



Vancouver/Garibaldi, 1.000.000 inhabitants, Province of

British Columbia, Canada

THE TOWN

In a setting combining the immensity of the Pacific Ocean with the majestic splendor of the mountains, Vancouver is Western Canada's gateway to the Pacific.

A few minutes from the center of town are mountains offering their slopes to skieurs. A little further, 75 miles away, stands Mt. Whistler in the Garibaldi Range at a height of 7,050 feet.

Situated by the sea, Vancouver enjoys a temperate climate. The region of Garibaldi is colder and drier than that of the coast and allows winter sports to be practised from the beginning of October until July. The average temperature in the month of February is -2° . The atmospheric conditions on Mt. Whistler ensure an abundant snowfall and moderate temperatures, little risk of fog or wind.

Vancouver is the third biggest town in Canada. A logging camp barely a century ago, it took the name of an English explorer who anchored off its magnificent bay in 1892. Today, it is a veritable ethnic mosaic: Indian fishermen, English colonists, Chinese labour. An international trading center, the town is at the same time a seaport and a seaside resort.

Its Mayor is Mr. Thomas J. CAMPBELL.

SPORT

In North America, Vancouver is well represented in American and European football, in hockey and baseball.

The town of Vancouver has already had the honour of organizing many sports events: in 1954, the Commonwealth Games, in 1960, the World Figure Skating Championships and, with regard to skiing, the Du Maurier Cup, as well as many North-American championships.

* The present installations:

- . Ski runs totalling 28 miles in length, equipped with an aerial cableway 2 miles long, 2 chair-lifts and 2 ski-tows.

* The installations planned:

- . All the Olympic installations and the accomodation of those taking part will be provided at Garibaldi. Within a radius of 2½ miles will be built or made all the sports installations and the various tracks and runs for the Alpine and Nordic skiing events, the tobogganing and bobsledding.

The sports constructions planned include:

- . A stadium with ski-jump and seating for 50,000, to be used for the opening and closing ceremonies, and the ski-jumping events.
- . An Olympic Center comprising four skating-rinks and a speed-skating circuit:
 - 1) 10,000 seats, for ice-hockey
 - 2) 5,000 " , for figure skating
 - 3) 2,500 " , for minor matches
 - 4) a training rink.

* Olympic Village:

This will be able to house 2,150 athletes and officials. It will consist of small groups of Alpine chalets, each unit comprising three rooms with two beds each.

In the immediate vicinity of the Olympic Center will be an administrative center, a hospital center, a post office, a fire-station and a police station.

* The Press Center:

A building is planned for the press and communications. A few minutes walk away, the Press Village will accommodate some 1,500 reporters.

* Visitor's Accomodation:

Vancouver and its region will be able to accomodate about 40,000 people.

* Cultural program and demonstration sports:

The Artistic Festival will include performances of opera, theatre, ballets and musical shows, concerts and a film festival.

The demonstration sports will be curling and possibly races with sledges drawn by huskies.

* Financing the Games:

Will be effected by the town of Vancouver, the government of British Columbia and the Federal government.

* The Organizing Committee:

A contingent of 50 administrators has been appointed. 15 of them from the Executive Committee. The Organizing Committee sent observers not only to the Winter Games at Squaw Valley, Innsbruck and Grenoble, but also to the Tokyo and Mexico Games.

Its President is M. Jean A. BRUSSET.

The Organizing Committee has worked out a single overall charge for all competitors and officials at the 1976 Games, amounting to \$ 197.60 and covering the cost of the return trip, and 3 weeks' accomodation and stay.

* Dates planned:

From Thursday, February 17th to Sunday, February 29 th, 1976.