

# ON THE ROLL OF HONOUR



During the 72nd Session held at Sapporo last February, the International Olympic Committee decided to award the Olympic Cup, created by Baron Pierre de COUBERTIN in 1906, to the Turkish Olympic Committee for the organisation of the Izmir Games.

Even before the end of the Session Mr. Suat ERLER, member of the I. O. C. for Turkey and General Secretary of the Turkish Olympic Committee, invited Mr. Avery BRUNDAGE, President of the

I. O. C., to come to Turkey and make the presentation himself. Mr. BRUNDAGE accepted the invitation and presented the Cup on 14th June 1972 at a special ceremony organised at Istanbul, followed by a cocktail party attended by Turkish V. I. P. s.

Making his speech, President BRUNDAGE said: "Turkey has a very active Olympic Committee and has so far held three Olympic distinctions. Firstly, at the celebration of the Asiatic Games at Tokyo in 1958 the I. O. C. awarded the Thomas Fearnley Cup to the Istanbul Swimming Club. Then, in 1964, during the 18th Olympic Games, the Diploma of Merit was awarded to Mr. Burhan FELEK, and finally at Sapporo the Olympic Cup was awarded to the Turkish Olympic Committee. It looks as though Japan brings Turkey luck as it was there that the award of these three cups was decided. It is a shame however that there is not a Cup for hospitality."



*President BRUNDAGE awards the Olympic Cup to Mr. Burhan FELEK, President of the Turkish Olympic Committee, with Mr. Suat ERLER, member of the I.O.C. for Turkey.*

