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OLYMPIC GAMES AND OLYMPISM

THE BRITISH OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION'S OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE OLYMPIC GAMES 1968

Editor Bob PHILLIPS, World Sports, 23-27 Tudor Street,
London, E.C.4.

Price 12s 6d (including postage)

This complete and precise report gives a detailed account of all the Olympic events for the year 1968. Bob PHILLIPS, the athletics editor, Alan HUBBARD [boxing], Rex BELLAMY (gymnastics and modern pentathlon) and Pat BESFORD (swimming) make a point of revealing the human element so often concealed behind a race and a record. This invaluable report is illustrated with excellent photographs.

A DIARY OF THE 19th ALYMPICS - MEXICO 1968

by Christopher BRASHER

Published by Stanley Paul, London.

Olympic 3,000 metre steeplechase champion at the Melbourne Games in 1956, Christopher BRASHER has since become a famous sports journalist and writer. After his diary of Tokyo 1964, he now presents his diary of the 19th Olympiad which he dedicates to the British Olympic Team. His account reflects the feelings and thoughts - sometimes critical, often justified - of an eye-witness to the event. The author has never forgotten the very special atmosphere of the elation or disappointment experienced by every competitor.

JUEGOS OLIMPICOS - Mexico 1968

In Spain, the Big Encyclopedia Vasca presents a voluminous work with interesting commentaries accompanying the results of the Mexico Olympics.

OLIMPIAI JETAKOK, 1896 - 1968 by Endre KAHLICH, Laszlo Gyoergy PAPP et Zoltan SUBERT
The Olympic Games, 1896 - 1968
Medecina Egeszsegugyi Konyukiado, Budapest V, Beloiannisiz utca 6, Hungary

This reference book is the outcome of ten years of research. Except for the first three Olympics, it gives the results of all Hungarian participants at Olympic Games. The text, in Hungarian, calls attention briefly to the significance of the Games of Antiquity, describes the work of Pierre de Coubertin before and after the revival of the Games, and finally retraces the history of the modern Olympic Games.

JAHRBUCH DER LEICHTATHLETIK 1968 - 1969
(Athletics Yearbook 1968 - 1969)
Editor : Heinz CAVALIER
Publishers Bartels and Wernitz KG, 1 Berlin 65, Reinickendorfer Strasse 113.

The Olympic reports by Heinz Fallak, Heinz Vogel, Berno Wischmann, Toni Nett, Ulrich Jonath and Hans Schneberger are of great interest, as also that of Mr. Bruno Schmidt-Hildebrandt, who talks about the Munich Games in the light of what he learned at Mexico.

The documentation section (100 pages) is a very useful source of information.

"L'ANNEE HIPPIQUE"
(The equestrian Year)
Imprimerie Centrale, Lausanne (Switzerland)

For over a quarter of a century this yearbook has been brought out annually. The larger part of these 200 sumptuously illustrated pages is devoted to the Olympic Games 1968.

PAGEANTRY OF SPORT: FROM THE AGE OF CHIVALRY TO THE AGE OF VICTORIA by John ARLOTT and Arthur DALEY
Paul Etak Productions, 7 guineas.

As the title would lead us to expect, this work , which covers a long period, contains 130 pages, and no earlier book can be compared for the quality of the illustrations and wealth of detail. 16 colour-plates and 144 drawings, engravings and paintings illustrate the various aspects of sport, especially in the 19th century.

The book reflects the idea of sport at different periods; boxing, cricket, football, games and hunting are dealt with in particular detail by the author. Athletics, on the other hand, are treated very summarily, in a matter of a few paragraphs. The text consists of extracts from authors like Mark Twain, Hazlitt and Wordsworth. We were struck by this quotation of Thomas Eliot, written in 1531: "Footeballe, wherein is nothinge but beastlie furie and extreme violence, whereof procedeth hurte and consequently rancour, and malice do remaine with them that be wounded; wherefore it is to be put in perpetuall silence."

Some people readily express the same sentiment 400 years later. But at other times the work reflects enthusiasm, like that of James Kenneth Stephen who wrote in 1891:

To see good Tennis! what diviner joy
Can fill our leisure, or our minds employ?
Not Sylvia's self is more supremely fair,
Than balls that hurtle through the conscious air.

SPORTS ET JEUX DE WEEK-END

(Weekend Sports and Games)

Published by Dargaud

Price : F.Fr. 9.90

"A child who has not learned to play will never be a child. A man who has not learned to play, or is unable to, will never be a man" writes Paul Vialaer, President of the Association of French Sports Writers, in the preface to this interesting book.

The variety of leisure sports is really amazing: walking, cycling, mini-golf, sailing, motor-boating, parachute jumping, etc. Famous specialists (Robert Hervet, Pierre Naudin, Raymond Pointu...) describe twelve activities in terms of training and accomplishment and not in terms of records.

In the same collection, let us mention the recent appearance of "Sports et Jeux de neige" (Snow Sports and Games) by Philippe Gaussot, Jacques Belin and Marc Jasinski, a guide to the ever renewed pleasures to be obtained on snow and ice.

SPORT BY SPORT

MODERN BASKETBALL by A.L. COLBECK M.B.E.

Published by Kaye and Ward, 194-200 Bishopsgate, London EC 2
Price 25s.

The author considers that what the Americans understand instinctively, thanks to the intensive training they undergo, needs to be analysed and examined in detail for British players in order to enable them to acquire a new sporting tradition in the playing of this game "without personal contact".

L'ENSEIGNEMENT DE LA NATATION by Raymond COTTEAU and

Gérard GAROFF

(Teaching Swimming)

Published by Vigot Bros., Paris

The authors, both sports coaches, deal in turn with the history of swimming, the modern conception, the bases of swimming coaching and the techniques of the different styles, static organization and progress in coaching.

LE DICTIONNAIRE DU SKI by Jacques GAUTRAT

(Dictionary of Skiing)

Published by Le Seuil, Paris

Helps to understand and assimilate this sport's jargon.

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