Central).

Scotland: Mrs. J. Couston; Miss B. Robson, Miss B. Lowe; Miss H. Boyd, Miss M. Warrack, Miss F. Couper; Miss H. Walters; Miss M. Smillie; Miss M. Follis; M. Gourlay, Mrs. M. Smillie, Miss M. Follis.

GOOD START.

England got off the mark straight away, and although they were very much the better side throughout it was their early precision that won them the game so comfortably. Quick and correct combination had the Scots in queer street, and the Northerners' attacks were frustrated with some big clearances. England used their wings and soon they were three goals to the good. Miss Roberts opened the score inside the first ten minutes, and a few minutes later Miss Edwards added a second. Miss Knight (the Stockport outside-right) delighted everyone with a well-deserved third during this sudden burst of goal-scoring.

England's speed stood them in good stead. Scotland fought desperately, and it was only a fine display by Miss A. Monks in goal that foiled them. Miss Knight scored again in the second-half, which was very even. She played a great game.

IN DETAIL.

The Scottish team attacked from the bully on the left, but J. Passmore intercepted and placed over to the left wing. E. Knight forced the Scottish left back (B. Lowe) to place behind for a corner, from which A. Roberts opened the score. M. Smillie, the Scottish left-wing pair, co-operated in an attack, but the fine defensive play of the English captain (E. Goodsir) broke up the movement.

The English team was adopting good positional tactics and, after the centre, P. Chadwick, had tested the goalie with a good shot the ball was cleared over to the right. Neat work by B. Danson, the English left-back, saw the ball quickly returned down the wing. D. Edwards flicking to H. Kirkman, who was forced over to the wing; the winger, taking her place, finished off the movement by scoring a good goal, which gave J. Couston no chance. The Scottish forward-line combined to break their way through, but M. Walters (the English centre-half) robbed the centre-forward (M. Gourlay) and

to E. Knight, who made no mistake with a powerful shot.

Scotland rallied after this, and their left-wing took the ball well down and tested A. Monks with a hot shot which she saved brilliantly at the expense of a corner. From the corner the ball went dangerously near the goal, where A. Monks again distinguished herself by getting it away at the cost of another corner. After B. Robson had repulsed an English attack she transferred the ball right up, and M. Smillie cleverly bamboozling the defence, reduced the arrears with a fast shot.

Just before half-time M. Gourlay again tested A. Monks, who kicked the ball well out to touch.

Half-time: England 3, Scotland 1.

THE SECOND HALF.

From the centre bully the Scottish team attacked strongly on the left, and E. Goodsir saved in timely fashion but was forced to put into touch. From the roll-in J. Passmore set her wing going, but A. Roberts kicked the ball.

End to end play followed and B. Danson distinguished herself when M. Gourlay was in an open position. A shot by M. Smillie was just on the wrong side of the post. The same applied to an effort by the English centre-forward.

England kept up the attack and A. Roberts placed to E. Knight, who tricked F. Couper and, working her way into the circle, the Stockport right-winger beat J. Couston with a brilliant shot. The Scottish attack made efforts on the left but found J. Passmore, E. Goodsir and M. Walters too good for them, so transferred their attack to the right, but found M. Brown and B. Danson too good for them.

D. Edwards passed down the wing and placed well over to the centre, but again the centre shot wide. The game came to an end with England pressing.

AFTER THE GAME.

After the match Mr. H. Barnes (chairman of the International Leagues' Board and the English Leagues' Association) introduced Mrs. Furness, of Belfast (vice-president of the International Leagues' Board) and congratulated the players on their fine display of hockey. Mrs. Furness also expressed her appreciation of the game and presented the trophy to the English captain, E. Goodsir. She also presented replicas to the Stockport ladies, the winners of the English Leagues' Cup.

Both teams were conveyed to Crossley's Cafe, where they did full justice to an excellent tea. After the meal Mr. J. Bannatyne, the Scottish President, expressed his thanks on behalf of the Scottish team. He congratulated the English team on their good display. He hoped the Scottish girls had learned enough to be able to beat the English team next year.

Mr. H. Barnes, of Stockport, the Chairman of the English Hockey Leagues' Association, presented the Scottish team for their game, thanking the captain, Miss King, of Stockport, and Mr. W. Hinshelwood, of Glasgow, for their services; and the Cheadle Heath Club for the loan of their ground, which was perfect. He appealed to all players to support the work of the League, and when they were too old to play to take up committee work, refereeing, or helping the young teams.

"Like the dictators, I will have to tear it up and start again," said Mr. Wilson (Chairman of the Scottish League), mentioning that he had hoped to take the trophy (presented by Mrs. A. Moores, of Liverpool, to be competed for by the Irish Union, Scottish and English Leagues) back to Scotland; he had prepared his speech accordingly. Mr. Wilson made

Gordon, Hulme and Miss Cain for the splendid way they had looked after them.

Miss E. Goodsir and Miss H. M. Boyd, the captains, also spoke.

The teams attended a dance at the Stockport Town Hall in the evening, there being about 500 dancers present. The New Liverpool Dance Band provided the music and Mr. F. Swift was an excellent M.C. The lighting effects added colour to a scene of gaiety, and spot waltz prizes were awarded.

The officials included—Mr. H. Barnes (Chairman of the English Leagues' Association), Mr. W. B. Preston (secretary), Mrs. M. Hart (treasurer), Mr. T. A. Hart (Press representative), Mr. S. Gordon (chairman of the Stockport League), Mrs. N. Burdett (secretary), Mr. W. J. Carruthers (treasurer), Mr. H. Hulme (referees secretary), Mr. Wilson (president, Scottish League), Mr. Furness (president of the Belfast League), and Mrs. Furness, Mr. F. W. Bruce (chairman of the Lancashire Central League), Mr. Harrison (Wigan League), Mr. Sid King (International referee), and Mr. N. Hinshelwood, of Glasgow (Scottish referee).

The Scots were given a hearty send-off at 1-10 a.m. from Exchange Station. And so "Auld Lang Syne!"

ENGLAND BEAT SCOTLAND

STOCKPORT PLAYERS SHOW GOOD FORM

England fully deserved their 4-1 win over Scotland in the Ladies' Hockey Leagues' international match, played at Cheadle Heath on Saturday. It was the second time the match has been played at Stockport, and on both occasions England have won.

The game was a personal triumph for Miss E. Knight (Stockport), playing at outside right for England, for she scored two of her side's goals, one in each half. The three other Stockport players, Misses Passmore, Goodsir and Danson, also merited their inclusion and helped to form a solid England defence.

One of the most outstanding players on the field was Miss A. Monk (Wigan), the English goalkeeper, who frustrated the Scots' attack on many occasions by brilliant, and sometimes daring saves.

During the first twenty minutes of the game it was obvious that England were the better side, for they moved much quicker than their opponents, and executed their attacks with vigour and well-placed passes. At the end of twenty minutes they had scored three goals, all the result of clever moves and smart work by the wing forwards, who were a constant source of danger.

It took Scotland some time to settle down, and their goal was a good one. Miss Robson had repelled a strong English attack, and

sent the ball well up the field, to Mrs Smilie, who ran across to the right of the goal before scoring with a fast shot.

The second half was more even, and the Scottish defence held the English forwards. The Scots' attack, however, although it approached goal very well, was unable to finish off its work and many good chances were wasted.

After the match, Mr H. Barnes, Chairman of the English Leagues' Association and International Board, introduced Mrs Furness, Vice-President of the International Leagues' Board, and congratulated the teams on the fine hockey they had played.

Mrs Furness also expressed her appreciation of the game and presented the cup to Miss Goodsir, the English captain. She also presented to the Stockport team the English Cup and replicas.

PRESENTATION OF THE TROPHY

After an excellent game in which the English Leagues' team won the trophy presented by Mr. A. M. Jones, of Liverpool, to be competed for by the Irish Union, Scottish and English Leagues, the trophy was handed to the captain, E. Goodsir, of Stockport, by Mrs Furness, of Belfast.

Both teams were afterwards conveyed to Crossley's Cafe, where they did full justice to an excellent tea.

After tea, Mr J. Bannatyne expressed his thanks on behalf of the Scottish team and friends for the happy time they had had, and congratulated the English team on their good display. He hoped the Scottish girls had learned enough to be able to beat the English team next year.

Mr H. Barnes, of Stockport, the Chairman of the English Hockey Leagues' Association, thanked the Scottish team for their game; the referees, Mr S. King, of Stockport, and Mr W. Hinchelwood, of Glasgow, for their services; and the Cheadle Heath Club for the loan of their ground, which was perfect. He went on to appeal to all players to support the work of the league, and when they were too old to play to take up committee work, refereeing, or helping the young teams.

Mr Wilson, Chairman of the Scottish Leagues, said he had hoped to take the cup with them back to Scotland, and had prepared his speech accordingly, but like the dictators, he would have to tear it up and start again. He thanked Messrs. Barnes, Gordon, Hulme and Miss Cain for the splendid way they had looked after them during the day and the nice time they had spent at Alma Lodge.

The English captain, Miss Goodsir, thanked the Scottish players for the nice game, and her own team for the splendid way they had worked together.

Miss H. M. Boyd, the Scottish captain, replied.

After tea the players and committees of both teams spent a jolly night at the Town Hall, and were seen off at 1-10 at Exchange Station, tired out but still smiling.

The Scottish team was welcomed to Stockport by Alderman Charles Royle, J.P., before the game.

DANCE AT THE TOWN HALL

Five hundred people attended the Stockport and District Women's Hockey League international dance, at the Stockport Town Hall, on Saturday evening, when both the English and Scottish International hockey teams attended.

Also among those present were Mr H. Barnes (Chairman of the English Leagues' Association), Mr W. B. Preston (Secretary), Mrs M. Hart (Treasurer), Mr T. A. Hart (Press representative), Mr S. Gordon (Chairman of the Stockport League), Mrs N. Burdett (Secretary), Mr W. J. Carruthers (Treasurer), Mr H. Hulme (Referees' Secretary), Mr Wilson (President, Scottish League), Mr Furness (President of the Belfast League), and Mrs Furness, Mr F. W. Bruce (Chairman of the Lancashire Central League), Mr Harrison (Wigan League), Mr Sid King (International Referee), and Mr N. Hinchelwood, of Glasgow (Scottish referee).

Music was supplied by the New Lyric's dance band, and Mr F. Swift was the M.C. The lighting effects were good and there were several spot waltz prizes.

Newspaper Cuttings from Stockport Newspapers about the E.L.H.L.A. matches in 1939 (from the Eliza Knight Collection, The Hockey Museum)



Newspaper Cutting from Stockport Newspapers about the E.L.H.L.A. matches in 1939 with the England captain, E Goodsir, holding the cup donated by Mrs Moores, President of the ELHLA (Eliza Knight Collection, The Hockey Museum)



E. Knight's ELHLA Cloth Badge (E. Knight Collection, The Hockey Museum)

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

STOCKPORT GIRL'S GOAL FOR ENGLAND

Scots Team in Keen International

The second international match between the English Ladies' Hockey Leagues' Association and the Scottish Leagues' Association took place on the Cheadle Heath sports ground this afternoon before an attendance of between 2,000 and 3,000 people.

Last year, when the Scottish team visited Stockport, they were defeated by two goals to none.

On the English team were four Stockport players, one of them, Miss E. Goodsir, being captain. Teams:—

England: Miss A. Monks, Miss E. Goodsir, Miss B. Denson, Miss J. Passmore, Miss M. Walters, Miss M. Brown, Miss K. Knight, Miss B. Roberts, Miss P. Chadwick, Miss A. Kirkman, Miss D. Edwards.

Scotland: Mrs. J. Couston, Miss B. Robson, Miss B. Lowe, Miss H. Boyd, Miss M. Wainwright, Miss E. Gomer, Miss H. Wadell, Miss N. McCulloch, Miss M. Hourlay, Mrs. M. Smillie, Miss M. Pollock.

England attacked from the start and showed far better positional play and ball control. Their passing, too, was very accurate, and they soon had the Scots' defence in trouble with quick and well-executed raids, and within twenty minutes the Scots found themselves three goals down, Miss Roberts (England, inside right) got the first after ten minutes. It was followed four minutes later by a goal from Miss Edwards, the outside left. Only three minutes had elapsed from the scoring of this goal before Miss Knight (of Stockport) finished off a clever left wing movement by getting England's third.

Scotland rallied after this, and their left wing took the ball well down the field, and after Miss Monks had made a brilliant save for England, Scotland obtained a corner on the right, and from the corner the ball went dangerously near the goal line, and Miss Monks again distinguished herself by getting the ball away from a corner.

Scotland continued to attack, and after 25 minutes they reduced the arrears. Miss Robson had repelled a strong England movement and sent the ball well up the field to Mrs. Smillie, who worked her way to the right of the goal before scoring with a fast shot.

Mrs. Smillie, with Miss Pollock, continued to cause some trouble to England defenders, and the ball was taken dangerously near the goal; but Miss Passmore, of Stockport, and Miss Walters, England's centre half, repelled the visitors' efforts.

Although they tried hard and did improve towards the interval, Scotland were unable to score further goals against an England defence which got rid of the ball with first-time hard hits.

Half-time:—

England three, Scotland one.

Miss Knight (Stockport) scored England's fourth goal. Result:—

ENGLAND 4, SCOTLAND 1.

ENGLISH LEAGUES v. SCOTTISH LEAGUES.

The English League team meet the Scottish League this Saturday at Cheadle Heath ground and will be the same as that which beat Northern Ireland on Monday.

On arrival the Scottish team and officials will be met by the English representatives and conveyed to Alma Lodge for breakfast. At 12 noon a wreath will be placed on the War Memorial. The bully-off is at 3 p.m., and after the match tea will be served at Crossley's Cafe. The visitors will then attend the hockey dance to be held in the Town Hall and at 11-15 they will commence the return journey.

Two newspaper reports, titles unknown, (E. Knight Collection, The Hockey Museum)

Scotland (Glasgow Ladies Hockey League) Against Northern Ireland Ladies Hockey Union

1938 – 1939 season

The match was played on Saturday, October 22, 1938 at Weir's Recreation Ground, Cathcart. Scotland won 3 – 0 with Miss Atkin scoring Scotland's first goal, and Miss M Gourlay scoring the other two. A newspaper report from M. Gourlay's collection lists Mrs Couston, Miss Lowe, Miss Boyd, Miss Murray and Miss Gourlay as outstanding players for Scotland and Miss Tait, Miss Johnston, Miss McKinstry and Miss French outstanding players for Northern Ireland. The umpires are shown as Mr R. Logan, Scotland and Mr Weir, Gordon, Belfast. 47



Unknown paper report (M. Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)

Prior to the match the Irish team visited the Glasgow City Chambers where they were received by the Lord Provost, Sir John Stewart and then they were taken on a tour of Glasgow and Loch Lomond, although the trip to the Loch was hampered by a 'Scottish mist' which spoilt the views. 48 In the report

in Ireland's Saturday Night newspaper it says, 'The Irish team soon found the Scottish defence a big obstacle.' Miss Atkin scored for Scotland in the first half and unlike the paper in the M. Gourlay collection, it says the second goal was scored '...early in the second half.' Scotland scored a third goal and it was only after that '...the Irish girls broke the bad luck, for Miss Scott scored quite a good goal, and from this until the finish they pressed without being able to again break the Scot's defence.' The paper points to Misses Tate, Johnston and McKinstry as Ireland's outstanding players and Misses Lowe, Murray and Atkin as Scotland's outstanding players. 49



Scottish team who played against Ireland on 22nd October 1938 (M. Gourlay Collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)

In the notebook alongside the photograph is a list of players which I believe relates to the above photograph,

'A group of the Scottish team which met Northern Ireland in a Ladies' League Hockey International match at Weir's Recreation Ground, Cathcart, Glasgow on Saturday. They are – l. to r. – front – Mrs I. Couston (Greyfriars), Miss B. Robson (Templeton Un.), Miss B. Lowe (Dumbarton Acad. F.P.), Miss H. Boyd (Dumbarton Acad. F.P.), Miss R. Murray (Linthouse), Miss P. Couper (Dumbarton Acad. F.P.), and the reserve. Back Miss N. M'Lennan (Ruchill), Miss N. M'Cormick (Templeton Un.), Miss M. Gourlay (Albion), Miss H. Robinson (46th Rangers) and Miss M. Aiken (Coatbridge).



Picture of action in the 1938 Scotland and Ireland Match (M. Gourlay collection, Scottish Hockey Heritage Group)

Points of Interest

1. Scottish team composed of Glasgow and District Ladies Hockey League.

When research began into this area of hockey history it was not fully understood why the Scottish papers often referred to the Scottish team as 'Glasgow and District Ladies League' while the English papers referred to the team as the 'Scottish League' or the 'Scottish Ladies Hockey Leagues Association'. Now however, thanks to the Miss M. Gourlay notebook, it seems that the Scottish papers were more accurate in their description as the players in the Scottish teams were all from the 'Glasgow and District Ladies League'. The reasons for this are not yet fully understood and more research needs to be undertaken to work out why the Scottish team was restricted to this one league, as it is known there were other Scottish women's hockey leagues around at the time.

When the hockey correspondent of the Sheffield paper 'Sports Special ("Green 'Un")', Penalty Bully, refers to these international matches as 'mock internationals' does he have a point? As the Scottish team was only picked from the Glasgow League and the English team was made up of players from the Lancashire Leagues.

If the Scottish team was restricted to picking players from only one league it would have meant they were at a quite a disadvantage. The ELHLA in 1938 for example, contained at least seven women leagues - the Liverpool League, the Lancashire Central League, the Leigh League, the Wigan League, the Stockport League, the North Cheshire League and the Bolton League and some of these leagues had a number of divisions. However, looking at the results, although they did not win any of the matches, Scotland put in a number of excellent performances and certainly the English team had to work hard for each of their victories and two of the matches ended in draws.

At this point research into the Irish team is only just beginning and it can't yet be confirmed which Irish leagues the players came from.

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Games for Saturday.

Petershill F.P. v. Hamilton Academy F.P.
Reserves, at Barshaw Park; Uddington Grammar
F.P. v. Templeton United Reserves, at Uddington;
Great Universal Stores v. Macfarlane Lang &
Reserves, at Richmond Park; Greyfriars v. Langside
Reserves, at Glasgow Green; Knightswood v.
Imperial Tobacco Co. Reserves, at Knightswood;
Public Health v. Comptometer Reserves, at Maryhill Park.

FIRST DIVISION.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Vale of Leven Ac.	7	7	0	0	29	4	14
Hamilton Ac. F.P.	7	5	0	0	14	7	10
Dumbarton Ac. F.P.	6	4	2	0	20	16	8
Linthouse	7	4	3	0	15	13	8
Langside	6	3	2	1	12	12	7
Clydebank	5	1	3	1	9	14	3
Albion	5	1	3	1	14	20	3
Templeton Un.	6	0	4	1	3	12	1
Greenfield	5	0	4	0	2	25	0
57th Girl Guides	5	0	4	0	2	25	0

SECOND DIVISION.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Comptometer	3	2	1	0	10	15	5
Ruchill	2	2	0	0	35	9	14
Eastbank	9	7	2	0	28	23	14
Macfarlane Lang & Co.	3	6	3	0	35	18	12
Brymay	3	5	2	2	15	8	12
Imperial Tob. Co.	5	4	1	0	15	8	9
Herridhill	7	3	3	1	13	7	7
O.P. St. George's	7	3	4	0	12	21	6
Greenisland	7	3	4	0	17	32	6
John St. School F.P.	8	1	6	1	6	17	3
Jordanhill College	7	0	5	2	10	25	2
School F.P.	7	0	7	0	3	34	0
Villafield	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

THIRD DIVISION.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
46th Rangers	8	8	0	0	49	13	15
Morrisonians	7	6	0	1	20	6	13
Petershill F.P.	8	0	1	0	21	10	11
S.W. Ladies	9	5	3	1	14	19	11
Govan High F.P.	8	3	1	4	17	10	8
Civil Service	8	4	4	0	14	19	7
Armstrong's	8	3	4	1	17	20	7
Uddington Gram.	7	3	3	1	14	19	7
Hamilton F.P. Res.	7	1	4	2	11	19	4
Scottish Oils	8	2	6	0	12	23	4
Templeton Un. Res.	7	1	5	1	13	30	3
Queen Margaret Sch.	9	1	7	1	9	36	3

FOURTH DIVISION.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
122nd Girl Guides	7	6	0	1	19	13	11
Ruchill Res.	8	5	2	1	19	13	11
Langside Res.	6	4	1	1	28	10	9
Public Health	7	2	2	2	24	18	6
Knightswood Tenants	9	3	2	1	12	6	7
Comptometer Res.	5	1	2	2	4	8	4
Greyfriars	6	1	3	2	7	14	4
GE. Univer. Stores	6	2	4	0	7	18	4
Macfar. Lang Res.	7	1	4	2	8	29	0
Imp. Tob. Co. Res.	6	0	6	0	9	29	0

68th Coy. Guides: 2. 60th Coy. Rangers: 1. 37th Coy. Rangers: 0. 32nd Coy. Guides: 3. 115th Coy. Guides: 0. 76th Coy. Guides: 3. 279th Coy. Guides: 0.

Games for Saturday—175th Coy. Guides v. 68th Coy. Guides; 289th Coy. Guides v. 32nd Coy. Guides; 57th Coy. Rangers v. 134th Coy. Guides; 27th Coy. Guides v. 160th Coy. Guides; 17th Coy. Guides v. 49th Coy. Guides.

GLASGOW AND DISTRICT PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION LEAGUE.

Games for Saturday—East Works v. North Kelvinside F.P.; Mercury v. Geo. M. Lellan; Hamilton Crescent v. Shawcross; Girls' Life Brigade v. Kelvinrow; Com. College; Gaxton v. Hamiltonhill V.W.C.A.; Albion Motors v. Templeton; New McEwan v. India of Inchinnan.

23/11/35.

FIRST DIVISION.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Dumbarton	5	5	0	0	22	3	10
Albion	6	4	1	1	22	13	9
Linthouse	5	3	1	1	15	11	7
Clydebank	5	3	0	0	12	7	6
46th Rangers	7	3	4	0	17	13	6
Templeton	5	2	2	1	10	17	5
Vale of Leven	4	2	2	0	13	0	4
Brymay	5	1	3	0	6	18	2
Comptometers	5	1	4	0	7	27	2
Langside	5	0	4	1	11	18	1

SECOND DIVISION.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
John Street	4	1	0	0	21	3	10
Eastbank	6	5	1	0	27	18	10
Ruchill	5	4	1	0	20	7	8
Templeton "A"	5	2	2	1	9	11	5
Herridhill	5	2	3	0	7	10	4
87th Club	6	2	4	0	9	24	4
122nd Club	4	1	2	1	13	12	3
Knightswood	4	1	3	0	10	11	2
Airdrie	4	1	3	0	10	16	2
Govan High	4	0	4	0	7	18	0

THIRD DIVISION—"A" SECTION.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Macfarlane Lang	6	5	1	0	23	7	10
Public Health	6	5	1	0	32	12	10
Greyfriars	5	4	0	1	27	15	9
Armstrong's	5	2	1	2	13	9	6
Acetelms	5	2	3	0	18	17	4
Imp. Tobacco Co.	6	2	4	0	11	20	4
12th Rangers	7	2	5	0	17	28	4
Civil Service	4	1	2	1	11	10	3
South-Western	4	1	3	0	9	24	2
Qn. Margt. Sett.	4	0	4	0	1	20	0

THIRD DIVISION—"B" SECTION.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Springburn	6	4	1	1	12	7	9
76th Guides	5	3	0	2	13	5	8
Shieldhall	5	4	1	0	19	10	8
Wallace & Weir	4	3	1	0	14	3	6
Arbee	5	3	2	0	15	11	6
Business Girls	5	2	3	0	14	14	4
Beechwood	5	1	3	1	9	13	3
Arlanza	4	1	3	0	7	14	2
134th Guides	5	1	4	0	6	20	2
Beatties	4	0	4	0	1	13	0

RESERVE DIVISION.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Ruchill	4	2	1	1	14	10	5
Albion	4	2	1	1	10	8	5
Broomward	4	2	1	1	10	8	5
Limeside	4	2	2	0	8	10	4
Imp. Tobacco Co.	5	1	3	0	12	16	2
John Street	3	1	2	0	4	10	2
Macfarlane Lang	4	1	3	0	4	9	2

LEAGUE TABLES

DIVISION I.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Dumbarton Ac. F.P.	3	3	0	0	15	7	6
Linthouse	3	3	0	0	10	2	6
46th Rangers	4	2	0	2	12	7	6
John St. Sch. F.P.	4	3	1	0	10	5	6
Vale of Leven F.P.	3	2	1	0	9	3	5
Clydebank H. F.P.	4	1	2	1	9	13	3
Albion Motors	3	2	0	1	11	15	2
Langside	4	1	3	0	4	8	2
Templeton United	3	0	2	1	6	8	1
Knightswood	4	0	3	1	3	14	1
Eastbank Ac. F.P.	3	0	3	0	3	12	0

DIVISION II.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Coatbridge F.P.	3	3	0	0	14	2	6
Arbee	4	3	1	0	11	8	6
Airdrie Ac. F.P.	3	2	1	0	7	3	4
Templeton "A"	3	2	1	0	11	9	4
122nd Club	4	2	2	0	10	10	4
Greyfriars	3	1	1	1	3	5	3
Public Health Dept.	2	0	0	2	2	2	2
Uddington Gr. F.P.	3	1	2	0	6	8	2
Brymay	4	0	2	2	1	7	2
Armstrong's	3	1	2	0	6	10	2
Laurieston	4	0	3	1	6	13	1

DIVISION III. "A"

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Macfarlane, Lang	4	4	0	0	11	2	8
Cardonald	4	3	1	0	13	4	6
N. Kelvinside F.P.	4	2	1	1	10	9	5
Imp. Tobacco Co.	4	2	1	1	6	4	5
Civil Service	4	2	2	0	10	5	4
S.C.W.S. Shieldhall	4	2	2	0	13	7	4
Wallace & Weir	4	1	2	1	5	6	3
Govan High F.P.	3	1	2	0	5	14	2
University Sett.	4	0	3	1	4	16	1
Beechwood	3	0	3	0	2	12	0

DIVISION III. "B"

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Waverley	3	2	0	1	16	1	5
St. George's Road	3	2	0	1	12	4	5
Albion Motors "A"	4	2	2	0	19	7	5
Beatties	2	2	0	0	4	2	4
Arbee 2nd XI	3	1	2	0	7	10	2
175th Guides	2	1	1	0	10	5	2
John St. F.P. 2d XI	3	1	2	0	15	2	2
Zenith	2	0	2	0	2	18	0
Wm. M'Laren	2	0	2	0	0	18	0

LEAGUE TABLES

DIVISION I.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Dumbarton Ac. F.P.	5	5	0	0	27	7	10
46th Rangers	4	4	0	0	11	2	8
Langside	5	3	2	0	13	12	6
Albion	5	2	2	1	12	14	5
Templeton Un.	4	2	2	0	16	12	4
John St. F.P.	4	2	2	0	7	8	4
Coatbridge F.P.	4	2	2	0	11	17	4
Ruchill	3	1	2	0	6	4	2
Public Health	5	1	4	0	10	20	2
Vale of Leven Ac. F.P.	3	0	2	1	4	9	1
Linthouse	4	0	4	0	5	13	0

DIVISION II.

	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Dn.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
122nd Club	5	4	0	1	16	3	9
Greyfriars	5	3	1	1	19	10	7
Brymay	4	2	0	2	4	1	6
Armstrong's	4	2	1	1	11	6	5
S.C.W.S. Shieldhall	5	2	2	1	11	9	5
Uddington Gr. F.P.	4	1	1	2	5	4	4
Macfarlane Lang	5	1	2	2	3	10	2
St. George's Rd	4	1	3	0	1	13	2
Clydebank F.P.	4	0	3	1	10	17	1
Airdrie Ac. F.P.	4	0	3	1	3	9	1

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2. International Ladies League Association

There is little known about this organisation but newspaper references to it seems to indicate it was formed in 1938 or in early 1939. Ireland's Saturday Night talks about this organisation in their report on the Scotland and Northern Ireland game in October 1938. *After the game and 'Back in Glasgow a meeting was held after supper, where the formation of an "International Ladies Leagues' Association" was discussed, and the Northern Union at its next annual meeting will be asked to confirm the decisions'.* ⁵⁰ The Stockport Express in its report on the 1938 -39 England v Scotland match reports on the speeches after the game. Mr H. Barnes of Stockport, who is the chairman of the ELHLA is also shown as the chairman of the International Leagues Board, he introduces Mrs Furness of Belfast who is shown as the vice-president of the International Leagues Board. ⁵¹ However, this is about all that is currently known about this organisation. It would be interesting to know more about the setup of the organisation and why it did not work to continue the international league matches after the Second World War.

Scottish and English League Teams (Matches between 1933 and 1939)

1932 – 1933 season

Scotland v England, March 4, 1933 Milburn Park, Alexandria, Glasgow

Scotland

V. Teviotdale – Linthouse (goalkeeper)
E. Laird – Dumbarton Academy F. P.
E. Muir – Langside
F. Aitchson – Dumbarton Academy F. P.
H. Strachan – Vale of Leven Academy
M. Bulloch – Vale of Leven Academy
R. Smillie – Dumbarton Academy F. P.
Miss Crosbie – Eastbank
M. Laird - Dumbarton Academy F. P.
M. Galbraith – Vale of Leven Academy
Mrs H. Boyd – Dumbarton Academy F. P.

England

Miss F. Honoun - Liverpool League
Miss D. Brayshaw – Liverpool League
Mrs Burgess – Manchester League
Miss Passmore - (Capt) Stockport League
M. Hegg – Manchester League
A. Herbert – Manchester League
Tomlinson -Manchester League
M. Hyde – Stockport League
E. Rowcroft – Lancashire League
M. Mason – Liverpool League
E. Hawkins – Manchester League
Reserves – E. Schofield – Liverpool League, M Cavanagh – Middleton League

England won 2 – 1

Scorers – England - A. Hawkins and E. Rowcroft *, Glasgow (Scotland) - M. Laird (Dumbarton Academy)

* “The Lancashire Daily Post” dated March 7th, 1933 report shows E. Hawkins as scoring 2 goals for England and Miss Crosbie for Scotland. The Scotsman lists the scorers as – England, A. Hawkins and E. Rowcroft and for Scotland, M. Laird.

1933 – 1934 season

Scotland v England, Saturday, April 14th 1934 – Diamond Ground, Moss Lane, Litherland, Liverpool

Bully 3pm

Scotland

Miss N. White - Hamilton
Miss E. Cornock - Vale of Leven
Miss E. Laird – Dumbarton Academy F. P.
Miss B. Brown - Vale of Leven
Miss H. Strachan - Vale of Leven
Miss M. Thomson – Dumbarton Academy F. P.
Miss M. Smith - Linthouse

Miss L. Dunn - Rangers
Miss M. Laird – Dumbarton Academy F. P.
Miss M. Gourlay - Albion
Miss M. Galbraith - Vale of Leven

Reserve Miss M Duncan

England

Miss D. Male – Leyland Motors
Mrs Dillon - Levers Campers
Miss I. L. Dummock – Longton (V. Capt)
Miss I. M. McManus – Levers Campers
Miss J. Smith – Leyland Motors (Captain)
Miss D. Hill - Holt S. S. O. G.
Miss E. Raw - Dick Kerrs
Miss A. Roberts – Dick Kerrs
Miss E. Rowcroft – Balshaws G. S. O. G.
Miss M. Mason – Holt S. S. O. G.
Miss M. Cropper – Hesketh Bank

Reserves Misses Miss R. E. Garvey (Diamond) and Miss D Coke (Holt S.S.O.G).

Umpires -Messrs Adams and Bruce

Team Manager Miss Coggins

Score and Scorers not known

1934 – 1935 season

Scotland v England, 1935, Boghead, Dumbarton.

Scotland

F. Telfer (46th Rangers)
Law (Dumbarton Academy F. P.)
E. Laird (Dumbarton Academy F. P.)
P. Saunders (Bachill)
E. Brown (Vale of Levan)
B. Mcaskill (46th Rangers)
E. Milby (Dumbarton Academy F. P.)
J. Dougall (Dumbarton Academy F. P.)
M. Crosby (Eastbank Academics)
M. Boyd (Dumbarton Academy F. P.)
M. Laird (Dumbarton Academy F. P.)

England

Mrs. E. Dillon
McManus (Port Sunlight)
Male Leyland Motors
Brown (Bebbington)
Wignall (Howick)
Smith (Leyland Motors)
Raw (Howick)
Roberts (Howick)
Norris (Dick Kerrs)
M. Mason (Holt Secondary School Old Girls)
Greenwood (Shell Max)

M.D. Coggins (Team Manager)

England won 4 – 1.

Scorers - England - Miss Greenwood, Miss Roberts (2) and Miss Raw, Scotland - M Laird

1935 – 1936 season

England v Scotland at the Diamond Ground, Litherland, Liverpool

Scotland

Miss Kerr (Cromptometer)
Miss Lowe (Dumbarton)
Miss Maillie (Clydebank)
Miss Boyd (Dumbarton)
Miss Brown (Vale of Leven)
Miss Cooper (Dumbarton)
Miss McLennan (Ruchill)
Miss Dougall (Dumbarton)
Miss Laird (Dumbarton)
Miss Dunne (46th Rangers)
Miss Pollock (46th Rangers)

England

Miss Rutter (Liverpool Trams) (goalkeeper)
Mrs Dillon (Port Sunlight)
Miss Wignall (Longton)
Miss McManus (Port Sunlight)
Miss Nuttall (Horwich)
Mrs Browne (Bebington St. Andrews)
Miss McKnight (Ogden's)
Miss Bell (Balshaw's)
Mrs Bannister (Leyland)
Miss Mason (Holt S.S.O.G.)
Miss Greenwood (Shell Max)

Draw 1 – 1

Scorers – England - M. Mason, Scotland M. Laird

1936 – 1937 season

Scotland v England, Messrs. Templeton's Recreation Ground, Stonelaw Dowe, Rutherglen, Glasgow, 24th April 1937

Scottish League

Mrs. Coulston (Grey)
Miss Lowe (Dumbarton Academicals)
Miss Maillie (Clydebank High F.P.)
Mrs Boyd (Dumbarton Acc. F.P.)
Miss Brown (Vale of Leven)
Miss Coupar (Dumbarton Acc. F.P.)
Miss McLellan (... Church)
Miss Dougall (Dumbarton Acc. F.P.)
Miss M Laird (Dumbarton Acc. F.P.)
Miss R. Maxwell (Dumbarton Acc. F.P.)
Miss Pollock (46th Rangers)

Reserves Miss Sutherland (Knightswood T.A.), Courteris (Clydebank), Murray (Linthouse), M. Tiri-Pratt (Vale of Leven FD), Gourlay (Albion Motors) and Atkin (Cambridge F.P.).

England

F. Rutter (Liverpool Trams)
E. Dillon (captain, Port Sunlight)
E. Goodsir (Cheadle Heath)
J. Passmore (Stockport)
A. Oldham (Cheadle Heath)
E. Browne (Bebbington)
L. McKnight (Ogden's Liverpool)
A. Roberts (Dick, Kerr's)
H. Rees (Liverpool Olympic)
M. Clark (Tiviotdale)
D. Edwards (Dick, Kerr's)

Reserves: M. Wignall (Longton) W. Nuttall (Horwich L.M.S.), E. Kirkbride (Dick, Kerr's) and A. Boulton (Cheadle Heath)

Draw 3 – 3 at Rutherglen, Glasgow

Scorers - England – L. McKnight, H. Rees and A. Roberts, Scotland – J. McDougall, M. Laird, R. Maxwell

1937 – 1938 season

English League v Scottish League, Saturday, April 9th 1938

At Cheadle Heath Sports Ground, Cheltenham Road, Cheadle Heath, bully-off 3.00pm

Scotland

Mrs J. Coulston (Greyfriars)
Miss H. Robson (Templeton United)
Miss M. Maillie (Clydebank)
Miss H. Boyd (Dumbarton)
Miss R. Murray (Linthouse)
Miss P. Couper (Dumbarton)
Miss M. Tidd-Pratt (Vale of Leven)
Miss N. McCormick (Templeton United)
Miss M. Gourlay (Albion)
Miss Madge Laird, captain (Dumbarton)
Miss M. Pollock (46th Rangers)

England

Miss A. Monks (Anchor Cables and Leigh and District League)
Miss E. Goodsir (Cheadle Heath and Stockport League)
Miss M. Wignall (Dick Kerr's and Lancashire Central League)
Miss J. Passmore (Stockport and Stockport League)
Miss Alice Oldham, captain, (Cheadle Heath and Stockport League)
Mrs E. Browne (Bebbington and Liverpool League)
Miss E. Rodger (Cambridge and Liverpool League)
Miss A. Roberts (Leyland Motors and Lancashire Central League)
Miss P. Bate (Dick Kerr's and Lancashire Central League)
Miss T. Bell (Balshaw's G. S. O. G. and Lancashire Central League)
Miss D. Edwards (Dick Kerr's and Lancashire Central League)

Reserves: Mrs E. Dillon (Port Sunlight and Liverpool League)

*F. Marton (Dick Kerr's and L.C.L.), A. Boulton (Cheadle Heath and Stockport League)
H. Rees (Olympic and Liverpool League), M. Bishop (Old Ashtonians and Wigan League League)*

Umpires: Mr H. Hulme, Stockport and Mr R. G. K. Bannatyne, Renfew

English League 2 - 0 Scottish League

Scorers England - A. Roberts 2

1938 – 1939 season

At Cheadle Heath Sports Ground, Cheltenham Road, Cheadle Heath

Scotland

J. Couston – Greyfriars
B. Robson – Templeton United
B. Lowe – Dumbarton
H. Boyd – Dumbarton
M. Warnock – Public Health
P. Couper – Dumbarton
H. Waddell – Templeton United
N. McCormick – Templeton United
M. Gourlay – Albion Motors
M. Smillie – Dumbarton
M. Pollock - 46th Rangers

England

A. Monks – Newchurch and Wigan and District League
E. Goodsir – Cheadle Heath and Stockport League
P. Danson – S. Andrew's and Stockport League
J. Passmore – Stockport and Stockport League
M. Waters – Hindley and Abram G.S.O.G and Leigh and District League
E. Browne – Bebbington and Liverpool League
E. Knight – Albert Mill and Stockport League
A. Roberts – Leyland Motors and Lancs. Central
F. Chadwick – Ashton and Wigan and District League
H Kirkman – Hindley and Abram G.S.O.G and Leigh and District League
D. Edwards – Kerr's and Lancs. Central

Reserves – M France – Old Ashtonians and Wigan and District League, E. Blackledge – Bury and District (? Blackburn Technical College and Lancashire Central League), A. Boulton - Cheadle Heath – Stockport League, K. Henton – Cheadle Heath and Stockport League.

England won 4 – 1

Scorers – England – A. Roberts, Miss Edwards, E. Knight (2)
Scotland – Miss Smille

Scotland Scorers

M. Laird - 5 *
Miss Crosbie – 1 *
J. Dougall – 1
R. Maxwell – 1
M. Smillie – 1

* In the 1933 match The Scotsman lists M. Laird as scoring for Scotland whereas The Lancashire Daily Post lists Mrs Crosbie scoring for Scotland

Scottish and Northern Irish League Teams (Matches between 1938 and 1939)

1937 – 1938 season

**At Weir's Recreation Ground, Cathcart, Glasgow, Saturday, October 22nd 1938
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Scotland

Mrs I. Couston (Greyfriars)
Miss B. Robson (Templeton United)
Miss B. Lowe (Dumbarton Ac. F. P.)
Miss H. Boyd (Dumbarton Ac. F. P.)
Miss R. Murray (Linthouse)
Miss P. Couper (Dumbarton Ac. F. P.)
Miss N. McCormick (Templeton United)
Miss H. Robertson (46th Rangers)
Miss N. McLennan (Ruchill)
Miss M. Gourlay (Albion)
Miss M. Atkin (Coatbridge)

Ireland

Miss V. Milligan (Excelsior)
Miss E. Weir (Excelsior)
Miss M. Tate (Bedford)
Miss R. Annesley (Forth River)
Miss P. Johnston (Bohemians)
Miss N. Dewart (Ballynure)
Miss D. Johnston (Bohemians)
Miss M. Scott (Ballynure)
Miss M. French (Ballynaveigh)
Miss E. Campbell (Bohemians)
Miss A. McKinstry (Ballynure)

Umpires: Mr R. Logan, Glasgow and Mr Weir Gordon, Belfast

Scotland 3 - Northern Ireland 1

Scorers – Scotland Miss Atkin, Miss M. Gourlay (2)

List of Matches played by a Scottish Leagues team against England Ladies Hockey League Association between 1933 and 1939.

Date	Opponent	Venue	Score	Scorers
1933 4 th March	England	Milburn Park, Alexandria, Glasgow	Lost 2 - 1	Eng. - A. Hawkins and E. Rowcroft* Scot. - M. Laird*
1934 14 th April	England	Diamond's Ground, Moss Lane, Litherland, Liverpool	Lost 3 - 1	Eng. - Scot. -
1935 27 th , April	England	Boghead, Dumbarton	Lost 4 - 1	Eng. - Miss Greenwood Miss Roberts (2) Miss Raw Scot. - M. Laird
1936 25 th April	England	Diamond's Ground, Moss Lane, Litherland, Liverpool	Draw 1 - 1	Eng. - M. Mason Scot. - M. Laird
1937 24 th April	England	Messrs. Templeton's Recreation Ground, Stonelaw Dowe, Rutherglen, Glasgow	Draw 3 - 3	Eng. - L. McKnight, H. Rees, A. Roberts Scot. - J. Dougall, M. Laird, R. Maxwell
1938 9 th April Bully-off 3.00pm	England	Cheadle Heath Sports Ground	Lost 2 - 0	Eng. - A. Roberts (2)
1939 15 th April	Scotland	Cheadle Heath Sports Ground	Lost 4 - 1	Eng. - A. Roberts, Miss Edwards, E. Knight (2) Scot. - Mrs Smille

The war meant the suspension of international matches with Scotland and Northern Ireland and the English team played against a team known as 'The Rest'. The matches did not resume after the war.

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Players who Represented the Scottish Leagues Team between 1933 and 1939 in matches against England									
Player	Team	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	App *
F. Aitchieson	Dumbarton A F P	x							1
Atkin	Cambridge F.P.					R			1 R
Mrs H. Boyd	Dumbarton A F P	x		x	x	x	x	x	6
Miss B. Brown	Vale of Leven AFP		x	x	x	x			3
M. Bulloch	Vale of Leven AFP	x							1
E. Cornock	Vale of Leven AFP		x						1
Mrs. J. Couston (Goalkeeper)	Greyfriars					x	x	x	3
Miss P Couper	Dumbarton A F P				x	x	x	x	4
Courteris	Clydebank					R			1 R
M. Crosbie	Eastbank Academy	x		x					2
Miss Dougall	Dumbarton A F P			x	x	x			3
Miss M. Duncan			R						1 R
J. Dunn	Rangers		x		x				2
M. Galbraith	Vale of Leven AFP	x	x						2
Miss M. Gourlay	Albion Motors		x			R	x	x	3 + 1 R
Miss Kerr	Cromptometer				x				1
E. Laird	Dumbarton A F P	x	x	x					3
Miss Madge Laird	Dumbarton A F P	x	x	x	x	x	x		6
Law	Dumbarton A F P			x					1
Miss B. Lowe	Dumbarton A F P				x	x		x	3
Miss M. Maillie	Clydebank				x	x	x		3
Miss R. Maxwell	Dumbarton A F P					x			1
E. Muir	Langside	x							1
B. McCaskill	46 th Rangers			x					1
Miss N. McCormick	Templeton Utd						x	x	2
Miss McLellan Church				x	x			2
E. Milby	Dumbarton A F P			x					1
Miss R. Murray	Linthouse					R	x		1 + 1 R
Miss M. Pollock	46 th Rangers				x	x	x	x	4
Miss H. Robson	Templeton Utd						x	x	2
P. Saunders	Rachill			x					1
Mrs M. Smillie	Dumbarton A F P							x	1
R. Smillie	Dumbarton A F P								
M. Smith	Linthouse		x						1
H. Strachan	Vale of Leven AFP	x	x						1
Miss Sutherland	Knightswood T.A.					R			1 R
F. Telfer (Goalkeeper)				x					1
V. Teviotdale (Goalkeeper)	Linthouse	x							1
Miss M. Tidd-Platt	Vale of Leven AFP					R	x		1 + 1 R
M. Thomson	Dumbarton A F.P		x						1
Miss H. Waddell	Templeton Utd							x	1
Miss M. Warnock	Public Health							x	1
N. White	Hamilton		x						1

Key

A F P – Academy Former Pupils R - Reserve

Note

1935 Scottish team – one team member not known

Most Appearances

Mrs H Boyd, Dumbarton Academy F P and Miss M Laird Dumbarton Academy F P – 6

Players who Represented the English Leagues Team between 1933 and 1939 in matches against Scotland									
Player	Team/League	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	App *
Miss P. Bate	Dick, Kerrs						x		1
Miss T. Bell	Balshaw's GSOG						x		1
M. Bishop	Old Ashtonians						R		1 R
E. Blackledge	Bury League							R	1 R
A. Boulton	Cheadle Heath					R	R	R	3 R
Mrs Burgess	Manchester League	x							1
D. Brayshaw	Liverpool League	x							1
E. Browne	Bebbington			x	x	x	x	x	5
M. Cavanagh	Middleton League	R							1 R
F. Chadwick	Ashton							x	1
M. Clark	Tiviotdale					x			1
Miss D. Coke	Holt SSOG		R						1 R
Miss M. Cropper	Hesketh Bank		x						1
P. Danson	St. Andrew's							x	1
Miss E. Dillon	Levers Campers		x	x		x C	R		3 + R
Miss Irene Dimmock	Longton		x V						1
D. Edwards	Dick, Kerrs					x	x	x	3
M. France	Old Ashtonians							R	1 R
Miss R. Garvey	Diamond		R						1 R
E. Goodsir	Cheadle Heath					x	x	x	3
Miss D. Greenwood	Shell Max			x	x				2
E. Hawkins	Manchester League	x							1
M. Hegg	Manchester League	x							1
K. Henton	Cheadle Heath							R	1 R
A. Herbert	Manchester League	x							1
Miss D. Hill	Holt SSOG		x						1
F. Honoun	Liverpool League	x							1
M. Hyde	Stockport League	x							1
E. Kirkbride	Dick, Kerr's					R			1 R
H. Kirkman	Hindley and Abram							x	1
E. Knight	Albert Mill							x	1
Miss D. Male	Leyland Motors		x	x					2
F. Martin	Dick, Kerrs						R		1 R
Miss M. Mason	Holt SSOG	x	x	x	x				4
L. McKnight	Ogden's Liverpool					x			1
Miss J. M. McManus	Port Sunlight		x	x					2
A. Monks (G/keeper)	Anchor Cables and Newchurch						x	x	3
Miss Norris	Dick, Kerrs			x					1
W. Nuttall	Horwich LMS					R			1 R
A. Oldham	Cheadle Heath					x	x		2
J. Passmore	Stockport	x C				x	x	x	4
Miss D. Raw	Dick, Kerrs		x	x					2
H. Rees	Liverpool Olympic					x	R		1 + 1 R
E. Rodger	Cambridge						x		1
Miss A. Roberts	Dick, Kerrs and Leyland Motors		x	x		x	x	x	5
Miss E. Rowcroft	Balshaw's GSOG	x	x						2
F. Rutter (G/keeper)	Liverpool Trams				x	x			2
E. Schofield	Liverpool League	R							1 R
Miss J. Smith	Leyland Motors		x C	x					2
Tomlinson	Manchester League	x							1
M. Waters	Hindley and Abram			x				x	2
M. Wignall	Longton, Dick, Kerrs			x		R	x		2 + 1 R
K. Waterhouse				x					1

List of matches played by Scotland against Northern Ireland

Date	Opponent	Venue	Score	Scorers
22 nd October 1938	Northern Ireland	Weir's Ground, Cathcart	Won 3 - 1	Scot. Miss M. Atkin Ire. – Miss M. Scott

Players who represented the Scottish Leagues team against the Northern Ireland Union 1938 – 1939 season		
Player	Team	1938 -39 season
Miss M. Atkin	Coatbridge	x
Miss H. Boyd	Dumbarton Academy F. P.	x
Mrs I. Couston	Greyfriars	x
Miss P. Couper	Dumbarton Academy F. P.	x
Miss M. Gourlay	Albion Motors	x
Miss B. Lowe	Dumbarton Academy F. P.	x
Miss N. McCormick	Templeton United	x
Miss N. McLennan	Ruchill	x
Miss R. Murray	Linthouse	x
Miss H. Robertson	46 th Rangers	x
Miss B. Robson	Templeton United	x

Note – all the players except Miss H Robertson played against England

Players who represented the Northern Ireland Union against the Scottish Leagues team 1938 – 1939 season		
Player	Team	1938 -39 season
Miss V. Milligan	Excelsior	x
Miss E. Weir	Excelsior	x
Miss M. Tate	Belford	x
Miss R. Annesley	Forth River	x
Miss P. Johnston	Bohemians	x
Miss M. Dewart	Ballynure	x
Miss D. Johnston	Bohemians	x
Miss M. Scott	Ballynure	x
Miss A. McKinstry	Ballynure	x
Mrs M. French	Ballynaveigh	x
Miss E. Campbell	Bohemians	x

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ENGLISH LADIES' HOCKEY

DIG INTEREST OF LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE CLUBS.

The adjourned general meeting of the English Ladies' Hockey League Association was held in Milton Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, July 9th.

Mr. C. Rogers was in the chair. Representatives from the Manchester, Liverpool, Middleton, Stockport and Lancashire Central Leagues were present.

Miss Caley, the president, in a short address, urged that the association's attitude towards alternative bodies working with a similar ultimate object in view, namely, the better organisation of women's hockey should be of a friendly nature and that co-operation should be attempted wherever possible.

The hon. secretary, Mr. John Lishman, reported that the negotiations were going forward to arrange an international match between this association and Ireland during the season 1932-33.

The meeting instructed the hon. secretary to approach the N.S.A. Touring Team with same objection view.

The proposal to make the Association's Easter Hockey Tournament an annual event met with unanimous approval.

It was decided to hold the 1933 tournament in either Manchester or Liverpool.

The Chairman said that this meeting was directly representative of 250 ladies' hockey clubs in Lancashire and Cheshire.

The hon. secretary reported that the association had roughly about 5,000 players under its control.

IN THE WOMEN'S HOCKEY WORLD.

**English Ladies' League — Aspirations and Shortcomings — Nar Storth Not the Team of Old—Swinton's Big Win—
A Promising Left Winger.**

(By "PENALTY BULLY.")

IT is many years since I first met Mr. J. Lishman, the enthusiastic secretary of the Liverpool Ladies' Hockey League, but even in those far-off days Mr. Lishman was advocating the formation of an association which would band all the Leagues together in common interest.

After several attempts such an association was brought into being towards the end of last season, under the title of the English Ladies' Hockey League Association, to which all leagues are invited to affiliate. The programme, as set forth in the agenda of the last general meeting, provides for an Easter Tournament and also a competition for an English Cup, while an International game against an Irish team was mooted.



MISS UNWIN
(Nar Storth).

On the face of it this appears to be a very interesting programme. Certain Southern critics, however, need not become unduly alarmed that the movement is likely to sweep the country, for I can assure them, after witnessing last season's tournament games at Liverpool, that the English Ladies' Hockey

backs tackled and hit with confidence. The forwards, as a line, were not convincing.

A Hurricane Start.

A hurricane start which resulted in an early two goals lead enabled City Nomads to overcome Sheffield Leopold 4-0. For the winners, Mrs. Haywood showed a welcome return to form with two goals, and if she can emulate her achievements of the past, the prospects of the Nomads will be considerably enhanced.

The retirement of Miss Randell has considerably weakened the defence of the Leopold, which often became uncertain when under pressure.

Darwins, who lost 3-2 to the champions at the beginning of the season, were overwhelmed 5-1 in the return game at Swinton. The visiting forwards were seldom conspicuous, although Miss Carphey, on the right wing, was noticeable for one or two nice movements. For the home team, Miss Webber played at the top of her form.

If the Sheffield selectors are on the look out for a suitable left wing for their first representative match, they would do well to consider the claims of Miss P. White, the Victoria Hall captain, who scored four goals in the game against Norton Church. Miss White has been playing so consistently of late and has already a crop of goals to her credit, that her inclusion in the Sheffield representative team would not surprise me.

English Steels are one of the most improved sides of the season, and they continued their successful run with a 3-0 win over Cornish Place. For the winners, Miss Costello and

Liverpool, that the English Ladies' Hockey League is not likely to attract any fresh adherents until the standard of play is considerably improved.

At the moment the English League Association comprise the following leagues: Liverpool, Manchester Sunday School, Lancashire Central, Stockport, and Middleton.

The Playing Standard.

All these, it will be noted, are in South Lancashire, so that the title, to say the least, is a trifle misleading.

League organisations similar to the one which we possess in Sheffield are so self contained that the necessity for linking up with other organisations is more imaginary than real.

What is, however, of paramount importance is that each league organisation shall be efficiently managed so that the usual inter-club game is properly controlled. In this respect some of the league associates, who have banded themselves together for the purpose of international and national cup games, make but a half-hearted attempt, with the result that their members have little chance of proper advancement.

The scheme for a national organisation of leagues in itself may be in every way commendable, but before its present members embark on such an ambitious programme they would be well advised to perfect their own organisation with a view to improving their playing standard, which, at the moment is terribly low.

Too Much Elaboration.

It was evident after last Saturday's encounter at Carterknowle between Nar Storth and Sheffield Ladies, that the home team are but a shadow of that brilliant match-winning combination which, in the past, created so many records in district hockey circles.

It would appear that no efficient substitutes have been found to fill the vacancies created by the retirement of such players as Misses Frost, Foulstone, Dyson, and Parker.

Sheffield Ladies, who were defeated 5-3, were, in a sense, unfortunate, as their midfield work was infinitely superior to that of the home team, but over-elaboration when nearing the circle proved their undoing. None was more prone to this fault than Miss M. Evans, the county inner, who otherwise worked untiringly and revealed much clever stickwork.

Among the home players, Miss C. Unwin was dominant in the half-back line, while both

Place. For the winners, Misses Costello and Locke played particularly well.

Valuable First Goal.

Woodcote Wedevans did well to defeat the strong Municipal Officers by 3-0, while City Wanderers scored their first goal of the season against Nar Storth "A" and secured both points. Miss Foster, the former Varsity player, at centre for the Wanderers, worked untiringly and displayed a rare turn of speed.

C.W.S. are to be congratulated on their 2-1 victory over Valley Road on the latter's ground. It was a very even game with the visitors showing a little more method in attack.

Bankers' Ladies went down 4-1 at High Storns against Leopold "A." The home defence was prominent throughout, and one was attracted by the clearances of Miss Line, who has the makings of a strong defender.

Hambledon Sports, who have secured one or two new playing members, are now going ahead and were full value for their 2-0 win over Victoria Hall "A."

Cemetery Road, who defeated Finsmoor 2-1, are another team who have evidently turned the corner after a long period of depression, and one looks forward to the one-time first division side regaining something of their lost status.

Apologies are due to Miss Broadhurst for the error which occurred in last week's notes when the photo of Miss Poston was wrongly given as that of the Swinton player. Both players are fortunately so well known in hockey circles that the mistake was generally obvious.

O'DONNELL'S FUTURE.

There is a suggestion that O'Donnell has not disappeared from football entirely, after his difference with the Blackpool club, and that his suspension by the F.A. will be relaxed in order to afford him a chance of making good once more, but not at Blackpool, although his defection has left the defence weaker than it would have been with him in it at his best. He hopes to play near home, at Gateshead, and does not anticipate transfer troubles.

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Women's Hockey.

FIRST LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL.

Honour for Leyland Player

Following closely along the lines set by the Football Association, the English Ladies' Hockey League Association have the same main objects in view, viz., the fostering of enthusiasm for sport by the organisation of competitive games in which no distinction, save that of excellence in the field, can aid the player who is desirous of gaining the game's highest honours.

The E.L.H.L.A. has so far met with little sympathy from the older body—the All-England Ladies' Hockey Association—and although the challenge from the E.L.H.L.A. to meet a A.E.L.H.A. touring side organised by Mrs. Marjorie Pollaro, herself a prominent international hockey player, was accepted, the match was eventually called off on the grounds that travelling arrangements prohibited some members of the Northants county team from participating.

Mr. John Lishman, the hon secretary of the association, then approached the Scottish leagues, and an international has been arranged to be played in Glasgow on March 4th.

The English team is as follows:—F. Honour (Liverpool League); D. Brayshaw (Liverpool), M. Hegg (Manchester); A. Herbert (Manchester), M. Hyde (Stockport), E. Roweroft (Lancashire Central), M. Mason (Liverpool), E. Hawkins (Manchester). Reserves: E. Schofield

Livesey (Penwortham), M. Wignall (Hesketh Bank); E. Smithies (Balshaw's), I. Smith (Leyland Motors), A. Southworth (L. and B. R. Co.); H. Lake (Penwortham), K. Waterhouse (Blackburn), E. Roweroft (Balshaw's), A. Malloy and W. Malloy (Winckley-square).

(Liverpool), M. Cavanagh (Middleton).



Miss E. Roweroft, who will lead the English attack, is the clever centre forward of the Balshaw Grammar School Old Girls. Her home is at Whittingham, near Preston.

INTER-LEAGUE TEAM.

Miss Roweroft also will appear in the Lancashire Central Ladies' Hockey League team next Saturday against the Fylde League at Blackpool.

The team will be:—M. Shaw (Blackburn); J. Livesey (Penwortham), M. Wignall (Hesketh Bank); E. Smithies (Balshaw's), I. Smith (Leyland Motors), A. Southworth (L. and B. R. Co.); H. Lake (Penwortham), K. Waterhouse (Blackburn), E. Roweroft (Balshaw's), A. Malloy and W. Malloy (Winckley-square).

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

LANCASHIRE MATCH AT AIGBURTH

By "Vice-Captain"

There is a heavy and attractive programme next Saturday, and the county sides, Lancashire and Cheshire, lead the way.

Lancashire are in Liverpool at last after a long spell of engagements in other parts of the world, and we will have an opportunity of seeing them show their paces against Staffordshire at the Physical Training College ground, Aigburth. The bully-off is at two o'clock, and not the usual 2.30.

Staffordshire are on a flying tour in the North, as they meet Cheshire on Friday at Sale. I understand the Midlanders have a very useful team which will fully extend our local contingents. Meanwhile, Cheshire journey to Ben Rhydding to try conclusions with Yorkshire. The Cestrians made a notable 4-0 win over Shropshire last Thursday, and on their form should give the Yorkists an excellent game.

At Aigburth, Lancashire field their strongest side, with the exception that reserves come in at goal and outside left, where Misses

in at goal and outside left, where Misses Hamer and L. Penman officiate respectively. The team is:—Misses Hamer (Poulton); Hughes (Withingtonians), Owen (Liverpool); Foster (Freshfield), Clarke (Liverpool), J. Hickson (Liverpool); Marsh (Freshfield), Symes (Physical Training College), Thornton (Waterloo), Goldsworth (Freshfield), L. Penman (St. Helens). Owing to sickness Cheshire's eleven will not be selected until the last minute.

Lancashire II. At Port Sunlight

Another attractive home game is the meeting of Lancashire II. with Denbighshire, at Port Sunlight, at 2.30. The Welsh women have some good forward talent which should well test the Lancashire defence. The Lancashire II. v. Cheshire II. game will be played on March 18th, at Sandfield Park.

Breaking New Ground

Perhaps the most interesting venture of Saturday is the new English League XI's meeting with Scotland, at Glasgow.

It will be remembered that this body was inaugurated in Liverpool some months ago to co-ordinate the various league associations, and this match is a representative team of the various leagues.

Great store is set by the result of the meeting. The Scottish people are taking the function very seriously and making a big social event of the visit of the English women. I understand that a similar association of the Scottish leagues is being considered, which rather gives the match an international league flair.

Scottish hockey in the ordinary course is so little known to us that we do not know what talent the leagues over the border can produce, and the game is being eagerly anticipated in consequence.

Liverpool is well represented in the English team with three places and one reserve. Miss Honour (Old Oultonians) keeps goal.

Miss Honour (Old Oultonians) keeps goal, with Miss Brayshaw (Southport) at right-back, while Miss Mason, Holt S.S.O.G.'s centre-forward and prolific goal scorer, is allocated to the inside-left position. Rather an interesting move in view of her big reputation as the pivot of an attack. The reserve is Miss Schofield, of Southport. The full team looks quite efficient and is as strong as anything the Northern League could field.

Misses F. Honour (Liverpool); D. Brayshaw (Liverpool), E. Hegg (Manchester); J. Passmore (Stockport), E. Burgess (Manchester), J. Tomlinson (Manchester); H. Herbert (Manchester), E. Hyde (Stockport), J. Rowcroft (Lancashire Central), M. E. Mason (Liverpool), A. Hawkins (Manchester). Reserves: E. Schofield (Southport), K. Cavanagh (Middleton). Leave Preston 6.10 p.m. train Friday. In view of this contest the inter-league match, Liverpool v. Lancashire Central, due for Saturday, has been postponed until April 22.

Plucky League Players

It takes a good deal to dampen the ardour of the league people, but Saturday's weather was almost too much for them. "Almost," but not quite apparently, for two dauntless Cup-tie participants turned out to decide who should enter the semi-final of the Cup competition, and we have the result that Bromboro' Port beat their First Division opponents, Old Oultonians, by the only goal of the match through Miss Noonan, thus making another Second Division interest in the closing stages of the Cup.

One does not know what sort of a game this could have been in the snow and slush, and with Oultonians only mustering eight players, it seemed a pity to play such an important match. Bromboro' pressed continually, the outstanding feature being the remarkable display of Miss Honour in the Oultonian goal. Yet this keenness is rather

remarkable. Nothing seems to matter. It can rain in torrents, blow a hurricane, but it cannot curb the spirits of nineteen girls who feel they have to decide an issue.

The remaining six clubs of Round IV, who were due to play off, stayed at home. No doubt we shall see better hockey in consequence next Saturday week, when the round will be decided.

Saturday's Games

Lanes. v. Staffordshire.	Hesketh v. Blackburne
Lanes. II. v. Denbighshire.	House O.G.
Cheshire v. Yorkshire	Upton v. Liscard.
(away).	Ainsdale v. Optimists.
Waterloo v. Nth. Man.	Wanderers II. v. West
chester.	Kirby II.
West Kirby v. Barkhill.	St. Helens v. Manchester
P.T. College v. Withing-	University III.
tonians.	Odyssey v. Dock Board.
P.T.C. II. v. Birkenhead.	Huyton v. New Ferry.
P.T.C. III. v. Crawford's.	Crosfield's v. W. Derby.
P.T.C. IV. v. Wanderers	W. Derby II. v. Crosfield's
II.	II.
Meols v. P.T.C. V.	Crosfield's III. v. West
B'head II. v. Aigburth V.	Derby III.
Prenton v. Wallasey	Seaview v. Bromboro' Pt.
	H.S.O.G. Univ. II. v. Waterloo II.
Wallasey O.G. II. v. Balmore	v. Waterloo III.
Prenton II.	

League Games

English League v. Scot-	Gd. of Honour v. L.C.T.
land.	Northbrook v. Campers II.
Southport v. Holt.	Sultana v. A.T.M.
Campers v. Oultonians.	Tillotson's v. Bassett.
R. Liver v. Scaforth.	Bromboro' Port II. v.
L.W. Co. v. Beb. St.	Hunter's Lane.
Andrew's.	Diamine II. v. Diamond
Woolton v. Bromboro' Pt.	III.
Oakfield v. Diamond II.	Kirkby v. Threlfall's.
Linacre v. Priory.	Diamine II. v. Diamond
Oakfield v. Diamond.	III.
St. Mary's v. Ogden's.	Brit. Enka II. v. St.
Woolton v. Bromboro' Pt.	Andrew's.
II.	Diamond VII. v. Diamond
Belgrave A v. Oultonians	V.
II.	Johnson's III. v. Diamond
Johnson's v. Greenbank.	VI.
St. Chrysostom's v. High-	Johnson's II. v. Garston.
field.	Highfield III. v. Laurence.
Jacobs v. R. Liver II.	Mersey v. R. Liver III.
Belgrave v. Gold Seal.	

INTER-LEAGUE GAME

The English Ladies' League Association met the Scottish League Association at Renton, and a fast and delightful game resulted in a win for England by 2-1. Miss Hawkings scored the goals for England and Miss Crosbie for Scotland. All played well, but Mrs. Burgess, at centre-half, and Miss Passmore, at right-half, were conspicuous, and it was not often they were beaten. Miss Brayshaw also did well.

IN THE WOMEN'S HOCKEY WORLD.

Inter-League Match at Glasgow — Poor Display by North in Territorial Games—Blank Saturdays on Account of Snow—A Review of League Positions.

(By "PENALTY-BULLY.")

DESPITE the whole-hearted and energetic efforts of the secretary, the English Ladies' Hockey League Association does not appear to be making the progress which was foreshadowed by its promoters when it was inaugurated last season.

As I pointed out when the movement started, the instigators appeared to be more concerned



MRS. HAYWOOD
(City Nomads).

with the arranging and playing of international and inter-league encounters rather than with a sincere attempt to raise the playing standard of its members.

This latter objective hardly lends itself to



hardly lends itself to the glamour which is to be obtained from the publicity of representative contests, but it certainly allows the movement to be built on a firm foundation which will withstand the vicissitudes to which such organisations are frequently subjected.

I do not wish to infer that representative and competitive games should not be undertaken by this body, but I do consider that it is a great mistake to form an association of this type without giving a thought to the education of its members.

Not Unduly Perturbed.

At the moment, the English Ladies' Hockey League executive are occupied with the arrangements for the match between a team of Lancashire players and a representative Glasgow XI, to be played in Glasgow, and whether we are to consider this an international encounter is not made quite clear.

I am aware, however, that while this "mock international" is being staged in Scotland, many of the clubs affiliated to the English body will be playing their inter-club matches, under the most elementary conditions—many even without an umpire.

While such conditions prevail among the rank and file, I contend that it is impossible to enthuse over such encounters as that which is to be played in Glasgow.

matches, and are a rapidly improving side, favour an open style of play.

Will Sheffield Ladies' Reserves descend to the third division? It certainly appears so at the moment.

The Law of Obstruction.

The struggle in Division 3 is most open with Sheffield Leopold "A" possessing one of the best records. Their defence—Misses Dawes and Lane are always conspicuous—is of more than ordinary merit, and few teams in the district have conceded less goals.

Steel, Peech, and Tozers and Banner Cross, in the fourth division, are two very evenly-matched sides. Each is determined to win promotion, along with Penistone. The two first-named are due to meet on March 25th.

"Rotherham Enthusiast" wishes to be enlightened respecting the rule of obstruction, and cites an instance where she was playing on the left wing, and although she "turned on the ball" when about to centre, no opponent was anywhere near, the umpire awarded a free hit against her. Was this correct?

If my correspondent's facts are true, there was obviously no infringement. As, however, I have previously mentioned, when attempting to elucidate these problems, one is at a great disadvantage in

played in Glasgow.

Small wonder, therefore, that the All-England Women's Hockey Association are not unduly perturbed at the activities of this newly-formed body who are attempting to emulate the governing association without undertaking any of the spade work.

...were sorted by their opponents.
GLASGOW AND DISTRICT LADIES' HOCKEY LEAGUE, 1; ENGLISH LADIES' HOCKEY ASSOCIATION, 2.—Played at Millburn Park, Alexandria. The visitors took the lead after twenty-five minutes' play through A. Hawkins (Manchester), and five minutes later M. Laird (Dumbarton Academy) equalised, following good play by Galbraith and Boyd. The visitors were the better side in the second half. They took the lead ten minutes after the restart through E. Rowcroft (Lancashire Central), and but for the brilliant display of V. Teviotdale (Linthouse) in the home goal they would have won by a larger margin.

Women's Hockey

INTERNATIONAL AT GLASGOW

Leyland Player's Part in English Victory

THE first of a new series of international matches was played on the old Renton ground, Glasgow, on Saturday, when a team representing the newly-formed English Ladies' League Hockey Association played the Scottish Association.

Three thousand enthusiastic spectators saw a rousing game. It had rained for two days and continued, and visibility, bad as it was at Jutland, did not interfere with the fighting spirit of the players.

Scotland kept up a strong pressure for 10 minutes. Then a good pass from Mrs. Burgess gave England possession, and Miss Hawkins, receiving, raced away, rounded the half-back, scooped the ball over the oncoming back's shoulder, followed up and scored brilliantly.

This goal roused the Scottish ladies to renewed efforts and Miss Crosbie equalised.

Miss Passmore, at right half, had played a wonderful game and was ably backed up by Mrs. Burgess, the pivot, and Miss Braslaw at back.

The half-time was 1-1 and the interval was relieved with the parade of a noted bagpipe band.

The second half started, like the first, with a strong Scottish attack, and on many occasions it was touch and go for the English goal, but Miss Braslaw, Mrs. Burgess, and the captain,

NEW INTERNATIONAL SERIES



English rivalry in games with Scotland found further expression in the match between two elevens representing the Women's Hockey Leagues of the two countries. Here is a group of the teams and officials taken at Preston Railway Station. Miss E. Rowcroft, the Balshaw's Grammar School O.G. centre forward, had a prominent share in the English victory.

cleared badly, when Miss Hawkins again intercepted and scored what proved to be the winning goal. England won 2-1.

Both sides played well throughout, perhaps Miss Rowcroft, the centre, from Leyland, was outstanding. While not scoring, she kept her forwards well together and was always in the thick of the fight.

The visiting team and the English visitors afterwards enjoyed the magnanimous hospitality of Scotland. The enthusiasm of some of the young Scottish lairds was unbounded. Mr. Wardrop made admirable arrangements.

It was announced that the Scottish League will send a representative eleven to England next season.

GLASGOW LEAGUE XI.

VISITORS TO BELFAST.

GAMES WITH INSTONIANS.

Instonians had as visitors to Bladon Drive, this afternoon, the Glasgow and District Ladies' Hockey League first and second XI's. These fixtures were in the nature of return matches, Instonians having been entertained last year by the Glasgow League.

Teams:—Instonians 1st XI.—Misses Dunsire, M'Donnell, M. Stewart, Kelly, M'Auley, Kilpatrick, Thompson, Murphy, Jardine, White, and M'Watters. Glasgow and District League 1st XI.—Misses Twiddale (Linthouse), Muir (Langside), E. Laird (Dumbarton), Aitcheson (Dumbarton), Strachan (Vale-of-Leven), Bullock (Vale-of-Leven), Smilie (Dumbarton), Crosbie (Eastbank), M. Laird (Dumbarton), Galbraith (Vale-of-Leven), Boyd (Dumbarton). Instonians 2nd XI.—Misses Swain, E. Stewart, M'Whirter, Groves, Moore, Hill, S. Winnington, Nicholl, G. Winnington, Jamieson, and Boomer. Glasgow and District League 2nd XI.—Misses Whyte (Hamilton), Carter (Im-

perial), Shanks (Hamilton), Shackleton, Farmer (Eastbank), Thompson (Dumbarton), Smith (Linthouse), Gourlay (Albion), Dunn (Guides), Duncan (Comptometer).

The firsts took the field at 2-45. The businesslike manner in which the Glasgow ladies took the play into Instonians half suggested an early score. Miss Galbraith, of Glasgow and Stewart, of Instonians, were outstanding. Half-time—No score.

Instonians opened up well, but poor finishing spoiled their efforts. Glasgow settling down, scored three goals in quick succession, per Galbraith (2) and Crosbie. Result:—Glasgow 3, Instonians 0.

LADIES' HOCKEY

SCOTTISH VISITORS

Glasgow League Teams to Play Instonians

Instonians 1st and 2nd teams will have Glasgow and District Ladies' Hockey League 1st and 2nd teams as visitors at Bladon Drive to-morrow at 2-30 and 3-30 p.m. Teams:—

Glasgow—Misses Twiddale (Linthouse), Whyte (Hamilton), Muir (Langside), Carter (Imperial), E. Laird (Dumbarton), Shanks (Hamilton), Aitcheson (Dumbarton), Strachan (Vale of Leven), Bullock (Vale of Leven), Shalleton, Farmer (Eastbank), Thomson (Dumbarton), Smith (Linthouse), Smilie (Dumbarton), Crosbie (Eastbank), Gourlay (Albion), Lagan, M. Laird (Dumbarton), Dunn (Guides), Boyd (Dumbarton), Galbraith (Vale of Leven), Duncan.

Instonians I.—Misses Dunsire, M'Donnell, M. Stewart, Kelly, M'Auley, Kilpatrick, Thompson, Murphy, Jardine, White, and M'Watters.

Instonians II.—Misses Swain, E. Stewart, M'Whirter, Groves, Moore, Hill, S. Winnington, G. Nicholl, R. Winnington, Jamieson, and Boomer.

Referees—Mr. R. Eannatyne (Glasgow) and Miss W. Nicholl (Belfast).

ULSTER WOMEN'S LEAGUE FINAL

The final of the 1st Division League Cup, Cregagh v. Instonians II., will be played at Riddel Hall, to-day, at 5-30 p.m. Teams:—

Cregagh—Misses Slean; M'Dowell (captain), M'Laurin; Saville, Campbell, Crawford; M'Gimpsey, M'Vea, Ervine, Henry and Barr.

Instonians II.—Misses Swain, E. Stewart, M'Whirter; Groves, Moore, Hill; Nicholl (captain), S. Winnington, R. Winnington, Jamieson and Boomer.

HOCKEY

English Women's Trial Game at Leyland

The English Women's Hockey Association final trial game on the Leyland Motors ground on Saturday afternoon produced some fast, interesting play between the England "Probables" and a side representative of the Lancashire Central Ladies' Hockey League, who were defeated 5-4. The winning goal was scored shortly before the finish.

For the winners M. Honour (goal), Mrs. Dillon and J. Dimmock, full backs, E. Raw, M. Mason, and D. Coke in the attack were seen to advantage. D. Male (goal), M. Wignall and M. Cox in the defence, and G. Mortimer, M. Cropper, M. Hocking did well for the league team.

HOCKEY PLAYERS' TEST

SCOTTISH RIVALS

The following team will represent the English Ladies' Hockey League's Association against the Scottish Ladies' Hockey League's Association in an international match to be played on the Diamond Ground, Litherland, Liverpool, on Saturday next, April 14th.

D. Male (Leyland Motors), Mrs. Dillon (Levers Campers), I. L. Dimmock (Longton) vice-captain; J. M. McManus (Levers Campers), J. Smith (Leyland Motors) (captain), D. Hill (Holt S.S.O.G.); G. Raw (Dick, Kerr's), A. Roberts (Dick, Kerr's), E. Rowcroft (Balshaws G.S.O.G.), M. Mason (Holt S.S.O.G.), M. Cropper (Hesketh Bank).

Last season in Glasgow the English team beat Scotland 2-1.

In Saturday's match there will be no fewer than seven players from the Lancashire Central League.

The final table in the hockey tournament organised by the English Ladies' Hockey League Association was as follows:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals		Pts.
					For	Ag.	
Association	6	6	0	0	24	0	12
Campers	6	5	0	1	19	5	10
Holcamb	6	4	0	2	17	10	8
Dick, Kerr's	6	3	3	0	16	18	6
Merseyside	6	1	1	4	5	10	3
Longton	6	1	1	4	6	24	3
Diamond	6	0	0	6	0	20	0

LEAGUE HOCKEY INTERNATIONAL

The return match between England and Scotland ladies' hockey leagues will be played on Diamond's ground, Moss-lane, Litherland, to-morrow, 3.0.

ENGLAND.—Miss D. Male (Leyland Motors); Mrs. Dillon (Port Sunlight); Miss I. L. Dimmock (vice-captain) (Manchester); Misses I. McManus (Campers), I. Smith (captain) (Leyland Motors), D. Hill (Holt S.S.O.G.); Misses D. Raw (Dick Kerr), D. Roberts (Dick Kerr), E. Rowcroft (Preston), M. Mason (Holt S.S.O.G.), M. Cropper (Hesketh Bank).
Reserves: Misses R. Garvey (Diamond) and D. Coke (Holt S.S.O.G.).

SCOTLAND.—Miss N. White (Hamilton); Misses E. Cornock (Vale of Leven), E. Laird (Dumbarton); Misses B. Brown (Vale of Leven), H. Strachan (Vale of Leven), M. Thomson (Dumbarton); Misses M. Smith (Linthouse), J. Dunn (Rangers), M. Laird (Dumbarton), M. Gourlay (Albion), M. Galbraith (Vale of Leven).
Reserve: Miss M. Duncan.

ENGLISH LADIES' HOCKEY LEAGUE

TEAMS FOR ENGLAND v. SCOTLAND MATCH

The return ladies' hockey match between England and Scotland will be played on Diamond's ground, Moss-lane, Litherland, to-morrow, bully 3 o'clock. All the league matches are cancelled for the day. England visited Scotland in 1933 and won 2-1, and Scotland are out to reverse this decision. The teams, prior to the match, will visit the chief Liverpool stores, and also journey to Southport, where they will have lunch. In the evening they are being entertained to dinner, when there will be upwards of 70 in the party.

The teams are:—

ENGLAND.—Miss D. Male (Leyland Motors); Mrs. Dillon (Port Sunlight); Miss I. L. Dimmock (vice-captain) (Manchester); Misses I. McManus (Campers), I. Smith (captain) (Leyland Motors), D. Hill (Holt S.S.O.G.); Misses D. Raw (Dick Kerr), D. Roberts (Dick Kerr), E. Rowcroft (Preston), M. Mason (Holt S.S.O.G.), M. Cropper (Hesketh Bank).
Reserves: Misses R. Garvey (Diamond) and D. Coke (Holt S.S.O.G.).

SCOTLAND.—Miss N. White (Hamilton); Misses E. Cornock (Vale of Leven), E. Laird (Dumbarton); Misses B. Brown (Vale of Leven), H. Strachan (Vale of Leven), M. Thomson (Dumbarton); Misses M. Smith (Linthouse), J. Dunn (Rangers), M. Laird (Dumbarton), M. Gourlay (Albion), M. Galbraith (Vale of Leven).
Reserve: Miss M. Duncan.

INTER-LEAGUE HOCKEY

ENGLAND BEAT SCOTLAND AT LITHERLAND

At Litherland representative teams from the English and Scottish leagues were in opposition on Saturday, England winning 3-1. A Liverpool player, Miss Mason (Holt S.S.O.G.), scored all three goals. It was a remarkable finale, the goals being scored in the last seven minutes. Scotland gained their only goal in the first quarter of an hour through the centre-forward, Miss M. Laird. The Scottish constructive play was a bright spot in the early stages, but no sooner had they taken the lead than the English rearguards turned the game right round, and the Scots' goal was subjected to a long sustained peppering which found England woefully weak in finishing off the excellent right wing efforts of Miss Raw and Miss Roberts.

Miss White, the Scots' custodian, and Miss Cornock, at left back, played a sparkling defence, and with the English forwards getting in each other's way through over-eagerness, the visitors' citadel had a charmed life, and they still held the interval lead.

Miss Dimmock and Mrs. Dillon were a steady pair of England backs in the second half, keeping at bay the strong advances of the Scots' right wing, in which Miss Dunn

was prominent, and Misses Smith and McManus did some pretty half-back work for the home team.

Snap Shots

The ball was swung about freely and at a vigorous pace, with neither side gaining much advantage until Miss Mason equalised after strong pressure, and to accept a pass from Miss McManus a minute later and snap in the leading goal. With Miss Roberts and Miss Roweroft showing excellent ball control, the English side played the best hockey of the match in these concluding minutes, the team working as if on a string, and Miss Mason's third goal from her outstanding inside-left play was almost a foregone conclusion.

ENGLAND.—Miss D. Male (Leyland Motors); Mrs. Dillon (Port Sunlight), Miss I. L. Dimmock (vice-captain) (Manchester); Misses I. McManus (Campers), I. Smith (captain) (Leyland Motors), D. Hill (Holt S.S.O.G.); Misses D. Raw (Dick, Kerr), D. Roberts (Dick, Kerr), E. Roweroft (Preston), M. Mason (Holt S.S.O.G.), M. Cropper (Hesketh Bank).
Reserves: Misses R. Garvey (Diamond) and D. Coke (Holt S.S.O.G.).

SCOTLAND.—Miss N. White (Hamilton); Misses E. Cornock (Vale of Leven), E. Laird (Dumbarton); Misses B. Brown (Vale of Leven), H. Strachan (Vale of Leven), M. Thomson (Dumbarton); Misses M. Smith (Linthouse), J. Dunn (Rangers), M. Laird (Dumbarton), M. Gourlay (Albion), M. Galbraith (Vale of Leven).

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ENGLISH HOCKEY LEAGUE SIDE

Local Women's League hockey will be represented in good force in Scotland to-morrow, when an eleven representative of the English Hockey Leagues' Association go to Glasgow to meet a Scottish side. The Liverpool League has an excellent share in the English fortune with five selections, the remainder being drawn from the mid-Lancashire organisations. The train leaves Lime-street at 12.45 to-night, returning from Glasgow at 11.5 p.m. to-morrow.

The England team is:—Miss Male (Leyland Motors); Mrs. Dillon (Port Sunlight), Wignall (Loughton); McManus (Port Sunlight), Smith (capt.) (Leyland Motors), Mrs. Browne (Behington St. Andrew's); Raw, Roberts (Dick, Kerr), Norris (Loughton), Mason (Holt S.S.O.G.), Greenwood (Shell Mex). Reserve: Waterhouse (Blackburn). Team manager, Miss Coggins (Liverpool League).

HOCKEY

INTER-LEAGUE MATCH AT DUMBARTON

GLASGOW AND DISTRICT LADIES LEAGUE, 1:
ENGLISH LADIES LEAGUE, 4

The match between teams representative of the Glasgow and District Women's Hockey League and the English Women's Hockey League, played at Boghead, Dumbarton, on Saturday, attracted an attendance of about 1500. It was a fast game, but on the run of play the English visitors were worth their 4-1 win. Their attack combined better than that of the Scottish side.

The first half was contested on fairly equal terms, but it was mainly good work on the part of the Scottish defenders that kept the score nil till near the interval. A shot by Miss Raw went towards goal, and a misunderstanding on the part of the home backs gave Miss Greenwood an opening to score at close quarters. The second half was not long gone when the equaliser came from a penalty bully scored by Miss M. Laird. Miss Roberts, during a scrimmage in front of the Scottish goal, lifted the ball towards the top of the net. The home half-backs were unable to cope with the tactics of the English women, and too much was left to the rear line. Miss Roberts again netted, and the fourth goal for the visitors was scored by Miss Raw.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

INTER-LEAGUE GAME AT DUMBARTON

*Glasgow and District League, 1; English
Ladies League, 4*

The match between teams representative of the Glasgow and District Ladies' Hockey League and the English Ladies' Hockey League played at Boghead, Dumbarton on Saturday afternoon proved a decided attraction, the attendance being in the vicinity of 1500. It was a fast game, but on the run of play the English visitors were worthy victors.

The first half was contested on fairly equal terms, but it was mainly good work on the part of the Scottish defenders that kept the visitors from scoring till near the interval. Then a shot by Miss Raw went towards goal and a misunderstanding on the part of the home backs gave Miss Greenwood an opening to score.

Early in the second half Miss M. Laird levelled the scores. The teams were not long on even terms, Miss Roberts lifting the ball to the top of the net. Miss Roberts again scored, and the fourth goal for the visitors was got by Miss Raw. Teams:—

GLASGOW AND DISTRICT LEAGUE—F. Telfer (46th Rangers); B. Low (Dumbarton) and E. Laird (Dumbarton); P. Saunders (Ruchill); B. Brown (Vale of Leven); and B. McCaskill (46th Rangers); E. McEby (Dumbarton) and J. Dougall (Dumbarton); W. Crosby (Lambank Academy) and N. Boyd (Dumbarton).

ENGLISH LADIES LEAGUE—M. Male (Leyside); Mrs. Dixon (Port Sunlight) and M. Wignall (Longton); J. M. Mason (Port Sunlight); J. Smith (Leyside); and Mrs. Brown (Babington); M. Bow (Dick Kerr's) and B. Roberts (Dick Kerr's); Miss Norris (Longton); M. Mason (Holt S.S.O.G.) and Miss Greenwood (Shell Mex).

Umpire—Mr. R. G. K. Barrington (Glasgow).

English Ladies' Hockey Leagues Team



The English Ladies' Hockey Leagues Association team went to Glasgow and won by 4-1, and they feel that the turning in the long lane of luck and recognition has now come within their view. Here is the charming team that went to Scotland—Back: Mrs. E. Dillon, Misses McManus (Port Sunlight), Male (Leyland Motors), Brown (Bebington), Wignall (Howick), Smith (Leyland Motors). Front: Misses Raw (Howick), Roberts (Howick), M. D. Coggins (team manager), Norris (Dick Kerrs), M. Mason (Holt Secondary School Old Girls), Greenwood (Shell Mex).

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HOCKEY

ENGLISH LEAGUE v. SCOTTISH LEAGUE

At Litherland. England pressed hard in the opening stages and just failed to pierce the Scots goal, but Miss Laird, the Scotland centre-forward, led a very fast forward line.

After ten minutes Miss Laird opened the scoring despite the fact that Miss Rutter, in the English goal, saved some brilliant shots. England were well represented by Miss Mason and Miss Greenwood, who made a prominent left wing, but it was not until the second half that Miss Mason raced away and equalised for England with an outstanding shot.

A very even game followed, but the hockey was rather desultory, although Mrs. Brown, the English left-half, kept the strong Scotland attack at bay. The English forward line was not too well balanced and missed several chances.

Final.—England 1, Scotland 1.

HOCKEY

ENGLISH LEAGUE v. SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Women's national league hockey at Diamond's enclosure, Litherland, resulted in a 1-1 draw, only Miss Rutter's brilliant goal-keeping saving the situation for the English side in the first half. The Scots scored in the first 10 minutes through Miss Laird, but subsequent attacking found the English defence proof against all comers by a sterling display, Mrs. Dillon at right back marking her opposing wings in capital style. On the English left wing Misses Greenwood and Mason were speedy and sure, but the forward line as a whole was not well balanced.

The second half saw England brightening up to more concerted attacking. Much of the pressure was due to Mrs. Browne's outstanding play at left half. Within a few minutes of the change-over Miss Mason raced away to register an equaliser. There was a spirited interchange of courtesies for the remainder of the play. A weak linking at centre forward and on the right wing, apart from Miss Bell, prevented England from taking the lead, and the game ended in a triumph for the respective defences.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.—Miss Rutter (Liverpool Trams); Mrs. Dillon (Port Sunlight), Miss Wignall (Longton); Miss McManus (Port Sunlight), Miss Nuttall (Horwich), Mrs. Browne (Bebington St. Andrew's); Miss McKnight (Ogden's), Miss Bell (Baishaw's), Mrs. Bannister (Leyland), Miss Mason (Holt S.S.O.G.), Miss Greenwood (Shell Mex).

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.—Miss Kerr (Comptometer); Miss Lowe (Dumbarton), Miss Maillie (Clydebank); Miss Boyd (Dumbarton), Miss Brown (Vale of Leven); Miss Cooper (Dumbarton), Miss McLennan (Ruehill), Miss Dougall (Dumbarton), Miss Laird (Dumbarton), Miss Dunne (46th Rangers), Miss Pollock (46th Rangers).



...Balshaw 3, F. Bell 2, E. ...
 Leyland Motors 0, Longton 4, M. ...
 ...Little, B. E. Withnell; Gowers ...
 ...Stinson, E. Helm; Horwich ...
 ...A. A. Church 2, I. Green, W. Nuttall ...
 ...Preston and District 4, C. ...
 ...D. Higby, G. Standfield; Dick ...
 ...E. Rasm, P. Gibson; Horwich ...
 ...H. B. Lindsay Wesley; B. Dainoff ...
 ...Darwen II, G. L. Anderson 2 ...
 ...M. Baxter; Emmanuel 1, N. ...
 ...British Tyre and R. Co. 12 (A. Pyle ...
 ...A. M. Norris 2), St. Cuthbert's II, 1

WEATHER vagaries and sickness have considerably prolonged the season of Lancashire Central Women's Hockey League, and most of the clubs have a heavy programme before them. County Boys and Leyland Wesley II actually met twice against each other in one season.

The League table, however, does not give any indication of potential champions. The Division I championship has been won by Balshaw's II, who head the table with a convincing margin. They have not conceded a point since October 24th. They are thus back again in the First Division since last season's absence.

In Division I, Leyland Motors lost a good chance on Saturday when they were beaten by Balshaw's G.B.O.G. Dick Kerr's are at present third in the table with five points from the three matches which they hold in hand of the leaders. Leyland Wesleyans have advanced in Division II and should have beaten Balshaw II on Saturday, by more than one

goal. B. Hocking was outstanding in defence.

The annual inter-league game between Scotland and Lancashire takes place on April 24th, in Scotland. The Lancashire representing the English League includes two Lancashire Central League players, five Liverpool and four Stockport players complete the team. In view of the results of the two trials this selection is peculiar.

The first Liverpool League v. Lancashire Central resulted in the latter winning 4-1. In the second trial in which a combined Liverpool and Lancashire Central team opposed the Stockport League team, the Stockport side were successful.

Consideration may have been experienced among the selectors when at the recent tournament in which the Liverpool, Stockport, Leigh and the North Cheshire Leagues competed, a Lancashire Central side, which was well below the usual playing strength, won the E. S. Caley trophy, and at the conclusion of the competition beat the chosen English League side 1-0.

DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Ag.	Pts.
Balshaw's O.G.	16	12	2	2	52	25	26
Leyland Motors	15	11	1	3	61	22	23
Dick Kerr's	13	11	0	2	51	20	22
Longton	12	8	2	3	55	29	18
Horwich L.M.S.	14	5	2	6	45	39	14
Darwen	14	6	0	8	48	63	12
Old Chorleians	15	5	2	9	38	66	12
Gloucestershire	14	2	1	11	16	90	5

DIVISION II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Ag.	Pts.
Balsh's O.G. II	18	15	2	1	66	14	32
Ptn. St. Cuth.	14	10	0	4	44	25	20
Preston & Dist.	15	9	2	4	52	24	20
Dick Kerr's II	15	9	2	4	41	30	19
Whitby C.M.H.	15	7	1	7	56	40	15
Leyland Wesley	16	6	1	9	34	48	13
Itchen L.M.S. II	13	5	2	6	25	28	12
Brook Mill	17	5	1	11	29	74	11
Leyland M. II	14	5	0	9	31	41	10
Whitby-le-Woods	15	0	2	13	16	73	2

DIVISION III.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Ag.	Pts.
Brit. T. & R. Co.	23	12	2	1	93	28	26
Darwen II	22	13	0	4	68	26	26
County Offices	14	12	1	1	105	20	25
Ensign Lamps	14	9	0	5	51	50	18
Preston Gas. Co.	12	6	1	5	31	61	13
Ptn. Emmanuel	15	6	1	8	57	43	13
Preston S. Ley	13	5	0	7	35	38	12
Ptn. St. Cuth. II	15	4	1	10	39	50	9
Leyland Wes. II	14	3	0	11	8	106	6
Ley'd St. Mary's	18	0	0	18	5	62	0

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Hockey Notes and Tables

PRESTON and DISTRICT played one girl in both of matches with Division II of the Lancashire Central Hockey League on Saturday but the forward line, although composed effectively, was not so good as that of the Birmingham side which allowed St. Cuthbert's to score a goal. In Division III, the County Offices, by their victory over Preston Steam Laundry, won the championship. Although this is the first year of the club's formation, they had a highly successful season, and have been fortunate in possessing a player of the capabilities of K. Napp. In Division II, Emmanuel defeated St. Cuthbert's II, N. Cuerden amassing seven.



Prominent in Dick Kerr's team—Miss Roberts (left), Miss Kirkbride, and Miss Edwards.

A match that commands the interest of hockey clubs—between the Scottish and English Leagues—will take place on Saturday at Messrs. Templeton's Recreation Ground, Stonelaw Dove, Rutherglen, Glasgow. The two teams are:—
 English League—F. Ritter (Liverpool), E. Dillon (Port Sunlight), E. Goodair (Cheadle Heath), T. Passmore (Stockport), A. Brown (Cheadle Heath), E. Brewne (Bebington), L. McKnight (Ogden), A. Roberts (Dick Kerr), H. Rees (Olympic), M. Clarke (Olympic), D. Edwards (Dick Kerr's), D. Male (Leyland Motors), M. Napp (Longton), E. Kirkbride (Dick Kerr), W. Nuttall (Horwich L.M.S.), A. Brown (Cheadle Heath).

League side from that which drew at Liverpool last season—goal and left inner. In the English side there are seven changes.

DIVISION II.							
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A. Pts.	
Balshaw's O.G. II	18	15	2	1	66	14	32
Preston St. Cuth.	16	11	0	5	46	28	22
Preston and Dist.	18	10	2	6	55	31	22
Dick Kerr's II.	17	9	1	7	41	26	19
Whittingham	18	9	1	8	67	42	19
Horwich L.M.S. II	16	7	2	7	30	31	16
Leyland Wesley	17	7	1	9	34	46	15
Brook Mill	17	5	1	11	27	74	11
Leyland M. II.	15	5	0	16	31	48	10
Whittle-le-Woods	15	1	2	13	16	73	4

DIVISION III.							
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A. Pts.	
County Offices	17	15	1	1	115	22	31
Darwen II.	18	14	0	4	71	28	28
British Tyres	16	12	2	2	93	30	26
Ensign Lamps	15	9	0	6	53	53	18
Preston Gas Co.	14	7	1	6	36	65	15
Prest. Emmanuel	17	7	1	9	68	45	15
Preston Steam L.	15	6	0	9	44	35	12
Preston St. Cuth.	17	4	1	12	40	89	9
Leyland Wesley	14	3	0	11	9	105	6
Leyland St Mary's	18	0	0	18	5	62	0

Scottish League.—Mrs. Couston (Greyfriars), Miss Lowe (Dumbarton Academical), Miss Maillie (Clydebank High F.P.), Boyd (Dumbarton Acc. F.P.), Miss Coupar (Vale of Leven), Miss Coupar (Dumbarton Acc. F.P.), Miss McLellan (Cheadle Church), Miss Dougal (Dumbarton Acc. F.P.), Miss M. Laird (Dumbarton Acc. F.P.), Miss R. Maxwell (Dumbarton Acc. F.P.), Miss Pollock (46th Rangers), Reserves: The Misses Sutherland (Knightswood T.A.), Harrington (Clydebank), Murray (Linthouse), Tied-Pratt (Vale of Leven F.D.), Gourlay (Albion Motors), and Atkin (Cambridge F.P.). There are two changes in the Scottish

Leyland Wesley	14	3	0	11	9	105	6
Leyland St Mary's	18	0	0	18	5	62	0

LANCASHIRE CENTRAL WOMEN'S HOCKEY LEAGUE.

DIVISION II
 St. Cuthbert's } (P. Clarkson), Whittingham C.M.H. 0; Preston and District 0, Horwich L.M.S. 1 (M. Syddall); Horwich L.M.S. 5 (M. Syddall 3, F. Ashworth, T. Green); Preston and District 0.

DIVISION III.
 St. Cuthbert's II. 1 (D. Heald), Emmanuel 9 (N. Cuerden 7, N. Richmond, B. Ingham); St. Cuthbert's II. 0, Preston Steam Laundry 8 (M. Nolan 4, A. Nickeas 4); Preston Steam Laundry 1 (A. Nickeas), County Offices 7 (K. Mapp 5, J. Darbyshire 2).

Hockey Notes and Tables

LANCASHIRE CENTRAL LADIES' HOCKEY LEAGUE.

Division II.—Leyland Wesley 3 (B. Damp 2, E. Harper), Leyland Motors II 2 (C. Eastham, A. Sutton); Leyland Motors II 2 (L. Preston, M. Mutch); Horwich II 1 (M. Sydall); Whittle-le-Woods 0, Preston St. Guthbert's 5 (P. Clarkson 2, D. Heald, F. Proctor, J. Roberts).

Division III.—British Tyre and Rubber Co. 1 (A. Pyle), Leyland Wesley II 0, Preston Gas Co. 5 (C. Greenhalgh 3, B. Bagguley 2), Ensign Lamps 0.

A TEAM composed of players from the Liverpool, Stockport and Lancashire Women's Hockey Leagues represented England and drew 3-3 with a Scottish representative side at Rutherglen, Glasgow. It was not long before England were attacking. E. Edwards, Dick, Kerr's, ran hard to meet a pass from L. M'Knight, but the ball travelled too fast for her and went wide. L. M'Knight was a persistent menace, and it was not surprising when she scored for the visitors after only five minutes' play.

A. Roberts, Dick, Kerr's, was the instigator of the movement. The home team were undismayed by their reverse, in fact, it spurred them on, and they equalised through J. Dougall, right-inside, after 20 minutes. Goals then followed fast. H. Rees, the English centre, gave England a lead which was short-lived, M. Laird again levelling the scores. The English girls were great triers, and their efforts were rewarded three minutes from the interval with a good goal by the Preston girl, A. Roberts.

Again England lost their lead, R. Maxwell scoring. When A. Roberts was injured, and although she returned her play was obviously affected by her accident. J. Couston, the home goalkeeper, saved brilliantly several times when the English forwards were trying hard to get the winning goal. E. Edwards broke away, beat three opponents, but was robbed in the circle. When the final came Scotland were attacking strongly.

In the Lancashire Central League (Division II.) Leyland Wesley won after being twice in arrears. A. Damp was an outstanding player. British Tyre and Rubber Co., by defeating Leyland Wesley II., became runners-up in Division III., only one point behind the leaders.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals		Pts.
					F.	A.	
Balshw's G.S.O.G.	18	15	2	1	66	14	32
Preston St. Cuth.	17	12	0	5	51	28	24
Preston and Dist.	18	10	2	6	55	31	22
Dick Kerr's II.	17	9	1	7	41	26	19
Whittham C.M.H.	18	9	1	8	67	42	19
Leyland Wesley	18	8	1	9	37	46	17
Horwich L.M.S. II	17	7	2	8	31	33	16
Leyland M. II.	17	6	0	11	35	32	12
Brook Mill	17	5	1	11	27	74	11
Whittle-le-Woods	16	1	2	14	15	78	4

DIVISION III.							
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
County Offices	17	15	1	1	115	22	31
British Tyres	18	14	2	2	94	30	30
Darwen II.	18	14	0	4	71	28	28
Ensign Lamps	18	10	1	7	58	58	21
Preston Gas Co.	17	9	1	7	41	65	19
Prest. Emmanuel	17	7	1	9	68	45	15
Preston Steam L.	16	7	0	9	44	35	14
Preston St. Cuth.	17	4	1	12	40	89	9
Leyland Wesley	18	3	1	14	9	106	6
Leyland St. M.	18	0	0	18	5	67	0

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HOCKEY RIVALRY

Preston and District Players in English Team

Teams representing the English and Scottish Hockey Leagues will meet to-morrow at Cheadle Heath. Lancashire Central have five players in the English XI. M. Wignall, P. Bate, D. Edwards, F. Bell and A. Roberts, with F. Martin reserve. These annual clashes are worth while. A brilliantly contested game is always seen and enthusiasm ranks high. The last two have been drawn.

The respective teams are much changed from those of the previous meeting at Glasgow, five newcomers being included in each side. Of these M. Wignall and F. Bell have been "capped."

P. Bate, who will lead the English attack, is the freely-scoring centre-forward of Dick, Kerr's (Preston) and the Lancashire Centre Inter-League XI.

WOMEN'S INTER-LEAGUE HOCKEY

ENGLISH SIDE DEFEATS SCOTTISH ELEVEN

At Cheadle Heath, where the English Women's Leagues XI. defeated the Scottish Leagues team by 2-0, the goals were scored in the first half by Miss Roberts, who played a brilliant game at inside right. The Scottish backs, particularly Miss Robson, staved off many potential goals. In the first five minutes the English forwards swept down, forcing a succession of penalty corners, but a full quarter elapsed before Miss Roberts scored. The English players were quicker on the ball. Much of the pressure was due to Miss Passmore and Mrs. Browne as wing halves, and Miss Goodsir, the right back, who covered up in excellent fashion.

Scotland could not get going apart from a few sorties by the inside forwards. On the other hand, Miss Couston, the Scots' custodian, played a great game until Miss Roberts banged another drive home.

The same conditions prevailed in the second half with the exception that Scotland rallied her forces for a spell, Miss Murray being a tower of strength at centre half. But the attack was not sustained.

Misses Rodger and Roberts were always outstanding, and Misses Bell and Edwards did

outstanding, and Misses Bell and Edwards did a lot of neat and quiet work. Bunching in the circle foiled Miss Bates of converting some brave attempts. Despite being the superior side in all departments, England did not deserve a bigger margin owing to the lack of cohesion.

ENGLISH LEAGUES XI.—Misses Monks (Leigh); Goodsir (Stockport), Wignall (Lancashire Central); Passmore (Stockport), Oldham (Stockport), Mrs. Browne (Liverpool); Misses Rodger (Liverpool), Roberts (Lancashire Central), Bate (Lancashire Central), Bell (Lancashire Central), Edwards (Lancashire Central).

SCOTTISH LEAGUES XI.—Misses Couston (Gryffars); Robson (Templeton), Maillie (Clydebank); Boyd (Dumbarton), Murray (Linhouse), Couper (Dumbarton); Tidd-Pratt (Vale of Leven), McCormick (Templeton), Gourlay (Albion), Laird (Dumbarton), Pollock (46th Rangers).

English Leagues 2 (A. Roberts 2), Scottish League 0.

DIVISION I.

St. Cuthbert's 1 (P. Proctor), Darwen 6 (H. D. Barber 2, B. Lees 2, M. Bentley, A. Pickup).

LANCASHIRE Central League, who were honoured by having five players in last Saturday's English League's side, have now a further distinction. Two local players are chosen in the English League Reserves XI who will play the Northern Ireland Ladies' Hockey Union on Easter Monday at Liverpool. They are F. Martin (who will captain the English team) and C. Eastham.

The team will be:—D. Brown (Albert Mills and Stockport League); Mrs. E. Dillon (Port Sunlight and Liverpool League); M. Morris (Port Sunlight and Liverpool League); H. Corless (Old Ashtonians and Wigan League); F. Martin (Dick, Kerr's and Lancashire Central) (captain); J. Tierney (Port Sunlight and Liverpool League); C. Eastham (Leyland Motors and Lancashire Central League); A. Boulton (Cheadle Heath and Stockport League); H. Rees (Olympic and Liverpool League); M. Bishop (Old Ashtonians and Wigan League); J. Boyer (Cambridge and Liverpool League).

The following teams have been selected to represent Lancashire Central League at the association tournaments at Howebridge, Atherton, on Saturday:—

Lancashire Central League "A."—M. E. Helme (Preston and District); J. Taylor (Leyland Motors); M. Wignall (Dick, Kerr's); M. Ashcroft (Dick, Kerr's); F. Martin (Dick, Kerr's); C. Marshall (Dick, Kerr's); C. Eastham (Leyland Motors); A. Roberts (Leyland Motors); P. Bate (Dick, Kerr's); N. Pemberton (Dick, Kerr's); D. Edwards (Dick, Kerr's).

Lancashire Central League "B."—D. Male (Leyland Motors); A. Sharples (Longridge); A. Thornton (Balshaw's G.S.O.G.); E. Blackledge (Blackburn Technical College); M. B. Wilkinson (Balshaw's G.S.O.G.); A. N. Other; H. Boyce (Leyland Motors); E. Cross (Balshaw's G.S.O.G.); J. Glover (Brook Mill); K. Mapp (Lancashire County Offices); M. Donnelly (Ensign Lamps).

Reserves: M. Wilding (Blackburn Technical College); F. Divine (Brook Mill).

In this competition last year Lancashire Central were undefeated on the day's play and gained the right to hold the E. S. Caley Trophy for one year. Twelve representative league sides will compete this year—two teams from Lancashire Central, Liverpool, Leigh, Wigan and Stockport Leagues and one each from North Cheshire and Bolton.

	Goals				Pts.
	P.	W.	D.	L.	
Balshaw's G.S. 'A'	18	16	0	2	88
Dick, Kerr's	17	15	1	1	73
Leyland Motors	16	13	0	3	96
Horwich L.M.S.	16	9	2	5	46
Darwen	17	8	1	10	54
Old Chorleams	18	7	1	10	37
Balshaw's G.S. 'B'	18	6	2	10	35
Preston & Dist.	15	2	1	12	22
Preston St. Cuth.	16	2	1	13	20
Winckley-sq. O.G.	17	1	1	15	22

DIVISION III.

Blackburn Technical College 5 (E. Blackledge 3, K. Kenyon 2), Ensign 1 (H. Shepherd).

Siemen's Lamps	16	16	0	0	120
Blackburn T.C.	15	13	0	2	86
Longridge	16	11	0	5	75
Lanes Insurance	15	8	0	7	53
Ensign Lamps	16	8	0	8	92
Brook Mill II.	15	4	1	10	37
Preston & Dis. II.	13	3	2	8	28
P'n St. Cuthb'ts	14	3	0	11	22
P'ton S. Laundry	16	1	1	14	21

PUTTING HOCKEY ON ST MAP

International League Match

Och, mon, have ye no seen the Scots invasion of Stockport on Saturday.

If you saw two or three bonny kneed fellows wearing kilts and sporrans, surrounded by a number of pretty girls and did not know what it was all about let me tell you, writes an "Advertiser" reporter.

On Saturday Stockport was the venue of the Ladies Hockey match between the Scottish League and the English League, and in the morning there arrived in the town a party of 40 Scottish Hockey enthusiasts from Glasgow.

After making their headquarters at Alma Lodge Hotel, the players were left for a rest after their long journey, but others of the party visited Woodrow's hat works, where the manager and members of the staff conducted them on a tour in which the whole process of hat manufacture was seen.

Amongst the visitors were Mr S. Gordon,

COMING TO THE FORE

Hockey was coming to the fore very much in Stockport in connection with the schools and works.

"For the men," he added, "we are interested in another game. Did we borrow it from Scotland? We do find that in our teams, men who have come from across the Border try to teach us English people how the game of Association should be played. We feel highly honoured that Stockport has been selected for this national match this afternoon," he said.

Mrs. Moores, of Liverpool, the President of the English League Hockey Association, replied, saying how much they appreciated the way the visitors had been received and invited to see the beautiful memorial. Many of them were not old enough to realise what the war was about, but they had the greatest respect for those who died in it.

"Our Scottish friends were happy that Mr. Barnes arranged the match for Stockport. To-day we shall put hockey on the map as far as Stockport is concerned," she added.

Stockport had three girls playing in the afternoon's match, and two more local girls were reserves.

Amongst the visitors were Mr S. Gordon, Chairman of the Stockport League; Miss M. Rigby, Secretary; Mr H. Barnes, Match Secretary; Mr H. Hulme, Referees' Secretary, who had made the arrangements for the visit to Stockport; Mr David Wilson, President of the Glasgow and District Ladies Hockey League; Mr George Harvey, Secretary; Mr R. G. K. Bannatyne, Match Secretary.

Mr Bannatyne, one of the Scotsmen who wore kilts, refereed the afternoon's match in that attire.

STOCKPORT'S FIRST

This is the first time an international League game has been played in Stockport.

The Scottish party were confident of giving the English girls a good game, although they have yet to beat the girls from this country. These matches have taken place for several seasons, one year in Scotland and the next in England.

From Woodrow's works the party was taken by motor coach to the Stockport War Memorial, where they were met by Alderman Henry Patten, J.P., Chairman of the Education Committee, and Mr Gerald Holgate, M.A., Director of Education.

In the Hall of Memory Miss Madge Laird, captain of the Scottish team, and Miss Alice Oldham, of Cheadle Heath Ladies, and captain of the English side, laid wreaths at the foot of the memorial statue. After viewing the exhibition of pictures the visitors had words of welcome addressed to them by Alderman Patten.

Speaking as Chairman of the Education Committee, the committee controlling the Memorial, he said it was fitting that visitors to the town for an important event such as they would be engaged in that afternoon should pay tribute to the men

were reserves.

ENGLAND BEATS SCOTLAND SATURDAY EVENING'S DANCE AT THE TOWN HALL

The match on Saturday at the Cheadle Heath sports ground between the English League and the Scottish League, which resulted in a 2-0 victory for the English side, was witnessed by what must have been the largest crowd to attend a hockey match in the North.

It soon became apparent that England had the superior side, although it could not be said that Scotland were outclassed; but the quickness of the English side in their passing often had the visitors a little non-plussed.

England were very well served by their two wingers, Miss Rodger (Liverpool) and Miss Edwards (Lancashire Central), especially Miss Rodger, who sent in many long passes from the wing. Excitement and over-enthusiasm prevented the English forwards from securing more goals. The honours for both goals were claimed by Miss Roberts (Lancashire Central). Both her scoring shots were terrific ones. Receiving the ball several yards away from the goal, which was crowded with attackers and defenders, she

who fell in the Great War.

"I am sure that coming here to-day and carrying out this act of laying wreaths will be very much appreciated by the people of Stockport, particularly by the relatives of the men who fell in the war," Alderman Patten added.

He told them that the building was erected by the public of Stockport, the money being raised by voluntary subscriptions, and cost £22,000, including the statuary in the Hall of Memory

drove the ball clean through the "melee" to open the score. The second she secured shortly before half-time with a shot which rose directly after she struck it, and it gave Mrs. Couston (Greyfriars) in goal no chance at all.

ENGLAND'S GOALKEEPER DOES WELL

Miss Monks (Leigh), goalkeeper for England, intercepted two or three dangerous moves, but her goals were seldom in danger.

Miss Passmore was very constructive at the right half position, and she fed her forwards well. Miss Oldham (captain), the Stockport player and centre half, gave an excellent performance, and Miss Gourlay, the opposing centre, had not much chance against her.

Mrs. Couston, the Scottish goalkeeper, did some fine work, and though she was well covered by Miss Maillie (Clydebank) and Miss Robson (Templeton United), the two backs, her accurate hitting prevented the score from rising. Miss McCormick (Templeton United), the inside right, probably had better chances than her team mates, but was unable to convert them. Teams:—

English **Hockey Leagues**. A. Monks (Leigh), E. Goodsir (Stockport), M. Wignall (Lancashire Central), J. Passmore (Stockport), A. Oldham (capt.) (Stockport), E. Browne (Liverpool), E. Rodger (Liverpool), A. Roberts (Lancashire Central), P. Bate (Lancashire Central), T. Bell (Lancashire Central), and Miss D. Edwards (Lancashire Central).

Scottish League: J. Couston (Greyfriars), H. Robson (Templeton United), M. Maillie (Clydebank), H. Byrd (Dumbarton), R. Murray (Linthouse), P. Couper (Dumbarton), M. Tidd-Pratt (Vale of Leven), N. McCormick (Templeton United), M. Gourlay (Albion), M. Laird (Dumbarton), and M. Pollock (46th Rangers).

THE PLAYERS AT TEA

After the match the official party was conveyed to the Stockport Co-operative Society's new cafe, Chestergate, where they had tea. When the meal was over, several interesting speeches were made.

Mrs. A. Moore, President of the English Association, made reference to the after-

Association, made reference to the afternoon's exciting game and said they had had a clean fight.

Mr. George Harvey, the Scottish secretary, paid special tribute to the wonderful arrangements which had been made for them, and he said they greatly appreciated the efforts to entertain them.

Mr. Rodger, Chairman of the English Association, thanked Messrs. Woodrow for allowing the teams to inspect their works, and also the Baker Street Mission Pipe Band for playing before and during the interval of the game.

The Scottish Captain (Miss M. Laird) said they had had a good game and observed that they still had something to learn from the English teams.

Miss A. Oldham, the English Captain, replying, said the Scottish team had taught them something.

STOCKPORT **LEAGUE'S** ANNUAL DANCE

The Stockport and District Women's **Hockey League** held their annual dance at the Town Hall on Saturday, and the official party attended. Over 650 people were present, and they took the floor to music by the New Lyricals dance band. The Mayor (Councillor H. Shepherdson, J.P.) and the Mayoress (Mrs. Shepherdson) were present for a short period. Special lighting effects mingling with gaily-coloured frocks made a delightful scene, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the event. A surprise item was some clever bagpipe playing by the Baker Street Y.P.M. Pipe Band, and they gave a demonstration of the well-known Scottish dances, in which many of the Scotch people present took part.

The duties of M.C. were efficiently carried out by Mr. F. Swift.



THE ENGLISH TEAM

Standing—Miss E. Rodger (Liverpool), Miss M. Wignall (Lancashire Central), Miss P. Bate (Lancashire Central), Mrs. E. Browne (Liverpool), Miss D. Edwards (Lancashire Central), Miss A. Monks (Leigh).
 Seated—Miss J. Passmore (Stockport), the Mayoress (Mrs. Shepherdson), Mrs. A. Moore (President of the English Association), Miss E. Goodsir (Stockport), Miss T. Bell (Lancashire Central).
 Kneeling—Miss A. Roberts (Lancashire Central, who scored both goals), Miss A. Oldham (Stockport, and captain).

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LADIES' HOCKEY.

NORTHERN IRELAND UNION.

ATTRACTIVE GLASGOW GAME.

The Northern Ireland Ladies' Hockey Union will likely commence its competitions early this season in view of the fact that it has engagements in England and Scotland.

The first will be with the Glasgow and District League at Glasgow on October 22. This is rather early from the point of view of selectors, but the Glasgow ladies are acting as hostesses to the team, and intend to show the members over the Exhibition, which, of course, will close at the end of that month. This is the reason for fixing the game so early in the season.

The second engagement, with an English League, comes later in the season, and with both in view there should be keen competition for places on the sides.

The Union is still open for new clubs, and application should be made to Mrs. Furniss, 19 Parkmount Road, Belfast.

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ULSTER LADIES' HOCKEY.

SCOTS TEAM FOR GLASGOW MATCH

The Glasgow and District team to meet the Northern Ireland Ladies' Hockey Union at Glasgow on Saturday next has been chosen as follows:—Mrs. Coulston (Greyfriars); Misses Robinson (Templeton), Lowe (Dumbarton); Boyd (Dumbarton), Murray (Linthouse), Couper (Dumbarton); M'Lennan (Ruchill), M'Cormick (Templeton), Gourley (Albion), Robertson (46th Rangers), Aiken (Coatbridge).

The umpires will be Mr. R. Logan (Glasgow) and Mr. Gordon (Belfast).

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

INTERNATIONAL MATCH

Northern Ireland Beaten in Glasgow

Scotland, 3; N. Ireland, 1

After a keen game Scotland gained a clever victory over Northern Ireland in the international game at Cathcart, Glasgow on Saturday. It was a fast, exciting match, and while Scotland's victory was a meritorious one, Northern Ireland gave a gallant display, and better cohesion among the forwards would have had its reward.

In the early stages Miss M'Kinstry kept the Irish forwards in action, but the attack was easily repulsed by the Scotland defence. End-to-end play ensued, then from a scramble Miss Atkin scored Scotland's first goal. The off-side rule was not observed by the home team's forwards, and this resulted in frequent frees and a loss of valuable time. The play continued very evenly, each defence being tested in turn, until half-time.

Play was resumed in a similar fashion, and a lucky shot secured Scotland's second goal. Ireland had two or three chances, but poor finishing in the circle kept the home goal intact. Following a roll-in and good understanding, Scotland secured their third goal. Although three goals down, the Irish side's bad luck was finally broken by Miss Scott, who scored their only goal. Ireland pressed strongly in the concluding stages of the game, but were unable to reduce the lead. Of the home side, Mrs. Couston and the Misses Lowe, Murray and Atkin were outstanding, while the Misses Tate,

outstanding, while the Misses Tate, Johnston, and M'Kinstry played a sound game for Northern Ireland. Teams:—

Northern Ireland—Misses V. Milligan (Excelsior), E. Weir (Excelsior), M. Tate (Belford), R. Arnesley (Forth River), P. Johnston (Bohemians), M. Dewar (Ballynure), D. Johnston (Bohemians), M. Scott (Ballynure), A. M'Kinstry (Ballynure), Mrs. M. French (Ballynure), Miss E. Campbell (Bohemians).

Scotland—Mrs. J. Couston (Greyfriars), Misses B. Robson (Templeton), B. Lowe (Dumbarton), H. Boyd (Dumbarton), R. Murray (Linthouse), P. Couper (Dumbarton), N. M'Lennan (Rochill), N. M'Cormick (Templeton), M. Gourlay (Albion), H. Robertson (46th Rangers), M. Atkin (Coatbridge). Referees—Mr. R. Logan (Glasgow) and Mr. W. Gordon (Belfast).

CIVIL WELCOME FOR TEAM

During their visit to Scotland the Northern Ireland team received a civic welcome in Glasgow, and toured the city, Loch Lomond, and the Empire Exhibition. On arrival in Glasgow the Irish team and officials were welcomed by Mr. D. Wilson (president), Mr. G. Harvey (secretary), and other officials of the Glasgow and District Ladies' Hockey Union, together with Mr. H. Barnes (chairman) and Mr. William B. Preston (hon. secretary), of the Liverpool Ladies' Hockey League. During the tour of the Glasgow City Chambers the Lord Provost (Sir John Stewart), who welcomed the visitors, said: "I have a warm spot in my heart for Northern Ireland, as Sir Crawford M'Cullagh is a great personal friend of mine."

LADIES' HOCKEY NOTES

By "Referee."

The Northern Ireland Ladies' Hockey Union team had a most enjoyable time in Glasgow last week-end. The party consisted of about thirty, and when they arrived in Glasgow they were welcomed by Mr. D. Wilson, president of the Glasgow and District Union; and Messrs. H. Barnes, chairman, and W. B. Preston, hon. secretary, of the Liverpool League, who went to Glasgow to see the game.

A visit was paid to the Glasgow City Chambers, where the party was received by the Lord Provost, Sir John Stewart. In his welcome to the Irish visitors he said he had a warm spot in his heart and for Sir Crawford M'Cullagh, who was his great personal friend.

Glasgow Corporation provided the buses for a tour of the city and then to Loch Lomond, but while the run was thoroughly enjoyed, a "Scotch Mist" most inappropriately hid much of the beautiful scenery.

PIPERS AND A'.

When the time came for the game at Weir's ground, Cathcart, there was a good attendance of spectators, and the teams were played on to the pitch by pipers.

The Irish team soon found the Scottish defence a big obstacle, and after some give-and-take play Miss Atkin

tish defence a big obstacle, and after some give-and-take play Miss Atkin scored for Scotland. This was the only goal of the half, the main feature of which was the penchant of the Scottish forwards for getting offside.

Scotland scored early in the second half and the Irish girls should at least have reduced the lead, but poor finishing in the circle was their undoing. It was only after Scotland's third goal that the Irish girls broke the bad luck, for Miss Scott scored quite a good goal, and from this until the finish they pressed without being able to again break the Scots' defence.

The outstanding players on the Irish side were Misses Tate, Johnston, and M'Kinstry, and on the Scots' team—Mrs. Couston, Misses Lowe, Murray and Atkin.

After the game the Glasgow League acted as hosts at the Empire Exhibition, on arrival at which the party was received by Captain S. J. Graham, general manager of the Exhibition, who placed a special guide at their disposal. This ensured that everything worth seeing in the short time at the disposal of the visitors was seen.

Back in Glasgow a meeting was held after supper, where the formation of an "International Ladies' Leagues' Association" was discussed, and the Northern Union at its next annual meeting will be asked to confirm the decisions.

The party on its return was tired but brought back very happy memories of its visit. They are loud in their praises of the arrangements made by the Glasgow League.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUES' ASSOCIATION.

Just before leaving this section of the notes I might say that there are many who will be interested in the proposal to form an "International Ladies League Association." It is to be presumed, although I must say candidly that I have no first-hand information, that this will be a body unaffiliated to the International Board. If it works out that the standard of hockey improves no one is likely to cavil at its existence. It is probable that the three bodies interested at the inauguration of the Association will be the Liverpool, Glasgow, and Northern Ireland Leagues.



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LEAGUES' CHAMPIONSHIP

English Visitors Too Strong for Ulster Team

England 7, Northern Ireland 0

A team representing the English Ladies' Leagues Association heavily defeated the Northern Ireland Ladies' Union at Bladon Drive, Belfast, yesterday. The Ulster girls were no match for their opponents who played good hockey and showed plenty of enterprise, scoring seven times without reply.

The visitors excelled in all departments, and their goal-keeper, Miss Monks, had a comparatively easy day. The Ulster side lacked combination and few of the players seemed to know when to give a pass. The Ulster goal-keeper relied too much on her stick for stopping shots. No one can accuse the Ulster girls, however, of not standing up to their opponents. They played hard and the game will have done them good.

Scorers for England were — Miss Chadwick 3, Miss Roberts 2, Miss Edwards 1 and Miss Kirknan 1. Best player on the field was Miss Roberts, the English right inner. Miss Kirknan was also impressive at left inner.

The match was one of a series between England, Ireland, and Scotland for a new Inter-League Championship, a cup for which has been presented by Mr. Arthur Moore, Liverpool. The teams were:—

Northern Ireland— Mrs. Henderson (Ballynure); Miss Weir (Excelsior), Miss Tate (Bedford); Miss Annesley (Forth River), Miss Johnston (Bohemians), Miss Dewart (Ballynure); Miss Johnston (Bohemians), Miss Scott (Ballynure), Miss M'Kinstry (Ballynure), Miss Blood (Bohemians), Miss Campbell (Bedford).

English League—The Misses Monks (Wigan); Goodser (Stockport) captain, Danson (Stockport); Passmore (Stockport), Watters (Leigh), Brown (Liverpool); Knight (Liverpool), Roberts (Lancashire Central), Chadwick (Wigan), Kirknan (Leigh), and Edwards (Lancashire Central).

Umpries—Mr. M'Cullough (Northern Ireland), Mr. Hume (England).

TO-DAY'S HOCKEY

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INTERNATIONAL INTER-LEAGUE GAME

Apart from the Yiverpool Women's League Cup finals, which will be decided next Saturday, the hockey season virtually finishes to-day, the clubs which have not already rung down the curtain playing-off their final fixtures.

There is, however, the most interesting women's inter-League encounter of the season at Cheadle Heath, when English and Scottish League interests make their annual clash. The English League's Association eleven is drawn entirely from Lancashire League organisations and appears to be a very well-balanced contingent, being particularly strong in the rearward divisions. Liverpool League has one representative in Mrs. Brown (Bebington St. Andrews), who plays at left half.

ENGLISH LEAGUES XI—Misses Monks (Wigan); Goodsir (Stockport); Danson (Stockport); Passmore (Stockport); Waters (Leigh); Mrs. Brown (Liverpool); Misses Knight (Stockport); Roberts (Lancashire Central); Chadwick (Wigan); Kirwan (Leigh); Edwards (Lancashire Central).

SCOTLAND—Misses Couston (Greyfriars); Robson (Templeton United); Lowe (Dumbarton Acad.); Boyd (Dumbarton Acad.); Warnock (F. Health Glasgow); Conger (Dumbarton Acad.); Waddell (Templeton United); McCormick (Templeton United); Gozley (Athies); Smillie (Dumbarton Acad.); Pollock (Airth Ballers).

A big social programme has been arranged for the Scots visitors, including a dance at Stockport Town Hall this evening. The match starts at 5 and access to Cheadle Heath sports ground, Cheltenham Road, is by bus from Mersey Square, Stockport, to Furness Arms, Cheadle Heath.

INTER-LEAGUE HOCKEY

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ENGLAND WOMEN BEAT SCOTTISH SIDE

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The English Ladies Hockey League Association representative team, which is drawn from Lancashire League associations, made a convincing victory at Cheadle in the annual match with the Scottish League XI., beating the Scots-women easily by 4-1.

It was virtually a first-half victory, the English side gaining a 3-goals lead before Scotland could produce a tardy reply. But although the home players maintained a constant pressure in the second period, only one further goal accrued; whereas had the inside forwards been more polished in their finishing, and as keen on the mark as their wingers, the score might have been doubled.

England can pay tribute to a couple of brilliant wing players working on opposite flanks, and some outstanding half-back and defensive work for their superiority. The remarkable speed of Miss Edwards on the left wing and the perfectly-angled centres of Miss Knight (also very fast) on the right, were

remarkable speed of Miss Edwards on the left wing and the perfectly-angled centres of Miss Knight (also very fast) on the right, were a feature of the home attacking movements, and some capital openings were engineered which should have produced more goals than were actually registered.

As it was, after a bustling type of opening goal by Miss Roberts, it was the wingers themselves who increased the lead, both Miss Edwards and Miss Knight sending in strong drives from acute angles, which non-plussed the Scots custodian.

Over-Eagerness

The Scotswomen put up a stout challenge and on one occasion Miss Monks, the English 'keeper, saved miraculously from a shot by Miss McCormick, and it was a good effort of Miss Smillie which eventually reduced the deficit. Over-eagerness seemed to be the Scots' undoing. Although playing a very hard game, they were not cohesive nor had much technique in their approaches, and proved an easy foil for Miss Passmore and Miss Brown, whose spoiling work as wing halves was so well conceived. Nor had they any chance against the sterling full-back defensive of Miss Goodsir. In fact, much of the superiority of the England attack was due to the very skilful handling and tactical distribution of Misses Goodsir and Passmore, and the feature was more marked in the second half, when, apart from Miss Knight registering from another oblique shot, England could do anything but score.

Scotland can thank Miss Boyd, their right half, for preserving the balance. She played a trojan game in helping her backs and keeping her forwards going, showing excellent stick work, while Miss Warnock was

stick work, while Miss Warnock was prominent at centre half in stemming the English centre and insides on occasion. Miss McCormick, the Scots' inside right, and Miss Gourlay, at centre, were tireless in trying to open out the attack, but the line was too disjointed and kept in a loose state by the smart English rearguards to be really dangerous. The visitors lost confidence in themselves and were outgeneralled in a game played at a surprising speed and with good ball control and stickwork generally.

ENGLISH LEAGUES XI.—Misses Monks (Wigan); Gooder (Stockport), Danson (Stockport); Passmore (Stockport), Waters (Leigh), Mrs. Browne (Liverpool); Misses Knight (Stockport), Roberts (Lancashire Central), Chadwick (Wigan), Kirkman (Leigh), Edwards (Lancashire Central).

SCOTLAND.—Misses Couston (Greyfriars); Robson (Templeton United), Lowe (Dumbarton Acads.); Boyd (Dumbarton Acads.), Warnock (P. Health, Glasgow), Couper (Dumbarton Acads.); Wardell (Templeton United), McCormick (Templeton United), Gourley (Aberdeen), Smillie (Dumbarton Acads.), Pollock (46th Rangers).