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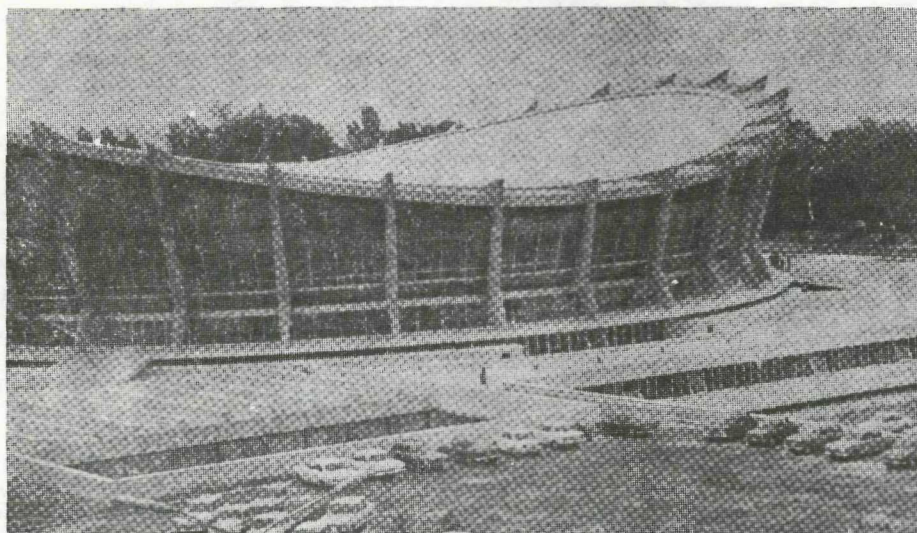
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IV. WORLD'S GYMNASTIQUE MODERNE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Conducted in Varna, Bulgaria, Sept. 27, 28, 29, 1969,
Hall of Sports and Culture

MILDRED PRCHAL



SCENE OF
CHAMPIONSHIP

Hall of Sports and
Culture

Varna, Bulgaria

On September 21st I arrived at the International Hotel, situated about 12 miles from Varna in a resort area called "Golden Sands" on the Black Sea. When leaving home it was my understanding that much of the business, Judges' Sessions, etc. would be conducted here. Because of previous

commitments, however, the hotel was unable to provide accommodations and the events were held in two other locations. With the exception of Mme. Villancher, FIG. Chairman, and Mme. Chagurova of the Bulgarian delegation who were also in the International Hotel, all of the delegates and gym-

nasts were housed in various hotels, most of them in the Sportspalas, a hotel with dormitory facilities as well as a gymnasium and assembly hall. This Sportspalas was located about 3 miles from the International Hotel high on a hillside (103 steps up). Judges' sessions, the official training sessions, and the Championship, itself, however, were in the Hall of Sports and Culture in the city about 12 miles from the International Hotel. It was very difficult to communicate with anyone since very little English is understood and very little effort is made to understand any of the Slav languages except Bulgarian. Next day a taxi took me to the Sportspalas and I found the Czech girls practicing in the gymnasium. Japan, Korea, Cuba, Germany and others were awaiting their turn.

From the Czech coach I learned that the Judges' Sessions would start on the morning of the 25th in the Hall of Sports and Culture in Varna, where the FIG Modern Gymnastics Council was just then having a meeting. At the Hall of Sports and Culture I contacted Mme. Kveta Cerna, Czechoslovak Chairman of Modern Gymnastics, and others of the Council, was duly registered and given the program of all events with official pins and tickets of admission to all events, etc.

For the next two days I "sat in" on the training periods in the Sportspalas. Each group was allowed two hours for warm-up and practice. Among the groups I saw were the Japanese who were participating in the World Championships for the first time, Koreans also for the first time, the Russians, Cubans and others. The Russians drew a group of spectators who were anxious to see the "warm-ups" of these top contenders. I was not surprised, however, to see a traditional ballet "lesson" starting with a complete set of ballet barre technique, adagio, turns, pirouettes, combinations with tour jetes, grand jetes, etc. Some body waves and backbends. Cubans had some ballet warm-ups, concentrated on stretching, high extensions. Japanese and Koreans concentrated upon limbering, stretching, and their familiar lunge routine; the warm-ups of other countries I had the opportunity to see, including Sweden and Denmark, were different. A detailed report of the work of some of the groups is included in my technical report. It was very evident that there were two very different interpretations of Modern Gymnastics, one by countries in the truly rhythmic style we have seen by Swedes, Danes and Swiss, as against that with the predominantly ballet technique that distinguishes the Russians, Bulgarians, Cubans and to some extent Roumanians.

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JUDGES' SESSIONS

September 25, 26, Hall of Sports and Culture

Early in the morning I met the Czech delegation at the Sportspalas and went with them by special bus to the Hall of Sports and Culture in Varna. I sat between the two delegates from Czechoslovakia who not only took turns in interpreting all proceedings which were only in French and German, but later gave me all the current General Rules, Code of Points, Rules for Group Exercises, for individual

exercise with jump rope, Ball, Hoop and Exercise without implement (this latter event was eliminated from future World's Championships in a meeting held after the Championships).

The First Session started at 9:00 a.m.

Members of the Gymnastique Moderne Council were: Mme. Berthe Villancher, FIG. Chairman of Gymnastique Moderne, France; Mme. Gotta, Technical Chairman, Italy; Mme. Urzinykov, NDR. (Eastern Germany), Mme. Furster, DDR. (Western Germany), Mme. Batajan, SSSR., Mme. Chagurova, Bulgaria, Mme. Abat, Hungary, and Mme. Cerna, Czechoslovakia.

All business was conducted in French and German, occasionally in Russian; without the help of the Czechs who sat with me throughout all the sessions I would have been at a great disadvantage.

18 countries were registered for participation in the Championships; 3 of them only in individual competitions. Belgium, Bulgaria, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Eastern Germany, France, Holland, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Yugoslavia, Korea, Poland, Roumania, Russia, Sweden, Western Germany. Two countries sent delegates only: Israel and the United States.

Mme. Villancher greeted all delegates present and stated that only officials could speak on business. Judges could participate in all discussions on events including those they had been selected to judge. Judges were then named from the list of those who had attended Judges' Sessions in Dobrichovice, Czechoslovakia, last April.

The Championships consisted of: 1. Compulsory Group Exercise with ball (6 girls). 2. Individual Compulsory Ball Exercise. 3. Optional Exercise with Hoop. 4. Optional Exercise with Jump Rope. 5. Optional Exercise without implement.

PART I OF RULES: The compulsory individual ball exercise was thoroughly discussed. This discussion was led by Mme. Cerna, who was the author of the ball exercise. All penalties for infractions were thoroughly studied and corrections in text (last picture of E part) were made. (The arm in the kneel should be directly forward, not upward.) The delegates and judges then assembled in the gymnasium for practical judging. 5 girls executed the ball exercise and various points were clarified.

After lunch the same procedure was followed regarding optional exercises with the hoop.

SEPTEMBER 26—II. PART OF RULES: (Most of these Rules were given to me in Czech, others in French; these were practically a repetition of the sessions in April.) Discussion on A. Optional Individual Exercises, Special General Rules for Exercise without Implement and with Implement. B. Specific individual exercise with Implement.

There was an important discussion regarding stretched feet and legs and deep back bends (ballet technique). Mme. Villancher stated that all should be to NATURAL maximum. Turning out and arched feet will not be stressed. Those without ballet technique will not receive a penalty. This "will help weaker countries who do not have the ballet technique available." In my estimation and later during competitions, it was definitely this difference that determined the scores of the top gymnasts.

Having more than one instrument? Alternating instruments?

After some discussion it was conceded that alternating piano with percussion drum or clapping could be possible but there would be a risk of losing points if the change from one instrument to another would not be successful. Finally Mme. Villancher decided that no alternating of instruments would be allowed. At 10:30 the assembly moved to the gymnasium where 4 girls were judged, various elements of judging were brought up, faults and merits pointed out. Remark: Split can only be used as passing element. Greatest faults were lack of lightness, value of composition, elements of difficulty. No. 4 Gymnast, a Czech, was given special mention by Mme. Villancher, who said "this is an example of what I hope for the future of Modern Gymnastics." All Modern Gymnastics should be done with central movement and total movement, (movement to begin with pelvis).

Back again to assembly hall and a review of jump rope rules. More demonstrations with jump rope.

Mme. Gotta—Jump Rope. Rope must have no handles but it is allowed that center of rope (about 25 cm.) (10 inches) may be thicker. If not according to rules, 1 pt. penalty. Exercise has two parts: 1. Jumps over rope with straight body. 2. Elements that must be executed with accompaniment of body movements; figure 8s, swing from side to side, continuous rope movement. When jumping over SLOWLY TURNING ROPE, ARMS ARE STRAIGHT; over FASTER TURNING ROPE, TURN FROM ELBOW; over FAST TURNING OF ROPE, TURN FROM WRIST. DOUBLE TURNING OF ROPE: with one jump. LEAP OVER DOUBLED ROPE TURNING IT WITH RIGHT HAND UNDER FEET.

Touching floor lightly with rope is not penalized but if hard, it interferes with movements that follow.

GROUP COMPOSITION RULES were next. Some rules were brought up and clarified. Some countries found it necessary to correct or change parts of their Group Ball Exercise before next day's competitions because of misinterpretation. Timing begins 30 seconds from instant when the 6th gymnast enters area. Or gymnasts may enter and begin at once. If a team starts with a soloist or even 4 girls, timing starts when the other two join in work. (Some countries had soloists and were obliged to change.)

Dropping ball, 1 pt.—but other errors caused by the dropping must also be added.

No phonograph records can be used for any of the exercises.

Judges keep half of slip for their own records.

After all business, leaders of groups had a final meeting and a social evening followed.

OPENING CEREMONIES:

The Hall of Sports and Culture in Varna, the scene of the IV. World's Championship in Modern Gymnastics, is a beautiful oval arena that seats 4,000 people and can seat 2,000 more on the floor for exhibitions and concerts. It was ideal for the Championships. There is an immense parking area, spacious dressing rooms, and refreshment bars. 2 floor areas were provided for the gymnasts, one with a rug (12 x 12m.) approximately 40 x 40 feet with colored border of about 3 feet (penalty area) and another area without covering. A space of about 15 feet divided these two areas; a narrow runner was placed through the center. For the first day, judges' tables and table for the FIG Committee members were situated on one side of the

two areas. Judges tables were about 10 feet apart. Each table was covered with a long overhanging cloth in red upon which the national flag of the judge's country stood (about 12" high). Potted plants stood at about 20 foot intervals around both of the areas; in the middle between the areas stood an enormous live rose bush. Later this bush was removed because it blocked the view of the judges. About 16 "pioneers" (scouts?) with trumpets stood high in the bleachers and heralded the entrance of the teams. After teams were in place with the flag of their nation before each team, the Bulgarian national anthem was played, then followed addresses by the Mayor of Varna and Mme. Villancher. Ten of the young "pioneers" with one costumed girl between them ran onto the floor and presented a bouquet to each of the FIG Committee members and Mme. Villancher. The girl had an appropriate greeting. Then 18 young men in gymnastic uniform entered in single file giving a bouquet to each of the team leaders. Girls in Bulgarian costumes threw rose petals among the audience. At this time there were about 2,000 people in the audience, later about 3,000. The teams marched off and judges marched to their tables. Each was introduced. Most of the judges were in uniform (gray skirt and navy blue jacket). There were two groups of four judges each and one head judge. One group judged composition, music, harmony and the other group judged technical difficulty and general impression.

Program of the 15 group numbers with ball began at 5:00 p.m. (18 countries were represented, 3 of them had no group number, Korea, France and Holland). The Japanese attended for the first time as did Korea; both of them did excellently. Results were as follows:

Bulgaria	18.50	West Germany	17.10
SSSR	18.30	Roumania	16.45
Czechoslovakia	18.20	Cuba (Protest)	16.30
Hungary	18.10	Italy	16.25
Japan	18.05	Jugoslavia	16.15
Sweden	17.35	Poland	15.85
East Germany	17.30	Belgium	13.80
Denmark	17.20		

Remarks on some of these groups separately.

SEPT. 28th—COMPETITION IN INDIVIDUAL COMPULSORY BALL EXERCISE AND OPTIONAL HOOP EXERCISE:

Competition began at 3:00 p.m. Arena was filled. 17 countries had individual gymnasts in compulsory and additional events consisting of ball (compulsory), hoop (optional), without implement (optional), jump rope (optional). Tables had been moved to opposite side. Both areas were at the disposal of the gymnasts as on the previous day and both were almost evenly utilized. 46 girls competed. Ball exercise and hoop exercise were alternated; during the second half, those who competed with ball changed to hoop exercise and vice versa; total of 92 floor exercises. The work was very spectacular but in some cases, in my opinion, and later brought out in the Trainers' Sessions, the exercises resembled gymnastic ballet rather than rhythmic gymnastics. In the second half the gymnasts seemed to improve considerably and a strong feeling of competition was evident.

SEPT. 29—COMPETITION IN JUMP ROPE (OPTIONAL) AND EXERCISE WITHOUT IMPLEMENT (OPTIONAL)

Ceremonies consisted of Introduction of Judges. About 4,000 spectators. The same procedure of alternate events followed: Some gymnasts preferred

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the mat, some the bare floor. Some were barefooted, others had full or half slippers. The manipulation of rope in some cases was fantastic. The exercise without implement showed different interpretations of rhythmic gymnastics, Denmark, Sweden, Holland, East and West Germany, Belgium, Yugoslavia, Poland, Italy, France and Czechoslovakia showed distinct differences in interpretations of the character of Modern Gymnastics. Russia, Bulgaria, Roumania and Hungary used many ballet elements. As the competition continued, the audience became more and more tense; favorites of the audience were called three and even more times after their exercise, some of the top gymnasts responding with deep ballet curtsies; flowers and bouquets were presented to them. The program was delayed for 20 minutes by staccato clapping and calling in one instance until the Mayor of Varna spoke to the people, calling them to order and asking them to allow the rest of the individuals to compete without interruption.

The music used throughout was selected by each gymnast and played by their accompanist or on tape. Many familiar American song arrangements were used, one of them being a Red River Valley Fantasy.

The awarding of medals followed—the complete results as follows:

1. Maria Guigova	Bulgaria	19.05
2. Lubov Sereda	Russia	18.90
3. Nechka Robeva	Bulgaria	18.80
3. Galina Chogurova	Russia	18.80
4. Roumania		
Stephanova	Bulgaria	18.55
5. Alla Sassouhina	Russia	18.40
6. Hana Sitnianska	Czechoslovakia	18.20
6. Maria Patocka	Hungary	18.20
7. Zdena Mlynarova	Czechoslovakia	18.05
8. Jana Vonaskova	Czechoslovakia	17.90
9. Victoria Vilcu	Roumania	17.80
9. Silke Botger	RDA	17.80
10. Doris Kersten	RDA	17.70

Bulgaria was the only country to issue stamps commemorating this event. The set of six stamps was issued during Oct. 1969.

- 1794 1s green & dark blue, Woman gymnast.
 1795 2s blue & dark blue, Two women with hoops.
 1796 3s emerald & slate green, One woman with hoop.
 1797 5s orange & purple, Two women with spheres.
 B35 13+5s bright rose & violet, Woman with ball.
 B36 20+10s citron & blue green, Acrobatic jump.



Gymnasts are in light gray color.

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By PAUL BRENNER

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- M 229F s/s US Basketball Team
 Great Olympic Champions
 50 Dh Jesse Owens
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 5 Rls Joe Frazier
 10 Rls s/s M. Ali, J. Frazier

MANAMA

- M 157 B. Beamon
 M 187 R. Robinson
 M 229 J. Hines

CHAD

- Sc 199 Tommie Smith
 Sc 201 W. Davenport

Sc 202 B. Beamon
Jeux Olympics - s/s generalized
Black man winning race with USA
on his chest. Scenes from Diff.
Olympics in margin.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Sc 475 Jesse Owens
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Sc 502 Milt Campbell
same on perf & imperf s/s
Sc C106 Charles Jenins
same on perf & imperf s/s
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M 220 J. Hines
M 225 400m relay
M 227 W. Davenport
M 229 1,600m relay
M 230 s/s W. Davenport, 1,600m relay
1971 Boxing Championships, 3
stamps, Ali & Frazier also 1
s/s with Ali & Frazier

GRENADA

Sc 280 Edith McGuire

MAHRA

Olympic Gold Medal Winners - USA

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Sc C88 B. Beamon

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M 548 Willie Mays
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SHARJAH

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264. 1ø multicolored (jump shot)

Sc 263a; Min 242; Gi MS305; Mi B1 4; Yt B1 4

Notes: (a) Date of issue: June 24, 1969 (Min), July 7, 1969 (Sc, Gi, and Mi). (b) For basketball results of 3rd South Pacific Games, see Note 261b above.

1969, July 15. China. Model Citizen's Life Movement. Wmkd seal character "YU"; P 11½ (Sc), 12 (Min and Mi); recess printed by China Engraving and Printing Works, Taipei.

265. \$4 emerald green (recreational basketball game in background) (1,000,000)

Sc 1819; Min 792; Gi 713; Mi 730; Yt 664

1969, August 13. British Solomon Islands. 3rd South Pacific Games, Port Moresby, Aug. 13-23, 1969. Wmkd St. Edwards crown and "CA" multiple; P 14½ x 14 (Sc, Min, Gi, and Yt), 15 x 14 (Mi); designed by J. E. Cooter; photogravure in sheets of fifty by Harrison and Sons, Ltd., London.

Emblem of Games, plus

266. 3ø multicolored (jump shot)

Sc 198; Min 190; Gi 184; Mi 185; Yt 179

Notes: (a) For basketball results of 3rd South Pacific Games, see Note 261b above.

1969, August 13. British Solomon Islands. 3rd South Pacific Games, Port Moresby, Aug. 13-23, 1969. Wmkd St. Edwards crown and "CA" multiple; P 14½ x 14 (Sc, Min, Gi, and Yt), 14 x 14 (Mi); souvenir sheet (126 x 120 mm.--Gi, 127 x 120 mm.--Sc, Min, and Mi, 127 x 121 mm.--Yt) containing one each of No. 266 and Sc 1990201, red and black inscription; photogravure by Harrison and Sons, Ltd., London.

Emblem of Games, plus

267. 3¢ multicolored (jump shot)

Sc 201a; Min 194; Gi MS188; Mi Bl 1; Yt Bl 1

Notes: (a) For basketball results of 3rd South Pacific Games, see Note 261b above.

1969, September 1. China. 1st anniversary of free nine-year education system. Wmkd seal character "YU"; P 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Sc), 12 (Min, Gi, and Mi); recess printed on granite paper by China Engraving and Printing Works, Taipei.

268. \$2.50 dark bluish green (recreational basketball in background)

269. \$4 Prussian blue (same as No. 268)

Sc 1821, 1822; Min 979, 798; Gi 718, 719; Mi 735, 736; Yt 666, 667

1969, September 15. Albania. 16th European Basketball Championship, Naples, Sept. 27-Oct. 5, 1969. Unwmkd; P 12 (Sc, Gi, and Mi), 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Min); designed by S. Toptani; lithography on coated paper by State Printing Office, Tirana.

270. 12q multicolored (hook pass)

271. 15q multicolored (jump shot)

272. 25q multicolored (hand aiming ball at basket, map of Europe)

273. 80q multicolored (offensive tip-in)

274. 2.20l multicolored (rebounding)

Sc 1240-44; Min 1370-74; Gi 1330-34; Mi 1368-72; Yt 1187-91

Notes: (a) Results of 16th European Basketball Championships: (1) Russia, (2) Yugoslavia, (3) Czechoslovakia, (4) Poland, (5) Spain, (6) Italy, (7) Bulgaria, and (8) Hungary.

1969, November 15. Cuba. Sports events of 1969. Unwmkd; P 12 $\frac{1}{2}$; designed by R. G. Parra; lithography.

275. 10¢ multicolored (jump ball)(280,000--Trachtenberg)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi 1704; Mi 1533; Yt 1343

1970, April 25. Yugoslavia. 6th World Basketball Championship, Ljubljana, May 10-24, 1970. Unwmkd; P 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Gi and Mi), 13 x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Min and Yt); designed by A. Milenkovic; engraved by V. Cvetkovic; recess printed in sheets of nine by State Printing Works, Belgrade.

276. 1.20l lilac/purple (four players rebounding)

Sc 1023; Min 1655; Gi 1423; Mi 1378; Yt 1271

Notes: (a) Date of issue: Apr. 14, 1970 (Min), Apr. 25, 1970 (Gi and Mi). (b) Results of 6th World Basketball Championship: (1) Yugoslavia, (2) Brazil, (3) Russia, (4) Italy, (5) United States, (6) Czechoslovakia, (7) Uruguay, and (8) Cuba.

1970, May 25. United Arab Republic--Egypt. 5th African Basketball Championship, Alexandria, Mar. 9-15, 1970. Wmkd eagle (sideways--Mi); P 11 x 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ (Mi), 11 x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Sc, Min, and Gi); photogravure in

sheets of twenty-five by Postal Authority Press.

277. 20m Turkish blue/orange/yellow (lay-up shot, map of Africa and cup)

Sc 407; Min 1197; Gi 1050; Mi 469; Yt 821

Notes: (a) Results of 6th African Basketball Championship: (1) United Arab Republic, (2) Senegal, (3) Tunisia, (4) Central African Republic, (5) Libya, (6) Gaza, (7) Somalia.

1970, August 5. New Zealand. Health issue. Unwmkd; P 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Sc, Min, and Gi), 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Mi), 14 (Yt); designed by L. C. Mitchell; lithography in sheets of 100 by Thomas de la Rue, London.

278. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ + 1¢ multicolored (girls' basketball)

Sc B80; Min 761; Gi 940; Mi 543; Yt 507

1970, August 5. New Zealand. Health issue. Unwmkd; P 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Sc, Min, and Gi), 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Mi), 14 (Yt); miniature sheet (101 x 124 mm.--Sc, 102 x 125 mm.--Gi) containing six of No. 278; designed by L. C. Mitchell; lithography in sheets of 100 by Thomas de la Rue, London.

279. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ + 1¢ multicolored (same as No. 278)

Sc B80a; Min 763; Bi MS942: Mi --- ; Yt B1 29

1970, August ?. Jordan. Definitive issue. Unwmkd; P 14 (Yt), 14 x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Sc, Min, Gi, and Mi); photogravure.

280. 150f multicolored (basketball)

Sc 596; Min 907; Gi 798; Mi 785; Yt 670

1970, October 7. Panama. 11th Central American and Caribbean Games. Panama City, Mar. 1-12, 1970. Wmkd; P 13 $\frac{1}{2}$; lithography by Casa de Moeda, Buenos Aires.

281. 13¢ multicolored (basketball)(100,000)

282. 13¢ multicolored (new Panama Gymnasium)(100,000)

Sc C374, C375; Min 1205, 1206; Gi --- ; Mi --- ; Yt 462, 463

Notes: (a) Basketball results of 11th Central American and Caribbean Games: (1) Panama, (2) Cuba, (3) Puerto Rico, (4) Mexico, (5) Virgin Islands, (6) Dominican Republic, (7) Venezuela, and (8) Nicaragua.

1970, November 22. Philippines. Philatelic Week, Nov. 22-28, 1970. Wmkd "Harrison & Sons"; P 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Yt), 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 14 (Sc, Min, and Gi), 15 x 14 (Mi and Halm and Kobylanski); No. 154 overprinted "1970 Philatelic Week" and new value; designed by Nemisio Disnanlig Jr. and Tony T. Chuidian Jr.; photogravure by Government Printing Office, Tokyo (Halm and Kobylanski), Harrison and Sons, Ltd., London (Mi).

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Sc 1079; Min 1254; G1 989; M1 945; Yt 803

Addendum

1963, December 23. Costa Rica. 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo, Oct. 10-25, 1964. Unwmkd; P 13 (Mi and Halm and Kobylanski), 13 x 13½ (Sc and G1); designed by C. Alonso; lithography by De La Rue of Colombia, Bogota.

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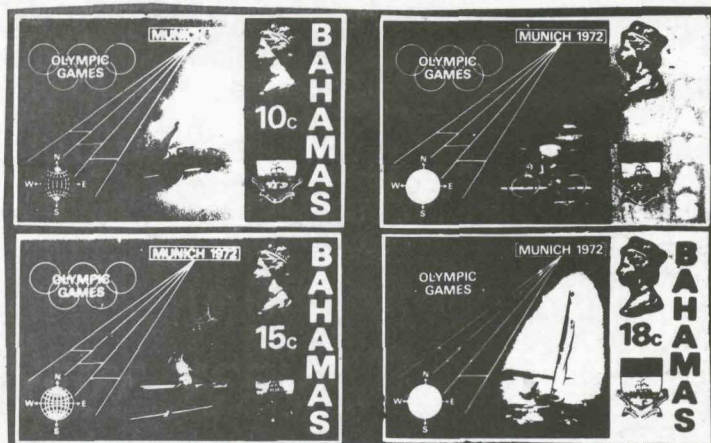
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Barbara T. Williams

- AFARS & ISAS June 8, 1972 XX Olympic Games, Munich. 5f, Runner; 10f Basketball; 55f, Swimmer; 60f, Olympic Flame.
- ANDORRE July 10, 1972 XX Olympic Games, Munich. 1.00, Shooting Designed & Engraved by Betemps.
- BAHAMAS June 27, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 10¢, Pole Vault; 11¢, Cyclist; 15¢, Runner; 18¢, Sailing; S/S, showing all 4 stamps. Designer; John Waddington Studios Printed by Bradbury Wilkinson.
- BHUTAN June 6, 1972 XX Olympic Games, Munich. 10ch, 7nu, Basketball; 15ch, 1.35nu, Archery; 20ch, Boxing; 30ch, Discus; 35ch, Javelin Thrower; 45ch, Shooting; S/S, of the 35ch, 1.35nu & 7nu. Quantities: Perf, 9000-Imperf, 2000 Perf & Imperf S/S, 4500 each.
- CYPRUS July 24, 1972 XX Olympic Games, Munich. 10m, Archery; 40m, Wrestlers; 100m, Soccer. Printed by Aspioti-Elka.
- FINLAND June 9, 1972 Tall Ships Race, Helsinki, August 20th. .50, Training ship, Suomen Joutsen. Designed by Torsten Ekstrom.
- FRANCE July 24, 1972 World Cycling Championship. 1.00, Cyclist Designed & Engraved by Betemps.
- FRANCE July 10, 1972 XX Olympic Games, Munich. 1.00, Hurdler, Designed & Engraved by Betemps.



- FUJEIRA March 5, 1972 XI Winter Olympic Games, Sapporo. 25dh, Bobsled; 30dh, Ski Jumper; 70dh, Figure Skater; 1.25, Speed Skater; 2R, Slalom Skier; 3R, Ice Hockey; S/S, ? Quantity: Perf, 20000-Imperf & Perf & Imp S/S, 5000. This set has also been overprinted for the winners.
- FUJEIRA April 5, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 8R, Discobulos They say this is the largest stamp in the world. Quantity; Perf, 4500-Imperf, 500.
- GABON May 10, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 30F, Discus Thrower; 100F, Polyclete; 140F, Agasias Gladiator.
- GERMANY February 4, 1972. Youth Welfare. 25+10pf, Hunter & deer
- GERMANY July 5, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. Issued in Post card, this sheet has 4 detachable stamps. The sheet is an overall picture of the Olympic grounds in Munich, and the stamps each contain one of the stadiums.

- GERMANY July 18, 1972. 21st World Games for the Handicapped, Heidelberg. 40, Archer. Designed by Kurt Schwarz. Printed in offset.
- GERMANY August 18, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. Booklet containing the four stamps issued on June 5th; Long Jump, Basketball, Discus Thrower & Canoeing.
- GREECE May 26, 1972. 20th Anniversary of the Acropolis Rally. 4.50d, Car & Acropolis; 5d, route of the Rally. Printed in a quantity of 500,000 by Aspioti-Elka Graphic Arts.
- HUNGARY April 29, 1972. European Football Championship. 40f, 60f, 80f, 1Ft, 1.20Ft, 2Ft, 4Ft, 5Ft, Soccer players in the uniforms of their National teams + the flag of the nation-- Hungary, Romania, East Germany, England, Yugoslavia, Russia, Italy and Belgium. Designed by Adam Cziglenyi, the set was printed by the State Printing Office, Budapest, in a quantity of 575000 Perf and 8000 Imperf.
- HUNGARY May , 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. S/S, 10Ft, Discus Thrower and Ski Jumper plus the emblems of Munich & Sapporo. Designed by Adam Cziglenyi. Printer: State Printing Office.
- HUNGARY July , 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 40f, Soccer; 60f, Water Polo; 80f, Javelin Thrower; 1Ft, Canoeing; 1.20Ft, Boxers; 2Ft, Gymnast; 3+1Ft, Wrestlers; 5Ft, Fencers; S/S, 10Ft, Equestrian. Designed by Laszlo Kekesi & printed by the State Printing Office in a quantity of 608000 Perf and 9000 Imperf. S/S, Perf 353000 and 12000 Imperf.
- JAMAICA April , 1972. 8¢, National Stadium. Designed by J. Waddington. Printed in lithograph.
- KENYA August 28, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 40¢, Hurdlers; 70¢, Runners; 1/50, Boxers; 2/50, Soccer. Designed by G.L. Vasarhelyi and printed by Waddingtons of Kirkstall, Ltd.
- LIBERIA May 19, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 3¢, Soccer; 5¢, Swimmer; 10¢, Equestrian; 12¢, Cyclist; 20¢, Long Jumper; 25¢, Runner; S/S, 55¢, Munich Stadium and Soccer player.
- LUXEMBOURG May 2, 1972. III European Archery Championship, July, 3F, Archer. Designed by Lex & Pit Weyer. Printed in photo-gravure by Courvoisier.
- NEW ZEALAND August 2, 1972. Health Stamps. 3¢, 4¢, Tennis players. Designed by L.C. Mitchell. Printed by Harrison & Sons, Ltd.
- NIGER March 22, 1972. International Week of World Scouting. 150f Hand giving Scout Oath & Tents. Designed & Engraved by J. Combet.
- POLAND May 2, 1972. 25th Peace Cycling Race. 60g, 6 Cyclists. Designer, T. Michaluk. Printed in photogravure by the State Printing Works of Security in a quantity of 8 million.
- POLAND May 20, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 20g, Runner; 30g, Archer; 40g, Boxer; 60g, Fencers; 2.50z, Wrestlers; 3.40z, Weight Lifter; 5z, Cyclist; 8.50z, Shot Puter; S/S, 10+5z, Archer & Munich Emblem. Designed by Waldenear Swierzy.
- UPPER VOLTA May 5, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 65f, Runner, 200f Discus Thrower; S/S of the two stamps.



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The Asociacion Tematica Americana, A.C. (Mexico's national topical organization) elected the following SPI members to office: Dr. Carlos Casali (SPI 768), president; Jose Tura Carol (SPI 281), vice-president and Emilio Obregon (SPI 761), to the board....Lawrence Moriarty (SPI 742) was exhibition chairman for UNIPEX-IV - ROPEX-72 at Rochester, NY....We have received from William Brown (SPI 551) a four page listing (PRINTED IN GERMAN), Olympic cancels (52 diff.) to be used in Germany during the Munich Games, special air flights, booklets etc. Write to Olympia-Philatelie, D-8000 Munchen 60, Faistenlohestr.6 Germany for a copy. Do it today if your interested as time is short and many of these items may be sold out....Joe Schirmer (SPI 536) Hudson Towers, 7300 Blvd. East, North Bergen, NJ 07047 has the new Olympic pins from Sapporo for sale (no price stated). He also has the Olympic pin from Kiel, Germany at \$1. each. Joe sent a sample wooden 'nickel' put out by the Heidelberg American Coin Club which publicizes the Munich Games....The SPI and the Sports Collectors of Southern California were two of the participating clubs at STAMP EXPO'72 SOUTH at Anaheim, CA. Medal winning collections were exhibited in the Philatelic Gallery by Elmer J. Binker (SPI 163), Helen E. Long (SPI 693) and Nancy J. Williams (SPI 691)....P. J. Drossos (SPI 354) the veteran philatelic writer became the 200th professional journalist to accept an invitation to join the Philatelic Press Club. Presentation of Mr. Drossos' credentials was made by Jeanne B. Pogue, the treasurer of the

PPC, in Athens, Greece....In the popularity poll taken from the 1972-73 edition of the ATA directory, sports ranked 7th with 7.8% of the members collecting sports and/or Olympics. In the 1970-71 poll, sports ranked 13th! Our topic seems to be on the up swing after a nose dive in the past several years. The 1970-71 percentage of ATA members collecting sports was 4.9%....



AROUND THE EXHIBITION CIRCUIT - - -

Nancy J. Williams (SPI 691) received the Raymond H. Weill Award for her Topsy Turvy Turtles at NOPEX and Joe Lacko (SPI 199) received an Honorable Mention for his Ice Hockey in Philatelic Documents....Elmer J. Binker (SPI 163) received a First Place Award at SOPEX for his National Park Philatelist, he also took a 3rd Place Award at the same exhibit for Israeli Post Cards....And at SOJEX, Edward S. Hochuli (SPI 121) captured a Gold for his Man and Underwater World. Ed also received the ATA Gold for the same exhibit...Robert S. Oesch (SPI 250) received a Gold and the UPSS Award at Filatelic Fiesta for his Mexican Arts & Architecture from the Maya to the Modern. Roy C. Votaw (SPI 93) received a Silver at the same show with his Famous Firsts in Aviation. At the U.K. Thematics show in Luton, England, there were a total of four sport exhibits, all soccer and all by SPI members. Joe Lacko, Tony Quinn (SPI 724) and Ron Antinoris (SPI 323) all received Bronze medals. John Murray (SPI 278) was the other exhibitor but we didn't here if he won a medal or not....Gold medals were awarded to Chris Norgard (SPI 9) for his Olympic Games and to Bob Oesch (SPI 250) for his Mexican Architecture at FILA-FAIR....

A. P. S. Educational Program For Evaluating New Issues

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BURUNDI: Sapporo Winter Olympics "package" consisting of assorted souvenir sheets and six adhesives.

DAHOMY: Sapporo Olympics issue.

GABON: Two stamps and souvenir for Winter Olympics at Sapporo Japan.

NIGER: Stamps and souvenir sheet for Sapporo Winter Olympics.

PARAGUAY: A "package" release for the Sapporo Winter Olympics that includes 10 adhesives and two "souvenir sheets."

TOGO: A six-stamp Sapporo Olympics set, ranging from 10f to 200f, plus a decorative imperf. souvenir sheet containing the four high values of the set.

The listings above appeared in the May issue of the American Philatelist.

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RESEARCH PROJECT ON BASKETBALL PHILATELY

- Bob Bruce -

Report #11

As in previous years, catalogue delays, especially by Michel, are responsible for the too-frequent gaps in this report.

1971 SUPPLEMENT TO MASTER CHECK-LIST OF PERFORATE BASKETBALL STAMPS

	<u>Scott</u>	<u>Minkus</u>	<u>Gibbons</u>	<u>Michel</u>	<u>Yvert</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>
Ajman		673				Apr. 23, 1971
Algeria	463	541	578	568	532	Mar. 6, 1971
Brazil	1188	1404	1323	1282	954	May 19, 1971
Colombia	C558	1230	1388	1188	A532	July 16, 1971
Dominican Republic	681	1094	1091	976	699	Sept. 18, 1971
Fiji	321	333	443	292	287	Sept. 6, 1971
Guatemala		920	809a	896		Feb. 19, 1971
			810a	899		Feb. 19, 1971
	414	921	810b	897	421	Apr. 6, 1971
	415	922	810a	898	422	Apr. 6, 1971
Iraq	620				645	Nov. 17, 1971
Israel	443	535	477	511	445	Apr. 13, 1971
Italy	1044	1546	1289	1341	1078	June 26, 1971
New Caledonia	392	569	481	504	376	June 24, 1971
New Hebrides (Br.)	147	164	162	306	311	July 13, 1971
New Hebrides (Fr.)	147	192	161	308	309	July 13, 1971
Papua & New Guinea	328	350	200	203	202	June 9, 1971
Russia	3865	4007	3940	3896	3733	June 24, 1971
Rwanda	416	432	426	457	424	Oct. 25, 1971
Senegal	354		477	476	358	Dec. 24, 1971
	355		478	477	359	Dec. 24, 1971
	357		479	478	360	Dec. 24, 1971
Sharjah					235(b)	Sept. 1971
					A88(b)	Sept. 1971
Wallis & Futuna Is.	176	274	210	231	179	Oct. 25, 1971

1971 SUPPLEMENT TO MASTER CHECK-LIST OF IMPERFORATE BASKETBALL STAMPS

	<u>Scott</u>	<u>Minkus</u>	<u>Gibbons</u>	<u>Michel</u>	<u>Yvert</u>	<u>Date of issue</u>
New Caledonia	392(i)	569(i)	481(i)	504A	376(i)	June 24, 1971
Sharjah					235(b)	Sept. 1971
					A88(b)	Sept. 1971

1971 SUPPLEMENT TO MASTER CHECK-LIST OF BASKETBALL SOUVENIR AND MINIA-TURE SHEETS

None

1971 SUPPLEMENT TO CHRONOLOGICAL CHECK-LIST OF PERFORATE BASKETBALL STAMPS

Feb. 19, 1971--Guatemala M1 896
 Guatemala M1 899
 Mar. 6, 1971--Algeria 463
 Apr. 6, 1971--Guatemala 414
 Guatemala 415
 Apr. 13, 1971--Israel 443
 Apr. 23, 1971--Ajman Min 678
 May 19, 1971--Brazil 1188
 June 9, 1971--Papua & New Guinea 328
 June 24, 1971--New Caledonia 392
 Russia 3865
 June 26, 1971--Italy 1044
 July 13, 1971--New Hebrides (Br.) 147
 New Hebrides (Fr.) 147
 July 16, 1971--Colombia C558
 Sept. 6, 1971--Fiji 321
 Sept. 18, 1971--Dominican Republic 681
 Sept. , 1971--Sharjah Yt 235(b)
 Sharjah Yt 488(b)
 Oct. 25, 1971--Rwanda 416
 Wallis & Futuna Islands 176
 Nov. 17, 1971--Iraq 620
 Dec. 24, 1971--Senegal 354
 Senegal 355
 Senegal 356

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Black Blots - Continued from page 14. From the June issue of the AP:

DAHONEY: Souvenir sheet of three with marginal decorations for Boy Scout meeting.

EAST GERMANY: The "blocked value" (70pfg) on the XX Olympic Games issue is assessed an editorial "black blot." (Note: the F.I.P. bars all issues of blocked values from international exhibitions that receive its patronage.)

FUJEIRA: A Winter Olympics "gold" item and souvenir sheets (peddling price exceeding \$10 U.S.).

GUINEA (REPUBLIC OF): Gold and silver novelties featuring visit of U. S. President Nixon to Communist China. Chinese and American ping-pong players are also included in the designs, apparently aimed to lure the sports topicalist too. Package has an expressed value exceeding \$11 U.S.

HUNGARY: Imperf. stamps in European Soccer Championships issue also imperf. triptychs (four) with Mars space theme.

SHARJAH: Silver item and souvenir sheet for Munich Olympic Games (peddling price exceeds \$15 U.S.).

TCHAD: Sapporo Winter Olympics issue.

EDITORS NOTE: The President couldn't think of a thing to say, so no President's Message for this issue. As a special service for our overseas members, the editor will undertake to send to those members who remit sufficient postage (21¢ U.S. or two IRC's), reprints to the upcoming auction via airmail. Watch for the next issue for a surprise.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

On this page is the ballot for the officers to be elected to run our organization for the next two years. Your editor was chairman of the nominating committee and all the current officers have accepted the nomination to run again. Space has been provided for write in candidates and if someone is really interested in becoming an officer your name shall be placed on the ballot for the next election. Let the President know if you want to be an officer during the 1974-1976 term. Please vote! It only takes a minute and this lets us know you care about your organization.

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