

11.— **Modern Pentathlon Committee**

1. A meeting was held at Amsterdam on the 6th August for the purpose of forming a Modern Pentathlon, Committee.

2. After full discussion it was unanimously decided to form a Committee, consisting of representatives of each of the following International Federation:

The International Amateur Athletic Federation.
 The International Amateur Swimming Federation.
 The International Amateur Fencing Federation.
 The International Amateur Equestrian Federation.
 The International Amateur Shooting Union.

and two representatives of the International Olympic Committee.

3. Each International Federation will have the right to vote and the representatives of the I. O. C. (e. g. the President and another member to be nominated later) will each have 1 vote.

4. Count de Baillet-Latour, President of the International Olympic Committee was elected President of the Committee and Captain Wibom (Sweden) Honorary Secretary.

The meeting then terminated.

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12.— **Account of the ninth Olympiad**

The Games of the IXth Olympiad were opened on Saturday, 28th July by S. A. R. Prince Henry of the Netherlands in the name of S. M. the Queen of Holland, and were closed on Sunday 12th August, after the distribution of prizes, by the President of the I. O. C., in the customary manner.

The opinion of all those well qualified to judge was that the organisation had been perfect in practically every respect and that the International Federations responsible for the technical organisation had specially distinguished themselves, as much in the Stadium itself and in the other Stadia (swimming, wrestling, fencing, boxing, etc.) as on the Sloten Canal, at Amersfoort and Hilversum, where the first part of the «Concours Hippique» had been held.

The success was so great that the only complaint which could be made was that the various Stadia were not sufficiently large to contain the vast number of spectators who wished to attend the Games. The enormous interest shown by the whole world for the competitions of hockey and football took place in May and June, were undoubtedly partly responsible for that success, because it gave the Dutch public a vivid impression of the strength and meaning of the olympic movement.

The fairness of and sporting spirit shown by the competitors and spectators in almost every event afforded great satisfaction to the International Olympic Committee, this in itself being a tribute to the measures, it had taken to impress upon all taking part in the Games the necessity of maintaining a chivalrous spirit throughout their competitions.

The skill of the competitors in the Art Competition was of a grade far superior to that of the VIIth and VIIIth Olympiads. This section of the Games is without doubt definitely and firmly established.

H. M. the Queen, accompanied by the Queen Mother and the Princess Juliana, honoured the Games several times by Her presence, Her Majesty also gave a dinner to the I. O. C. and a reception in honour of the athletes, ten of whom from each nation were invited to the Royal Palace and presented to Her Majesty. The prizes were distributed by H. M. the Queen, H. R. H. Prince Henry of the Netherlands and the President of the International Olympic Committee.

The Municipality of Amsterdam, the Dutch Olympic Committee, the Netherland Steamship Company, and several National Olympic Committees gave banquets, the pupils of Utrecht University gave a performance of the historical play «Ichnaton» in the Old Stadium and several receptions were given, at which the athletes of different nations had the pleasure of meeting each other.

On leaving Holland the President addressed his thanks in the name of the I. O. C. to H. M. the Queen, to H. R. H. Prince Henry of the Netherlands, to the Burgomaster of Amsterdam, to the President, to the Vice-President, to the Secretary General and to the members of the Organising Committee for the part which each had played in making the IXth Olympiad the magnificent success it proved to be.

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13.— **Invitation from the Town of Chicago to its World Athletic Championships in 1933**

The I. O. C. has received the following message:

To the President and to the Constituent Members of the INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE: «The City of CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, requests you to Extend on Behalf of its Mayor and City Council to all Athletes who will Compete in the INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC GAMES to be Held in the City of Amsterdam in the Year 1928 an Invitation to Participate in the OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP ATHLETIC EVENTS to be Held in the City of Chicago in Connection with the Chicago World's Fair Centennial Celebration of 1933.»