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3. — **Meeting of the Executive Committee of the International Olympic Committee Brussels, 5th and 5th January, 1927.**

The President informed the Executive Committee that he had received from Count Gautier-Vignal the consent of the Prince of Monaco at whose request the meeting of 1927 will open at the «Palais Oceanographique» on the 22nd April. A detailed programme will be arranged later on when Count Gautier-Vignal has formed his reception committee.

The Agenda will be sent at once to the Members of the International Olympic Committee.

2nd Olympic Winter Games, St. Moritz, 1928.

The President explained the situation existing between the International Olympic Committee and the International Skating Union. He expressed his regret at the misunderstanding in connection with this question brought about by numerous people not competent to discuss it. He suggested that he should be authorised to continue the negotiations begun with M. Salchow feeling sure that the misunderstanding would soon be cleared up. He said he would ask M. Salchow if he thinks it necessary for a delegation to go to Monaco to discuss the matter with the International Olympic Committee.

The request for a Luge competition was rejected as this sport was not admitted as an Olympic Sport at the Prague Congress.

For the same reason the Swiss Olympic Committee was requested not to include Curling in its programme.

The Executive Committee considers that neither it nor the International Olympic Committee have any right to modify a decision of the Congress. It is for this reason that the unity of the place for the Winter Olympic Games will not be re-discussed under any pretext whatsoever.

The Executive Committee then considered the involved question of the Military Ski Race. It took into consideration, on the one hand, the wish expressed at Prague that this race should figure in the programme - a wish officially expressed by the entire organising nation - and, on the other hand, the correspondence between Mr. Holmquist and Count Baillet-Latour. It was decided that the Military Ski Race should figure as a demonstration this being compatible with the princip-

les of the International Federation, thus the solution should give full satisfaction to all concerned who will thus have an opportunity of organising the race on the same lines as that of Chamonix in 1924.

The Executive Committee after having dealt with some less important question, requested Baron de Blo-nay to go to St. Moritz in order to confer with the delegates of the International Federations and the Or-ganising Committee on the questions of transporting the bobs, organisation of the track, tribunes, etc.

Finally, the General Programme was approved.

Games of the IXth Olympiad, Amsterdam, 1928.

The Organising Committee submitted to the Execu-tive Committee several points in connection with the programme of Gymnastics, Athletics and Football, the date of the Games and the sending of the invitations. The Executive Committee will give a decision on these questions after having got into touch with the author-ities concerned.

The request of the International Union of Shooting to include military shooting in the programme was re-jected for the same reason that Lugging and Curling were excluded.

A request made by Colonel Thompson was also re-jected.

The dates of the Games have been fixed as follows:
Hockey (on Grass): May 17th - 26th 1928.

Football: May 27th - June 15th, 1928.

Opening date of the Games: Saturday, July 28th, 1928.

Closing of the Games: Sunday, August 12th, 1928.

A medical sports congress will be held at Amster-dam during the Olympic Games.

Having discussed several less important matters the Executive Committee approved of the general line of this programme.

Playing Fields:

General Kentish read a report made by the Playing Fields Committee at the Hague. The findings of this Committee were approved and will be carried out.

The President informed his colleagues of the favour-able result of the negotiations with the International Rowing Federation, he gave the names of the delegates of the different International Federations and expres-sed his satisfaction at the happy results already obtained through this collaboration.

No change has taken place since the Hague confe-rence with regard to the position of the International Lawn Tennis Federation. According to a letter from M. Gallay the whole question is to be reconsidered at the Congress in March.

M. Petitjean, General Sports Manager of the Inter-national Union of Students informed the International Olympic Committee that the Union had decided to withdraw the word «Olympic» from its Games and will in future call them «International Universities Games». This decision was favourably received and will have a most beneficial effect on the relations existing between the two groups.

The International Union of Railways expressed regret at its inability to accede to a reduction of 50% in the transport of athletes and officials to the Olympic Games and informed the Committee that requests for reductions must be dealt with separately in each country.

The Committee considered the candidates for the Olympic Cup in 1928, the election of new members, candidates for the forthcoming Games, payment of sub-scriptions, the financial position and the Official Bul-letin. The result of the Bulletin for the first year was considered satisfactory but not as good as it should be and the Executive Committee once more urges on the International Olympic Committee to try and convince all persons who have anything to do with the Olympic Games directly or indirectly to subscribe to the Bulle-tin.

4. — Officials.

Obituary. — The Rev. R. S. de Courcy-Laffan, de-legate of the International Olympic Committee to Great Britain died at Hampstead, London, on the 16th Janua-ry, in his 74th year.

Dates of the 1928 Games, Winter, Spring and Sum-mer.

The IInd Olympic Winter Games, St. Moritz, 1928, will take place from the 11th to the 19th February.

The IXth Olympic Games, Amsterdam, 1928, will take place from the 28th July to the 12th August.

Grass Hockey: 17th - 26th May.

Association Football: 27th May - 15th June.

5. — Meeting of the International Olympic Committee - April, 1927.

The International Olympic Committee will hold their next meeting at Monaco from April 22nd to 27th 1927.

The Executive Committee will meet on the 21st April at 9.30 a. m. and 2.30 p. m.

The Opening Session will take place on Friday, 22nd April at 11 o'clock at the Musee Oceanographique.

Meetings will be held as follows:

Friday, April 22nd 3 p. m.

Saturday, April 23rd 9.30 a. m. and 2.30 p. m.

Monday, April 25th 9.30 a. m. and 2.30 p. m.

Tuesday, April 26th 9.30 a. m.

Wednesday, April 27th 9.30 a. m.

AGENDA OF THE MEETING.

I. Proposed change of Statutes.

Article 5. Old:

«The Executive Committee shall consist of five mem-bers.»

Article 5. New:

«The Executive Committee shall consist of SIX mem-bers.»

Article 9. Add.

«The President of the International Olympic Com-mittee and the Vice-President of the Executive Com-mittee are ex officio members of all the Sub-Committees.

Article 10. Old:

«Decisions can be taken regardless of the number of members present.»