

"WEARING OF THE GREEN" AT THE VATICAN

IRISH ATHLETES ON A PILGRIMAGE TO THE POPE; PIPER PLAYS ERIN'S NATIONAL ANTHEMS



AN IRISHMAN IN ONE OF THE OLDEST COSTUMES.

PERHAPS never in the history of the Vatican was such enthusiasm displayed as when the Irish pilgrimage, numbering about 200, recently tendered their homage and affection to the Holy Father on the occasion of his Jubilee.

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It was a beautiful morning when we set out from our hotels to meet at the portico of St. Peter's. On our arrival there, Dr. O'Flanagan, vice-rector of the Irish College, took charge of the assembly and headed by Mr. J. P. Nannetti, ex-Lord Mayor of Dublin, and Mr. Smith, president of the Catholic Young Men's Society (through whose kindness I was permitted to join the party), we marched to the Consistorial Hall, where the audience was to take place. Immediately preceding us was a band of Irish pipers, numbering about 200, recently tendered their homage and affection to the Holy Father on the occasion of his Jubilee.

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In the Presence of the Pope.

At last arriving at the center hall, or assembly-room, we quietly awaited the entrance of the Noble Guards, who were to usher us to the audience chamber. We had not long to wait and strictly at the appointed hour we found ourselves in the Consistorial Hall, ranged in two semi-circles.

The Pope entered accompanied by the Noble Guards, Monsignor, members of the court, and closely followed by Mons. Bissleti, Major-Domo of the Vatican, and Count Mario Castagne, Colonel of the Noble Guards. He received us with a kindly smile and the look of gentleness and benevolence which he cast on us at once dispelled the nervousness which one feels when he realizes he is being face to face with the acknowledged father of Christendom. His Holiness was dressed completely in white, wore a skull cap of the same color, had an emerald crucifix suspended from a gold chain round his neck. He advanced with a firm step to the head of our party, and after extending his hand and admitting each one to kiss his ring he took his place in the new Venetian throne.

After Dr. O'Flanagan explained to him the object of the pilgrimage, Mr. Nannetti, in behalf of the Dublin Corporation, and Mr. Smith, in behalf of the Catholic Young Men's Society, presented to him two beautifully engrossed addresses, expressing the congratulations of the Irish people on his sacerdotal jubilee.

Cheering His Holiness.

A hymn in Gaelic was then sung and three good, rousing Irish cheers seemed to rend the building in twain. Suddenly, as if by magic, were heard



IRISH ATHLETIC TEAM

smiling and blessing, retired. The pilgrims, meanwhile, feeling supremely happy, continued the grand demonstration of cheering and clapping, expressive of their great delight.

The rest of the day and nearly the entire week was spent under the directorship of the professors and students of the Irish College, the Irish Franciscans from the Convent of St. Isidore and the Christian Brothers, who showed us and lectured on the many points of interest through the famous Basilica of St. Peter's, the Vatican Library, the museums, St. Peter's Chapel, galleries, etc. It was indeed a time long to be remembered, and as one would say in the old land: "Sure, 'twas a great time for Ireland."

Athletes at the Vatican.

When Count de Carpegna, president of the central committee of the Catholic Athletic Club, and his colleagues last year announced the intention of arranging a series of international games to be held at the Vatican in honor of the Pope's Jubilee, the people thought the undertaking impossible, but with perseverance and diligence not only have they succeeded in carrying out their ideas, but have accomplished their task in a manner that has been a triumph to themselves and for the whole Catholic body.

The contests lasted three days and began at the early hour of 7 A. M. each day. With the exception of the hurdle races, which were held in the Vatican Gardens, they took place in the Cortile of the Belvedere, which was converted into a vast stadium for the occasion. The football matches were held in the grounds of the Roman Football Club.

The magnitude of the work undertaken by the committee will be evident from the fact that there were some 15 competitors from the various parts of Italy, 100 from France, and contingents from Ireland, Belgium, Switzerland and Canada. The contests passed off smoothly and the whole tournament was conducted in a



ST. PETER'S. THE VATICAN GARDENS TO THE LEFT. THE SMALLER TOWER IS THE CELEBRATED OBSERVATORY OF THE VATICAN.

sportsmanlike manner. The results were watched with keen interest each day by vast crowds of people from all parts of the world.

Ireland Carries Off the Honors.

Following so quickly on the wake of the Olympic games in London, where Ireland was shut out from competing owing to her flag not being recognized, it was a consolation indeed to the Irish people, and particularly to that great organization which has done so much for the Irish youth, namely, the Gaelic League.

The official results taken from the Observatory Romano, were as follows: "Ireland has carried off most of the honors, its representatives being distinctly superior to the other competitors. In the football match the Irish were also the victors and by their superior training and methods beat their opponents the Robur in Fede of Rome by 12 goals to all." Here are some of the final results:

Continental Football—Twelve teams competed. Results, Ireland 12, Italy 11. Other events decided were: 100 metres—Ireland first, Italy second, Belgium third. 300 metres—Ireland first, France second. Long jump—Ireland first and second. High jump—Ireland first and second. Hurdles—Ireland first, Ireland second, Canada third.

Gymnastics—Canada first, Ireland second.

The display of gymnastics was marvelously good. Two young men, Kirwin and Burke, of the Irish team, acquitted themselves excellently, and will without doubt play an important part in the world's future events.

Gymnastics Before the Pope.

Saturday, the closing day of the exhibition, was a day long to be remembered by the visitors, who were fortunate enough to gain admission to the stadium. The Cortile was decorated with flags, banners and laurel festoons. A temporary throne was erected, draped with cardinal velvet and adorned with Gobelin tapestries, and when the Holy Father took his place thereon, attended by the cardinal,

Secretary of State, Monsignor, members of the court, the Noble Guard, etc., the march past began, and the athletes delighted all with their fine deportment. Each contingent was headed by its own band playing its national airs.

His Holiness then turned to leave and a wonderful demonstration took place. The thousands cheered for the Pope. The athletes threw their caps in the air and the cheering and excitement continued until the carriage conveying the Holy Father disappeared through the arches leading to the Cortile of San Damaso. Then all quietly withdrew and the athletes paraded in military style to the front of St. Peter's and there disbanded.

Why Crime Is on the Increase

PORTLAND, Dec. 12.—(To the Editor.)—"In the name of God, what is the matter?" The matter is not in God at all, but in an outgrown, antiquated code of man-made laws. There is just one reason why crime and law-breaking increases, and that reason lies in the profit system. An analysis of the system proves it. Every act committed by society, whether good or bad, is traceable from cause to effect. If, being a farmer, have breechy stock, it is for some reason (cause) that my stock became breechy, "outlaws, holdups" (effect). Evidently my stock from sheer necessity (cause) looked across the fence (law), saw better pasture (opportunities), broke through the fence (effect) to reach the better pasture (cause). It was not bad stock, but bad conditions. Holdups come from environment (cause).

There is as little use to try to educate the people otherwise, as it would be to teach a pig table etiquette, and then put him in the sty for his meals where the big hog lies down in the trough. Why should not crime exist, "in this beautiful land of ours," when it is cursed with a system of production for profit, instead of being blessed with a system of production for use? We live under a holdup code of economics.

Why do some of us go hungry and starve when we produce more food than we can consume? Why do some of us have to go ragged and unclean when we make more clothing than we need to wear? Why do some of us have to suffer with cold and freeze, when we have more fuel than is necessary to keep us comfortable? Why do some of us have to walk when there are more than enough conveyances for all to ride? For the plain and simple reason of profit. The wages paid for the production of these same articles will not reimburse to the producers a sufficient amount to relieve their wants and allow for the exacted toll (profit). Or for the cause that some make a profit off the labor of others to the effect that some must be denied the necessities which their labor has produced.

Let us advise the reader to get some current Socialist literature, study the science of economy, and discover our ability to supply all our needs by a much easier, more perfect and harmonious way than by holdups. Holdups will cease when the cause that makes them profitable is destroyed and herein lies the secret of our social and economic ills. If, however, the enquirer be one of those who live off the holdups (profits) of the labor of others, her eyes may be "holden" and she with others, for similar reasons, will not discover economic righteousness (rightness).

We will by force (cause) continue to drift (effect) on toward the yawning abyss of revolution that justly awaits us. We refuse to stop the game of holdups because it brings us private, monetary profits.

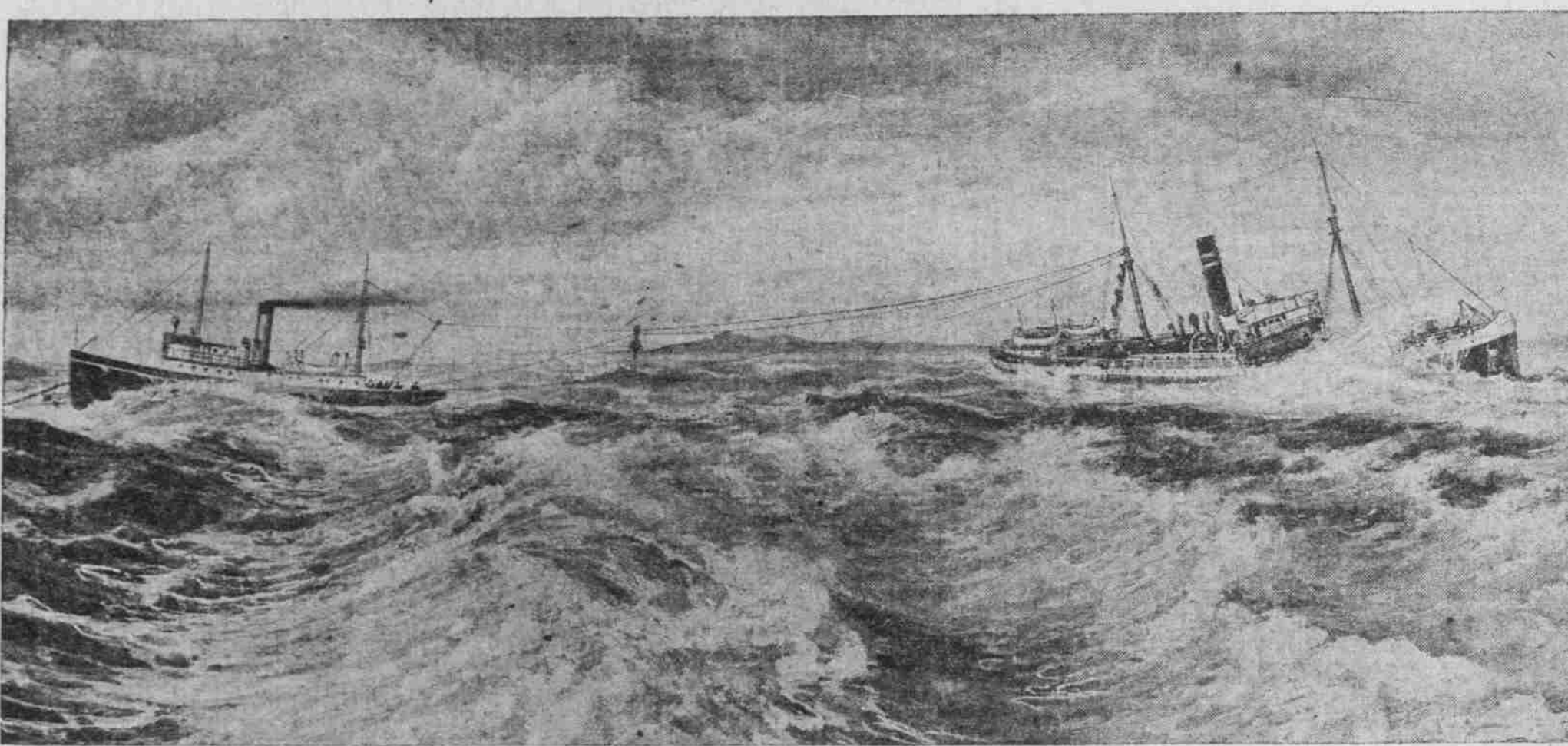
Space forbids further enlargement, and I am, of course, a Socialist dreamer; but remember this: that all past teachers were dreamers until the truth which they taught were understood and came to be appreciated. Jesus Christ was no exception.

We have no government, or laws by which we may administer justice under a profit system. At its very foundation lies the principle of you do me or I'll do you. To keep from being done we must do the other fellow first. We are living in an advance era of industrial and commercial civilization that is entirely out of balance with our antiquated civil and social laws. Let us suggest, along with President Roosevelt, that we either grant an exemption to all holdups, as well as the congressional one, or change our social and commercial systems from a profit consideration to a use consideration. It is idle to work on the effect and allow the cause to remain. We will simply go on, as did Rome, through extreme wealth, and extreme poverty to a reconstruction or a complete overthrow.

Yours for civic righteousness,
C. W. BARZEE.

NEW LIFE SAVING VESSEL EN ROUTE TO THE COAST

Steamer Snohomish, First Craft Built Especially for Such Work, Is Coming Around Horn, and Will Be Stationed at Neah Bay.



LIFE SAVING STEAMER SNOHOMISH TO LEFT OF PICTURE, SHOWING OPERATION OF MARINE BREECHES BUOY.

THE steamer Snohomish, of the United States Revenue Service, the first vessel ever designed and built entirely for lifesaving work, has just set out from Norfolk, Va., on a voyage nearly 20,000 miles long to the station she is to occupy at Neah Bay, on the North Pacific Coast.

The Snohomish carries all the standard lifesaving apparatus, but the most

important part of her equipment consists of a breeches buoy designed especially for lifesaving under conditions which render all other means futile. Although the operative features of this apparatus have been thoroughly proved under other conditions, their application for lifesaving is entirely novel.

The official trials took place at Arundel Bay, Md., during the week of

November 17, last, and the officials of the Revenue Service have expressed their entire satisfaction with the lifesaving apparatus. The revenue cutter Itasca acted the part of a wreck from which rescues were made.

The Snohomish was built by the Puget & Jones Co., at Wilmington, Del., at a cost of nearly \$200,000. She is 152 feet long, 25 feet beam, 17 feet 6 inches depth, and draws 12 feet 4

inches with a displacement of 795 tons. Her engines are of the vertical direct-acting, triple-expansion type, of 1200 horsepower, driving a single screw and giving her a speed of between 12 and 14 knots. She has one Scotch boiler and one of the Babcock & Wilcox water tube type.

The vessel is fitted with electric lights and every comfort available for the captain and crew, including dis-

tilling apparatus for furnishing fresh water. She carries a crew of 18 men under command of Captain Lewis. The Snohomish has two self-bailing and self-righting lifeboats and a life-raft, besides her regular boats, and is equipped with wireless telegraph, the Arlo system of night signalling, two searchlights and has wrecking apparatus for pumping out vessels and a fire-fighting outfit.