

There were no prizes awarded to anyone from Eastern Canada at the **1970 CLRG World Irish Dancing Championships** (held at Coláiste Mhuire in Parnell Square, Dublin, Ireland on May 1-2-3).

There were nine dancers from North America who competed in Solo championship events, three of whom were from Butler Academy (Laura Masters, Sheila Delaney and Geraldine Whelan) in Toronto.

Five other Butler Academy dancers joined Laura, Sheila and Geraldine to participate in the 8-Hand Ceili championship, making the Butler Academy the school with the largest North American entry at the inaugural event.

Butler Dancers Represent Canada In Irish Dances

A group of Irish dancers from the Butler Dance Academy are heading for Dublin, Ireland on May 1st., 2nd. and 3rd. to compete in the world's dance championships. This is the first world championship and dancers had to compete and qualify in All Ireland contests. The Butler dancers qualified in New York about a month ago. Some qualifying contests are still being held in Ireland, with one slated for April 24, 25 and 26.

The dancing is divided into different age groups. More entries from schools in Metro Toronto could come in but at press time, these were the only entries.



Off To Dublin Off to Dublin are (left to right) Sean O'Sullivan, Laura Masters, Ann McEleney, Bernadette Kelly, Tina Holden, Sheila Delaney, Geraldine Whelan, Patricia Harmon and Terry Fitzpatrick. They are holding the certificates which entitles them to enter the world's championship. (Photo - John Bradshaw)