

Eliminating Weapons of War at the Olympic Games?

The technical Board of the International Shooting Union held its meeting in Zurich, last November, with its president Mr. K.-A. Larsson in the Chair. Mr. Kurt Hasler, president of the U.I.T. (International Shooting Union), also attended the meeting. As well as other matters which came under discussion, it was decided that shooting with *weapons of war* would cease to be a condition imposed on the organizers of the world championships after 1963. This type of contest was particularly favoured when Marshall Mannerheim added to its importance by presenting a famous gold cup for the winner of this competition. In our opinion, it is to be hoped that the *weapons of war* will be definitively banished from the Olympic Games which are of an essentially peaceful character, and where they no longer have a rightful place. Even the shooting at human 'silhouette' at the Games is distasteful to some people.