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- III-1 Zebrowski, Piotr. "Symbol of Symmetrical Development: The Reception of the YMCA in Poland," *The International Journal of the History of Sport*, " Vol. 8, 1 (May 1991), 96-110.

Poles came in contact with the YMCA through its social services in that country during World War I. This paved the way, through strong backing of the American YMCA missionary personnel, for the building of several facilities in Poland in the 1920s.

The "Y" had favorable and unfavorable periods in Polish society. Challenges from the Catholic church during the thirties and the devastation of World War II were difficulties. The development of physical education and sport in Poland were major contributions. The YMCA survived to 1950 when Communist influences made it intolerable to continue. 32 notes.

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- III-2 Finn, G. P. T. "Racism, Religion and Social Prejudice: Irish Catholic Clubs, Soccer and Scottish Society-I. The Historical Roots of Prejudice," *The International Journal of the History of Sport*, Vol. 8, 1 (May 1991), 72-95.

In this first of a two-part article, the author examines the complex social situation of the Irish in Scotland. This includes their place in Scottish culture, and the development of their Catholic soccer clubs to fit into the Scottish environment. Finn interprets and

critiques the writings of Brian Wilson and Bill Murray, authors of club histories, particularly the Glasgow Celtic and its Catholic heritage. 46 notes.

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