

The Olympic Family

† Count Gustav Frederik von Rosen

On January 2nd Count von Rosen died suddenly in his home near Stockholm. He was President of the Executive Committee of the Equestrian Games of the XVIIth. Olympiad which will take place in Sweden from June 10th. to 17th. next. The delegates present in Paris in June last will remember him while he presented the report of the Swedish Organizing Committee. Count von Rosen was 61 years of age, and was, in his youth, an excellent athlete. Later on he was one of Swedens most prominent horsemen. His sudden death is a great loss to the Swedish Sport.

† Antonio Prado, junior

Mr. Antonio Prado jun., member of the International Olympic Committee for Brazil since 1938, passed away in Sao Paulo last November. A keen sportsman, the deceased devoted most of his leisure time to sport, either in taking an active part in athletics or in the organization of sport. It was he, who, early in this century, founded the "Club Atlético Paulistano" which nowadays enjoys full prosperity. It is also thanks to him that Brazil owes its progress

in the technique of football and in the development of athletics. Mr. Antonio Prado took an active part in the sphere of tennis and swimming and he became a great champion of cycling in the days when this sport was in its infancy. Among other of his achievements, he won the Paris-Deauville motor paced contest (220 km.) in 1897. In 1895, he became recordholder for the kilometre race in South-America. As well as this, Mr. Prado also took up motor racing and became the chief promoter of the numerous sports installations created in his native land. Furthermore, Brazil is indebted to him for the creation of the National Federations of Athletics, Basketball Tennis and Fencing. We can also say with full confidence that Antonio Prado belonged to the nucleus of eminent leaders of sport when, on his initiative, he founded an institution which is the pride of all sportsmen organizations in Sao Paulo and in Brazil, the Club Atlético Paulistano.

The deceased was a great upholder and defender of the Olympic ideal and of amateurism which he developed extensively and most successfully in his country. Within the International Olympic Committee, he leaves nothing but friends who deplore his

death deeply. We wish to express our heartfelt sympathy to his family as well as to the Brazilian Olympic Committee. The Committee was represented at the funeral by its Brazilian member Dr. J. Ferreira Santos.

† Comtesse H. de Baillet-Latour

We have only just heard of the death which occurred on August 3rd 1955, of Comtesse H. de Baillet-Latour, widow of our late President of the International Olympic Committee who passed away in 1941. The deceased had expressed the wish to be buried in strict privacy in the family de Baillet-Latour's burial vault near Antwerp. She lived in complete retirement ever since her husband's death.

† Ernst Krogius

We just have been informed of the death of Mr. Ernst Krogius, Honorary Member of the International Olympic Committee in which he was elected in 1920 for Finland. Mr. Krogius has been active in all kind of sport throughout his life and particularly went in for Yachting, Athletics, Gymnastics and Tennis. He was elected member of the Finnish Olympic Committee in 1912 and was President thereof from 1912 to 1938. He has participated in the Olympic Games in Stockholm in 1912, where he obtained a bronze medal in Yachting. He deceased in Copenhagen on September 21st. 1955, after having served the Olympic cause during 28 years.

We wish to express our sympathy to his widow.

† Alfred Hajos

Alfred Hajos, the first Hungarian Olympic Champion died on November 12th 1955. He was 77 years old.

On the 11th of April 1896, at the close of the rowing contests of the first Olympic Games held at Athens, a young man of 18 stood on the podium of the Tribune of Honour. His face was lit up with joy as he listened to the Hungarian national Anthem, which was played in honour of the two victories he had just won. This young man was Alfred Hajós, first Hungarian Olympic Champion.

After his olympic victories, he was strongly attracted to football, a sport which was just beginning to be known in Hungary, and, in 1902, he won the football jersey of the players selected to play in the first national Hungarian Football team.

He became an architect, and in 1924 he aspired to new olympic triumphs. At the Paris Games, he presented the plans of a stadium designed on classical lines for which he was awarded a silver medal. Wishing to pay tribute to the services he rendered to the Olympic cause, and to reward his intensive sporting activities, the International Olympic Committee presented him, two years ago, with its highest distinction : the Olympic Diploma. Alfred Hajós has drawn the plans of the Sports national swimming baths on the Marguerite island at Budapest. This installation equipped with a summer swimming pool and a winter one is the most up to date establishment in Hungary. In 1946, Alfred Hajós became member of the Hungarian Olympic Committee.

The death of Alfred Hajós has been a great sorrow to all the Hungarian sportsmen who will always honour the memory of their distinguished countryman.

Olympism and royal Engagement

We have much pleasure to announce the official engagement celebrated last January in the United States, of His Serene Excellency Prince Rainier IIIrd of Monaco, former member of the *International Olympic Committee* and son of our distinguished and devoted member H.S.E. Prince Pierre of Monaco, to Miss Grace Kelly of Philadelphia. The wedding will take place next April in Monaco. To His Serene Excellency and his charming fiancée the President and the members of the International Olympic Committee send their heartiest congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness.

We are pleased to recall the fact that Mr. John B. Kelly father of the happy fiancee whom we met at the Olympic Games at Helsinki in 1952, was Olympic champion (rowing) at the Games of the VIIth Olympiad at Antwerp in 1920 (with Costello as coxswain) as well as in Paris in 1924, in the double sculls without coxswain. He also became champion of the single sculls events at the Games of Antwerp 1920.