

Olympic Notebook

● **Lord Killanin, President of the IOC**, attended the transfer of power of the President of the Republic of the United Mexican States, from HE Luis Echeverria to HE José Lopez Portillo. He again thanked the outgoing President for his consistent support of the Olympic movement and offered warm wishes to his successor.

● **Mr. Juan Antonio Samaranch**, Vice-President of the IOC of which he has been member in Spain since 1966, has endowed the International Association of Physical Education Colleges (AIESEP) with a four-yearly prize which will reward a work on the advanced teaching of sports and physical education.

● **Mr. Maurice Herzog**, Chief of Protocol of the IOC of which he has been member in France since 1970, was married quietly on 18th December to an Austrian, Miss Elisabeth Gamber, whose interest in the Olympic movement has been widely appreciated. The "Olympic Review" sends the new couple its best wishes for their future happiness.

● **Mr. José Beracasa A.**, IOC member in Venezuela since 1968, has undergone a delicate operation. We are very happy to learn that his convalescence is progressing well.

● **Mr. Pedro Ramirez Vazquez**, IOC member in Mexico since 1972, has just joined his country's government as Minister for Public Works. A famous architect recognised on the five continents, exceptional leader of men and very hard worker, all these qualities assure the new Minister's success. In spite of his great responsibilities, we are sure Mr. Ramirez Vazquez will zealously continue his work for Olympism.

● **HRH Prince Bertil of Sweden**, President of the Swedish Olympic Committee, has married Lilian Craig. We send them our sincere good wishes.

To our sorrow, we have learned of the deaths of the following defenders and friends of the Olympic and sports movement:

— **HRH Princes Margaretha**, widow of the late lamented Prince Axel of Denmark, who was member of the IOC from 1932 to 1958. She always showed great interest in the Olympic movement, since she never missed an Olympic Games' celebration.

— **Mrs. Alexandra de Isa**, mother of Mr. Juan Isa, President of the Netherlands Antilles Olympic Committee.

— **The cyclist Alfredo Dinale** (74, ITA), Olympic team pursuit champion in 1924, following a long illness.

— **The swimmer Jean Taris** (67, FRA), second in 400 m. at the 1932 Olympic Games, victim of a heart attack.

— **The athlete Ivo Van Damme** (23, BEL), second in 800 m. and in 1,500 m. at Montreal, in a tragic motor accident.

The Olympic Review sends its sincere condolences to all the families and friends of these lamented sportsmen.

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