



**HRH Prince Bertil Bernadotte**, president of the Swedish Olympic Committee since 1947 and the uncle of King Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden, died in January 1997 in Stockholm at the age of 84. His enthusiastic sportsmanship earned him the nicknames “the prince of sports”, “the speed-skating prince” and “the motor prince”. In 1929 he set the school record in the 500m speed skating event, and he was one of Sweden’s best long jumpers and high jumpers. He won over 130 prizes in various sports events before 1938. He also played golf and pétanque. As president of the Swedish Sports Confederation from 1947 to 1991 he led the Swedish delegation to the Olympic Games from 1948 to 1988 (with the exception of Melbourne in 1956, Rome in 1960 and Tokyo in 1964), and became popular with his country’s athletes and sports leaders. In 1956 he lit the Olympic flame when Stockholm hosted the equestrian events of the Games of the XVI Olympiad. Prince Bertil was decorated with the Olympic Order in silver in 1978, and was awarded the gold Olympic Order in 1988 on the 75th anniversary of the Swedish NOC.



**Guillermo Cañedo**, FIFA vice-president, died on 20 January 1997 at the age of 76 in Mexico, after a long illness. Cañedo, who was born on 4 June 1920 in Guadalajara, also had a lifelong involvement with television. He was vice-president of the Televisa channel and had been president of the Ibero-American Television Organization (OTI) since its creation twenty-five years ago. He was president of the Zacatepec and America Mexican football clubs, and represented the North and Central American and Caribbean Football Confederation (CONCACAF) on FIFA’s executive board from 1962 to 1968, before becoming vice-president. He presided the organizing committees of the 1970 and 1986 World Cups in Mexico, and chaired FIFA’s media committee from 1972 and its organization committee from 1992. He was a FIFA vice-president for 35 years and president of the organizing committee of the next World Cup, which will take place in France in 1998.

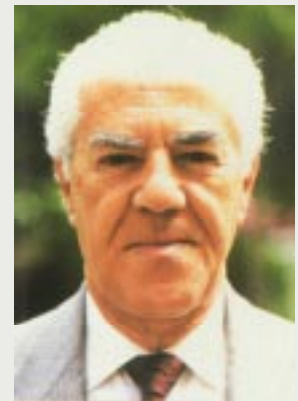
**Antoine Herbauts**, secretary general of the International Sporting Press Association



(AIPS) from 1948 to 1956 and 1964 to 1973, died in Belgium in January at the age of 84. He was the first AIPS secretary general to take responsibility for press accreditations at the Olympic Games and the football World Cup. Herbauts was a warm man, a conscientious worker and an ardent defender of the ethics of journalism and the profession itself. He coined the expression “Ultima Hora” (final hour) in 1970, during the final phase of the World Cup in Mexico, to describe late-comers’ accreditations.



65. Klein, who was press chief for the Games of the XX Olympiad in Munich in 1972, used the diplomatic talents he had honed during his term as Minister for Economic Cooperation from 1987 to 1989. Most of the journalists who have covered the Olympic Games for several decades remember Hans Klein as the best press chief ever. The quality of the press organization at the Games in Munich has been unequalled since.



**Carlos Alberto Pinheiro**, Brazilian journalist and member of the FIFA media commission, died on 27 January 1997 at the age of 70. Carlos Alberto Pinheiro was also press attache for FIFA President and IOC member João Havelange in his Rio de Janeiro office.

**Vladimir Ryzhenkov**, president of the NOC of Belarus, died last December after a brief illness. He was born on 11 September 1945 in Dobrush, and played on the national basketball team. Pro-



professionally, he held a position as professor at the Belarus State institute for Physical Culture and then became deputy president of the Urozhay central council (a sports organization) and chairman of the state committee for physical culture and sports. He was elected NOC president in 1991 and was also minister for sport and tourism.

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FIBA Vice President **Raimundo Saporta** of Spain died in Madrid on 2 February 1997 at the age of 70. A famous figure in basketball, but also in football, he was the honorary president of the 'Real Madrid' team.

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