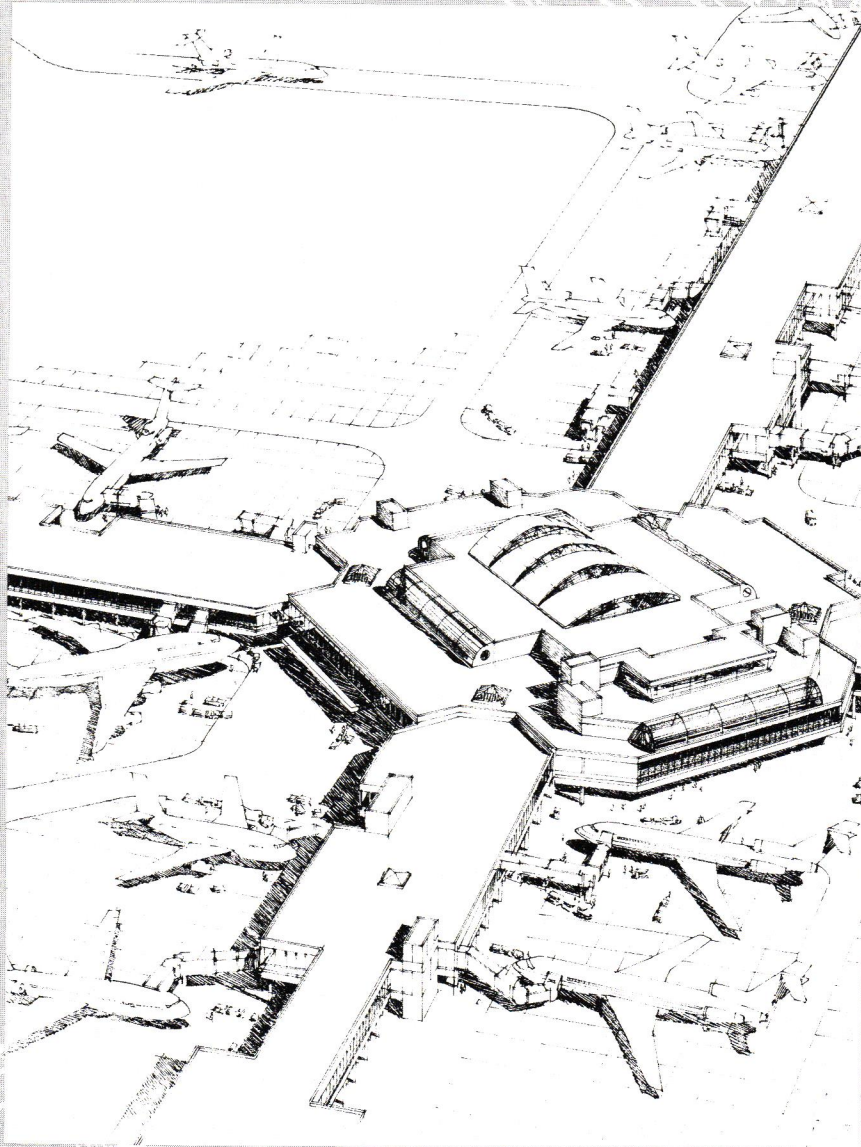


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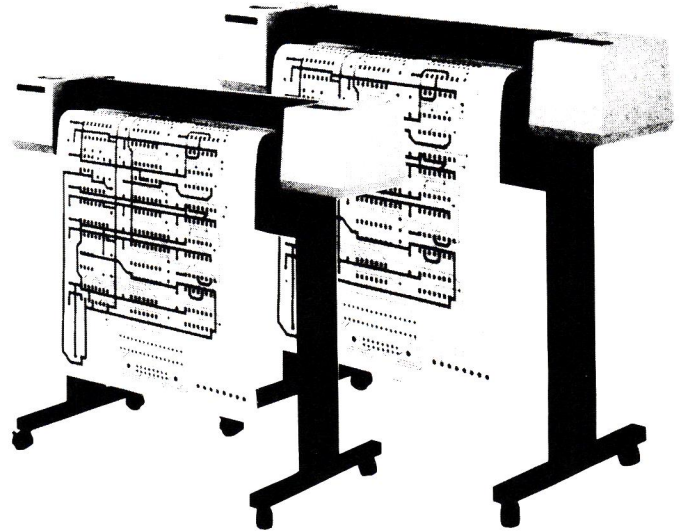
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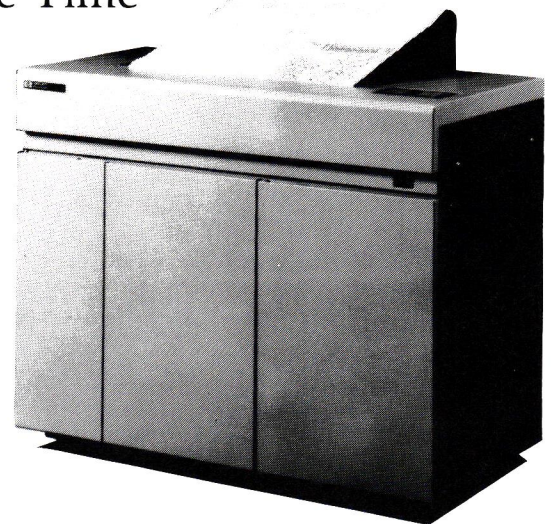
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**ON THE COVER**

A rendering of the new Airside Terminal Building at the Greater Pittsburgh International Airport, designed by Tasso Katselas & Associates. The first phase of this \$550 million project, the horizontal construction, is underway. [See story, p. 6.] **COLUMNS** will continue to cover the airport story as the buildings go up. Stay tuned!

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**VIEW POINT**

**KENT EDWARDS, AIA, CHAPTER PRESIDENT**

**E**very fall, a dozen or so of your colleagues get together in a long range planning session to plot a direction for the coming year. The focus is to identify the needs of our membership and plan to serve them accordingly. As incoming Chapter President, I hope to apply my energies to several areas of particular importance to our members and profession.

First, the **Intern Development Program** which began last October will continue to offer crucial training and support to architectural interns. This year's seminar topics include bidding and construction administration; project, financial and office management; marketing; and career development. In the near future, registered members should look for guidelines outlining how, with minimal commitment, they can assist the Chapter in bringing the benefits of IDP to themselves and their interns. The entire profession stands to benefit from more knowledgeable graduate architects.

Another area in which the Chapter can improve its services is in expediting the integration of women into the profession. A **Women in Architecture** committee has been organized under the leadership of **Karen Madigan, AIA**. Its purpose is to render itself obsolete. The committee will have succeeded when the word "woman" no longer precedes the word "architect." I strongly support their efforts and intend to commit the maximum available Chapter resources to assist them.

Finally, I hope to initiate an era of continued **political awareness** on the part of local professions. The impact of troublesome state and federal legislation on our ability to efficiently practice our craft has increased significantly. I believe we must take a pro-active stance or risk the disappearance of architectural practice as we know it. We must lobby for government agencies to set the example and increase fees to professional design firms to accurately reflect their effort and risk. We cannot survive if we continue to provide ever-increasing services at ever-increasing levels of risk for the same percentage of constructed value that real estate agents command with virtually no risk factor. We cannot depend upon a "kinder and gentler government" to provide us with fair and reasonable legislation. We must fight for it. But the AIA can only organize and direct the effort. Politicians respond only to votes in numbers, which will require broad participation from the membership and related organizations. I urge you to become involved. Failure to do so will guarantee failure in general.

That's the agenda. With your help we can complete it.