

## **The East German athletes**

**do not receive money premiums, as it was declared, says Mr. M. Ewald to the International Olympic Committee**

Recently the Press has reproduced an information from an agency in which it was said that East German athletes were to receive cash premiums for beaten records etc. In that information it was said that such a declaration was given by the East German State Secretary Mr. M. Ewald, Minister of Physical Education and Sport. The International Olympic Committee made an investigation to the National Olympic Committee of East Germany and on December 10th 1959, Mr. Heinz Schöbel, president of said Committee, brought himself an official declaration from Mr. Ewald to the chancellery in Lausanne, in which it is said, amongst other remarks:

*The Premium system for athletes in the German Democratic Republic does not exist.*