

Around the National Olympic Committees

Spain



“Praiseworthy Initiative”

● *To help spread the Olympic idea, the Spanish Olympic Committee has just taken out 150 subscriptions to the Olympic Review (Spanish edition). We thank those responsible for this initiative, which will not only spread Olympic works more extensively but will also encourage the writers of the Olympic Review to perfect their work constantly.*

Belgium



● For eight years a section of the *Belgian Olympic Committee* has been functioning at Antwerp. Under the impulse of its dynamic President, Mr. Daniel Le Grelle, this regional committee has reached a remarkable achievement – an Antwerp Provincial Olympic Centre was inaugurated at the beginning of May.

Its aim is twofold – to give athletes a complete source of information on the region’s sporting activities, and also to remedy the communication difficulties among the various sports organisations. The Centre will have a medical service and a legal department at its disposal, and will publish a monthly bulletin in which each club and federation will have the opportunity to report on its activities. The Antwerp Olympic Centre is situated at Meir 91, in the heart of the metropolis.

Congo



● It was with great distress that we learned of the death of Jean-Claude, aged two, son of Jean-Claude Ganga, Secretary General of the Congolese NOC. The *Olympic Review* sends him its deep condolences.

Denmark



● New officers of the *Danish Olympic Committee*:
PT: Ivar Emil Vind; *VPT*: Kurt Møller; *SG*: Harald Jespersen; *T*: F. Aa Hansen; *M*: Nina Velin, Robert Kristensen, Preben Z. Jensen.

- Mr. Gudmund Schack, until now President of the Danish NOC, has retired from a long career devoted to sport and Olympism. After 50 years spent promoting the Olympic ideal, Mr. Schack was granted an audience by Her Majesty the Queen, to whom he presented the new President, Mr. Ivar Emil Vind, member of the IOC for Denmark and Chairman of the IOC Commission for the International Olympic Academy. The same day Mr. Schack received Lord Killanin and the Executive Board's best wishes. We in our turn wish him a well-deserved retirement.

- 25 federations are now affiliated to the Danish Olympic Committee.

- *From 4th July 1973 to 1st March 1974 the Danish NOC will be at the following address:*

The Dansih Olympic Committee, Ehlersvej 8, 2900 Hellerup, Denmark.

After 1st March 1974 the headquarters will be transferred to a new building where all the Danish organisations for sport will be grouped together.

DPR Korea



New board of the National Olympic Committee of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea:

Hon. PT: Kang Ryang Uk; *PT:* O Hyun Ju; *VPT:* Kim Kyung Hwan; Jung Kwang

Sun, Kim Yung Ho, Ri Jai Duk, Kim Deuk Jun; *SG:* Son Gil Chun; *M:* Kang Dum Suk, Choi Neung Hwan, Kim Sung Hwan, Kim Sang Bok, Ji Baik Sun, Kim Jai Won, Kang Deuk Chun.

Federal Republic of Germany



- Mr. Walther Tröger, Secretary General, has asked us to inform our readers of the new address of the NOC, which we have pleasure in doing:

Nationales Olympisches Komitee für Deutschland, Otto-Fleck-Schneise 12, 6 Frankfurt am Main, Federal Republic of Germany.

Tel.: 0611/6693-1. Telex: 04 16595 dsbfra. Cable: Nolkom Frankfurtmain.

Finland



- Following our article "Financial Balance Sheet" which appeared in No. 62/63 of the *Olympic Review*, the *Finnish Olympic Committee* has informed us that our note on p. 13 is quite relevant; in 1963 the Finnish mark was revalued by an operation similar to that affecting the French franc in 1959. 100 marks became 1 mark. Thus the figure given, 1,580,500,000 marks, corresponds to old marks. The figure we mention, 15,805,000 marks, is in new marks.

France



- Christian Jannette, at present attaché of the CNOSF, sends us the following interesting information.

“The CNOSF, anxious to contribute to the work achieved each year by the IOA for the promotion of Olympism in the world, has decided to create a commission dealing with the problems connected with this body.

the commission is composed of past lecturers, official guests and past sportsmen, and aims:

- 1) to select carefully future participants,
- 2) to prepare them for the course they have to follow at Olympia,
- 3) to make the work of the IOA known in France,
- 4) inform the French sports movement of the results of the work of each session.

The commission met several times in Spring 1973 to study the candidature files submitted by the national sports federations and to select the participants for the 13th Session. After studying the files and taking into account the conditions specified by the Greek organisers, the commission selected the six following persons:

- Mr. Claude Fleuridas, delegation head, who is preparing a thesis at the National High School for Physical and Sports Education on the Olympic Games.

- Mr. Gérard Cordier, international gymnast and on the short-list for the Olympics.
- Mr. Philippe Jouy, member of the French equestrian team and on the short-list for the Munich Olympic Games.
- Mr. Pierre Puvis, on the Munich short-list.
- Mr. Gérard Saint-Martory, French champion and international weight-lifter.
- Mr. Richard Tourne, on the short-list for Sapporo in speed skating.

A preparatory meeting for future participants was held on 15th June at the headquarters of the CNOSF. The members of the commission emphasised the importance of the IOA's role, and a considerable amount of documentation was given to each person attending.

As far as the material side was concerned, an extra effort enabled the participants to be provided with a uniform with which they will be able to represent France with due dignity at official ceremonies.

This year a well-prepared delegation, conscious of its future responsibilities, will leave for Olympia. »

German Democratic Republic



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- Unfortunately a strong wind upset the Olympic Day, celebrated in Berlin on 15th June 1973. Although no outstanding per-

performances were achieved at the events organised for this occasion, the large crowd which followed the different events on the programme showed that it was alive to the Olympic ideal preached by Pierre de Coubertin.

Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, has been elected President of the municipal council. It is the first time that a person not belonging to the government has been appointed to this post, the highest. Our warmest congratulations.

Ghana



Lt.-Col. Paul K. Nkegbe, President.

● New officers of the *Ghana Olympic and Commonwealth Games Committee*:

PT: Lt. Col. P. K. Nkegbe; *VPT*: H. P. Nyemetei; *SG*: Imoru Lafia; *M*: Allotey Konuah, K. G. Korsah, Justice Mills-Odoi, Col. Robert Kotei, Capt. M.T. Quarcoo, Major Julius A. Dellor, Capt. Kenneth Obeng, Capt. G. K. Tengey.

Hong Kong

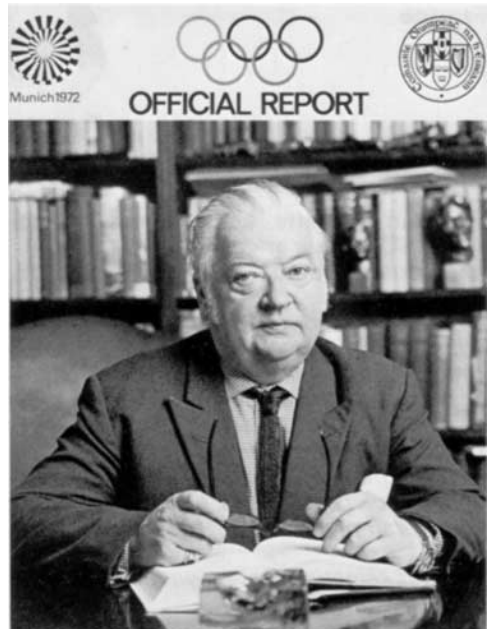


● We have just heard that Mr. A. de O. Sales, President of the *Amateur Sports*

Ireland



● The Irish NOC has just published the official report of its participation in the 1972 Munich Olympic Games. It is quite a



remarkable work, very well presented and illustrated, divided into four parts: general report, team reports, medical report and financial report.

The work opens with a preface by Lord Killanin, President of the IOC, obliged to give up the post of President of the Irish NOC, which he had occupied since 1950. We reproduce it below:

"This is the 6th and last Foreword to the Official Report of Ireland's participation in the Olympic Games that I will write, as I cannot go forward for the Presidency of the Olympic Council of Ireland, to which I was first elected in 1950. It would therefore be appropriate in the first instance for me to thank Mr. P. Carroll, who has been the Honorary Secretary throughout my terms of office, Mr. Desmond O'Sullivan the Honorary Treasurer since 1959, and his predecessor, Mr. M. V. Rowan, besides all the other officers of the Council, Members of the Executive Committee, and the different Council delegates during this period.

It is recalled that the Olympic Games are competitions between individuals and not between countries, although naturally teams must be assembled on a national basis by the National Olympic Committee of the country or area concerned. The period prior to the last Olympic Games was marked by our Government's interest in sport and leisure in Ireland, which culminated in the creation of COSAC (Sports Council) of which three members of the Olympic Council of Ireland were nominated in their individual capacity as Members. For the first time Sports Associations had an opportunity for long term plan-

ning. It is therefore disappointing that individual Irish competitors did not do better at Munich.

In the forewords to the Reports on Rome, Tokyo and Mexico I wrote always to the same effect that "the standards are now professional" (i.e. of the highest). Although the maxim of Baron de Coubertin is — 'the most important thing of the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part' this is no excuse for not sending competitors of world standard or for including passengers."

There is no doubt that being an Olympic competitor is an experience which will be long remembered by the individual but at the same time all National Associations must plan now if they wish to send competitors to the XX1st Olympic Games in 1976. This record of the XXth Games at Munich will, I hope, assist in the Planning for the future.

In addition to those mentioned in the opening paragraph I would like to thank all who have assisted the Olympic Council of Ireland and the Olympic Movement, which of course includes the Government who never interfered in Sports control, all the National Associations and other sporting bodies on the Olympic Programme, all those who have contributed and subscribed to the Olympic funds, and the National and Provincial Press, also the Radio and Television Authorities.

As a Member of the IOC I remain a Member, ex officio, of the Olympic Council of Ireland, and whatever assistance and advice I can give will of course always be available. With congratulations to all past competitors and best wishes for the future."

Japan



*Mr. Masaji Tabata,
President.*

- New officers of the Japanese Olympic Committee:

PT: Masaji Tabata, replacing Hanji Aoki;
SG: Katsuji Shibata, re-elected.

Our congratulations to them.

President and Professor Marco Antonio Escalante as Secretary General for a term of four years, at its congress. Our congratulations.

New officers of the “Comité Olímpico Mexicano”:

PT: Pedro Ramirez Vázquez; *VPT:* Alejandro Ortega Sanvicante, Manuel Valle Alvarado; *SG:* Marco Antonio Escalante; *T:* Mrs. Pilar Roldán de Giffenig; *SG Adj.:* Joaquín Badillo; *M:* Mario Vázquez Raña, Gastón Barahoma, Guillermo Lacy López.

Mexico



*Prof. Marco Antonio Escalante,
General Secretary.*

- The *Comité Olímpico Mexicano* re-elected Mr. Pedro Ramirez Vazquez as

Monaco



- *The Monaco Olympic Day* was held in the Principality on the occasion of the meeting of the European NOCs at Monaco, the report of which is published in No. 66/67. Medals of the Monaco Olympic Committee were struck by a privilege specially granted to the arms of the sovereign family, and were awarded only to Monaco athletes to reward them for their achievements. Among the first medallists was Prince Albert, heir to the throne, champion of the youngsters' academy in the 4 x 100 m medley with the Albert 1st School team.

The official medal award ceremony took place at the end of the day at the Olympic swimming pool in a setting worthy of this event.



Comte Jean de Beaumont, Vice-President of the IOC, gives H. R. H. Prince Albert of Monaco the Monaco Olympic Committee's bronze medal.

Philippines



- *The first Asian athletics championships will take place from 18th to 23rd November 1973.*

The Philippines Association is in charge of their organisation. The competitions will be held at Manila where a modern stadium is equipped to face all weathers. These championships will no doubt mark the beginning of an era of progress for Asian athletes.

Sri Lanka



Mr. E. I. Gray, Vice-President.

- *The National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Sri Lanka held its annual general assembly on 28th April, 1973.*

Here are the new officers:

PT: Mr. V. A. Sugathadasa; VPT: Messrs. P. J. Grero, A. Vythralingam, E. I. Gray, I.D.M. van Twest, C.T. Schafter, Major J.R.E. Paramsothy; SG: Sqn. Ldr. Rajah Wickremasinhe; T: Thomas de Silva.

Mr. E.I. Gray, who is much appreciated for his activity in promoting sport and Olympism, leaves the post of Secretary General to become Vice-President. Our congratulations to him. Rajah Wickremasinhe, Secretary General of the Amateur Athletic Association of Sri Lanka succeeds him to this post

Switzerland



● We thank Jean Frauenlob for the information which he sent us on the SOC's 60th general assembly at Bern on 16th June.

● New Officers of the *Swiss Olympic Committee* for the period 1973-1977:

PT: Dr. Raymond Gafner (re-elected); *VPT*: Me. Antoine Hafner; *SG*: Jean Weymann (re-elected); *Asst SG*: Charles Pasquier; *T*: Karl Buser; *Olympic Games "Chef de Mission"*: Karl Glatthard; *Press*: Jean Frauenlob; *M*: Fernand Jayet, Dr. Paul Lüthi, Frédéric Rochat, André Pfaff (new); *ANEP delegates*: Walter Siegenthaler, Paul Ruch; *Advisers*: Dr. Francis Messerli, Marcel Richème.

● Mr. Marcel Richème, after 37 years' activity with the SOC, retires. We wish him a peaceful retirement.

● As Mr. Jean Weymann has retired from his post as "Chef de Mission" at the Olympic Games, Mr. Karl Glatthard of Bern, former President of the Swiss Ski Federation, will succeed him at the XIth Winter Games at Innsbruck in 1976. Our congratulations.

Tanzania



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● new officers of the *Tanzania Olympic Committee*:

PT: Major General M.S.H. Sarakikya; *VPT*: M. Msikinya; *SG*: Erasto B. Zambi; *T*: T. S. Sandhu.

Tunisia



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● The Secretary General of the Tunisian Olympic Committee, Mr. Flaheddine Bali, has recently been appointed Minister of Justice in his country. Mr. Sayah, a world famous journalist, takes over the Ministry of Youth and Sport. Mr. Mohammed Mzali, IOC member for Tunisia and President of the TOC, continues in his position as Health Minister.

United States



Mr. Arthur Lentz, director for the information.

● Following the meeting of the USOC quadrennial general assembly, at Colo-

rado Springs, Mr. Arthur Lentz, Director for the Information, has sent us the following information, for which we thank him:

New quadrennial period begins for United States Olympic Committee

Greater participation by athletes in the determination of policies and procedures was a major accomplishment of the United States Olympic Committee when it effected its quadrennial reorganization February 8-9, 1973 and set the pattern of activity for the next four years (1973-1976).

Chief proponent of this vital forward step was Philip O. Krumm, Kenosha, Wis., who succeeded Clifford H. Buck, Denver, Colo., as president of the USOC. Krumm, who had been first vice-president during the past quadrennial period (1969-1972) and who has been a prominent national and international speed skating administrator for a number of years, revealed that seven Olympians were named as members-at-large to the Board of Directors, three of the individuals also being selected for the Executive Committee.

The Olympians so honored were *Jesse Owens*, winner of four gold medals in the 1936 Games track and field competition; *Dr. Tenley Albright Gardiner*, 1956 gold medalist in figure skating and silver medalist in 1952; *William A. Toomey*, Olympic decathlon winner in 1968; *Willie Davenport*, 1968 champion in the 110 meter hurdles, competitor in 1964 and fourth place finisher in 1972; *Capt. Micki King*, USAF, 1972 Olympic women's springboard diving champion after winning fourth place in 1968; *Frank Shorter*, Olympic marathon winner at Munich; and

Suzanne Chaffee, a member of the 1968 women's Alpine Ski team. Toomey was a member of the Board for the last Quadrennial; he along with Dr. Albright Gardiner and Willie Davenport also were named to the Executive Committee.

- Here are the new officers:

PT: Philip O. Krumm; *Ex. VPT*: Robert J. Kane; *VPT*: John B. Kelly Jr., Al O. Duer; *SG*: E. Newbold Black IV; *T*: Julian K. Roosevelt.

Mr. Buck, retiring as President, joined Avery Brundage, Kenneth L. Wilson, and Douglas F. Roby, as President-Emeritus, while Gen. H.W. Buse, Jr., who had served as Secretary under Mr. Buck, was appointed Assistant to President Krumm and will serve as Co-ordinator of sports committee activities.

Col. F. Don Miller, New York City, was elected as Executive Director.

- No less than 26 Olympic champions were elected to the 37 American Olympic sports committees for the development, selection and training of American teams. Among them are Patricia Mc Cormick, double diving champion in 1952 and 1956, Debbie Meyer, triple champion at Mexico in 1968, Lee Calhoun, gold medalist in hurdles in 1956 and 1960, Mike Burton, olympic champion in the 1500 m freestyle in 1968 and 1972, and Bill Steinkraus, 6 times member of the Olympic team, individual champion in 1968 and President of the United States equestrian team.

USSR



- After twenty years of activity, Igor Ter Ovanessian has become an important personality. At 35 years of age, a graduate of the Physical Education Institute, doctor of pedagogy, he has become head trainer of the USSR men's athletics team.

Comité National Olympique Zaïrois, B. P. 6232, Kinshasa VI, Zaïre.

- New officers of the Zaire NOC:
PT: Sampassa Kaweta Milombe replaces Elonga Malimazungu; *VPT:* Shongo Kashama Diowo; *SG:* Kaunu Kabangabanga (re-elected); *Asst. SG:* Mutombo Kabamba; *M:* M'bilu ea Boketsu a Mboli, Dr. Mambu, Bageya Kifulu, N'swalu Mbiengo Wa Zikembo, Mabusa Eseka, Kunyima Mutombo-Mpasu, Mayala Wu Mwesi Mwanzu, Tambwe Musangelu, Essende Liambi Monga Mahuki, Matula Tambwe Kambwinkidi.

Yugoslavia



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- Each year, the *Yugoslav Olympic Committee* organises the "Olympic Week". The event was held this year from 10th to 17th June, and the sports events, artistic events and the meetings of the young athletes were very successful. As every year, special "Olympic stamps" were issued by the post office.

At the price of 0.10 dinar, they enable Yugoslav athletes to participate at the Olympic Games through the money collected. It is a gesture of solidarity between citizens and Olympic athletes.

Zambia



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- On 8th April 1973, the *National Olympic Committee of Zambia* held its general assembly at which the elections took place.

New officers of the NOC of Zambia:

PT: Hon. W. Nyirenda M. P.; *VPT:* T. D. M. Mtine; *SG:* B. M. Lombe; *T:* S. K. Hooja; *M:* Y.M. Lishomwa, S.A. Smith, W. Chanda, S. M. Chikwavaire, Barny M. Lombe.

- *New address of the NOC of Zambia: P.O. Box 1268, Chingola, Zambia.*

Zaire



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- *At the request of Mr. Kaundu Kabangabanga, Secretary General of the Zaire NOC, we repeat the committee's exact address:*

The NOC's and Olympism

We have by no means stopped our study on the "NOC's and Olympism" of which the first part, devoted to Switzerland, appeared in the number 66/67. We will continue this investigation in our future reviews.