

## OLYMPISM IN MOURNING

Gisela ARENDT, Lewis TEWANINA, Miguel PLAZA and Albert MOKEYEV have departed this world, but the mark they have left in the history of the Olympic Games and sport will never fade.

The International Olympic Committee wishes their National Olympic Committees and their families to know that it shares their sadness and loss, and pays tribute to the memory of these great athletes.

- \* Lewis TEWANINA took part in the Olympic Games of 1908 and 1912. Second in the 10,000 metres behind the invincible Hannes KOLEHAINEN in Stockholm, he was one of the first Americans of Red Indian origin to win a medal. He has just died in Arizona, aged 90.
- \* Miguel PLAZA, second in the marathon at the Amsterdam Games in 1928. The only Chilean athlete to win an Olympic medal, he set a unique example for all keen sportsmen in his country.
- \* Gisele ARENDT, the German swimmer who had many wins to her credit and broke over 70 German records in her twenty-two years of racing, has just died at the early age of 50 . . . The Berlin Games represented the peak of her swimming career. At these Games, she won two medals, one bronze for the 100 metres free-style and one silver for the 4 x 100 metres free-style relay. Sixteen years later, she represented Germany again at the Helsinki Games where her team came 7th in the 4 x 100 metres relay.  
  
By a curious stroke of fate, her greatest French rival Renée Blondeau BELLECROIX against whom she had raced so often and in particular at the Berlin Games, died only a few hours before Gisela ARENDT, after a long illness.
- \* From Moscow we have just heard of the death of the Russian Albert MOKEYEV, who won the bronze medal for the modern pentathlon at Tokyo in 1964.