MONTREAL SCENE '76

THE OPENING CEREMONY TO BE SHORTER

HE opening ceremony will be shorter - curtailed from its traditional duration of three hours to two. It begins at 3 p.m. with a parade of athletes lasting an hour. Two thousand young Canadians will welcome the competitors with a display of rhythmic dancing. The torch-lighting ceremony will take approximately 12 minutes. The finale, presentation of the Olympic Flag to Mayor Hean Drapeau by the Mayor of Munich, is scheduled for the last seven minutes of the ceremony. Seventy-five teenage dancers and musicians from Montreal and Munich will provide the climax.

OLYMPIC FLAME VIA SATELLITE

THE Olympic Flame will be transported to Canada from Greece via satellite as modern technology and Games tradition become one. The procession will start traditionally at 11 a.m. (local time) on July 13, 1976, with the flame being lit by sun rays at the Temple of Hera in Olympia (Greece) Runners will carry it to Athens, arriving there on July 15, and a Canadian athlete will light the flame at the Panathenian Stadium. The torch will then be carried to another urn, where, through an electronic, sensor, the particles will be transformed into electric impulses which will be transmitted by satellite to Ottawa (Canada). A laser beam at the receiving end will convert the impulses back to the flame's original form and Canadian runners will carry the torch to Montreal where, at 4.30 p.m. on July 17, it will enter the Olympic Stadium.

INSTANT RESULTS FOR GAMES SPECTATORS

WO giant screens, each 33 by 66 feet, will provide Olympic Stadium spectators with instant results. They will be situated for maximum visibility with projected images being easily discernible at any distance up to 1,100 feet. The scoreboards resemble massive television screens capable of displaying a wide variety of video presentations. Computer-operated, they have memory banks of at least 1,000 images, record times down to onehundredth of a second and can follow the progress of each athlete from starting line to finish, to then flash the official result. Each scoreboard weighs 40 tons and has more than 20,000 bulbs with wattages of zero to 40.



Below : A scale model of the Olympic racing track and stadium with 7,500 seats. Right : The Maurice-Richard Boxing Arena

