

IN MEMORIAM



One year has already passed since the night of 9th April, 1971, when Armand MASSARD, Vice-President of the IOC from 1951 to 1968, died.

Several commemorative ceremonies were held in honour of his memory. A mass was celebrated in Paris on 8th April and the members of the French Olympic Medalists Association met together on 14th April, in the Montrouge cemetery, where the body of Armand MASSARD, Founder-President of this Association lies.

We would like to join with his friends in thinking of him on this occasion.



Among the members of the French Olympic Medalists Association present at the ceremony organised on 14th April at the Montrouge cemetery, one can recognise Mr. Georges RIGAL (1), member of the French water-polo team which was placed first in the Paris Olympic Games (1924), and Mr. Joseph GUILLEMOT (2), gold medalist for the 5,000 metres in the Antwerp Olympic Games (1920).

Paul BONET-MAURY



Paul BONET-MAURY, eminent scholar and brilliant in the field of judo, died on 2nd April.

In no. 50-51 of the Olympic Review, we mentioned Mr. Paul BONET-MAURY, who, with the co-operation of Mr. Henri COURTINE, National Director of the French Judo Federation and Mrs. Madeleine ITHURRIAGUE, Administrative Secretary of the International Judo Federation, had just had published a very well documented work, entitled "Le Judo", by Presses Universitaires de France.

As well as being Founder-President of the French Judo Federation and Secretary General of the International Judo Federation, until 1971, Paul BONET-MAURY was also a 6th dan.

Paul BONET-MAURY was born on 7th February, 1900 in Paris and studied at the Paris Faculty of Medicine, Pharmacy and Science, where he gained a Science Doctorate.

He then followed a twin career, sporting, on one hand, since he practised judo and medical, on the other; it was thus that he successively became Research Master (1930-1965), Honorary Research Master (1966), Professor at the National Institute of Science and Nuclear Technology at the National Scientific Research Centre (since 1960) and Radio-Protection Director at the Radium Institute.

Author of several scientific and sports books, ("L'irradiation des bactéries et des virus", "La radiochimie de l'eau", "Judo et jui-jitsu"), he invented absolute photocolorimetre and the recording biophotometre.

Besides judo, he was also keenly interested in football, rugby, boxing, skiing, swimming, sailing and tennis.

Paul BONET-MAURY: the type of man one seldom meets, an open-mind, a great name in sport and science. We would like to offer our sincere condolences to his parents, friends and colleagues.



Alexandre VECHSLER



All those who frequented the Olympic library, since 1967, will remember the courteous welcome of Dr. Alexandre VECHSLER.

For several months, his colleagues in the General Secretariat, for whom he was a good advisor and precious friend, had been anxious about his state of health. After several surgical operations, Dr. VECHSLER died suddenly during the night of 26th March.

In him, the Olympic Movement has lost a faithful servant. We would like to extend our sincere condolences to his wife and daughter.

