

Mr. J.-S. Edström writes :

The International Olympic Committee decided at the meeting at Lausanne the 5th of September that a new « Bulletin Olympique » with about 6 numbers per year should be published by the I. O. C. It charged the Chancelier, Monsieur Otto Mayer, to become editor of the Bulletin.

This is the first number of the new edition and I use the occasion to greet all the friends of the olympic movement and ask for collaboration in our strives to improve the health and the mind of, the youth of the world.

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It will be appropriate at this time to recall the history of the olympic journal. The Olympic Committee has never been without an official bulletin. During the first years of its existence it was Baron Coubertin himself who was the editor and printed an olympic journal at his own expense. Its parution was suspended after the first world's war to appear again under a very simple form from 1920.

When Baron Coubertin left the chairmanship of the C. I. O. 1925 the journal was not printed any more. The new president Count Baillet-Latour had a new publication printed in Brussels. The first number appeared in the month of January 1926 and was printed in 4 languages : French, English, Spanish and German. The last number appeared January 1938. The name of said publication was Bulletin Officiel du Comité International Olympique.

Later on during the year 1938 Count Baillet-Latour permitted Carl Diem to publish a new bulletin in Berlin named Olympische Rundschau (« Revue Olympique »). The paper appeared in the beginning 4 times each year but during the war it gradually disappeared, the last number being printed in October 1944. The world's war stopped its further publishing.

Every effort must be made to give publicity to the olympic movement. I express the hope that this new publication will be more successful than the three previous ones and will spread useful thoughts and ideas throughout the world. The olympic flame must burn again with full force and enlighten the souls of humanity.

Stockholm in October 1936.

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