

## THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY

*It is with great sadness that we turn, at the beginning of this year, to a page devoted to those who have departed this world. From all corners of the earth, we have received news of the death of prominent figures in the world of sport, both leaders and champions, whom we tend to forget are mortal and whom we would like to feel safe from the ravages of time and age. May the very brief reminders below of their past activities bring them to life again in our thoughts for a moment.*

*To the families of the deceased, and their friends, we offer our sincerest condolences.*



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The patience of the persistent, the persistency of the determined, the determination of the leaders of men - Emile ANTHOINE possessed all these and more. He was called, and he liked to call himself, the first sportsman in France. He died at the age of 87 and we find it hard to believe that he is gone. Never had he failed to answer a call, and now suddenly he is no longer with us. So many struggles, so many helping hands, so many fierce fights, triumphs, rages, enthusiasms, true friendships. A life, two lives, several lives, all devoted to sport... or rather to one sport - walking.

Born in Paris, Boulevard des Batignolles, the son of an industrialist, Emile ANTHOINE started his athletics career at the early age of 9, became a manager at 13, persuading Pierre de COUBERTIN to let him come and see him to talk about the club he wanted to found.

A born creator, he was later to have to his credit the foundation of one of the most successful of federations, the French Walking Union, and the creation of one of the finest events: the famous Paris-Strasburg walking race.

Emile ANTHOINE had many friends among the pioneers of sport. Paschal GROUSSET remained his master, Georges de SAINT-CLAIR his idol, and he later described them at great length, as well as the reviver of the Games, in his "Olympic Anthology".

A friend too of General GUIBAN, at the time a member of the I.O.C. for Switzerland,.Emile ANTHOINE wrote to us only a few days before his death to remind us of the visit he had made to the Château de Vidy at the end of the war, in the company of General GUIBAN.

A faithful and devoted friend, dogged and persistent, an indefatigable organizer, he was a legendary figure whose loss we have just begun to realize with a deep, painful sadness.

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Franklin L Orth

Mr. Franklin Lewis ORTH, President - in succession to Mr. Douglas F. ROBY - of the United States Olympic Committee and a member of the I.O.C. for the United States, has just died of a heart attack at the age of 62. Mr. F.L. ORTH was always particularly interested in sport. He was captain of the rowing team at the University of Wisconsin, where he obtained his degree in law in 1931.

A field-officer during the second World War, he volunteered for extremely dangerous operations behind the Japanese lines in Burma. In 1946, he left the Army with the rank of Colonel. Appointed assistant to the Under-Secretary for the Army by President EISENHOWER in 1959, Mr. ORTH later retired to join the Board of Directors of the National Rifle Association of America, whose Vice-President he already was, and which entrusted him with the amendment of its regulations. His membership of the United States Olympic Committee began in 1957, when he was elected secretary of the "Shooting Committee".

In 1965, Mr. ORTH was elected first Vice-President of the United States Olympic Committee and was responsible for organizing the United States teams for the Panamerican Games in 1967 and the Mexico and Grenoble Olympic Games in 1968.

Mr. ORTH was President of the International Shooting Union, a member of the National Council of Boys Scouts of America, the American Law Association and the Academy of Social and Political Sciences.

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## Adolfo Consolini

Adolfo CONSOLINI, the famous discus thrower and symbol of Italian sport, has just died of leukaemia in Milan. He was 52. Born in Verona, the son of a farmer, he discovered athletics at the age of 20 in a mass contest.

During his sports career covering a period of thirty years (1937-1966), he became Olympic champion at the London Games in 1948, with a throw of 52 m 78. In 1952, at the Helsinki Games, he won a silver medal. Three times champion of Europe (1946-1950-1954), he set a new world record in 1946 with a throw of 54 m 23. His best throw ever was in 1955 when he reached 56 m 98.

He was chosen to take the Olympic oath at the Rome Games in 1960. His loyalty, his kindness, his generosity and his enthusiasm will remain an inspiration for all young athletes. He leaves behind him a wife, Gianna, and a son of twelve, Sergio.

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