

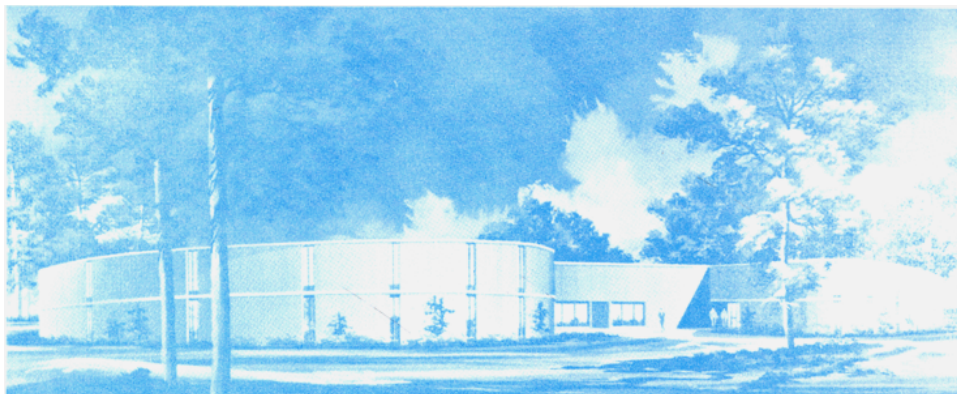
# Lake Placid 1980

After long months of study and administrative and financial formalities, construction work for the XIIIth Winter Games began in April. All the sports installations should be completed in October 1978 except the new

ice stadium, the first stone of which was laid by President Carter's son on 20th April and which should be finished by May 1979, and the Olympic village, which could be finished in October 1979.

The documents providing the *federal funds* for construction of the facilities for the 1980 Winter Games were signed on 28th March 1977 by the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Organising Committee.

*The estimated total cost of the Olympic constructions* amounts to US \$ 49,040,000 (SF 124,585,000).



- *The 70 m and 90 m ski jump complex*

The Adirondack Park Agency was to issue the construction permit for this complex, to be built at Intervale, before May.

- *The luge track*

This site is to be cleared forthwith and its construction completed by 1st October. The support buildings will not be built until 1978.

- *The speed skating oval*

Construction was to begin on 1st May 1977. The facility is scheduled for use during the winter of 1977-78 and will be finally completed in September 1978.

- *The Field House*

No opposition from the environmental groups to the proposals is anticipated.

- *The existing arena*

Restoration of this arena, built for the IIIrd Winter Games (1932), will be completed before October 1979.

- *The Olympic village* ▲

Work on the construction site will begin in the first week of May and will be completed on 1st October 1979.

- *The press centre*

The main press centre will be located in the Lake Placid Central School building. The necessary installations are scheduled to be accomplished between November 1978 and October 1979 and will be finally ready for use in January 1980.

- *The television centre*

The project of this centre foresees its re-conversion into a municipal garage after the Games. Construction is scheduled to begin in April 1978 and be completed in November 1978. The facility will be available to the broadcasters for the installation of technical equipment by December 1978.

- The Organising Committee will be able to move into *the administrative offices* under construction in May 1978.