

good feeling which is prevalent between your Federation and the I. O. C. will remain unhurt and our efforts must tend to establish an understanding at the next Congress, which will have powers which we have not.

Gentlemen, I appeal to your goodwill, because, added to my desire to see all the Games on the programme at Amsterdam, is deep sympathy which I feel for our Dutch friends who, having taken on a heavy burden without hesitation, would suffer most in the event of certain sports not taking place.

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6.— Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee, Paris 8th Aug. 1927

The Executive Committee met at 103 Faubourg Saint-Honoré under the chairmanship of the Count Baillet-Latour.

Present: Baron Godefroy de Blonay, Monsieur J. S. Edstrom, General Kentish, Marquis de Polignac, Monsieur Dr. Lewald.

It received a delegation from the International Federation of the Football Association who were presented by the President, M. Rimet.

After conferring together the Executive Committee made the following statement:

The interest of the Olympic Games in world-wide Association Football is one of the most widely played sports; and considering that the question of amateurism will be put on the agenda at the next Olympic Congress, the Executive Committee of the I. O. C. recognises, concerning payment for loss of salary, - the principle laid down by the F. I. F. A. at Rome, which corresponds with that of the Congress of Prague.

With a view to conciliation the Executive Committee would accept the suggestion which was made by the latter to allow Football to take place at the Amsterdam Games on the following conditions:

The repayment allowed by the rules of the Executive Committee of the F.I.F.A. will be paid over to the employers, the athletes not directly touching any compensation for lost salary.

After having noted this declaration, the Executive Committee of the F.I.F.A., in virtue of the powers conferred on it by the Congress of Rome, decided to add to its rule about payment for loss of salary that the repayment allowed by the rules of the Executive Committee of the F.I.F.A. will be paid over to the employers, the athletes not directly touching any compensation for lost salary.

Mr. J. S. Edström and General Kentish voted against this agreement.

The Executive Committee of the I. O. C. then considered the correspondence which had been exchanged with the International Federation of Lawn Tennis and asked the President to inform this Federation that it was obliged to conform to the rules, as to who was qualified to compete in the Olympic Games, passed by the Congress of Prague in 1925, and that in consequence of this it was not possible to allow professionals who had been reinstated to take part in the Games.

After attending to current matters, the Executive Committee broke up and fixed the next meeting for the 29th October 1927, at Lausanne.

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7.— 8th Far Eastern Games

The 8th Far Eastern Games began at Shanghai on the 27th August 1927.

