

NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEES

BOLIVIA

* The new personnel of the "*Comite Olimpico Boliviano*" comprises: Mr. José GAMARRA ZORRILLA: PT; General Lois REQUE TERAN: VPT; Dr. Franz SILLERICO: VPT; Dr. Rodolfo MICHEL: SG; Mr. Julian ALVARADO BALCAZAR: I; Mr. René ILLANES: S; Messrs. Marcelo PEREZ, Alfonso GUTIERREZ and Juan ROJAS BRAVO: M.

BULGARIA

* In their March Bulletin the Bulgarian Olympic Committee published the list of the 10 best Bulgarian sportsmen of 1969, taken from an opinion poll among sports journalists organised each year by the paper "Narodenn Sport".

CANADA

* Mr. Harold M. WRIGHT has been named President of the *Canadian Olympic Association*, replacing Mr. Howard RADFORD.

GERMAN FEDERAL REPUBLIC

* Mr. Willi DAUME, President of the Sports Federation of the German Federal Republic has accepted an invitation from his counterpart in the German Democratic Republic to discuss the sports liaison between the two Germans.

* A drawing competition for schoolchildren, patronised by the "Nationales Olympisches Komitee für Deutschland", was organised, last Autumn in the town of Esslingen. The results of this competition surpassed anything anticipated. The "Flamme Olympique", official voice of this Committee published seven remarkable works, due to these budding artists.

ICELAND

* The new personnel of the "*Olympiunefnd Island*" elected on 7th April 1970 is as follows: Mr. Birgir KJARAN: PT; Mr. Gisli HALLDORSSON: VPT; Mr. Bragi KRISTJANSSON: S; Mr. Jens GUOBJORNSSON: T; Mr. Orn EIOSSON: M.

ITALY

* The new personnel of the "*Comitato Olimpico Nazionale Italiano*": Mr. Giulio ONESTI: PT; Messrs Renzo NOSTINI and Adriano RODONI: VPT; Messrs. Claudio COCCIA, Giuseppe Andrea CROCE, Artemio FRANCHI, Diodato LANNI, Carlo MONTANO, Carlo ZANELLI: M; Messrs. Giorgio de STEFANI and Paolo Thaon de REVEL: MCIO.

* Near Maddona di Campiglio, at Palu, an Olympic Centre for training for Winter sports has just been opened. This ninth construction realised by the CONI and designed by the architect Piero MARCONI, covers an area of 9985 square metres, of which 1232 are covered and comprises a main building (5 floors: a basement, ground floor, two floors and an attic, a gymnasium joined to the main building by a glass corridor which has outside two tennis courts and a bowls ground.

It guarantees a national training for athletes, in calm surroundings, suitable for concentration, whilst ensuring an agreeable and comfortable stay.

* The Second Youth Games

The initiative to organise the Youth Games, adopted by the CONI with the aim of enlarging, fundamentally, the practise of sports in the Nation, obtained a success far greater than all expectation.

In the light of these facts, the CONI decided to give this manifestation a continuity of character; the first Games finished, the second Youth Games have been organised for 1970. They are open to all boys and girls from 10 to 15 years, members of not of Federations or sports associations.

The Games guide youth towards seven fundamental subjects: athletics, cycling, gymnastics, basket-ball volley-ball and in Winter, skiing. Besides, during the communal and regional phases, other sports can be organised, according to the requirements of the local youth.

The Games are held in three phases: the communal phase, the regional phase and the national phase.

The communal phase, which is the most important part of the manifestation, will be held in each commune which has given its approval, before 17th May; the regional phase in which all the young sportsmen who entered the communal phase will be able to take part, in any sport, will be held before 14th June; the national phase will take place in Rome, between 27th June and 4th July, at the same time as the Olympic Day celebration.

* The film "The First Youth Games" won first prize at the XXVIth International Festival of Sports Films.

The CONI, during the first Youth Games-organised since 1961-made a colour film, lasting 110 minutes, directed by the Italian Film Director Romolo MARCELLINI, producer of "The Great Olympiad" shot on the occasion of the XVIIth Rome Olympic Games.

* The film was presented at the XXVIth International Festival of Sports Films at Cortina d'Ampezzo (2nd to 7th March 1970).

23 countries took part in this manifestation. 110 films were seen. The jury, composed of 9 members, of which there were representatives from U.S.S.R. Hungary and Germany, awarded, to the Italian film the Ministry of National Education Cup, for the following reasons: *"a careful documentary about the First Games for the Young People from different regions in Italy, made on an excellent esthetic level".*

IVORY COAST

* As each year, the *"Comité Olympique Ivoirien"* celebrated on 4th April, its "Olympic Day" and organised on this occasion, a large "International Athletics Meeting

of the Town of Abidjan". The Ivory Coast athletics officials attained the aim much sought after, not only because this meeting was a great success, but also because it made known to the public a sport which the latter seemed to look down on and to which it has now taken a liking.

MEXICO

* Mr. Josué SAENZ, President of the "*Comité Olympica Mexicano*", has asked us to remind you that all official correspondence must be addressed to :

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