

IN THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATIONS

... On the Olympic Programme

ATHLETICS - INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR ATHLETIC FEDERATION

* As from now, the I.A.A.F. is publishing three times a year, in October, January and May, a bulletin in both English and French.

* Among the contents of the first issue are listed the official world records up until December 31st, 1968.

The South American Athletics Games took place at Quito (Ecuador) from 4th to 12th October.

* Swaziland is the latest country to become affiliated to the I.A.A.F.

* The I.A.A.F. hopes to nominate shortly a permanent training Director to help member countries who wish for technical advice.

* A competition, U.S.S.R. v. United States on an inside track will take place in March 1970.

* During its meeting in Stuttgart, the I.A.A.F.'s Technical Commission decided that the time allocated to the pole vault is too long. The Commission is considering the possibility of modifying the rules. In its opinion, a good solution would be to drop the three attempts for each height and to replace them with 6 to 8 attempts in total. The athlete would be free to decide on the time of his jump, its height, which could remain the same if he wished, until he has attempted the jump 6 or 8 times.

BASKETBALL - FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE BASKETBALL AMATEUR

* In Tapei (Formosa) during the month of October, the second Asiatic Tournament for Youth will take place whilst the first South American Championships for Girls will be held in Ecuador.

* On 6th November the XIIIth European Club Cup will begin

* From 18th November to 12th December the Vth men's Asian Championships will take place in Bangkok (Thailand).

* The Macolin School (Switzerland) has just published a series of statistics on the number of participants in various sports, i.e. graduates, students and the like. Basketball and volleyball come top with 65 million. Football only accounts for 25,800,000; Athletics, 19,500,000 and Swimming 10,500,000.

FENCING - FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE D'ESCRIME

* Calendar of international competitions:

October

- 23-26 : Poznan (Poland) - 4 Individual arms
- 24-26 : Ankara (Turkey) - Foils - Epée - Sabre
- 25-26 : Casablanca (Morocco) - Men's foils - Ind. Epée
- 29-30 : Istanbul (Turkey) - Foils - Sabre

November

- 1-2 : Madrid (Spain) - Diego Diez de Riviera Cup
Men's foils
- 2-10 : Tunis (Tunisia) - 4 Individual arms
- 11-12-13: Saint Kilda (Australia) - Fencing Festival
- 15-16 : Antwerp (Belgium)-Golden foil of Flanders
Men's individual foils
- 16 : Valenciennes (France) - Sabre - under 20's
- 22-23 : Catania (Italy) - Mannino Cup - Indiv. Epée

FOOTBALL - FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

* The European Football Confederation will organise from 27th to 31st October, 1969, a First Course of UEFA for Top Class Referees at the Centro Tecnico of the Italian Football Federation (FIGC) at Florence (Italy). 30 European National Associations will be represented by 3 referees each and 3 Associations (Denmark, England, Wales) only by 2 referees.

GYMNASTICS - FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE

* The World Championships will be held from 22nd to 27th October, 1970, at Ljubljana (Yugoslavia). Just beforehand, from 17th to 21st October the Federation's Congress will take place.

* A technical booklet containing figures and tables of points will come out in January 1970.

* The film of specified exercises for the 1970 World Championships may be obtained from the F.I.G. for the sum of 200 Swiss francs.

* The European Championships will be held in 1971. Men's events in Spain and women's in the U.S.S.R.

* The World Championships in Modern Gymnastics will take place in Cuba in 1971.

ROWING - FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DES SOCIETES D'AVIRON

* The F.I.S.A. has appointed Hungary to organise the

1970 Women's European Championships and Canada to organise the men's.

Denmark will organise them in 1971 and Switzerland wishes to host them in 1974.

* A woman has just been elected to the Technical Commission: Nely GAMBONDE, Vice-President of the Dutch Rowing Association.

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

* Bulletin No. 411 of this Federation is devoted to the problems of doping: its definition and sanctions. No. 412 gives the 5 best national results in men's and women's speed and figure skating and dancing on ice.

TOBOGGANING - FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE LUGE DE COURSE

* An international course organised by the F.I.L. will be held in Königsee (F.R. Germany) from 26th to 31st December. It will be in the charge of the Olympic and World Champion, Thomas KOHLER (F.R.G.).

* An international course in construction during the winter season will take place at Imst (Austria) in December or January, lasting 3 to 5 days.

* The next World Championships will be held at Königsee (F.R.G.) as from 31st January 1970.

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BASEBALL - FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE BASEBALL

* The Fédération Internationale de Baseball has informed us of the composition of its Executive Board: PI : Mr. Juan ISA - VPI : Mr. Filemon MANRIQUE - S : Mr. Fernando TOM G. - I : Mr. Juvenal SAENZ GIL - M : Mr. Angel M. ZAMBRANO.

SOFTBALL - FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE SOFTBALL

* The second Asian Women's Championships will take place from 23rd October to 3rd November in Taipei (Formosa).

* The Second World Championships for women will be held in Osaka (Japan) from 22nd to 30th August 1970.