

A NEW YEAR MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT AVERY BRUNDAGE

(Year II of the XVth Olympiad.)

The Olympic flame has never burned brighter than in 1952. Both the VI Winter Games in Oslo and the Games of the XV Olympiad in Helsinki made new records of size and comprehensiveness and set new standards of quality and performance in a truly Olympic atmosphere. They were a glorious success in every particular.

The strength of the Olympic movement depends on its lofty ideals. All of us from the National Olympic Committees, the International Federations and the International Olympic Committee whose efforts have contributed to its success must be alert to see that these high standards are maintained so that the Olympic Games will continue to write a bright story of achievement, of friendship, of good will and of fair play, and so give fresh hope to a troubled world.