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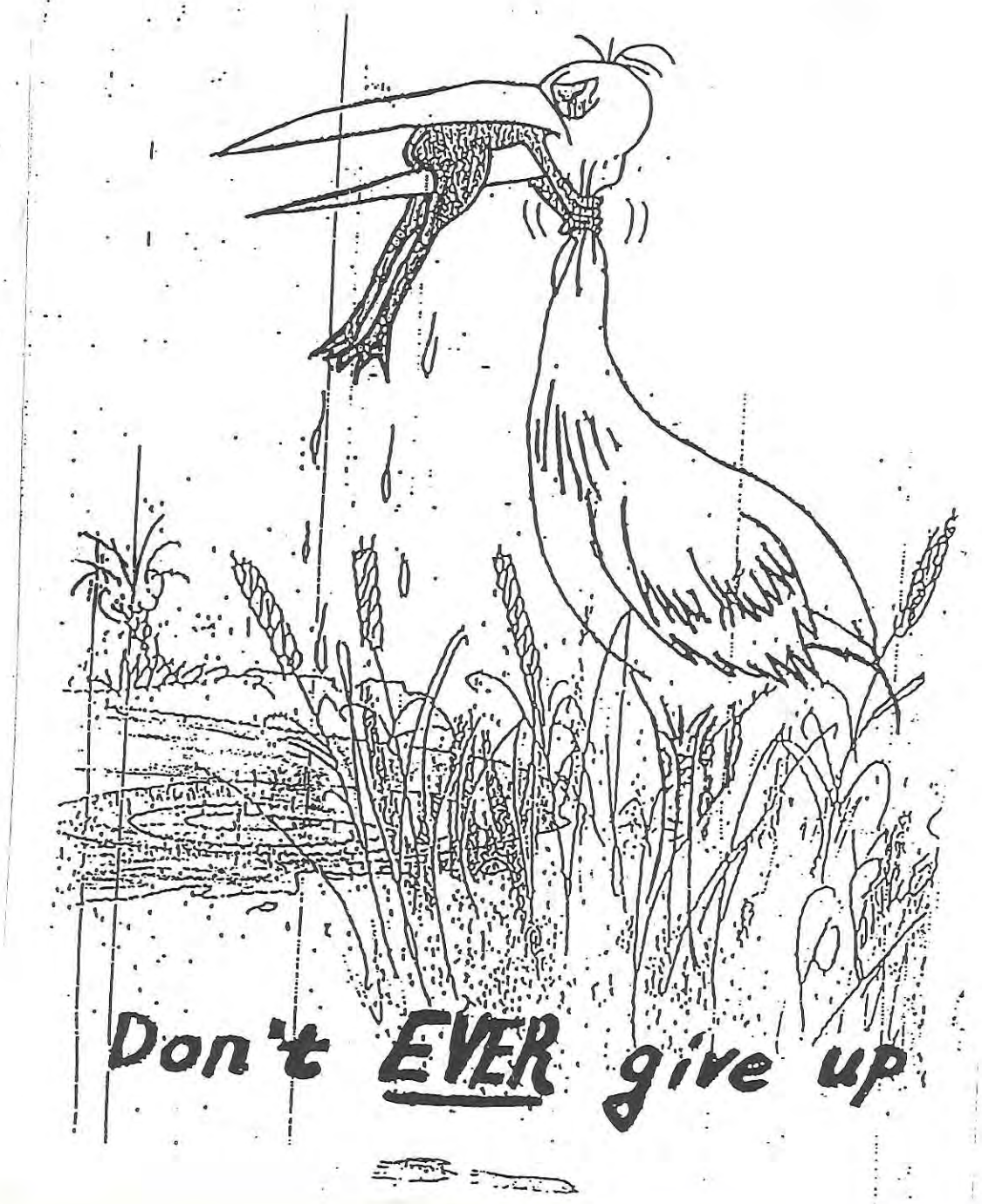
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FAMILIAR—Shell-rimmed glasses look familiar? But you probably wouldn't recognize Capt. John P. Litchfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman P. Litchfield, 38 Fern Street, Auburn, if you saw him in ski togs and wearing invisible contact lenses instead of spectacles. Capt. Litchfield saw combat service in the Appenines and Po Valley (Italy) campaigns while serving with ski troops in the famous 10th Mountain Division. In college and civilian life Capt. Litchfield was one of the early pioneers with contact lenses during national and international competition.

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Fifty years ago, Olympic champion Billy Fiske became the first American pilot to die in World War II

"He Was Absolutely Fearless"

BY BUD GREENSPAN

Fifty years ago this week, the first American pilot to die in World War II was shot down. The event is especially memorable for two reasons: America had not yet entered the war, and the airman who died already was famous as a U.S. Olympic champion. His name was Billy Fiske, and although half a century has passed, he is well worth recalling as a young man who combined the character of a sportsman with a commitment to fighting against Hitlerism.



UPI/Bettmann



Tangmere Military Aviation Museum

Billy Fiske at the wheel of his Olympic bobsled. At right, in his RAF uniform.

ALTHOUGH EVERYBODY called him Billy, his full name was William Meade Lindsley Fiske III, and he came from a wealthy banking family. He was still in his mid-20s when he joined the prestigious financial firm of Dillon, Read & Co.

Billy Fiske's real love was bobsledding, which in the mid-1920s was still a relatively unknown winter sport in the U.S. Billy quickly established himself as an expert and, at the age of 16, was selected to drive one of the two American sleds entered in the 1928 Winter Olympics in St. Moritz, Switzerland.

Always a flamboyant young man, Billy named his sled "Satan" and outfitted his teammates with yellow turtleneck sweaters. This was the era of the five-man sled, in which the whole team was already aboard the sled at the start. An official would release a restraining bar, and the team members would bob back and forth to generate the speed that sent them hurtling down the course.

A few days before the competition was to begin, Fiske added another flourish. Each of the five members appeared at a practice session with a single letter sewn to the back of his sweater, spelling out the name "Satan." This was too much for U.S. Olympic officials. After threats of barring the team, Billy agreed to wear the official American Olympic uniform and to rechristen his sled "USA II."

His victory in St. Moritz was the beginning of Billy's "firsts." Today, after more than six decades, he remains the youngest man to win a gold medal in the Winter Olympics. Four years later, 20-year-old Billy was given the honor of carrying the American flag in the opening-day ceremonies of the 1932 Lake Placid Games. Then he went on to win his second gold medal.

Though Fiske hobnobbed with British royalty and was a major part of the winter social scene on the ski and bobsled runs at St. Moritz, one of his closest friends was the late Irving Jaffee, an Olympic speed-skating champion and teammate at both the 1928 and 1932 Games. The friendship was unusual, for Irv Jaffee had been brought up in a poor Jewish immigrant family in New York's borough of The Bronx.

"I first met Billy when we were both on the team in St. Moritz in 1928," Jaffee recalled decades later. "He was a blue-blood, absolutely fearless. He'd try anything. He always had a lot of money, and he was always gambling. I still don't know why we hit it off. One day he was going to one of the casinos in St. Moritz, and he asked me to go along. I had never bet more than a nickel before. So he handed me $100, which was big money in those days. Billy saw by my expression that I thought it was a putdown. Then he said, 'Come on, Irv...Just because I've got money and you don't is no reason not to have some fun. I'm gonna lose anyway, so what's the difference?' He jammed the money in my hand, and I saw by his face that he was sincere. From then on, we became very close."

After his second Olympic victory, Fiske's wealth, fame and intelligence made it simple for him to follow in his father's footsteps. His position with Dillon, Read & Co. enabled him to spend half the year in the New York office and the winter in London, making it easier for him to travel to St. Moritz.

It was assumed that Billy was planning a try for a third gold medal at the 1936 Winter Olympics in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, but the athletic world was shocked when, a few months before the Games, he announced he would not compete. There are conflicting stories about his decision.

Newspapers reported that Billy had asked the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) to make his selection automatic because of his two previous victories. The Olympic governing body told him he would have to enter the Olympic trials like everyone else. Billy refused, and his Olympic career was over. Years later, Irv Jaffee had a different version of the story.

"Billy didn't want to go to Germany," Jaffee said. "Way back in 1932 after the Lake Placid Games, Billy was talking to me about his hatred for Adolf Hitler. Almost every day he would tell me how important it was that he won in Lake Placid, because that would be his last Olympics. He didn't want to compete in front of Hitler. When the USOC insisted he enter the trials, Billy had a graceful way of saying 'nothing doing.'"

During the 1938 season in St. Moritz, Fiske met the recently divorced Rose Bingham, the former Countess of Warwick. They married later that year.

With Germany's takeover of Czechoslovakia in the months after his marriage, Billy knew that war would soon come. His marriage and athletic fame brought him in close contact with the hierarchy of Great Britain. Billy influenced friends to introduce him to Air Chief Marshal Sir William Elliot of the Royal Air Force.

"Billy was an American, and he loved America," recalled Irv Jaffee, "but he also hated what Hitler was doing. If there was going to be a war, Billy wanted to be in the action first. Billy always wanted to be first."

Billy and Rose Fiske were just five days short of their first anniversary when Great Britain declared war on Germany on Sept. 3, 1939. A few weeks later, Billy became one of seven Americans to join the Royal Air Force as volunteers. He spent the next few months training as a Hurricane fighter pilot while Hitler conquered Poland and prepared for his thrust westward.

Beginning on May 10, 1940, the Nazi blitzkrieg quickly overwhelmed the Low Countries and France. The Germans stood poised along the English Channel.

On July 10, the German air force under Hermann Goering began to bomb Britain, preparatory to the planned invasion. The Royal Air Force would defend the nation against the German bombers and fighters for the next 114 days in history's greatest air battle.

On the sixth day of the Battle of Britain, Billy Fiske, then 29 years old, flew his first combat mission as a member of the 601 Squadron, stationed at Tangmere Air Field. To counter the almost incessant raids on London, Fiske and his comrades flew day after day, sortie after sortie, often refueling and taking off seven times daily. Over the next few weeks, Billy was credited officially with several personal or partial "kills."

On Aug. 16, 1940—one month to the day after Fiske's first combat mission—German bombers flew over Tangmere in an attempt to neutralize the base and destroy the planes on the ground. Billy was among those who took to the air to drive them off. While doing so, his plane took a bullet in its engine. He made it back to the base but crash-landed. He was rushed to the hospital badly burned but seemed for a few hours to improve.

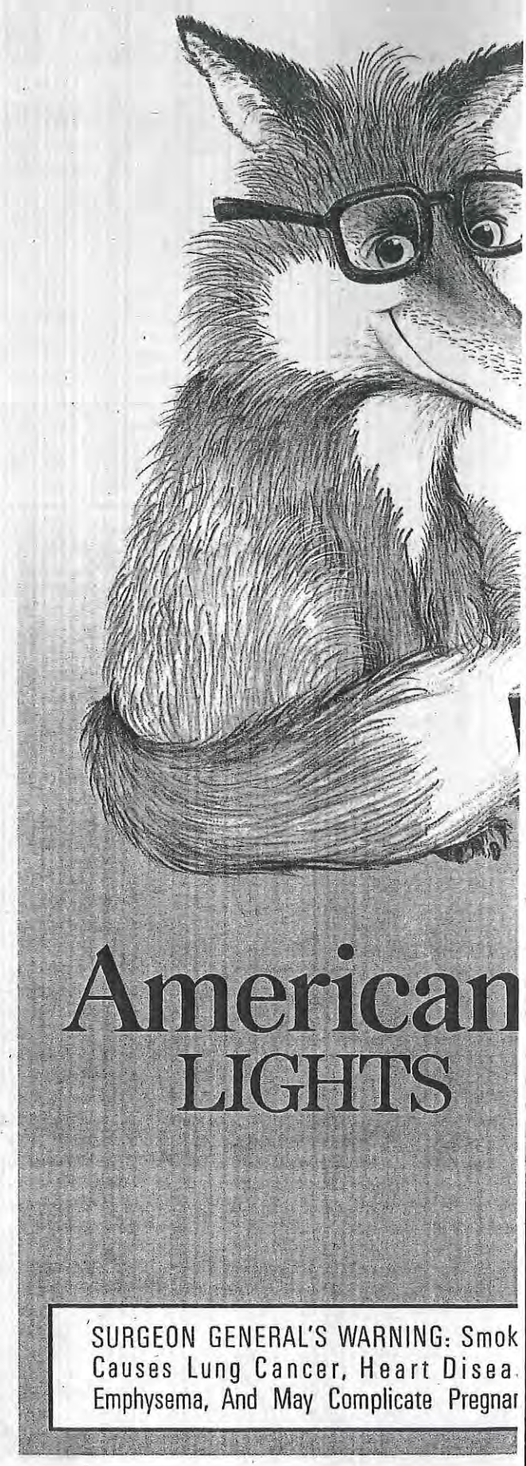
"That night, several of our squadron visited him in the hospital," recalled the commander of the 601 Squadron, Sir Archibald Hope, years later. "They said he was perky as hell, sitting up in bed. The next morning, we were stunned. They told us that Billy had died of shock. Billy was the best pilot I've ever known. It was unbelievable how good he was, how fast he picked it up. Several pilots who were nearby when he was hit said that he could easily have bailed out. But, knowing Billy, he wanted to bring the plane back. And he did."

Billy was buried in a cemetery outside London, his coffin draped in British and American flags.

Today there is a memorial tablet to him in St. Paul's Cathedral in London, which itself survived Hitler's blitz. It reads: "Pilot Officer William Meade Lindsley Fiske III, an American citizen who died that England might live."

The tablet was unveiled by U.S. Ambassador John Winant on July 4, 1941, barely five months before we entered the war and millions of other Americans arrived in Britain to carry on Billy's battle.

Bud Greenspan currently is writing, producing and directing a motion picture on the life of Billy Fiske in a Yorkshire Television/NBC Europe co-production to be televised in 1992.



HOW TO ASPEN



By

Robert Benchley

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A Denver enthusiast in the HIGHLAND BASIN.

asked him how his family was and if he had read any other good books lately.

But the guy was adamant, and seemed about to burst into tears at their skepticism, so they piled into a plane and went to see for themselves, more in order to shut him up than in any hope of finding his dream-spot as he described it.

On arriving at Aspen, they took one look around and immediately elected him Class President as soon as they could speak. Topographically, at least, Aspen was what other folders, less restrained than this one, often refer to as a "Winter Sports Paradise." In fact, that seemed an understatement.

Dreading, however, the same old sinking feeling from a consultation of the Government weather reports, they took an apprehensive peek at the files for the past few years. Emboldened by what they found, they went back for ten years. Ecstactic, they embraced each other and proceeded to pick Aspen, then and there, as the location for their flier in American snow. They are offering odds on its success.

Aspen will be strictly a place for people who want to do their winter sporting out-of-doors at out-of-doors prices. For this first season, 1936-37, there will be accommodations for about thirty people in four modest-size cabins, and for about sixteen more in a main lodge comprising a large living room, dining room, work room, kitchen and sleeping quarters. The plumbing and electric lighting will be the same as you are accustomed to in your more effete moods at home.

Two of the finest experts known to the skiing world will come over from Europe to be on hand the entire winter. These men will keep detailed meteorological re-



ANDRE ROCH ski expert and instructor on HIGHLAND SLOPES near ASPEN, COLORADO.

ports of weather and snow conditions from day to day, and will ski over every mile of the country mapping out runs for all types of skiers, from beginners to "canones." In the meantime, of course, their services will be available to guests for instruction at a very moderate fee.

Next year finiculars will be constructed to the various ski-slopes, after the complete survey is made, but this season several of the main slopes will be accessible by road in four-horse sleighs operated by the company. This road will lead to an ample variety of slopes without any climbing or puffing at all, although, if one is crazy-mad to climb on foot, an additional twenty minutes or so, will bring you to some of the very best runs down to the cabins via another valley.

Here, then, are the plans and confident expectations for Aspen. Now that you know what "Aspen" is, you can at least join in the conversation.

ROBERT BENCHLEY,
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New York City.



DR. GUNTHER LANGES on exercise slope at 11,500 feet.

THIS LITTLE BROCHURE is intended to help clear up the subject of Aspen, Colorado, both in the minds of those who know something about it already and the minds of those who have been slowly going crazy during the past few weeks through hearing people talk about "Aspen" without having the slightest idea of what "Aspen" might be.

Aspen, Colorado, is a place where you can indulge in winter sports without having to get a passport, wrestle with the Atlantic, stop in Paris at the expense of your health, and come all the way back again.

This saving of time, money and nuisance is not Aspen's only virtue as a winter resort, for skiing, skating and bob-sledding enthusiasts. You can have just as good a time falling down there as you can on any of the European slopes. If, by any chance, you want to stand up, you can go just as fast as you could down an Alp. A fact which seems to have eluded American sportsmen



Practicing on slopes in the HIGHLAND BASIN.

in the past is that we, in this country, have mountains and snow, both in excellent condition.

It was with this fact in mind that several devotees of winter sports got together late in 1935 to see what could be done about utilizing our own national resources in the cause of skiing, bodsledding and snowball-throwing. They made a tour of all the places they could think of where such pastimes might flourish, digging into the snow, sniffing the air, consulting meteorological reports and, in general, behaving like Government inspectors, except that, unlike Government inspectors, they seemed unable to find what they were looking for.

It was, in fact, beginning to appear that they had overestimated America's resources as a winter sports Mecca. One place would be found to have excellent slopes, but the weather reports would indicate that most of the winter would have to be spent indoors around a cozy fire, and you know what *that* leads to. Another spot could boast ideal weather conditions, but the slopes would run upward instead of down, or else not slope at all. They found several places where conditions were perfect for advanced skiers, but which would have been suicide-traps for beginners, and beginners have their rights as well as experts.

In short, they were becoming reconciled to another trek to Europe this winter, leaving America to the snow-shoers and flexible-fliers.

It was at this point that someone told them about Aspen. His story had all the elements of a pipe-dream, and they smiled indulgently as he ran on about the scenic splendor of the place, with its fourteen peaks of over fourteen thousand feet and its thirty-one peaks of over thirteen thousand, all within view from one point. When he had finished, they offered him a drink, and

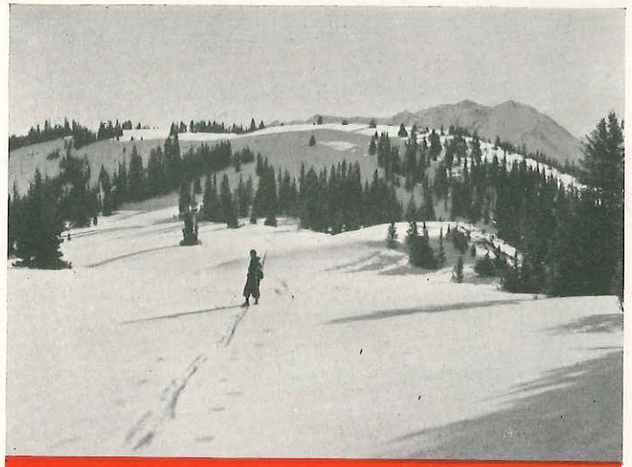


A picturesque scene of mountains from lodge window.

"Highland Basin, the actual site of the Lodge, is encircled by the Elk Mountains which literally bristle with lofty peaks, fourteen of which rise above fourteen thousand feet and many more are thirteen thousand feet above sea level. The gorges and canyons cut by Castle and Maroon Creeks and their branches, are probably without a parallel for ruggedness, depth and picturesque beauty in any portion of the West."



ANDRE ROCH executing a scissor Christiana on Highland slopes. Gold Hill and Taylor Peak in the background.



Following the trail from Highland to Aspen, Colorado. Mt. Hayden in background.

From Flynn Peaks, in the foreground of this picture, the enormous slopes of Fiske Park descend to the right while the slopes of Highland Basin fall away to the left. These slopes, where heavy snowfall always occurs before the middle of December, afford two and three thousand foot drops of the most varied kind of ski-running. The dryness of the climate always assures fine powdering snow which lasts throughout the season.



Following trail from Highland Slopes to Aspen, Colorado. Elk Range in background.



DR. GUNTHER LANGES
Ski expert and ski instructor on HIGHLAND SLOPES

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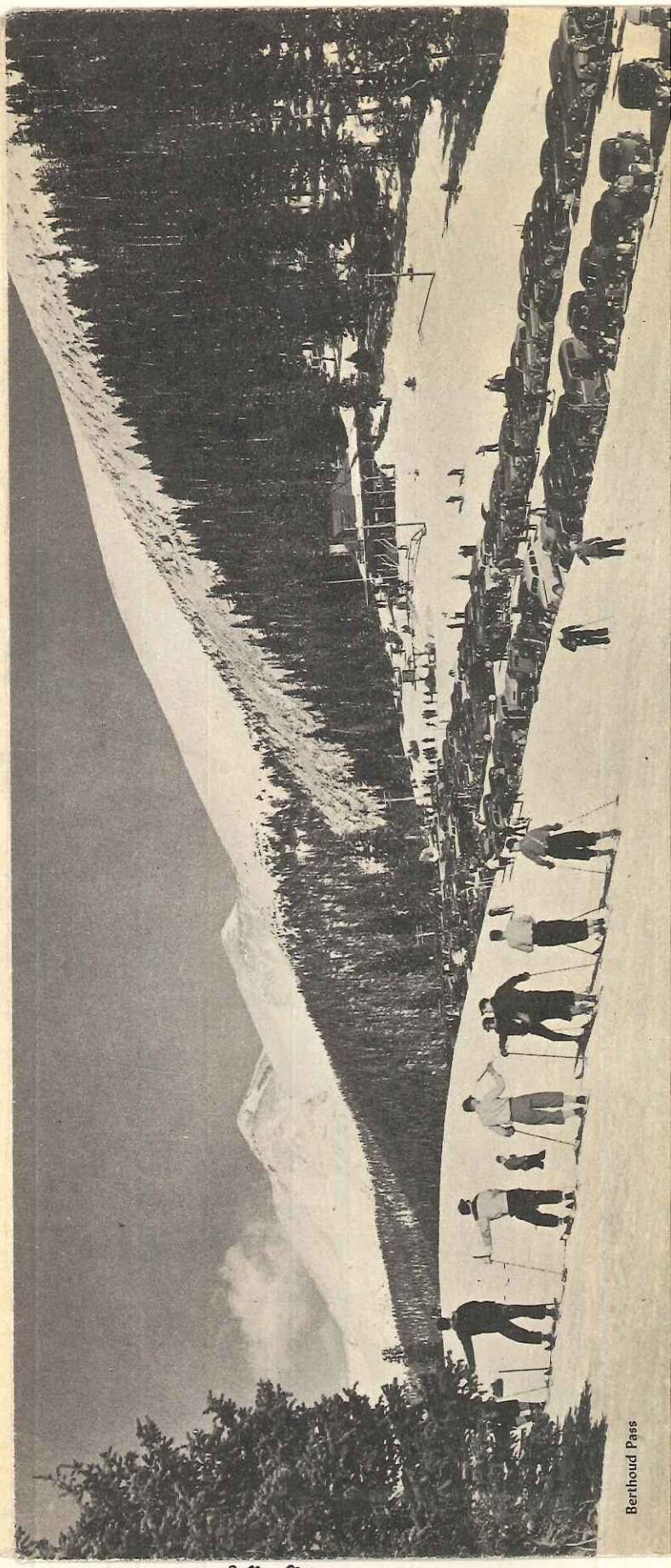

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REMEMBERING

HANS THORNER
Resort Builder



Hans Thorner, the founder of Magic Mountain, Vermont, died December 27, 2003. He was 95.

Born in Einsiedeln, Switzerland, in 1908, Thorner emigrated to the U.S. in 1932, one of the enthusiastic Continentals who charged American skiing with their spirit, know-how, and lifelong dedication to the sport.

A spinner of tales, fashioner of pithy sayings, and expert beguiler of journalists on a level with the great storyteller Fred Iselin, Thorner was in the first class of American certified ski instructors, having been previously certified in Switzerland.

One of the first jobs he was offered was teaching for Sig Buchmayr at Pecketts on Sugar Hill, New Hampshire, a post he declined because "in those days it was too much to suggest the a certified Swiss instructor was going to work under an Austrian. The very thought would have embarrassed my ancestors."

Thorner was finally hired by the Lake Placid Club, later moving to direct the ski school on Washington's Mt. Rainier. In turn, he ran a ski shop in Hollywood, taught skiing on a borax slide at Saks Fifth Avenue and at Fleischman's in the Catskills—"the poor man's Parsenn," as he called it.

In 1941, he designed and built an inn which he named the Thorner House in Franconia, New Hampshire, a lodge of some renown and one of the first in this country where you could "ski all the way home." Its gilt-edged guest list included actresses such as Bette Davis and Zsa Zsa Gabor, the news broadcaster Erik Sevareid, and architect Walter Gropius.

Thorner then segued into film with *Rhapsody in White* and filmed the 1948 Winter Olympics, going on to make ski movies for Swiss Air. But Thorner dreamed of a Swiss village at the base of a mountain and, in 1960, he realized his vision by founding Magic Mountain in Londonderry, Vermont. It was a choice he made because "there was not an acre of federal or state land roundabout," that would bring bureaucrats to tell him what to do.

The Thorner family operated Magic over the next quarter-century in the spirit of its founder, but finally abandoned it. The resort has since been purchased and is currently operating.—*Morten Lund*

BRUCE FENN
Ski Instructor

Bruce Fenn—a former instructor, ski school director, and PSIA examiner—died in November 2003 in Newry, Maine. He was 94.

A 1932 graduate of Yale University, Fenn was a Lieutenant Commander in the U.S. Navy in world War II, serving in air combat intelligence under the staff commander of naval forces in Europe.

Referred to as "Gentleman Bruce" by his skiing friends, Fenn was an avid outdoorsman and skier. He directed ski schools at Bromley, Vermont, the Lake Placid Club in New York, and Wildcat, New Hampshire. He was also assistant director of the Sepp Ruschp ski school in Stowe, Vermont and a member of the Professional Ski Instructors of America, where he served as an examiner and pre-course conductor for many years before retiring in 1975. —*The Editors*

SAM HALL
Tenney Founder



Samuel Gerber Hall, founder of Tenney Mountain, New Hampshire, died December 27, 2003 in Tilton, New Hampshire. He was 86.

Hall and his father, a surveyor, opened one of the first ski clubs in New Hampshire on their land at the base of Mt. Cardigan, a small rope tow area, in the 1930s. It was here that his passion for skiing and forestry came together.

After graduating from Brown University in the mid-1940s with a degree in forestry, Hall joined the U.S. Army's 10th Mountain Division. Returning from the war, he embarked on a forestry and land-surveying career, eventually becoming general manager of the Draper Corp., which owned more than 10,000 acres in New Hampshire and Vermont—including a parcel that included Tenney Mountain.

Hall recognized Tenney as a potential site for a ski area because of its northeastern exposure and, along with partner John French, purchased the property in 1959, opening the ski area in 1960 with a small T-bar and base lodge. A summit chair (whose construction Hall supervised from his hospital bed while recuperating from an auto accident) was completed in 1964 and, in 1968, Hall added a second chair and bought out his partner. Tenney thrived under the Hall family's ownership until 1979, when they sold it.

Hall was recipient of the Bill Whitney Award, presented posthumously in September 2003 by Ski New Hampshire for his contributions to the state's ski industry. —*The Editors*

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TO WINTER SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS THROUGHOUT COLORADO:

Development of Winter Sports can be advanced profitably now in many sections of Colorado. With this goal in view, the Denver Chamber of Commerce is calling a Winter Sports Congress so that those interested in Winter Sports can discuss and exchange ideas. The Congress will be held at the Cosmopolitan Hotel, Denver, on Monday, December 3.

Very interesting sessions, covering all phases of Winter Sports, particularly skiing activities, will start at 9:30 A.M. and continue until 4:00 P. M. The luncheon speaker will be Mr. Lloyd Shaw, Principal of the Cheyenne Mountain School, Colorado Springs. Mr. Shaw is a leader of youth, a great lover of the out-doors, and one of Colorado's leading skiing enthusiasts. Luncheon is $1.02 per plate, including tax, and reservations must be made in advance at the Denver Chamber.

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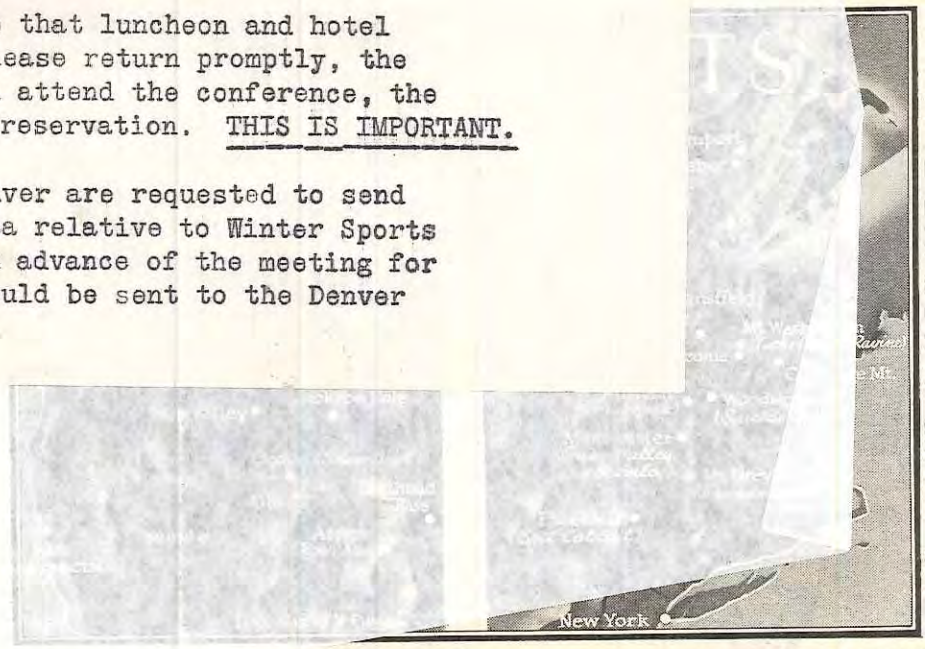

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COME TO DENVER AND DISCUSS WINTER SPORTS.

Mail the enclosed reservation card now.

Very cordially yours,

L R Kendrick

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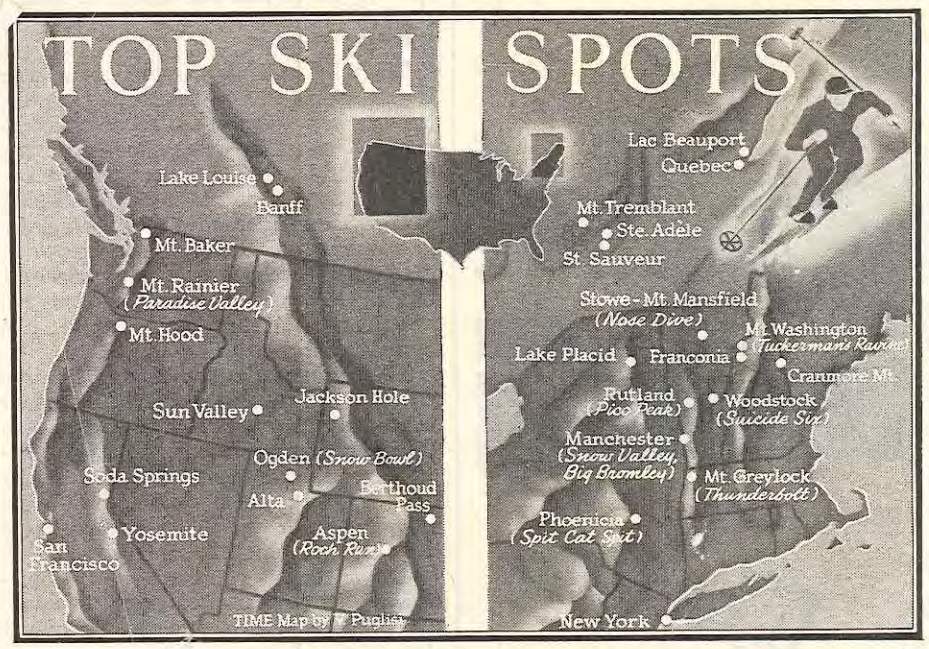

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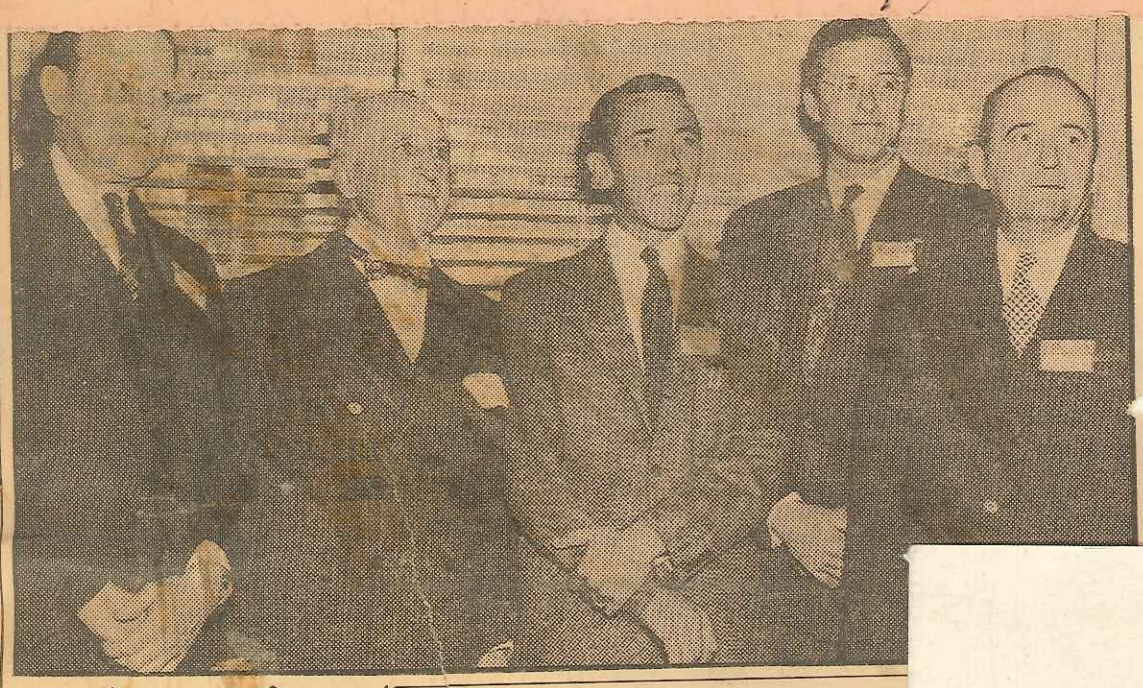

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Cosmopolitan Hotel, Denver
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Morning Session

9:30

Meeting Called to Order by.....C. O. Voigt
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Opening Remarks.....L. R. Kendrick
Kendrick-Bellamy Co.
Chairman, Winter Sports Committee,
Denver Chamber of Commerce.

Welcome.....Governor John C. Vivian

Welcome.....Mayor Benjamin F. Stapleton

10:00

Plans for Expansion and Suggestions for Commercial Development at Winter Park.....George E. Cranmer
Manager, Parks and Improvements
City of Denver.

10:30

Recent Developments at Aspen, Colorado, and Plans for the Future.....Freidl Pfeifer
Aspen, Colorado,
Nationally Known Skiier.

11:00

Newspapers . . . Their Profit and Advantage in Helping to Make Colorado a Wintertime Recreational Center..Jack Foster
Editor, Rocky Mountain News.

11:30

The Important Task of Supplying Winter Sports Equipment, as Viewed by a Leading Merchant.....E. C. Yourell
Vice-President and Merchandising Manager,
Daniels and Fisher Stores Co.

Luncheon Session

12:00

The Thrills and Pleasures of Winter Sports.....Lloyd Shaw
Colorado Springs, Colorado;
Principal, Cheyenne Mountain School;
One of Colorado's Leading Skiing Enthusiasts.

Afternoon Session

2:00

The Railroads' and Bus Lines' Contribution in Developing Colorado as the Dominant Winter Sports Area of Our Nation.....George F. Dodge
Director, Public Relations
Denver & Rio Grande Western
Railroad Co.

2:30

Steamboat Springs . . . Developments and Plans for National Jumping Championships, February, 1946.....Claude Lukens
Mayor, Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

3:00

College Athletics Participation in Colorado's Winter Sports Program.....Clyde W. ("Cac") Hubbard
Coach, Denver University

3:30

Hotels and Sleeping Accommodations . . . the Most Important Single Factor at Present in Developing Winter Sports Business for Colorado.....Henry Schwalbe
Argonaut Hotel, Denver
President, Colorado Hotel
Men's Association.

4:00

U. S. Forest Service Policy and Experiences in Developing Winter Sports Areas in Colorado.....John Spencer
Regional Forester.

4:30

Southern Rocky Mountain Ski Association Activities . . . Round Table Discussion.....Dick Durrance
Nationally Known Ski Champion.

Adjournment

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Two New Winter Sports Facilities Established

Establishment of two new winter sports facilities in Colorado marks a step toward Colorado's goal of a winter sports playground just as advantageous to Business as the summer tourist season.

Lt. Richard C. Stickney, now on terminal leave from the army, has purchased the Pioneer Lodge fishing resort at Crested Butte, 20 miles north of Gunnison, which he will operate as an all year-round resort—winter sports in winter and fishing in summer.

Lt. Stickney first approached Thor Groswold, Groswold Ski Co., a member of the Winter Sports Committee of the Denver Chamber, concerning possibilities of establishment of a winter sports lodge. Mr. Groswold suggested the Gunnison resort to Lt. Stickney and rendered further assistance.

Now ending four years' service in the army, Lt. Stickney served with the mountain infantry at Ft. Lewis, Wash., then Camp Hale; at Kiska with the 87th Mountain Infantry; in Germany with the 99th Division. He was a prisoner of war in Germany for four months. He and Mrs. Stickney have purchased the Pioneer Lodge, which is located in a deep valley on Cement Creek. a famous fishing stream which flows into the Gunnison River. The location is at the base of the Gunnison Ski Club, 3,000 ft. chair lift serving the Big and Little Dippers ski areas. The lodge, with four double log chalets, accommodates about 30 persons, and has a cafeteria restaurant.

The second winter sports facility is the Friedl Pfeifer Ski School at Aspen, Colo. It is being conducted by Friedl Pfeifer, international champion skier and former head of the ski school at Sun Valley, John P. Litchfield and Percy Rideout. All three men served in Italy as mountain troops.

Denver Named Intervenor in Mississippi Valley Case

Permission to serve as intervenor in the Mississippi Valley Case, which includes numerous applications by various airline carriers seeking authority to operate routes, when it is heard by the Civil Aeronautics Board was granted Denver recently by the Board.

Inasmuch as some of the routes applied for in the Mississippi Valley Case would affect Denver, the City and County of Denver and the Denver Chamber filed a petition with the Civil Aeronautics Board for leave to intervene in the Case. Permission to serve as intervenor provides Denver with the privilege of being heard to cross-examine witnesses and take part in the general prosecution of the case.

The expansion program involved in the Mississippi Valley Case ties in with the aviation development

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Texas Aerials Vanquish Texas Christian, 20 to 0

AUSTIN, Tex., Nov. 17 (AP) — Overcoming a Texas Christian University jinx that had dogged them for four years, the Texas Longhorns cut loose with a strong passing attack to rout the defending Southwest Conference champions, 20—2, before 32,000 fans today.

Bobby Layne tossed first-half touchdown passes of twenty-seven yards to End Dale Schwartzkopf and sixty-four yards to Substitute Back H. H. Allen, and Arthur Sweet plunged over from the 1-yard line for the fourth-period score. Layne booted two extra points.

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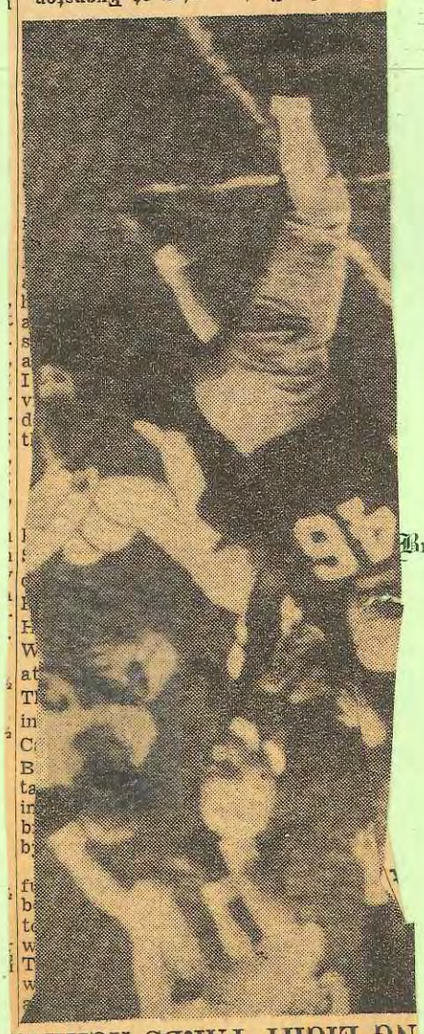

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KIRKWOOD ADVANCES IN GOLF AT MOBILE

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pattern for Denver proposed by the Aviation Council and recently adopted by the Denver Chamber of Commerce and the City Council as reported last week.

The Denver Chamber prepared 40 briefs outlining Denver's importance as a traffic source for presentation by the City and County of Denver to the Civil Aeronautics Board and other interested parties.

The City and County of Denver worked closely with the Chamber in compiling the analytical and factual information that was included in the brief on the Mississippi Valley Case.

Truman Signs "Land Grant" Repeal Legislation

Legislation repealing railroad "land grant" rates under which government freight is moving at preferential rates was signed by President Truman last week, to become effective October 1, 1946. After that date, government shipments will pay applicable commercial rates.

The legislation had been vigorously urged by the Denver Chamber of Commerce.

Traffic experts estimate that during the war the special rates cost the railroads between $20,000,000 and $30,000,000 a month. From the railroads' standpoint, repeal of the land grant rates comes too late to do the most good. Nevertheless, the legislation is welcome.

The reduced rates were granted the government by the railroads in the early days of railroad building in consideration for large gifts of government land.

Although the special rate applied only on land grant roads, competitors of the land grant roads signed equalization agreements to avoid losing government business.

Retention of Army Engineers Office in Denver Discussed

Possibilities for retention of the U. S. Army Engineers office in Denver as an executive office were discussed recently with representatives of the Engineer Corps at a luncheon sponsored by the Colorado Society of Engineers, Colorado Contractors Association and Denver Chamber of Commerce.

Lieutenant General Raymond A. Wheeler outlined possible plans for the Denver office.

The purpose of the meeting was to enable representatives of the three sponsoring groups to point out reasons for keeping the office in Denver, including the various engineering projects in the area.

Vice President Richard J. Osenbaugh represented the Denver Chamber at the luncheon.

Occupational Disease Law Becomes Effective January 1

The Occupational Disease Law which was enacted at the last regular session of the State Legislature becomes effective January 1, 1946.

Every firm in Colorado will be covered by the law unless the individual company makes application for rejection to the State Industrial Commission in the State Capitol Building prior to January 1.

Resolution Recommends 3 Air Gateways to North

The Western States Council, a federation of Chambers of Commerce of the eleven western states has adopted a resolution directed to the Civil Aeronautics Board urging recommendation of three air route gateways to the North from the United States.

The gateways would be Seattle, Great Falls-Edmonton and St. Paul-Minneapolis.

The Great Falls-Edmonton gateway would provide for the Sunshine International Air Route extending from Mexico to Alaska and on to the Orient, which is being vigorously urged by the Aviation Council of the Denver Chamber of Commerce and cities along the route.

Demurrage Penalty Charges on Refrigerator Cars Increased

Drastic demurrage penalty charges on refrigerator cars became effective at 7:00 a.m. December 15, providing in substance that after the 48-hour free period, the demurrage charges shall be $11.00 per car per day for the first charge day; $22.00 per car per day for the second charge day; and $44.00 per car per day for each succeeding day.

The order, No. 180, was issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission because of the acute shortage of refrigerator cars. The order carries an expiration date of 7:00 a.m. March 15, 1946, unless otherwise modified, changed, suspended or annuled by the Commission.

Provisions of the average agreement will not apply to refrigerator cars during the life of Order 180.

The number of days a refrigerator car had been held prior to the effective date of the order, counted according to demurrage tariff rules, shall determine the charges applicable on that refrigerator car after the effective date of this order.

District No. 6, Seventh Service Command to Be Deactivated

District No. 6 of the Seventh Service Command will soon be deactivated and the Denver Military Police and Provost Marshal activities which were part of the District will be transferred to Fort Logan, according to word received by the Chamber from Major Arthur G. George, Infantry, Provost Marshal.

Major George expresses appreciation to the Denver Chamber for all courtesies and cooperation rendered the Headquarters since it was established here nearly four years ago.

"We feel that during our period of duty here we have had the finest type of cooperation from the people of Denver and they have responded in every way to make the duties of the District Headquarters more enjoyable and pleasant," Major George writes.

All in the Day's Work

The last of the 14-passenger Lockheed Lodestar airliners to be operated by Continental Air Lines was retired from service Saturday, according to an announcement by Robert F. Six, President of Continental. The plane will be replaced by a 21-passenger Douglas airliner, which completes the fleet of Continental Douglas planes.

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Dr. Robert L. Stearns, President of the University of Colorado, reported on his recent trip to London to present Denver as a site for permanent headquarters of the United Nations Organization at the meeting of the Chamber Board of Directors Thursday.

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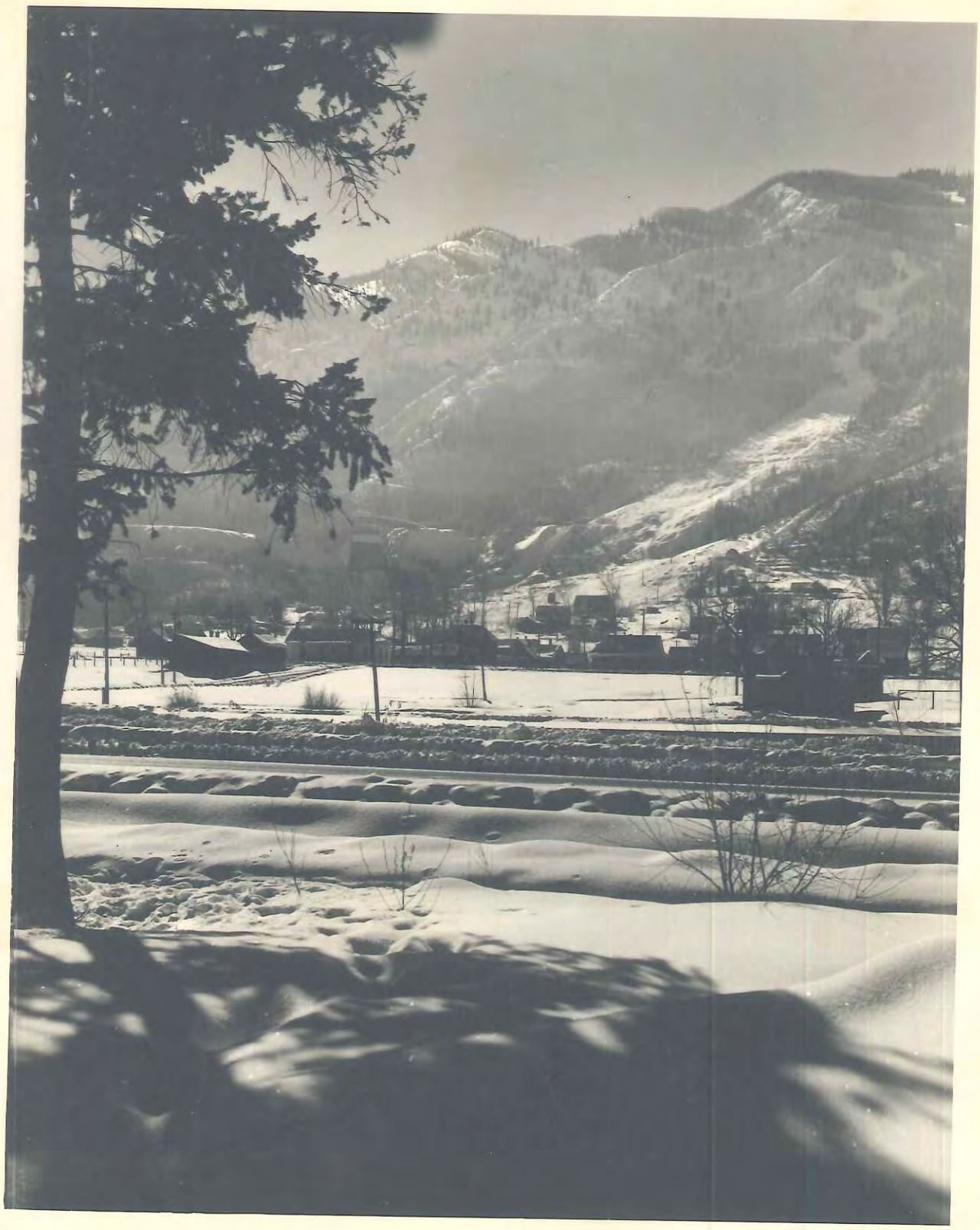

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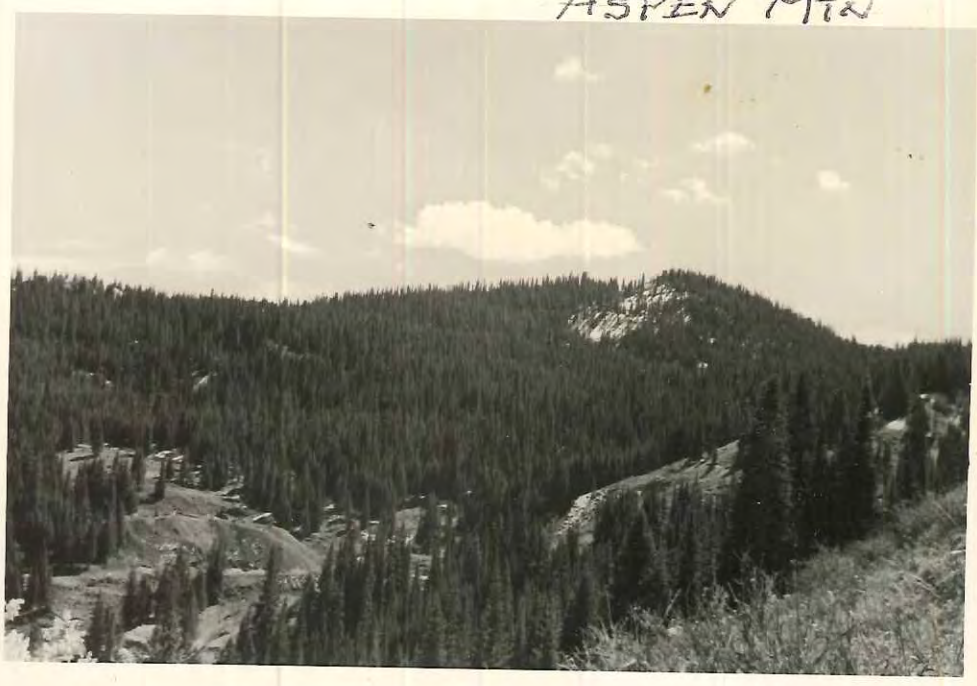

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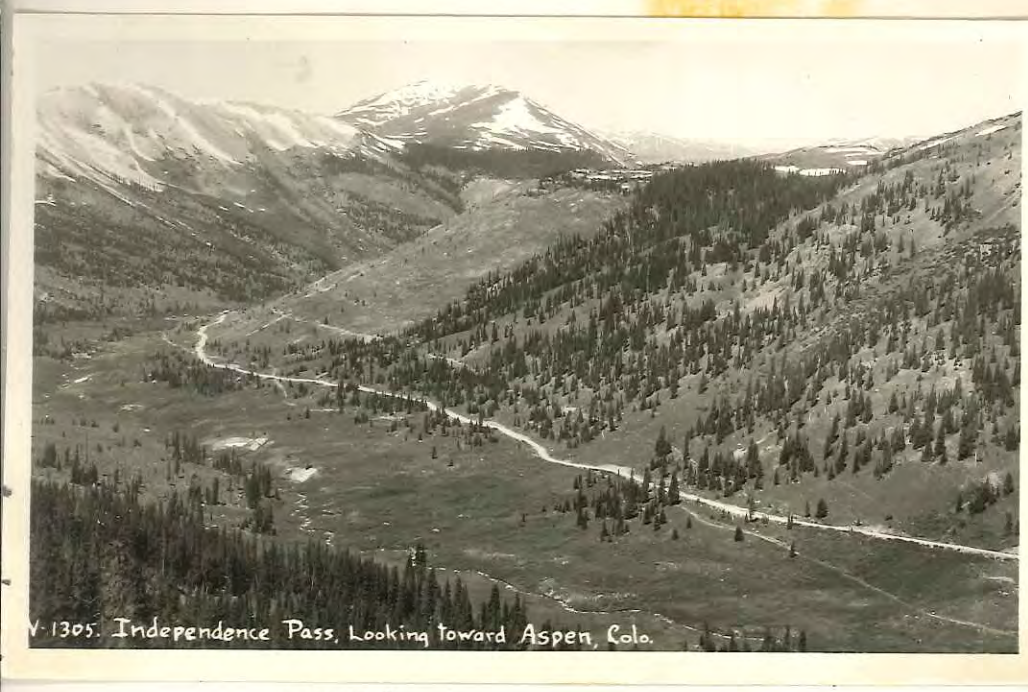

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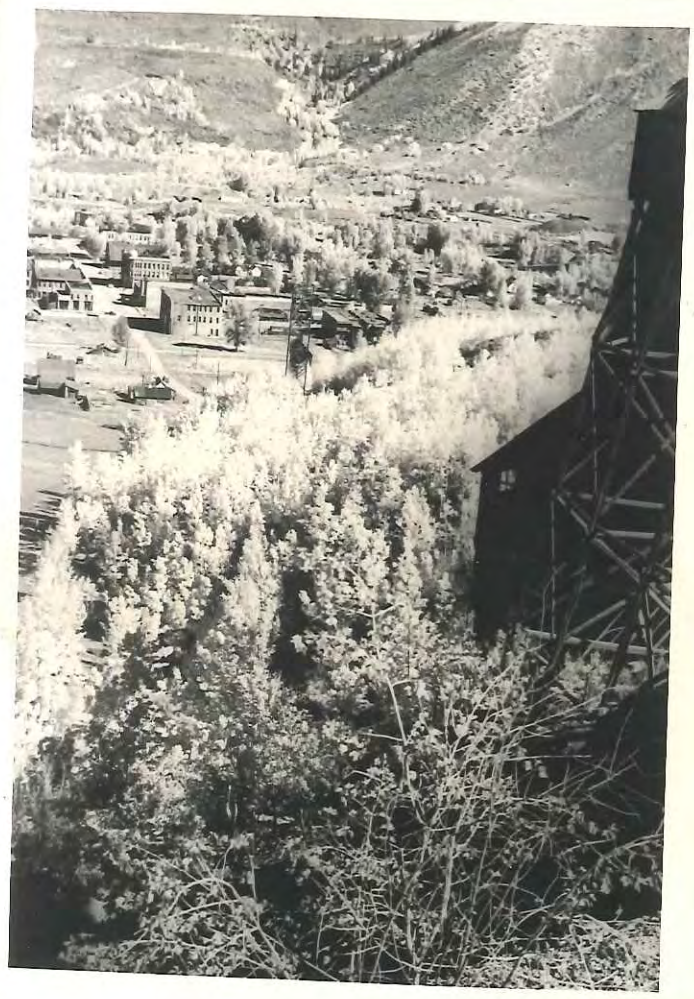

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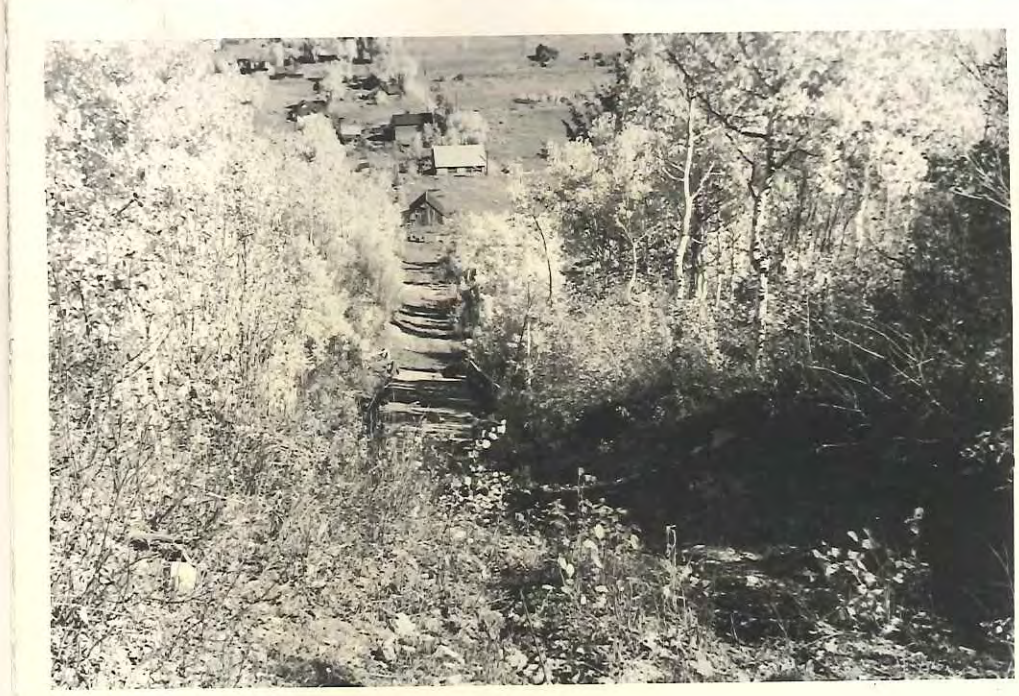

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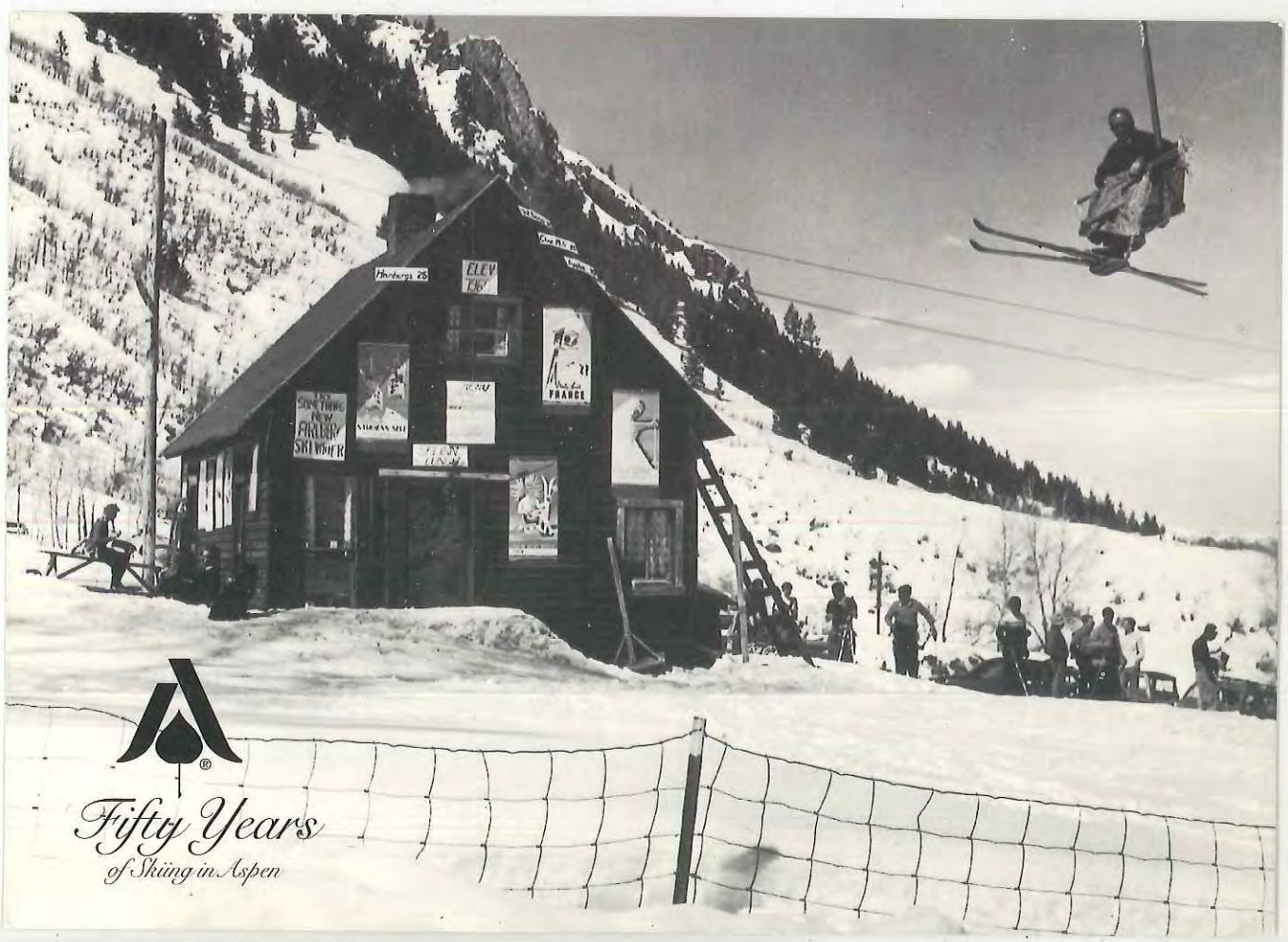

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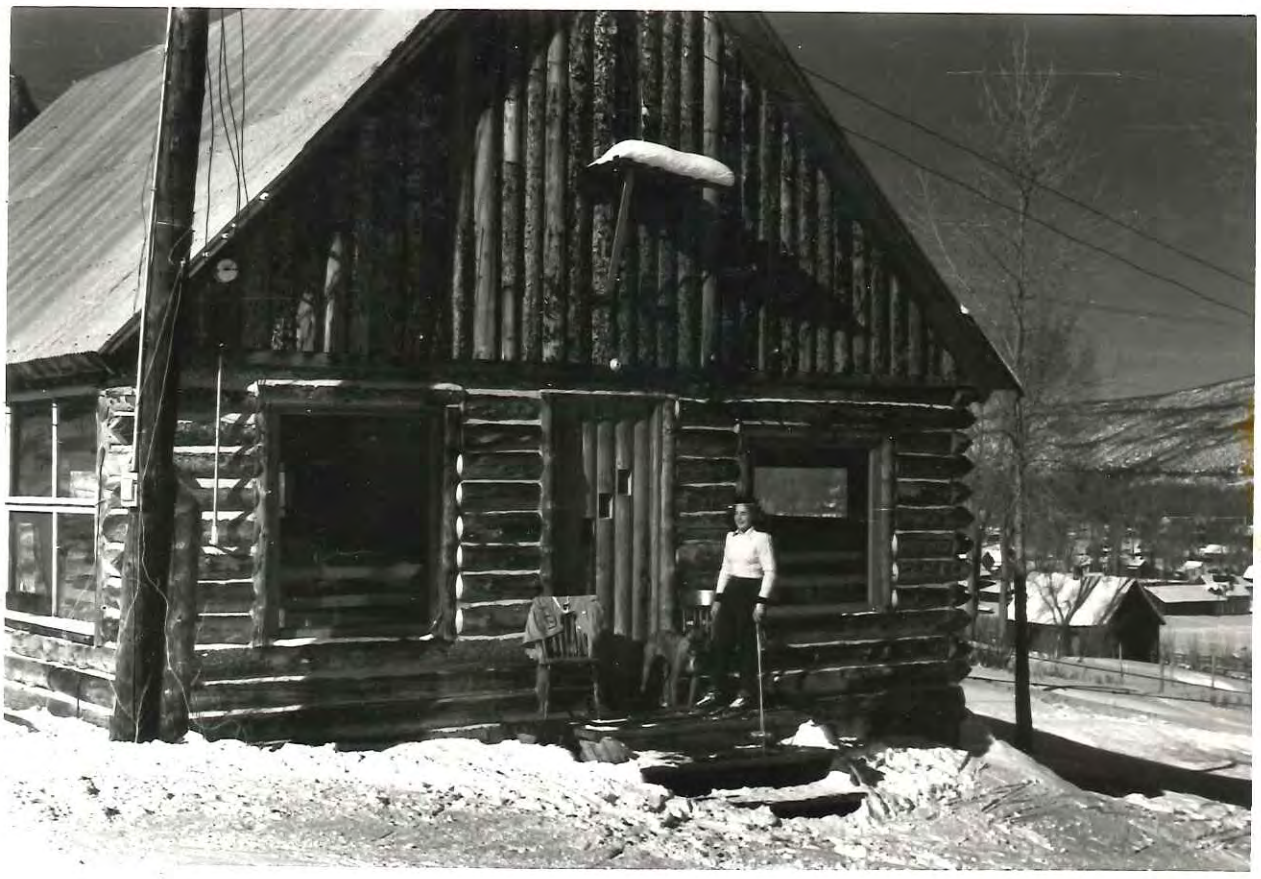

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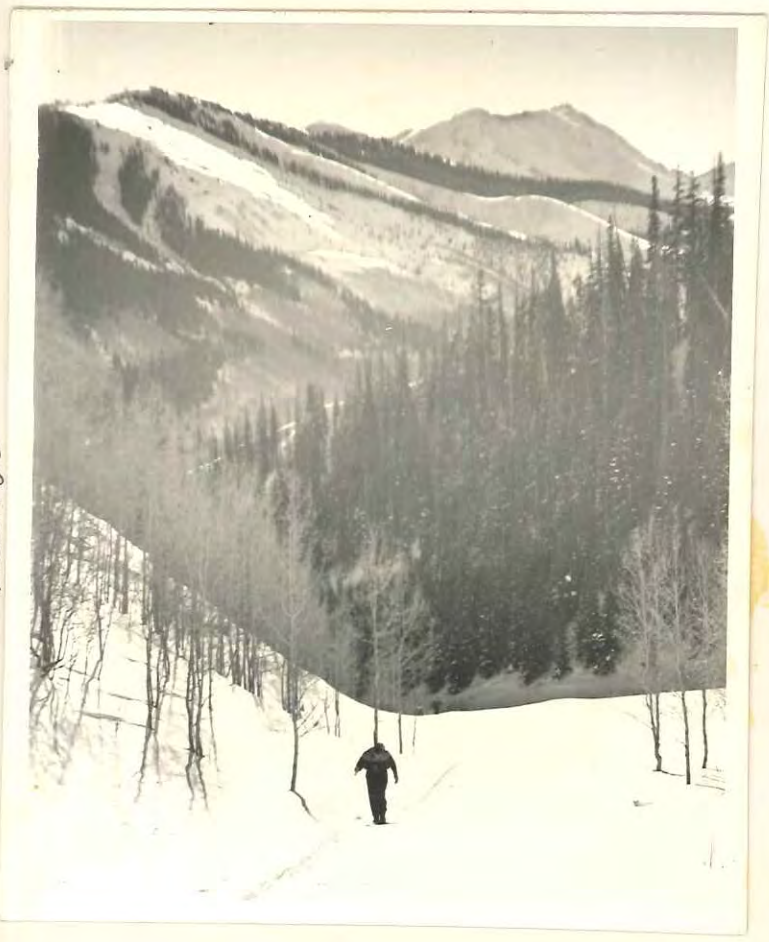

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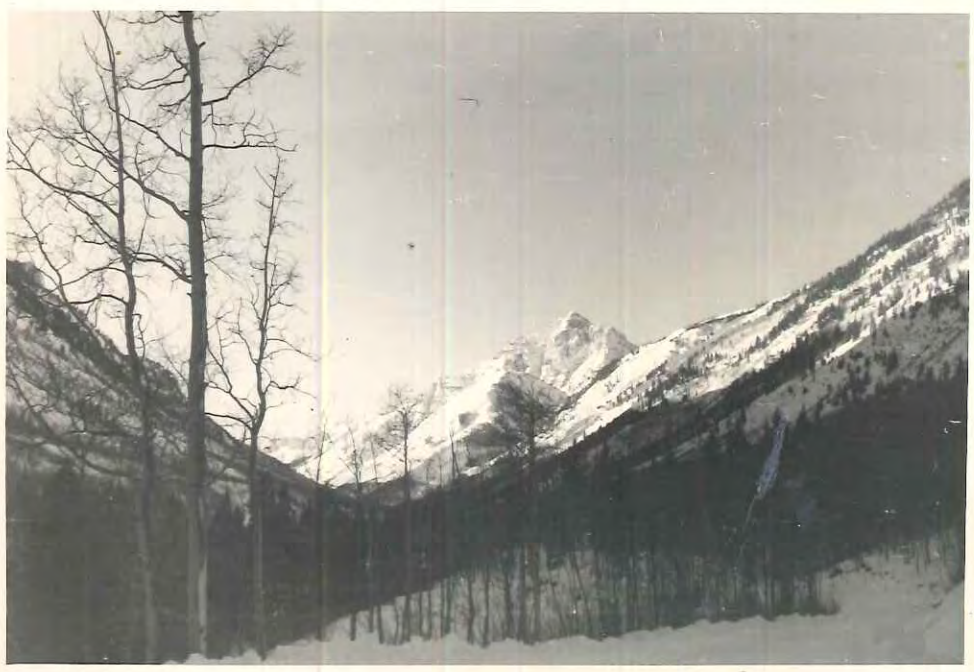

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Dear Litchm,

Here is a story on the early ski school which I am hoping to run in the next issue of Skiing Heritage, and because I am the editor, I know it will run.

I hope you might call me to comment on. My number is 914 626 2923, call collect.

Hope to see you at the Aspen get-together second week in January.

yours

Morten Lund

The Historic, Improbable Early Aspen Ski School

developed from *The Aspen Story,* a new book by Mary Eshbaugh Hayes, and from the research by Morten Lund for *Nice Goin', a* 1994 autobiography of Friedl Pfeifer

They came: from the icy hills of the East, from the ski teams at Dartmouth College, the University of New Hampshire and the University of Nevada, from the Parsenn above Davos, from the slopes of the 10th Mountain Division at Camp Hale, Colorado, from Sun Valley in Idaho, California in the Sierra, from St. Anton-am-Arlberg in Austria, from Garmisch-Partenkirchen in Bavaria.

They became—the early Aspen ski instructors.

In the late 1940, the mountain town of Aspen was a raw, depopulated mining town, largely untested as a resort. But there were only two high-altitude resorts in the West, Sun Valley and Alta. There would soon be the need for many more.

But Aspen had little success in making itself into a destination resort. Its center was pocked by vacant, blasted buildings, fallen structures, half-filled cellar holes and raunchy bars. Its only hotel had boarded up most of its rooms. There was one archaic lift, running halfway up the mountain. There were no cleared trails going all the way.

But the mountain was big, and it was beautiful. Its lower slopes fed right into the town where nicely aged Victorian structures going for back taxes begged for renovation into lodges.

Then there was Friedl Pfeifer. He had made the Sun Valley Ski School the best in the nation. Before that, he had been open-class world combined alpine ski champion and the highest-paid instructor at the renown St. Anton ski school. After Sun Valley, he had been in combat with the 10th Mountain Division and been wounded in Italy.

And there was Percy Rideout, from Ashburnham in northern Massachussetts, who had been taught to ski in the 1920s by his father who in turn had learned from reading British ski guru Arnold Lunn's books. Rideout had been the Dartmouth ski team captain and the its coach. He had taught at Sun Valley under Pfeifer, and been a supervisor in the ski training of 4,000 men of the 86th Regiment, 10th Mountain Division and been in combat in Italy..

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And there was John Litchfield from Auburn, Maine; he, too, had been taught to ski in the 1920s by his father, who learned from *Ski-ing Turns* by British pioneer skier Vivian Caulfeild. He, too, had raced creditably for Dartmouth, had taught under Pfeifer at Sun Valley and been one of the 10th Mountain's top instructors, and been in combat in Italy.

Rideout and Pfeifer and a third 10th Mountain skier and Sun Valley teacher, Ralph Bromaghin, agreed while they were stationed at Camp Hale and skiing Aspen on weekends that if they came back, they would come back here. And they would start a ski school. Bromaghin got to Italy but he didn't make it back. Litchfield was recruited in his place. So it was the three of them, Pfeifer, Rideout and Litchfield.

This unfazed trio were not only the entire ski school staff the first winter that there was an Aspen ski school, but led volunteer work crews to clear the first top-to-bottom trails. Rideout directed the crews erecting the first lift under the engineer in charge while Litchfield rebuilt an old bar to open it as the Red Onion, Aspen's first new bar since mining days.

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None of the three had what could be loosely called capital. Aspen was the first major resort start-up attempt undertaken by three men living on subsistence wages..

Had the attempt failed, it would have meant a significant lowering of the prospects of American alpine skiing.

High-altitude skiing in the West, the jewel in the crown, would have been confined to two resorts: remote, expensive Sun Valley and tiny, oft-snowbound Alta. There would have been no Rockies resorts coming on line, one after the other, following Aspen's lead.

To succeed, and led the West into the promised land of skiers galore, Aspen had to become the first big Western resort to look so attractive as a business proposition that it could raise or borrow the necessary capital.

The making of a great Aspen ski school was at least as key as capital, although it seems like a bit of a stretch to say so. In those days, on big Western mountains, it was the ski school which got the skiers skiing. The trails down the mountain were paved with booby traps— bumps, chutes, dropoffs, rotting limbs, stumps, huge excavations—a nightmare for any less than a good skier who knew the terrain intimately

And of course, ski technique was mostly a mystery in a day when minimally competent skiers scattered across the entire continent were counted in five figures.

Most skiers of that day could no more cope with the flank of a sizable Western mountain than ski the side of an iceberg.. They needed— no, required—inspiration, direction, technique and cajoling. Aspen's success, thus, floated on its early ski school..

point of history as no ski school in the U.S. has ever quite done since, or ever will.

The Aspen ski school over the next few years had an atmosphere largely ex-10th soldiers who had survived the most rigorous pre-combat training ever given an American division, had survived three months of murderous combat in Italy . They were nice guys, they were committed to each other like any good soldiers and were tough, pioneering skiers. They were good teachers and they knew how to have a good time. They knew how to inspire their pupils (it had some similarities to leading men in combat, after all.) Together, the early Aspen ski school instructors formed a cadre more likely than not to make the impossible happen.

Pfeifer got to Aspen in July. He had a vision that wouldn't quit is the only way to describe what he did in the next few months. To lay out his lift line to the mountaintop, Pfeifer enlisted the volunteer services of Frank Willoughby, an engineer who ran Midnight Mine on Aspen Mountain and who had surveyed the Roch. He now surveyed the first No.1 and No.2 lift lines.

To design the chairlifts he needed, Pfeifer picked Bob Heron, a Denver engineer who had in 1943 designed a portable 10th Mountain Division combat lift used in the assault on Riva Ridge (see Fall 1995 *Skiing Heritage*).

To manufacture the No. 1 chair, Pfeifer lined up American Steel and Wire (a division of U.S. Steel), builder of the Sun Valley chairlifts. At 6800 feet in length, No. 1 would be the world's longest. Heron would build No. 2, the upper chair out of mining hoist parts lying around the mountain.

Of course these huge lifts could not be readied for the coming winter. Lacking other options, Pfeifer began resurrecting an Aspen Ski Club rope tow at the bottom of Roch Run, and refurbished the club's ten-year-old boat tow, which dragged ten skiers to a load halfway up the Roch.

The only thing Pfeifer couldn't seem to do was raise money.

His appointments with bank loan officers stretched on through November without result. In the meantime, the new ski school was officially inaugurated.

Ski school and the tows both opened November 18, 1945. as *The Aspen Times* announced, "Tickets for the tows and Ski School lessons are to be handled by Mike's Ski Shop."

The day came and went without a single paying pupil.

It took three weeks for the first paying customer to arrive: one of Pfeifer's pupils from Sun Valley, a. certain Mrs. Nichol who had

been a pupil of Pfeifer's. The three co-directors tossed a coin every morning for the privilege of teaching her and collecting the fee, until a second customer showed up, a young lady name Jean Kelly showed up, and immediately interested Rideout. He gave her any number of lessons that winter and married her that summer—the first Aspen instructor to marry his student.

By the middle of February, 1946, that first winter, enough customers were coming to fill as many as two or three classes a day. Things were looking up.

Pfeifer solved the money problem. by persuading a nationally recognized business executive to raise the money. Walter Paepcke, president of American Container Corporation in Chicago, was having his own love affair with Aspen

He had come several times to buy property through his realty holding corporation, The Aspen Company, which he had founded in January, 1946. An educational activist, Paepcke was seriously intent on implanting cultural institutions in the town.

Pfeifer began to get Paepcke to see Aspen as a destination ski resort which would mesh with Paepcke's desire to make Aspen a place in which could be transplanted the Greek ideal of the whole man. Pfeifer and Paepcke together founded The Aspen Skiing Corporation in February, 1946—with Pfeifer as vice president, General Manager and holding ten percent of the stock (he split half of it with his co-directors Rideout and Litchfield). And he owned the ski school franchise.

Paepcke began raising money by getting $100,000, from his brother-in-law Paul Nitze, a top State Department official. Pfeifer went to work on a favorite project: creating a nationally ranked race team for the town.

In January and February, 1946, freed from his money worries, Pfeifer had time to give daily training to three 10th Mountain veterans, Steve Knowlton (who had moved into town in December, 1945), Dev Jennings, from Salt Lake City(who had moved in January, 1946) and Bud Phillips from Little Compton, Rhode Island, a Proctor Academy, New Hampshire, racer (who had moved in during February, 1946).

To test the team, and publicize Aspen, Pfeifer organized the first Roch Cup in March, 1946. The meet wasn't a total success, because it was won by Barney McLean of the U.S. Army Airforce and the Zieppfelberger Ski Club in Denver (Sun Valley Ski Club?) The best Aspen Ski Club could do was Steve Knowlton's fourth. But the race brought publicity to the town.

Then, in April 1946, the Aspen Ski Club won the Hochebirge Cup at Cannon Mountain, New Hampshire, emblematic of the national ski club championship after Steve Knowlton won the national downhill. Aspen had a championship ski club!

That was the good news.

The bad news was that the ski school take for the 1945-46 season was $5,000.

But, that would all change for the better.

American Steel and Wire had begun putting together the chairlift towers in its factory.

The chairlift was coming.

In the summer of 1946, Rideout and Pfeifer led crews of town volunteers to cut the chairs' lift lines and the new trails on the mountain; the total was 22 miles of trails, more than at Sun Valley..

To make ends meet during the coming winter, Pfeifer took a step he wanted to avoid, accepting the post of Sun Valley ski school director in its first postwar year by agreeing to spend half his time there. But his heart was in Aspen

He began building up his ski school staff for the 1946-47 season—the first with chairlift—hiring additional instructors willing to work whenever there was work. They were Dick Wright, Chick Webb, Andy Ransom, Lennie Woods, Marshall Fitzgerald, Lib Fitzgerald and Walter Haugg. In reserve, the school had Florian Haemmerle, a teacher at Sun Valley and landscape artist who sometimes came down from Sun Valley when Pfiefer drove down.

Pfeifer had picked his instructors for enthusiasm as much for an ability to schuss the Roch, That, and love of the sport.

Dick Wright had grown up skiing in California and hadn't the slightest idea how to go about it. "I tried to ski on every spot of snow I could find on Mount Waterman. I'd ski straight down until I'd fall. Then I pulled another car out of a ditch—the driver was a ski instructor and taught me how to snowplow. I thought it was the greatest thing. I skied all over California after that.

"I came to Aspen in 1942 from Camp Hale." He learned to love the town, and had his boots made to order by the town cobbler, Mike Magnifico. "In 1946, I called Magnifico to see if there were any jobs in Aspen...He said, 'Come on out!'

"We all swept the floors and carried the coal for the ski school shack. You were at the bottom of the totem pole when you came." Every new instructor an apprentice was a Hannes Schneider tradition.

But there was a neat tradeoff.

Chick Webb remembers that "It was a time when literally I had no expenses. Paepcke gave instructors breakfast at the Jerome. Our pupils took us out for dinner. After dinner, we partied. I had all I could eat, all I could drink, all the dates I could handle, all for free." I felt incredibly lucky to be part of it."

Leonard Woods was a most literate instructor; he served as public relations man for the resort, writing it up for the *1947 American Ski Annual* (?) among other publications; he had been in the 10th, had written about Aspen from Camp Hale in 1943; and then had gone into the saboteur business, smuggling downed pilots out of Indonesia using native sampans.

The instructors were in place, and the chairlifts were coming!

On October 2, 1946, the 49 chairlift towers and 142 chairs chugged into Aspen on the Denver and Rio Grande flat cars; Rideout's construction crew, under the direction of Bob Heron, miraculously set the towers and hung the chairs from bottom to top in two months, hampered by snow, no helicopters—just four-wheel drive trucks, sweat and strain.

The first trail map was artfully drawn up by Herbert Bayer, the country's leading *Bauhaus* architect and designer, newly moved to town: its text announced, "the Aspen ski school will be under the direction of Friedl Pfeifer... There will be approximately ten experienced instructors teaching the Arlberg Method.'

While his co-directors built the lifts, Pfeifer worked his instructors hard to bring them to a degree of perfection that would not shame Hannes Schneider. For the overflow holiday crowds, Pfeifer trained additional townspeople in the basics of teaching the Arlberg snowplow.

Everything was coming together.

There was an unofficial opening December 2, 1946, for all the townspeople who had helped. By then, the Aspen Skiing Corporation had a big $300,000 invested (roughly $10 million in today's dollars). "The lift was running," said Pfeifer, "and that was all that mattered."

The mountain had the official opening just fifty years ago this winter, on Saturday, January 11, 1947.

There was a big to-do.

Governor-elect F. Lee Knous and U.S. Senator Ed Johnson of Colorado came for the lift dedication. The first passenger on the lift was the Aspen mayor's daughter Allene. Second in line was Pfeifer, who rode with the French racing star Georgette Thiolière on hand for the occasion. The chair was such a marvel that the January 1948 *Popular Mechanics* was featuring it on its cover. A

crowd of two thousand curious citizens poured into town, mostly from Denver. Hal Boyle of the Associated Press and Edwin O'Brien of *Newsweek* arrived to cover the event. There weren't all that many paying skiers, but everyone who came to see this new resort-in-the rough experienced the opening as a smash success,

The rest of the 1946-47 season was not.

Aspen was a long way from Denver compared to resorts like Winter Park, Berthoud Pass and Loveland Basin got most of the weekend skiers. And, since the concept of a destination resort ski vacation had not really taken hold among the country's skiers, Aspen was ahead of the wave so far that it was dead in the water

One bright spot of the winter: two Aspen Ski Club members made the 1948 Olympic team. Dev Jennings and Steve Knowlton were tagged to go to St. Moritz for the Games.

At winter's end, ski school income was only $9,000 in lessons and the Aspen Skiing Corporation sold $35,000 in lift tickets. The corporation's net loss was $20,000. The operating loss (that is, not counting depreciation) was $7,600. Aspen's books were showing big red figures.

Pfeifer was not worried. He had faith. He remembered how long it had taken St. Anton to catch on back in the 1920s.

Walter Paepcke, chairman of the board, *was* worried.

In May, at the annual board meeting, he replaced Pfeifer as General Manager and Vice President by a well-known Denver racer, Frank Ashley, who had managed Winter Park for several years.

Pfeifer was at the same time heart-broken and yet too tough to be thrown by this. Relieved of the difficult business of running a resort gave him time to devote to his earlier love, running a ski school. From then on the ski school at Aspen and Friedl Pfeifer were synonymous.

These years were a time for a world of informal socializing between instructors and directors: Rideout remembers that four or five of the instructors and their wives would often go for an evening picnic up the Roaring Fork River, and the women would make sandwiches while the men caught the fish that were fried over an open fire on the spot. Rideout remembers one night eight of them ate 52 trout.

In preparation for the winter of 1947-48, Pfeifer gave his instructors two new, fine skiers to emulate as Sun Valley instructors Fred and Ell Iselin signed up. Fred Iselin joined Rideout as co-director, replacing Litchfield who had elected to switch back to teaching at Sun Valley.

Fred Iselin was a powerful stylist of his time as was noted by James Laughlin, recalling an Iselin visit to Alta:

"... every day an admiring crowd on the Lodge terrace watched him execute his faultless linked turns on the opposing slopes. Crust, deep snow, wet snow, drifts, they made no difference to Fred. With his two skis as one, and a rhythm no obstacle could jostle or disturb, he decorated the long incline of Rustler with patterns more beautiful than any Alta had seen since the days of the incomparable Pfeifer. Iselin is in a class by himself. I have seen most of the great skiers of Europe in the past fifteen years and none of them surpassed his combination of power with grace."

Iselin's wife Ellie had learned to ski as a girl by taking the trolley to the Wienerwald, the Vienna woods, before World War II. Pfeifer had coached Elli Iselin when she was a member of the 1930s Austrian women's teams. When Elli Iselin swept down Aspen Mountain, she was envied by ninety-nine percent of the males watching.

In addition to the Iselins, Pfeifer brought in Karl Stingl, Morrie Shepard and Claus Obermeyer. The 1947-48 roster to thirteen.

Before the season started, Aspen Mountain got its third modern lift, a Constam T-bar: Frank Ashley had contracted with former Dick Durrance—representing the Constam T-bar company in Denver—to set the T-bar up on Little Nell slope.(Ernest Constam, the Zurich engineer who had invented the T-bar at Davos in 1936, had moved his operation to Denver, call it "The Mine and Smelter Supply Co.").

The excavations for the Little Nell A-frame T-bar towers were hand-dug by Seibert and Knowlton—things were a bit different then: Knowlton's berth on the U.S. Olympic team did not bring that first million dollars pouring in.

During the season, the infamous broomball competitions—ice hockey using brooms as sticks—between instructors and the ski patrol, with other sundry Aspen characters also taking part, became weekly fixtures. Cherry Lou Fellner, the PR director, reported that at one point in one match, there were broom-fights at each goal while in the middle Ralph Jackson, an ex-Ice Follies skater, was calmly doing clown routines. Steve Knowlton prudently wore a race car crash helmet to the fray.

A dozen of the instructors had at least one season on Aspen Mountain under their belt: their lessons had gotten smoother, and produced quicker results. To make a solid connection with their classes, the instructors spent hours of off-slope time with them. The instructors had drinks with their pupils, helped them buy

equipment, had dinner with them, and were their daily cheerleaders in their effort to conquer the mountain—and get an Aspen Leaf pin in the week's standard races.

The word began to get out among the skiers ripe for transcontinental travel that the Aspen ski school was at least as good as Sun Valley's.

That was the good news.

The bad news was that the 1947-48 season wasn't much better for the Aspen Skiing Corporation than 1946-47 season, T-bar or no T-bar.

Also that Percy Rideout had to leave for Omaha where his wife's family lived and he became an executive in the food industry. He felt he had to leave Aspen to support his growing family (one child and one on the way).

Pfeifer and Iselin now ran the school .

In the fall of 1948, Pfeifer took a deep breath. and brought in three new instructors for the 1948-49 season: Peppi Teichner, Steve Knowlton and Morrie Shephard, which brought the entire roster to fifteen.

Pfeifer and Iselin spent the months of November and December putting a deep polish on their instructors. (Just so that Knowlton didn't give himself airs, Friedl paid him only a beginning instructor's salary—imagine today paying an Olympic team member as a beginning instructor.))

Looking back, Knowlton says, "Everybody had fun on the mountain. Today instructing is all so serious. I remember remarking to a friend that if you watch the ski instructors on Aspen Mountain, they don't smile any more. They are so grim. They have got to have that technique. That's all they think about. They don't think about having fun with the people who are paying them to have fun. So people get a pained look. I used to go out and play games on skis.

"Friedl always talked about Hannes Schneider's saying that the important things are to have fun, ski safely and learn something—in that order. We have turned that order right around."

Peppi Teichner was from Munich, had coached the Spanish ski team and, beginning in 1940, taught for two years at Sun Valley before joining the 10th Mountain (see the Fall 1995 *Skiing Heritage*).

Obermeyer was also from Germany. He grew up skiing to school and worked in a German airplane plant during the war. Of his Aspen ski school days, he recalls, "What a teacher Fred was! He could do more in two minutes with a class than others could in an

hour. He was so alive on his feet and legs. Instructors would ski behind him and catch on fast.

"We were all in it together to make a go of Aspen as a ski town...the instructors, the townspeople, the ski patrol, the people who came here to ski. Everybody knew everybody. We all gathered at the Hotel Jerome at the end of each day...for the tea hour at four o'clock. The instructors had a meeting, then everyone danced to a band and talked about the day's skiing.

"Everybody knew everybody, even celebrities were friendly. Gary Cooper [he was building a home in Aspen] was the goalie for the weekly broomball games on skates between the ski school and the ski patrol."

Pfeifer and Iselin cruised the mountain every day to check out the classes and held a daily critique right after the lifts closed. Sepp Uhl, who arrived in 1953 from Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, said that when "Fred would imitate you with great exaggeration, you could die."

"Pfeifer was the serious one, the beautiful smooth skier and held ultimate authority, Fred was the flamboyant, terrific, public relations man. At the beginning of the season, we had our instructors' clinic and Friedl would say, 'This morning you will ski with Fred.' "Iselin was a daredevil skier and took you down the worst slopes he could find. Fred would go off in a swoop with everyone trying to keep up. The instructors would end up scattered all over the mountain."

Uhl recalls that Pfeifer and Iselin made it clear that the instructors were to see that their classes had a great ski week: "We would have drinks and parties with our classes...have them to dinner in our home. Many...became life-long friends."

But Aspen still wasn't quite at a breakthrough.

At the end of the 1948-49 season, Colorado resorts reported their attendance as follows: Winter Park 37, 738 visits from skiers; Berthoud Pass, 34, 536; Loveland Basin, 16,469; Aspen, 9,600.

But, in 1950, during the winter in which Aspen hosted the FIS world championships, the ski school sold so many lift tickets that the Aspen Skiing Corporation income went to $118,000 for a net profit of $13,000; in 1953, The Aspen Skiing Corporation sold nearly $180,000 in lift tickets and netted over $20,000.

Aspen was on a roll.

Pfeifer himself credited this success to "...a once-in-a-lifetime cadre of instructors, innkeepers, entrepreneurs, ski bums, aged prospectors and town characters whose variety, vitality and

energy persuaded thousands of guests to return again and again. Without this, there would have been no Aspen, not as we know it."

In 1950, the ski school acquired Hans Nogler from Lienz, Austria, who had raced with the Austrians at the 1950 FIS in Aspen and gone on to win the Harriman Cup that year, continuing the line of Olympic caliber racing instructors on the ski school roster.

In the 1950s, Roby Albouy came from France, and after a year teaching for Otto Schniebs at North Creek, came to teach one year in the 1950s (then leave to be a full-time Head ski representative), and recalls, "We lived with our classes, not only on the hill but after skiing and in the evening: Friedl knew his instructors' every little trait or aspect, their way of handling people their way of teaching, how they related to the pupils... he watched you... were your pupils coming back or not?"

In 1954, the staff roster read: Morrie Shepard, Claus Obermeyer, Sandy Sabbattini, Wendy Morse, Toni Woerndle, Dick Wright, Pete Seibert, Roy Broom, Roy Parker, Jack McTaranaghan, Bill Pitcher, Thelma Sabbatini, Joseph Uhl, Sepp Kessler, Dean Billings and Bunny Pfeifer (Friedl's second wife).

McTarnaghan had grown up in Minnesota and, as he said, "My earliest recollection is of the strict discipline. Every afternoon at the ski school meeting you sat in terror that Friedl and Fred would rake you over the coals in front of everyone."

Curt Chase came to the ski school in the 1950s from the Aspen Ski Patrol and, recalling his apprenticeship in the ski school, says, "There is a discipline, a tradition and an ethic to the business of ski schools that Friedl brought directly from Hannes Schneider. I like to think it rubbed off on me."

Ed Lynch, another early instructor, came from Maine where he had been state downhill champion as a sophomore in high school. "We learned how to really ski once we were in Aspen. Many of us worked their way up through the Ski Patrol or packing crew...In those days of eight-foot skis, Fred and Friedl expected you to have your class of beginners at the Sundeck by the fourth day."

The mountaintop Sundeck had been the headquarters for expert skiers only. That is how far and fast the Aspen instructors' were able to take their classes in only a few years.

As the years rolled on, many veteran Aspen instructors prospered mightily both in and out of Aspen. Enough of them spread across America's snow country so that these early Aspen instructors are threaded through the fabric of the sport's history.

Three of them—Morse, Parker and Reid—became the biggest real estate agents in Aspen. Dick Wright became a building contractor. Gale Spence started Aspen Sports (after buying Steve Knowlton's business), which became the biggest ski shop in town. Lynch became an owner of the Aspen Highland's Ski School; McTarnaghan worked in marketing with the Aspen Skiing Corporation.

Curt Chase became director of the Red Lodge Ski School and later came back to head the Aspen Ski School. Steve Knowlton became the Rockies' leading national ski resort promoter. Claus Obermeyer founded Obermeyer Sports, the largest of the ski equipment suppliers in the country (still headquartered in Aspen). Peter Seibert journeyed north and east to make a relief map of sheep-grazing country and began to raise money to start a resort which would be called "Vail."

By the time Vail opened in 1962, the work of Aspen's improbably varied and fearless early instructor crew had become in retrospect the key to the transition of American skiing to a higher level, setting off the unprecedented and somewhat unexpected boom which resulted in this country's constellation of high-mountain destination resorts. As Percy Rideout said, "We had no conception that there would be 40 million skiers in the United States, that there would be resorts all over Colorado, or that Aspen would multiply and multiply. We had a dream but we never thought it could go *that* far."

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE
HANOVER, N.H.
Personnel Bureau

September 3, 1946

Responded with thanks but had other plans. JPL

Mr. John P. Litchfield
Box 242
Aspen, Colorado

Dear Mr. Litchfield:

Some time ago we suggested you to the United States Military Academy at West Point for a position in their Physical Education Department as a Coach of Skiing. The salary will range from $3,397 to $4,902 depending upon qualifications and experience. In addition to salary, quarters are furnished by the Academy. We have just received a letter from West Point asking us to notify you of this position. This letter indicates that your candidacy would receive serious consideration.

If you are interested in following up on this opening, you should write immediately to F. M. Green, Lt. Col., Inf., Master of the Sword, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York. In this letter you should include a statement of your undergraduate work, any graduate work you have taken, your experience as a competitor and as an instructor of skiing, and a statement of any other sports besides skiing in which you are sufficiently proficient to enable you to assist in the instruction of them during the spring and fall sessions. Refer to us for supporting credentials. We have been assured that there is an excellent opportunity at West Point to arrange for further graduate study at Columbia and at New York University. Please acknowledge this letter and let us know what action you are taking.

Yours very sincerely,

George L. Scott

George L. Scott
Associate in Teacher Placement

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JEAN
PERCY →



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EN ROUTE MT. HAYDEN

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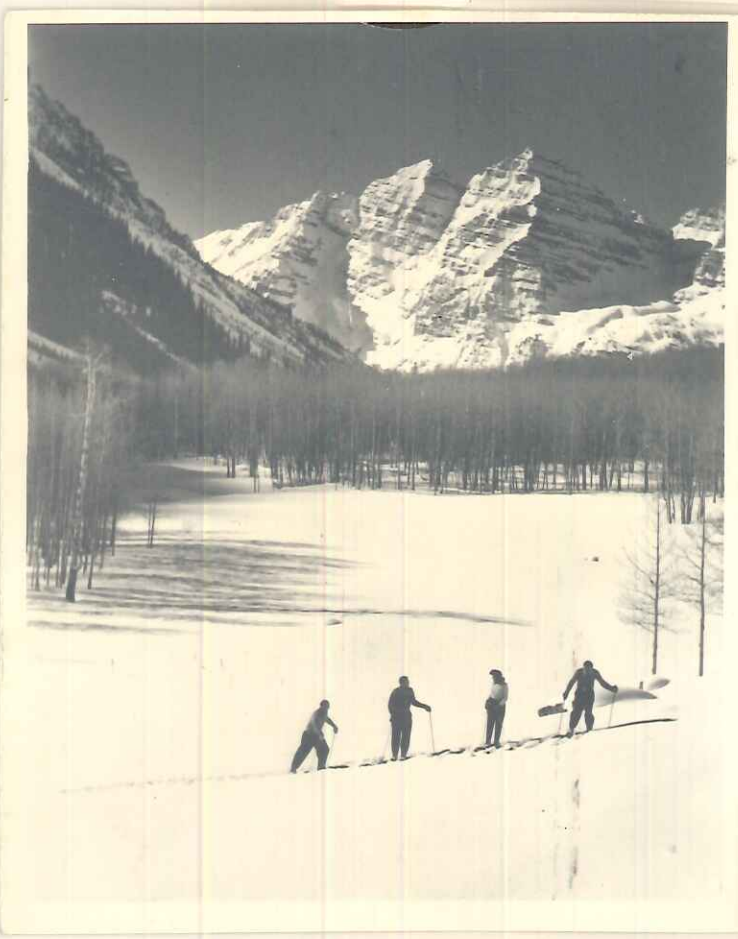

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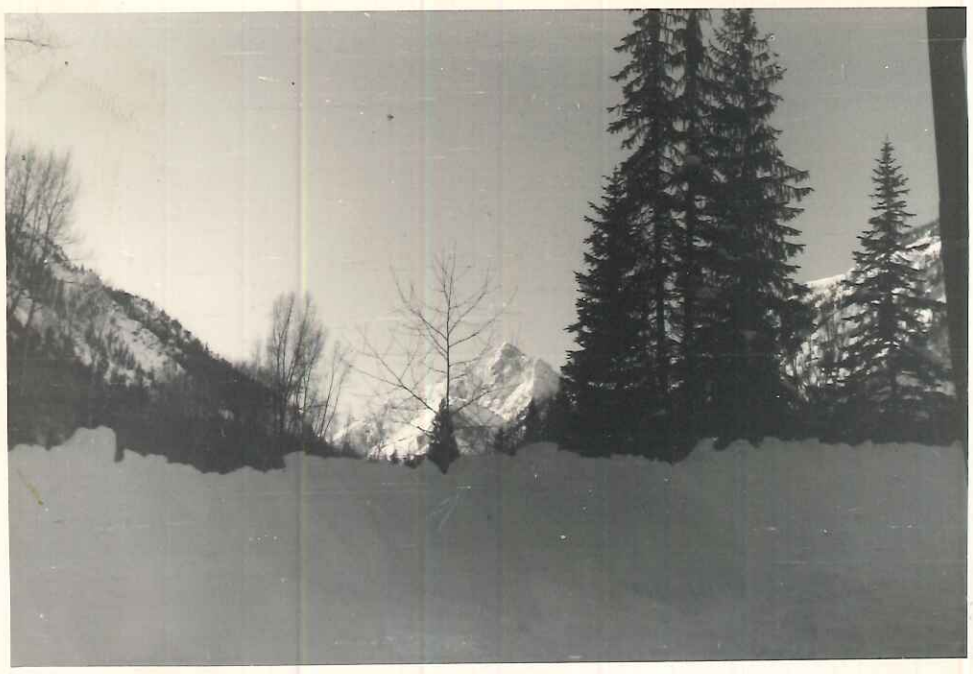

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LITTLE ANNIE BASIN

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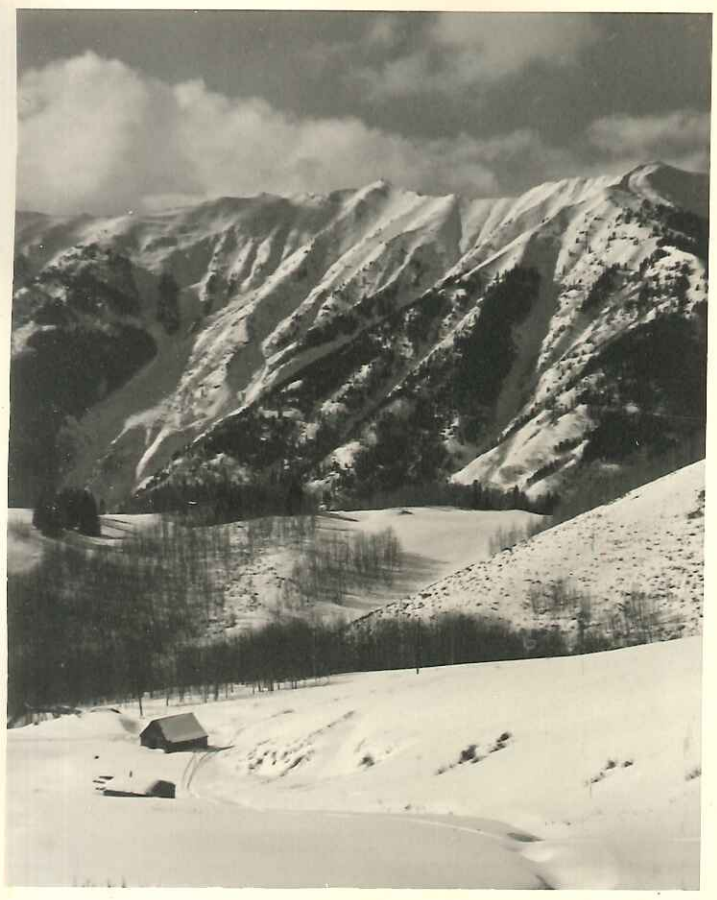

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JPL PERCY FRIEDL JEAN

LOOKING ACROSS VALLEY (W)
FROM LITTLE ANNIE BASIN



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FRIEDL CHARLIE JEAN VED
GROVER PERCY OLSON



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THE THREE MUSKETEERS



FRIEDL
JEAN PERCY JPL



JPL



LITTLE ANNIE SLOPE IN BACKGROUND

FRIEDL





PERCY JUMPING OFF THE CABIN ROOF



JEAN

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STEVE
KNOWLTON

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JOE & BOB
COLLINS

EDGAR
STANTON ON L

EARLY
ASPEN
INVESTORS



STEVE KNOWLTON

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ROSE &
EDGAR
STANTON



Rose
Stanton

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FLORIAN HAEMMERLE





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AGE 6-7 MARY ISABELLE THURNEYSSEN
D. 5/24/1939

MY STEP DTR





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MARY ISABELLE
THURNEYSSEN (NOW LUHN) RESIDING
1946 AGE 7 2004 KETCHUM
ID.
DTR OF JEAN HOLTON THURNEYSSEN LITCHFIELD

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FLORIAN & FRIEDL
LOOKING TOWARD.
AJAX FROM LOCATION
OF TOP OF #1 LIFT ON ASPEN MTN.



AJAX MTN

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#1 LIFT CONSTRUCTION 1946
AM. STEEL & WIRE

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JEAN SISSIE BLANDING M.I.



VIEW DOWN VALLEY (W)
FROM ASPEN MTN.





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1946
#1 LIFT CONSTRUCTION



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FRIEDL JPL

SUNDECK CONSTRUCTION

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MARSHALL PERCY
FITZGERALD
LITCHFIELD'S ELEVATOR ON THE SILVER QUEEN
TRAIL CREW

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SUNDECK CONSTRUCTIO



FRIEDL JPL



FLORIAN



FRIEDL FLORIAN HAEMMERLE



M.I. & FRIEND. ONE OF ELDO KLUSMIRE'S HORSES



CLIPPER & DAWN
1946 LITCHFIELD SHEPHERDS


MIKE THE
Out-Fitter
HUNTING & FISHING LICENSES





LITCHFIELD COLLECTION
ALBUM #1
04.20.198

Mrs. Florian Haemmerle
Box 32
Sun Valley, Idaho 83353

Dear John,

Rec'd your letter before Xmas and enjoyed the pictures enclosed. I especially like the Cabin and know Florian would have "loved" the trek from one to the other, as that was his "life". He was a mountain man and loved those wonderful trips when he got his strength.

We have had a wonderful year & know and I told the "Kids" at Thanksgiving, "no Xmas cookies, little Xmas decorating, etc. This

Ski classes years ago?! The world is small!

Thanks again for the pictures and I hope you will enjoy them of Florida for the Cabin in Aspens. It took quite some searching in foot-lockers to find the negatives.

Hope all is well with you. Take care.

XX Bob

March 3

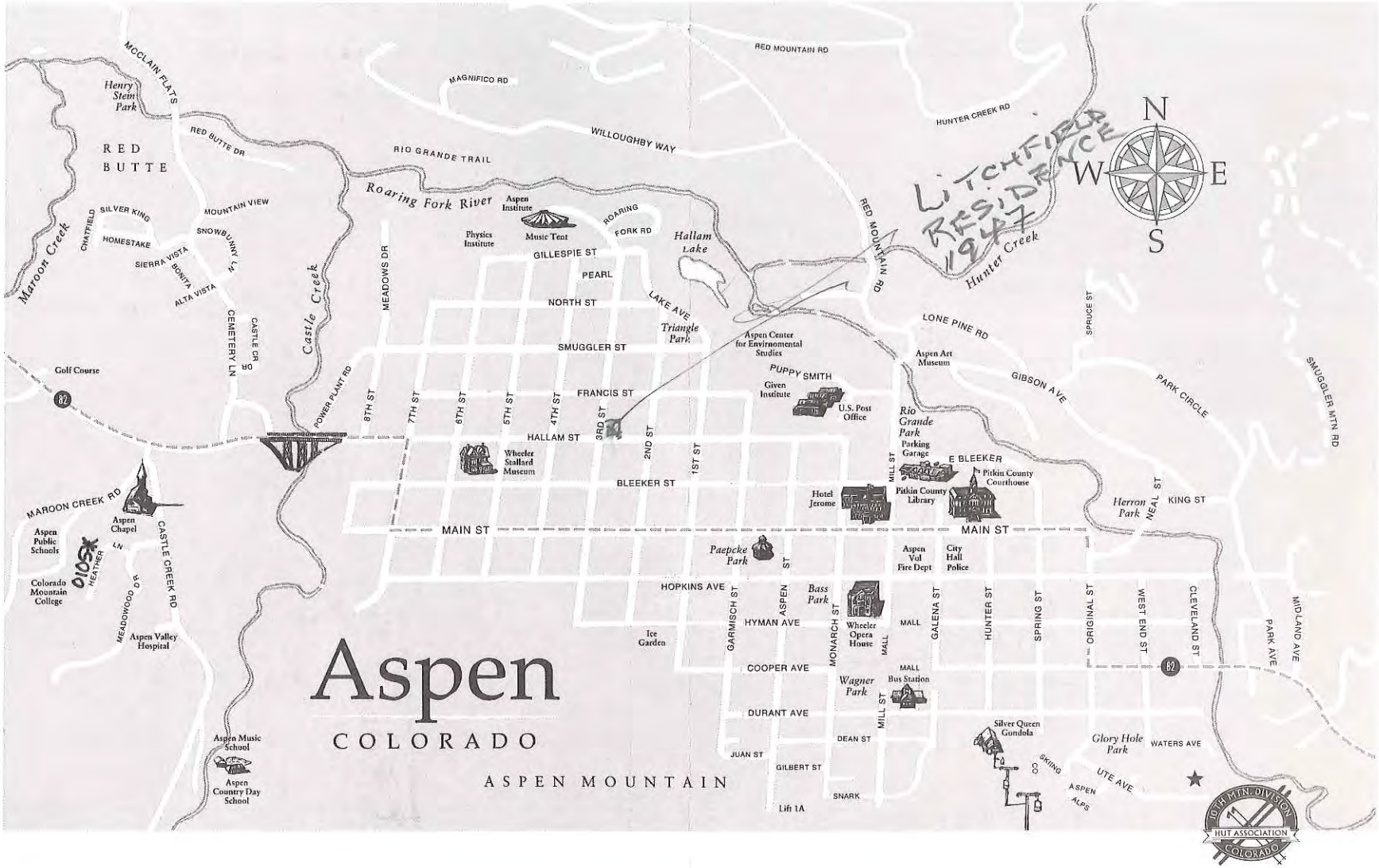
3 pictures of Florida painting at Pioneer and a Ski school picture.

The other 1945 or 46 in Aspen when he was recovering.

Also Martin very sick with Cancer.







Aspen
COLORADO
ASPEN MOUNTAIN
LITCHFIELD RESIDENCE 1947
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Henry Stein Park
MCCLAIN FLATS
RED BUTTE DR
MAGNIFICO RD
RED MOUNTAIN RD
HUNTER CREEK RD
WILLOUGHBY WAY
RIO GRANDE TRAIL
Roaring Fork River
Aspen Institute
Music Tent
Physics Institute
ROARING FORK RD
Hallam Lake
Hunter Creek
Maroon Creek
CHATFIELD
SILVER KING
MOUNTAIN VIEW
HOMESTAKE
SNOWBUNNY LN
SIERRA VISTA
BONITA
ALTA VISTA
CEMETERY LN
CASTLE CR DR
Castle Creek
MEADOWS DR
GILLESPIE ST
PEARL
NORTH ST
LAKE AVE
Triangle Park
SMUGGLER ST
Aspen Center for Envirnomental Studies
LONE PINE RD
SPRUCE ST
Aspen Art Museum
GIBSON AVE
PARK CIRCLE
SMUGGLER MTN RD
Golf Course
82
POWER PLANT RD
8TH ST
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2ND ST
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FRANCIS ST
PUPPY SMITH
Given Institute
U.S. Post Office
Rio Grande Park
Parking Garage
E BLEEKER
Pitkin County Courthouse
Pitkin County Library
Hotel Jerome
MILL ST
HALLAM ST
Wheeler Stallard Museum
BLEEKER ST
MAIN ST
MAIN ST
Herron Park
NEAL ST
KING ST
MAROON CREEK RD
Aspen Chapel
Aspen Public Schools
HEATHER LN
CASTLE CREEK RD
Colorado Mountain College
MEADOWOOD DR
Aspen Valley Hospital
Paepcke Park
Aspen Vol Fire Dept
City Hall Police
HOPKINS AVE
GARMISCH ST
ASPEN ST
Bass Park
HYMAN AVE
MONARCH ST
Wheeler Opera House
MALL
GALENA ST
HUNTER ST
SPRING ST
ORIGINAL ST
WEST END ST
CLEVELAND ST
PARK AVE
MIDLAND AVE
Ice Garden
COOPER AVE
Wagner Park
Bus Station
DURANT AVE
DEAN ST
JUAN ST
GILBERT ST
SNARK
Lift 1A
Silver Queen Gondola
Glory Hole Park
WATERS AVE
SKIING CO
ASPEN ALPS
UTE AVE
Aspen Music School
Aspen Country Day School
10TH MTN. DIVISION
HUT ASSOCIATION
COLORADO



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BOB & ELDO KLUSMIRE M.I.

10TH MTN DIV DAVE PFAELZER M.I. JPL
FRIEND



04.20.213



LITCHFIELD HOME ON CORNER
3RD & HALLAM



04.20.215

MARY
ISABELLE
THURNEYSSEN
A GOOD
RIDER



MIMI
PFAELZER

JEAN JPL

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CLIPPER

MY PETS
2 AKC REGISTERED
GERMAN SHEPHERDS



DAWN

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FRIEDL'S SECOND — TINA
BY HOYT SMITH PFEIFER
FRIEDL'S 1ST WIFE



ARITA

JEAN'S BOXER



CLIPPER



Babies of Sun Villa

SEASON'S GREETINGS

MARGARET AND WILBER MUNSON

KENNEL OWNERS

DENVER





WALTER P. PAEPCKE
111 West Washington St.
Chicago, Illinois

Aspen Skiing Corporation

December 17, 1946

ANNOUNCEMENT

On Saturday, December 14, 1946 I received the following wire from Friedl Pfeifer:

> "World's longest chair lift began regular operation this morning."

Scores of Aspen citizens (from the age of five to ninety) were given free rides last Saturday. No accidents---everything working fine.

The second section is to be put in operation tomorrow. There is now and has been a fair amount of snow right along for the last sixty days.

Arrangements for the official grand opening are going forward rapidly. Within the week you will receive a very interesting announcement in regard to this.

Walter P. Paepcke

84.20.226



DEV. JENNINGS, MIKE GENE STEVE KNOWLTON BARNEY MCLEAN IN MAGNIFICO SPORT SHOP



STEVE GORDY WREN JEAN



ROSS DAVIS DICK DURRANCE STEVE KNOWLTON GORDY WREN



DEV JENNINGS JERRY HYATT BARNEY MCLEAN FRIEDL & GEORGETTE THIOLIERE



12/7/46 BEFORE LIFT OFFICIALLY OPENED



LEN WOODS FRED BELLMAR MARGARET MCLEAN MRS. BELLMAR

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PUSSY PAEPCKE PAULA PAEPCKE



STEVE KNOWLTONS WIFE RENÉ MRS. DEV JENNINGS HOYT SMITH PFEIFER



PERCY RIDEOUT JPL



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JPL & JEAN

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JPL IN SLALOM
AT TIME OF SWISS NAT'L
TEAM VISIT — 1947



BIRGER
TORISSEN



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JPL WITH
MINNIE
DOLE
FOUNDER OF
10TH MTN DIV.



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MEG
BROWN

ANDY
RANSOM



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JPL
& PUPIL

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DITTY PERRY
DRC (BROWN'S
SISTER

BOB PETREY'S
WIFE



GENE
GILLIS

BOBBY
BLATT

TRAINING IN ASPEN
1947

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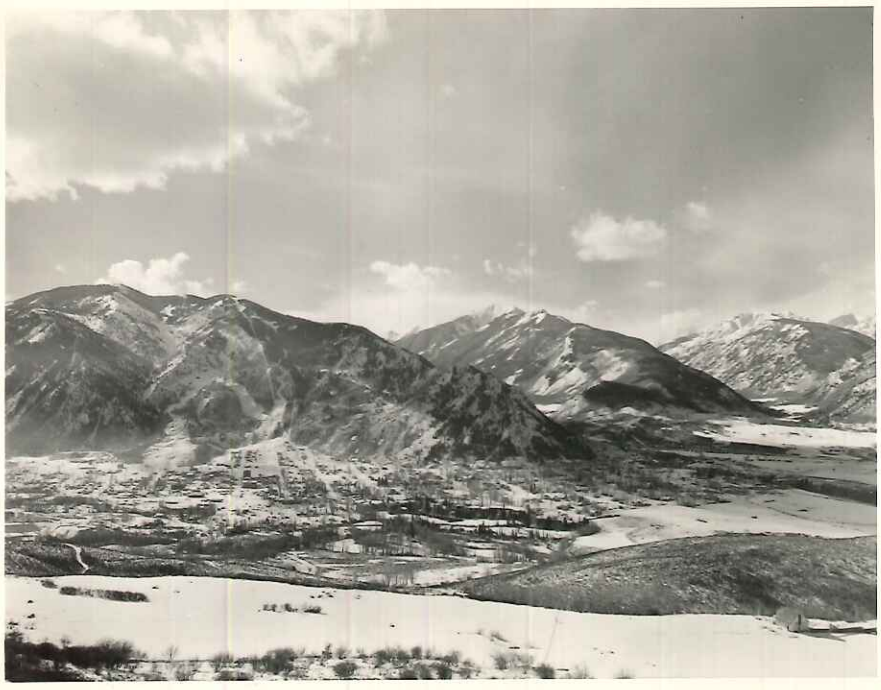

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RHONDA WURTELE

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of accession.



X mas '98

Season's Greetings.

I come shining
yet - not so good
but we wish you
the best. Stop
by some time

Gene & Ina
Gillis

The man-made snow is pretty good but the area is crowded at times and a lot of problems with people.

Was sorry to about Steve Knowlton although I ~~dont~~ didn't know where to contact his family or find out any more other than he died (Heart). I wouldn't have come down to Denver any way cause I don't drive much except where I know where I'm going & only in the Day. I should go to see you 'n Barney but I'd get ~~lost~~ lost in a wreck. Don't see out of one Eye. We are fine and hope you are too. All the best

Gene

04.20.242 LITCHFIELD COLLECTION ALBUM #1

Feb. 26: 2003

Dear John -

Please excuse the lateness of our Christmas letter - You may have heard that a couple of months ago we got the sad diagnosis that Jene had Alz-heimer's -

Since then we have started remodelling the house a little, to make it more user-friendly for Jene. He does not want to move, so as long as possible, we'll do the best we can right here.

So far it is manageable, and I am able to leave Lin for a few hours in the morning, and go over to the area and teach - I still really enjoy it!

We want you to know how much we appreciated your visits to Rose and Brian really enjoyed meeting you -

Our best wishes for 2003!

Gene + Ina

Gene & Ina Gillis
96 River Run Road
Dillon, CO 80435
(970) 468-2039

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STEVE KNOWLTON 10TH MTN DIV

BARNEY McLEAN

CHRIS BERG - NORWAY

JPL 10TH MTN DIV.

TRAINING IN ASPEN 1947



JEAN & JOHN LITCHFIELD ASPEN MT. 1947

Two Hotels for Aspen

Special to The Rocky Mountain News

ASPEN, Colo., Feb. 6.—Further steps to make this old silver mining town the outstanding winter sports center in America were disclosed here today.

Walter C. Paepcke, Chicago millionaire, who already has bought up large sections of property here, has just leased from Lawrence Elisha the famous old Jerome Hotel.

To Restore Hotel

This Victorian edifice, which has accommodated the most famous people of old Colorado mining days, will be restored to its 1890 elegance under the direction of the construction firm of Frazier and Raftery of Geneva, Ill.

Robert B. Hurst, construction superintendent of the firm, is now here working on the blueprints for this restoration and for that of the 15 old Victorian houses that Mr. Paepcke has purchased.

Col. Binns on Way

Meanwhile, Col. Joe Binns, of the Hilton chain of hotels, is on his way here to arrange for management of the hotel and restaurant under arrangement with Mr. Paepcke. The Hilton chain includes such hotels as the Palmer House and Stevens in Chicago and the Cosmopolitan in Denver.

In addition, plans are being completed for construction of a new $250,000 hotel, also under the Hilton chain direction, when materials are available.

As for the Jerome restoration, Mr. Hurst said today that he believes his firm will have the job done in time for November skiing reservation, providing he can get enough carpenters.

Carpenters Needed

He has a crying need, he said, for carpenters—preferably young men discharged from the service—and for a painter, decorating and wallpaper crew to complete this job that will excel, it is predicted, Sun Valley. His address is P. O. Box 277.

There is greater activity in this old town than has existed since the boom silver times of the 1890s.

In addition to restoration of the old houses, downtown buildings are on the blue print stage for remodeling into dormitories. Ski schools are being established, and plans are being made for construction of a 20,000-foot ski tow—the longest in the world.

19 Feb 46

Mr. Ted Law,
Room 107,
Philtower Bldg.,
Tulsa, Okla.

Dear Ted:

Undoubtedly the phone call the other evening caused quite some surprise in your mind, coming, as it did, right out of the blue. However, I had long ago planned to get in touch with you as soon as affairs had crystallized to their present extent. For, I believe I'm correct in assuming that you are interested in skiing and interested in a reasonable business proposition, although speculative, to the extent that you should know about a combination of both of these if for no other reason than enlightenment.

The town around which skiing is to be developed is Aspen. Facilities now existing and which will be developed to a greater extent by Walter Paepcke, President of the Container Corp of America, consist of the normal facilities offered by any small town of 600 population. I might add that Paepcke owns more than half of all the property. He has said that, with the present availability of labor and materials, there will be 400 rooms ready for occupancy by the next winter season. He himself is forming a corporation, $500,000 capitalization, set up on the Palmer House of Chicago idea of one half notes and one half stock with the earning power coming from the operation of hotels, bars, house and room rentals and the like. He has presently leased the only hotel in town, a 60 person job, for 50 years. To run this outfit for him, he has hired a Joe Binns, assistant vice-president of the Hilton Hotel chain and numerous other flunkies. Now, mind you, Ted, I'm not trying to impress you but rather attempting to provide you with information. The most important point of all this is that Paepcke has committed himself here but, of course, not to the extent of $500,000 as he has secured most of the property here for taxes. Another important point is that here is the basis for adequate accommodations for the number of people required to make a chair lift pay. He seems to be going all out for he has had for some time an architect and an engineer just working this town over to a fare thee well.

Now for the skiing end of it - the Aspen Skiing Corporation with a Colorado charter has been already formed. This company is separate from that of Paepcke. Capitalization is $100,000 and 50,000 common shares of 10 years at the marketable issue consists of one half stock and one half notes; that is, for $100, Joe Blow gets $50 worth of common stock and $50 worth

of the notes. The officers are dummy ones at present but at the first directors' meeting, the following will be installed: Friedl Pfeifer, President: myself, Percy Rideout, Walter Paepcke, D.R.C. Brown (a local character), Fred Smith (Friedl's father-in-law and president of a Salt Lake City bank), Harold Klock (a Denver business man), and one other character whose name escapes me as directors. Friedl will control 51% of the stock either through outright ownership or a voting trust. He will personally own initially 25% of the stock and will satisfy Percy Rideout and myself out of this on a 40, 30, 30% basis. The other 26% of the stock will be held by selected individulas, as far as the voting power is concerned. The reason for Friedl being the big shot is that he has done all the ground work - the securing of leases, the arranging for the engineer and for the materials. However, for all purposes, the three of us - Friedl, Percy and myself - are pretty much going to run things. Present subscribers are Joe Binns for $75,000, Walter Paepcke for $25,000, and a chap by the name of Collins from Chicago for $25,000. By the way, Collins is the other director. The two railroads, the CB and Q and the Dand RGW, are very much interested although they cannot take common stock and although they have pledged financial aid to a prospective development on Mt. Hayden which is, of course, close by.

For more details - the lift will be of the chair type - it will be similar to that one in Sun Valley but will embody the latest improvements developed from research and experience by the American Steel and Wire people. There will be 5 sections totaling 20,000 feet and providing a vertical descent of 3,800 feet with runs up to 3.5 miles long. There will initially be 75 chairs per section with the opportunity to double this number per section without installing heavier cable. Chairs will be provided with footrests and protection from the elements. The lift will start 5 minutes from the center of town and will transport people at the rate of 180 persons per hour per section from 8,000 feet elevation to the top of the mountain, 11,800 feet high. It will require roughly 10 minutes per section or a total of 40 minutes to reach the top - this for one person. The fifth section of lift is in tandem with the rest but runs down form the very top of the mountain to service a very beautiful area.

I am enclosing an estimate on lift operations which should prove interesting to you. The prices for the use of the lift do not jibe with one another and are not necessarily those that will be charged, but, nevertheless, they are relative.

Ski lifts make money, Ted. The lifts at Sun Valley grossed the last year that Friedl was there $82,000. The same

THEODORE N. LAW
OIL PRODUCER
101 PHILTOWER BUILDING
TULSA 3, OKLAHOMA

amount will be grossed here within three to five years and I feel it reasonable to expect more within five years. Skiing is taking a terrific upswing. Furthermore, the country around here is truely worthy of such development. The weather, the terrain, and the snow conditions are the best that I have seen anywhere in the States. While Aspen to me now means skiing, it has terrific possibilities as a summer resort with its pleasant climate, beautiful scenery and marvellous hunting and fishing. The town is on a spur line of the D and RGW, being only forty miles from the main line runni ng through Glenwood Springs. Roadsare good. United Air Lineshas had approved by the Civil Aeronautics Board an emergency airport only 5 miles out of town.

ell, Ted, I'm blown out. Please let me hear from you and if there is any other information that I can provide, I'll be very happy to oblige.

Jean and I still recall the pleasant eveing we spent some time ago in Denver with you both. It would be nice to see you again soon. Regards to you and the family from both of us.

There are several people, however, here in Tulsa who might be interested in your plans and I will go over the letter with them, and through that medium might be of some assistance to you. Don't forget Ronny Balcom, whom you knew at Sun Valley, as I think he might be interested in such a proposition.

Jane joins me in sending kind regards to you and your wife.

Yours very truly,

Ted Law

THEODORE N. LAW

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1017 PHILTOWER BUILDING
TULSA 3, OKLAHOMA

March 1, 1946

Mr. John Litchfield
c/o Friedl Pfeifer Ski School
Aspen, Colorado

Dear John:

Thanks for your letter of February 19th, giving me complete information on your plans at Aspen. It so happens that I have made several large investments since I last saw you that are keeping me pretty well tied down at the present time.

I am leaving for Central America in the next week or ten days to look into a proposition at that point which I have been working on for practically a year, and if I carry through on that deal I shall definitely be unable to go along with you fellows on your plans. Confidentially, the matter in Central America is very interesting and I am quite confident I shall take it on.

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COLORADO JUNIOR SKIING

Colorado is at long last taking her place in the skiing sun. At long last she is receiving the attention that she has so richly deserved. For with the development of such fine skiers and men as Barney McLean and Gordy Wren, people began to realize that Colorado had something to offer for skiing. This coming winter season will find new chair ~~xxxx~~ lifts at Aspen, Loveland Pass, and Berthoud Pass to take care of the tremendous increase of skiers from this state and from all over the country.

And the young men and women are being drawn to skiing to fulfill their hearts' desires for accomplishment, pleasure, and competition. These youngsters of today are finding skiing very much easier than did young Barney McLean and Gordy Wren. The giant strides in the advance of equipment, techniques, and facilities have all made their mark on the young people of today. Then too, now that the joys of skiing are known to so many, we may expect that more and better Durrances and McLeans will be soon appearing on the winter scene.

This past season evmidenced an increased interest in junior skiing here in Colorado. I am speaking now of not only a larger number of junior competitors but also of more junior competitions. Besides the special junior meets, most of the sanctioned competitions permitted juniors to enter to compete among themselves. These latter meets were very valuable to the young skiers. To the incentive of competing with

for the juniors to ski over all or part of the course used by the more experienced. Such things have inestimable value in creating the proper attitude so necessary for young skiers to possess.

Many high schools formed ski clubs for the first time last winter. For instance, Aspen formed its first club and arranged for competition with Steamboat Springs which has had its high school club for some time. There, skiing is part of the school curriculum. The results are terrific. That city now has some of the finest young skiers that one can see in this country. Arrangements were made with the school board in Aspen to have members of the team excused from school periodically so that they might be trained by the staff of the Friedl Pfeifer Ski School. In the fall, before the snow came to Aspen, all the youngsters were called upon to help cut brush on the ski runs and to help ready the ski jump for the season. Such jobs have their place in the development of young skiers as it gives them a sense of responsibility and a place in the general scheme of affairs of their club. Furthermore, in these days of lifts and like facilities, such work stiffens their backbones to the extent that they are brought up to realize that there are other matters in skiing besides riding up and skiing downhill.

The time has now come for us to pattern the handling of the juniors after that method used successfully by the U.S. Eastern Amateur Ski Association. I am specifically referring to the interscholastic championships held annually. Already there has been some talk among several western slope high school principals concerning the formation of clubs and

...s been shown. Now, something must be done about it. For, while it is possible to develop excellent skiers without facilities, organizations, and coaching, in all fairness to these juniors we should go to the limit to provide them with such of these advantages as lie within our means.

We must look to the Groswolds of Denver, the Wegemans and the Crawfords of Steamboat Springs, the McLeans of Hot Sulfur Springs, the Gorsuchs of Leadville, and the Oblocks, the Becks, the Marolts, and the Maddalones of Aspen to carry the honors to even greater heights than did their illustrious seniors, Barney McLean and Gordon Wren. We owe to these kids, to the sport and to ourselves to promote junior skiing with our heart and soul,

J. Litchfield

ASPEN SKIING NOTES

The Aspen Ski Club has met several times this season in preparation for the tremendous skiing developments that are to take place in Aspen this winter. These club members have long known of the great skiing possibilities that existed around this lovely old mining town and created a fine trail and serviceable lift some years ago to carry over until further developments could be made. The fine trail, is, of course, the Roch Run on which the National Cahmpionships were held in 1940. And the serviceable lift is the boat type tow similar to the one operating in Yosemite. The trail has been cleared of all brush and the tow is being modernized so as to operate safely.

But the big news is the opening of the Friedl Pfeifer Ski School with Friedl, hale and hearty as ever after his severe wound suffered in Italy, as Director and Percy Rideout and John Litchfield, just out of the 10th Mt. Division, as associates. Percy and John both taught for Friedl at Sun Valley and so are well versed in the Arlberg technique. Needless to say, ski instruction will be of the highest caliber. These three are at present in Aspen renovating their homes and working on trails and ski areas. They work in feverish haste as the snow has already come to this little mountain town - a good omen in itself. The Roch Run is being widened as far up as the top of the Corkscrew and a new run is being cut from the top of theCorkscrew so as to permit the average skier a suitable way down from that point. More trails will be cleared this season, time permitting.

For those who desire to climb a bit for longer runs, there are the wonderful open slopes and bowls of Aspen Mountain and Richmond Hill, both readily accessible from the top of the Corkscrew. The adjacent and surrounding country from both these peaks offer some of the best touring that is available in this country and comparable to anything Europe has to offer.

Beginners will be taught on the lower reaches of the Roch Run and excellent slopes already exist there for such use. It is expected, if past snow seasons can be used as criterion, that the Ski School will commence operation on the 20th of December.

Housing facilities have been greatly increased for this coming winter season with the renovation of some of the homes to provide many rooms for skiers desiring to stay any length of time. The Jerome Hotel still contines to be be the largest single establishment catering to skiers and Laurence Elisha can handle any number of "crud" drinkers in his bar.

Led by a number of ambitious youngsters, The Aspen High School Ski Team has been formed and judging from the interest and talent already shown should be one of the best in the state of Colorado. Plans are being made now for competition with the high school at Steamboat Springs which has long been a leader in the development of young skiers. The Aspen Ski Club and the Friedl Pfeifer Ski School have pledged their time and facilities for the holding of intramural skiing competitions and to determine local champions and to secure the best possible team representation. Further, all youngsters are to receive instruction from the Ski School in order to develop and

Aspen Ski Club

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Aspen, Colorado

encourage skiing and skiers. Even now, one can look out the window and see these boys and girls out on the hillside assisting in the cutting of the runs and clearing of the brush.

In keeping with the already famous name of the Roch Run and with Andre Roch, who surveyed the sourse, the Aspen Ski Club voted to annually hold the Andre Roch Downhill and Slalom Trophy Race on this course. The date for the first race is to be the third weekend in March, 1946. It is strongly felt by all concerned that, with the development of skiing and touring around Aspen and vicinity and with the marvellous terrain available for such prosecution, this annual race will become the finest in the Americas from the standpoint of the further development of the love and art of skiing by all.

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Very truly yours,

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2. Barbara Kidder, Denver University 2:29.5
3. Sally Neidlinger, D. O. C. 2:30.3
4. Rebecca Fraser, Middlebury College Club 2:32.9
5. Rhona Wurtele, Penquin Ski Club 2:34.5
6. Ruth Marie Stewart, D. O. C. 2:38.2
7. Susan Neidlinger, D. O. C. 2:46.4
8. Jinny Rogers, Unattached (tie) 2:54.7
9. Rhoda Wurtele, Penquin Ski Club (tie) 2:54.7
10. Polly Hodder, Middlebury College Mt. Club. 3:01.3
11. Jane Gile, D. O. C. 3:03.5
12. Pauline Hannah, Franconia Ski Club 3:08.5
13. Mary McLane, Franconia Ski Club 3:09.3
14. Andrea Mead, Pico Peak Ski Club 3:10.3
15. Helen MacLeod, Mansfield Ski Club 3:11.2
16. Ann Dodge, Eastern Slope Ski Club 3:14.7
17. Barbara Dent, D. O. C. 3:22.1
18. Barbara Johnson, Unattached 3:36.1
19. Ruth Dickson, Unattached 4:08.3

WOMEN'S NATIONAL SLALOM CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Rhona Wurtele, Penquin Ski Club 1:53.2
2. Barbara Kidder, Denver University 2:02.1
3. Paula Kann, Eastern Slopes 2:05.2
4. Rhoda Wurtele, Penguin Ski Club 2:07.5
5. Rebecca Fraser, Middlebury College Mt. Club.. 2:09.8
6. Andrea Mead, Pico Peak 2:13.0
7. Sally Neidlinger, D. O. C. 2:17.3
8. Susan Neidlinger, D. O. C. 2:19.4
9. Jinny Rogers, Unattached 2:23.6
10. Polly Hodder, Middlebury College Mt. Club.. 2:25.7
11. Pauline Hannah, Franconia Ski Club..... 2:33.8
12. Ann Dodge, Eastern Slopes 2:34.1
13. Barbara Dent, D. O. C. 2:34.9
14. Ruth Marie Stewart, D. O. C. 2:35.1
15. Ruth Dickson, Unattached 2:47.2
16. Mary McLane, Franconia Ski Club 2:50.0
17. Helen MacLeod, Mt. Mansfield Ski Club 2:51.5
18. Jane Gile, D. O. C. 3:04.4

WOMEN'S NATIONAL COMBINED CHAMPIONSHIP

Downhill and Slalom

1. Rhona Wurtele, Penguin Ski Club 245
2. Barbara Kidder, Denver University 247
3. Paula Kann, Eastern Slopes 249
4. Rebecca Fraser, Middlebury College Mt. Club... 257
5. Sally Neidlinger, D. O. C. 260
6. Rhoda Wurtele, Penguin Ski Club 277
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14. Mary McLane, Franconia Ski Club 325
15. Barbara Dent, D. O. C. 326
16. Helen MacLeod, Mt. Mansfield Ski Club 328
17. Jane Gile, D. O. C. 331
18. Ruth Dickson, Unattached 382

DEVLIN WINS NATIONAL AMATEUR CROWN, ALF ENGEN TAKES MEET

The National Ski Jumping Championships at Steamboat Springs on February 16 and 17, 1946, brought a representative field of ski jumpers to one of the finest National Tournaments ever held. The weather and snow conditions were ideal and the ski hill was in almost perfect shape.

Competition was very keen. Alf Engen, winner of the open class, made the longest jump of the tournament of 259 feet. A tie resulted in the selection of the most graceful skier when both Walter Bietila and Arthur Devlin received a total of 112 style points. Arthur Devlin won the National Amateur championship and also won the Paul Bietila Trophy besides being a very close runner-up in the Open Class.

In Class B, Waldemar Fahlstrom of the Sno Birds of Lake Placid Club, easily won the meet. Ralph Bietila, a chief contender, fell on his first jump of 249 feet, thereby eliminating his chances for the title.

In Saturday's National Veteran's Class Ernest Jacobson of Chicago won by a two point margin over Einer Fredboe of Salt Lake City. Only one foot in distance separated these two senior leaders.

Midwest skiers took the first four places in Class C on Saturday with Werner Schorr of Madison, Wisconsin, finishing as the new National Boys Champion. Schorr had both a form and distance margin over his nearest rivals.

Judges for both days events were: Roger Langley, Barre, Mass.; Lt. Edmund Couch, Jr., LaCrosse, Wisconsin and John Wright of Steamboat Springs, Colo.

RESULTS NATIONAL SKI JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS, STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO, FEBRUARY 16-17, 1946

CLASS "A" OPEN

		Total Points	Distance (ft.) 1st	Jumped (ft.) 2nd
1	*Alf Engen, Sun Valley Ski Club, Sun Valley, Idaho	229.55	257	259
2	Arthur Devlin, Sno Birds, Lake Placid, N. Y.	229.45	250	255
3	*Merrill Barber, Brattleboro Ski Club, Brattleboro, Vt.	228.2	249	252
4	Walter Bietila, Ishpeming Ski Club, Ishpeming, Mich.	227.35	247	248
5	Eugene Wilson, Norge Ski Club, Chicago, Ill.	227.0	250	253
6	Crosby Perry-Smith, Steamboat Winter Sports Club.	221.25	237	248
7	Barney McLean, U. S. Army Air Forces	218.2	239	248
8	*Gordon Wren, Winter Park S. C., Winter Park, Colo.	217.05	237	242
9	James Lawson, Ishpeming Ski Club, Ishpeming, Mich.	212.6	232	237
10	Harold Sorenson, Stowe Ski Club, Stowe, Vt.	212.5	221	235
11	Howard Janson, Norge Ski Club, Chicago, Ill.	209.9	212	221
12	*John Litchfield, Aspen Ski Club, Aspen, Colo.	205.6	221	218
13	Ernest Dion, Lebanon Outing Club, Lebanon, N. H.	203.5	213	223
14	Omar LaCasse, Lebanon Outing Club, Lebanon, N. H.	202.85	221	214
15	*Roy Zoberski, Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club.	202.3	210	220
16	*Hjalmar Hvam, Cascade Ski Club, Portland, Ore.	196.15	203	212
17	Ray Laramie, Kiwanis Ski Club, Iron Mountain, Mich.	157.7	236	251 (F)
18	Raymond Nelson, Beloit Ski Club, Beloit, Wisc.	157.2	241 (F)	238
19	Roy Bietila, Ishpeming Ski Club, Ishpeming, Mich.	152.8	239 (F)	236
20	*Olav Ulland, Seattle Ski Club, Seattle, Wash.	147.35	236	237 (F)

*—Denotes Open Class

CLASS "A" AMATEUR

1	Arthur Devlin, Sno Birds, Lake Placid, N. Y.	229.45	250	255
2	Walter Bietila; Ishpeming Ski Club, Ishpeming, Mich.	227.35	247	248
3	Eugene Wilson, Norge Ski Club, Chicago, Ill.	227.0	250	253

1946 MEN'S NATIONAL DOWNHILL CHAMPIONSHIP

(89 *Competitors*)

1. Steve Knowlton, Aspen Ski Club 2:06.9
2. Barney McLean, Zipfelberger Ski Club 2:07.4
3. Harvey Clifford, Ottawa Night Riders 2:10.1
4. Don Goodman, Sun Valley 2:12.0
5. Walter Prager, D. O. C. 2:12.2
6. Toni Matt, E. S. S. C. 2:13.3
7. Phillip Puchner, D. O. C. 2:15.2
8. Jerry Hiatt, Zipfelberger Ski Club 2:15.5
9. Abbott Phillips, Aspen Ski Club 2:17.7
10. William Beck, R. I. Ski Runners (tie) 2:17.8
11. Sig Buchmayr, Franconia (tie) 2:17.8
12. Wm. Distin, Mansfield Ski Club 2:18.5
13. Dick Movitz, Utah Ski Club 2:18.8
14. Ralph Townsend, Lebanon Outing Club 2:19.0
15. Bruce Fleming, Ski Club of Great Britain 2:19.2
16. Bob Meservey, D. O. C. 2:19.9
17. Henry Simoneau, Mansfield Ski Club 2:20.2
18. Lowell Thomas, Jr., D. O. C. 2:22.0
19. Alexander Bright, Ski Club Hochgebirge (tie) 2:23.0
20. Jack Snobble, D. O. C. (tie) 2:23.0
21. Maurice Willey, E. S. C. 2:23.1
22. Robert Livermore, Ski Club Hochgebirge 2:23.8
23. Oliver Cole, Jr., U. N. H. 2:23.9
24. Norman Richardson, Mansfield Ski Club 2:24.0
25. Roger Peabody, Franconia Ski Club 2:25.4
26. Kristofer Berg, Harvard 2:25.5
27. William Moddy, E. S. S. C. 2:26.3
28. Dev Jennings, Aspen Ski Club 2:26.9
29. Sid Russell, Pleasant Mt. Ski Club 2:28.6
30. Harold Hillman, D. O. C. N. Y. 2:29.1
31. Malcolm McLane, D. O. C. 2:30.4
32. John Clifford, Ottawa Ski Club 2:30.5
33. Peter Brucato, Sun Valley Ski Club 2:30.6
34. John Wilson, U. N. H. 2:30.9
35. Kenneth Moore, Telemark Ski Club 2:31.6
36. Bertram Herbert, Franconia 2:31.7
37. Edgar Bering, Ski Club Hochgebirge 2:33.1
38. Alfred Lindley, Sun Valley 2:33.2
39. Herbert Schneider, E. S. S. C. 2:33.4
40. Bob Hambrock, N. Y. Ski Club (tie) 2:33.6
41. Phillip Ball, A. M. C. (tie) 2:33.6
42. Felix Bertagno, Thorner Ski Club (tie) 2:33.6
43. J. Brooks Dodge, E. S. C. 2:33.7
44. Hans Estin, Harvard 2:34.1
45. Bernard Peters, E. S. S. C. 2:34.7
46. Hans Thorner, Thorner Ski Club 2:35.1
47. James Bailey, D. O. C. 2:35.3
48. George Hogle, A. S. C. N. Y. 2:35.4
49. Fred Springer-Miller, D. O. C 2:35.8
50. Hubert Kernan, Ski Club Hochgebirge 2:36.4

MEN'S NATIONAL SLALOM CHAMPIONSHIP

(84 *Competitors*)

1. Dick Movitz, Utah Ski Club 1:40.4
2. Barney McLean, Ski Club Zipfelberger 1:43.5
3. Toni Matt, U. S. Army 1:44.1
4. Steve Knowlton, Aspen Ski Club 1:45.2
5. Kristofer Berg, Harvard Ski Club 1:45.7
6. Dev Jennings, Aspen Ski Club 1:46.5
7. Walter Prager, D. O. C. 1:46.9
8. Harvey Clifford, Ottawa Night Riders 1:47.9
9. Phillip Puchner, D. O. C. 1:50.6
10. Abbott Phillips, Aspen Ski Club 1:51.3
11. Fred Graves, Ottawa Ski Club 1:52.5
12. William Distin, Mt. Mansfield 1:53.1
13. Bernard Herbert, Franconia 1:53.3
14. J. Brooks Dodge, Eastern Slope Ski Club 1:54.2
15. Maurice Willey, Eastern Slope Ski Club 1:54.4
16. Norman Richardson, Mt. Mansfield 1:54.8
17. Malcolm McLane, D. O. C. 1:55.5
18. Wm. Moody, E. S. S. C. 1:55.7
19. Robert Livermore, Hochgebirge 1:56.6
20. Jerry Hiatt, Ski Club Zipfelberger 1:57.6
21. Franklin King, Hochgebirge 1:59.5
22. James Bailey, D. O. C. 2:00.6
23. Ray Ellis, Salem Ski Busters 2:01.6
24. Peter Brucato, Unattached 2:02.4
25. Andrew Hastings, U. N. H. 2:03.3
26. Alexander Bright, Hochgebirge 2:04.2
27. Herbert Schneider, E. S. S. C. 2:04.6
28. Sid Russell, Pleasant Mt. 2:05.1
29. Harold Hillman, D. O. C., N. Y. 2:06.9
30. Oliver Cole, Jr., U. N. H. 2:07.5
31. Jack Snobble, D. O. C. 2:07.6
32. Edgar Bering, Hochgebirge 2:08.0
33. Phillip Ball, A. M. C. 2:08.1
34. Hans Thorner, Thorner Ski Club 2:08.5
35. Ralph Townsend, Lebanon Outing Club 2:09.3
36. Bruce Fleming, S. C. of Great Britain 2:09.7
37. Wm. Beck, Rhode Island S. R. 2:11.4
38. Norwood Ball, Franconia 2:11.6
39. Roger Peabody, Franconia 2:11.8
40. Allan Butler, Harvard 2:13.0

MEN'S NATIONAL COMBINED CHAMPIONSHIP

Downhill and Slalom

(77 *Competitors*)

1. Barney McLean, Ski Club Zipfelberger 210
2. Steve Knowlton, Aspen Ski Club 211
3. Harvey Clifford, Ottawa Night Riders 216
4. Toni Matt, U. S. Army 217
5. Walter Prager, D.O.C. 218
6. Dick Movitz, Utah Ski Club 219
7. Phillip Puchner, D. O. C. 224
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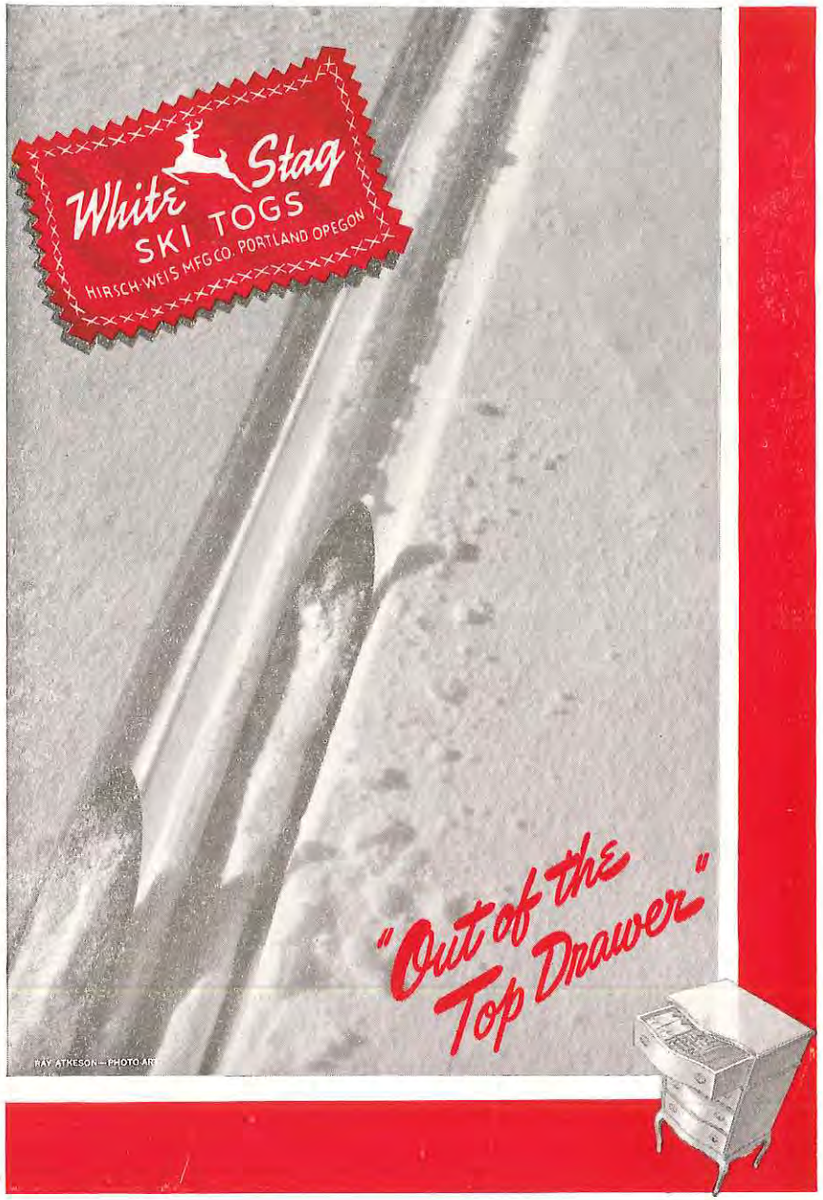

In Memoriam

THIS National Ski Jumping Championship is dedicated to the memory of Torger Tokle—a great skier and a great American.

It is fitting that the first championship meet after the war be a memorial to Torger Tokle, and that it be at Steamboat Springs, one of his favorite jumping courses and where he holds the hill record.

Torger Tokle was one of the best loved of that group of gay, gallant young men who smashed the German front in Italy and wrote for themselves a bright page in our nation's fighting history.

When the country called for men with knowledge of skiing Torger Tokle was one of the first to answer the plea of his adopted land. He had only arrived from Norway in 1939. Cut off from his native land and family by war, the blue-eyed, yellow headed Tokle took out his citizenship papers and enlisted in the 10th Mountain Division, proudly lugging his own skis.

Much of his training was at Camp Hale and he made frequent trips to Steamboat Springs because he loved its jumping course. He made many friends while here and suggested the hill changes that may result in his present national record of 289 feet, made at Iron Mountain, Mich., being broken.

With the Mountain Troops he engaged in some of the fiercest fighting of the Italian campaign. Tokle and his companions zoomed from one peak to another beating down German resistance. Ten peaks were captured, all in an advance of six miles. But early one March morning of 1944 his luck ran out. When the withering fire from a machine gun held up the platoon he headed, Tokle grabbed a bazooka and crawled forward across an area heavily shelled by enemy artillery.

Gaining a high point he opened up with the bazooka and put the machine gun out of action, but just as he turned to wave his comrades on, he was struck by a German shell.

His memory lingers on and he will never be forgotten in the ski world. So this championship tournament honors his memory—a great skier and a great American.

STREET EVENTS PROGRAM

Sunday Morning, February 17

9:00—Boys' Ski Race, 9 to 12

9.10—Girls' Ski Race, 11 to 14

9:30—Children's Ski Race, under 6 yrs.

9:45—Skijoring Slalom. Bryan Cruse, Ray Spengle

10:00—Ladies' Skijoring.....Oleta Jacobs, Helen Wheeler

10:15—Stake Race.....Bryan Cruse, Ben Savage

10:30—Men's Snowshoe Race.....
.....Lawrence Campbell, Glen Hulburd

10:45—Ring and Spear.....H. D. Alexander

11:00—Men's Skijoring Relay.....H. J. Dorr

11:15—Men's Skijoring Hurdles.....Ralph Werner

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The annual Cowboys Roundup will be held at Steamboat Springs Springs on July 3 and 4 this year. It will be a victory celebration held under the auspices of the American Legion. The Cowboys Roundup is one of the truly great rodeos of range land and brings together the crack riders and ropers, the meanest bucking broncs, the most wily steers and the fast running horses to be found in a wide area. It is a great celebration and well worth attending.

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EVERYBODY SKIS IN STEAMBOAT

The progressive recreation program in Steamboat Springs places skiing where it should be—in the front ranks for its residents. Not only does a civic minded leadership provide free instruction for grade and high school students, but this year an adult "learn to ski" plan is the innovation.

Steamboat residents get the free instruction along with their membership in the Winter Sports Club. Those from outside Steamboat may obtain instruction at the usual low rates.

Lessons for Steamboat residents are given in the evening under the flood lights, which give a daytime brightness to the entire slalom hill (625 feet high, 2,000 feet long, and one entire trail three-fourths of a mile long).

Adult beginners meet Monday from 8 until 9 p. m. with the instructor. Tuesday evenings he takes care of the intermediate skiers at the same hour. Wednesday evening is for advanced. Thursday is community night when the entire group, representing diversified abilities, may ask for advice.

A "Dry Land" course also is offered to adults at a nominal charge. It gives an opportunity to master the fundamentals of skiing. No short cuts are offered, for it is brought to the attention of adults that no one ever learned a trade, a sport or a music quickly, and at the same time thoroly. The entire program for adults, as well as for children, is planned not to develop the highly competitive type of skier, but rather to lay emphasis upon the recreational and health giving values for the average person.

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PROFESSIONAL CLASS

1916—At Glenwood, Minn.---Henry Hall
1917—At St. Paul, Minn.---Ragnar Omtvedt
1918—At Chicago, Ill.---Lars Haugen
1919—No National Tournament
1920—At Chippewa Falls, Wis.---Anders Haugen
1921—At Denver, Colo.---Carl Howelsen
1922—At Chicago, Ill.---Lars Haugen

Professional Class discontinued after 1922

AMATEUR CLASS

1916—At Glenwood, Minn.---Andrew Olson
1917—At St. Paul, Minn.---Ludwig Hoiby
1918—At Chicago, Ill.---Sverre Henricksen
1919—No National Tournament
1920—At Chippewa Falls, Wis.---Sverre Henricksen
1921—At Denver, Colo.---Einar Jensen
1922—At Chicago, Ill.---Ragnar Omtvedt
1923—At Minneapolis, Minn.---Anders Haugen
1924—At Brattleboro, Vt.---Lars Haugen
1925—At Canton, S. D.---Alfred Orhn
1926—At Duluth, Minn.---Anders Haugen
1927—At Denver, Colo.---Lars Haugen
1928—At Red Wing, Minn.---Lars Haugen
1929—At Brattleboro, Vt.---Strand Mikkelson
1930—At Canton, S. D.---Casper Oimon
1931—At Chicago, Ill.---Casper Oimon
1932—At Tahoe, Calif.---Anton Lekang
1933—At Salisbury, Conn.---Roy Mikkelsen
1934—At Cary, Ill.---Casper Oimon
1935—At Canton, S. D.---Roy Mikklesen
1936—At Red Wing, Minn.---George Kotlarek
1937—At Salt Lake City, Utah---Sigmund Ruud
1938—At Brattleboro, Vt.---Sig Ulland
1939—At St. Paul, Minn.---Reidar Andersen
1940—At Berlin, N. H.---Alf Engen
1941—At Snoqualmie, Wash.---Torger Tokle
1942—At Duluth, Minn.---Ola, R.N.A.F.
1943-44-45—No National Tournament Because of the War
1946—Steamboat Springs, Colo.---

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Steamboat Springs has a public spirited citizenry that has worked together, not with thought of private gain, but rather because of an enthusiasm for the wholesome outdoor recreation that can be enjoyed by every man, woman and child.

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ORDER OF JUMPING	1st Jump	2nd Jump
13. BARNEY McLEAN, U. S. Army Air Forces		
16. HOWARD JANSON, Norge Ski Club, Chicago, Ill.		
12. JAMES LAWSON, Ishpeming Ski Club, Ishpeming, Mich.		
9. RAYMOND NELSON, Beloit Ski Club, Beloit, Wis.		
8. OMAR LaCASSE, Lebanon Outing Club, Lebanon, N. H.		
20. *JOHN LITCHFIELD, Aspen Ski Club, Aspen, Colo.		
15. EUGENE WILSON, Norge Ski Club, Chicago, Ill.		
10. WALTER BIETILA, Ishpeming Ski Club, Ishpeming, Mich.		
22. *ALF ENGEN, Sun Valley Ski Club, Sun Valley,, Idaho		
14. ARTHUR DEVLIN, Sno Birds, Lake Placid, N. Y.		
21. *GORDON WREN, Winter Park Ski Club, Winter Park, Colo.		
1. CROSBY PERRY-SMITH, Steamboat Winter Sports Club		
5. BILL ANDERSON, Duluth Ski Club, Duluth, Minn.		
4. RAY LARAMIE,Kiwanis Ski Club, Iron Mountain, Mich.		
7. ERNEST DION, Lebanon Outing Club, Lebanon, N. H.		
23. *MERRILL BARBER, Brattleboro Ski Club, Bratleboro, Vt.		
6. OLAV ULLAND, Seattle Ski Club, Seattle, Wash.		
11. ROY BIETILA, Ishpeming Ski Club, Ishpeming, Mich.		
17. *ROY ZOBERSKI, Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club		
*24. HJALMAR HVAM, Cascade Ski Club, Portland, Ore.		
18. ALFRED ELLIS, Detroit Athletic Club, Newberry, Mich.		
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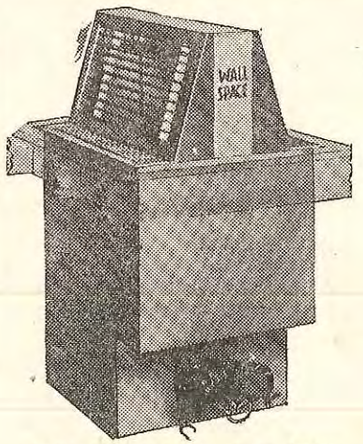
CLASS B

ORDER OF JUMPING	1st Jump	2nd Jump
75. DON WILLIAMS, Utah Ski Club, Salt Lake City, Utah		
38. BOB GRADE, Tri-Norse Ski Club, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.		
43. JACK PAQUETTE, Kiwanis Ski Club, Iron Mountain, Mich.		
60. WALTER NELSON, Beloit Ski Club, Beloit, Wis.		
74. KENT WICKSTROM, Utah Basin Ski Club,Ogden, Utah		
63. RALPH BIETILA, Ishpeming Ski Club, Ishpeming, Mich.		
51. WILMER HAMPTON, Wenatchee Ski Cl., Wenatchee, Wash.		
42. RALPH THORSEN, Kiwanis Ski Club, Iron Mountain, Mich.		
73. WILLARD WINWARD, Utah Snow Basin Ski Club, Ogden		
58. ROGER MORSE, Lebanon Outing Club, Lebanon, N. H.		
44. GEORGE MIRON, Kiwanis Ski Club, Iron Mountain, Mich.		
78. CHARLES SEDIVIC, Norge Ski Club, Chicago, Ill.		
40. RUSSELL GESSLER, Wisconsin Hoofers, Madison, Wis.		
68. JIMMIE DURKIN, U.S. Army, A.S.F. Depot, Ogden, Utah		
56. CHARLES WENGER, Seattle Ski Club, Seattle, Wash.		
77. CHARLES TURNER, Steamboat Spgs. Winter Sports Club		
79. ROBERT NAROWETZ, Norge Ski Club, Chicago, Ill.		
53. WESLEY NEUSTEL. Duluth Ski Club, Duluth, Minn.		
67. JOE PERRAULT, Ishpeming Ski Club, Ishpeming, Mich.		
46. STEVEN P. KNOWLTON, Aspen Ski Club, Aspen,Colo.		



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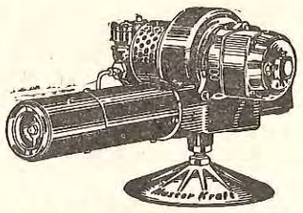

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ORDER OF JUMPING	1st Jump	2nd Jump
41. ROBERT MITTELSHADT, Wisconsin Hoofers, Madison,Wis.		
36. FRITZ BENDER, Tri-Norse Ski Club, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.		
80. DONALD ERICKSON, Colerain, Wis. (Unattached)		
57. ARTHUR FOLENSBEE, Lebanon Outing Club, Lebanon, N. H.		
45. GALE EYMER,Kiwanis Ski Club, Iron Mountain, Mich.		
65. BYRON JOHNSON, King Vale, Calif. (Unattached)		
37. CHUCK GOODNESS, Tri-Norse Ski Cl., Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.		
52. ART GRANLEY, Duluth Ski Club, Duluth, Minn.		
50. LAVERNE HUGHES, Cascade Ski Club, Portland, Ore.		
59. ELLIS F. ETHERIDGE, Broomfield, Colo. (Unattached)		
69. DON A. GOODMAN, Sun Valley, Ketcham, Idaho		
67. RONNIE ANDERSON, SteamboatSpgs. Winter Sports Club		
39. ARTHUR DAGGETT, Wisconsin Hoofers, Madison, Wis.		
48. ABBOTT PHILLIPS, Aspen Ski Club, Aspen, Colo.		
61. KARL STINGL, Penguin Ski Club, Seattle, Wash.		
64. DICK MOVITZ, Utah Ski Club, Salt Lake City, Utah		
76. WAHLDEMAR FAHLSTRON, Sno Birds, Lake Placid, N. Y.		
66. MAURICE BIRKETT, Steamboat Spgs. Winter Sports Club		
55. KENNETH CHRISTENSON, Seattle Ski Club, Seattle, Wash.		
72. JACK BUNDY, Utah Sno Basin Ski Club, Ogden, Utah		

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ORDER OF JUMPING	1st Jump	2nd Jump
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35. ELOF WOLD, Tacoma Ski Club, Tacoma, Wash.		
71. EMMETT PARKER, Utah Sno Basin Ski Club, Ogden, Utah		
54. DON JOHNSON,Duluth Ski Club, Duluth, Minn.		
47. H. DEVEREAUX JENNINGS, Aspen Ski Club, Aspen, Colo.		
70. JOHN PAULY, Minneapolis Ski Club, Minneapolis, Minn.		
2. ALF HAUGEN, Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club		
3. EINAR HAUGEN, Steamboat Spgs. Winter Sports Club		
80.		
81.		
82.		

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CLASS C

ORDER OF JUMPING	1st Jump	2nd Jump
103. CLYDE MILLER, Utah Ski Club, Salt Lake City, Utah		
97. HARRY MIRON, Kiwanis Ski Club, Iron Mountain, Mich.		
98. ELWOOD RAMFJORD, Duluth Ski Club, Duluth, Minn.		
99. JOE NOWAK, Duluth Ski Club, Duluth, Minn.		
94. DAVID FREEMAN, Kiwanis Ski Club, Iron Mountain, Mich.		
105. KEITH WEGEMAN, Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club		
106. GENE MILLER, Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club		
91. WERNER SCHORR, Wisconsin Hoofers, Madison, Wis.		
102. BOB ELLIS, Ishpeming Ski Club, Ishpeming, Mich.		
100. DONALD JACOBS, Beloit Ski Club, Beloit, Wis.		
93. ALLEN HAMARIE, Kiwanis Ski Club, Iron Mountain, Mich.		
96. RONNIE BERGSTROM, Kiwanis Ski Cl., Iron Mountain, Mich		
95. LEO CLASH, Kiwanis Ski Club, Iron Mountain, Mich.		
104. MARVIN CRAWFORD, Steamboat Spgs. Winter Sports Club		
92. GEORGE PERA, Kiwanis Ski Club, Iron Mountain, Mich.		
109. BERT McLAREN, Hot Sulphur Springs, Colo., Ski Club		
110. LAVERN MARSHALL, Hot Sulphur Springs, Colo., Ski Club		
111. DALE THOMPSON, Hot Sulphur Springs, Colo., Ski Club		
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ORDER OF JUMPING	1st Jump	2nd Jump
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28. **JOE MAGUIRE, Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club**		
27. **EINAR FREDBO, Utah Ski Club, Salt Lake City, Utah**		
30. **ERNEST JACOBSON, Norge Ski Club, Chicago, Ill.**		
26. **INGVAR ARENSON, Tri-Norse Ski Cl., Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.**		
31. **HAROLD SORENSON, Stowe Ski Club, Stowe, Vt.**		
32. **OLAF HATEEN, Beloit Ski Club, Beloit, Wis.**		
33.		
34.		

Carl Howelsen



Carl Howelsen is the father of skiing in Steamboat Springs. He was the guiding spirit that introduced the great ski sport here and promoted the first jumping contest and winter sports carnival 34 years ago. Carl Howelsen was a champion in his native Norway before coming to the United States. He was a national champion after his arrival in this country. But more than championship honors, his desire was to see the spread of skiing among the young boys and girls that more might enjoy its thrills. He jumped at Steamboat Springs for many years before going back to Norway to spend his remaining years. Steamboat Springs has honored Carl Howelsen in a fitting way by naming its famous juming course for him.

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8. Omar LaCasse, Lebanon, N. H.
9. Raymond Nelson, Beloit, Wis.
10. Walter Bietila Ishpeming, Mich.
11. Roy Bietila, Ishpeming, Mich.
12. James Lawson, Ishpeming, Mich.
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14. Arthur Devlin, Lake Placid, N. Y.
15. Eugene Wilson, Chicago, Ill.
16. Howard Janson, Chicago, Ill.
17. Roy Zoberski, Steamboat Spgs.
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21. Gordon Wren, Winter Park, Colo.
22. Alf Engen, Sun Valley, Idaho
23. Merrill Barber, Brattleboro, Vt.
24. Hjalmar Hvam, Portland, Ore.
26. Ingvar Arneson, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
27. Einar Fredbo, Salt Lake City
28. Joe Maguire, Steamboat Spgs.
29. Ole Tverdal, Seattle, Wash.
30. Ernest Jacobson, Chicago, Ill.
31. Harold Sorenson, Stowe, Vt.
32. Olaf Hateen, Beloit, Wis.
35. Elof Wold, Tacoma, Wash.
36. Fritz Bender, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
37. Chuck Goodness, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
38. Bob Grade, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
39. Arthur Dagget, Madison, Wis.
40. Russell Gessler, Madison, Wis.
41. Robert Mittleshadt, Madison, Wis.
42. Ralph Thorsen, Iron Mountain, Mich.
43. Jack Paquette, Iron Mountain, Mich.
44. George Miron, Iron Mountain, Mich.
45. Gale Eymer, Iron Mountain, Mich.
46. Steven P. Knowlton, Aspen, Colo.
47. H. Devereaux Jennings, Aspen, Colo.
48. Abbott Phillips, Aspen, Colo.
49. Ivan Hall, Salt Lake City
50. LaVerne Hughes, Portland, Ore.
51. Wilmer Hampton, Wenatchee, Wash.
52. Art Granley, Duluth, Minn.
53. Wesley Neustel, Duluth, Minn.
54. Don Johnson, Duluth, Minn.
55. Kenneth Christenson, Seattle, Wash.
56. Charles Wenger, Seattle, Wash.
57. Arthur Folensbee, Lebanon, N. H.
58. Roger Morse, Lebanon, N. H.
59. Ellis F. Etheridge, Broomfield, Colo.
60. Walter Nelson, Beloit, Wis.
61. Karl Stingl, Seattle, Wash.
62. Joe Perrault, Ishpeming, Mich.
63. Ralph Bietila, Ishpeming, Mich.
64. Dick Movitz, Salt Lake City, Utah
65. Byron Johnson, King Vale, Park, Colo.
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67. Ronnie Anderson, Steamboat Springs
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69. Don A. Goodman, Sun Valley, Utah
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Class C is restricted to those skiers under 18 years of age. The qualifications for competition in this class are governed only by age.

Class B is for skiers that have reached their 18th birthday before January 1 of the current year. Elevation to this class becomes automatic upon reaching the 18th year.

Class A is for skiers that have won first, second or third place in Class B competition in a National Tournament or for skiers that have been elevated to this Class by the Ski governing body of the district in which the skier resides. Class A contains the fastest company in Ski Jumping and each and every skier in that class is there thru his proven ability to jump on skis with the country's best.

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Senior Class is restricted to those skiers from A or B Class that have reached their 32nd birthday before January 1 of the current year. However competition in the Senior Class is not compulsory. A top flight skier over 32 years may continue in A or B class if he still feels able to give the younger men a good run for their laurels. Many skiers in the A and B Class are over 32 years and still going strong

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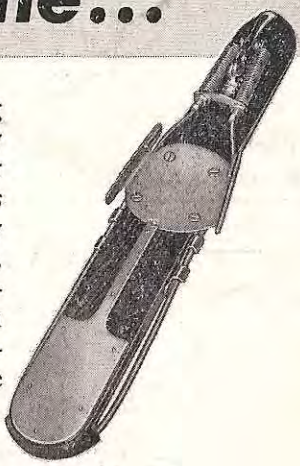

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Morning Session

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9:30

Meeting Called to Order by.....R. S. McIlvaine
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Welcome.....Mayor Benjamin F. Stapleton

10:00

Winter Park: Plans for This Year
And the Future.....George E. Cranmer
Manager, Parks and Improvements
City and County of Denver

10:30

Aspen Developments, 1946 Program
And Plans for the Future.....Leonard Woods
The Aspen Corporation

10:45

Aspen Ski School.....Friedl Pfeifer

11:00

Winter Sports, Their Effect on
Newspapers, Movies and Radio.....Tor Torland
Radio Announcer, Station KOA

11:15

Reports on 1946 Program from
Colorado Springs . . . Raymond Roberts
Pikes Peak Winter Sports Club

Glenwood Springs . . . Ed Tenney
Glenwood Ski School

Hot Sulphur Springs . . . Deane Glessner
President, Middle Park Recreation Association

12:00

Luncheon Session

At Silver Glade, Cosmopolitan Hotel

Winter Sports Apparel Style Parade

Colorado's Place in National
Ski Affairs.....Roger Langley
President, The National Ski Association

Afternoon Session

At Chamber of Commerce

2:00

Air Travel to Colorado
Winter Resorts.....Raymond Dunlap
District Traffic & Sales Manager, United Air Lines

2:20

Colorado Winter Tourists.....Clarence Hockom
Director, Denver Convention and Visitors Bureau

2:40

Colorado's Publicity on
Winter Sports .....Lewis Cobb
Director, Publicity Department, State of Colorado

3:00

Reports on 1946 Program from Arapahoe Basin and
Steamboat Springs.....Lawrence Jump, Claude Lukens

3:30

Skiing as a College Sport.....David C. Wyatt
Athletic Manager, Denver University

4:00

Cooperation, Experiences—Plans—
The U. S. Forest Service.....John Spencer
Regional Forester

4:30

Southern Rocky Mountain Ski Association . . .
Resume and Discussion.....Dick Durrance
The Hughes Sound Films

Winter Sports Ski Dance

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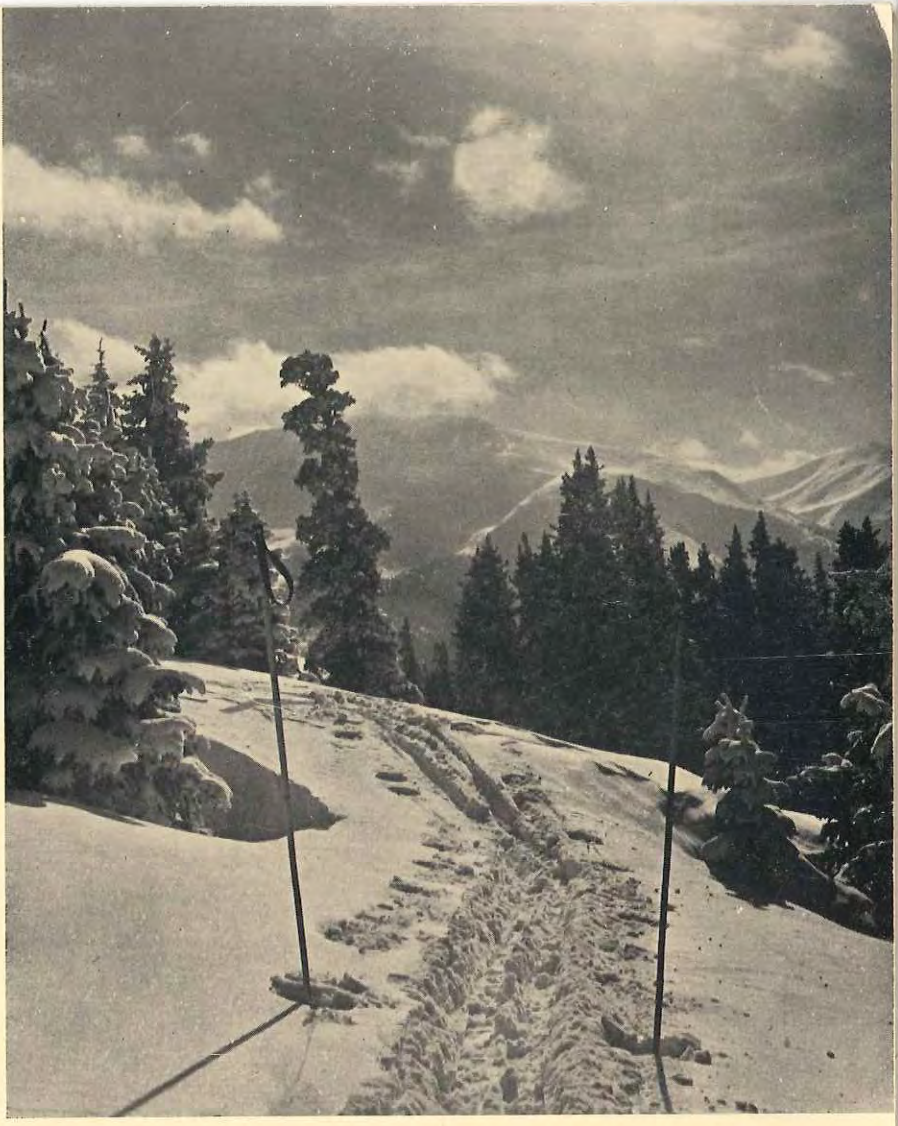

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OF THE

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Of America

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November 28th . . . Thursday

2:00 P. M. —Registration—Mezzanine Floor, Cosmopolitan Hotel
3:00 P. M.— 5:00 P. M. —Opening Session—Room D
5:30 P. M — 7:30 P. M. —Dinner
8:00 P. M.—10:00 P. M. —Committee Meetings

November 29th . . . Friday

9:30 A. M. —12:00 NOON—Business Session—Room D
12:00 NOON— 2:00 P. M. —Luncheon for delegates by the Denver Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with its Annual Winter Sports Congress—Cosmopolitan Hotel
2:00 P. M. — 5:00 P. M. —Business Session—Room D
5:30 P. M. — 8:30 P. M. —Dinner
9:00 P. M. —Ski Dance at Lincoln Room—Shirley-Savoy Hotel

November 30th . . . Saturday

9:30 A. M.—12:30 P. M. —Business Session—Room D
12:30 P. M.— 2:00 P. M. —Lunch
2:00 P. M.— 5:00 P. M. —Business Session—Room D
7:00 P. M. —Annual National Ski Association Banquet—Empire Room, Shirley-Savoy Hotel—Featuring Speakers from all Divisions

December 1st . . . Sunday

9:30 A. M. —To Adjournment—Room D

If any of the Directors or visitors wish to stay over on Monday and Tuesday, transportation will be furnished for a ski trip to Berthoud Pass, Loveland Pass, or Winter Park; providing the Directors or visitors bring their ski equipment.

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Aspen, Colorado

Dear Jean:

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to express my appreciation to you for the manner in which you represented the State of Colorado and the sport of skiing in general, both as an individual and as a team member, in the recent meet held at Sun Valley, Idaho.

I know I was very proud to be associated, in a small way, with you and the entire group and I hope you enjoyed yourself and gained much valuable experience and will continue to show the same fine spirit which caused quite a bit of praise from the officials who sponsored the events.

My sincere thanks for your fine cooperation and efforts, and congratulations on the results achieved.

Sincerely,

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1. GORDON WIREN
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3. JACK REDDISH
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COMBINED

1. GORDON WIREN
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8. BILL BEESLEY
9. BOB BLATT
10. KARL STINGL

TEAM RESULTS.

1. Colorado -

HOTEL JEROME

Women

DOWNHILL

1. DODIE POST
2. GRETCHEN FRASER
3. NORMA MACDONALD
4. BRYNHILD GRASMOEN
5. ANN VOLKMANN
6. LYDIA WILSON
7. ALMA HANSEN
8. SUE HARRIS
9. JEAN LITCHFIELD
10. ANN WINN

SLALOM

1. GRETCHEN FRASER
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Sun Valley, Idaho
Jan. 24, 25, 26, 1947

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MEN:

Downhill

1. Barney McLean-Colo
1. Bob Blatt -Cal.
3. Dev Jennings -Colo
4. Jack Reddish -Utah
5. Steve Knowlton-Colo
6. Leon Goodman-Idaho
7. John Blatt -Cal.
8. Gordon Wren-Colo.
9. Corey Engen-Utah
10. Don Goodman-Idaho

Slalom

1. Gordon Wren
2. Barney McLean
3. Leon Goodman
4. Jack Reddish
5. Steve Knowlton
6. Dev Jennings
7. Karl Stingl
8. Dick Movitz
9. Bob Blatt
10. John Blatt

Jumping

1. Gordon Wren
2. Corey Engen
3. Jack Reddish
4. Wilmer Hampton
5. Laverne Hughes
6. Bill Beesley
7. Dick Movitz
8. Barney McLean
9. Bill Healey
10. Hank Seidelhuber

Combined

1. Gordon Wren
2. Barney McLean
3. Jack Reddish
4. Leon Goodman
5. Dev Jennings
6. Steve Knowlton
7. Dick Movitz
8. Bill Beesley
9. Bob Blatt
10. Karl Stingl

Team Results

1. Colorado

RACE RESULTS

Sun Valley, Idaho
Jan. 24, 25, 26, 1947

President's Cup

WOMEN:

Downhill

1. Dodie Post
2. Gretchen Fraser
3. Norma MacDonald
4. Brynhild Grasmden
5. Ann Volkmann
6. Lydia Wilson
7. Alma Hanson
8. Sue Harris
9. Jean Litchfield
10. Ann Winn

Slalom

1. Gretchen Fraser
2. Dodie Post
3. Brynhild Grasmoen
4. Ann Volkmann
5. Jean Litchfield
6. Lydia Wilson
7. E. Seidelhuber
8. Dorothy Vance
9. Sue Harris
10. Alma Hansen

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The rest of the memorable night ride was over entirely too soon. When we stopped at Price, Fireman Hiatt opened the doors to give me a look along the vast length of the firebox, and there it was—about three and a half molten acres of Methodist hell arched by white-hot fire-brick.

A short ride up the echoing canon curves out of Price, and we were at Helper, the division point. I climbed down.

Back in his Pullman, I suppose, the man from St. Louis turned over in his berth and wondered where he was.

Big 3706 rolled off to the roundhouse, entirely too huge and powerful a creature to be fretting about a fate pronounced upon him by any puny mortal.

ASPEN SKIING

Continued from page 2.

"snow-plows," "stem turns," and "christies."

Walter Paepcke, who has had a summer ranch in Larkspur, Colo., for a number of years, also became interested in Aspen. He wanted, more than anything else, to restore and preserve the characteristic western charm of the booming '90's.

In addition to the hotel, seventeen Aspen houses have been converted into charming mid-Victorian guest houses. The decorating has been done without loss of the original charm. Dormitories are available for young skiers with thin pocketbooks. Many of the private homes have gone "guest house" this season.

Bus service, offering two round trips daily from Glenwood Springs, has been inaugurated. Taxi service has also been added. No skiing time is wasted by having to wait for transportation.

Fred Willoughby, one of the directors of the Midnight Mining company and an active Aspen Ski club member, is in charge of operation of the lift.

The ski school instructors aren't imported for the season. All of them live there the year 'round. Aspen is their home and for that reason they will make every effort to see that skiers aren't disappointed on their Aspen ski-vacations.

PLATTER PARADE Reviews of Latest PHONOGRAPH RECORDS

By Ray N. Perkins
Musician and Radio Broadcaster.

CHILDREN'S records in bewildering profusion have rolled out of the platter mills for the Christmas season and no such modest guide as this can relieve the shopper of a patient inspection of the counters for the exact material to satisfy his juvenile section of the public.

Teen-agers are of course easy to buy for. For them it's generally dance rhythm by the outstanding names, and you can play safe with Herman, Goodman, Freddie Martin, Kenton, Ellington, Thornhill, Lawrence, Beneke, Kaye, Kyser, plus perhaps some of the more concentrated jazzists.

A new album comprising two stories for children by "The Great Gildersleeve"—"The Brave Little Tailor" and "Hansel and Gretel"—follows up last year's issue by that stalwart of radio. (Capitol CD-33). The immortal Grimm fairy tale, "Hansel and Gretel," in lengthier form with adaptations from the lovely Humperdinck operatic score is done by Basil Rathbone and Jane Powell on four 12-inchers. (Columbia Set M-MM 632). Again it is scaled down to two records for children five to nine by Earle Rogers, tenor, and Livia Flocco, pianist, as one of a Red Robin Series of games and stories released by Musicraft (RR 3, Nos. 8578-9). The series contains some good material for groups as well as individual listeners. The same company has corralled Milton Cross, the eminent NBC opera interpreter, to narrate "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" for children with two-piano excerpts from the popular Paul Dukas' orchestral program music.

Paul Wing, an expert story teller, has two new children's albums on Victor—"The 'Unsuccessful Elf" with orchestra under Joseph LeMaire (Set Y 320) and "Little Black Sambo and the Twins" with Henri Rene and his orchestra (Set Y 326).

The combination of Bing Crosby and Orson Welles on an Oscar Wilde fairy tale, "The Happy Prince," with a supporting cast, sound effects, original music and orchestral direction by Victor Young is rich fare for youngsters up to 12 or 13. (Decca Album DA 420).

RUNS and RIFFS: Latest bulletin on Denver's pretty Betty Perry: She is signed by Charlie Barnet and will warble with his orchestra on its forthcoming engagement in Hawaii—a venture which incidentally is being watched eagerly by the band world as possibly indicating a new market for rhythm... Rudy Vallee, Gus Van, Jimmy James, Pat Friday and other lights wax for Enterprise Records, an outfit that has just begun to invade the Rocky Mountain disc shops ...Available about this time is Victor's new Heritage Series, reissues of great operatic records of the past by such artists as Alda, Caruso, Tetrazzini, Ancona and Journet. Hitherto they have been collectors' items.... A west coast disc-jockey reports that mineral oil wiped moderately on an old record will eliminate much of the scratch on a rough surface... M-G-M records, sponsored by the big picture firm, said to have signed up Blue Barron, Slim Gaillard and Ziggy Elman, in addition to Kate Smith. No production date yet...Tommy Dorsey believed parting from Victor, and X. Cugat from Columbia.

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Ski Heaven



From the top of Aspen mountain, ski runs stem in all directions. A view after the first light snow of the 1946 season.

—Chas E. Fifield Photo.

Percy Rideout takes the air.

—Chas. E. Grover Photo.



—Photo by Fritz Kaeser II.

Magnificent peaks, such as the Maroon Bells, above, are skiers' companions anywhere in Aspen district.

By S. Elizabeth Forbes.
Special to Rocky Mountain Empire Magazine.

ASPEN, Colo.—Colorado has spread its ski wings! At Steamboat Springs, Loveland pass, Berthoud pass and a dozen other centers, big times are brewing for the nation's thousands of devotees of the slippery slats.

But at the doorstep to a season certain to write winter sports history all over the Rocky Mountain Empire, there's little doubt that the Colorado ski-town which has spread its new pinions fastest and gone farthest is the once-decadent old gold-mining metropolis of Aspen. Because of a remarkable community effort and the influx of outside cash for development, there's new and vital blood in what was once a candidate for "ghost-town" classification.

Here this winter, ski enthusiasts from everywhere will find not only the finest in snow and ski equipment, but a rare and flavorful atmosphere as well, in which the uninhibited pleasantries and friendliness of the mining camp are carried happily over in an air of townwide festivity that starts early and lasts as long as the snow does.

If you remember Aspen "as

The old boat tow that used to chug hesitantly along, making you feel like using a ski as a helping oar, is gone, and in its place a new 15,000-foot chair lift that starts at the railroad track, runs to the top of Aspen mountain and then to the summit of Ajax hill, is the talk of all Colorado.

The lift is electrically powered, but a gasoline-operated motor takes over if necessary.

ONCE ROCH RUN was the only trail. You could look up the mountain and see all your friends streaming down the mountain, one after the other. But not now! There are tiny figures high on all the mountains.

Perhaps you're the type who prefers great variety rather than the comfort of "doing" the same run over and over. With twenty-two and one-half miles of new ski trails here now, no one has to take the same course twice in a day. One of the most popular trails is the new Silver Queen which Friedl Pfeifer designed.

For those who like vast, enor-

Experts Percy Rideout, Johnnie and Jean Litchfield swoop down Hayden basin, above the town.

place and toast your toes before you make your selection.

The famous international skier and Dartmouth coach, Walter Prager, says the five-mile Little Annie trail compares favorably with many of the best runs in

wein at Friedl's, toddies at the Litchfields', a call at the Browns' for a highball, and after a stop at the hotel to pick up any stragglers—on to Hannibal's. At each stop the typical party grows like a rolling snowball. The songs get louder and longer.

Hannibal throws open his door and in his usual cordial manner leads the crowd to the dining-room table. He keeps bringing on superheated Tom and Jerries. And you do feel you need warming, after having stood in the snow caroling at all those windows. By then somebody's tap dancing on a table and somebody brings the gathering back to earth by reminding all, "We've got to ski tomorrow!"

It's hard to realize, now, that as late as last year Aspen was talked and thought of as a "has-been" mining town. An old miner had pointed up the mountainside, shook his head sadly and said, "There used to be houses all the way up that mountain. Fifteen thousand people lived here. We had three newspapers. But look, now."

That was in 1893, when the silver boom went bust. Workmen dropped their picks and shovels and left Aspen, some leaving untouched food on their tables. Aspen was "done for."

ONLY a few years ago, when young America took to skis, Aspen was rediscovered as one of the greatest potential ski areas in the country. An enthusiastic, active ski club helped cut trees and bushes and cleared a trail themselves. They borrowed money from the townspeople to erect a tow. No notes were signed. The citizens of Aspen loaned their money willingly. Suppose they didn't get it back? It was helping Aspen. This was a huge undertaking for a small club, of only ten members then, and at one time the club was in debt $1,500. At the end of the season, however, they had repaid every dollar.

Young men skiers, who search out all the new spots, began to hear about Aspen. They came from great distances to try out another ski area. And they were not disappointed.

But Aspen was still for the few—sturdy racers who had enough time and stamina to tour the wilderness back country. The boat tow was slow and didn't reach even halfway up the mountain. Aspen was for boys who didn't mind driving all night in a rickety car to get there. Transportation was inadequate, even from Denver. Housing facilities were limited. At best the Hotel Jerome, the only place to stay, could accommodate but one hundred skiers. The ski club members often took skiers into their homes rather than have them turn around and go back home, but this expanded the capacity by only a small percentage.

All at once talk among ski circles changed. "Have you heard about Aspen?" was the common question.

Men who were in a position to give a needed transfusion to a ski resort, and to help the ski club realize its dream for Aspen, stepped in. Things began to happen.

Friedl Pfeifer, Johnnie Litch-

field and Percy Rideout moved to Aspen, bag and baggage. They organized the first big ski school Aspen had ever had and made plans for the erection of a gigantic chair lift. Between lessons they remodeled and redecorated their homes—those houses that had been deserted by discouraged miners. These "ski men" had come to Aspen to stay.

VISITORS who will ski at Aspen this winter will receive the best possible instruction for Friedl now has ten competent instructors who, of course, teach the Arlberg technic. But the ski school is most interested in the children of Aspen. They are the future racers, and believing they



—Chas. E. Grover Photo.

The new electric chair lift—Hoyt Pfeifer aboard.

should be started early, Friedl has organized a separate ski school for children. Lessons are given without charge every Saturday and on all holidays. School children who belong to the ski club—and that includes almost every child in town—receive reduced rates on the lift. The parents take pride in the ski accomplishments of their children and they often go up on the mountain to watch them do their

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THEY GO TO Every



which the uninhibited pleasantries and friendliness of the mining camp are carried happily over in an air of townwide festivity that starts early and lasts as long as the snow does.

If you remember Aspen "as was" only a year ago, a weekend brings the feeling that you've been picked up by a cloud and dropped in a new land.



Pfeifer.

The first thing that will attract your attention, as you drive down Main street, is the historic old Jerome hotel. Now it's painted white to match the mountains that rise virtually from the back door. A stop inside and you'll notice the interior has also been modernized to a fare-you-well.

ski trails here now, no one has to take the same course twice in a day. One of the most popular trails is the new Silver Queen which Friedl Pfeifer designed.

For those who like vast, enormous, open slopes there is a wide choice. Magnifico Cut-Off, named for Mike Magnifico because he doesn't like trees, starts at the top of Aspen mountain and joins Roch Run. At the head of the Silver Queen is Tourtelotte Park—all open area. Little Annie Basin offers acres of unskied snow. These "treeless" slopes are popular with beginners. Another favorite with those who don't take their skiing "too straight" down is Gentleman's Ridge Run.

From the top of the lift it is possible to ski on three different sides of the mountain. You can take your choice—so far as scenery and snow conditions are concerned. If it suits your fancy you can sun yourself a few minutes or sit in front of the Sun Deck's mammoth circular fire-

you make your selection.

The famous international skier and Dartmouth coach, Walter Prager, says the five-mile Little Annie trail compares favorably with many of the best runs in Davos, his former home town.

Many of these runs end at the foot of Aspen mountain so you can ski right to the front door of your hotel. If you choose one of the runs which ends out of town, tho, weasel and bus service are available to get you back to the chair lift for another ride.

Sleigh riding and skijoring are the order of the night this year more than ever. A crowd of skiers in a sleigh, and naturally you have "Jingle Bells." Everyone joins in. It seems like a forecast of the coming holidays and one of the natives, who couldn't be pried out of Aspen, says the ski club races make "Christmas the best time of all."

UNLIKE most other ski resorts, where guests live in one big lodge, Aspen skiers party from house to house. A drink of glueh-

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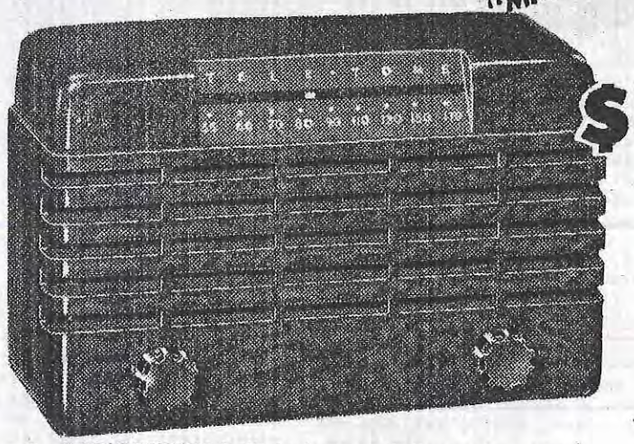

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Public Service Company of Colorado



First Annual Andre Roch Trophy Race

March 16 - 17, 1946 Aspen, Colo.

ANDRE ROCH and ASPEN

THE ANDRE ROCH TROPHY RACE, inaugerated on this occasion as an annual event of the Aspen Ski Club, is named in honor of the famous Swiss skier, mountain climber, and explorer, who conceived and planned the course, Roch Run, on which this race is being held. Andre Roch came to Aspen in the fall of 1936, in the capacity of ski engineer for Mr. Tom Flynn, pioneer mining man of Aspen, who was first to recognize and initiate a definite program for skiing in the Aspen-Pitkin County area. During his short stay of six months at Aspen, Andre instilled in the citizens of Aspen a great enthusiasm for the sport of skiing, a recreation previously completely neglected here, sponsored the organization of Aspen Ski Club, and laid out the famous racing course which now bears his name. Before leaving for his native Switzerland in the spring of 1937, Roch predicted that in the near future this course would be used not only for national ski tournaments, but also for the Olympic tryouts. Since its birthyear of 1937, Roch Run has been the scene of four Southern Rocky Mountain Association Downhill and Slalom Championship tournaments, one SRMSA Jumping and Cross-Country championship meet in 1942, and the National Downhill anl Slalom Championships in 1941.

The original Roch trail was completed in 1937, through the efforts of the Aspen Ski Club, and with the assistance of local civic organizations and the townspeople in general. Before leaving for his native Switzerland in the spring of 1937, Andre left plans for the 180 foot jumping hill now located near the lower end of the run. This, the ski lift, shelter houses and other facilities now in use on Aspen Mountain were constructed in 1938 and 1939.

Through such generous and voluntary effort, Andre Roch started the community of Aspen on the road to the development of a wonderful sport and recreation, one which has added untold enjoyment to formerly long, dull winter months. This, and the fact that Andre was one who loved skiing for the sake of the sport itself, has inspired the conception by Aspen Ski Club of the Andre Roch Trophy Race.

Mr. Walter P. Paepcke has generously donated the handsome trophy on which the winner's name will be engraved, as well as a smaller cup for his permanent possession.

Roch Run, starting at a point on Aspen Mountain2.0 miles south of the town and 2750 feet higher in elevation, ends within the city limits itself, and during its course over this famous oldtime silver mining area, passes over a complete variety of skiing terrain. The upper part of the trail is the less difficult but is consistently downhill, passing through several open natural parks, and wide artificial clearings. When a skier has descended to within 900 feet elevation above Aspen he enters the well known Corkscrew, which is the most spectacular part of the course, plainly visible to spectators below, and dropping 400 vertical feet at a slope of 30 to 35 degrees. The lower part of the corkscrew terminates in the slalom and practice hill, the latter taking the skier to the finish line on Monarch street, Aspen.

The Andre Roch Trophy Race, will for the downhill, follow the same slightly shortened course as was used for the National Tournament in 1941 and the SRMSA Tournament in 1946, having a length of 1.6 miles and a vertical dop of 2400 feet. The slalom race will start from the top of the lift, or "second road," and will have a vertical drop of 600 feet.

Previous course records on Roch Run from the same starting point are as follows:

1941 National Downhill and Slalom, Toni Matt, 2:22:3.
1946 SRMSA Downhill and Slalom, Don Goodman, 2:28:4.

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Program of Events

FRIDAY NIGHT, March 15—Showing of ski film "WHY ASPEN?" at Hotel Jerome, 8:00 p. m.

SATURDAY MORNING, March 16—Downhill Run will start about 10:00 a. m.

SATURDAY EVENING—St. Patrick's Dance, Armory Hall, 9:00 p. m.

SUNDAY MORNING, March 17—First Run Slalom at 9:30. Second Run will start about 11:00 o'clock.

SUNDAY EVENING—Competitor's Banquet at Hotel Jerome. Time is tentatively set for 6:00 p. m. Prizes will be awarded.

LIST OF CONTESTANTS

MEN'S RACE

1. Barney McLean ..... U. S. Army Air Forces
2. John Litchfield ..... Aspen Ski Club
3. Gordon Wren ..... Eskimo Ski Club
4. Jerry Hiatt ..... Zipfelberger
5. Steve Knowlton ..... Aspen Ski Club
6. Dick Durrance ..... Zipfelberger
7. Jim Patterson ..... Zipfelberger
8. Rudi Schnackenburg ..... Colorado Mountain Club
9. Bob Perry ..... Aspen Ski Club
10. Dave Quinney ..... Alta Ski Club
11. Keith Wegeman ..... Steamboat Winter Sports Club
12. Paul Wegeman ..... Steamboat Winter Sports Club
13. Leonard G. McLean ..... U. S. Navy
14. Tom Cremer ..... Unattached
15. Ed Halstead ..... Zipfelberger
16. Bill Gorsuch ..... Continental Ski Club
17. Ralph Ball ..... Denver University
18. Ross Davis ..... Denver University
19. Louis Oblock ..... Aspen Ski Club
20. Fred Pearce ..... Aspen Ski Club
21. Glenn Beck ..... Aspen Ski Club
22. Donald Paulich ..... Aspen Ski Club
23. Glen McLean ..... Hot Sulphur Springs
24. Charles Maddalone ..... Aspen Ski Club
25. Bud Marolt ..... Aspen Ski Club
26. Don Elisha ..... Aspen Ski Club

WOMEN'S RACE

35. Jean Litchfield ..... Aspen Ski Club
36. Barbara Kidder ..... Denver University
37. Elizabeth Oblock ..... Aspen Ski Club
38. Donnis Gallagher ..... Glenwood Springs Winter Sports Club



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RACE COMMITTEE:

Percy Rideout

Friedl Pfeifer

Mike Magnifico

Arthur Kidder

Photographs by Fritz Kaeser

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FIRST ANNUAL ANDRE ROCH TROPHY RACE

March 16-17, 1946 — ASPEN, COLORADO

MEN'S RESULTS

Place	Name	Club	Downhill	Slalom 1st Run	Slalom 2nd Run	Points Combined
1.	Barney McLean	U.S.A.A.F.	2:32:4	59:0	1:01:2	248
2.	Dick Durrance	Zipfelberger	2:40:0	1:01:2	1:00:1	257
3.	Jerry Hiatt	Zipfelberger	2:51:4	58:1	59:0	266
4.	Steve Knowlton	Aspen	2:37:3	1:01:0	1:15:3	267
5.	Bob Perry	Aspen	3:25:0	1:07:1	1:08:4	314
6.	Keith Wegeman	Steamboat	3:13:1	1:30:4	1:08:0	320
7.	Ralph Ball	D. U.	3:12:1	1:25:0	1:17:3	322
8.	R. Schnackenberg	Colo.Mt.Club	3:27:2	1:24:4	1:17:0	337
9.	Tom Cremer	Unattached	3:46:4	1:08:1	1:13:4	340
10.	Dave Quinney	Alta	3:54:4	1:07:0	1:06:3	342
11.	Ed Halstead	Zipfelberger	3:14:2	1:23:0	1:43:1	343
12.	Jim Patterson	Zipfelberger	3:53:3	1:11:3	1:13:0	349
13.	Marvin Crawford	Steamboat	3:59:1	1:15:2	1:13:0	359
14.	Glenn Beck	Aspen	4:00:4	1:27:0	1:20:3	375
15.	C. Maddalone	Aspen	4:08:1	1:21:1	1:21:0	378
16.	Paul Wegeman	Steamboat	4:07:1	1:37:0	1:16:2	386
17.	Bud Marolt	Aspen	4:31:2	1:28:4	1:20:2	407
18.	Donald Paulich	Aspen	4:39:0	1:25:4	1:21:2	413
19.	Louis Oblock	Aspen	5:08:4	1:43:0	1:43:2	474
	Gordon Wren	Eskimo	2:23:0	1:06:4 D	59:4	

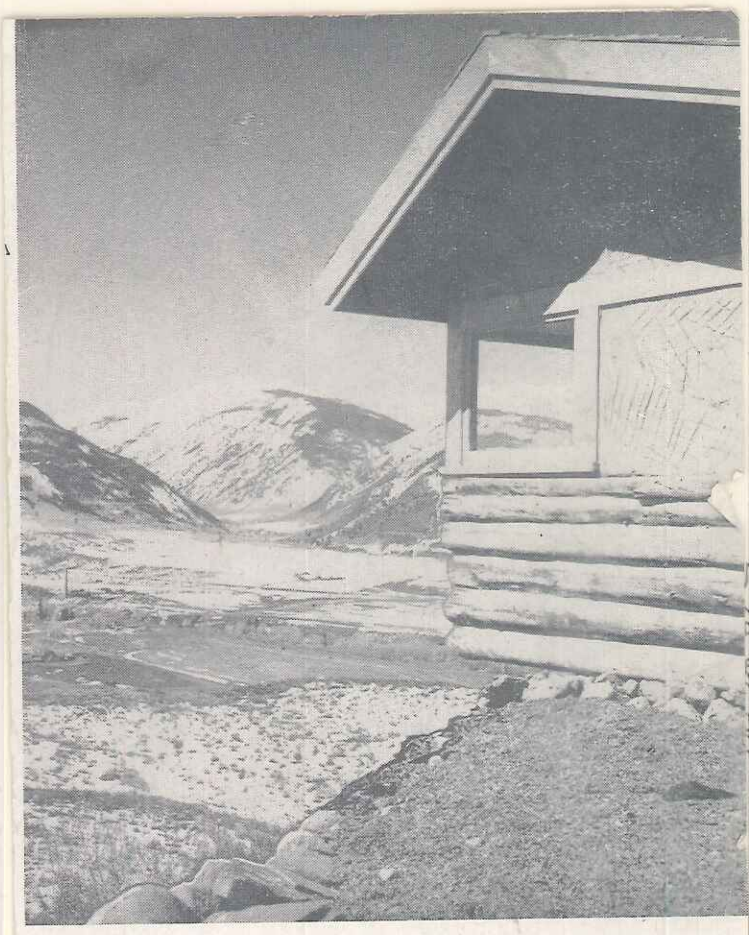
WOMEN'S RESULTS

Place	Name	Club	Downhill	Slalom 1st Run	Slalom 2nd Run	Points Combined
1.	Barbara Kidder	D. U.	1:54:3	1:08:0	1:02:1	193
2.	Ruth Dickson	Unattached	4:05:0	1:37:3	1:32:3	359
3.	Elizabeth Oblock	Aspen	4:13:4	2:10:3	1:54:4	401



FRITZ BENEDICT

JANE GARRISON – RANSOM'S ARMOUR



RED MOUNTAIN RANCH

FRITZ BENNDICT'S

ASPEN, COLORADO

J. Litchfield

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Thursday: lunch at 1.00 PM with Mrs Lilly at Broadmoor. (18th)

Afternoon: Talk to Broadmoor Hotel & Mr. Leslie – (local High School).

5:30 P.M. Dinner at Fountain Valley School. Mov after Dinner. (Jack Snobble

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FRIDAY: 1.40 P.M. Movie at Cheyenne School.

8:30 P.M. Movie at Acacia Hotel (Colo. College – Pikes Peak. Clu

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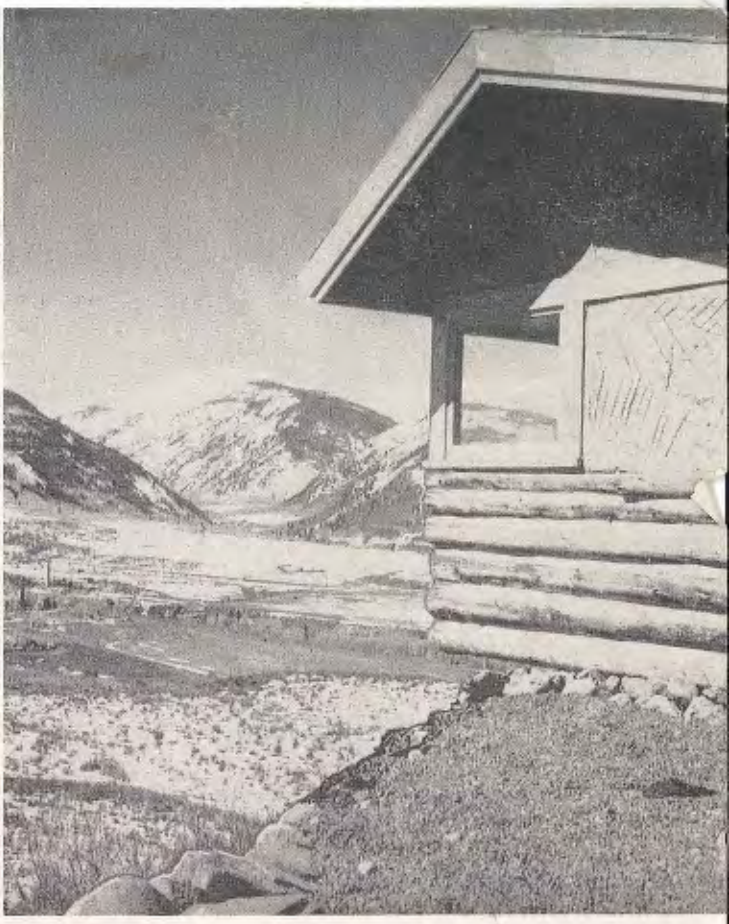


RED MOUNTAIN RANCH

FRITZ BENEDICT '13

ASPEN, COLORADO

The Ranch With A View

Ideally located on a sunny shelf of Red Mountain high above the valley of the Roaring Fork, Red Mountain Ranch is two miles north of the picturesque old mining town of Aspen, Colorado, now a year-round resort. The thousand acres of lush green meadowland, rocky cliffs and pine forests provide a variety of terrain for riders and hikers. The White River National forest surrounds the ranch on three sides.

From the ranch house the spectacular view across the valley encompasses the rugged Elk Mountain range, distant Mount Sopris, Independence Pass and the town of Aspen itself.

And Sun In All Seasons

Red Mountain Ranch's elevation of 8,300 feet means fresh bright days and refreshingly cool nights. The weather continues perfect into the fall and the mountains with their golden aspen trees reach a climax of beauty in late September.

Riding, Hiking

Saddle horses for all types of trail or open country rides are available at the ranch, with experienced guides to lead the way past historic old mines into one of the last real wildernesses of America. On pack trips, all-day rides or evening steak fries the cowboys cook delicious meals over a friendly campfire.

Hikers may set out from Red Mountain Ranch with picnic lunches, or perhaps ride the world's highest chair lift on Aspen Mountain to the summit of Ajax Hill, where they may lunch at the octagonal Sundeck before setting off on a walk over Richmond Hill or a climb up Bell Mountain.

Fishing, Hunting

Colorado streams . . . long the angler's paradise . . . are numerous near Aspen. Hunter Creek, filled with flashing trout, flows through Red Mountain Ranch and provides excellent fishing. In the fall hunting trips will be arranged for guests who wish to follow deer and elk to the higher regions. The season is usually in October.

Skiing, Of Course

Unsurpassed skiing begins in November and continues until June on the upper slopes. The famous Aspen chair lift is but ten minutes from Red Mountain Ranch. Aspen Mountain affords trails and open slopes for the novice or expert skier.

Play Or Rest At Red Mountain

Red Mountain Ranch operates the year-round and freedom and relaxation are among its attributes. A perfect rest for those who desire it, or the swimming, mountain climbing, croquet, badminton, target practice or square dancing which is offered for others. We want all our guests to feel free to do what pleases them most.

The ranch is near enough to Aspen that guests may ride into town on horseback, just as in the days of the Old West. The ranch car is driven to Aspen daily, where movies, drug stores, five restaurants, bars and the best of shops are available.

The old Wheeler Opera House, built in 1889, is being restored and plans have been made for a summer theater as well as for a fall music festival for Aspen.

Garden-Fresh Food

An abundance of fresh vegetables is provided for our table from the ranch garden . . . real mountain-grown lettuce, peas, beans, carrots and sweet corn . . . picked in the cool of the morning and attractively served at the noon and evening meals.

Milk, eggs and cream are also produced on the ranch. The water comes from a pure mountain spring.

Comfortable Accommodations

Accommodations range from deluxe cabins (large fireplace, private bath, private sun terrace, two beds in living room, two beds in a curtained alcove) to bunkrooms for men and women (popular with skiers) and our special tents (board floors and wood frames). We also have one private cabin without bath.

How To Reach Red Mountain

Coast-to-coast trains run through Glenwood Springs, 40 miles away, where bus service connects with Aspen. From the west one may take Western Airlines, which stops at Grand Junction, whence busses and trains may be taken to Aspen. Planes from the East land at Denver, where one may get connecting trains to Glenwood Springs.

A Red Mountain Ranch car will meet guests in Aspen at no extra charge.

For reservations write

RED MOUNTAIN RANCH

Fritz Benedict **Owner-Manager**

Telephone 2451 **Aspen, Colorado**

RED MOUNTAIN RANCH

ASPEN, COLORADO

SCHEDULE OF RATES

American Plan (with meals)

Deluxe Cabin:

One person $12 per day; $80 per week.

Two persons $8 per day per person; $53 per week per person.

Three or four persons $7 per day per person; $45 per week per person.

Cabin (without bath)

One person $8 per day; $53 per week.

Two persons $6 per day per person; $40 per week per person.

Special Tents

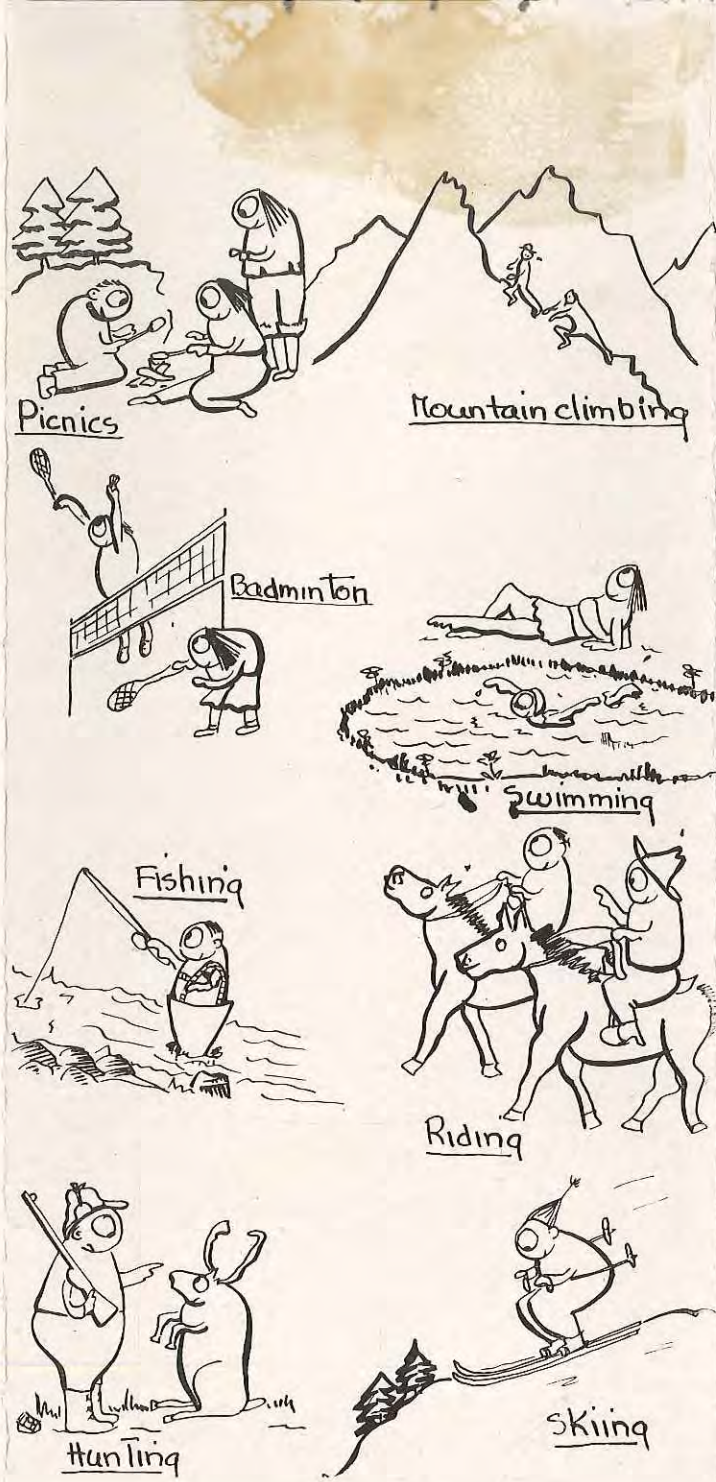
Two persons $5 per day per person; $35 per week.

Bunkrooms

$5 per day per person; $35 per week.

Baths in the ranch house for cabin, tent and bunkroom guests.

Restricted Clientele



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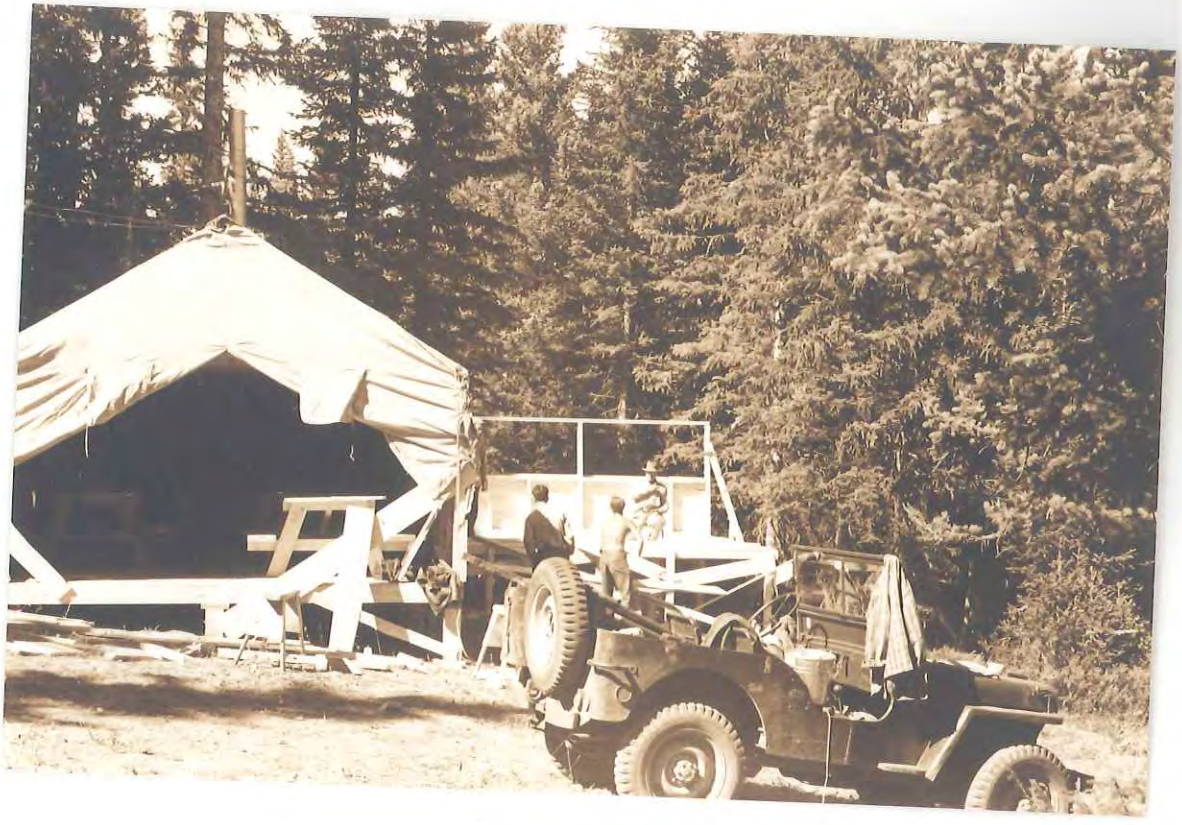



THE ASPEN SKIING CORPORATION

Chicago, Illinois
March 3, 1947

Memorandum

Mr. George B. Berger, Jr., President
Mr. Friedl Pfeifer, Vice President
Mr. William V. Hodges, Jr., Secretary
Mr. John Litchfield
Mr. Percy Rideout
Mr. Paul Witze
Mr. Charles O. Bishop
Mr. Albin Dearing
Mrs. Jane Hagemeister
Mr. D. R. C. Brown
Mr. Robert H. Collins

Now that we have had a very heavy snowfall, it seems that good skiing for all of this month and for April and part of May at least in the higher regions seems assured. This presents us with an excellent opportunity, as I see it, for some unusual publicity and for the very important feature of lengthening out the skiing season.

I strongly urge that immediate plans be made for at least two events in April spaced about two weeks apart. It has been quite obvious so far this season that whenever we have some special events, be it races, exhibitions, Swiss Ski Team time trials or what not, the Aspen project as a whole, beginning with the ski tow and running right straight through the ski school, sun deck, Hotel Jerome, etc., have all been immeasurably benefited, because there are not only the people that come to participate in the events, but also quite a few others who are spectators, or who want to be there when something is happening. As I am not a skier, I can speak freely without having anyone feel that I ought to know better, and it has always been man's experience in the world that it is a considerable advantage not to know all the reasons why something cannot be done. It occurs to me that a "Learn to Ski" week should be an excellent idea for early April, maybe beginning with the weekend of April 5 for a week or ten days; the fact that most weeks of this sort are planned at the beginning of the season does not seem to be an insuperable reason why this procedure could not be changed or at least modified by having a week of this sort at the end of the season, in addition to probably having one at the beginning of next year's skiing season. If relatively few people come, no harm is done, but it would give us an excellent opportunity of indirectly telling the world that Aspen has plenty of snow in April. Secondly, I think we should consider having some cross-country races or exhibitions maybe over a three or four day or even a week's duration, and see if we can't take the first step towards the establishment of country touring. This would mean a good deal of work in making some existing shelter houses habitable with sufficient food and heat if possible. If it turned out to be all successful, it might even form the basis for some lengthening out of this activity through some part of May or as long as the snow lasts.

I believe that the potentially long season of Aspen and the possibility of country touring are two of the greatest distinguishing features that we have, and I think we ought to do everything we can to capitalize on it, particularly at a season when the necessary snow can reasonably well be relied upon, even if there should be no more snow from now on (which is by no means certain).

Upon further thought I am not too keen about the suggestion that has been followed

at other places of trying to have a combined snow and horseback, rodeo, or other activity in town in some sort of decathlon competition, because I think we should confine ourselves to emphasizing the snow on top of the mountain and not that Aspen itself may very possibly be without snow on the ground and therefore susceptible to any type of summer sport. I think it would cloud the issue and weaken the point.

I hope you will give this general thought of at least two April special events every consideration and that some constructive plan may be arrived at which would be of valuable aid to all the aspects of the Aspen project.

Sincerely,

Walter P. Paepcke

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ASPEN SKIING CORPORATION

PROXY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned _____, a stockholder in Aspen Skiing Corporation, does hereby constitute and appoint Walter P. Paepcke or William V. Hodges, Jr. or _____ as his duly constituted agent and attorney in fact to act for him and in his stead at the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of Aspen Skiing Corporation to be held on November 26, 1946, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at Aspen, Colorado, or any adjournment thereof, and to vote his/her stock at said meeting or adjournment thereof in whatever way they may see fit, the same as if the undersigned stockholder were personally present.

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ASPEN SKIING CORPORATION

NOTICE OF ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Aspen, Colorado
October 25, 1946

To Stockholders of The Aspen Skiing Corporation:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Aspen Skiing Corporation is called for the 26th day of November, 1946, in the city of Aspen, Colorado, at the Hotel Jerome at two o'clock in the afternoon. It is the intention of the officers of the corporation to adjourn said Annual Meeting on November 26th to the 30th day of November at two o'clock in the afternoon at the same place. Business to be transacted at said meeting will include the election of directors for the ensuing year and such other business as may regularly come before said meeting.

It is hoped that you will be able to personally attend such meeting. If you find you are unable to do so, will you please sign and return the enclosed proxy to the Secretary before November 26, 1946.

Very truly yours,

ASPEN SKIING CORPORATION

By William U. Hodges Jr.
Secretary

SCHEDULE OF RATES FOR WINTER SEASON

1946 - 1947

		1 PERSON	2 PERSONS
Hotel:	Rooms without bath	$4.00 - $7.00	$5.00 - $8.00
Hotel:	Rooms with toilet or connecting bath	$6.00 - $8.00	$8.00 - $10.00
Hotel:	Rooms with bath or shower	$8.00 - $10.00	$10.00 - $12.00
Hotel:	Parlor or Deluxe Rooms	---	$14.00 - $30.00
Aspen Apartments:		$10.00 - $15.00 per room	
Roaring Fork Rooms:		$2.00 per day per person with 4, 6 or 8 persons in a room.	
Ski Barn:		$2.50 per day per person with 3 persons in a room.	
Houses and cottages, per room		$8.00 - $20.00	$10.00 - $25.00

All rates are subject to Colorado Sales Tax.

FRIEDL PFEIFER, Manager, Vice Pres.
Aspen, Colorado

Aspen Skiing Corporation

October 15, 1946

MEMORANDUM

Dear Mrs. Antrony!

1. With the winter season fast approaching, it was felt that the directors might like to have a current report on the situation in Aspen, in regard to matters pertaining to the Aspen Company, and the Aspen Skiing Corporation.

Mr. Percy Rideout is about to leave on a tour of the major cities in the middle west, during which he will show the movie called "Why Aspen" that was made here last winter. With this in mind, as well as the fact that a great deal has been accomplished since the last Director's meeting in Aspen, this memorandum is being sent out to all the directors of both the Aspen Company and the Aspen Skiing Corporation.

2. Lift

Friedl has announced the rates on the lift for this winter. They will be as follows:

single ride	2.00
daily ticket	3.75
3 day ticket	10.00
weekly ticket	20.00
monthly ticket	70.00
season ticket	140.00

Progress on the lift has been steady. The old Park tram has been removed. The finishing touches on the Sundeck are now being applied, and it meets all expectations of being a really fine building. Both the crews on the Sundeck and those on the lift have been hampered by severe snowstorms, that are highly unseasonal this early, even in Aspen! The snow, and resultant mud, particularly affects the transport of the steel for the lift from the unloading point up the mountain to the tower sites. Both Friedl and Bob Heron have been exercising their vocabularies to the full on the subject of weather, and although the schedule of construction on the lift may be temporarily slowed down, the fact still remains that as of this winter, Aspen's liftless days are over. All of the material for the

upper section of the lift is on hand, with three carloads of steel for the lower section still en route. The power line from the Midnight Mine over the top of the mountain to the top terminals of both sections of the lift has been completed.

The actual figures on the lift are as follows:

First section: Length 8,400 feet.
Vertical rise 2,200 feet
Speed 550 feet a minute
Capacity 275 persons an hour

There is a get-off, or half way station on the first section, that is in Zoogg park, roughly 2,200 feet below the upper terminal.

Second section: Length 5,400 feet
Vertical rise 1,025 feet
Speed 450 feet a minute
Capacity 225 persons an hour

The second section of the lift terminates within a hundred feet of the Sundeck on the top of Ajax hill. The first section along is longer, faster, and with a greater capacity than any other chair-lift in the world. It is estimated that the ride from Aspen to the Sundeck 3,225 feet above the town will take approximately one half hour.

Ski School

The Ski School will be directed by Friedl, with Percy Rideout and John Litchfield as his associates. The Instructor's roster will probably contain the following names: Marshall Fitzgerald, Walter Haug, Dick Wright, Andy Ransom and Leonard Woods. There is a strong possibility that the number will be increased by the addition of some of the other fine local skiers.

Rates:	1/2 day	3.00	
	day	4.00	
	3 days	11.00	
	week	20.00	
	Private lesson	7.50	(2.50 for each additional person)

The Ski School, in addition to its regular teaching, will put on the Standard races for the one, two and three golden Aspen leaves. Touring and mountaineering guides will also be available through the Ski School.

Races

The Aspen Ski Club is planning for three large races this winter. The first will be an intercollegiate slalom right after Christmas day, the Roch Cup trophy races are scheduled for the 8 and 9th

of March, and a giant slalom is planned for the first of June on Independence pass.

Ski Patrol

There will be a professional Ski Patrol of at least six men. The Ski Patrol will function in complete accordance with the policies of Minot Dole's National Ski Patrol System. There will be a complete network of telephones covering the mountain. Both Dr. Lewis, a well-known Colorado skier, and Dr. Cochrane will work with Friedl and the Ski Patrol on the questions of skiing safety.

Accommodations

The winter rates for the Jerome and its satelites have been announced, the total capacity is in the neighborhood of 350-400.

There w ill be a skating rink around the terrace, which lies between the Jerome and the Aspen Times office. We are on the track of a suitable strolling noise in the form of a trio, to provide music for dancing in the Jerome. Had Dean has four sleighs and two cutters ready to go for the winter season, as well as a promised dog team. As soon as the hunting season is over, we are going to try to lay hands on a span of elk to round out the menagerie.

Transportation

With coast to coast trains now being scheduled the problem of accessibility is well nigh licked. Glenwood Springs is the terminal for Aspen bound skiers, and is a regular stop for trains leaving both Grand Central and the Penn Station in New York, and for those leaving from San Francisco bound east. From New York to Glenwood takes a bit over fifty hours, and from San Francisco, about a day and a half. There is now a regular bus service between Aspen and Glenwood Springs.

If there are any specific questions that come to mind, that are not covered herein, please let me know, and the dope will be immediately forthcoming.

LEONARD WOODS

HERBERT BAYER.

Walter P. Paepcke
Eugene Lilly
George Berger
D.R.C. Brown
Friedl Pfeifer
Percy Rideout
John Jay

Joseph Binns
Paul Nitze
William Hodges
Robert Collins
John Litchfield
Charles Bishop
C. Minot Dole

Aspen Skiing Corporation

March 21, 1947

To the Stockholders of the Aspen Skiing Corporation:

We have all recently received a letter from the Secretary of the Company, Mr. William V. Hodges, Jr., relative to increasing the authorized capital stock and also giving the present stockholders an opportunity to subscribe should they care to. I felt it might be proper for me to give you the reasons for the suggested increase and also a few entirely unofficial comments.

The Skiing Corporation, during the month of February, took in $8,200 in purely tow fees; thus far through the seventeenth of March, $6,159, or, conservatively, at the rate of $10,000 for the full month. The last estimate which was submitted to the directors indicated that the annual expenses, including $14,000 of depreciation and $6,000 interest on notes as well as all regular operating expenses such as taxes, rents, insurance, power, overhead, labor and supplies, but without publicity, advertising and accounting, were running at an annual rate of about $46,000 based on four operating months and eight non-operating months; for the non-operating months the overhead and fixed expenses are included but no strictly operating expenses. It will undoubtedly be decided to run the tow two or three times a week during the non-skiing months provided that the results indicate that income will at least cover out-of-pocket operating expenses. The income thus far in the month of March reflects a hotel, cottage and dormitory occupancy of about 110 people per day, or less than half capacity; of course, there are many others who live in or are visiting in town at other places than the hotel and also use the tow.

The Corporation has paid all except about $50,000 on the approximate $250,000 cost of the two tows; it has also paid all miscellaneous bills, including the erection, furnishing and stocking of the sun deck; the cost of cutting trails during the summer and fall and all bills contracted as a result of the purchase of automotive equipment, supplies, necessary inventories, etc. The American Steel and Wire Company, to whom the unpaid balance for tow construction is due, has been extremely cooperative and is now considering a three-year extension of payment for the balance due if additional stock subscriptions are not made in sufficient amount by either new or old stockholders.

However, it seems very important that at least $25,000 or $30,000 be provided for the widening of existing trails and the building of new easy trails for beginners and mediocre skiers. There is little question in the mind of anyone who has studied the situation but what this is essential. Many beginners who have immediately upon arrival entered the ski school and put themselves in the hands and under the supervision of the instructors have gotten along very well and enjoyed their skiing in Aspen thoroughly. On the other hand, there are, unfortunately, those who feel that they cannot afford to enter the ski school or for other reasons prefer not to, and in those cases some difficulties have been experienced because of the absence of a sufficient number of wide and easy trails.

The consensus of opinion among hundreds of visitors whose reactions have been carefully checked has been overwhelmingly as follows; that snow conditions are excellent; that the higher altitude than most visitors are used to has been no real problem at all; that the climate with freedom from winds, blizzards and slides has made a most favorable impression; that the scenery, accommodations in general, food, service, and the courtesy of the ski school instructors have all been quite satisfactory; but that for next year there must be easier descents, wider trails and better provision generally made for the novice and mediocre skier.

Furthermore, it was felt that Aspen could very well be a most unique and extremely popular skiing resort during all of April and a good part of May as far as country touring is concerned. This in turn would mean some moderate expenses in preparing some shelter houses where touring skiers could spend the night, and food, warmth and a few other minimum conveniences could be provided. Some spring touring is going to be started this April and May.

In order to finance these various projects, (1) paying as much as possible of the unpaid balance to American Steel and Wire, (2) building of easier trails and broadening of existing ones, and (3) spending a small amount for shelter houses and other relatively insignificant and incidental expenses, the increase in capitalization seems desirable and necessary. I am personally going to make proportionate subscription and probably a little more, but that should be discounted because of my great interest in the whole Aspen development. On the other hand, there are several other present stockholders to whom I have talked who expect to exercise their "rights". Furthermore, quite a few visitors who are not stockholders have expressed their desire to become stockholders of both the Aspen Skiing Corporation and the Aspen Company. Care will be exercised to continue the policy of taking in only those who are attractive and congenial and who would be welcome to the present group.

In closing, I might say that the Aspen Company, even with the relatively low occupancy (probably, however, as good as could be expected during

this first season), should have a very good chance of being in the black for the month of March after depreciation and all operating and overhead costs. Inquiries for the April and May skiing season have been coming in quite well during the last week or two. Quite a number of inquiries have also been received for the fishing, horseback, pack trip and general summer activity season. There are several plans in the making right now for additional entertainment and special events beginning within the next four or five weeks and going right through the fall until the opening of next year's skiing season. It is my belief that with a little more time, patience and effort the Aspen development will be quite a success.

Sincerely,

Walter P. Paepcke

MEMO for Messrs. Paepcke, Nitze, Pfeifer, Brown, Berger, Litchfield and Rideout, and Collins.

In re: Annual expenses of ski tow

In view of the recent discussion about expenses of the ski tow I wish to make a record of the estimates that were read to you, especially as an error in addition has appeared.

The monthly expenses as estimated with Friedl were as follows:

Ski patrol		$ 950.00
SUNDECK		
Cook	$ 200.00	
Janitor	125.00	
Three waitresses	200.00	
Room for three waitresses	100.00	
Manager	250.00	875.00
SKI TOW		
Manager	$ 275.00	
Maintenance man	225.00	
Maintenance man	225.00	
Attendant	200.00	
Attendant	200.00	
Attendant	200.00	
Attendant	200.00	
Attendant	200.00	
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Attendant	200.00	
Attendant	200.00	2,325.00

OFFICE		
Secretary	$ 75.00	
Rent	25.00	
General Manager	400.00	
Sports Desk	150.00	$ 650.00
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Garage	$ 150.00	
Power	250.00	
Gas and oil	300.00	700.00
Grand total expenses per month		$ 5,500.00

Annual expenses:

Liability insurance subject to audit	$ 800.00
Fire insurance	800.00
Taxes	2,000.00
Rents	500.00
Depreciation	14,000.00
Interest on notes	6,000.00
Total	$24,100.00

The monthly expenses of $5,500.00 multiplied for a four month season will total $22,000.00. The yearly expenses mentioned above will total $24,100.00, or $10,100.00 without depreciation. No consideration has been given to the expense of trucking water, buying food, publicity, printing, legal and accounting, but they should doubtless have their place among the monthly or yearly expenses.

Friedl indicated that the number of attendants might be reduced from eight to five.

A saving for next year might be effected if the guests were made to bear some of the burden of the patrol.

An error in addition was made in the estimates read to you at the meeting with the result that the monthly expenditures during the season are estimated to be approximately $5,500.00 instead of $4,000.00.

On the income side, the income from the sale of food certainly should off-set the expense of buying the food. There may be a small income from the ski school which we have not considered in these estimates. The contract with Friedl provides that we take in the money due the school and retain 10% of the gross and pay out of the remaining 90% all costs and expenses, paying the net balance to Pfeifer. If the expenditures of the school exceed 90% Pfeifer agrees to pay promptly to the corporation any deficiency.

Assuming $3.00 a day revenue from the average person riding the tow and a season of 100 days, 120 people a day would produce $36,000.00 during the season which would exceed the four month expenses estimated above, plus the yearly expenses without depreciation by about $4,000.00. Despite the aforesaid error in addition, it would appear that an average of 120 people a day, or $360.00 revenue, is still about the lowest figure upon which we can pay the expenses that have to be laid out in cash.

It is of interest that the notes provide that interest begins to run November 1, 1947, at 4%, payable quarter-annually, so the first payment would not become due until 1948.

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Boston Clubs Greet Eastern November 2, 3

Cocktail Party, Panel Discussions Planned Besides Business

Eastern skiers will converge on Boston, November 2 and 3 for the 24th annual convention of the United States Eastern Amateur Ski Association at the Hotel Somerset.

The Associated Ski Clubs of Greater Boston are hosts to the convention and have been working for the past several weeks to make this year's meeting in the Hub City a gala affair.

There has been a feeling among many skiers that the annual conventions have got progressively worse, insofar as interest of the recreational skier is concerned, climaxed last year by the greater part of the session's being devoted to a discussion of the pro-amateur question and resulting only in a '44, ...g of a committee report on drills ...ct.

A... feature planned for the ... convention, in addition to ... regular business meetings, cocktail schusses, etc., will be two panel sessions Saturday afternoon.

A rehash of the convention sessions at a directors' meeting last Spring brought out a widespread feeling that the necessary and important committee reports required so much discussion time that little opportunity remained at the end of the convention to take up vital new business.

In an attempt to remedy this situation, the greater part of these reports are printed in this issue, in advance of the convention, so that delegates to the meeting will be better versed on the subjects being discussed and at the same time all members of the Association will be better enabled to understand the work being done.

The sponsoring clubs are particularly anxious to have as large a convention as possible and emphasize the fact that all skiers, whether delegates or not, are invited to attend.

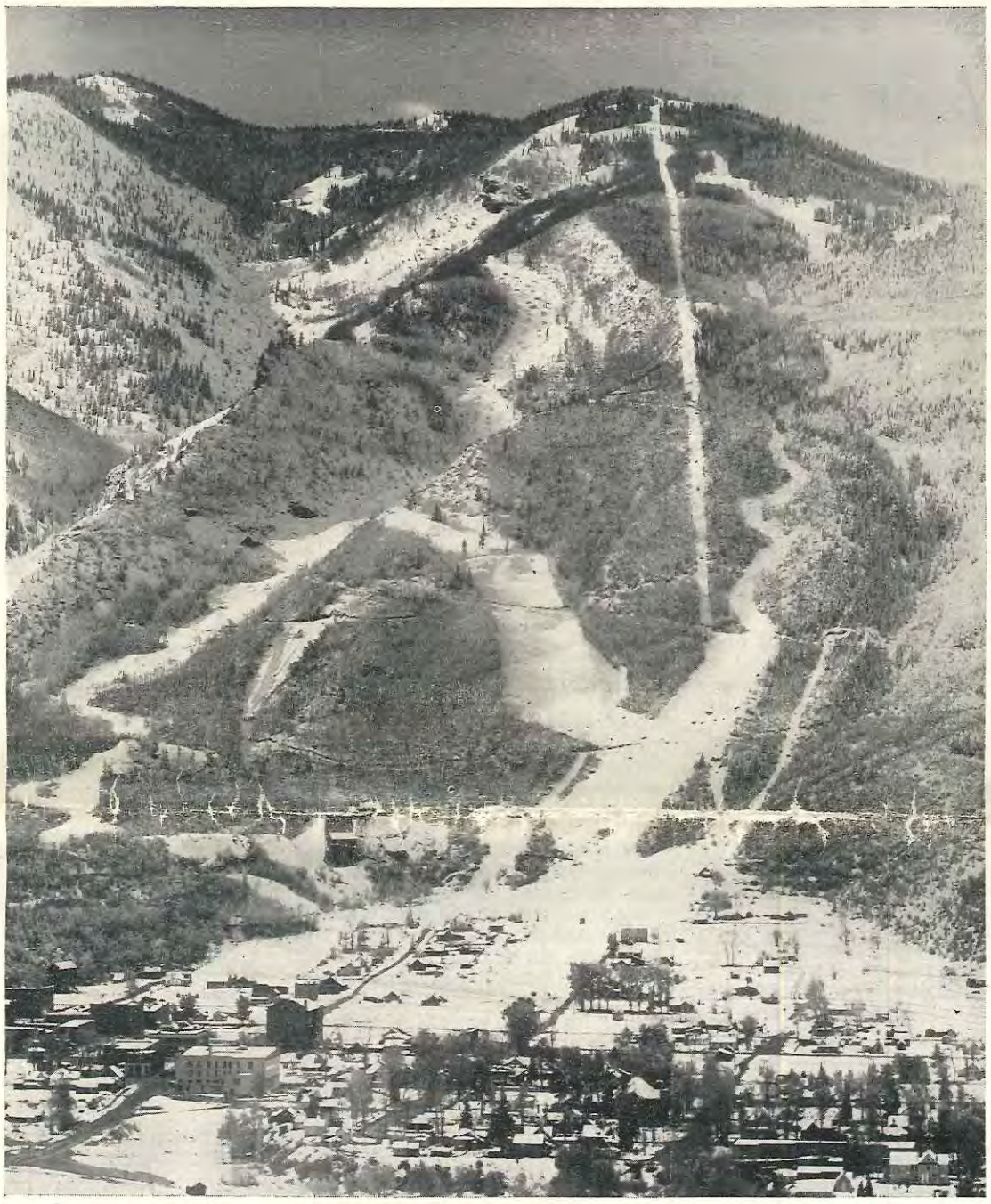
Highmount Area Opens On Belle Ayre In Catskills

Manhattan and vicinity skiers grimly contemplating the ski terrain of Central Park may take heart, for within possible distance of a single day's trip lies Highmount Ski Center, offering metropolitan addicts of the sport open slopes for practice and instruction as well as three rope tows.

Belle Ayre Mountain, where the center is located, lies 128 miles from New York City in the Catskill Mountains, and is served by several highways, train and bus. A two story building at the foot of the development will house a refreshment counter, first aid room, ski shop and rest rooms.

The tows give access to terrain between 2270 and 3100 feet above sea level. Trails which will be cut are planned for the expert and intermediate skier and will be as interesting as any in the East, it is claimed by its three owners, Lincoln Christensen, and Maurice and Francis Davenport, all well-known skiers.

World's Longest Lift, 13,880 Feet, Being Built at Aspen



Progress is well along on the new million dollar development arising in and around Colorado's famous "ghost town" where Walter P. Paepcke and a score of nationally prominent business men and skiers hope to create a world-famous ski center. The once flourishing town of 17,000 which had only 700 inhabitants in 1944 is again booming as work is being rushed to complete the chair lifts, refurbish buildings and prepare for skiers this season. Less than two-thirds of the entire lift line is shown in this photo taken October 9. The valley floor is at an altitude of 7944 feet and the lift will have a vertical rise of 3295 feet as it reaches to an altitude above 11,000. The Roch Run, considered by experts one of the fastest racing strips in this country, is shown as it winds alongside the left line at the right. (C. E. Fifield Photo)

Jackson, Wyoming, Installs New Lift

A new skiers' haven is being developed in the land of the Tetons and the Old West. The Jackson, Wyoming Winter Sports Association has organized with large-scale plans of making Jackson one of the best ski areas in the country. This winter ski enthusiasts will be greeted by a new chair lift situated on Snow King hill with a vertical rise of 1700 feet, less than a mile from Jackson. In addition, Walter Prager, Dartmouth ski coach, will head the ski school, beginning in late February.

The announcement of Walter Prager's ski school opening will add another attraction to this Wyoming area, but the excellent snow conditions and scenery make Jackson attractive to all skiers. Good skiing is available between November and May, and the cool temperatures assure powder snow most of the season. Many touring areas are available in addition to the main ski lift area.

Snow King hill will present a real test for the beginning as well as advanced skiers. Many small practice slopes are available, and several tough advanced trails are being cut from the top of the lift. Large open slope skiing is available near Teton pass, 10 miles from Jackson, although no lifts have been built yet.

The town of Jackson offers a taste of the real west, as this is the last hold out for real western characters.

NEW OFFICE

SKI NEWS is now located at Hanover, New Hampshire and all editorial, circulation or business material should be sent to this new address. The offices are at 10 Allen Street, so stop in when you are in this part of the country.

Two-Foot Fall of Snow Opens Season At Alta

Alta, Utah lays claim to the earliest western skiing for the 1946-47 season as an October 3 snow storm placed two feet of snow over the terrain. Several ski enthusiasts tried the slopes for the first time this year, and skiing was reported excellent.

This storm will be a good base for future snows, and Alta is promised a bumper year of snow and skiing. Alta's lifts will probably not start until November, but many skiers in this area will be getting in shape for lift riding days.

Mayor George Watson, Alta's leading figure, predicted the early storm for the first week in October, and the weatherman cooperated—but good.

FIS Congress Clears Rules For Olympics

18 Nations Represented Vote Cortina Races Out As World Championships

By ROGER LANGLEY

The first Congress of the Federation Internationale de Ski since 1938 was held at Pau, France from August 27 to 31, 1946. Delegates were present from 18 nations as follows: Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Finland, France, Great Britain, Holland, Hungary, Italy, Yugoslavia, Norway, Poland, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United States. The United States was represented by Roger Langley of Barre, Massachusetts and Alfred D. Lindley of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Colonel N. R. Ostgaard of Norway, president of the FIS, welcomed the delegates in his opening address, which was made in the Hall of Parliament of Navarre at Pau, France.

One of the first matters decided upon was to admit Iceland, Bel-

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California Racers To Set Fast Pace

By JOHN B. ADDLEMAN

The possibilities of an early and extensive ski season for Northern California ski addicts has resulted in an ever increasing flow of reservation requests at the many popular resort areas. Unfortunately for those of us who have waited too long, many lodges are sold out for New Year's and other popular week-ends.

Purveyors of good equipment, so necessary to our sport, are already low on their stocks without much hope of getting more.

There has already been shown a considerable interest in competitive skiing for the coming season, particularly where intercollegiate racing is concerned. Bob and "Boots" Blatt are both back in the Stanford fold and should set a fast pace for any collegians in the country. Bob spent all of last winter in Switzerland racing against the best Europe had to offer, and the experience he gained during this time would certainly make him an asset to any team.

Harry Morgan, who was outstanding in 1940-41 at the University of California as a downhill and slalom man, is back after three years in service and should rate the top spot on this team. There are many others to give Harry plenty of help, outstanding of whom is Bob Plumb of Yosemite. If, as in the past, they can get Bill Klein to work with them as coach in addition to his Sugar Bowl duties, California should end up on one of the top rungs of the intercollegiate ladder.

All in all, this being the Olympic Games tryout season, competition all over the country should be particularly keen.

Woods' Wanderings

By Len Woods

Since this first issue of this august sheet for the season of 1946-47 marks my debut as a neophyte correspondent, I feel that several things should be made clear to our readers. The opinions expressed in this column, should the case ever arise, are probably not those of the editor since he is usually skiing or out to lunch.

Having unburdened ourselves of these weighty remarks, let's have a look at what some of the western skiers have been doing this summer.

Jerry Hiatt, last season's luminary of the Denver University ski team, recently stopped off in Aspen. Immediately after the Silver Belt races at the Sugar Bowl last spring, which, incidentally Alf Engen won, Jerry underwent surgery to his midsection. He now brandishes a completely new set of stomach muscles that were vulcanized on top of his previous lack thereof. Fortified in this fashion, he will be even more of a racer to be reckoned with than he has been in the past.

Amphibious Goodmans

On his way here from the coast, he stopped en route at McCall, Idaho, the family seat of the Clan Goodman. Don and Leon are apparently creating a station-wagon of unrivalled beauty with Leon's jeep as the basis. In addition to this, they are avid water-ski addicts.

Don recently essayed a change of locomotion from a speed boat to an airplane while proceeding at full tilt across the lake. Apparently the plane found difficulty in matching its speed with that of the boat and the result was one of those magnificent Goodman spills. Rumor has it that Don and skis were spread all over the lake.

Both Don and Leon are planning to be training in Sun Valley this winter, with the Olympic tryouts as their goal. Last winter Don showed himself to be in the best training of any of the racers, and during the first part of the season was unbeatable. Leon was still in Europe with the Army, and stationed where he was able to race. He saw most of the European racers in action and knows at first hand what the American Olympic team will be up against. Don and Leon were a formidable team even before the war, and this season, with their added experience and great determination, they are going to be awfully hard to beat. Barring anything unforeseen, I look for them to be in the first five consistently this winter.

Chivers To Coach While Wife Shivers

Now on terminal leave from the Navy, Lieutenant Commander Warren Chivers of the skiing Chivers family will return to Saxtons River this winter to coach the Vermont Academy team, besides teaching geology and general science. Well known in the ski world, Warren was captain of the Dartmouth ski team in 1937, a member of the Olympic ski team in 1936, and winner of the Olympic trials for the United States team in '39.

He takes his bride of two months with him to the north country. She is the former Jean B. Stubbs of Deland, Florida, and confesses to having been only as "fah no'th" as New York City previously, and to having seen her first snow in Georgia, of all places.

Another Chivers brother, Howard, will also return to skiing this season after a hitch in the Navy. Formerly a co-captain of the Dartmouth ski team and an instructor at Gould Academy, Bethel, Maine, he goes to coach Army skiers at West Point.

Ruschp Adds New T-Bar On Mansfield

Novice and intermediate skiers will welcome the news that something has finally been done on Vermont's Mt. Mansfield to enable them to ski something besides the Toll Road with safety.

Mainly through the efforts of Sepp Ruschp, a whole new development has been added that includes a 3000-foot T-Bar lift and four new trails and slopes ranging in width from 100 to 300 feet.

The foot of the development is near the State Ski Lodge and rises to meet the Lord trail. The lift has a vertical ascent of 800 feet.

The Lord trail has been widened and graded from the top of the new area to the Octagon hut in view of its anticipated greater use this year. A new novice trail has also been cut from the halfway point on the Toll Road to the base of the lifts.

An alternate starting section has also been cut for the Lord Trail beginning on the Goat Trail near the Octagon and crossing under the chair lift line several hundred feet below the top station of the chair lift.

Not the least important of the new improvements at Stowe and Mt. Mansfield is the new hard-surfaced road that has been built from the village of Stowe to the base of the lifts which will cut down the driving time of the hardy New York skiers to Mansfield by at least five minutes.

At least nine new ski lodges will welcome skiers to Stowe this winter, while many others have redecorated and enlarged for the season. The vast quarter million dollar building program carried out by George Morrell at The Lodge has been completed and new shops, accommodations and other facilities await skiers.

NYSC To Show New Jay Film At "Ski-Vue"

The opening gun in the New York Ski Club's 1946-47 season will be its Ski-Vue at the Hotel Henry Hudson, November 20 and 21. The program will feature John Jay's newest color film, "Skis in the Sky," which covers the skiing fraternity from kanonen to snowbunny. In case you want to find out how to reach your favorite resort in record time, there will also be a display by airline companies at the Ski-Vue, as well as a complete exhibit of ski equipment.

This club, which has stood for ski fun and proficiency in metropolitan New York, for 11 years, looks forward to the busiest season of its career with the return of its veterans to civilian life. A member of the USEASA and the New York City Ski Council, the club has lined up a calendar of competitive events and ski safaris, starting the winter with plenty of vorlage.

The James Gannon Ski Trophy, the club's outstanding award, is named for a club member who lost his life serving with the Navy Air Force during the war. The trophy is given to the member who rolls up the greatest number of tallies under a merit point system designed to try the mettle of any skier. The tests include the New York City Inter-Club Combined Downhill and Slalom races, active service on a registered ski patrol and unusual effort in club activity or other activity directly related to the promotion of skiing.

At present the club is considering the purchase of land near several big ski centers and the erection at each of a ski hut to accommodate 40 people, with the idea of reducing the cost of overnight lodging for members, and, when possible, their friends. The lodge will consist of a central living room with two wings for men's and women's bunk rooms. Later, according to the blueprints, a third wing will be added with rooms for couples, and out-of-door lean-to's tacked on for those rugged enough to snooze while the mercury schusses to 30 below.

As part of its program to encourage novice and expert alike to take instruction, the club refunds to its members half the cost, up to a stipulated amount, of any lessons they take, no matter where. In the past the club has arranged for a full week of instruction (35 hours) by noted professionals for as little as $10 per head. In providing these services to its 80 members, directed by President Ken Littlefield, the New York Ski Club is an example of an active group which has earned concrete benefits by organized efforts.

New T-Bar and Chair Lifts

1. Yosemite National Park, California.
2. Boise, Idaho.
3. Albuquerque, New Mexico.
4. Lake Tahoe, Nevada.
5. Donner Summit, California.
6. Seattle, Washington.
7. Heartwellville, Vermont.
8. Mt. Mansfield, Vermont.
9. Aspen, Colorado.
10. Arapahoe Basin, Colorado.
11. Berthoud Pass, Colorado.
12. Jackson, Wyoming.
13. North Creek, N. Y.
14. Lake Placid Club, N. Y.
15. Brattleboro, Vermont.
16. Franconia Notch, New Hampshire.
17. Mont Tremblant Lodge, Quebec.
18. Val Cartier, Quebec.
19. Lac Beauport, Quebec.
20. St. Sauveur, Quebec.
21. Snow Basin, Ogden, Utah.

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This year's newest picture, "Skis in the Sky," which will have its Manhattan premier at the New York Ski Club's "Ski-Vue" November 20-21 is John's first post-war production, made on a trip through the West last winter after he received his discharge from the Army in January.

Now rounding out a full decade of sport photography, John took his first film on Mt. Washington's headwall in the corn snow season, because, he says, "I had to do something so that my family would stop asking why I never came home for Easter vacation!"

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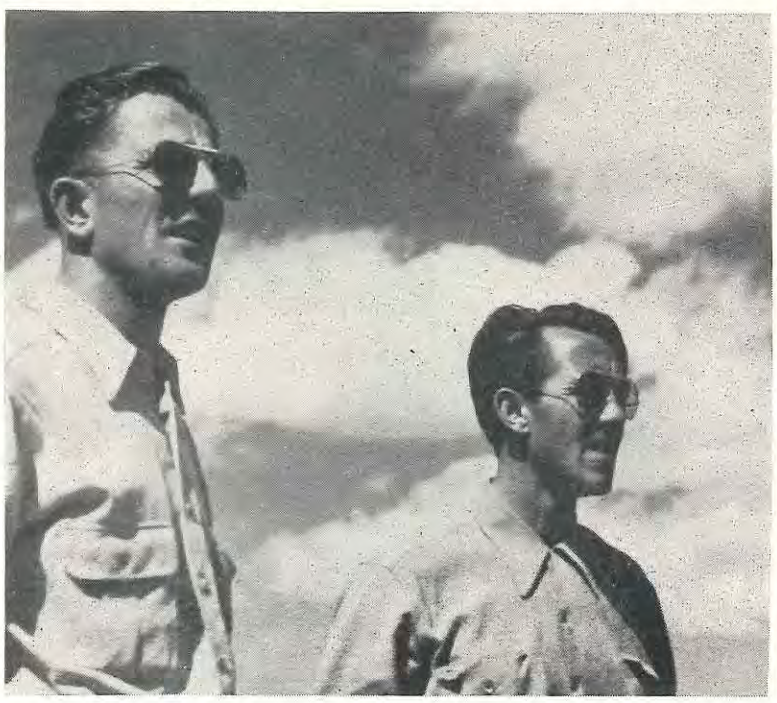
Prager and Pfeifer Return to Teaching After Long Service With 10th Division



No longer skiing for Uncle Sam are Walter Prager left, and Friedl Pfeifer, two of the foremost skiers and instructors in this country, and both veterans of the famous 10th Mountain Division, which played an important role in the final phases of the Italian campaign.

Prager has guided the destinies of the Dartmouth College ski team since he came to this country from Switzerland in 1936 and will coach through this season. His team, captained by Phil Puchner, Dartmouth '44, started running and gymnastic drills in mid-October.

After the Winter Carnival in February, the climax of the Dartmouth winter sports season, Walt will go to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, to head his own ski school at that newly developed resort. At an altitude of 6000 feet above sea level, Jackson Hole was his headquarters for rock climbing in the Tetons this summer.

Friedl Purple Heart veteran of the 87th Mountain Regiment, will head the Sun Valley and Aspen ski schools.

Former holder of the U. S. slalom championship title, Pfeifer taught skiing and rock climbing and tested winter warfare equipment and acted as technical advisor during maneuvers. Declining assignment to Officers' Candidate School, he stayed with the fabulous Tenth for final training and overseas service.

Shipped over in January, 1945, the Tenth entered the front line a few days after arrival at Leghorn. As an assistant rifle squad leader, Pfeifer's first campaign with the Tenth was on Mt. Belvedere, called the "Key to the Po Valley" by the Germans themselves.

He was in the front line continuously in the brilliant, but casualty-ridden campaign until wounded by enemy mortar fire on April 15, 1945. Hospitalized in Italy for seven weeks, Pfeifer was then flown back to the United States for complete recovery and honorable discharge.

THOUSAND YEAR OLD SKIS

Old skis have been found in the moors of some nordic countries and some of these skis are now in the museums of Oslo, Helsinki and Stockholm. These old skis were still fairly well preserved and scientists have judged their age to be from 2,000 to 4,000 years.

New York State Winter Sports Council Formed

A statewide organization to be known as the New York State Winter Sports Council was formed at Lake Placid last month following a meeting of ski interests there in two-day session.

The aim of the new council is to develop and promote winter sports within the state, bring together all groups, organizations, public and private agencies and business enterprises associated with winter sports, and improve all facilities connected with winter sports.

The interim board of directors of the new council consists of the following: Lyman P. William, chairman; E. E. Pierce, New York Central Railroad; Ellis Champlin, New York State Education Department; Nelson Gildersleeve, Schenectady Winter Sports Club; Maltbie Shipp, National Ski Patrol System; Spencer Johnson, Gore Mountain Ski Club; H. L. Garren, Lake Placid Chamber of Commerce; Harry W. Voege, New York Ski Club; E. M. Huben, Ulster-Greene County Vacationland; H. McIntyre Grout, Jr., and J. J. Horan, New York State Department of Commerce; Arthur Roscoe, Allegany State Park and Arthur Draper, Whiteface Mountain Authority.

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Anticipated Improvements In Equipment Slow To Reach Market; Shortages Hamper Makers

By Charles M. Dudley

The startling new developments and the thousand radical changes that had been promised for the 1946-47 ski season—the marvelous advance that had been whispered would stream out of the army research laboratories—have been reduced to a trickle. Material shortages, labor troubles and inability on the part of manufacturers to put forward something new in view of difficulties have rather dimmed the prospects of a consumer's market in the ski field—but this is general, so the situation is no different than in most industries.

The ski situation: low priced skis will be few if any; medium priced skis are not plentiful: high priced skis will be in fair quantity. Imported skis—prices will be very high and quality infinitesimally small. Metal skis: the Chance-Vought ski with the aluminum and plastic-wood combination was found successful last year, but is not yet being marketed. The American Ski Company reports the bugs are now out of the Dow-Metal Air Ski and fair quantities should be available. Word from Norway reports that the Hvalbard Ski (whalebone ski) is now a proven success—warping has been overcome and a ski with amazing action and speed is the result.

"Buzz" Bainbridge writes for the Northland Ski Manufacturing Co. "We are probably as hard hit as the other outfits with the lumber shortage, but being the largest manufacturer with old sources of supply has its advantages and we will market more than our share. The shortage has cut down our research and plans for new items somewhat, but we have gone ahead somewhat more slowly than we had hoped to this first year after.

"In answer to the demand for good hickory skis for the young champions springing up all over the country, we will make a Junior Monarch Ski in 5', 5'6" and 5'9" lengths. These skis will have relative flexibility, an item that we feel is somewhat overlooked by many in making small sizes. Along this line also, in cognizance of the great numbers of promising young skiers coming up, we will also make a small replica of our famous Tournament Jumpers in 6' and 6'6" lengths. Our Tournament Jumpers will have tips not quite as curved to give longer running surface, and less chance of break from hard landings.

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Don Miller of the Fahlin Manufacturing Co. of Columbia, Missouri, writes: "For your information we are now in full production on skis. We now have in the process of development a new laminated ski that will be the last word in style, beauty and service. This ski has a white hickory center, flanked by two narrow red hickory strips on either side. The two piece laminated sole is designed to give the ski a desired flexibility and the smoothest performance."

More Quality Skis

Thor Groswold of the Groswold Ski Co. in Denver, Colorado, reports that he is back in production of better and medium quality skis. Groswold has carefully nurtured their accounts, giving each a good selection of their excellent prewar quality skis.

John and Ashton Gregg of the Gregg Mfg. Co. in St. Paul have shipped a limited number of better skis to selected accounts. Gregg's laminated ski had made itself an excellent reputation before the war.

Rock Stephens of Ski Sport, Inc., reports that they are greatly oversold. Their new development is a second model of the laminated. This ski is somewhat stiffer and slightly wider in the tip than the very flexible "laminated" model so beloved around Stowe.

S. L. Allen Co., the Flexible Flyer people are again featuring the "Splitkein." This is a very reliable good quality ski of which there will be too few this winter.

Andreef of Canada who distributes his skis through John H. Graham in New York City is producing laminated skis solely. Andreef's models are well-liked in Canada and are quite graceful. Mr. Andreef is a real authority on wood lamination.

We hear through the grapevine that our friends in Norway, Maine, Paris Mfg. Co., are producing the best volume of medium priced skis. This will certainly be a help to the chap who wants to get his first complete outfit this year.

From W. O. "Bill" McConica, brother of Dr. T. H. McConica, the inventor of the most talked of Air Ski (Dow Metal), we get the following information: Generally speaking, the Dow Metal Air Ski was a success in its first year. Minor faults were corrected, such as an improved footplate, and loss of camber. The trouble with the 1945-46 footplate was unavailability of proper materials. The very ingenious Dr. McConica corrected the camber situation by slightly changing the alloy and by bending in too much camber and then bending back to normal amount.

Experience with the skis the first season brought out three startling and unexpected results. (1) It was discovered that on wet snow a klister wax was necessary for fast running. This was due to the exceptionally smooth surface that "sucked" water in the snow. However, the ski was faster than expected on dry snow. (2) The behavior of the ski on ice or hard crust seems to be the greatest feature. The point does not turn over as does that of a wood ski and users report infinitely better control on hard snow conditions. (3) The fact that the point does not turn over seems to indicate that ski technique will have to be varied to attain best results on soft snow.

Chance-Vought Ski

I regret that my acquaintance with the Chance-Vought Ski is not intimate enough to discuss it in detail. Users, generally, liked the ski very much and experience would seem to indicate the action of the ski is excellent and will stand rough usage.

Ski Bindings: Perhaps I should wait to see which way the cat will jump when it comes to a discussion of ski bindings. I have prophesied a change in ski bindings—especially in the line of safety. I do not mean to go back to the general conception of the early part of the century that ski bindings are dangerous and "I wouldn't use anything but toe straps"—No! a thousand times no! The cable binding did much to advance skiing skills and actually reduced "accidents per mile"—that's the way the air lines figure it. Yes, we go more places with cable bindings so we are bound to get a few more accidents. We couldn't do what we do today without them.

In bindings, the public will be introduced to several radically different models.

The pioneer in safety bindings is Hjalmar Hvam of Portland, Oregon. The great departure from orthodox bindings is in the fact that there are really no toe irons in the traditional sense. There is really three point control which gives the skier the feeling of, as a famous western skier expresses it, "being closer to his skis."

Hvam is now manufacturing two models. "The original has and utilizes a sole protector which is eliminated in the latest model. The new model has a toe-gripping crescent shaped, concave receiver for the ski boot toe and the harder the cable is tightened, the snugger and firmer the bindings will hold." The second feature is the release in bad spills and I think this an important trend.

The Jansen Safety Ski Binding which was manufactured in Chicago by a well-known ski jumper and toolmaker has one very especially interesting feature. Like Hvam, Jansen advocates three point control instead of traditional toe irons. However, Jansen has developed a binding that will release the foot in both a forward or a twisting spill. He accomplishes this release by a slanting slot in the sole protector into which the side irons fit. In other words, the shoe clip rides up the taper incline of the side irons and releases.

New Shear Pin

The Tavi Automatic Ski Binding was invented by an ingenious Finnish ski runner and has a definite place in the trend. The binding has a double safety feature and should release in forward spills. The adjustment of the toe irons is quite simple as is the cable length. Upon a pre-determined amount of pressure the front hatch will release, and, as a double safety feature, an easily replaceable pin will break.

Another feature is the fact that one need not stoop over to put on the binding. Step in, press down with ski pole and the toe iron is in place and the cable comes tightly around the heel. Anyone with sciatica, lumbago or arthritis will enjoy it.

My departure from Mr. Tavi's thinking is in the direction of pull which I believe should be lower to attract the downhill skier. As it is, it is a good binding for the ski tourist.

The Groswold Ski Company has taken over the patents on the Belmag Diagonal Binding which first appeared in Switzerland during the war. This binding is unique in that it has spring tension on the front throw as well as at the heel. This binding uses standard toe irons—(the safety irons may well be used) and though I have not had the opportunity to use it, it appears that it would give excellent control and would be very agreeable to ski with. I know that Dick Durrance is very enthusiastic, which is sufficient recommendation.

The Dovre Ski Binding Co. of W. Concord, Mass., has made a number of improvements on their already excellent products. Dovre is the only binding manufacturer, or, as far as I know, who is "Parkerizing" their irons. This is an excellent finish and should wear well. Leif Nashe also informed me of the numerous finer details that Dovre was doing to better adjustment, control of skis, etc. Dovre has an excellent children's cable binding which should find ready sale.

Dartmouth Skis, Inc., in Hanover, N. H., have been in the process of constructing a new binding and pole assembly plant. Their famous Precision will be back this year.

Carroll Pressed Metal Company, of Worcester, Mass., are having better luck obtaining leather than most concerns and should be in a position to deliver children's bindings which are a scarce item.

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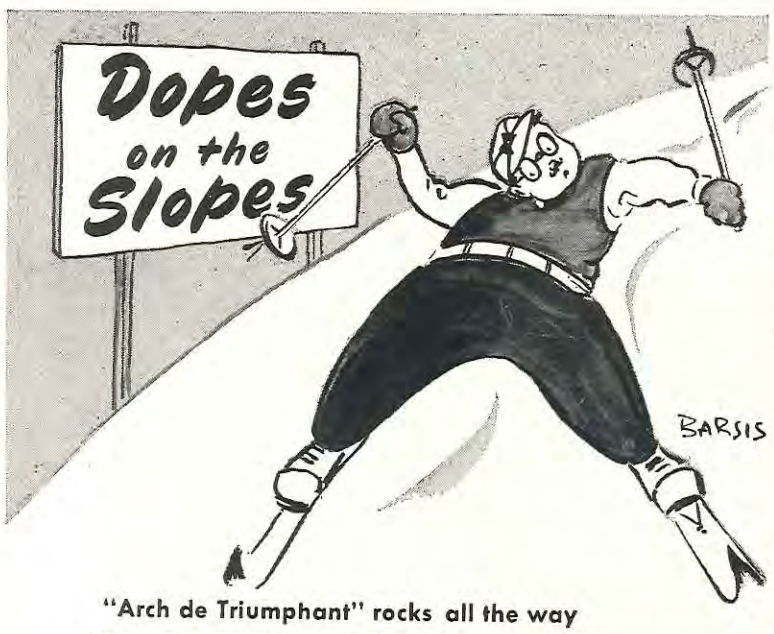
It's Snowing Down South Or Will Soon, Says Seer

From south of the Mason and Dixon Line comes the prediction that there will be 11 snows down there this winter. Reason: an old wives' tale to the effect that the number of real snows is equal to the number of foggy August mornings, of which there were 11.

But in the South, suh, they stay indoors till that white stuff melts; what do you think they are, crazy?



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First Snow Whitens Mont Tremblant



LEO SAMSON PHOTO

Covered by the season's first snow which fell October 1, Mont Tremblant's lower chair lift and renowned racing trail, the Flying Mile, will soon be complemented by additional facilities. Joseph B. Ryan, owner of Canada's world-famed resort in the Laurentians, announced that a chair lift will be installed and a new area fully developed on the mountain's north side.

The new lift, which when completed will provide the area with two chair lifts and one T-Bar, is not expected to be in operation until next summer, but work has been going on for some time with road construction, building a bridge, and trail cutting.

It is hoped to have one of the trails completed in time for the first running of the Mont Tremblant Cup race on the third week of March. The planned course for this is about a mile and two-thirds long and drops approximately 1600 feet.

A new trail is also being cut and groomed between the Upper Nansen trail and the upper ski lift.

Johnny Fripp, winner of the Alta Cup race in the spring, will be back to head the Mont Tremblant Ski School.

In addition to the Mont Tremblant Cup race, the Taschereau and Kandahar races are scheduled for Tremblant on the first and third week-ends of March, respectively.

An unprecedented number of advance reservations for the coming season is reported by Mr. Ryan.

Falling on skis is like a vicious circle; you are afraid because you are going to fall; you fall because you are afraid.

New Rath Lift Runs With Special Shift

Big news from Manchester, Vermont's Snow Valley is a new lift, designed by the Rath brothers, Dolf and Walter, and claimed to be so simple and safe that even a novice can get on, up the mountain, and off with confidence. Even if overloaded, the lift operation will not be interrupted, because it is to be powered by an engine with hydromatic shift that transfers automatically into low gear, according to the Raths.

The new lift, together with the Alpine lift, which was completely reconstructed this summer, is expected to give the Snow Valley area a lift capacity of more than 1600 persons per hour. Both uphill facilities will begin to roll December 15.

Whether novice or expert, every skier has a chance to try for a one, two or three star emblem on the Boomerang standard racing trail, where trials will be run daily this season.

If you're out for bigger game, you will be interested to know that Snow Valley awaits USEASA sanction for two proposed meets: the Women's College Meet March 8, 1947, to which the best skiers at five eastern colleges will be invited to participate; and the Third Annual Junior Four-Way Meet, February 28 and March 1, 1947.

Cupid Upsets Iselin's Plans To Go Fishing

The dry humor of skimeister Fred Iselin is widely recognized among the thousands who know him and a story is making the rounds that is characteristic of Fred. It seems that he went into one of the village offices in Ketchum, Idaho, during the past summer to purchase a fishing license. He was told that he was in the wrong office as this was the marriage license bureau. "Okay," said Fred, "I'll have one of those instead."

Shortly thereafter Elli Stiller, one of the foremost women instructors of this country, became Mrs. Fred Iselin.

Western Skiers To See Thorner's Skiing Rhapsody

Western skiers will be afforded an opportunity of seeing Hans Thorner's latest color and sound films this month. The production, titled, "A Rhapsody of Skiing," covers skiing at its best from the Canadian Rockies to the Swiss Alps.

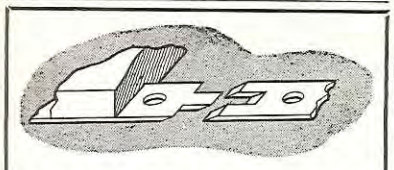
The November 8 western premiere will be held in the Embassy main auditorium in Los Angeles, followed November 9 by a showing in the Junior College auditorium at Pasadena.

Seattle skiers will see the films November 13 and 14, with tentative dates in Boise, Idaho, Boulder and Denver, Colorado, Milwaukee and Chicago to follow before the movies are shown at St. Paul, November 29.

Thorner's program includes five productions, "Riding the Hickories," starring present national champions Barney McLean and Dick Movitz, with narration by Ted Husing; "White Rhapsody," which was filmed on Cannon Mountain; "Skyward on Skis," a film produced in the Canadian Rockies and narrated by Lowell Thomas, plus two new Swiss films packed with high-speed skiing.

Skiing will go into Carnegie Hall as the film makes its New York City debut December 14.

Clubs desirous of booking the films should write to Hans Thorner, Franconia, N. H.



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Anchors Are Away Now; Sun Valley Reopens Dec. 21

Sun Valley, the far-famed Idaho resort, reopens its doors to civilians again December 21, after its wartime use as a hospitalization center for rehabilitation and recreation of Navy personnel. Its reconversion is nearly complete, according to latest word from W. P. Rogers, general manager.

Friedl Pfeifer, a leading figure in the ski world, will lead the Valley ski school once again, with many of the pre-war instructors back to teach everything from snowplowing to slalom racing. Many races are on the docket with the National Intercollegiate Championships opening the racing season December 28-31. The renewal of this annual event will match college teams for the first time since 1941. The all-important Olympic ski team tryouts are scheduled for this Idaho resort too.

All That Meat . . .

The resort was only a sheep ranch until 1936, when the Union Pacific Railroad built the village of Sun Valley there in the mountains of the Sawtooth range, which have been favorably compared with ski terrain in Europe.

Vacationists will find the buildings redecorated and revamped. As before the war, the Sun Valley Lodge will offer luxurious accommodations, while the Challenger Inn, a rambling mountain-style hotel with four skiers' chalets, is more moderately priced. Rogers reports that reservations for this winter are overwhelming and a capacity crowd—650 guests is assured for the entire winter.

Four electric ski lifts serve areas on Dollar, Rudd, Proctor and Baldy Mountains. On Baldy the three-section, 11,500 foot lift takes skiers in a few minutes from the bottom of Wood River canyon to the 9200 foot summit from which they can choose among several runs over different terrain.

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"Hot Potato" huts on Dollar and Proctor and the Roundhouse part way up Baldy are welcome spots to warm up, enjoy the view, and refuel for another run.

When your skiing muscles tire, there are other diversions: ice skating on three large rinks; swimming in the two open-air, heated pools; sleigh rides; horseback riding; bowling; skeet and trap shooting; dancing in the Duchin Room at the Lodge; and of course plenty of refreshment will still be flowing at the Ram.

Or, if all that sounds too strenuous, just relax.

Ex-Mining Camp Becomes Boom Town As Aspen Develops Skiing Bonanza

By Elizabeth Forbes

Since Friedl Pfeifer, Johnnie Litchfield and Percy Rideout moved to Aspen, Colorado, last year with their families, that ski town has been booming. They organized the first big ski school Aspen had ever had. The tentative instructor staff for this year consists of skiers you've known and seen ski at the best places. Marshall Fitzgerald, who used to teach with Luggi Foeger at Yosemite, is expected to be there. Last year he was with Walter Prager at the Hanover Ski School. Andy Ransom, who was with Bruce Fenn at Manchester last year, is also to be on the staff. Walter Haug is another addition. He got out of the army too late to do any teaching last year but he previously has taught at Garmisch Partenkirchen, Germany, and also in Austria. He's bought a house in Aspen, and evidently expects to stay for some time. Hollywood's Dick Wright, of the Tenth Mountain Division as were most of the other instructors, will also be on hand. He's following suit and building a house for himself. Leonard Woods, who has skied in France, Switzerland and Italy, but prefers to be known just as a "Ski Bum," will also do some teaching. Len and his roommate, Andy Ransom, are building an Aspen house next to Florian Haemmerle's. It has a choice view of all the new runs.

Friedl will continue to emphasize the Ski School for Children. Free instructions will be given to Aspen children on Saturdays and on all holidays. The ski school will also be responsible for running the standard races. A gold aspen leaf on a pair of skis, will be awarded when the first test is passed; two gold aspen leaves will decorate the skis when the second test is passed; and there will be three aspen leaves for the third test. Qualified mountaineer guiding service will also be offered those who wish to tour the wilderness back country. Cabin accommodations are available for overnight—or for a week if you choose.

Twenty-two miles of new ski trails have been added for Aspen skiers. A favorite is the "Silver Queen," which was designed by Friedl Pfeifer last fall. Magnifico Cut-Off, which joins Roch Run, has been named for Mike Magnifico because he doesn't like trees. Billy Zaugg parallels the upper half of Roch. Gentleman's Ridge was planned for the beginner. The Little Annie Basin offers acres of open-slope skiing. The famous international skier and Dartmouth Coach, Walter Prager, recently said the five-mile Little Annie Trail compares favorably with many of the best runs in Davos, his former home town. From the top of the lift it is possible to ski on three different sides of the mountain. You may choose your trail according to your scenery whims or the condition of the snow.

Walter Paepcke of Chicago has made swift progress with his "restoration" and "preservation" program. The old Jerome Hotel has been completely redone from top to bottom and Charles Bishop, who formerly managed the Alta Lodge, will be at the Jerome in the same capacity. Seventeen Aspen homes, those deserted by miners back in 1893 when Aspen suddenly became a ghost-mining town, have been converted into charming Mid-Victorian guest houses. The decorating has been done so that none of the original charm is lost. Names are in keeping with the West's 90's: Victoria House, Floradora, The Gibson Girl and Little Annie Cottage. Modern apartment buildings have been made from old office buildings in order to accommodate skiers who wish to cook their own meals, or for those who have come for the season. Dormitories are available for the young skiers with thin pocket books. Many of Aspen's private homes will offer "guest-house" accommodations during the ski season.

$150,000 Area Underway In Colorado Near Loveland Pass at 13,000 Feet



DICK DURRANCE PHOTO

A new $150,000 development in the Loveland Pass region of Colorado is being built which will provide lifts approaching the 13,000 foot level.

Larry Jump, Dartmouth '35 and more recently a member of the Terrific Tenth Mountain Division, and "Sandy" Schauffler, Amherst '38, member of the 1940 U. S. Olympic ski team, and Navy fighter pilot, were engaged by the Denver Chamber of Commerce to do a survey of Colorado skiing possibilities last winter and after touring the state decided that Arapahoe Basin presented almost every opportunity to develop an ideal ski resort.

A corporation was formed with Jump as president, Schauffler as secretary-treasurer, Dick Durrance and Max Dercum as vice-presidents, and Thor Groswold, the ski manufacturer, as member of the board of directors.

Two chair lifts are planned for the area of 3820 and 2690 feet, for a total of 6510 feet over a rise of 1610 feet. It is doubtful if both lifts will be completed in time for this season, but work is being pushed to complete the lower lift. Hotel, restaurant, cottages and other facilities are planned for next season.

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By Dick Movitz

Salt Lake City—Out this way the evidences of winter's coming are becoming plainer every day. The west's early winter begins in not too many weeks, and from all indications a big season is in store. The Utah Centennial celebration will attract many ski enthusiasts to this area.

At Alta, 28 miles from Salt Lake City, no new improvements have been made. The lifts have been placed in first class condition, and a big season is promised for those who like the deep powder and Alpine atmosphere. Sverre Engen will again head the ski school. Alta's problem has been inadequate sewer facilities, but as soon as they are improved, many new lifts and lodges will be constructed.

Biggest race news of the year is the National Downhill and Slalom Championships scheduled for March 1-2 at Alta and Ogden's Snow Basin. The downhill race will be held from the top of Mt. Ogden with an almost 3000 foot vertical drop ending at the lower terminal of the Snow Basin chair lift. Plenty of fast downhill running is promised for the nation's leading racers. Alta will be the scene of the slalom competition. The steep slopes and fast snow will be a supreme test, and excellent competition is in store.

Several other races are on the docket starting with the Snow Cup race in December and concluding with the springtime Alta cup competition. The Utah Centennial celebration during 1947 will feature skiing during the winter, and a large Centennial jumping meet is slated on Ecker Hill. The Utah Ski Club has placed a bid for the jumping tryouts for the 1948 Olympic team, but as yet no definite selection has been made.

The newly organized Salt Lake Ski Club plans to enroll 2000 members by the middle of the winter. The club is organized to promote winter sports in this area, and many leading sport backers are charter members. A ski fashion show is slated for November and many other activities will be held as the year progresses.

Brighton, another resort near Salt Lake City, will be a haven for many skiers. Although more wooded than the Alta area, Brighton offers excellent touring and mountaineering terrain, and several small lifts are in operation. Art Johanson is ski school head, and a good season will begin in November.

Los Angeles Skiers Await Opening Gun

By Bill McGuire

Southern Californians are beginning to lacquer their skis, grease their boots and in general prepare for the approaching ski season.

Anyone who has made a round of the ski shops notes a dearth of equipment, but in spite of this, there is every indication that interest will reach a new high this season among skiers in and around Los Angeles.

Here is the line-up of nearby areas for the L. A. skier:

Mt. Waterman: Our closest resort is only 40 miles from Los Angeles at an elevation of 8,000 feet. A good state highway is well maintained throughout the winter so that it is possible to drive directly to the inn and lift. The road has also been widened to permit three lanes of parking in the area. Headed by Lynn Newcomb, the development offers gentle slopes for beginners and fast runs for more experienced skiers, as well as the half-mile long chair lift and two rope tows.

Snow Valley: Johnny Elbrum's area located 90 miles from Los Angeles provides a ski hut rental shack, one saddle type lift and two rope tows as well as its excellent ski school.

Big Pines: A new chair lift has been added this year which will be run by Frank Springer and Tom Trial. There are also several rope tows here and the area promises to hold its high position of popularity among skiers in Southern California. The area is only 95 miles from Los Angeles.

Lake Arrowhead: 85 miles from Los Angeles. Will again be open with all indications pointing to its biggest year.

Big Bear: 110 miles from Los Angeles. Good ski terrain, plus tows and accommodations.

Yosemite: This complete resort and one of the most popular will again emphasize its well-organized ski school that will be headed by Loren Trubschenk. 250 miles from Los Angeles.

Rogers Nips Rumor

Reports have been coming in from various sources, including our own correspondents, that Sun Valley Lodge and some other places are completely booked for the coming winter. Hesitating to print this information without being certain of the facts, W. P. Rogers, general manager of Sun Valley, was contacted. He supplied the following information, "our reservations are exceedingly heavy yet cancellations definitely indicate we are not solidly booked."

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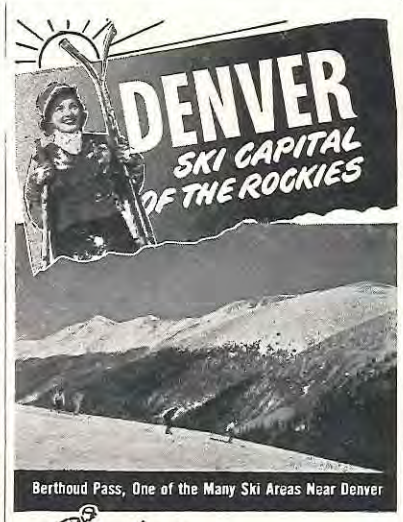

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POWDER SNOW...

Betty Conant Kauffman forsakes schoolroom to conquer Alaska's Mount St. Elias—Pittsburgh Club officers unite—Functionalism in women's sports clothing evolved from motley beginnings—Saks goes to Canada for fashion.

By Betsy Bankart

Robinson Crusoe felt himself quite a discoverer when he found a footprint in the sand, but he would be far more startled if he saw on the summit of Alaska's remote Mount Saint Elias—18,000 feet high—the imprints of seven pairs of hands pressed into the snow.

Of the hardy and adventuresome people who struggled to the top of that peak, one was a woman. She is tall, quiet Mrs. A. J. Kauffman, the former Betty Conant, who, in her off moments when she is not scrambling up a mountain, teaches arithmetic in a Washington, D. C., school.

The Mount Saint Elias expedition was no gentle first-of-the-AMC-season hike, but required a month's climbing for Mrs. Kauffman, her husband and six other members of the Harvard Mountaineering Club: Maynard Miller of Seattle, the leader; William Latady, Cambridge, Mass.; Lt. Ben Ferris, Weston, Mass.; Dee and Cornelius "K" Molenaar, Los Angeles and William Putnam of Springfield, Mass., who was wounded with the 10th Mountain Division and could not quite make the summit.

California Suburb

Other souvenirs left on the mountain top were the Harvard club's flag and a sign, "Los Angeles City Limits," carried up by enthusiast "K" Molenaar.

The trip to the base camp, 50 miles northwest of Yakutat, Alaska, was rugged. The party crossed the treacherous Tyndall glacier after landing from a small fishing boat in Ice Bay. Pieces of glacier collapsed under their feet as they inched cautiously along.

The group took four hours to cross 100 yards at one bad spot. To get to the base camp they crossed one river by slinging a rope across and using a metal "trolley" hook to slide along the rope.

All of the climbers fell into crevasses, but luckily they usually sank only up to their waists.

The party made 11 camps on the long trek up. Every one carried supplies and equipment, including Mrs. Kauffman, whose load weighed 40 pounds at lower altitudes and was reduced to 30 as they went higher. The men denied that she held them back at all.

Pie In the Sky

A plane from the Army's 10th Rescue Squadron, guided by arrows drawn in the snow, dropped supplies three times, a total of one and a half tons. On one occasion the party had a special treat. A box which fell from the skies and buried itself six feet deep in the snow contained a carefully wrapped package surrounded by sawdust for extra protection. Inside were apple pies and two notes, that read, "Pies — like mother used to make. Courtesy Yakutat Bakery" and "Sawdust—Courtesy Yakutat Carpenter Shop."

When the trip was over, the men went on to other things. But Mr. and Mrs. Kauffman were just getting warmed up. They went down to the Selkirk Mountains in British Columbia to climb a mountain.

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The movie situation about the secretary who married her boss is not purely fictional. Proof of this is the marriage in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, of Sara Jane Anderson, secretary of the Pittsburgh Ski Club, to the president, Herbert Clarence Amtsberg. It happened on skis, perhaps?

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A picture of early women skiers, entitled "Getting the Most Out of Skiing," shows some of the pioneers who helped make the sport what it is today. The participants in this all-out effort are, as you might expect, mummified in someone's old golfing trousers, football sweater and army scarves.

In this condition they are barely able to smile for the daguerrotypist, much less move vigorously over the slopes. If they were getting the most out of skiing, we might as well have stopped long ago.

We should not belittle the unorthodox old girls, for some one had to venture into unexplored fields first, like, for instance, Mme. Therese Peltier, a French sculptress, who was the first woman in the world ever to ride in an airplane. And where would we be without the early exponents of functional dress for women, like the Misses Bloomer with their shocking divided skirts?

Now, fortunately, clothes for active sportswear combine beauty with their usefulness. In general, clothing supplies in stores are easier than they were in the last few years, though manufacturers have been hampered by lack of material, government restrictions on details such as attached hoods on jackets, and the rising cost of labor.

You will, of course, pay somewhat more than before the war; but you must expect to.

Snug . . .



The neat two-tone jacket of cotton poplin is treated with Du Pont "Zelan" for a finish resistant to snow and dampness. This one, a "Storm Play" fashion manufactured by March and Mendl, has a drawstring waist and a snug zipper closing on the shoulder.

(William Benedict Photo)

As A Bug . . .



The classic one-piece look is featured this year in suits like the White Stag "tuckerjack" shown above, which has the two-piece freedom of action but stays together, thanks to a knitted band at the waist. (Ray Atkeson Photo)

Slim and Trim Suit

One of New York's prime exponents of the simple, functional custom tailored outfit is Irene Lay, who reigns over the sixth floor ski shop at Saks Fifth Avenue. She proudly displays her smoothly fitted tuck-in suits that give a one-piece appearance, made by Irving of Canada. These come in conservative colors; navy, black, silver gray and beige. The secret of the trousers' good fit according to Irene is the fact that they come in two or three lengths and are cut high on the inseam.

A social note should be added here: Irene and William Daniel Wing, who, rumor says, is not a skier—but probably will be soon, were married in September. Here's happiness to them!

If you want to cut a more colorful figure on the slope, you'll be glad to know that new shades are coming out this year to add dash to a suit or jacket of basic color. Aqua, coral, dark brown and maize are being added to the list already being manufactured, according to Frederick J. Dormer, head of a company which sends its fashions to retail stores in most important northern cities of the country. Dormer also features a down-filled vest for women, an article that should have a warm welcome on below-zero days or for the chilly business of watching races.

In A Rug



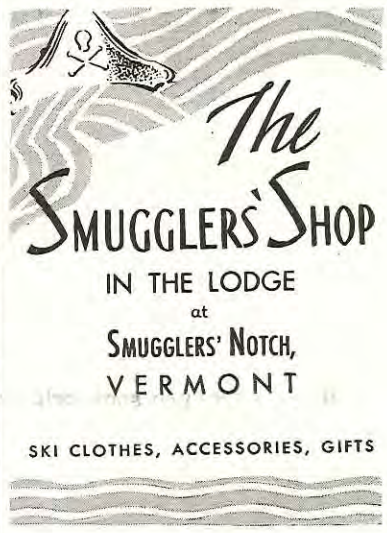
Mexican styles go to the snow belt with this wool poncho nipped in at the waist with contrasting leather, styled by White Stag. It should be a handy thing for warm weather skiing, but don't say we didn't warn you about the sombrero. (Ackroyd-Marks Photo)

Here and There

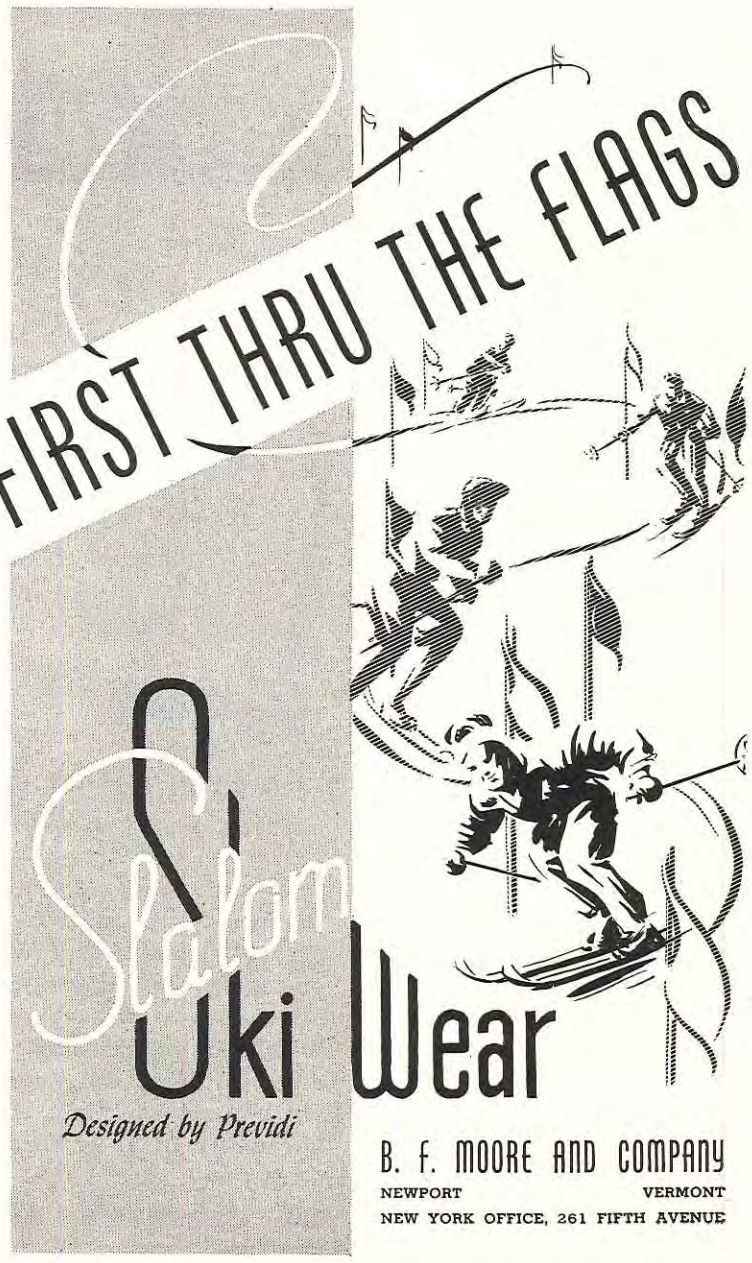
Mary Ryan will have a choice selection of Swiss imports in addition to the colorful "habitant" sweaters, scarfs and mittens that have made La Boutique so popular with visitors to Mont Tremblant Lodge.

And speaking of shops, Mrs. George Morrell, better known to many of you as "Bunny," is opening a skier's shop at The Lodge at Smuggler's Notch on Mt. Mansfield with Mrs. Matilda Sparks. And Sun Valley returnees will again discover a galaxy of original creations at Fred Picard's when the Valley reopens in December.

Many things are happening at Andre's New York store which is small in space but full of imagination. News of this and other shops will appear in subsequent issues.







New England Council Holds Ski Promotion Meeting

By "TAP" GOODENOUGH

All signs point toward the biggest season ever for New England skiers, judging from the enthusiasm displayed at the New England winter recreational promotion conference, held here under the sponsorship of the New England Council, at the Parker House in Boston, September 30.

The gathering was attended by nearly 100 representatives from the six states, all interested in finding ways to "push" one of this section's greatest "outdoor industries."

One of the chief topics discussed at the conference was the need for reliable reporting of snow depths and ski conditions. It was agreed that skiers should be able to find central information points in metropolitan areas.

Transportation was another important subject, and snow train plans for the winter were formulated, plus the announcement of new air service by Northeast Airlines to resort spots—not forgetting charter and other bus service.

A new edition of the popular "Skier's Guide to New England" will be published, available to all upon request.

Necessary safety measures for ski slopes and tows were tabulated, as well as highway sanding, plowing and the like. . . . It looks like a banner year!

HOGBACK BOASTS T-BAR

A $50,000 ski development on Hogback Mountain near Brattleboro, Vermont, will open to the public this winter, according to John L. Dunham, president of the local corporation. The area is said to lie in a 120-inch snow belt and is not exposed directly to the sun. The lift, a T-bar installation, is expected to provide skiing from late November to late March.

U. S. May Hold '49 FIS Championships

(Continued from page 1)

gium and Austria as members of the Federation.

It was then voted by the Congress that the Cortina FIS races of 1941 would not be called world championships.

In looking to the future the Congress decided not to hold any world championships in 1947, but in 1948 it was voted to hold either the world championships or take part in the Olympic skiing championships in Switzerland.

It was later voted to hold the next FIS Ski Congress in the summer or autumn of 1948, and to hold world ski championships in 1949, both locations to be decided upon by the FIS committee. The 1949 championships may be of interest to the United States, although Norwegian delegates stated that Norway might wish to hold them, claiming their priority due to the fact that they had been assigned the 1940 championships but were unable to hold them on account of the war.

The Giant Slalom was approved as an international event, and the Congress voted to add a special slalom race which will carry the world championship title. The regular slalom would be conducted as part of the combined race with rules similar to the present.

Rules of eligibility for entering the FIS world championships are about the same as in the past. Regulations were provided, however, which permit international skiing events to be held which have stricter rules of eligibility than those for the world championships. This latter provision paved the way for the FIS being able to participate in the Winter Olympic games.

Following a thorough discussion of the pros and cons of taking part in the Olympic Winter games, the final decision of the Congress was to take part, if possible, and to give the president full authority for six months to deal with the International Olympic Committee in attempt to make an agreement.

Alfred D. Lindley and Colonel Henri Guisan of Switzerland were selected as delegates to contact the International Olympic Committee at Lausanne, Switzerland. The result of the meeting was an agreement between the International Olympic Committee and the FIS whereby the IOC accepts the FIS rules of eligibility with one specification, namely: that ski teachers who receive pay for their work after October 1, 1946 may not enter the 1948 Winter Olympic games. The IOC will disregard the teacher's standing prior to October 1, 1946. The 1948 Olympic Winter games will be held at St. Mortiz, Switzerland.

The FIS Congress on August 31st elected the following officers:

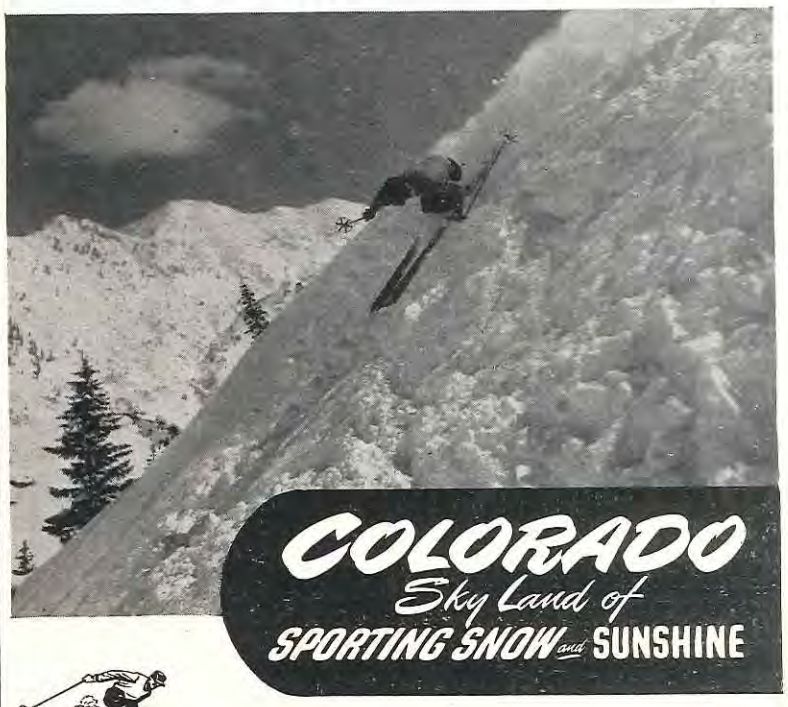
President—Colonel N. R. Ostgaard, Norway; 1st vice-president—Colonel Henri Guisan, Switzerland; 2nd vice-president—Dr. Jean Carle, France; 3rd vice-president—Roger Langley, U. S. A., and secretary-treasurer — J. Rytter Kielland, Norway.

Other members of the FIS Committee are:

Dr. Juorslav Moser, Czechoslovakia; Mr. Arnold Lunn, England; Mr. Jose Gorec, Yugoslavia; Count G. D. Hamilton, Sweden; Dr. K. M. Zaluski, Poland; Counsul-General Arvo Himberg, Finland; Mme. Van de Bergh, Holland.

United States appointments to committees of the FIS were: Arthur J. Barth to the Jumping Committee; Mrs. Herman Kiaer to the Ladies Committee and Alfred Lindley to the Downhill-Slalom Committee.

The Congress adjourned with great praise for the French Ski Federation which acted as hosts of the Congress, and had provided such excellent accommodations, entertainment, and capable provisions for the carrying out the Congress in such a fine manner.



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FALL SNOWFALL

The first snow in our neck of the woods fell during the night of September 30, and showed the next morning as an incredible white rim on the far hills above the bright autumn foliage. The season's first snowfall waited, a little uncertainly and melting slowly, on our doorstep when we arrived at the office.

We have been thinking about skiing since the last bit of usuable frozen granular melted and ran down the Continental Divide, and talking about the sport all through the hot summer months, and we're glad at last we can share our enthusiasm with others. There's snow in the air, and skiers have become conscious that the winter is under way.

We think it will be a terrific season. Sure, an early snowfall is as reliable a prediction of coming conditions as the ground hog's shadow in February, but there are other factors to consider.

You'll find, wherever you are, a few new developments of major importance to explore and try out, as well as the old favorites, many of which have expanded considerably.

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(Lest you get too glowing a notion, we should warn that all of these good things will be conditioned more or less by continuing shortages, restrictions and high prices.) Still, it sounds like a wonderful year. Hope you have a good ski season too. See you on the slopes.

THE FUTURE OF ORGANIZED SKIING

Skiing enters the post-war era with plenty of problems. Skiing is now big business, in spite of what anyone may say to the contrary and must be accepted as such by far-sighted leaders of the sport.

It is fine to think back to the early '30's when skiing was limited to a few stalwarts willing to climb for hours through untouched snow for a few minutes of downhill running, but today's skier expects a ride up, a crew of maintenance men ahead to smooth out every bump and two patrolmen behind him to carry him down in the event he falls and rips his trousers.

For some peculiar reason not fully understandable, there has grown a feeling by some that the commercial aspects and interests of the sport should be sharply separated from the "pure sport."

It is of course obvious that over-commercialism of a certain few phases of the sport, such as competition, would prove detrimental, but by the same token skiing would never have developed to its present point in this country or any other if there hadn't been individuals willing to make skiing their business. This applies to lift owners, ski teachers, resort proprietors and railroads. Each of these interests plays a vital part in American skiing today and it is only by the closest cooperation between these groups and the clubs, divisions and National Association that skiing will continue its healthy growth.

A QUARTER CENTURY OF SERVICE

The United States Eastern Amateur Ski Association will hold its 24th annual convention in Boston, November 2 and 3 and February will mark the 25th anniversary of this organization which has played such a leading role in American skiing.

When the gavel drops to open the Boston convention, one familiar person may be missing, because Dr. R. S. Elmer, a former president of the National Association and president of the Eastern since 1928, is at this writing hospitalized.

"The Doc" is slated to turn over the reins of the Eastern to Doug Burckett at this convention.

Dr. Elmer has steered the course of the Eastern through many hazardous channels and the Association has grown from a handful of jumping clubs to its present size largely through his personal efforts. The Association's very existence has at times been threatened, but Doc's belief in the sport and the Association has always brought about a solution.

Like any leader, he has sometimes been criticized, but more often than not his Yankee thinking has proved wise. American skiers owe a genuine debt of gratitude to Dr. Elmer for the tremendous time and effort that he has given the sport. Well done, Doc, and good luck Doug!

NURSERY SLOPE RHYMES

By MIRIAM BLOOD BANKART

Jack and Jill went up the hill
With plans for swift descending
Jack fell down and broke his crown,
But Jill, the dear, earned great renown:
She schussed the slope and went to town
The whole way on her ending.

Dutch Hill Adds T-Bar, Cuts 5 Trails

The Dutch Hill Ski Company, which in the past two years has developed an extensive ski area in Heartwellville, Vermont, is installing an Alpine ski lift to extend 2000 feet up the mountain. The lift will be an important feature in the further development of what will eventually be a year-round recreation center, according to the present plans of the owners, Webster H. Ottman, David L. Allen, Edward Dondi and John Pedercini, all of North Adams, Massachusetts.

Constructed with all steel towers and planned to carry 800 skiers per hour, the T-Bar lift is placed in the center of the development to service the five ski trails, four of which are now finished and ready for use. These are the Novice Dyke trail, over a mile and a quarter in length; the Yankee Doodle that winds and twists over three-fourths of a mile; the broad, well-cut, expert Christiania; and the Windmill that can be surpassed by few trails for thrills. The fifth, Death's Holiday, is in the process of being cut. The minimum width of all five is 60 feet and the greatest width is 130 feet.

An open slope is serviced by the lift and a fast rope tow is placed at the bottom of the area. Built close by, "The Boot," a large blue and yellow lodge, offers warmth and refreshments.

Heading the list of ski school instructors, is Gordon Lowe of North Adams, who served for more than four years as sergeant instructor in the Army's mountain and ski troop division, and who has assisted in planning and cutting the trails. Lowe served last winter as instructor at the ski school in Iron Mountain, Michigan.

A large parking area is being built close to the highway. Only 10 miles from North Adams, Mass., Dutch Hill in the famous Vermont snow belt is easily accessible by car, bus and train.

Work has progressed steadily since last May when the decision to put in a lift was made. Although confronted by the shortage of materials and the usual construction difficulties of the present time, Dutch Hill has every promise of being ready to start an early ski season, according to its owners.

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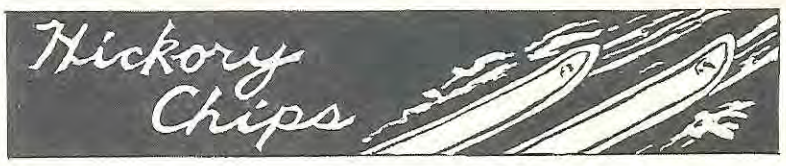

OUR FEEBLE HUMORISTS

By HAL BURTON

Since I believe in keeping up with current events, I have just finished reading—with varying degrees of shock, amazement and chagrin—an article in the February 9th issue of a normally level-headed magazine entitled: "One Side, Or Your Leg Off!"

This article is written by a humorist named Ted Shane, whose idea of wit in pictures runs to something resembling the poses in "Judge" of 1916, or "Harper's Illustrated Weekly," circa 1861. In fact, it might be said that the photos of Mr. Shane contribute unwittingly the belly-laughs I had hoped to find in the 3000 words of type he produced for his trusting readers.

The article itself is sure-fire, catering as it does to the ingrained public conviction that skiing is the noisiest of all sports, accompanied by an ear-shattering din of breaking legs, fracturing hips, and the pitiable screams of the wounded. This conviction is bolstered by Mr. Shane in setting his little drama on Shambles Corner, the Nose Dive. Poor Old Nose Dive! Why don't they pick on some other racing trail, for a change?

Now, in my day, I have skied past Shambles perhaps 400 times. On one occasion, I do recall having seen a casualty. The victim was busy demonstrating to his best girl how to do a tempo turn at 666 mph; and, since his normal best was a wobbly stem christiania, the result was obvious. Anyway, the 399 other times I passed the sycamore tree to which Mr. Shane refers with ogreish glee such as his more literary predecessors used to lavish on the gallows at Tyburn, I failed to note either corpses or cripples.

I must admit that my speed on the Nose Dive tends toward the sedate rather than the sensational, but it is adequate for the breaking of legs or the concussing of brains.

From the outstretched limbs of this hellish tree, Mr. Shane leads us straight to the most fallacious conclusion I have encountered in a lifetime devoted to the study of fallacious conclusions, and the promulgation of quite a few of them. He observes—quite on his own authority, too—that, since ONE THIRD of all the people who ski have at one time wrenched, sprained or broken some portion of the anatomy, skiing is therefore the most dangerous of all participating sports.

While it is correct to state that skiing is more dangerous than croquet, and certainly more hazardous than cribbage, I am a little skeptical of statistics produced—like that—from the human brain. There is a process, known as osmosis, by which one is supposed to be able to absorb knowledge without consciously seeking it out. If Mr. Shane possesses this rare faculty, he is indeed fortunate. In view of his proud announcement that he skis poorly, it might be worthwhile for him to absorb a little knowledge of technique along with his phenomenal knowledge of statistics. In fact, the only concrete statistic in his whole article is a report from the Berthoud-Loveland Pass area in Colorado showing a comparatively small increase in the number of skiing accidents over the years.

In my day, I have observed many ski patrolmen in action. All were normal, resilient, and not overly tired when I bade them farewell four years ago to go into the Army. I have seen many of them since returning to civilian life, and they still appear to be normal. Were Mr. Shane's conclusions correct, I should expect to encounter a hospital full of drooling, shell-shocked patrolmen, each abed with a temperature and a curt diagnosis: "Overwork."

As a matter of fact, the only genuine case of overwork I have observed is that involving Mr. Shane's imagination. He will, however, have company shortly. Another national magazine, so I understand, is producing a little gem entitled, "How to Break Both Legs." This is of the Shane vintage: written, that is, by another humorist, but along the lines described above. Be guided accordingly.

One amazing facet of skiing is that those who know the least about it write the most about it. Men whose acquaintance with skis consists of a tremulous slide down the Stowe practice slope—a mild enough place, surely—can discourse fluently on the merits of Arlberg vs. Swiss, as well as the correct method for running a flush. An occasional novice, impelled by the same urge that drives the lemmings of Norway to destruction in the sea, does venture onto the Nose Dive. Invariably he comes back to report, as did the mariners in search of far Cathay, that strange creatures inherit those unknown regions. It is not true that the world is flat, or that the sea serpents are to be found on the Nose Dive. It is, however, unfortunately true that proficiency as a writer does not necessarily imply proficiency as a skier.

I am still waiting for a good, humorous article about skiing, Mr. Shane.

There are plenty of things in skiing that could and should be written about. Such phenomena as high prices, poor and uncertified instructors, high-pressure advertisers, and phony nobility from countries that abolished titles nearly 30 years ago always will bear study.

Apparently, a fly walking across Fifth Avenue makes as much noise as the feeble wailing of the fleeced suckers. Increasingly, the feeling is growing: Let the little fellows go to hell. After all, haven't we got MGM here to make a movie?

It may be said that the old, informal days of nondescript clothing and simple, unaffected skiing are dying a quiet death. These vestiges of a better day have been smothered quietly in a corner of Saks Fifth Avenue, suffocated under a pile of horn-buttoned sweaters designed by Sophie.

One of these days, the barroom skiers, the cocktail set, and the boys and girls from cafe society are going to find something more enthralling than skiing. I hope I am around to hear the anguished bleats.

Two Panel Sessions Planned For USEASA Convention

A series of panel meetings for the discussion and exchange of information on problems affecting all ski clubs and skiers will be one of the highlights of the annual convention of the USEASA on the opening day of the convention, Saturday, November 2. Sessions are open to all skiers; not restricted to delegates and alternates.

Experts in over a dozen diversified fields of ski activity will be on hand to conduct the meetings, answer questions, and lead the exchange of information and ideas that should prove one of the most stimulating aspects of the Boston convention.

The meetings have been arranged in two groups, the first starting at 2:30, the second at 4:00 in the afternoon, in order to make it possible for those attending the convention to attend at least two, and by judicious question asking, to draw information from three or four of the panel sessions during the course of the afternoon.

The schedule of the first group, meeting at 2:30, includes discussions of ski proficiency tests, junior activities, amateur ski instruction, and USEASA membership and Association service. Doug Burckett, first vice-president of the Association, and long time chairman of the membership and classification committee, will conduct the session devoted to ways and means of extending membership in the Association and increasing the value of Association membership from the point of view of the individual skier.

Other discussion group leaders and the subjects will be Russell Franz, "Tests," Lawrence Jones of Beverly, Mass., "Junior Activities," and Ellsworth Newberry of the Hartford Ski Club, "'Amateur Ski Instruction."

Bright and Voege Head Panel

The second group starting at 4:00 P. M. will include discussions of downhill and jumping classification, the organization and conduct of tournaments and competitions of all kinds, ski safety and ski patrol activity, and housing. Alec Bright of Boston and Harry Voege of New York will head up the classification panel. The complicated business of running a ski event will be discussed from all angles by a trio of experts, John Rand of the Dartmouth Outing Club, Abner Coleman of the Mt. Mansfield Ski Club, inventors of the famous "Sugar Slalom" in which everybody from tots to vets competes in individual classes, and Earle W. Chandler of the Winnipesaukee Ski Club, an expert on jumping competitions.

Harold "Kid" Gore of Amherst will represent the National Ski Patrol System and head up the safety and ski patrol session.

One of the most valuable of the sessions is expected to be the meeting on housing, devoted to discussion of the problems of establishing and operating club huts and cabins. The joint leaders of the session will be Starr Cressy and Jimmy Dennison, both members of clubs which have an outstandingly successful record in the conduct of "up-country" club headquarters. Other consultants will be on hand with some of the answers to present day problems of design and architecture, building materials and supplies.

Budget

The report of the Budget Committee which is composed of Robert P. Booth, chairman, Hayward B. Carsley and Margaret Neyland, and as given in the past has been a more or less routine matter that necessitated verbal explanation regarding certain items and sub-divisions of those items.

The original budget was worked out by a committee headed by Ro-

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CONVENTION AGENDA

The agenda for the business sessions of the annual meeting of the USEASA will include important legislation as well as reports from chairmen of the following committees who will report on the activities of their committees:

Individual Membership and Classification Committee.

Ski Patrol Committee.

Jumping and Cross Country Classification and Rules and Regulations of same.

Certification of Amateur Ski Teachers Committee.

Certification of Professional Ski Teachers Committee.

Publicity Committee.

Budget Committee.

Proficiency Tests Committee.

Visual Aids Committee.

Safety Trophy Committee.

Junior Committee.

Interscholastic Skiing Committee.

Financial Survey Committee.

History Committee.

Women's Competitive Committee.

The matter of determining the demand for an Association of Professional Ski Teachers will be considered under new business. There will be no report as it was voted at the last annual meeting to table this for one year.

Elmer Proposes Larger Directorate

An amendment to the USEASA constitution has been offered by Dr. R. S. Elmer for consideration at the annual convention.

That Art. VII of the constitution under the heading "Board of Directors" the first paragraph which now reads—"The officers and members at large, 12 in number, elected by the annual convention shall constitute a board of directors. The elected directors may choose three additional directors, if in their judgment special or technical service thereby can be secured for the association. The president shall be chairman of the board," shall be amended to read as follows:

"The officers and members at large 12 in number, elected by the annual convention shall constitute a board of directors. The elected directors may choose FIVE additional directors, if in their judgment special or technical service thereby can be secured for the association. The president shall be chairman of the board."

This would mean that whereas at the present time the board of directors can choose three additional directors—the above amendment changes this so that the board of directors can elect five additional members to the board instead of three.

The reason for adding to the number of directors elected to the board is so that various ski areas which have been rapidly increasing can be represented on the board by electing some one from these areas if the board feels it advisable.

DIRECTORS TO MEET

The board of directors of the USEASA will hold a meeting at the Hotel Somerset in Boston at 10 A.M., Saturday, November 2 prior to the annual convention.

"Snow" To Be Subject Of Banquet Speaker

C. F. Thullener, principal meteorologist in charge of the U. S. Weather Bureau at Boston's Airport Station, will be guest speaker at the USEASA convention banquet to be held Saturday night at 7:15 in the Princess ballroom of the Hotel Somerset, Boston. Thullener will speak on skiing's most important subject, "Snow."

Club Representation And Sanction Fees Are Announced

Clubs uncertain of the number of delegates they are entitled to the USEASA convention or method of obtaining sanction for a competitive event will be interested in the following extract from the constitution of the association:

"The annual convention shall consist of delegates and alternates from their own membership by member clubs WHOSE DUES TO THE ASSOCIATION HAVE BEEN PAID PRIOR TO THE ANNUAL CONVENTION on the following basis: Each member club shall be entitled to one delegate and alternate. Clubs having not less than 40 members registered in the association shall be entitled to two delegates and alternates. Clubs having 65 or more members registered in the association shall be entitled to three delegates and alternates, which shall be the maximum representation of any one member club."

All clubs are requested to send at once the names of their accredited delegates and alternates on the enclosed blanks. Delegates selected by the clubs should be members who can and will attend the entire meeting. Attention is also called to the necessity of payment of club dues to the association prior to the seating of delegates.

Applications for sanctioned races and tournaments for the coming winter, whether jumping, cross country or downhill competition, should be sent in advance to the secretary in order that the schedule committee can arrange, as far as possible, the tournament schedule before the meeting. This schedule is subject, of course, to approval of annual meeting.

Sanction fees are as follows, as voted at previous conventions:

Jumping

"All championship ski tournaments and Class A and B a sanction fee of $10; scholastic tournaments other than the Eastern Inter-Scholastic Championship a sanction fee of $5."

Downhill

"A minimum sanction fee of $5 to be charged for major non-paying tournaments, and a minimum sanction fee of $2 to be charged for minor non-paying tournaments regardless of income derived.

"Strictly club tournaments which are sanctioned and have no competitors outside sponsoring club, no sanction fee. In event of postponement no additional sanction fee to be made for new sanction date and in event of cancellation the fee will be returned."

Select desired tournament dates with championship titles if desired. LIST AT LEAST ONE OR TWO PREFERENCES, so that, if the first date desired is in conflict the committee can award you one of the other dates, and send this selection to the secretary. IMPORTANT — REMEMBER SANCTION FEE AND CLUB DUES MUST BE PAID BEFORE AWARD OF DATE IS SANCTIONED.

Eastern Membership Rule Changed

The membership committee of the USEASA has ruled that all persons who apply for "active club" memberships in the Association or those persons making application for "Spouse" or "Junior" memberships who are affiliated with member clubs must have their applications endorsed by their club secretary or other duly recognized official, beginning at once.

This insures the membership committee that all persons are properly catalogued as to club, and further gives the club an opportunity to know just which of their members are individual members of the USEASA.

"Therefore, starting at once, persons who are active club members or spouse or junior members belonging to clubs will not receive individual bills from the Association, but should make their applications through their club secretaries for membership in the USEASA."

Jumping-Cross Country Classification

The USEASA jumping and cross-country classification committee announces that as a result of their performances at the National Jumping Championships at Steamboat Springs or the Eastern Championships at Gilford-Laconia last winter, the following Eastern jumpers have been awarded "A" classification:

Wahldemar Fahlstrom, Sno Birds of Lake Placid Club; Bernard O'Kane, Chisholm Ski Club; Allison Merrill, Franconia Ski Club and Donald Vincent, Edelweiss Ski Club.

The committee also announces that on the basis of their performances at the Eastern championships last winter, the following have been given Class A cross-country classification:

John Berg, Scandinavian Ski Club; Erling Finne, University of New Hampshire; Arthur Bower, Winnipesaukee Ski Club; Lloyd Hawkinson, University of New Hampshire; Irving Buell, Kimball Union and Robert Logan, Kimball Union.

HARRY WALTER VOEGE,
Chairman

USEASA CONVENTION SCHEDULE

Date: Saturday, November 2 and Sunday, November 3.
Place: Hotel Somerset, 400 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass.
Registration: Saturday noon to 6 P. M. and Sunday morning from 9 A. M. until noon.

SATURDAY PROGRAM

2:30 P.M. to 6 P.M.—Panel sessions proficiency tests, junior programs, amateur instruction, membership, downhill and jumping classification, ski safety, patrol work, housing and several other subjects.
6 to 7 P.M.—Cocktail party in Governor's suite.
7:15 to 8:30 P.M.—Banquet in the Princess Ballroom, followed by a short business meeting and address by C. F. Thullener, U. S. Weather Bureau meteorologist, on "Snow."
8:30 P.M.—Informal showing of colored slides.

SUNDAY PROGRAM

10 A.M.—Continuation of business meeting in the Louis XIV Ballroom.
Hotel and Banquet Reservations: Send to A. B. Moorhouse, 27 Beach St., Boston. Rates: Suite (4 persons) $5 per person; Single Room, $7-$9; Double Room, $7.50 to $11. Banquet tickets, $5 per person. The committee will confirm all reservations.

Burckett Is Named To Replace Elmer As USEASA Head

Douglas M. Burckett of Cambridge, Mass., has been nominated to head the slate of officers of the USEASA for the coming year. L. E. Briggs of Amherst, Mass., has been named on the nominating committee's slate for first vice-president, Roland Palmedo of New York City as second vice-president, Robert P. Booth of Manchester, N. H., treasurer and E. D. Eaton of Bloomfield, Connecticut for secretary.

The nominating committee has also proposed the following directors: H. W. Voege, New York City; Lawrence Jones, Peabody, Mass.; A. B. Porter, Rutland, Vt.; Robert Williams, Syracuse, N. Y.; J. H. Wictorin, Ridgefield Park, N. J.; John Rand, Hanover, N. H. and J. N. Cooke, Brattleboro, Vt.

The proposed list of delegates to the national convention in Denver next month is: Dr. R. S. Elmer, Bellows Falls, Vt.; D. M. Burckett, Cambridge, Mass.; L. E. Briggs, Amherst, Mass.; Roland Palmedo, New York City; R. P. Booth, Manchester, N. H.; Charles Dudley, Hanover, N. H.; H. B. Carsley, Pittsfield, Mass.; W. T. Eldred, Hanover, N. H.; A. B. Porter, Rutland, Vt.; Winthrop Potter, Lexington, Mass.; C. M. Dole, New York City; Hans Strand, Bear Mountain, N. Y.; Nelson Gildersleeve, Schenectady, N. Y. and William V. Mason, Waterbury, Vt.

Alternates to the national convention are: G. W. Lyman, Holden, Mass.; C. L. Parker, Pittsfield, Mass.; Roland Peabody, Franconia, N. H.; Marvin Chandler, New York City; Luther S. Booth, Montpelier, Vt.; H. A. Collin, Proctor, Vt.; Alec Bright, Boston, Mass.; Robert Billings, Brattleboro, Vt.; John Rau, New York City; George W. Peck, Rutland, Vt.; John M. Moore, Arlington, Vt.; Robert Livermore, Boston, Mass.; John L. Pratt, New York City and Abner Coleman, Montpelier, Vt.

In submitting the foregoing slate, the nominating committee adds the following comments:

(a) The nominating committee recognizes the desirability of utilizing Dr. Elmer's knowledge and counsel and to make available to the incoming and future board of directors his advice and counsel hereby recommend that the incoming officers and directors urge the convention to propose and elect Dr. Elmer as an honorary director of the U. S. Eastern Amateur Ski Association.

(b) The nominating committee contemplates that the incoming board of directors will exercise its prerogative in appointing an assistant secretary and treasurer as provided in Article VII of the constitution.

(c) This committee feels that Pennsylvania should be represented on the board of directors, but nominated no one from that district because of insufficient knowledge of the field of eligible representatives. It, therefore, recommends to the incoming "board" that serious consideration be given to the matter when the directors appoint additional members as provided in Article VII of the constitution.

(d) The list of delegates and alternates from the Eastern Association to the national convention is submitted with the understanding that names be added to or taken from the list, if found advisable by the incoming board of directors.

The nominating committee consists of the following: Ellsworth Newberry, chairman; Roland Peabody, Rockwell Stephens, Max Sauter, Fay Wech, Roger Mosscrop, Ralph White, Marvin Chandler, John Ross, Ralph W. Gengtson and William Mason.

Eastern Membership Hits 3643, Almost Reaching Pre-War Record

For our first postwar year the membership of the Association indicated a rapid recovery toward our banner year of 1940-41 when we had an all-time high of 4079 individual members. In this past season, our second highest on record, we numbered 3643, including the largest number of junior members ever. Following is a breakdown of the membership for 1945-46:

Life	1
Honorary	1
Sustaining	8
Contributing	20
Active Unattached	358
Active Club	2355
Spouse	183
Junior	717

This first season with the "spouse" membership class was very gratifying and we expect an increase in future years.

Financially the year was quite satisfactory, showing gross income of $4901.75 and expenses of $3006.90. The latter consisted of the following main items:

Stationery, printing, etc.	$ 205.80
Postage and telephone	214.15
Members subscriptions to Ski News	1384.50
Members subscriptions to Ski Annual	618.32
Secretarial work	464.13
Junior emblems	120.00

It is interesting to note that several more clubs have 100 per cent membership in the Association. This should be the goal of all clubs. Of those in the over 100 member bracket the Hartford Ski Club leads with 327 members, Sno Birds of Lake Placid Club are next with 263, followed by the Amateur Ski Club of New York with 228, Brattleboro Outing Club 140, and Mt. Mansfield Ski Club 118.

For the coming season the membership committee has ruled that all "active club" and other classes of membership in which the individual claims a club attachment must come through the proper official of the club to which the skier belongs. To facilitate this, each club that had individual members in the Association last season will receive a list of those members and will be asked to solicit them for the coming season.

With the addition of many new clubs, the return of so many skiers from the armed forces and the cooperation of everyone this year should be outstanding for the Association.

After three years of inactivity the downhill classification last season again took up where we left off in 1941-42. The need for this committee is imperative, especially with so many younger skiers developing who have had little or no opportunity to show their qualifications for taking part in downhill races. Last season 225 persons obtained ratings, many of whom had held them prior to the war, so the ratings had been automatically continued. There will be many changes in this group this year when they are rerated on the showings made this last season.

The system set up for classification has been in operation since 1936 except for the three war years. On the whole it has worked out very satisfactorily, but some improvements are possible. One major trouble seems to be the fact that third class proficiency tests are required before a person can take a time trial to obtain a rating. Since skiing week-ends are indeed too few it is hoped that some method can be worked out whereby persons can more easily qualify for participation in time trials. One method suggested is to have qualified "A" skiers pass on the applicants and vouch for their ability to handle trail running. The applicant would turn into the club sponsoring the trial a signed statement from the "A" skier. These forms would be issued by the Association and turned into the classification committee before any rating was given to a person. This means prompt handling by those running events if the scheme is inaugurated. It would make a large number of so called judges available so most any person could be readily qualified. Our time trials must be kept on a high plane always with the idea of safe skiing in mind, and no group should appreciate this better than the top skiers of our section.

D. M. Burckett, Chairman

Interscholastic

Last winter we succeeded in getting the New England Principals' Association to sponsor a New England Interscholastic Ski Championship which was sanctioned by the USEASA and held at Lebanon, N. H. The four best teams from each state were eligible to enter the meet. It was a very successful arrangement and the participating schools indicated a desire to have it continued. It is the logical event after the various state championships and it tends to develop uniformity of procedure in handling ski meets. Ralph A. Eaton, principal, Peoples Academy, Morrisville, Vermont, is chairman of the New England committee.

I corresponded with many schools about scoring procedures and arrangement of meets.

At my suggestion, Robert K. Lewis of Lyndon Institute revised the scoring bulletin which I got out some time ago, and Mr. Lewis has, with his assistants, developed a superior timing and scoring system for ski meets.

John M. Moore, Chairman

Amateur Instruction Certification

I would appreciate the views of Eastern members on the following questions relating to the activity of the above committee this coming season.

1. For how long a period should the certificate be valid? Past practice has been to issue a certificate good for two years.

2. What should be the nature of the test for extending or reinstating a certificate? a. Same as original? b. Modified? c. Acceptance of statement that holder has actively engaged in teaching throughout period of validity of certificate?

3. How should examination periods be conducted? a. Should instruction period be included in program? If so, should it be mandatory? b. What sort of time schedule should be adopted: a two day week-end, two or more two day week-ends, three day session, or what have you? c. How many different testing sessions should be planned for the season? When? Where?

4. Who should be in charge of the tests (assuming that this committee would be in charge of the program and preparations)? An amateur? A pro? A committee of amateurs? Or pros?

5. Specifically, what places, and what persons, do you think would be eligible to conduct programs and examinations this coming season?

These items, every one of which is very much of a question to me, will doubtless stir up other thoughts on the subject. If Eastern members will give some thought to these questions and express their thoughts on them at the convention, I am confident that this important activity of the Association can do much to improve the sport.

Larry Jones

Executive Office Stays Within Budget

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land Palmedo and Harry Wade Hicks at a time when the Association had 86 clubs and 2005 individual members. It was considered and accepted by the Association VOTE as showing approximately what would be a reasonable grouping of expenses, and a fair amount to be expended by an organization of the size and activities of the U. S. Eastern Amateur Ski Association at that date with a reasonable allowance for expansion.

With the exception of one or two items we have always kept within the estimated budget and this year is no exception.

This budget, I want to emphasize, is definitely an executive office budget and does not include such items as special committee activities, either as regards expense or income, as, for example, printing of New constitution and by-laws when necessary, and expenses of and revenue from individual membership and classification committees. These matters and, in fact, all matters except routine expenses are always discussed and approved by the board before being incurred, so the work of the Budget Committee largely goes into the hands of your board of directors, which is an ideal handling and relieves every individual of responsibility by placing it in the large group.

Many items are definitely fixed or automatic, such as dues to the National Ski Association of $5.00 per club. I think it is worth your while to consider the original budget made at a time when the Association had 86 clubs and 2000 individual members with this year's total expenditures. It will show you the care which your board has used to keep down and save on every possible expenditure. To the secretary goes much credit for the careful and thrifty handling of your office finances.

The items listed in the original estimated budget, adopted in 1935, were as follows:

Printing, reports, score cards, etc.	$200.00
Included in above Office supplies and sundries	10.00
Tel. & Tel.	300.00
Postage	100.00
Express—Cartage (really office)	
Miscellaneous	50.00
Special Fund — Contingencies, special meetings, etc.	200.00
Special stenographic help —taking annual meeting, mimeo., condensed copies sent to clubs, etc.	500.00
Total	$1360.00

Without listing and comparing each item on account of space I will say that the Association budget expenses this year—in spite of increased size, work and activities —have been held to approximately $644.16 under the estimated expenditure of a much smaller organization.

The fact that many of the committees draw their stationery from Miss Neyland's office boosts the executive office bill, though some, of course, have special printed stationery which comes under their own committee expense. The secretary has taken great care in expenses and I think same has been held down remarkably well, considering the amount of work done.

R. S. Elmer, President

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Join through your club or if not a member of a club fill in the opposite side of this notice and mail with proper remittance to Membership and Classification Committee, 42 Brattle St., Cambridge 38, Mass.

Spouse or Junior members who may wish a subscription to SKI NEWS (cost $.50) or a copy of the SKI ANNUAL (cost $.75), may obtain them by including these amounts with their membership dues to be submitted with their application.

MEMBERSHIP BLANK

1946-47

Membership and Classification Committee
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( ) Contributing $5.00
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*( ) Active Club $1.50
*( ) Spouse $.50. For husband or wife if other joins currently in any above class of membership.
*( ) Junior $.25. Open to those whose 16th birthday is after Dec. 31st of the season for which dues are paid. Juniors must give day ..... month ..... year ..... of birth.

* All "Active Club" and any Spouse or Junior members who are claiming affiliation with a member club must have their applications submitted thru their club secretary.

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CLASSIFICATION

I desire ( ) Jumping, ( ) Cross Country, ( ) Downhill, rating.

If over 32 on Jan. 1st of the season for which dues are paid check ( ) for veteran classification.

If an Open Class Competitor check ( ). (This classification limits one to entry in only Open Events.)

AFFILIATION AND ADDRESS

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(Witnessed by club secretary)

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Publicity Committee Outlines Plans For Association Poster And Booklet

At the USEASA Convention at Bear Mountain last fall, it was voted that a committee be appointed for the purpose of compiling and distributing information on the best procedure in organizing a ski club and advantages to be gained by affiliation with the Association.

At a subsequent directors' meeting, it was voted to appropriate money to publish a poster for the purpose of educating skiers at large in ski trail etiquette and another committee was appointed to accomplish this.

Considerable work was done by the first of these committees and the following recommendations as to a procedure to be followed was submitted to the directors for their consideration at a meeting last spring:

1. That the Association get out a large poster calling attention to the USEASA and the fact that it is worthwhile for skiers to join and that this poster receive wide distribution via member clubs throughout the territory of the Association.

2. That the Association publish an attractive pamphlet listing in some detail the history, purposes, benefits and advantages derived from USEASA membership. This pamphlet was to include pertinent facts of Eastern history in relation to the National Ski Association, discuss the proficiency test program, the USEASA film library, the certification of amateur and professional instructors, the sanctioning of races and competitions, the classification of competitors, the NSA junior program, the National Ski Patrol System, how individual skiers, as well as clubs, go about joining the Association, and information on how to organize a ski club. In addition, it was to describe the two publications, Ski News and Ski Annual.

3. Adopt an aggressive promotional program to resuscitate decadent clubs.

4. Emphasize the responsibility of affiliated clubs to multiply the number of their Eastern members.

5. Adopt, as a long range program, the sponsoring of a number of weekly radio broadcasts over various New England states, such broadcasts to cover ski subjects of interest with particular reference to snow reports and skiing conditions.

In the meantime, the poster committee had done some preliminary work along the lines desired and it was decided to combine functions of both committees into what has since been called a "publicity committee." The following action was taken by the officers and directors of the Association as regards the work to be done by this committee in view of the above recommendations:

1. It was agreed that the poster should be aimed at ski trail courtesy and safety rather than primarily at stimulating interest in the Association. The committee was very fortunate in obtaining the services of Steve Bradley who has designed an excellent poster which will be available for distribution this fall. This poster which is in full color is built along the theme of a typical senseless trail skier who too often charges down difficult trails, perpetually out of control, leaving in his wake tremendous damage to his fellow trail users. It is the sincere belief of the committee that this poster will tend to discourage reckless trail skiing and should help to promote ski courtesy and safety.

2. The committee is currently at work on the preparation of a pamphlet substantially as recommended. In addition to the subject matter listed, the pamphlet will contain appropriate cuts of Association badges, pins, emblems, and other awards. A large number of these pamphlets are to be printed and the earnest cooperation of all members and clubs alike in securing wide distribution is requested.

3. and 4. The membership committee of the Association would attempt to accomplish the purposes set forth in these two recommendations.

5. Action on this recommendation was deferred for consideration until some later date.

The committee believes that the program which it is currently following will not only tend to promote safer skiing, but will serve to stimulate interest in the Association. It is their belief that the USEASA has much to offer to the non-affiliated skier and club, but that only by bringing these advantages to the attention of the skiing public can the Association grow in size and value in the skiing world.

EDWIN D. EATON, Chairman

GARNET LODGE BURNS

It was a hot time in the old town when fire razed the roof and walls of the Garnet Lodge at Barton's Mines, near North Creek, N. Y., a few months ago. The fire at the Lodge, which was well known to Gore Mountain skiers, started from a defective oil burner and resulted in a loss of several thousand dollars.

WORCESTER KEEPS ACTIVE

There may not be any skiing in Massachusetts during the summer and fall months, but the Worcester Ski Club has been active nevertheless. It held a picnic in August, golf and tennis tournaments in September and a mountain climb at Mt. Monadnock as well as a trail clearing party at Mt. Wachusett in October.

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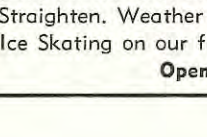

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Interscholastic meets were held in all the areas which had snow. In some localities the field had to be limited because the meets would be unwieldy. Skiing is growing fast and I predict that in a very few years it will be a major sport in all high and preparatory schools.

Everywhere one went for skiing he saw eastern emblems on the sleeves of juniors from three years up. The membership of juniors in the eastern has doubled in the past two years. Those emblems did it, along with all the clubs' realization that their strength and memberships rely on the coming generation. There lies the strength in the Eastern Association, too.

The commercial areas had their junior program also. The professional ski teachers gave their time throughout the east to juniors, and this committee thanks them for the good work they did. The season ended rather abruptly, and a lot of meets were called off because of no snow.

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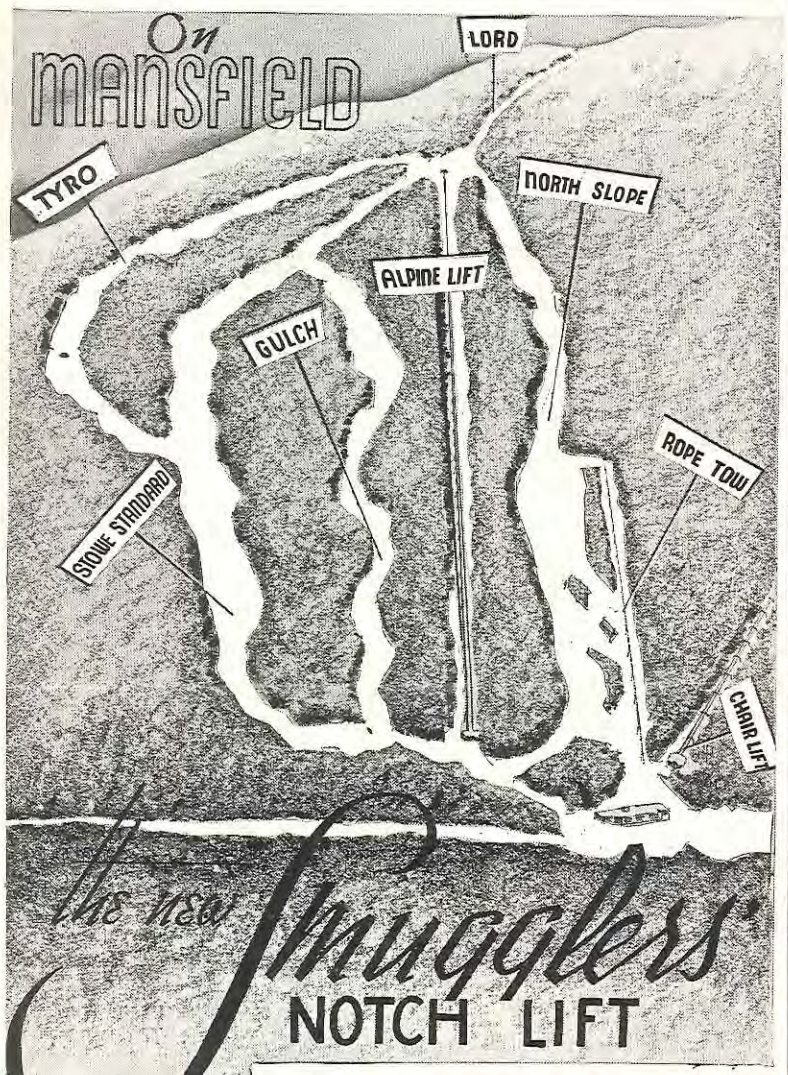

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Figures Show That More Than 6000 Pass Tests In Proficiency Project

1945-46

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Third Class Test pins on hand	131
Second Class test pins on hand	182
Fourth Class test pins on hand (new)	2000
Fourth Class Test pins distributed 1945-46	490

The reactivation of the proficiency test program has been in effect for five years. Four of these years have been war years and therefore probably not normal or indicative of future trends. Despite that fact, to date 50 have passed the second class test, 1338 have passed the third class test and 5200 fourth class test buttons have been issued.

This does seem to indicate an interest and the need of keeping this proficiency test program active and progressive.

Your committee met across the table this year for the first time since 1942. A letter was sent to the judges requesting information and advice as to what they thought could be done to improve the USEASA proficiency test program. It was interesting to note there was quite a unanimity of thought relative to needed changes. A compilation highlighted the important points, and an all-day session discussing the pros and cons of the tests and their problems brought forth the following revisions and recommendations:

1. To facilitate and expedite the efficiency of getting back the proficiency certification card to the successful candidate. All judges' cards will henceforth be sent to the USEASA membership office where these details will be handled.

2. The elimination of the option of telemark turn in the third and second class tests.

3. The recommendation of the proficiency test committee to the Racing and Classification Committee to the effect that any candidate who has successfully completed a third class proficiency test may, upon application to the Racing and Classification Committee, be eligible for a class C rating.

4. To hold a clinic in connection with the forthcoming annual convention and in this way to endeavor to improve the uniformity and standardization of the proficiency tests.

5. Experienced judges should demonstrate the various requirements for the tests to skiers on snow as quickly as possible this season.

Every club should hold at least one proficiency test this winter.

Another must for this committee is that it should have funds to carry on its functions and therefore we request approval of an appropriation of $150 for the coming year.

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Eastern Patrol Committee Strives To Reactivate And Unify Program

This past ski season the Eastern's Ski Patrol Committee was made up of the so-called regional chairmen of the eastern division of the National Ski Patrol System. This move made for co-ordination of effort, complete co-operation and the reduction of duplication of work.

The membership of the Ski Patrol Committee was as follows: E. J. Briggs, Huntley Palmer, Elroy Chase, C. Randall Childs, George D'Olier, James Arnold Lowell, Russell Franz, Lawrence Briggs, Henry G. Allen, W. A. Albert, Ernest Dieterle and Ken Littlefield. They are a fine body of men and they "done noble!"

The aggressive leadership on the part of this committee has had a profound influence upon the NSPS in the territory covered by the Eastern. They have outlined the principles that the National organization is striving for. They have seen that these principles have had a wider distribution. The Red Cross visitation survey was instituted and now we are to have the ski safety conferences in strategic centers this fall.

The Ski Patrol Committee has encouraged the ideas of ski patrolmen throughout the east. They have stimulated activity in undeveloped areas, and what's of prime importance, they have kept everyone in constant touch with one another in regard to new developments. These chaps wrote letters and used the phone! Again, to repeat, they are a grand bunch! And that goes for their section chiefs and patrol leaders.

The section chiefs, whose job it is to encourage the development of new patrols, improve existing ones and keep their regional chairmen posted as to what is going on in their sections by and large did an excellent job.

It was evident from the start that except for some outstanding patrols such as Mt. Mansfield, New York City, Schenectady, Mt. Greylock, Worcester, Springfield, et al, patrols in many sections were war casualties. In the case of the so-called wilderness patrols, often made up of non-skiers, it was only natural that they should be discontinued, but with the satisfaction of knowing they had done a real wartime job.

Realizing that the club patrol is the backbone of the NSPS, the Ski Patrol Committee went to work to reactivate dormant club patrols and develop more. This year it should be one of the main objectives of Eastern to urge the formation of a patrol in every affiliated club.

The Ski Patrol Committee also realized early in the year that the so-called special patrols (i.e., area, paid or commercial) were essential to complete coverage of the skiing areas. The promotion of these patrols and complete co-operation with them are important jobs of this committee, as the Eastern's ski safety program goes forward.

Difficulties were found by the visitation survey, in relationships in some locales between Red Cross and ski clubs; in others, between commercial ski centers and visiting representatives of the NSPS. In any volunteer group there are bound to be some know-it-all, overofficious birds. There evidently were and they did some rather poor bits of first aid. We hope to weed these chaps out. On the other hand it was heart-warming to get reports like the one from Joe Dodge, telling of the excellent work done on Tuckerman's last Easter Sunday, by a number of national ski patrolmen; Henry Paris, George D'Olier, Ed Eaton, et al.

The visitation survey of New England and New York ski safety conditions, made possible through the fine co-operation of James J. Tattersall, director of FAWSAP, North Atlantic area, American Red Cross, brought out a number of interesting facts, not the least being that in most instances there was good co-operation between local Red Cross Chapters and ski clubs and in other cases relationships were improving. Special Field Representative Ray Amiro of the Red Cross did a fine bit of ski public relations while on this survey.

Two (and there should be a number more) of the worthwhile results of the survey were: (1) the formation of a first aid committee, and (2) the setting up of the three contemplated ski safety conferences this fall.

The purposes of the first aid committee included a study of accident report cards in order to obtain additional material for accident prevention, and the development of a number of case problems. The make up of this F. A. committee is as follows: George D'Olier, chairman, Norman H. Osborne, Ronald M. MacKenzie, Bruce R. Buchanan, Arthur B. Porter, Henry Paris, Guy Moulton, Luther S. Booth, Kenneth Picotte and Alfred Loecker.

The F. A. committee has already made a preliminary report of their study of the accident report cards received during and since the war. Already some worthwhile outcomes are apparent, not the least being the need for new report cards. More emphasis should be placed on the importance on the part of all patrolmen of filling out these cards more regularly and more completely.

The other major outcome of the visitation survey was the setting up of three ski safety conferences in strategic centers, these to be held in co-operation with the American Red Cross.

The three conferences scheduled during the month of October are at Pittsfield, Massachusetts; Hanover, New Hampshire and Old Forge, New York. The Pittsfield dates—October 12 and 13; the Hanover dates—October 19 and 20; and the Old Farge dates—October 26 and 27.

The Mt. Greylock Ski Club is to be host of the Pittsfield Confrence; the Dartmouth Outing Club host of the Hanover Conference (which is planned to draw skiers from both New Hampshire and Vermont); and the Old Forge, New York host is the Old Forge Winter Sports Association. Betty Conover, Johnny Rand and Joe Grady are to be the respective chairmen.

The objectives of these ski safety conferences are to help every ski club in the Eastern to reactivate or establish its ski patrol, to make it possible for each patrol to be self-contained insofar as F. A. instruction is concerned, and to help every club to add F. A. instruction to its dry course program. There is plenty of evidence that first aid minded persons have fewer accidents and there is no reason to believe that this fact will not also apply to skiers.

In conclusion, the Ski Safety Committee found plenty to do and that ski safety work needed to continue.

The ski safety committee received fine co-operation from President "Doc" Elmer and the directors of the Eastern, needless to say. Throughout the year Chairman "Minnie" Dole of the NSPS was the inspirational and indefatigable backlog. A number of clubs did yeoman service in raising funds for the NSPS. The unique psychotherapeutic campaign of Ken Littlefield to develop more ski safety slogans merits support.

There is work to do! The Ski Safety Committee, with lots of help from the field and the Red Cross, did a little bit. It is hoped they will do progressively more this coming ski season.

HAROLD M. GORE, Chairman

Pro Certification Tests To Be Held

This committee, with Sel Hannah as chairman and Joe White as secretary, was re-activated last fall after the convention, and most of the season was spent in re-assembling the records and reorganizing the examining staff. Preparations were finally made for a test to be held at the close of the season, but as a result of the early spring thaw, the test was never held.

At the end of the season, the pressure of other work forced the resignation of both the chairman and secretary. The work which they did in reorganizing the committee was very considerable and a well-deserved vote of appreciation is due them from the association and the ski teachers.

Plans for the coming season are, first, to bring the present lists of certified teachers up to date, by determining present addresses and teaching commitments of all previously certified teachers. It is therefore urged that all certified instructors whose addresses have changed since 1941 notify the chairman in writing at their earliest convenience. A general information folder is being prepared, and this will be forwarded to all certified instructors prior to the opening of the skiing season.

The second activity planned for the season is to conduct tests for certification. It is planned to hold not more than three such tests during the season. They will be distributed through the eastern area for the convenience of all applicants, and one will be held before the opening of the season at a center which has early snow. This first test will be a week-end event, but later tests may be held during the week, in order to avoid conflict with week-end teaching commitments. All prospective applicants should notify the chairman in writing at their earliest convenience. It is suggested that those candidates who requested tests last year send in a new letter this year, and all those whose addresses have changed must renew their request.

The ski teachers' committee is by agreement a self-supporting activity of the association. Funds presently available are not sufficient to carry on the activities for the coming year. In order that the season may be a success, close cooperation of the certified instructors will be required. All correspondence should be addressed to the chairman at 13 Chestnut Street, Turners Falls, Mass.

K. D. CUDDEBACK, Chairman

Visual Aids

This has been by far the best year to date for the use of the USEASA films. They were in constant use from December, 1945, until April, 1946.

The complete film list now includes the following 16 mm films:

Eastern Amateur Ski Association Ski Championships—Belknap Recreation Center, black and white, 150 feet.

Fourth Class Proficiency Test film, color, 600 feet.

Ruud Jumping film, training camp, black and white, 400 feet.

Ski Thrills, color, 400 feet.

Swiss Ski School, black and white, 800 feet.

The Juniors Take Off, color, 700 feet.

The following are more or less obsolete and should be used primarily as a historical record of the Association:

F. I. S. 11th Congress taken by Fred Harris, black and white, 400 feet.

Holmenkollen and National Jumping Championships, black and white, 400 feet.

The last two years have seen a new trend by the Association, namely the production of our own films. In 1945 we saw the development of a film "How One Club Conducts a Fourth Class Proficiency Test" and in 1946 the development of a ski jumping film "The Juniors Take Off." This policy should be continued with the production of a slalom, downhill, and cross country technique film.

A minimum request for funds for this committee should be $150 for the winter of 1946-47.

LAWRENCE E. BRIGGS

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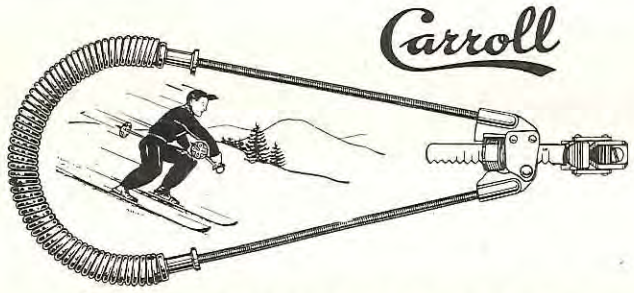

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Selection Of Girls' Teams On Basis Of Competitive Record Is Advocated

At the Nationals in Franconia last spring I was particularly impressed by the good sportsmanship and comradely spirit of the girls who competed. I wish to mention this now, because it argues well for the team spirit which will be so necessary in the FIS and Olympic races ahead of us.

One of the decisions made at the FIS conference in Pau this August was that in international events women should compete on somewhat easier race courses than the men, either shorter or less difficult terrain. At our Nationals, most of the girls were too tired to ski their best through the last gates of the fine, but very long slalom.

To my mind this probably justifies the decision made by the FIS delegates even though it will be unpopular with some girls who are so strong that they naturally want the added prestige of racing the same course as the men and making better times than many of them. But as that is not the objective of the races, it seems unimportant compared to having the women's events not too strenuous for the majority of the contestants.

Ahead of us lie the tryouts for membership in the training squads for the FIS and the Olympic teams.

Because of the great distances between our many ski centers in the U. S. A., I hope that our association will exert pressure that any tryouts take place just before or after the National Championship so that contestants can ski in both events without taking more than one long and expensive trip.

As far as our own eastern tryouts are concerned, I believe we will get better team material by picking girls only through results of actual competitions, not through time tests on any special course.

Almost any skier doing the same course day after day can wait for fine conditions and pull off a good time record. But actual competition against the best racers is to my mind the only real way of finding out if a skier is good enough material for a training squad or a team.

In international races our American girls will always start with the handicap of inexperience in this field. Unlike the skiers of the different European countries who race against one another every winter week-end, we can compete only against ourselves until the actual big event.

To overcome this handicap, now that traveling conditions are easier, I hope that foreign teams will come to this country, and that we can once more measure our ability on the international yardstick.

However, I rate as far more important than who actually wins these races, the good fellowship and international goodwill brought about by such events. Obviously politics should be kept out of skiing, but in all international competitions which we help organize, we are taking a share in our American responsibility toward better cooperation and understanding between the nations.

MRS. HERMAN KIAER

Classification Change Thought Desirable By Downhill-Slalom Group

This past season of skiing in the downhill and slalom field has seen the sport trying to get back to its 1940 and 1941 status, since three full seasons with hardly any competitions left this division of the sport unsure of the number and ability of downhill skiers. Classification had been discontinued for the years 1942-43, 1943-44 and 1944-45 during which time many junior skiers developed, and no records of their ability were available. Many who had ratings previously had not skied for three years so their past ratings were not altogether reliable in grouping them for races.

The spirit in which numerous clubs during the past season held meets which gave both the newcomer and the seasoned racer an opportunity to vie with each other can be taken as a good omen for the future.

This association runs its meets in accordance with the national rules, which on the whole are satisfactory. The only rule which seems out of line is that one in the scoring of combined events, in which the factor of 5/8 is used. It would seem that it should be recommended to the National Association that the rules be studied and reworded to eliminate this bothersome factor.

A matter which indirectly affects this branch of the sport is that of downhill classifications. At present the regulations make it necessary to pass the third class proficiency tests before a time trial can be taken. Many people hold the opinion that this procedure takes up too many of the skiing week-ends in the season. While this matter is not in the province of this committee, it is recommended that the classification committee study the subject to see if the same good results can be worked out in a manner more convenient to the skier.

D. M. BURCKETT, Chairman

ZUGSPITZE—GESUNDHEIT!

The Schneefernerhaus, atop Germany's highest mountain, the Zugspitze, has been converted into a transient hotel for vacationing occupation troops.

Junior Membership

Junior membership in the eastern, under the plans adopted three years ago, has shown a steady and gratifying increase. No special action or modification of the membership was undertaken during the past season.

It is the feeling of the committee that the next impetus to the growth of junior memberships should be brought about by the planning and scheduling of more and better junior competitions. Although it is not a function of this committee to promote junior competitions, it is our observation that real progress is being made in that direction by clubs and winter resort centers. Much more can and should be done, as it is probable that from this point forward the size of our junior membership is quite likely to parallel the growth or decline in the number and quality of junior competitions sponsored by the USEASA.

LAWRENCE L. JONES, Chairman

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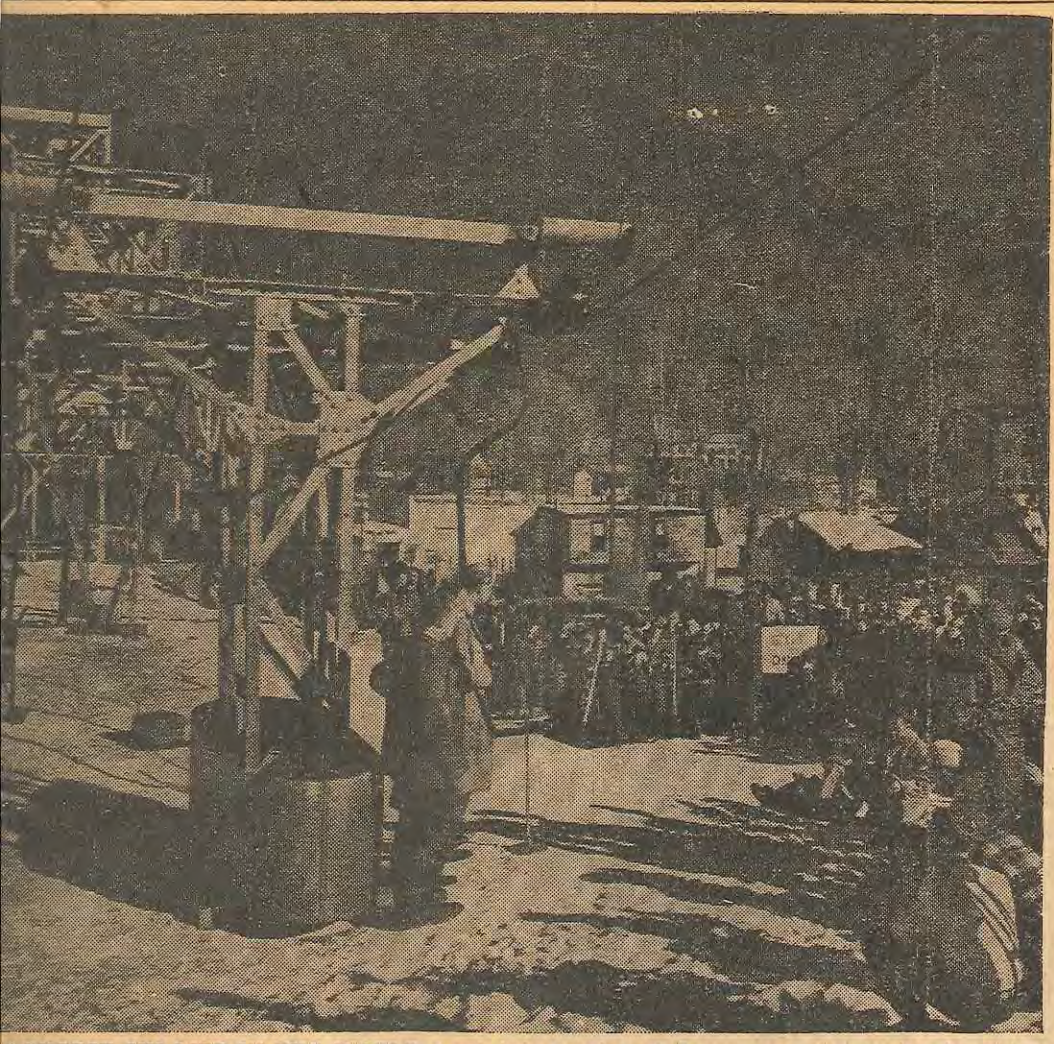

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By LEE H. CALLISON.
Denver Post Staff Writer.

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REFUGE PLANNED.

As Gen. Jacob L. Devers, con manding general of the arm ground forces, who flew here f the ceremonies, looked on, Joh Litchfield of Aspen, former captai in the Tenth, presented the plaqu to Colonel Ruffner.

Veterans of the Tenth who no live here plan to build a mountai refuge for their group in the El range next summer. The plaqu will be placed in the lodge. Ti then it will hang inside the Su Deck, warming house and restau rant atop Aspen mountain, wher the ceremonies were held Sunday

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"But," Paepcke explained, "we don't want Aspen to be the only spot in the state for skiing. The more places we have for skiing, the better. However, we do have bigger and better plans for Aspen. We want either to build another hotel or several lodges. We have a 100 acre tract which we may develop with lodges. It's right here at the edge of town and close to the and all other activity.

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have to step along if they were to show real competition.

The list of entries in the men's field was probably one of the largest ever to assemble for a national championship. The starting list was a "who's who" of skiing. There were reported hot shots and then there were previous champions as Toni Matt, Walter Prager, veterans like Alex Bright, Robert Livermore who know the trail from start to finish, then there was that crop of chaps who had been doing well in '41-'42 as Steve Knowlton, Barney McLean, Bob Meservey, Don Goodman, etc., then to climax the list were those brand new youngsters, their first national attempt as William Beck, Brookie Dodge, Kristopher Berg, Richard Movitz, Harvey Clifford, the latter from Canada.

One did not know just how to go at seeding such a field, for the recent records of these men were non-existent to a great extent due to their absence in service and the lack of events run during the past four years. A very sane decision was made to run all contestants at two minute intervals so as to give every one a fair chance. The results of this rule were justified as no runners overtook the one ahead, and this can be indicated more graphically when it is seen that aside from the winner's time of Steve Knowlton of 2:06.9, second place Barney McLean 2:07.4, and third H. Clifford 2:10.1, that the next 13 finished inside 2:20, the next 14 inside 2:30 and the next 25 inside 2:40. Indeed a close field.

Spills in the upper part of the trail were costly to Toni Matt and Berg who otherwise would have been out in the front rows. Surprising runs were those by Sig Buchmayr, Alex Bright, the real granddaddy of the field, and those newcomers as Lowell Thomas Jr., William Beck, etc. Bob Meservey was probably robbed of either a first or second place when his ski pole contacted a pedestrian along the trail near the finish line which threw Bob off balance to a very bad spill which cost him a real place, in fact the toss was severe enough to keep him out of the slalom next day.



The Franconia, N. H., Ski Club's race committee which staged the National Downhill, Slalom and Combined ski championships on Cannon Mountain, March 2 and 3. Reading from left to right, Enzo Serafini, race secretary, Fletcher Brown, Bernard Herbert, Sel Hannah, Roland Peabody, chairman, and Harry Carpenter. Ed Blood, also a member of the committee, was not present when the photograph was taken

The results of both the women's and men's races were such as to know that real efforts would be made in the slalom to make up lost time for falls that had occurred in the downhill event.

Sel Hannah started to lay out the slalom on the bottom three-quarter mile part of the Taft trail as soon as the last downhiller had finished. The course, a very good test for slalom runners consisted of some 50 sets of gates making it necessary to run only once to get the required distance. As before the ladies were the honored ones. It is a question whether it is more fun to watch the racers through the flags or to be at the finish line and time them. In the latter case knowing the approximate times keeps one always at top pitch roughly figuring how the contestants are doing. Rhona Wurtele set the pace, 1:53.2 at which even the men might shudder, followed closely by Barbara Kidder and then Paula Kann. This order put Rhona as first in the combined with Barbara Kidder and Paula Kann second and third respectively.

Twelve men bettered the best girl's time with Richard Movitz running the course in a sort of jack rabbit style of 50 per cent in the air and the balance in fast motion weaving through the flags to secure an undisputed first place of 1:40.4 followed by the smooth artists of the slalom Barney McLean in 1:43.5 and Toni Matt in 1:44.1. Steve Knowlton, the downhill ace, came in next with a 1:45.2, and Berg atoned for his showing the day before to turn in a 1:45.7. One of the pleasant surprises was the run by Brooks Dodge who not many weeks before had broken his leg on the North Conway slopes.

Combining these results gave Barney McLean the consistent second place holder the No. 1 position in the combined rating with Steve Knowlton the runner-up and Harvey Clifford the third position. The closeness of these events can be readily realized when one considers that there were 18 ties in the combined score, one of which was a four way.

The whole meet was run off with satisfaction expressed by the competitors, officials and spectators. The only note of deep sorrow was the unfortunate accident which proved fatal to Captain Victor Constant of West Point while making a practice run several days before the meet.

While not the last item in chronological order of the meet but certainly one of the more important events was the competitors' dinner held at the Franconia Town Hall on Saturday night. The Hochgebirgers have always had such an affair which is one of the highlights of Eastern skiing, and this year with the whole Franconia area behind it the roof was off. Alex Bright was at his sparkling best as toastmaster. The prizes of the events run to date were awarded with short speeches by some of the winners. Other short notes of welcome were given by Sel Hannah, Dr. Elmer, Mrs. Alice Kiaer. The good old ski songs were broken out here and there at the various tables especially the Alumni from the 10th mountain infantry. Lowell Thomas made a most appropriate talk eulogizing Captain Victor Constant and offering a cup to be awarded in the name of Captain Constant. There were the lighter things on the program such as the awarding of the consolation prize to some bets between the veterans and Mrs. Kiaer regarding the respective times of the vets and the girls. The girls winning, of course. The annual recreational racers exchange of officers was performed by the past president Doug Burckett turning over the office to the Ruth and Edwin Dickson pair for their consistent showing in coming in last in their respective events.

The cocktail party before the dinner was most enjoyable where competitors, officials and the "who's who" of skiing rubbed elbows and argued over the time old controversies of amateurs, classification, past races and the ones to come.

The skiing world at large owes a great tribute to the sponsoring clubs and to all the individuals of the Franconia and north country area of New Hampshire who made this, the first post-war nationals, a success.

tion officer, educational officer and Air Transport officer. He was awarded his naval wings in 1944 and served as an aviation instructor until the summer of 1945 when he was selected as Naval Combat Intelligence Officer. He received his honorable discharge in September, 1945.

Lloyd was an active sportsman and won national recognition as a skier while at St. Olaf. He was a member of the U. S. Olympic ski team in 1932. He also competed in the Holmenkollen Ski Tournament at Oslo in 1931. He was elected secretary of the National Ski Association in 1937 a position which he held until his untimely death.

Mr. Ellingson is survived by his wife, Emily, and two sons, Paul and Lloyd, Jr.; his father, Elling Ellingson and sister Florence, at Colfax; his sister Elsie, Ely, Minnesota and a brother, Orrin, of Auburn, California.

Our hearts are greatly saddened to feel the loss of our earnest friend whose active work had been so successful, and whose life had been full of such great promise. To members of his immediate family we renew expressions of deep sympathy at their great loss.

—ROGER LANGLEY

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

Our committee has been charged with the following duties:

1. Foster, promote and develop international competition in skiing.
2. To make selections and entries of the United States ski teams in international competition.
3. To welcome skiers from foreign countries and to advise them as to conditions in the United States.
4. To recommend the best locations for tryouts for the selection of American ski teams.

It is well to state that this committee does not have the authority which is vested in the Olympic Committee appointed in September, 1946, for the actual handling of the above and other items in connection with the Olympic Games. This committee does have over-all responsibility in connection with international competition to carry on such functions as may help the Olympic Committee, and because of the time element involved, may be invaluable in aiding in preparation of materials for that committee.

Your committee has used its best efforts to find a middle ground of expressions which may enable our national organization to accomplish the objectives listed under item No. 1. The problems relating to our international competition are many, but it is our hope that the present steps being taken by our national officers with executive committee approval, may show the way to ultimate favorable conclusions in these respects. If these hurdles are eliminated, we then will be able to actually *Foster*, *Promote* and *Develop* international competition.

Your committee has under advisement a plan for selection of team competitors which will be announced in the near future. This committee is definitely committed on the matter of seeing that only skiers of merit are selected for any U. S. ski team—namely, ability as a skier, and character as a sportsman. This committee understands the necessity of creating and naming plans far enough ahead so that all concerned may know the qualifications necessary to attain selection to a squad or team. We stress the necessity for basing selections for teams or squads on as wide a range of events as possible, and that these be properly weighed so as to give good results. It is also important that contestants race and be judged on results over different types of courses, under various snow conditions, and variable terrain, etc. Your committee stresses the need for setting up its "entire trial and judging for selections" on a basis which will insure a fair and impartial opportunity for every contestant in every division, to have his or her chance to prove themselves. There will be no deviations from such an objective by this committee.

This committee has made recommendations for international tryout competitions. Your committee will make an early announcement of places and dates selected.

This committee has not been formally charged with any responsibility for raising funds to carry the expense necessary with international competition, but we are in a good position to see the necessity for some definite plan to be inaugurated.

Any team or squad selected this coming winter for international competition, will need coaches and coaching in the different events. To be effective, separate coaches should be selected for training the squad or team, in downhill, slalom, jumping and cross-country. This committee hopes that its plan for selection of team or squad may be so arranged that an opportunity will be afforded for gathering the squad or team for a coaching period before the end of this coming winter season. Such a precoaching period would be of great value to both coaches and contestants.

These activities take money and some plan should be speedily created to secure the needed funds. We have some funds on hand now in our national treasury, earmarked for such needs. We will have some additional funds from bids for tryouts, but this is only a starter. We need funds for not only the coming Olympic events, but other international competitions. A plan should be devised which will enable every division, every skier, and every friend of skiing, an opportunity of joining such an effort to support our teams.

—Albert Sigal

THE NATIONAL DOWNHILL, SLALOM AND COMBINED CHAMPIONSHIPS

Richard Taft Ski Trail, Franconia, New Hampshire March 2 and 3, 1946

By DOUGLAS M. BURCKETT, Chairman, National Downhill and Slalom Committee

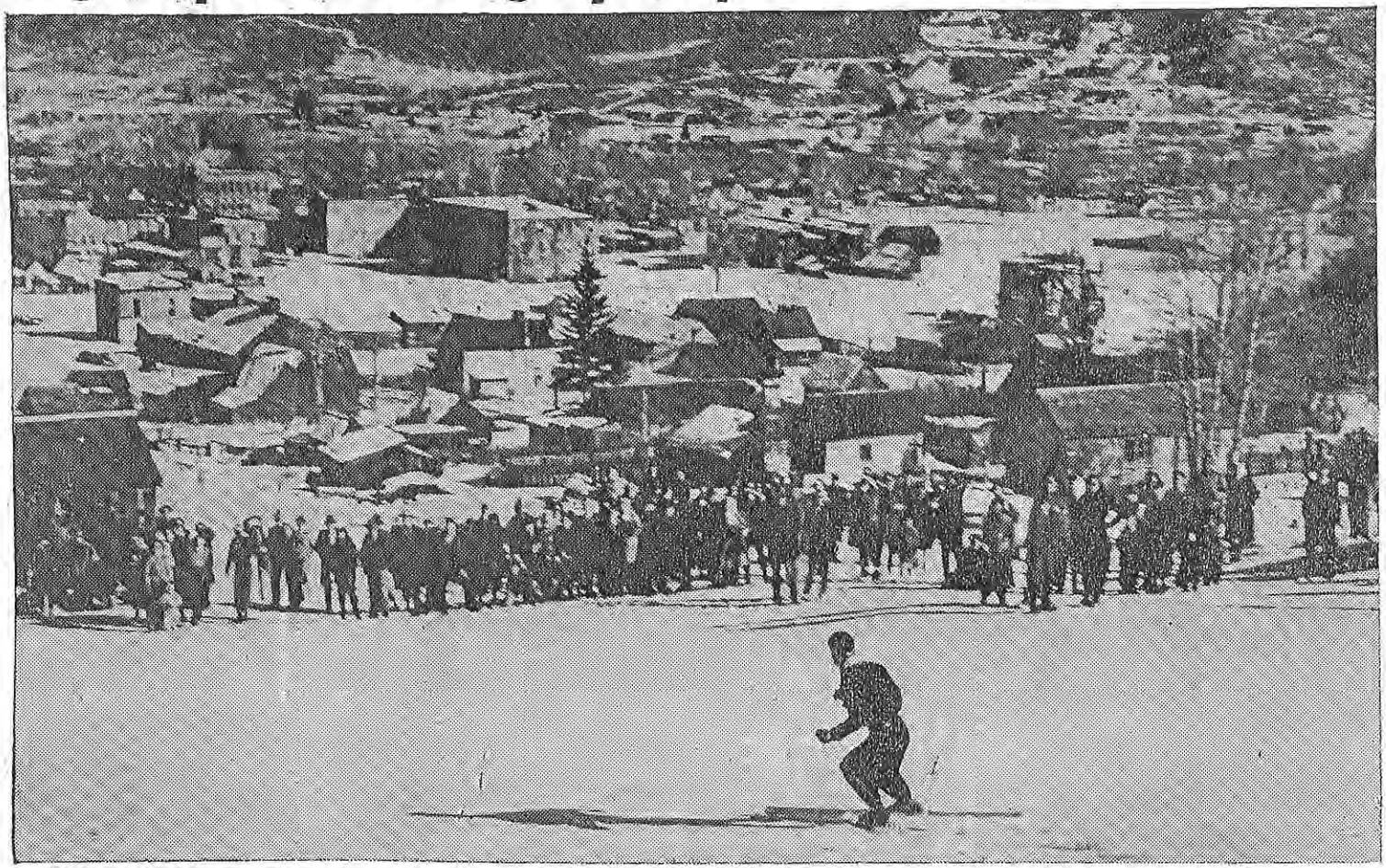
It was good to be among the ski fraternity in Franconia once more and especially so this time as skiers from the United States, Canada and Norway had gathered for the first post-war running of the National Downhill and Slalom Championships (an open event) which also concurred with the annual team races of the Ski Club Hochgebirge, an annual event for this part of the country. This was the meeting to which skiers had been pointing for four long years, the last nationals having been held in 1942 at Badger Pass, Yosemite National Park, California.

The whole arrangements for these events were negotiated in a very short time which adds just that much more commendation to the sponsoring clubs for the noteworthy results they accomplished. The second and third of March had originally been sanctioned for the Hochgebirge meet but when the Franconia Ski Club was awarded the nationals the two clubs arranged to run the two meets concurrently. The Hochgebirge Club meet is always a team event with the exception of a veterans race for men. This twin bill, so to speak, of nationals and Hochgebirge Challenge Cup had many attractions for all men and women skiers.

The Taft trail course on Cannon Mountain is one and one-quarter miles long with a drop of 1700 feet with several steep glades in the lower one-half mile. The conditioning of the course was under the control of Roland Peabody. His efforts and those of Dame Nature made a well packed course all in readiness for the racers on Saturday the second. Sel Hannah, chief of course, put in two sets of three control gates each on short sections of the trail in order to have the racers keep away from two bad spots.

The ladies led off on the downhill course with interest at a high pitch as to the outcome with such competing stars as the Wurtele sisters from Canada, Barbara Kidder from Denver, Paula Kann from North Conway, Rebecca Fraser and Polly Hodder from Middlebury College, Vt., and the group from Hanover, N. H., of the Neidlinger pair, Ruth Marie Stewart, Jane Gile and Barbara Dent. Only five seconds difference blanketed the first five runners with Paula Kann running a superb race for top position, followed by Barbara Kidder, and a newcomer to the big league Sally Neidlinger, then Rebecca Fraser and Rhona Wurtele, the latter having suffered a setback on the upper schuss when her parka hood blew across her face causing a spill consuming some seconds. The performance set by the women put it right up to the men who were to follow that they would

High-Speed Skiing by Expert at Aspen



High-speed skiing is demonstrated by Barney McLean, top-flight skier, before a crowd of spectators at the week-end festivities opening Aspen as the skiing capital of America. The little town, which is rapidly becoming one of the main winter playgrounds of the region, can be seen in the background nestled in the mountains.

—Photos by C. R. Beck.

BY VIRGINIA PACKARD.
Denver Post Staff Writer.

N, COLO., Jan. 13.—The nation's skiing capital shifted this ekend from the slopes of New England to the slopes of ax hill and Aspen mountain. Appropriately, ski fashion om Aspen have become the final word, with members of rt set and prominent skiers as models, those edicts were Sunday evening at the fashion show staged in the old Isis nder direction of Miss Ruth Humphreys, Miss Jane Garrison e Magnifico . . . Miss Humphreys and Miss Garrison, inci-dentally, were two of the most charming models in their own show—both of them in the new pencil-slim downhill trousers with matching monogrammed parkas of the same wool gabardine.



Humphreys.

Mrs. Johnny Litchfield and little Miss Mary Isabel Litchfield were an attractive mother-and-daughter couple, modeling the very latest in Swiss parkas with matching mittens and hats—the hats made with tiny brims and under-the-chin tabs. The Litchfields topped their costumes with lambs' wool white coats.

The new dressy look in after-ski clothes spotlighted the show—low round-neck sweaters trimmed with sequins or Tyrolean embroidery, worn with velvet slacks or full skirts . . . Mesdames Friedl Pfieffer, William Hodges Jr., D. R. C. Brown, Allan Phipps and two of Walter Paepcke's charmughters, the Misses Nina and Paula, also were garbed in the in ski modes.

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peaking of fashion, one of the most amusing features of Sats festivities was the costume ski race, in which expert skiing s, garbed in a variety of ensembles, raced down the trail, tied er with a twenty-foot rope . . . That internationally known skier, urrance, padded like a fat woman, and Gordon Wren raced down l encumbered with an umbrella as the final touch for his cosas an old woman. One couple competed in pajamas and bath-Other couples were dressed as Red Riding Hood and the grand-, an angel and a devil, and belles and fops of the 1820's.

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turday night's ball at the old armory attracted a gay group of es who could have staged an informal fashion show, too . . . lbur Lakas wore a striking red wool jersey dress with a red and ool hood, Miss Ruth Humphreys wore a black and white three-length dinner dress with a very full skirt and Miss Jane Garri- attired in a yellow evening dress with a draped bustle.

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group of socialites solved the housing shortage in crowded his weekend. Three couples, Messrs. and Mesdames Allan R. John G. McMurtry Jr. and Harry Combs, occupied a private rail-r near the station. Mr. and Mrs. McMurtry were two of the nergetic skiers on the slopes and their slogan for the weekend ast one more run before lunch."

ught watching Sunday morning's jumping exhibition were the ttractive Paepcke girls. "We had never skied until last year dad became interested in Aspen and now we wish we could live re . . . In fact, I would be willing to stop school and live here rest of the winter," was Nina's comment. She is a student at hool of Design. Her sister Paula is a freshman at Chicago un-. They left Monday to return to classes. "We're both already forward to spring vacation," said Paula wistfully.

s. Morrison Shafroth and her daughter, Mrs. J. Quigg Newton re other enthusiastic skiers in similar outfits of navy downhill white parkas and red hoods . . . Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Bradford, ere part of the gay crowd aboard the special chatted informally in the diningroom Sunvening. "I never thought I would see the hen I was enthusiastic about skiing, but lden up and down on that spectacular lift days and loved every minute of it," re-Mrs. Bradford. Their son and daughter-Mr. and Mrs. William Bradford, skied down pes during the gala weekend every minute as free of exhibitions.

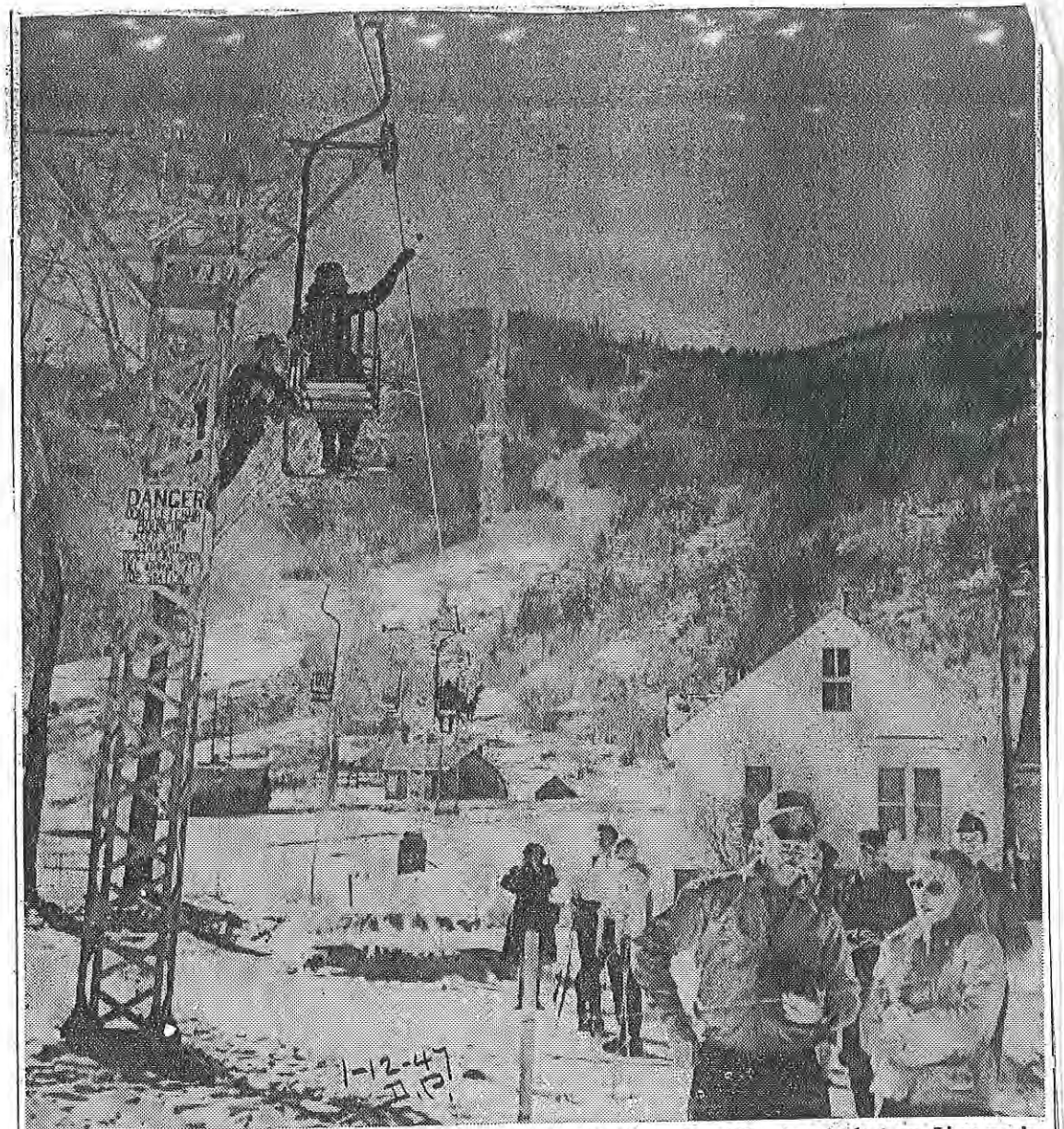
oving ski spectators crowded the mountain top Ajax mountain. They included the Barkalows, James B. Grants, Morrison Shafd many others.



ASPEN'S FORMAL OPENING last weekend was another opportunity for these two prominent socialites to engage in their favorite sport of riding the boards. Shown here before taking off down Roch Run, left to right, are Mrs. John G. McMurtry Jr. and Mr. McMurtry. The couple are also energetic members of the Arlberg club at Winter Park, Colo.



SPECTATORS, TOO, ENJOYED ASPEN'S OPENING, like the four shown here aboard the Aspen special train whch carred ski celebrities to the festivities. Left to right, James B. Grant, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Denise Barkalow and Mr. Barkalow, who were among the Denverites who went to Aspen to see the celebration and ride the spectacular 11,000-foot lift to the top of Aspen mountain.



IT'S BETTER THAN WALKING, says Mrs. John Litchfield as she glides in comfort up Ajax peak on the world's longest ski lift. The lift was dedicated Saturday as Aspen made its formal debut as a year-round sports paradise.

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Aspen Takes on a Gleaming New Existence

By JACK FOSTER

ASPEN, Jan. 12.—Lee Casey had better not come to this town. A private party burned him in effigy last midnight.

Which distant punishment he probably can stand with reasonable equanimity. But if he should actually appear this afternoon down Main Street I am convinced that he would be drawn and quartered in the best Latin way.

For Mr. Casey, in a bilious column on Friday, charged that only the dim-witted go skiing and this town these last three days has been ski mad. The whole town, that is enjoying greater prosperity than it has known since the Molly Gibson and the Aspen were turning out millions in silver, has joined with the distinguished visitors to make this one tremendous skiing holiday.

The heavy ski boots clatter over the roads where miners' boots once trod. The skiers' boards fly at magnificent speed down the slopes where old prospectors and their burros once picked at the hillside.

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EVEN this writer, whose zeal for skier's role is something less than molten steel, zoomed down the upper half of the celebrated Roch Run this morning. The ride by chair lift to the top of the run on Ajax Mountain is one of the most glorious experiences that the state has had to offer.

High over the spruce tops you ride, dangling above snow-packed valleys and hills criss-crossed by descending skiers, for better than a mile, 1300 feet vertically. The second part of the lift ends on the top of Ajax Mountain and from there you can see a great sweep of the Elk Mountains with Pyramid Mountain looming in awesome beauty and the tip of one of the Maroon Bells just a curve on the horizon.

Then you start down—down a course that is far faster than most of us amateurs ever should try. Along the way I found, when I was on my feet, such distinguished adventurers as Jerry Hart and Mr. and Mrs. Churchill Owen up to their ears in the snow.

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IT IS a long, fast, terrifying course down the top of the first lift, where nature begged us to call it quits. But it was wonderful.

Walter C. Paepcke, creator of the Aspen venture, realizes that runs such as Roch Run are far too fast for the average skier and simpler runs are going to be built—but everything had to be done in a rush to have this grand opening on time.

And what does it matter, anyhow, if you fall on your face in the snow? It keeps you from getting too darn sure of yourself.

But it has not all been skiing these last three effervescent days in Aspen. It has been one party after another in the old Victorian houses that have been restored here. It has been excitement and hot rum and butter in the bar of the old Jerome Hotel where Tom, in a red cap, prepares mixtures with a skill that Mr. Casey might appreciate even if the pain of mountain exercise does appall him.

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IN YOUNGER days, when I used to camp in the mountains near here in the Maroon Bells and Willow Lake country, I used to drop into the old Jerome for refreshment and a bath. A handsome inn during the silver days of the town, it was a little on the mournful side when I first knew it. The rooms were dingy and the lobby was gloomy.

Now, however, the Jerome has taken on a gleaming new life—the rooms are simply and comfortably restored—and there is life and gaiety in the bar and the lobby and dining room.

As a matter of fact, that's the story of the whole town. Aspen is walking with its head high. For recreation has taken the place of ore that once made Aspen mighty—and it looks as if the days ahead may be even more glorious than those of the past.

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THAT'S why the Aspen venture is so important to Colorado. If Aspen can succeed, then other ventures in the state can succeed. Restoration of such old mining camps as Ouray and Lake City can become a reality through the outdoor sports that Mr. Casey views with such an acid eye.

My skis, now, James! There is one little spot on my body that hasn't been bruised!

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SPECIAL TRAIN ASPEN-BOUND TODAY

At 9 a. m. today about 300 persons will leave aboard a special train for Aspen and a gala week-end to observe the official opening of Aspen as a resort center and the Rocky Mountain area's newest year 'round development.

Gov.-Elect Lee Knous, chairman of the All-Colorado committee for the Aspen opening, and his personal party will head the group of newspaper and magazine correspondents, and others arrived at Stapleton Airfield at 1:30 this morningf to join the party.

Mayor Gene Robinson and virtually the entire population of Aspen will meet the special train, which is scheduled to arrive in Aspen at 5:30 p. m. Western Slope celebrities will board the train at Glenwood Springs.

The train will include the Burlington Railroad's new "Vista Dome" coach.

At 7:30 p. m. today, a special "Twelfth Night" production of the University Club of Denver will be given in Aspen's Isis Theater.

In a program starting at 5:15 p. m. today, Tor Torland will broadcast while skiing down Rock Run. The program will be heard coast-to-coast, originating over KOA.

An exhibition tomorrow morning, following ceremonies to open the ski lift, will feature high-speed skiing by Barney McLean, national combined downhill and slalom champion; Steve Knowlton, national downhill champion; Georgette Phiolliere, French women's ski champion; Gordon Wrenn, Jerry Hiatt, Johnny Litchfield, Friedl Pfeiffer and Perce Rideout.

Ski-joring will be featured Saturday afternoon.

A dance for junior skiers Saturday evening under sponsorship of the Aspen Ski Club.

Ski jump exhibitions by McLean, Litchfield, Rideout and Marshall Fitzgerald Sunday morning will be followed by formal opening of the 10th Mountain Division's veterans' refuge. Gen. Jacob Devers, commanding general of the army ground forces, will unveil a plaque in memory of members of the 10th who lost their lives in combat.

ASPEN TO GET SWANK HOTEL

See story on page 1 also.

By LEE H. CALLISON.
Denver Post Staff Writer.

Aspen, Colo., Jan. 13.—Construction of a "swank hotel or lodge" at Aspen has reached the blueprint stage and may begin this year, Walter Paepcke, Chicago industrialist and backer of the Aspen ski program, told THE DENVER POST Monday.

A million dollars has been spent here since last March to further the skiing program which has made Aspen the most noted winter resort in the state.

"But," Paepcke explained, "we don't want Aspen to be the only spot in the state for skiing. The more places we have for skiing, the better. However, we do have bigger and better plans for Aspen. We want either to build another hotel or several lodges. We have a 100-acre tract which we may develop with lodges. It's right here at the edge of town and close to the lift and all other activity.

VICTORIAN TYPE.

"If we build another hotel, it will be of the Victorian type, which will fit in with the architecture of the town. The interior, while Victorian, will be modern as far as conveniences are concerned. We'll have single rooms and multi-room suites for those who want more luxurious accommodations.

"Aspen, as a skiing center, is a new place, but I feel it has a great future; that it will be a wonderful thing in general for Colorado."

The chief attraction here—other than skiing itself—is the new 15,000-foot lift to the top of Aspen mountain. The scenic splendor one views on the ride is beyond description. There are mountain ranges in all directions and skiers speed across the terrain beneath the chairs, swerving through long shadows of the tall pines. Trails zigzag all over the hills.

"It's the most thrilling experience I've ever had," exclaimed an eastern woman as she left her chair atop the mountain. "I never imagined it would be so wonderful, so awe-inspiring... The views you get are breath taking. I don't ski. I just came up for the ride and I wouldn't have missed it for anything. They should operate the lift in the summertime, too, to give people an opportunity to see the wonderful views."

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Notables Travel To Aspen Fete by Plane and Train

En route for a gala week-end at Aspen's official opening as a resort center, a party of newspaper and magazine correspondents and others will arrive at Stapleton Airfield at 8 p. m., today, aboard the "Ski Ship Aspen," special United Air Lines plane.

Sen. Ed C. Jonhson, scheduled to be in the party, wired from Washington that he would be unable to attend the opening because of an attack of flu.

300 On Special Train

In the group are E. D. O'Brien of Newsweek, Hal Boyle of the Associated Press, Herbert Beyer, director of the Aspen Co.; Paul Nitze of the State Department, Mr. and Mrs. Albin Dearing of Chicago and H. J. Merchant of United Air Lines.

About 300 persons will ride a special train from Denver to Aspen tomorrow, officials of the Rio Grande Railroad said.

Dedicate New Lift

Meanwhile, residents of the erstwhile silver-boom camp are busy making last-minute preparations for the week-end celebration which will open their ski season and dedicate a new 15,000-foot lift.

Mayor Gene Robinson and nearly everyone else in Aspen will be on hand at the depot tomorrow afternoon to meet the special train.

All Aboard for Aspen! Her Big Day Near



Radph Ball, D. U. skier, on Aspen Course

Special to The Rocky Mountain News

ASPEN, Jan. 3.—This old silver mining town was feverishly at work tonight completing arrangements for the all-out reception that they'll give the trainload of celebrities who will steam in from New York, Chicago and Denver a week hence.

It will be the opening, on Jan. 10, of Aspen as an all-year sports center.

It will be the dream come-true of a Chicago financier, Walter C. Paepcke, president of the Container Corp. of America, who a year ago began buying up the wonderful old Victorian houses of mine boom days and restoring them for visitors' accommodations.

Mr. Paepcke himself arrived two days ago to help with arrangements for the three-day holiday—Jan. 10-12—that will mean, it is hoped, a great revival for one of the proudest cities i Colorado's early history.

The train of celebrities will start in Ne York, pick up other well known individuals i Chicago, switch to the Burlington line and i Denver will join the Denver & Rio Grande whic is scheduled to send a special train directly t Glenwood Springs and Aspen.

The train will leave Denver at 9 a. m., Fri day, Jan. 10, and arrive in Aspen at 5:30 p. m

Returning, it will leave Aspen at 7 a. m Monday, Jan. 13, and arrive in Denver at 3:3 p. m.

A new snow has brightened the prospects o skiers who will ride to the highest skiing poin in the state before taking their dazzling run down to the old Jerome Hotel which has been completely refurbished.



Sundeck on Aspen Mountain. In the background is Mt. Hayden

By LEE H. CALLISON,
Denver Post Staff Writer.

Aspen, Colo., Jan. 11.—The glistening slopes surrounding this picturesque mining town swarmed with winter sports enthusiasts Saturday as Aspen, once the second largest city in Colorado, made its formal debut as a resort and recreation center.

With Saturday officially proclaimed a holiday by Mayor A. E. Robinson, the 1,200 residents of the town gave a rousing western welcome to the hundreds of visitors on hand for the grand opening.

New life had returned to the little mountain town, which boasted a population of more than 20,000 back in the lush days of the '80's when silver was king and millions of dollars worth of precious metal was mined in the surrounding hills.

SKI BALL FEATURED.

Ski races and exhibitions were held throughout the day and the big ski ball was the feature attraction Saturday night. Hundreds jammed the old armory as dancing continued through the late hours.

"It's the end of a perfect day," said the mayor. "We've been extremely fortunate in having plenty of sunshine and the weathe. been just right—not too cold couldn't have been a better da if we'd ordered it."

Walter Paepcke, Chicago industrialist who financed the million-dollar ski project here, said he was "very pleased" the way everything worked out.

"Aspen's a 'natural' for ski enthusiasts and others who may not ski, but who love beautiful and scenic country," he said.

Although the day was warm, late in the afternoon when the sun slipped below Ajax peak, the air quickly chilled at this 7,800-foot elevation.

In the skijoring races, Tony Dean and Bud Morolt, 14-year-old boys, won the men's division in the 250-yard race with a time of 14 seconds flat. Mrs. D. R. C. Brown took the women's division in 15.2 seconds. The skijoring was held in front of the old opera house.

In the costume race, in which couples tied together with 30-foot ropes skied down Ajax peak, Mrs. Brown and Andrew Ransom placed first in 2:05. Mrs. Renee Knowlton and Leonard Woods, timed at 2:12, placed second.

NO SERIOUS INJURIES.

Although hundreds skied here during the day, and there were numerous spills, no serious injuries were reported.

The town is crowded and the most popular gathering spot for those here for the weekend celebration is the historic Hotel Jerome, which has recently been refurbished. The diningroom, grill and bar are literally packed at meal time. At other times, the hotel is virtually deserted as everyone, old and young, moves to the ski slopes.

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Skiing—Pastime For Dimmer Minds

By LEE CASEY

A LARGE gathering of notables, including several I never heard of before, will take off today in a special train for the quaint old mining camp of Aspen, a town that includes among its claims to fame the production of Harold Ross of the New Yorker and Bloody Bridles Waite.

Will I be one of the celebrities, you ask? By no means. In the first place, I wasn't invited—not that such a trifle always deters a Casey. In the second, these dignitaries and sub-dignitaries are going skiing, at least in theory. And that so-called sport is not for me.



Lee Casey

I know some people, who at other moments might be regarded as sensible, who ski. I am also aware that skiing is supposed to be fashionable, and that alone is sufficient to lure the unthinking. More, I have seen the Roche Run, "the longest and finest ski course in the world"—a title vigorously denied by Steamboat Springs and Leadville—from the pleasant security of the Jerome Hotel bar.

However, there is about as much chance of my trying to descend Roche Run with a pair of elongated paddles on my feet as there is for me to jump off the roof of the First National Bank Bldg. with a parachute. Indeed, I see a good deal of similarity in the performances, save that the parachuter usually jumps only once, whereas the skiier is fatuous enough to have himself or herself hauled back up to the top and try the silly stunt all over again.

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SOME of the celebrities listed —I won't mention names for fear of reprisals — I have no doubt will avoid the ski run and, like myself, confine their activities at Aspen to the Jerome Hotel bar. Yet even they will have caught the infection that started with George E. Cranmer and has spread over the commonwealth.

Yes, even the sensible folk who prefer bars to snowbanks will be attired like Swiss yodelers, with plumage in their hats and coats of many colors.

As for the women, skiing has become more than an outdoor sport. Today it is a fashion contest—a fashion contest in reverse. Females who might be cooking flapjacks or mending socks, spend unbelievable amounts on skiing costumes. Strangely enough, skiing seems to reverse a well-known feminine instinct.

I have been told that the art of costuming is to enhance rather than conceal the attractions of the female form and I have seen on display a $250 dinner gown that wouldn't, so far as the upstairs part goes, anyway, have given as much coverage as an Atlantic City bathing suit. Yet the woman who skis seems to try to make herself look like a sack of meal. From a rear elevation, the most acute observer would have difficulty in distinguishing male and female, so voluminous is the muffling-up. To me, apparel constructed of Pride of the Rockies flour bags would be about as attractive as the current skiing getups, but women probably wouldn't care for it because it wouldn't cost as much.

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AS SOMEONE once said of the automobile, to me skiing is just a passing fad. No matter how they may hop up the publicity, no matter how hard they may work at trying to make it fashionable, this nonsense of skiing just won't last.

Women, over the long haul, aren't going to keep on trying to disguise themselves in attire that makes them look like the bloomer girl of the 1890s. They have taken skiing up as a passing fancy, and before long they'll quit.

And sensible males aren't going to keep on letting themselves slide down snowbanks any more than grown men are going to keep on sliding down banisters. Why get yourself cold and tired, why risk life and limb on a ski run, when you might be warm and comfortable reading the Annals of Tacitus or the Memoirs of Saint-Simon or talking about the love-life of Caligula?

Yes, even if you had asked me to Aspen, Max Paepcke, I would have declined, because I find my estate more gracious sitting at the Albany in the corner once occupied by the broad posterior of Buffalo Bill.

,000 SKI FANS MAKE ASPEN GAY !!

By LEE CALLISON.
Denver Post Staff Writer.

Aspen, Colo., Jan. 12.—This slat-happy ski town, bidding to become a new American year-around playground, chased away the ghosts of a one-time silver boom Saturday and played host to ski enthusiasts from all parts of the nation in a colorful ceremony dedicating what Aspen backers call "the world's longest ski lift."

The weather was perfect. The snow was perfect for skiing. Walter Paepcke, Chicago businessman who inspired Aspen's new growing fever, was happy. And 2,000 sports-minded invaders who gathered at the bottom of the ski tow to hea dedicatory ceremonies were gay.

KNOUS SPEAKS.

Gov.-Elect W. Lee Knous spo briefly of Aspen old and n Mayor A. E. Robison of Aspen Paepcke had a few words to s And then Colorado's governor-elect put Allene Robison, 19, the mayor's daughter, on the lift. She was its first passenger.

The thirty-piece 179th army ground forces ski-trooper band from Camp Carson played during the dedication ceremony.

For the past few years a ghost town, Aspen is being backed by Paepcke as a year-round vacation-land. Paepcke says he doesn't want to turn Aspen "into a town which lives a violent tourist life for three months of the year and then subsides into dullness."

TOWN IS GAY.

There was no dullness in Aspen Saturday.

A huge Diesel-powered train, first since 1914 to wind its way through the rugged mountains hunched around Aspen, unloaded a gay crowd of 200 persons from Denver Friday night. Horse-drawn sleighs transported guests to the reconditionad Jerome hotel.

Aspen is very pleased with Paepcke and his million-dollar project. In 1945, when Paepcke saw Aspen for the first time, it recorded its population at 600. Now it's 2,000. Actual construction work at Aspen started March 15, 1946.

PROGRAM LISTED.

Events scheduled on Saturday's program included: Ski races, novelty races, ski exhibitions by top skiers, ski-joring (skiers being pulled along by horses) and a ski club ball at the army hall. Sunday there will be a ski jumping exhibition by top-flight arti along with dedication cere of the Tenth mountain refuge on Ajak peak in noon. There will be how Sunday night, showing of the Europ moving picture "Ski Chas

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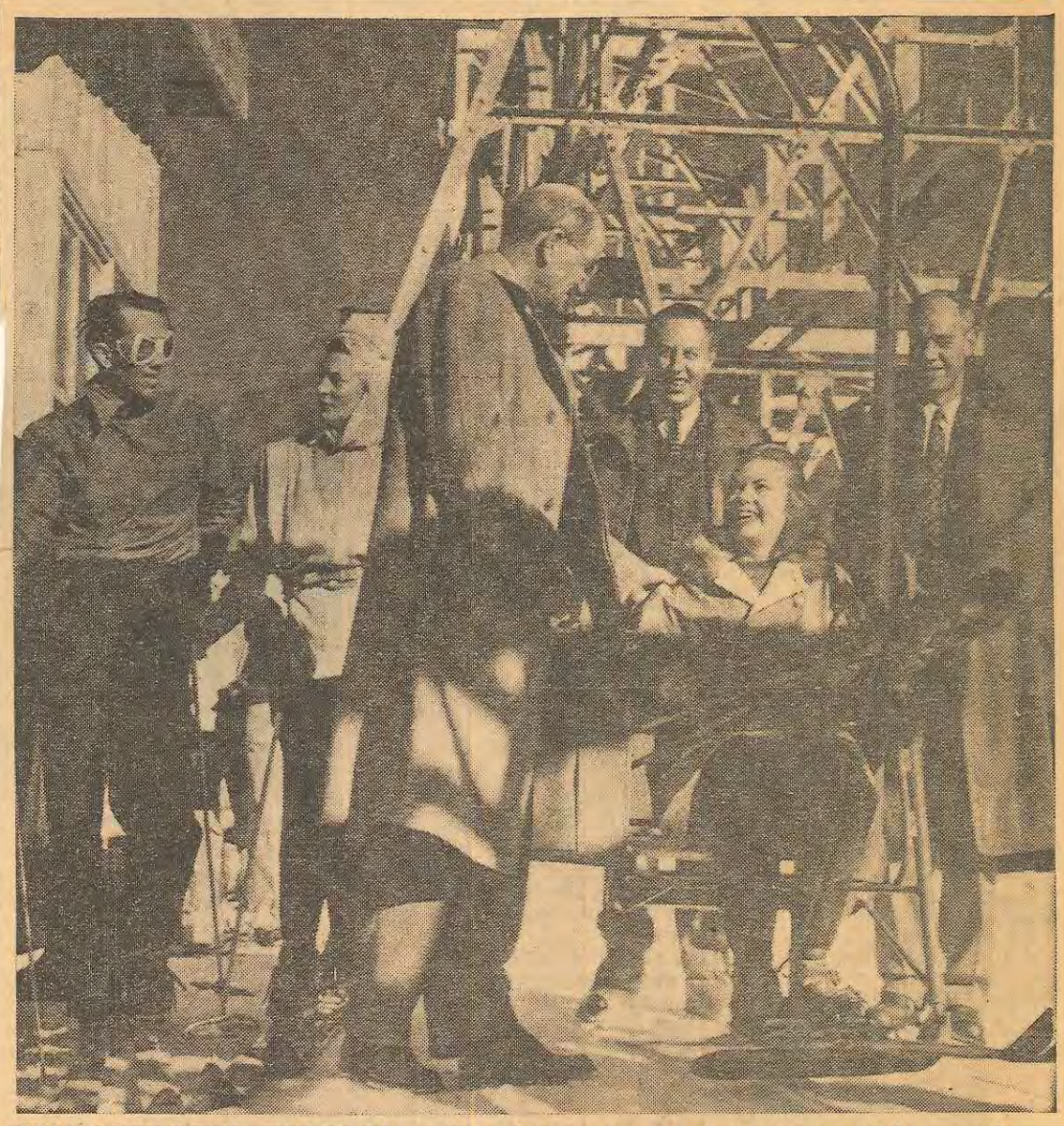

WHAT COMES DOWN MUST GO UP, as all good skiers know, but the downs will be more frequent and the ups will be less fatiguing with Aspen's new 15,000-foot tow. Here Edith Robinson, daughter of Mayor A. E. Robinson, shoves off on the first ride after the lift was officially dedicated Saturday. She has just been assisted into the high-traveling seat by (left to right) Governor-elect W. Lee Knous, Walter Paepcke, Chicago industrialist, and Mayor Robinson while others get ready to ride the lift.—Photo by Floyd H. McCall, Post staff photographer.

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In the costume race, in which couples tied together with 30-foot ropes skied down Ajax peak, Mrs. Brown and Andrew Ransom placed first in 2:05. Mrs. Renee Knowlton and Leonard Woods, timed at 2:12, placed second.

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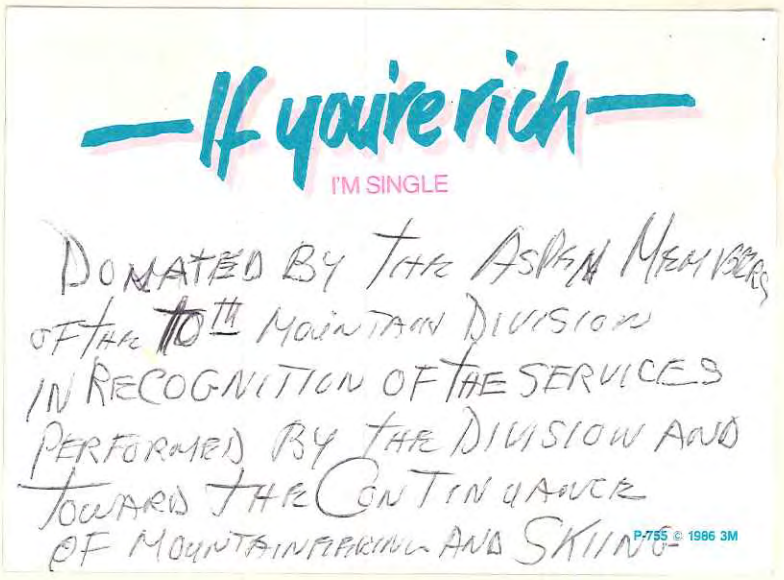

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It is with mixed feelings that I stand here today; a feeling of exaltation to be here on the top of this majestic mountain, a feeling of pride to be the one to accept this plaque and plans; and finally a feeling of humility that I should represent that splendid body of officers and men, the 10th Mountain Division.

On behalf of those of us who are still alive, by the Grace of God, it gives me the utmost pleasure to accept this plaque and these plans which you other members have so generously donated. I thank you.

Acceptance Speech by Col Ruffner

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Ten Aspen veterans of the famed Tenth mountain division (ski troops) who are "doing the work" to make Aspen the nation's top ski resort, are shown atop Aspen mountain during dedication ceremonies of the long lift. They are, front row, left to right, Hans Hagemeister, Johnny Litchfield, Lenny Woods and Fritz Benedict; back row, Ralph Cormier, Bob Dennis, Bill Bronski, "Slim" Davis, Dick Rocker and Percy Rideout. They are shown with a plaque in memory of their buddies lost in combat and an artist's conception of a ski refuge to be built this summer in the Elk range. The plaque will be hung in the refuge.

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ala Opening of Aspen Ski Capital s Hailed as Sensational Success

1947

By DICK SMITH
Rocky Mountain News Writer

ASPEN, Jan. 12.—The brilliant sun plunged behind the Maroon Bells tonight, leaving this 7800-foot town tired, happy and snow-burned after two days as the skiing capital of America.

After a day of spectacular mountain grandeur and equally spectacular skiing, the hordes of snowbirds here to dedicate Aspen as a year-around mountain sports center stretched their weary legs in front of hearth fires to re-tell the yarns of these two days jam-packed with ceremony, scenery and Colorado hospitality.

Ski Fashion Show

Many of the hundreds here for the opening crowded into the Isis Theater tonight for a ski fashion show and a special winter sports motion picture. Others were already en route homeward by automobile.

Still others relaxed at scores of open houses held by the hospitable residents of Aspen in the spirit of warm friendliness which has marked this celebration.

The fraternity of snub-nosed boots and wind-burned noses pronounced the Aspen opening a ringing success.

Although famed Roch Run and the other ski slopes about the town have swarmed with skiers from sun-up until twilight both days, there has not been a serious accident reported.

Plenty of Spills

There have been plenty of spills, and the ski-tracked hills are pocked with the "sitmarks" and "bathtubs" of beginners who failed to heed instructors' cautions to "keep your weight forward," but apparently the celebration has closed with only sore muscles, a few charley horses and chapped faces to be nursed on the morning after.

Highlight of the day today probably was the breath-taking dual ski jump made by Barney McLean and Gordon Wrenn from Aspen's outstanding 60-meter ski jump.

Jump of Nearly 190 Ft.

A hushed crowd of more than 400 persons wached the spectacular double leap on the thin long slats with the double grooves. The spectators sucked in their breaths almost as one person as the pair of champion skiers soared over their heads, arms flailing for balance, in a jump of nearly 190 feet.

McLean holds the official Aspen jump record of 205 feet. Wrenn has exceeded McLean's mark by three feet in one leap, but lost his balance and fell to disqualify the leap.

Today, they took off side-by-side at the top of the jump, soared into the air together for perfect landings a split instant apart. The crowd broke into a spontaneous roar of applause.

Other Champions in Exhibit

Five other champion skiers also participated in the morning's exhibit of jumping. No offical measurements were taken, but veteran skiers said many of the leaps were of contest-winning caliber. Participating in the show in addition to Wrenn and McLean were Jerry Hiatt, Dick Durance, Harold Sorenson, Marshall Fitzgerald and Dev. Jennings.

The afternoon's festivities were given over to dedication ceremonies at the Sun Deck atop Ajax mountain. Several hundred skiers and garden variety spectators rode the newly dedicated 14,000-foot chair lift to the shelter house for the afternoon.

The circular, glassed-in Sun Deck gives an almost unbroken view of some of Colorado's most rugged mountain scenery. To the west, the 14,126-foot Maroon Bells juts sharply into the skyline. In all other directions, the snowy winter Rockies stretch away into purple distances.

Plaque Is Presented

A carved wooden plaque was presented by John Litchfield of Aspen to Col. David L. Ruffner of Camp Hale for use on the 10th Mountan Division to be built next summer in Montezuma Basin. A drawing of plans for the lodge also was unveiled.

The plaque's carved legend states that it was "donated by the Aspen members of the 10th Mountain Division in recognition of the services performed by the division and toward the continuance of mountaineering and skiing."

The man who accepted the [illegible] audience briefly, praising the developments of Aspen and the promotion of skiing as a "great thing for the building of minds, bodies and spirit."

Other speakers included Lennie Woods, a former member of the 10th Division; and Minot Dole, president of the National Sky Patrol System, which recruited the divisions' wartime personnel.

The division's refuge in the Elk Mountains will be built by veterans of the unit now living in Aspen and elsewhere in Colorado. Walter Paepcke's Aspen Co. will provide the funds and materials for construction.

Alpine Picture Shown

At 7:30 p. m. the program at the Isis opened with the ski fashion show presented by Miss Ruth Humphries and Mike Magnifico. Following the preview of snow fashions, the audience saw "The Ski Chase," a European motion picture featuring skiing in the Alps.

Many of the visitors who helped turn this silver boom town of the 1880s into a winter sports capital were early abed tonight. The special train returning to Denver leaves at 7 a. m., tomorrow.

RITES AT ASPEN HELD ATOP PEAK

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By LEE H. CALLSON.
Denver Post Staff Writer.

Aspen, Colo., Jan. 13.—More than 1,500 persons Sunday rode the longest ski lift in the world to the top of Aspen mountain to witness ceremonies in which a plaque in memory of the members of the famed Tenth mountain division who died in combat was presented to Col. David L. Ruffner, Tenth veteran and now com-mandant of the mountain and winter warfare school and training center at Camp Carson.

As Gen. Jacob L. Devers, commanding general of the army ground forces, who flew here for the ceremonies, looked on, John Litchfield of Aspen, former captain in the Tenth, presented the plaque to Colonel Ruffner.

REFUGE PLANNED.

Veterans of the Tenth who now live here plan to build a mountain refuge for their group in the Elk range next summer. The plaque will be placed in the lodge. Till then it will hang inside the Sun Deck, warming house and restaurant atop Aspen mountain, where the ceremonies were held Sunday.

The Tenth trained during the war at Camp Hale, at Pando, east of here.

In a brief address, General Devers praised the Tenth, which in three months in Europe had 4,000 casualties, including 1,000 killed, and said, "We have benefited greatly from the work the Tenth did in both its training and actual combat. We are carrying on, not only here in Colorado, but at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, at Fairbanks, Alaska, and at Adak, in the Aleutians. Our winter training is heavily concentrated and it has been a wonderful way of building good, strong men.

RUGGED TRAINING.

"It's a lot of fun for the boys we have in training today, but it's also rugged and it takes courage. It makes them think fast and it's the best training they could get, not only militarily but from the health standpoint. . . . We want universal training and this mountain training is part of the program for all our boys who take it."

Although the sun shone brightly, it was cold atop the 11,000-foot mountain and a stiff wind snapped the flags of the color guard and valves on band instruments froze.

No one seemed to mind, however, and many of the skiers were bareheaded. Lift attendants said they had never seen so much enthusiasm as skiers were showing during the weekend celebration, which marked the opening of the lift. The first, or lower, part of the lift is 8,500 feet long. The second part is 5,500 feet. The lift, which has a vertical rise of 3,000 feet, has a capacity of 270 persons an hour. An average trip takes twenty-eight minutes.

JUMPERS IN ACTION.

During the morning a ski jump exhibition was held with Dick Durrance, Jerry Hiatt, Harold Sorensen, Dev Jennings, Barney McLean, Marshall Fitzgerald and Gordon Wren taking part. Several of the jumps were near the 200-foot mark.

Sunday night the Isis theater was crowded for the ski fashion show and the film, "Ski Chase."

See story on page 3 also.

Aspen Proves Ch... As Top Sports C...

By DICK SMITH
Rocky Mountain News Writer

Aspen took its place beside the country's finest winter sports areas yesterday after a two-day introduction in matchless weather that left some 1500 visitors breathless and the old mining town with a new heart.

The last of the week-enders left yesterday morning on the Denver & Rio Grande special; they looked at the slopes covered with five inches of new-fallen snow and climbed reluctantly into the train whose arrival marked the opening of festivities and whose departure rang down the curtain.

From every standpoint the dedication of the new winter sports mecca was a thumping success. On Saturday, Gov.-elect W. Lee Knous, Mayor Gene Robinson of Aspen and promoter Walter Paepcke of Chicago started the wheels rolling at the dedication of the 15,000-foot chair lift, the longest in the world.

Afterwards, Colorado's unsung ski champions—Barney McLean, Gordon Wren, Steve Knowlton, Jerry Hiatt, Johnny Litchfield and Percy Rideout—came down off the Magnifico Cutoff run in a dazzling burst of speed that sprayed powdery snow into the sun, and the keynote was struck.

Skiers got the thrill of their lives on the tricky, expert runs off the mountain and non-skiers got the feel of it all riding the chair-lift to Ajax Peak. Highlight of the week-end was the dedication atop Ajax at the Sun Deck, where Aspenites who served in the 10th Mountain Division presented a commemorative plaque to their old division artillery commander, Col. David L. Ruffner.

Refuge Hut Plans

Plans for a 10th Mountain Division Refuge Hut to be built next summer in Montezuma Basin were also unveiled at the ceremony attended by Gen. Jacob Devers, army ground forces commander.

From a purely skiing standpoint the thrill of the week-end was the twin jump performed Sunday morning by Gordon Wren and Barney McLean. They came down the 60-meter jump run and sailed off in perfectly timed unison to a jump of 185 feet.

Spectators were also treated to the top-notch skiing of Georgette Thilliere, French woman champion, who has whipped most of the men in Europe and done likewise

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Colonel Ruffner, please accept from a few of your old soldiers this plaque and plans for a cabin to be built this summer and wherein this plaque will finally rest, as an everlasting remembrance of one of the finest fighting divisions of the war.

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American Fraternal Union #47
Aspen, Colorado

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Aspen
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Aspen
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F. N. P. J.
Aspen, Colorado

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Mr. W. Lucas Woodall
Pitkin County Bank
Aspen, Colorado

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Commanding Local Post
American Legion
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Hiram Lodge #98, AF & AM
Aspen, Colorado

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Box 126, Route 3
Littleton, Colorado

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V. F. W.
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December 30, 1946

Colonel David L. Ruffner
Camp Hale
Pando, Colorado

Dear Dave:

I am in receipt of Colonel Fowler's confirming telegram this morning that you and he will be present at Aspen, and I'm delighted. General Hayes has likewise signified his intention of being there, as has General Devers.

It is my understanding that you should know the type of ceremony it is to be, as the Army has set rules regarding all ceremonies. A plaque is to be presented and unvailed, which will later hang in a cabin to be built and presented by the local ex-10th men in Aspen to the living members of the 10th Mountain Division. I believe they are anxious to have the divisional and commanders at the ceremony, and someone has suggested that inasmuch as General Devers is going to be there, possibly a band can be sent up from Carson. They of course would be billeted and fed by the Aspen Company. I personally don't know anything about these things, and have asked Leonard Woods, ex-10th Mountaineer, who is living in Aspen, to contact you directly as he is arranging the details.

I am counting on the possibility of getting together with you, Fowler, Devers and Hayes and having a full discussion of the future of the Mountain Training Center at Carson, based upon Mark Clark's discussion with me and the directive of AGF regarding June 1, 1947.

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In any case a Very Happy New Year to you and Colonel Fowler and I sure look forward to seeing you in Aspen, and hope you can get up there for the 11th too.

Sincerely yours,

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December 30, 1946

Lt. General Jacob L. Devers, Commanding
Army Ground Forces
War Department
Ft. Meyer, Va.

Dear General Devers:

I have been asked to acquaint you ahead of time with the type of ceremony to be held at Aspen, Colorado, on Sunday January 12th. At that time a plaque is to be unveiled and plans for a cabin presented which will be built this Spring and given to the living members of the 10th Mountain Division.

It is my understanding that Major General George P. Hayes, who commanded the Division, and Colonels Fowler and Ruffner will likewise be present. Details for arranging this ceremony are in the hands of ex-10th Mountaineer Leonard Woods of Aspen, who will contact Colonel Ruffner personally. I look forward with keen pleasure to meeting you in Aspen at that time.

Sincerely yours,

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December 30, 1946

Major General George P. Hayes
Hq. 6th Army
Office of Chief of Staff
Presidio of San Francisco, Calif.

Dear General Hayes:

I received your kind letter of December 23rd this morning and it would be hard to express myself as to how much I appreciate your attitude. I shall not go into a discussion at this time of its contents, as I shall hope to do that personally.

My reason for writing you is to acquaint you with the type of ceremony that is to be held at Aspen as I understand the Army has definite rules set up as to how it should be conducted.

It is proposed to unveil a wooden plaque will will later hang in a cabin, which is to be built in the Spring and presented to the living members of the 10th Mountain Division in appreciation of what they did during the War and to further skiing and mountaineering.

General Devers, Colonels Ruffner and Fowler will likewise be present, and I have asked Leonard Woods, ex-10th Mountaineer who lives at Aspen, to arrange details personally with Colonel Fowler.

I am very hopeful that time will allow a discussion to include General Devers, yourself, Fowler

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and Ruffner, of the necessity for the continuance of the school system as at present arranged at Camp Carson, as it is my strong belief that this should be a War Department function rather than turned over to the Armies. It seems like a God-given opportunity under most favorable conditions in the mountains and in the snow.

I can't tell you how much I look forward to seeing you again, and with kindest regards and best wishes for a very Happy New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

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Saturday, 11 Jan

10 am - Official opening of the chair lift by Governor-elect Lee Knous

10;30 am - Skiing exhibitions and Costume rope race

2 pm - Ski joring races

9 pm - Dance

Sunday, 12 Jan

10;30 am - Ski Jumping Exhibition and Junior Slalom

12:30 am - Luncheon at Sun Deck

1:45 pm - 10th Mt. Division Ceremony

7:30 pm - Style Show and Ski Movies

Sincerely yours,

John P. Kelly

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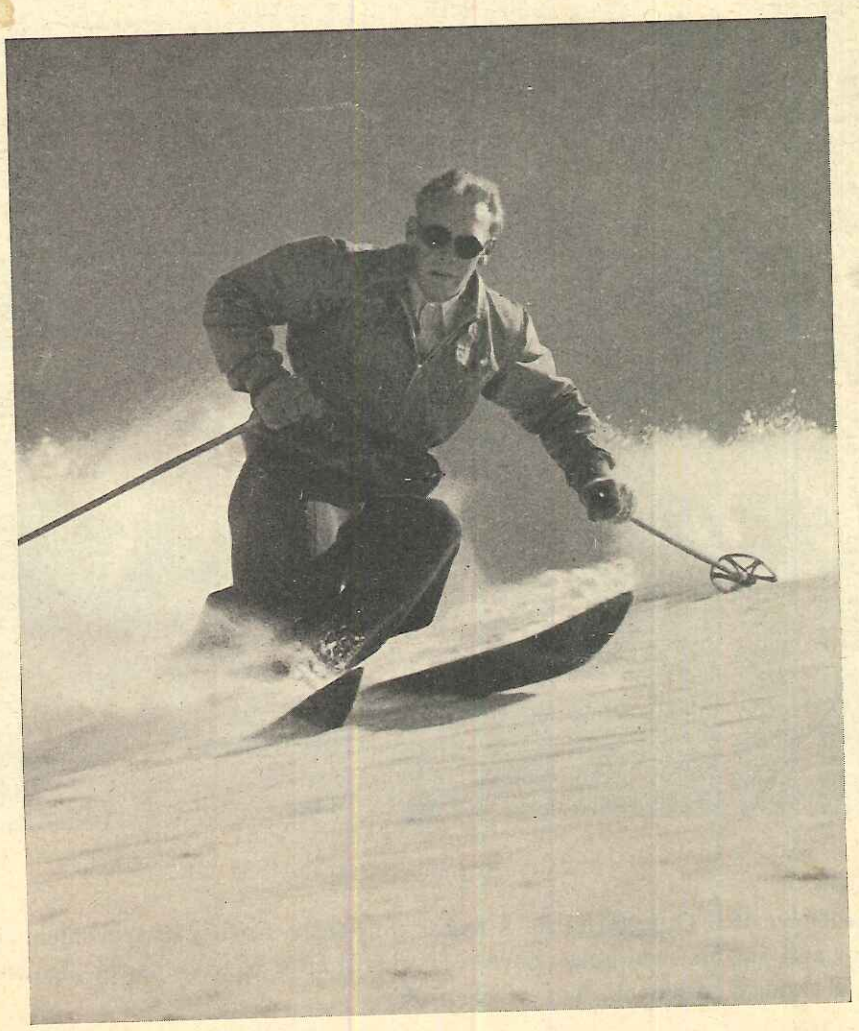

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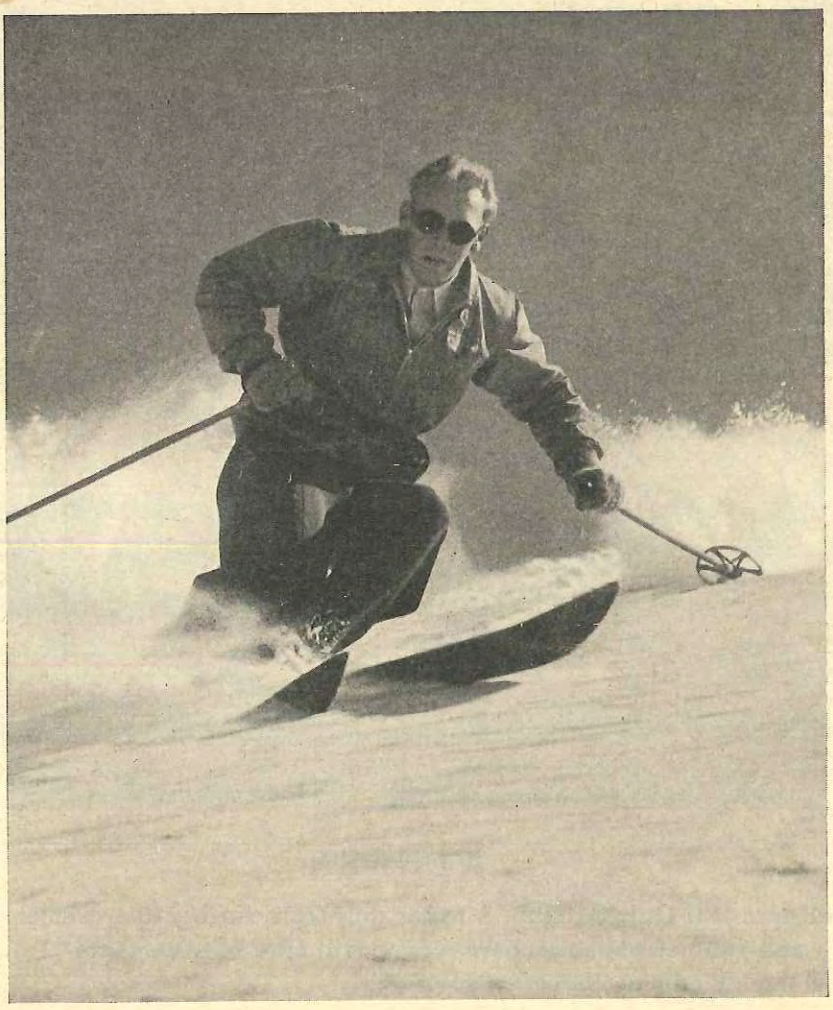

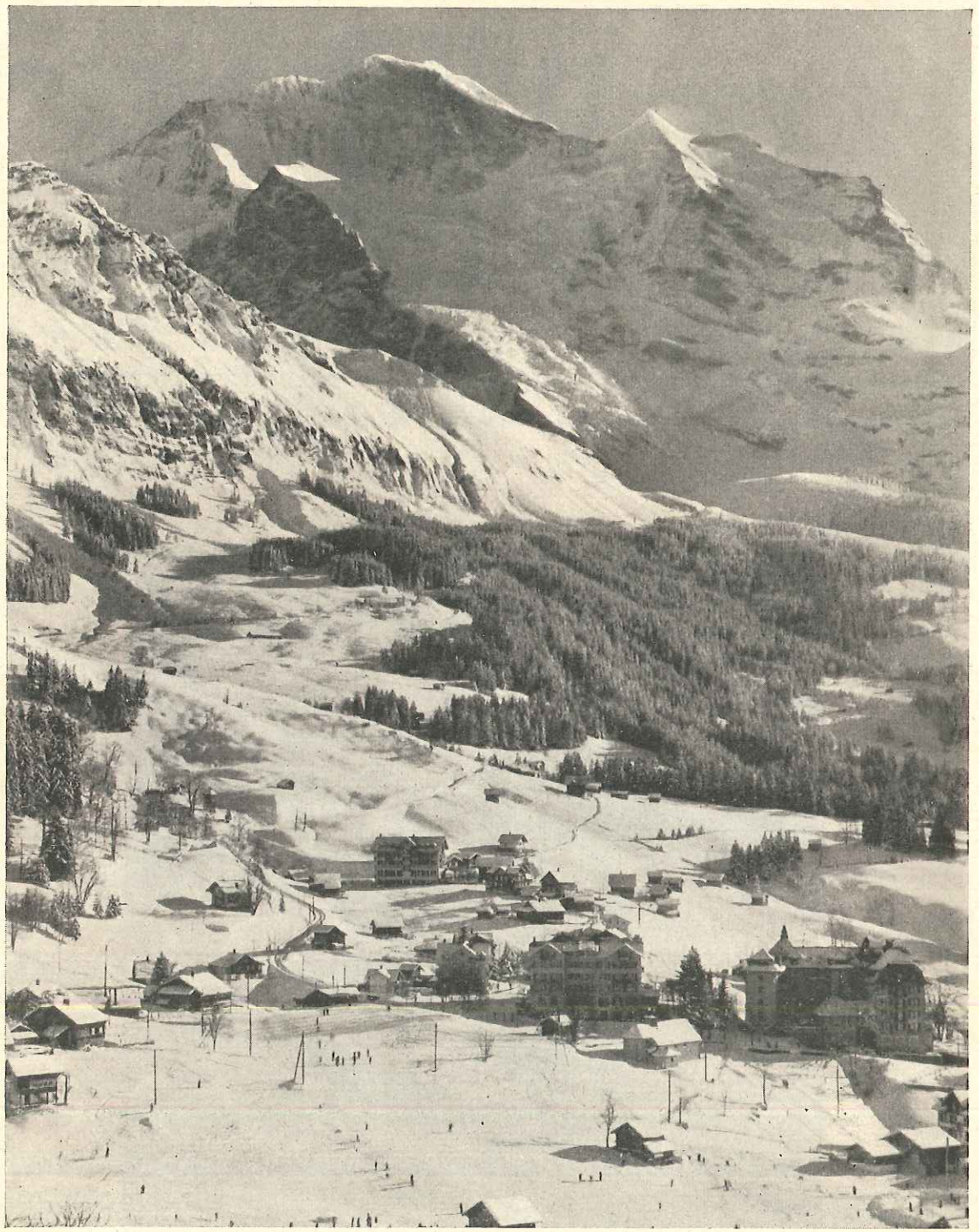

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H. Q. of the Down Hill Only Skiclub. A better time-table, further improvements in the mountain-railways and two new ski-hoists have created still finer conditions for „Down Hill Only" Ski-ing all around Wengen (Bernese Oberland).

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TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND FELLOW-SKIERS

As the union nationally representative of ski-ing in Switzerland, we have always looked upon the cultivation of international relationships as being of the highest importance. At our big annual ski races we used to welcome as our guests competitors from many ski-loving nations.

For the last six years, however, the representative of the Ski Club of Great Britain was the only one from abroad who could be present, and it was always from his hands that the lucky winners of the Challenge Cup received their trophy.

But now we should like once more to get into touch with our former friends. Our Union magazine is published in a French and German edition, but with its aid we cannot of course reach our English-speaking friends.

It is for this reason that we are issuing this special number; it shall at the same time serve as a greeting to them from Switzerland, that old and hospitable nation of skiers.

Editor.

THE PRESIDENT SAYS

Now that the nightmare years of war are over, and sunshine is gradually taking the place of sombre shadow, we here in Switzerland would like to see the snow of our mountains crossed and recrossed by ski tracks once again, tracks that for us are signs of hope and confidence in the future. They belong first and foremost to the youth of every country, to the young people who must above all fortify soul and body so as to make them better fitted to be the leaders of to-morrow.

Then comes that great host of men and women who have need of more space and sunshine, of belief in higher things than their daily life offers them, and who seek these things high up in our mountains, where clear air and sparkling snow have brought hope and healing to so many.

The Union of Swiss Ski Clubs develops its work along all these lines, so as to make not only the Swiss nation a «nation of skiers», but also to open up to every nation our mountains and all they can give, making them part of a great humanitarian work in this same country where the organisation of the Red Cross was born.

In the course of the war, cut off as we were from the rest of the world, we organised ski-ing camps for the youth of Switzerland. Each winter these camps are visited for a week by one thousand children from families in modest circumstances. Everything is entirely without charge, all the expenses being paid by donations from many benefactors. These camps, at the same time social and sporting institutions, are now to be organised on an international basis, and to be opened to the children of all those whose sacrifice has brought back the sunshine to our world.

We are also making preparations for big international ski competitions, that will for the first time permit all our fellow-skiers from abroad to meet and compete again with our own skiers.

To all our former and future friends we should hereby like to extend the most hearty welcome.

President of the Central Committee of the Swiss Ski Association:

Guisan.



Here are «Colonel Montgomery's» boots and ski. All the time that he was fighting under Africa's hot sun, his winter sport equipment in Switzerland slept a long, long winter-sleep. Field-Marshall Montgomery will be glad when he can take up his old and care-free ski-ing once more.

THE FUTURE OF INTERNATIONAL SKI-RACING

On his recent visit to Switzerland, we asked Mr. *Arnold Lunn* to give us his personal opinion in the matter. Here it is:

In the 1944 issue of the British Ski Year Book I published a letter from Count Hamilton, the President of the FIS, in which he said, inter alia, that he hoped skiers would help to rebuild international friendship. This evoked an angry protest from a British General.

In 1936 I thought that the British should not compete at Garmisch or at least should not compete in the Olympic Games without making a formal protest against the persecution of people for religious or racial grounds, but I got very little support.

Precious few people outside Germany were prepared to inconvenience themselves to protest. The Olympic athletes were not prepared to give up the fun of competing. Business men were not prepared to give up the chance of a profit and it therefore seems to me very naive to expect a German to lose liberty and to risk his life to make protests which *we* refused to make and which would have cost us so little to make at the time of the Olympic Games or in other connections. Would the Swiss censor have allowed any Swiss paper to publish an attack on the German treatment of the Poles while the Germans were still masters of Europe, in 1941 say? Why should the individual German take greater risks than the Swiss censor? I am all in favour of hanging any German convicted of atrocities, but I refuse to subscribe to the thesis that all Germans are guilty, and in spite of the General I agree with Count Hamilton.

My own guess is that Germans will not be admitted to the Olympic Games of 1948 and that there will be no genuinely international ski events for three or four years.

The American skiers seceded from the FIS during the war under the wholly erroneous impression that it was dominated by the Germans. Earlier in this year I received a letter from a prominent member of the newly grounded Association for American and South American skiers in which he informed me that the U.S.A. would not return to the FIS unless our amateur rule was stiffened up to conform with the universal practice of all other athletic associations. For the FIS is the *only* international association which admits as amateurs those who teach the sport.

In the controversy with the Olympic Committee the real issue was not the amateur status of ski teachers, but the prestige of the FIS. The FIS refused to change its rules under pressure from the Olympic Committee. Major Oestgaard the Norwegian resident and I had some difficulty in carrying our respective associations for many Norwegians and British skiers found it illogical that we should resist a change which would have brought the FIS rule into line with the British and Norwegian rules. Major Oestgaard often said to me that once the controversy with the Olympic Committee was out of the way FIS would have to re-examine the whole question.

The Ski Club of Great Britain will now propose at the next FIS Congress a stiff amateur rule, and we shall also propose that amateurs shall be allowed to compete against professionals. Events such as the Arlberg-Kandahar will be open as heretofore to ski teachers and I hope the FIS will accept the American proposal to have in alternate years open world championships and world championships restricted to amateurs. Practically the change will make little difference. World Championships will not be won by ski teachers but by young skiers who can find some kind patron or kurverein to subsidise them during a training period of three or four months. Nobody who spends most of his time teaching can hope to win the major events. These will be won not by actual professionals but by professionals in embryo, young men serving their apprenticeship, making a reputation for themselves as the basis for a career as ski teachers. The genuine amateur who skis for amusement in his holidays will never have the slightest chance against the specialist who is on ski throughout the winter, but it is useless to fight against an inevitable development. It is extremely important to bring the Americans back into the FIS and it would, I think, be a great mistake for the Swiss to oppose a rule which will bring the FIS into line with all other international sporting bodies. It is obvious that a man whose profession is to teach ski-ing is a professional skier, and if there be any reason why the status of a teacher should be different in ski-ing from other sports, it would be interesting to hear what the reason is.

The British, I fear, will not be competing for many many years. The standard has risen very sharply during the war, and the boys who should have learned to ski in 1940 and have become possible FIS competitors in 1946 have been in training for a sterner game. There is no British Nachwuchs.

Our racers will be missed, because they contributed their share to the stimmung of international races, and no races were so friendly or so delightful as the old Anglo-Swiss races. I wish I could think out some scheme of ski-ing scholarships to train up 40 or 50 young British skiers every year in the Alps so that we could always be represented, at least in Akademische races and in events like the Duke of Kent, restricted to lowlanders.

SKI-ING IN SWITZERLAND DURING THE WAR

On the first of September 1939, the Swiss army was called up to defend the frontiers of our country. By far the greater part of our skiers changed their civilian dress for a military tunic. All thoughts of ski-ing had to be given up, and at first it seemed as if military frontier service would result, if not in a complete stoppage of ski-ing, at any rate in considerable set-backs even in our country, spared as it was from the horrors of war. The first months of the war brought, too, a check in the development of the Swiss Ski Association, the nucleus of the ski-ing movement in Switzerland, for during this time the number of its members sank from 30,000 to 27,000.

Nevertheless, the central committee decided in their session of October 1939 under the presidentship of Paul Simon, unanimously and decisively, that the work of the association should be carried on as usual during mobilisation, so long as our country remained outside the war. The committee was also supported in their work by the permanent central secretariat that had been called into being in Summer 1939. The secretariat was able to form a connecting-link between the central committee and the ski clubs, and in this manner to maintain and develop the relationship between the association and the skiers themselves.

The efforts of the central committee and their determination to carry on work as before was looked upon at the beginning in various quarters with a certain amount of mistrust. Nor was their optimism shared by all the ski clubs. For example, the Montana Ski Club, which at the delegates' meeting in 1938 had been given the task of organising the Swiss ski races for 1940, informed the committee at the beginning of November 1939 that, as a result of the uncertain times, they would find it impossible to carry out the work allotted them. The central committee was nevertheless determined that the races should take place, and was now obliged to look round for a club that would take the risk of making preparations for this great event without being certain of its being realised when the time came.

With great resolution, the Gstaad Ski Club then declared itself willing to fill in the gap. The future was to bring them no cause to regret their bold decision. These first war time Swiss ski races were an enormous success, due without doubt to the most original and interesting events ever carried out by the Swiss Ski Association. It was at this meeting that the sympathetic outlook of the army chief towards our sport was first made manifest. They very quickly realised the value of ski-ing in the defence of our country. During these first war championships troops stationed in the neighbourhood were given orders to help in preparing the courses, and this was later often repeated. Active members were granted leave so that they could take part in the races. The commander-in-chief of the army emphasised his interest in ski-ing by accepting the honorary presidency of the championships, and by personally attending them.

It afterwards became apparent that the association, by carrying out these first war-time championships, in spite of all the difficulties had been able to overcome an obstacle that then left them an open field. The question never again arose of cutting ski-ing activity short. On the contrary, efforts were everywhere made to promote the sport even more than formerly. Development on a broader basis now began, parallel with the training of experts. The new Central Committee elected in 1941 had at its head Colonel Henry Guisan, General Guisan's son. Under his leadership, its members not only continued the work of their predecessors, but by their great enterprise also caused the association to developing along highly successful lines.

As far as racing itself was concerned, the association, the district unions and ordinary clubs all carried out their races in at least the same manner as in pre-war days. It would be going too far to give details of all the events that took place, but we should all the same like to give the names of the winners of the most important annual championships:

Swiss Ski champions (Olympic combination):

1940 in Gstaad: *Heinz von Allmen,* Wengen.
1941 in St. Moritz: *Heinz von Allmen,* Wengen.
1942 in Grindelwald: *Otto von Allmen,* Wengen.
1943 in Arosa: *Otto von Allmen,* Wengen.
1944 in Gstaad: *Otto von Allmen,* Wengen.
1945 in Engelberg: *Niklaus Stump,* Unterwasser.

Swiss champions in the nordic combination:

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Swiss champions in the alpine combination:

1943 in Arosa: *Fritz Kaufmann,* Grindelwald.
1944 in Gstaad *Otto von Allmen,* Wengen.
1945 in Engelberg: *Karl Molitor,* Wengen.

Swiss long-distance champions:

1940 in Gstaad: *Heinz von Allmen,* Wengen.
1941 in St. Moritz: *Heinz von Allmen,* Wengen.
1942 in Grindelwald: *Heinz von Allmen,* Wengen.
1943 in Arosa: *Willy Bernath,* La Chaux-de-Fonds.
1944 in Gstaad: *Max Muller,* Sierre.
1945 in Engelberg: *Max Muller,* Sierre.

Swiss ski jumping champions:

1940 in Gstaad: *Ludwig Demarmels,* Davos.
1941 in St. Moritz: *Richard Buehler,* Ste-Croix.
1942 in Grindelwald: *Hans Almer,* Grindelwald.
1943 in Arosa: *Georg Keller,* Davos.
1944 in Gstaad: *Niklaus Stump,* Unterwasser.
1945 in Engelberg: *Hans Zurbriggen,* Saas-Fee.

Swiss downhill racing champions:

1940 in Gstaad: *Albert Scheuing,* Alpina St. Moritz.
1941 in St. Moritz: *Gerhard Olinger,* Engelberg.
1942 in Grindelwald: *Heinz von Allmen,* Wengen.
1943 in Arosa: *Fritz Kaufmann,* Grindelwald.
1944 in Gstaad: *Peter Kaufmann,* Grindelwald.
1945 in Engelberg: *Rudolf Graf,* Kleine Scheidegg.

Swiss Slalom champions:

1940 in Gstaad: *Rudolf Rominger,* St. Moritz.
1941 in St. Moritz: *Rudolf Rominger,* St. Moritz.
1942 in Grindelwald: *Karl Molitor,* Wengen.
1943 in Arosa: *Edy Reinalter,* St. Moritz.
1944 in Gstaad: *Otto von Allmen,* Wengen.
1945 in Engelberg: *Otto von Allmen,* Wengen.

Swiss lady champions (Downhill-slalom combination):

1940 in Gstaad: *Niny von Arx-Zogg,* Arosa.
1941 in St. Moritz: *Verena Fuchs,* Davos.
1942 in Grindelwald: *Verena Fuchs,* Davos.
1943 in Arosa: *Hedy Schlunegger,* Wengen.
1944 in Gstaad: *Erika Paroni-Gasche,* Saanen.
1945 in Engelberg: *Antoin. Meyer,* SDS Hospenthal.

Swiss lady champions (Downhill racing):

1940 in Gstaad: *Erna Steuri,* SDS Grindelwald.
1941 in St. Moritz: *Clara Bertsch,* Davos.
1942 in Grindelwald: *Hedy Schlunegger,* Wengen.
1943 in Arosa: *Antoinette Meyer,* SDS Hospenthal.
1944 in Gstaad: *Hedy Schlunegger,* Wengen.
1945 in Engelberg: *Rosmarie Bleuer,* Grindelwald.

Swiss lady champions (slalom):

1940 in Gstaad: *Niny von Arx-Zogg,* Arosa.
1941 in St. Moritz: *Elvira Osirnig,* St. Moritz.
1942 in Grindelwald: *Verena Fuchs,* Davos.
1943 in Arosa: *Verena Fuchs,* Davos.
1944 in Gstaad: *Antoinette Meyer,* SDS Hospenthal.
1945 in Engelberg: *Antoin. Meyer,* SDS Hospenthal.

Swiss champions in 50 Km. Endurance race:

1940 in St. Cergue: *Hans Schoch,* Urnäsch.
1941 in Grindelwald: *Hans Schoch,* Urnäsch.
1942 in Fischenthal: *Victor Borghi,* Les Diablerets.
1943 im Eigenthal: *Adolf Freiburghaus,* La Chaux-de-Fonds.
1944 in Airolo: *Hans Schoch,* Urnäsch.
1945 in La Chaux-de-Fonds: *Max Muller,* Sierre.

Swiss Junior champions (Olympic combination):
(this title was first given in 1942)

1942 in Grindelwald: *Adolf Aufdenblatten,* Zermatt.
1943 in Arosa: *René Jeandel,* La Chaux-de-Fonds.
1944 in Gstaad: *Walter Graf,* Wengen.
1945 in Engelberg: *J. Moreillon,* Les Martinets-Les Plans.

Every year, with the greatest pride and joy, the winners of the men's and ladies' downhill races received the magnificent Challenge Cup of the Ski Club of Great Britain and the lovely silver ski of the Kandahar Club from the hands of the representative of the S. C. G.B., that great friend of sport, Gordon Spencer. As a symbol of the close friendship between British and Swiss skiers, our champions looked upon these two challenge trophies as a torch through the long and bitter years of war.

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When as a result of the war it only became possible for skiers of a few neighbouring countries to come to Switzerland and take part in ski-ing contests in our country, the Swiss Ski Association decided in 1940 to carry out the Swiss ski-races, till then run on an international basis, from that time on as purely national championships.

During the six war years, the Association has kept to the Olympic combination inaugurated at the beginning of the 1940's, a principle to which they still adhere. In 1942/43, they added to the former Swiss championship titles (the Swiss championship in the Olympic combination and the championships in the separate racing sections) the title of champion in the Nordic combination (long-distance and jumping) and the Alpine combination (downhill and slalom). Only for the juniors, the competitors between the ages of 16 and 20, did the title of Junior champion in the Olympic combination remain as sole Swiss championship title.

In this short survey of ski racing during the war, space does not allow us to go more fully into the whys and wherefores of the Olympic combination. The Association is fully aware of the fact that by their emphasis of this combination they render the training of specialists in the separate sections far more difficult. It goes without saying that a racer who concentrates on all four sections cannot give the same attention during training to each branch as the specialist. But the present-day leaders of the association, like their predecessors, consider the aim of all ski-ing to be the training of the good all-round racer, able to hold his own in every section. In the senior group we have indeed not kept to this principle in all respects, and have inaugurated a nordic and an alpine championship; but we have intentionally not deviated in the case of the juniors, from whom we require that they train their bodies in the most varied way possible, and above all do not concentrate only on those branches that demand the least effort and energy on their part. As a result of the Olympic combination, many a skier has already discovered in himself a special ability and pleasure in one or the other of the various sections. We would as an example mention the brothers Heinz and Otto von Allmen from Wengen, who practised long distance racing specially for the Olympic combination, as a consequence becoming our best long-distance racers of the last six years.

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Every year, the district ski clubs of the Association carried out their district championships in the four different sections, so as to select competitors for the National races. Some of these clubs also organised relay races. For some years, too, interest has been growing in Switzerland in the 30-kilometer endurance race. The Thorleif Byoernstad Commemorative Race held for some years in Gantrist by the Swiss Academic Ski Club, in conjunction with the Associated Bernese Ski Clubs, served as a model. For this race, a challenge cup was presented by the late Paul Simon, president of the Bernese central committee, and by the vice-president, Dr. Berni Rüfenacht. In Fischenthal, a small place in the Zurich uplands with a very enterprising ski club, was started the first 30-kilometer long distance race in eastern Switzerland. The Klosters Ski Club also began last winter for the first time to organise a 30-kilometer long-distance run in memory of Paul Simon.

The famous standard races, such as the Parsenn Derby in Davos, the Lauberhorn Race in Wengen, and the Wispillen Race in Gstaad, to mention only a few, have also survived wartime difficulties. The Parsenn Derby can still be reckoned as the biggest downhill race in Switzerland. In these days, the most important thing is not to win the race, but the possibility of improving the record time from year to



year by minutes or even fractions of minutes. The following list of champions in the Derby class illustrate this point more fully:

Men (Weissfluhgipfel—Küblis):

1940	*Peter Mathis*, Davos	14.36 Min.
1941	*Heinz von Allmen*, Wengen	15.23 »
1942	*Peter Mathis*, Davos	14.00 »
1943	*Peter Mathis*, Davos	14.11 »
1944	*Edy Rominger*, Alpina St. Moritz	13.27 »
1945	*Peter Mathis*, Davos	13.38,2 »

Women (Weissfluhgipfel—Conterser Schwendi):

1940	*Erna Steuri*, Grindelwald	8.34 Min.
1941	*Clara Bertsch*, Davos	9.11 »
1942	*Clara Bertsch*, Davos	8.07,5 »
1943	*Clara Bertsch*, Davos	8.31,4 »
1944	*Anny Maurer*, Davos	7.51,6 »
1945	*Anny Maurer*, Davos	7.59,2 »

Mürren, the cradle and centre of the British Kandahar Ski Club, has in the course of the last years kept true to its tradition, and at the same time lent its support to downhill racing by inaugurating and developing a new standard race — the TT or Tempo Trophy race, a race with separate classes for mountain people and visitors, the route following the four most famous downhill runs of the Schiltgrat, the Hindenburg, Kandahar, Finel and Wintertal.

In winter 1944—1945, the Swiss Ski Association carried out for the first time a Swiss club championship for downhill racing and for slalom. These took place in Arosa, and met with the greatest approval of those taking part. In the downhill race from the Arosa Weisshorn, the former world champion David Zogg succeeded in beating the younger generation and gaining first place for himself. The Arosa Ski Club was club champion in downhill as well as in combined racing, and the Swiss Academic Club in the slalom. Next winter these club championships are to take place at Lenzerheide.

The Swiss Ladies Ski Club (the S.D.S.) and the Swiss Academic Ski Club (the S.A.S.) which before the war had such close and friendly relations with skiers from other countries and especially with the British, also developed very satisfactorily during these last years. The former confined themselves as far as racing was concerned to purely national contests, but will start again as soon as possible their traditional Grindelwald ski races for lady skiers from all countries. Every year the SAS organised their ASAL races, to which they now give the name SAS races, on which occasion the Swiss University Championships are also decided. The usual invitations were always sent out abroad, but as a rule only foreign students who were staying in Switzerland for educational purposes were to be found at the starting post. A number of Norwegian students proved themselves especially successful skiers and good comrades at these races. They had been living here for several years, and afterwards left for England, where they took up the fight for their own country.

In 1943, the Swiss Ski Association revised their racing rules, thus turning to account the experience of the last few years. As the most important alterations we mention the allowance of the long distance course to be used for training, the drawing up of conditions for the giant slalom, the stricter rules for the maintenance and staking out of the courses, as well as the rule according to which the flag-keeper can only give information in answer to the direct question of a competitor who in slalom racing has left out a pair of flags.

In contrast to certain fears that were expressed at the beginning of the war, ski-ing in Switzerland has in the course of the last six years become a sport for the people. The Swiss National Tourist Office which pays special attention to such development in our own country, formulated the slogan for their propaganda two years ago, «A Nation of Skiers». We are not exaggerating when we say that to-day one-eighth of the entire population of Switzerland can ski. The winter training of our army has made an enthusiastic and excellent skier of many a soldier who before the war knew nothing whatever of the sport. And the best propaganda for ski-ing is undoubtedly the enthusiasm of the younger generation. Ski-ing instruction as part of school gymnastics became during this time more and more common. Moreover sections for young people were started in the Ski clubs and other sport associations. In winter 1940/41 the Swiss Ski Association started the Swiss Youth Ski Camps that have now become firm institutions in our country. Every year in two separate camps the Association collects together 1,000 children, 500 girls and 500 boys, for a 10 days' holiday in the mountains, the whole organisation being carried out under the motto, «No participator pays, no official is paid». These children come from every part of the country and from every social class. The Association hopes to be able to develop these camps on an international basis in postwar times.

In the courses organised by the ski clubs and especially in the countless ski schools, the host of skiers could enjoy systematic training. The experts in ski instruction, among whom we mention in the first place the well-known technical manager of the Swiss Ski School Union, Mr. Christian Rubi from Wengen, followed the development with regard to technique and method at home and abroad, and were therefore in the position to perfect ski-ing instruction in Switzerland, and in particular in the ski schools in our winter sport resorts.

As a result of the war, communications with other countries were of course severed to a large extent. Already before the war the organisation of the world championships for 1939/40 for all four sections as well as the military patrol run had been given to Italy. This country decided to carry out the races in spite of the war, since Italy was at that time still non-belligerent. Switzerland took part in the contests in Cortina d'Ampezzo, sending only a small delegation (2 specialists in downhill racing and slalom, 2 lady racers, together with a few long distance racers and one military patrol.) In winter 1940/1941 the Swiss Ski Association took no official part in any official ski-ing contests abroad. In the following winter, however, contact could once more be established with the French Ski Union, and an international ski-ing contest between the two countries took place, the first part in Mégève and the second in Wengen. The races were carried out on the basis of the Olympic combination, victory going to the Swiss team.

Then came the summer of 1942. The International Ski Union, at that time under the direction of its vice-president Count Hamilton from Sweden, met in Lausanne for a committee meeting. We are pleased to say that this meeting was held in a spirit of good comradeship, and that not only the Swedes, French and Swiss, but also the representatives of Italian, German, Austrian and Finnish nationality regreted the absence of Arny Lunn and Major Oestgaard very sincerely. They spoke of the former happy



FIS meetings, and hoped for a better future and an approaching resumption of sport relations.

Another committee member of the FIS, the President of the Polish Ski Union, Minister Bobkowski, had fled after the defeat of Poland, and has since then been staying in Switzerland.

During the FIS committee meeting in Lausanne, a Swedish-Swiss competition was arranged. At the occasion of the first meeting in Engelberg and then in Eigenthal near Lucerne, the Swiss Adolf Freiburghaus was successful in beating the Swedish champions in their very own branches, the 18-kilometer and 50-kilometer long distance runs. In ski-jumping, too, the Swiss were victorious. But in the following year, the Swedes were able to take their revenge, and when, full of hope, the Swiss team took their places at the starting post in Sweden, they had to suffer a serious defeat in the racing sections.

In winter 1944/1945, circumstances did not allow of a new meeting between Sweden and Switzerland. However, our national team was able to measure itself against French skiers in a military contest. First of all near Briançon and afterwards in Zermatt, the Swiss team was victorious over the French.

Our student teams took part in competitions at the beginning of the war with Italy, and later on with Hungarian students.

For the training of racers, an exchange repeatedly took place between the Swedish and the Swiss Ski Unions, by which Swedish trainers came to Switzerland to aid in the training in the northern sections, and Swiss trainers went to Sweden to help in downhill and slalom training.

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Thus in the six years during which a terrible war raged all round his small country, the Swiss skier has continued making tracks in the white fields of his mountains. At the same time he could not help thinking with the greatest anxiety of his innumerable comrades abroad, whom he knew were friends of his country, and one with him in their passion for the «white Sport», which he knew they had had to do without for so many long years.

MILITARY SKI-ING DURING THE WAR

Ski training in the Swiss army started before the first world war of 1914—1918, and was then continued during the four ensuing years of active service. But when the army was demobilised in November 1918, this special and novel form of training was almost forgotten again. There was nevertheless a number of far-sighted officers who had recognised the value of military ski-training, for the first time proved in the Vosges and the Dolomites.

Some time later, the question of ski-training in the army was once more raised; this was due in the first place to the initiative of the military committee of the Swiss Ski Association. But little understanding was shown by the authorities, and the financial support granted by the Federal Government was negligible. Moreover, the entire work had to be carried out on a voluntary basis, and not even during military service, so that the success hoped for by the inaugurators of the movement was not attained. The only positive result was that officers' ski-ing courses were carried out, these forming a basis for the officers' training which later proved so necessary.

A landmark in mountain training in winter was undoubtedly the winter refresher course carried out by a detachment chosen from the former 3rd Mountain Brigade in the winter of 1935. Two years later, other mountain brigades carried out similar winter courses, for which, however, only such officers and men were called up who had the necessary technical knowledge. The experience gained at these courses was extremely valuable for the army.

The admirable work of the Ski Association and the foundation of the Swiss Ski School Union brought welcome order into the confusion in method and technique that prevailed in civilian ski-ing at the beginning of the 1930's. The volunteers taking part in the military ski courses had indeed from the very beginning inclined to simplify technique as far as possible, and when once a clear situation was established in the civilian section, military ski-ing as a whole and the purely technical method of instruction in particular were also automatically affected.

Mobilisation from 1939—1945 led to radical changes. Shortly after the general mobilisation in the middle of September 1939, General Guisan, the commander-in-chief of the army, gave orders that winter mountain training should be organised and carried out in the army on the broadest possible basis. Colonel Fritz Erb, at that time ski-ing officer of the 11th Mountain Brigade, was responsible for the plans afterwards approved of by the head of the training section. During a discussion on winter mountain training, Colonel Erb said among other things: «It is obvious that to some extent quite new methods had to be found. It is now no longer a question of teaching purely technical dexterity, of improving the style in a general way, or in other words of training good skiers; the time at our disposal has to be utilized to the full, so that a higher level in the training itself could be reached as soon as possible. From the very beginning it has been clear to me that it is not a matter of sport pure and simple, but really of training. The army needs soldiers for mountain warfare in winter. To train these must be the aim of the work started in December 1939.»

The first central course for winter mountain training took place on the Kleine Scheidegg in the Bernese Oberland. Those taking part numbered about a hundred, most of them being staff officers or captains. Thanks to the progress that had been made in civilian ski-ing tuition, there was no lack of suitable instructors; but the military authorities attached less importance to the polishing of certain turns; the aim of all the instruction was to teach good ski-ing in a general way. The mearly fashionable was forgotten and only the essential considered.

The training of ski-troops took place at two separate courses. Of these, the first served to make the soldier into a good cross-country skier while on the second the ski-ing soldier was trained to become a «Gebirgsjäger», ready at all times and for all emergencies.

At the first course the men were instructed in the elements of walking, kick-turning, running, braking and turning, with and without a load, so that in every type of country, in fog or at night, in snowstorms and bad weather the soldier could be sure of moving with certainty and speed. The chief exercises were as follows; — walking on level ground and up-hill, traverse running, stemming and side slipping. From the stem and slide the stemchristiania results without difficulty. With this technical knowledge the ski-ing soldier can so to speak make his way everywhere, and for this reason every effort was made during the training to ensure that the pupil attained an automatic and complete control of these movements, even when carrying a load on his back.

These first courses lasted three weeks and later on four; two to four hundred men took part in each, and the course was organised as an independent unit, that is to say, as well as a course commander and instructors, it always included all the staff of an ordinary company. The technical training was carried out in groups of 8 to 12 men, the officers taking part in a preliminary course of 3 days. For the most part, the duty of class-teacher was carried out by officers who were professional ski-teachers or military ski-instructors, and non-commissioned officers who held the ski-instructor license.

Rigid discipline and good organisation made success certain. The instruction lasted four hours in the morning, three in the afternoon. Only absolutely healty, strong, willing and above all well-trained soldiers, were able to meet the demands made upon them.

Small competitions were also organised as a diversion, such for example as patrol or solitary cross-country runs, these being mostly combined with some form of shooting practise. They were of tremendous help in making clear to each man what he could expect to achieve and how great his own powers were.

Experience of the alps in winter was gained by the Swiss ski-troops in a special course that followed the ski-ing course proper. The organisation was very similar to that already briefly described above. The officers, however, were of a different type, since the aim of the course was to give technical and tactical

THE DEVELOPMENT OF SKI-TECHNIQUE

We who were born in the last century learnt ski-ing under absolutely different circumstances from the youth of to-day. If we compare the equipment, technique, intellectual attainments and aims of the skier some forty years ago with those apparent in present day development, then we immediately become aware of the vast changes that have taken place in the meantime.

At one time, ski-ing without powder snow was not to be thought of. In warm sunshine, when the föhn sent the temperature soaring, or during a thaw, the damp snow stuck in heavy lumps on the unwaxed surfaces of the ski, making gliding absolutely impossible. Nor did hard snow come into the question for ski-ing in those days. Untracked country was the only thing of any real importance, and climbing or downhill running in narrow tracks, together with the much admired telemark; the dominating element of the sport was the ski-tour.

The skier whose aim still is to carry out such ski-tours complains bitterly about the change that has taken place in the development of his wonderful sport. To him funiculars and «downhill only» are as a red rag to a bull. Anyone who is not master of the soft snow running or who sinks as low as to prefer a well-beaten track, has in his view gone completely astray; these new developments mean to him the end of all real ski-ing.

We cannot help asking ourselves if the existing conditions really justify such a pessimistic view. It cannot be denied that the number of ski-runners with no knowledge of the telemark has now swollen to an incredible degree, leaving the ski-tourists of the old style sad and lonely figures. It is also true that few to-day's host of skiers adepts on soft snow. But this is no reason for accusing modern ski-ing of corruption and decay. As a matter of fact, not only ski-ing on already-known runs, but also ski-touring has developed in a highly satisfactory way. The number of ski-tourists and ski-hikers who set out to-day with rucksack and climbing skins is certainly considerably greater than in the days when the telemark left its soft rounded tracks in the fine powder snow. The fact is that the skier who, far from the beaten track, could master every situation on summit and glacier, in woods and in open country was at all times a rarity.

The learning of anything approaching complete ski-ing demands much greater assiduity than is generally supposed. This cannot indeed be changed, yet all the same it is certain that ski-ing can give the same enormous pleasure, and prove as beneficial to health, to all of those who have neither time nor opportunity to master the latest and finest points in technique. For all practical purposes the telemark is dead for the younger generation. The most recent forward lean christiania and the ski-binding with hooked-in diagonal pull have slowly driven it out of the field.

We are reminded of the time when people believed that for every type of snow a special turn had to be used. The ski-ing textbook of the old days recommended dozens of different swings. But things have now developed in another direction. A turn that can be used always and everywhere is sought for. Many skiers are convinced that this has bee found in the modern forward lean christiania, and indeed, astonishing results can be attained with it.

This appeal to comfort soon caught the attention of the public in general. It would be foolish to condemn the trend affairs have taken, to damn the ski-runner and to consider the ski-tourist alone as worthy of praise. Those who can only spare time for ski-ing on a few rare Sundays or during a short week of holiday, can scarcely hope to be complete ski-runners, able to master every situation. It is not just a question of christiania or telemark, of beaten or powder snow, but of the time at one's disposal; it demands quite simply that only those things shall be learnt which are absolutely essential, and most suited to the circumstances prevailing at the moment. A swing that we have learnt carefully and thoroughly is quite certainly of more value to us than two which we only master incompletely, and the success of which is more or less a matter of chance.

The last few years have led to the selection of a certain technique for common use, that may in a sense be regarded as the foundation and iron ration of ski-ing. Let us examine this shortly, and call special attention to certain modern views.

We shall first of all deal with running on the level which makes up a very prominent part of the whole. The correct technique of «langlauf» and climbing on ski has only been developed in Switzerland in recent years. For a long time the single track was preferred, any snow ridge between the ski was considered incorrect. To-day, in the interest of easier balance, tracks nearly as far apart as the hips are demanded. In this way much more natural movement is achieved. Great importance is attached to-day to the use of the sticks, this showing much more prominently, in the so-called diagonal style. The body, being set half in rotation during the rhythm of pacing forward, uses the stick put down alternately to thrust with and as a restistance, this leading to an extremely effective drive. As well as the gliding step, track-making in untouched country also forms an important part of instruction in walking. Shorter and longer climbs give opportunities for carrying out all sorts of valuable exercices. Movement on the level has now been included in the examinations of the Swiss ski-tests, that in the future are also to include ordinary tourist ski-ing.

The sliding step constitutes an excellent and methodical preparatory for general movement on ski. We distinguish between three running positions; the normal or ordinary for downhill running in the line of direct descent, the traverse, and the lunge or stride position. In easily manageable snow we ski of course with the ski close together, and on a hard foundation so as to increase the supporting surface, a little apart. In the ordinary ski-ing position one ski is usually somewhat in advance





of the other, both ski being about equally weighted. In the traverse position, the upper foot is half a foot-length in front of the lower, on which more weight is always placed. The upper shoulder and hip on the same side are brought slightly forwards. The body must lean away from the slope. The traverse position forms the foundation for side slipping and the christiania. The slide lengthens the supporting surface and averts disturbances in balance in the direction of movement, so as to prevent falls backwards or forwards. It constitutes moreover an important preliminary exercise for the telemark.

In all three positions, the body is held as comfortably and naturally as possible. The knees are elastically bent, so as to allow almost complete adaptation to the ground. The arms hang freely before the body, the sticks are directed backwards.

The instruction in ski-ing itself must be carried out very thoroughly, before the braking and swing exercises are tackled. To-day, much less attention is paid to braking than formerly, since the turn is used to regulate ones speed. Two ways of braking, stemming and side slipping should always suffice. According to the present-day view, the side slipping should claim especial attention, taking into account, as we must, the increasing importance of the christiania turn. This does not, however, mean that the stem should in any way be neglected.

As the easiest change of direction we teach the step turn, that permits the beginner to depart as he likes and at a slow speed from the original direction. For the good skier the step turn is indispensable above all in breakable crust and on tracked hard snow, and is everywhere appreciated as an exercise in balance and skill.

The stem turn presupposes a complete mastership of the stem. Its prominent features are neat initial stemming and a classical shifting of weight on to the outer ski of the turn, accompanied by a natural turn of the body, rather slowly carried out, this, however, on no account to be exaggerated. The good skier in most cases does his best to replace the stem turn with the more efficient and less strenuous stem christiania, a combination of stem turn and uphill christiania.

The christiania must be regarded to-day as undoubtedly the most important swing and most significant feature of ski technique. But all the same, it goes without saying that every skier should even to-day master the telemark, if he can possibly find time. There are types of snow in which this swing still retains its old utility.

There is one more joint to be marked. We must not become the slaves of technique.

In the high alps, amid sublime and mighty mountains, we have met ski tourists who knew indeed how to run on ski and to brake, but who had little skill in turning but who nevertheless with help of kick-turns and by following the track of their guide, arrived at the bottom in reasonable time, and who saw and experienced more, and knew greater joy than the impatient racers and harassed hikers of our century, those people who do not realise that God gave us time but said not one word about haste.

SWISS SKI-SCHOOLS

As far back as 1930 there were already a few ski-schools in Switzerland, in which instruction in ski-ing was given more or less successfully. In December 1933 the first course for ski-school teachers was held at Engelberg. This led to the opening of 52 Swiss ski-schools under the direction of certified instructors. In the canton of Vaud there were eight, in Valais four, in the Bernese Oberland thirteen, in central Switzerland including St. Gall ten, and in the Grisons seventeen.

In winter of 1933/34 the number of two-hourly ski-lessons given reached a total of over 100,000. Work in the ski-school usually lasts two hours in the morning and two in the afternoon, each representing a half day's lesson. If there are eight pupils in a class from 10 to 12 in the morning, and seven from 2 to 4 in the afternoon, the total instruction given is counted as 15 half-day lessons. In the last six winters before the war, the Swiss ski-schools registered a total of more than a million and a half half-day lessons, or a yearly average of 250,000. This average sank to 150,000 during the war, since visitors from abroad found it impossible to visit Switzerland any longer.

These figures prove how many adherents ski-ing has found in every class of the nation, for which reason the ski-schools have been able to develop into such vigourous and healthy institutions. The original 52 centres of instruction have grown to 85 within the space of 12 years. Even during the war it was not unusual for new ones to be opened. To-day visitors to every single winter sport centre can be certain of obtaining first-class ski-ing instruction.

The ski-schools have joined together to form an association to the great advantage of each and all. Every year in early winter 8-day preparatory and continuation courses are held, these being obligatory for the heads of every ski-school. This keeps every school up-to-date, maintains its efficiency, and leads to the instruction being everywhere carried out in a uniform basis. The teachers of the strenuous and very strictly-organised classes are all of them expert ski-ers and many are racing specialists. In this way schools keep abreast with the best technique of the day and with the development of ski-ing in general. Ski-teaching has come be studied thoroughly. The method of teaching has been simplified, and it is now possible to learn ski-ing in a much shorter time than formerly. In these days only those things are taught which are of value and practical use.

The heads of the ski-schools pass on what they have learnt in the central course to their own assistant teachers, this being carried out in refresher courses courses lasting at least three days. In the same way they must see to it that all their teachers have the chance during the winter of maintaining and improving their knowledge by regular training. On behalf of the Ski-school Union the ski-schools are inspected, and any deficiencies immediately remedied. The war did not represent any standstill for Swiss ski-ing instruction, but on the contrary, there was considerable consolidation and healthy development. Five mountain cantons during this time regulated ski instruction by law, this also leading to considerable progress being made.

How is the work carried out in a modern Ski-school? We must first of all emphasise that in every Swiss holiday centre the same methods are taught. This has the advantage that a change of school has no unfavourable effects. Every ski-school is composed of six classes, where beginners, middling and good skiers receive instruction according to their standard. In spite of the moderate price, the average number in each class is kept small enough to allow of individual and pleasant instruction being given. The morning is dedicated more to practice slope work. In the afternoon excursions are made, where the exercises etc. learnt on the nursery slope can be put to practical use. The greatest importance is attached to ski-ing in open country. The visitor has the opportunity of taking part daily in easier or more difficult tours under competent guidance.

In many places ski-lifts have been built that make any strenuous climbing unnecessary for the learner. This shortens the time of learning considerably, and is everywhere much appreciated. People who cannot take very long holidays derive especial benefit in the ski-lift, for it enables them to concentrate all their energies on learning the technique of ski-ing itself. Children's classes are also included in the larger ski-schools, and these are without exception extremely popular. In these courses theory plays no part. The whole emphasis is intentionally placed on the process of imitation of exercises well carried out. The child learns without ever finding it tedious. Short races and games give variety to the programme. It is small wonder that these children's classes are always so extremely popular.

But not only young people, tourist and «bahn»-skiers, but also all of those who like taking part in competitions find reliable guidance in the ski-school. Slalom and downhill racing classes under acknowledged racing experts enable such people to approach absolute technical perfection as well as to master racing tactics.

The Swiss ski-schools do not confine themselves to instruction and the organisation of tours. Their offices arrange private instruction, organise races for their pupils, and at regular intervals carry out tests. The so-called «Swiss test» has gained the respect of hundreds of thousands of skiers, and has to-day become a real institution. Anyone who has completed the courses given in the first three classes of a ski-school will be able to pass Test three without difficulty, and can carry out tours over fairly difficult country. Instruction in the fourth and fifth classes serves as a preparation for Test two. The passing of this proves the skier to be a capable tourist-skier, able to get through everywhere without being a hindrance to others. Anyone who ventures to take Test 1, must be a master of the entire technique of ski-ing, and above all must be at home in difficult types of snow and on very steep slopes. Test judges are specially trained and receive a certificate from the Central Committee for Ski-ing.

To summarize, it may be said that the ski-school idea in Switzerland has taken a very definite shape.



SOME IMPRESSIONS OF SKI JOURNEYS
ON BEHALF OF THE SKI CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN

We have asked Mr. E. Gordon Spencer, the official Representative of the Ski Club of Great Britain for Switzerland, to give us a personal report of his «ski-trip». If the ski-resorts are not all named in this report, we believe that Mr. Spencer was not able to go to every place. But a complete list of winter sport-resorts with ski-schools is included in this number.
Editor.

It was my self-imposed duty to tour the Swiss Winter Resorts regularly, keep up the old connections, and report on all the ski-ing doings and developments. The chief resorts were visited annually, and the smaller ones every two years. The results and observations have been recorded in the annual illustrated report to London.

The welcome and hospitality everywhere have always been most hearty, and a strong desire evinced to keep up the connections with our Club.

It has often been a little hard to explain that one swallow does not make a summer, and that patience must still be exercised for the return of the longed-for guests to the fields of their winter activity.

It has been a unique experience to get to know personally practically all the ski-ing resorts and to ski over all the standard runs. The question is sometimes asked, which place I like best. This question is not to be answered in one word, for each has its charms, and it very much depends on the individual taste in choosing from such an embarras de richesse. It would be very hard for me to make a choice for my own normal ski-ing holidays, and I feel sure that I should not be satisfied with just one place, but would have to look up several old haunts and go over their well-tracked runs.

It seems almost invidious to single out individual places, but a few reminiscences arise to the surface of memory.

Let's take a place off the British track in the first place, Unterwasser in the Toggenburg, the place between Lake Zurich and Buchs, on those geographically surprising slopes of the Kurfürsten, which beetle over Lake Wallenstadt, but on the northern side, slope gently away down to the river, providing excellent northern runs from each of these commanding mountains, with just the right amount of wood-running. These are the haunts of the Swiss champion of 1945, Nikolaus Stump, and the runners-up, the Steiner Family. Then the most comfortable hotel, the Sternen, with its own farm and pasturages even providing me with an English breakfast, in spite of war restrictions.

Mürren, the cradle of British ski-ing, deprived of its exclusive patrons, was necessarily quiet, though it kept up its Swiss races, was the favourite training ground for the S.A.S. and was being more and more «discovered» by the Swiss, who found the sporting Schildgrat runs much to their liking. Towards the end of the War, the character again changed, when the Italian internés took possession. Two of our escaped prisoners from Germany learnt ski-ing here under the tutelage of Alfred Stäger.

Crossing over to the Scheidegg we find still the same old friends as of yore, the hotel which changes its staff least, and with the event of the new Lauberhorn Lift, a bigger crowd, and more ski-ing possibilities than ever — the new formula being Lauberhorns interspersed with Eigergletschers. The von Almens are as kind as ever, and the eldest son, a strong skier, is now helping in the entertaining of the American soldiers on leave.

Let us now drop down on the other side over one of those fine runs — Tschuggen, Männlichen, or later in the season, over the White Hare under the shadow of the mighty Eiger North Wall to Grindelwald, that large and cosy glacier village, which spreads with its picturesque chalets all over the lea.

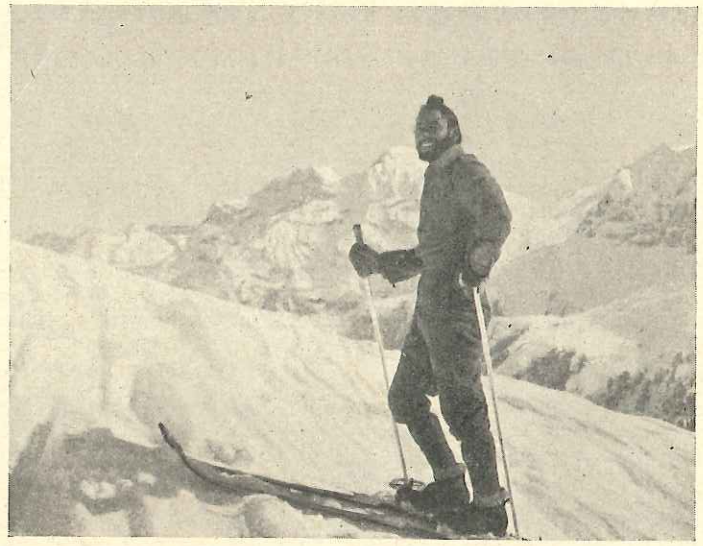
Of the Bear, only its manager, Mr. Früh, and its historic ice-rink remain. The big array of cups was saved from the fire and is in the safe keeping of the Kurverein, whose director, Mr. Werner Grob, is always there to give you a warm welcome and a helping hand. His splendid organisation of the Swiss championship in 1942 will not be forgotten.

Talking of the Swiss Championship, that greatest event of the ski-ing season, many pleasant memories surge up. For instance, — that long but charmingly pegged-out Langlauf through the Alder wood of Grindelwald, personally participated in. A very similar one in Engelberg last year, now more leisurely enjoyed before the race in the judge's last round; the spectacular finish of the Downhill Race over that specially constructed steep viaduct leading down to the frozen lake at Arosa. The Special Jumping in Gstaad in a storm so strong that the jumpers had a perceptible «side-slip» in the air. Then in the same championship, Otto von Allmen so sportingly risking all his chances of carrying off the Swiss Championship for the third time, in the Slalom, by taking a short cut on a «monorail» line between two pairs of flags, too narrow for the shoulders broadside, where an error of a couple of inches at that speed would have been fatal. Then again, that steep «Kanonenrohr» in the Engelberg meeting, the upper half in fog, where a plunge had to be taken in the dark. And so every meeting has its high lights and unforgettable moments.

While at the monastery village of Engelberg, we won't forget that eyrie of Trübsee, the jumping-off place for most descents, where the kindly Mr. Hess awaits you at the top of the cable railway. The changing of stations from here over the Jochpass (now facilitated by the ski and summer armchair lift) to the remote but charming Frutt, over the Melch See was also an interesting experience.

After the collapse of the Fascist régime in Italy, British prisoners of war found a kindly sanctuary in Switzerland. Adelboden and Arosa provided the winter-sport amenities. Here the men trained hard for the S.C.G.B. Ski Tests, over some 200 successfully passing. For the tests, the new Künisbergli Ski Lift at Adelboden was most opportune. The R.A.F. officers at Arosa were famous for their dash, and in the «no-fall» descent in deep snow for one of the second-class categories, it was necessary for me to go slowly in front to hold them back.

At Lenzerheide it was the «keeper» of the ski runs, Johann Paterlini, who ably piloted me over the new



Harbar Singh ski-ing

runs opened up by the new Ski-Lift, to Scalottas. Early in the season with little snow, he could show the big work put in to make the uneven even, and clear away bad obstacles. The average lift customer does not imagine the preliminary work put in on such runs.

Of the many races, two stand out in prominence, the Glacier Race over the Diavolezza, and the ever-popular Parsenn Derby. The Isola Pers descent is probably the steepest and most spectacular bit of all races, which explains the big crowd of picnicers near the fantastic seracs at the bottom. It is more than entertaining to see how each competitor negotiates this problem, and if he can withstand the terrific pressure in the hollow at the bottom. There is Simon Rämi of the Fuorcla Surlej with his big megaphone keeping order, and to cheer on the crestfallen. When you approach the top, the spectators look like dots below. If you are lucky, you get a silver or gold devil as a souvenir. Some of the Pontresina youth, dressed as red devils, open and close the race in dashing fashion.

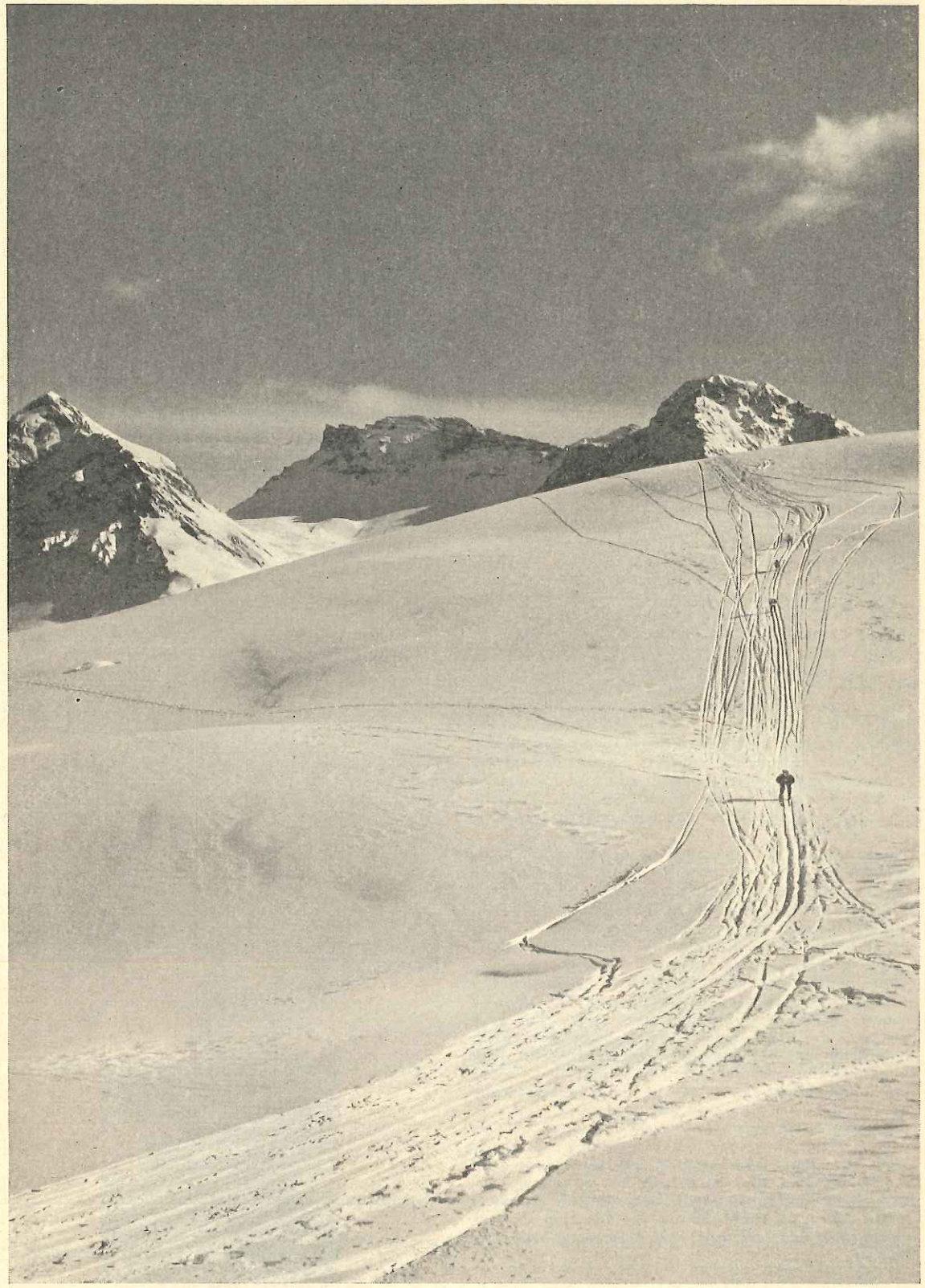
What a goodly tradition the Parsenn Derby has, so happily inaugurated by the so-called «King of the Parsenn», Mr. Fred Edlin of Brighton. The greatest of ski «Volksfeste» where spectators enjoy the descent themselves, while watching the long race at different stages. One can gauge the progress of ski-ing by the way record after record is continually broken. The Parsenn specialist, Peter Mathis, had held the record of 14 minutes for some years, when in 1944 an ideal combination of fine cold weather and consistently fast snow all the way to Küblis, enabled no less than six competitors to beat this time. The new record-holder, young Edy Rominger, found out a short cut over the Weissfluh-shoulder (since put out of bounds, and won in the time of 13 min. 27 sec. Incredible for 11½ Km. with a difference of 6,600 feet in altitude; the highest speed man can attain over such a distance without the aid of wheels or wings. This year Peter Mathis had his revenge and beat Rominger by only 3/10th of a second. It is encouraging to see two veterans, like Johnny Walker, still going strong. Peter Gruber, the first Derby winner of 1925, did the course in 17,3 min. and for his indefatigable Derbies was honoured with a special carved shield of honour. John Lemm, the former ex-world champion wrestler and erstwhile host of the Weissfluh Hut, in spite of his 62 winters, put up a most creditable 22 minutes.

Some of the most jolly events, and highly significant for the future, are the gratis youth camps of 1000 boys and girls each winter, organised by the Swiss Ski Association. The opening ceremonies, generally by General Guisan or other notability, are most impressive, and the self-sacrifice of the voluntary officials and the enthusiasm of the children is absolutely infectious.

The culminating point of my season is the visit to the Jungfraujoch. That long tunnel-journey through the bowels of the Eiger is always an experience. In no tunnel in the world can one break the dark journey to get such views from the two galleries, first in the «suicide» Eiger North wall, with Grindelwald nestling far below, and the next so different, over the snow and ice world of the lower Grindelwald Glacier, now become such a classic ski-tour. Arriving in the underground-like station at the Joch, the jovial host, Mr. Sommer, welcomes his guests to the Berghaus, hewn out of the rocks. It was he who declared in the worst years of the War, that if the English bombers would only land at the Concordia Platz, he would open there a bar with free whiskeys.

Down in Interlaken, in the last year of the War, direct contact with the Ski Club of Great Britain was made at a dinner in the Hotel du Lac with Arnold Lunn, that doyen of British ski-ing, where impressions could be compared. His early coming back to Switzerland was the most welcome and significant sign from England.

The advantages of such official tours are not only that one gets to know every mountain resort, but that one meets year after year so many fine sportsmen and good friends of England. It is always a great pleasure to renew these friendships and see old faces again. May their uppermost desire to see their host of old friends again be soon realised.



Wintersport resorts with ski-schools

Sea-level: feet	Name:	Number of hotels:	Beds:
4448	Adelboden	25	1500
3757	Airolo	5	180
2900	Amden	12	260
4760	Andermatt	11	515
6100	Arosa	65	2856
3772	Beatenberg	7	400
1464–5331	Beckenried-Klewenalp	3	120
4833	Berra, La	1	80
1464—3000	Bieler Jura, Magglingen, Chasseral	18	600
3462	Brassus, Le	2	30
4115	Braunwald	12	450
2565—5166	Bulle and surroundings	6	124
3460	Caux sur Montreux	5	300
5656	Celerina	9	154
3445 – 6000	Champéry-Planachaux	20	800
2920	Charmey and surroundings	8	184
3182	Château-d'Oex	15	500
2658	Châtel-St. Denis-Les Paccots	11	116
3855	Chaumont	2	74
3271	Chaux-de-Fonds, La	8	270
4800	Crans s. Sierre	11	521
5120	Davos	114	3512
3789	Diablerets, Les	8	350
2077	Ebnat-Kappel	11	167
3281	Engelberg	14	1080
4390	Fetan	1	20
3620	Flims-Waldhaus	7	400
4105—8331	Flums-Grossberg	15	400
6307	Frutt / Melchsee	2	190
3278	Goldiwil	5	300
3401	Grindelwald	20	600
2457	Gruyères	4	124
3717	Gryon	9	280
3451	Gstaad	14	871
3867	Kandersteg	10	440
6770	Kleine Scheidegg	1	150
3960	Klosters	22	705
3420	Lenk i. S.	10	340
4843	Lenzerheide	16	850
4600	Leukerbad	3	88
4150 – 4757	Leysin	60	2800
3110	Locle, Le	3	25
5580	Madulein	2	60
4826	Montana-Vermala	32	800
3400	Mont Soleil / St. Imier	5	100
4350	Morgins	9	400
5386	Mürren	12	830
3740	Oberiberg	5	150
4957	Parpan	3	200
4475	Pléïades, Les, near Vevey	2	30
5916	Pontresina	26	1870
8422	Riffelberg, near Zermatt	1	60
5273 – 5906	Rigi	8	800
4172	Saanenmöser	3	130
5604	Samedan	12	300
3432	St. Cergue, s. Nyon	7	100
3507	Ste. Croix les Rasses	4	100
5272	San Bernardino	1	40
5975—6135	St. Moritz-Campfèr	17	1000
3494	Schwarzsee-Lac Noir	2	44
3216	Sciernes, Les, Intiamont	2	100
4595	Sedrun	4	160
5940	Sils	5	100
5950	Silvaplana	4	150
4242	Stoos, near Schwyz	3	200
4675	Tête de Ran	1	115
4425	Tschiertschen	8	208
2973 – 4500	Unterwasser-Iltios	8	380
4800	Verbier	6	112
4121	Villars-Chesières	27	1300
4189	Wengen	24	1019
3607	Wildhaus	13	550
5300	Zermatt	10-15	1000—1500
5560	Zuoz	5	120
3162	Zweisimmen	10	300

Are you interested in Ski-ing in Switzerland?

For general Travel information apply to the *Travel Agencies* in your country and to the *Swiss National Tourist Offices:*

in London 11 B Regent Street
in New York 475 Fifth Avenue
in Amsterdam 11 Koningsplein
in Stockholm 36 Kungsgatan

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Swiss Ski Association, Lausanne
Swiss Ski School Association, Wengen
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Adelboden

4448 ft.

During the Winter of 1943/44 — the fifth winter since war broke out — Major How and Lt. Boyle controlled the tests of the S. C. G. B. Twelve candidates passed the second test and 225 skiers received the third class badge.

There ist no doubt that Adelboden has much improved the past years as a winter sports centre. Besides the well known descents from the Hahnenmoos, we now may add the various and very interesting descents from Höchst.

A ski-lift leads to the starting points of many beautiful descents over 1300 ft. long. Thanks to this ski-lift and to the aerial railway leading to the Engstligenalp, sunny Adelboden, with its excellent snow conditions, has also become a real spring ski-ing centre.

Don't forget: There have been and will be again direct trains from Calais to Frutigen, the bus station for Adelboden, a gay place with a great number of modern hotels.

Beatenberg

3772 ft.

Many skiers of the older generation certainly remember Beatenberg very well. It is still the so-called sunny terrace of the Bernese Oberland, lying 1800 ft. above the lake of Thoune, and easily reachable in a quarter of an hour by the funicular from Beatenbucht, or by motor car from Interlaken.

Up to now ski-ing, or rather, climbing for the descent, was not mechanised in Beatenberg. Uphill work had to be done with seal-skins. The most modern ski-lift, on which skiers on seats will be hoisted from Beatenberg to the summit of the Niederhorn, is in construction. Its capacity will be over 300 persons per hour; ski-ing in Beatenberg will no doubt be very attractive.

Right behind the mountain village are the inviting ski-fields on the widespread Alps of the Niederhorn, Gemmenalp and Amisbühl. Beatenberg has its own ski school and ice-rink and a number of well-kept hotels. Several children's homes — in a children's paradise.

The lovely centre is highly recommended to all winter sports and sun lovers who prefer a medium altitude.

Grindelwald

3401 ft.

Grindelwald's last winter season was the best since the outbreak of war. According to statistics the number of visitors, however, only amounts to a quarter of the best pre-war season.

The snow conditions were excellent throughout the winter, even between March and Easter. Not only were the descents from Scheidegg the great attraction for skiers, but also the many descents from Eismeer, especially on Sundays.

Erna Steuri's children's class has proved one of the most popular features of the Grindelwald Ski School.

Our guides and ski professionals did valuable service in our army and have therefore kept in good form for their profession.

We have not given up our plan of building a railway to «First», and are also planning the reconstruction of the Bear Hotel which will do more than carry on its old tradition.

Gstaad

3451 ft.

Gstaad with its fourteen hotels will again be pleased to welcome the many English friends and skiers of pre-war days. Excellent snow conditions prevailed during the past winter seasons, and curling has not lacked its usual attraction. Special care has been given to the development of the Ski school whose number of pupils is constantly on the increase. Oscar Zingre, the wellknown professional, is still president of the Gstaad Ski Club. Many of the British skiers will no doubt remember the former Swiss ski champion Bruno Trojani and his fine jumping. He is still with us and always at the start, also Erika Paroni-Gasche who won the Ladies' Swiss Ski Championship in 1944.

Gstaad, known to so many of you, has done its utmost to keep up its old reputation as the most important ski centre in the western part of the Bernese Oberland. The Eggli, Wispillen, Wasserngrat and Hornberg offer unusual possibilities for excursions, for ski-ing has been made easy since the invention of the «funis» and ski-lifts. Gstaad is better equipped with ski-lifts and «funis» than any other centre in the Alps. There are 3 most up-to-date lifts and 1 funi, without counting those from Saanenmöser.

Kandersteg

3867 ft.

Kandersteg is still the most easily accessible winter sports resort in Switzerland. There is no other ski-ing, skating and curling centre in the Swiss Alps which can be reached without any change of train from Calais or Boulogne. Long before it developed as a ski-ing centre, Kandersteg was famous for curling, as a result of the first international curling matches held there in 1904/5. Since that time a great many interesting tournaments have been held. Founded on the principles of the Swiss Ski-School, Kandersteg is again looking forward to organizing, for its many British friends, the popular daily excursions, the visitors' races etc., besides the regular instruction in the different classes. Kandersteg was always famous as a very gay resort. Now the war is over, it will certainly do its best for all its guests as regards sports and entertainments.

Kleine Scheidegg

6770 ft.

The ski-ing at Scheidegg has improved considerably since the ski-lift to the top of the Lauberhorn was built in 1941. This new hoist carries over 200 couples (400 skiers) an hour and takes 15 minutes for the ascent from the Scheidegg Skiroom to the top of the Lauberhorn.

One can now easily do 2, 3 or 4 «Lauberhorns» between a late breakfast and lunch, one descent to Grindelwald and finally a run from the top of the Lauberhorn to Wengernalp or even Wengen before 5 o'clock tea. There are three beaten courses, varying

from the «bus line» for beginners to the expert track and slalom course.

There were no Anglo-Saxons at Scheidegg during the last years, excepting several members of the British and American Legations in Berne, and a former commander of a British submarine who escaped from prison in Germany. It was his first winter in the Alps, and in one season he almost reached the standard of a second class S. C. G. B.-Test skier. Here are his own words: «I only regret that I didn't know how fine ski-ing was before this b.... war started.» Now it is over, let us hope that you will soon be able to ski! With all good wishes to my old British friends.

Fritz von Almen, Scheidegg-Hotels.

Lenk

3420 ft.

Before the war Field-Marshall Montgomery, the famous British soldier, regularly spent his winter holidays in Lenk. He liked the small resort, the real mountain village which has kept its character to its day.

Many will remember the fine ski-ing excursions around Lenk, the Wildhorn and the Wildstrubel in the high Alps, and all the shorter fine runs on the Bettelberg, the Hahnenmoos, the Trüttlisberg and others.

A winter funicular, a so-called «funi» was built just before the war and now helps the enthusiastic «downhill-only skiers» to descend the Balmen run five or ten times a day. The funi also helps the ski-ing torist to reach the Mülkerblatt in half the time, and at the same time opens new steep runs for expert skiers.

The Ski School is managed by Adolf Brand whom many British visitors probably remember. In spite of the fact that foreign guests are lacking, ice and curling rinks were built in the past winter seasons and all the hotels remained open. In summer Lenk did very well during the past years on account of its health-giving waters. All the hotels are modernised and ready to receive winter sports guests.

Mürren

5386 ft.

«Mürren, the centre where you learn to ski!» This slogan still holds good. Outwardly nothing much has changed in Mürren, although many things have happened in the past few years. The Mürren Ski School and particularly the four star badge have lost nothing of their great reputation. Conditions were even stiffened and every skier who has a Mürren 2, 3 or 4 star badge, can wear it with pride when times for winter holidays return. The only «K's» one meets are Walter Amstutz, Godi Michel, Dr. Mosca and Peter Hofmann, two alphas and two gold K's wearing the badge.

The Tempo-Trophy, the Mürren-TT-Race, over the four principal Schiltgrat courses, has developed from year to year and has become, since the war, a sort of a «Kandahar-Race»! In 1944 the record over the Kandahar course was broken by a young Murrenite, Alfred Staeger, who also won the Swiss Junior Ski Championship for downhill and slalom racing. It stands at 1 min. 57,8 sec. for the Schiltgrat from top to Kandahar Finish. It is the first time that this classical course was run under 2 minutes. Mürren sends best greetings and a cordial «au revoir» to all British skiers

Saanenmöser

4172 ft.

Since 1939 Saanenmöser has deeply regretted the absence of its many esteemed and regular British visitors. However, during all these years, it has kept its old reputation as a ski-ing centre.

The very good snow conditions by which this ideal place is favoured throughout the winter, the funis (funicular sleighs) now running to the top of the Hornberg, the very popular Swiss Ski School and our comfortable hotels all have their share in making sunny Saanenmöser THE much sought-after meeting place of skiers. We have excellent snow until spring comes. No wonder that the spring ski-ing excursions are so much appreciated and belong to the main feature which Saanenmöser can offer to the many skiers and holiday-makers. Ski-lifts now hoist skiers from the Kessel Hut to the Hornfluh and Hühnerspiel. Skaters and curlers find rinks in front of the hotel, that opens about the 20th December.

With best wishes. Rud. Wehren.

Wengen

4189 ft.

Although many other things have been lacking these last six winters, snow and weather conditions for ski-ing and curling were fine without exception. Ski-ing has much improved especially through the new ski-lift from Scheidegg to the Lauberhorn. For this winter 1945/46 another ski-lift will be ready from Inner Wengen «Siding»-station. This means no more long walks back to Wengen Station from the «Standard-Finish».

The members of the Wengen Ski Club are still «at it». Molitor and Otto von Allmen are «internationals», and the latter has won the Swiss Ski Championship for 1942, 1943 and 1944.

Heinz von Allmen is now head of the Wengen Ski School and Ernst Gertsch is still going strong as president of the Wengen Ski Club.

Everybody sends best wishes to all Wengen skiers and curlers in England.

Wengen Kurverein
The president: F. Borter. The secretary: Dr. Ch. Zahnd

Zweisimmen

3162 ft.

Owing to its central position, Zweisimmen is an excellent centre for winter sports amidst the Alps of the Simmental Valley. One of the most attractive ski-grounds, besides the Hornberg and Hundsrück, is no doubt the Rinderberg with its broad and extensive north slopes. A newly built ski-lift leads up to the top where skiers will find a new «Gasthaus» and half a dozen different descents. The classical course is the Rinderberg-Derby on which the very popular race is held every year. The Swiss Ski School is in the hands of a young and good skier.

Zweisimmen is the gateway to the western part of the Bernese Oberland. Although a valley station at 3162 ft. it is remarkably sunny with an excellent alpine climate.

Rinks for skating and curling bring animation to the ideal resort. Visitors will find a cordial welcome at the various hotels and children can spend happy holidays in model and well-kept children's homes.

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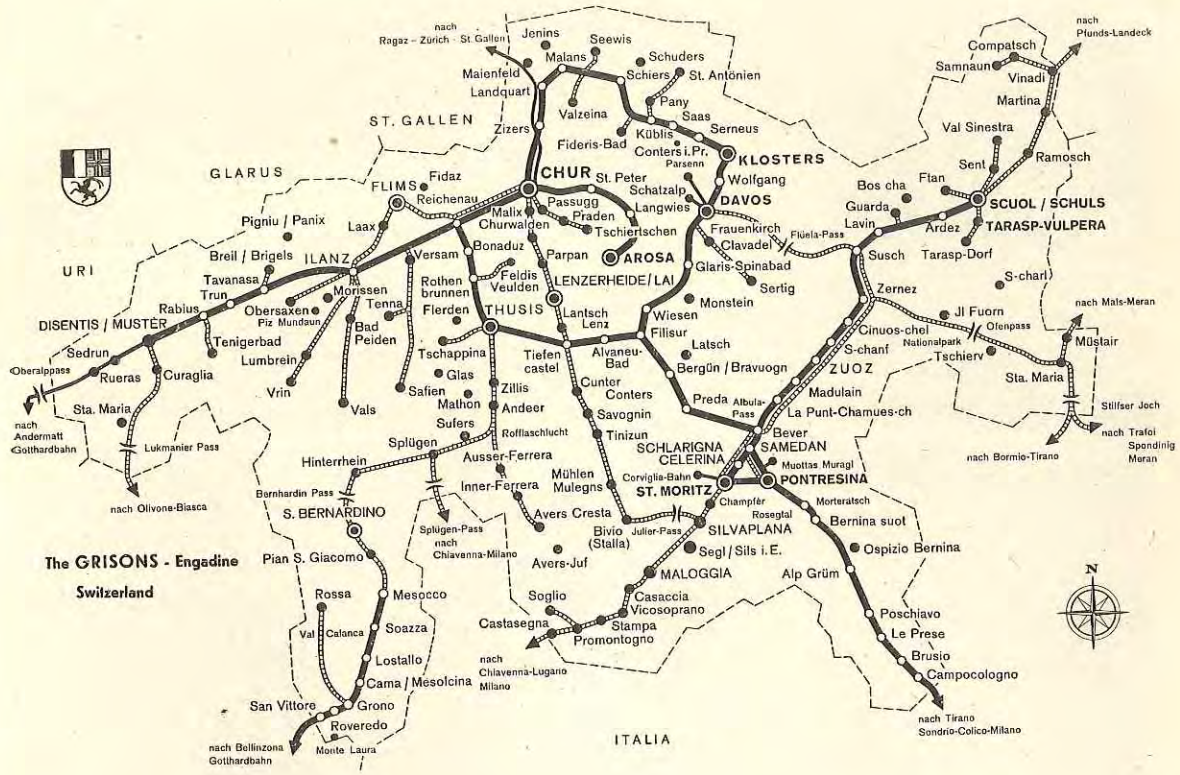

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The doors to the popular Winter-Sports centres are gradually opening once again.

In the Grisons-Engadine

everyone is awaiting with the liveliest pleasure the arrival of the first visitors and friends from England.

Needless to recall to the memory that

the Grisons, the largest winter-sport playground of Switzerland

with its more than a hundred sunny and snow-sure alpine valleys, including the Engadine and the world-famous resorts such as

Arosa, Davos, St. Moritz, Klosters, Lenzerheide, Pontresina

and others, and the many *official ski-schools*, takes first place among the winter-sport districts.

The mountain railways, ski and chair lifts, the latter having just been erected in Pontresina and Flims, open up the extensive territory, where every sort of winter sport can be indulged in.

The railways and lifts still issue *special tickets* which allow the greatest freedom of movement.

All Grisons are longing to get in touch with their former guests. New visitors are very welcome, and will most certainly enjoy their winter vacation in this part of Switzerland.

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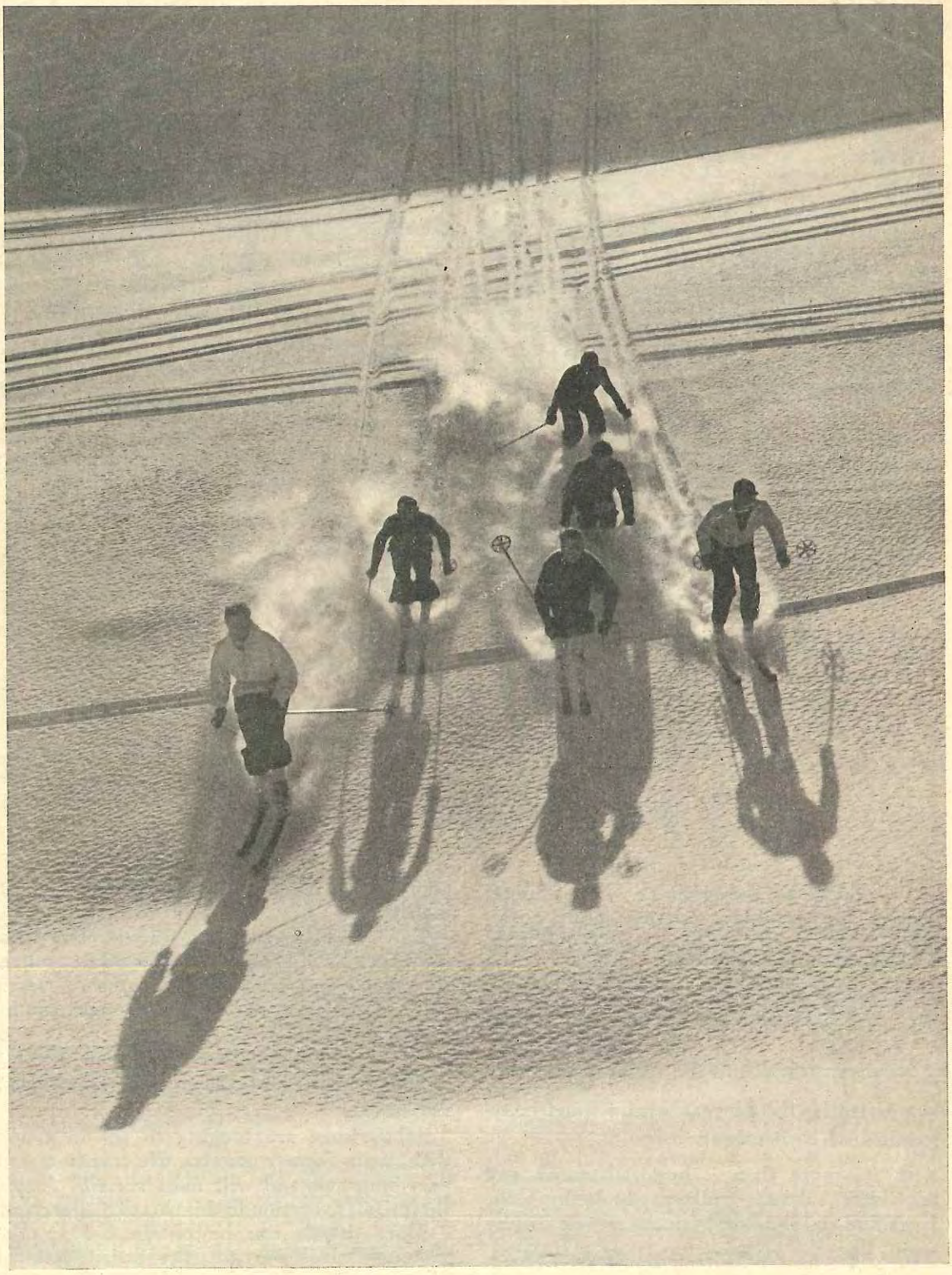

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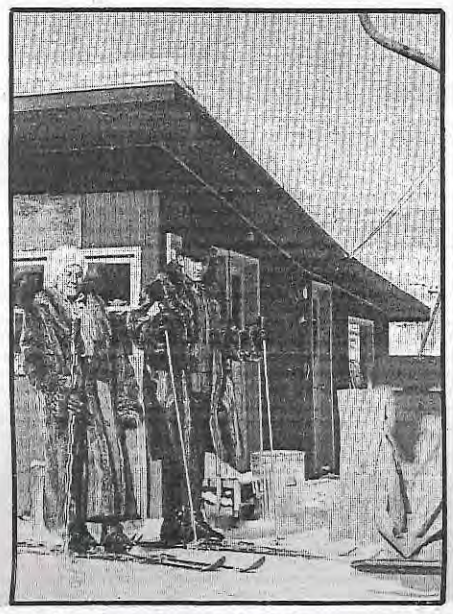
Early Aspen Skiing

by Mary Eshbaugh Hayes



Everyone wore long raccoon coats to keep warm on Lift 1. Here's Beverly Paulich Mars (in white hat) and friend. Ted Dutton photo.

The story of Aspen as a ski town from the 1930s through the 1940s and 1950s, a most wonderful photo exhibit, is on display through March 31 in the Carriage House behind the Stallard House, the museum for the Aspen Historical Society.

The Stallard House is located at 620 West Bleeker Street and hours are Monday through Friday from 2 pm to 5 pm. Admission is $2. On Wednesdays there is a free Hospitality Night from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

The exhibit of early Aspen skiing was put together by Miggs Durrance and Ruth Whyte, longtime Aspen residents and photographers, along with historian Ramona Markalunas.

The photographs that they collected from other early Aspen skiers tell the story.

It begins in the 1930s when Ted Ryan, Billy Fiske and Tom Flynn took their first sleigh ride through Aspen and the Ashcroft area.

Ryan and Fiske saw the perfect setting for a European-type ski area. They built the Highland-Bavarian Inn at the confluence of Conundrum and Castle Creek.

They brought Swiss engineer Andre Roch to Aspen and he surveyed the Mount Hayden area. Roch stayed a year and saw the possibilities of a great ski area right in Aspen, with its north-facing mountain coming right down into town. He surveyed Aspen Mountain and laid out the ski trails.

Roch and the townspeople of Aspen formed the Aspen Ski Club and cleared Roch Run, built a rope tow and a boat tow. And Aspen as a ski town was born.

Then came World War II, putting everything on hold.

However, Ryan and Fiske had loaned their Highland-Bavarian and Ashcroft area to the Tenth Mountain Division as a ski training area.

Many of these ski troopers came back to Aspen after the war to create Aspen as a ski resort. Their photos are all there. Some of these ski troopers were Friedl Pfeiffer, John Litchfield, Werner Kuster, Fritz Benedict, Shady Lane, and Dick Wright.

Friedl Pfeiffer formed the Aspen Skiing Corporation along with the financial support of such men as Walter Paepcke, George Berger, William Hodges, F George Robinson, Paul Nitze and DRC Brown. This same group of men owned the Skiing Corp until the 1970s.

The war was over and many of the young men, who had postponed their youth by serving in the armed forces, came to Aspen to work and play and become the first "ski bums."

Over the years they established businesses and professions and families, most marrying young women who had also come for the skiing and the lifestyle.

Their pictures are there, skiing, having wild times at parties, hanging out at the Hotel Jerome, the Red Onion and the Golden Horn.

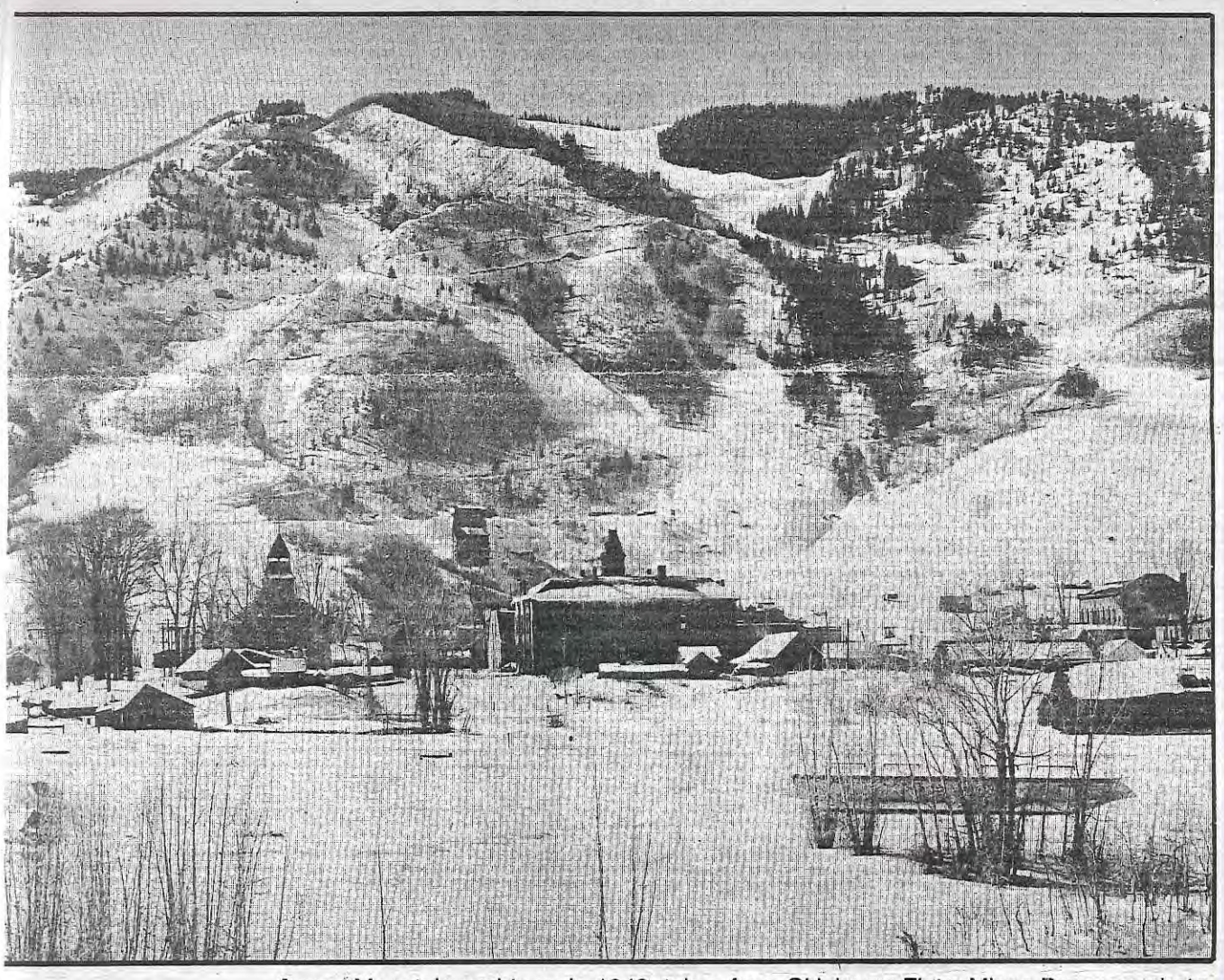
Some of the young men in these photos are Steve Knowlton, Andy Ransom, John Doremus, Jim Adams, Bob Knight, Jim Hayes, Chuck Worth, Ed Lynch, Jack McTarnaghan, "Spider" Spence.

Some of the young women in the photos are Vivian Maxwell-Joyner (Jones), Joan Ball (Lane), Ruth Brown, Miggs Durrance, Ruth Whyte, and Ellie Whitten (Spence).

A lot of them have children . . . who are now the age that they were in the pictures. Most of the children of the early ski pioneers, the financeers, and the "ski bums" still live here. The skiers are into the second generation.

The photographs end with the early 1950s. The story of course goes on.

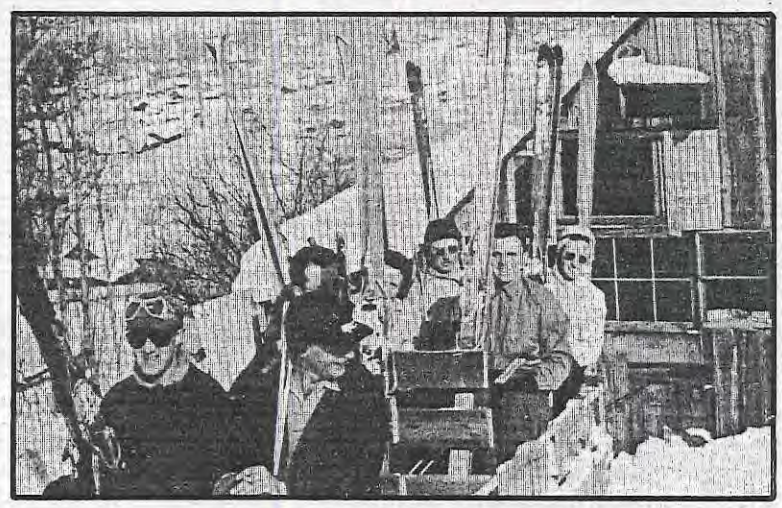
One would hope that the early ski photos could now be compiled into a book.



Aspen Mountain and town in 1949, taken from Oklahoma Flats. Miggs Durrance photo.



Andy Ransom, Ruth Brown and Shady Lane at the Pink House. Photo courtesy Ruth Brown.



The boat tow was Aspen's first ski lift before 1946. Barney McLean is at front left. Photo courtesy Ruth Brown.

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A group of instructors skiing down Aspen Mountain in the early 1950's. Photo courtesy Aspen Historical Society.

the way it was

When the Aspen Ski School and Aspen as a resort ... were just beginning



The Aspen Ski School in the winter of 1952-1953. Instructors pictured are: top row, left to right: Jack McTarnaghan, Morrie Shephard, Bill Pitcher, Toni Woerndle, Hans Nogler, and Roy Vroom (dark glasses)...then the two below Roy on the right (with the skier between) are Klaus Obermeyer and Bill Wright. Middle row, left to right: Elli Iselin, Fred Iselin, Bingo, Friedl Pfeifer, and Jim Snobble...then the two below Jim (with the skier between) are Bud Marolt, and Wendy Morse. Bottom row, left to right: Knut Smith, Sandy Sabbatini...then drop down past the two skiers to Harry Poschman, Thelma Sabbatini and Dick Wright. Photo by Franz Berko.

It has already been some 20 years since the beginnings of The Aspen Ski School.

Now during peak days, the ski school has more instructors teaching than there used to be people taking lessons in the Ski School.

What was it like back when the school and the town were both small?

Klaus Obermeyer, who joined the Aspen Ski School in 1947 (soon after it started), and Sepp Uhl, who joined it in 1953, share some of their rememberings.

Klaus says, "Everybody knew everybody. The townspeople, ski instructors, ski patrol, and the people who came here to ski...all gathered at the Hotel Jerome at the end of each day for the tea hour at 4 o'clock. The instructors had a meeting...then everyone danced and talked over the day's skiing. The Neilsens would bring over Danish pastries from the Epicure to serve with the tea.

"There were more dogs than people in town in those days. I would come off the mountain and skate on my skis through town...by the time I would reach the Jerome, I would have about 25 dogs barking and chasing along behind me."

"We were really happy to have a class to teach. We would work during the Christmas holidays, then in January hardly at all (often only three or four instructors worked). Then we would have classes again in February and

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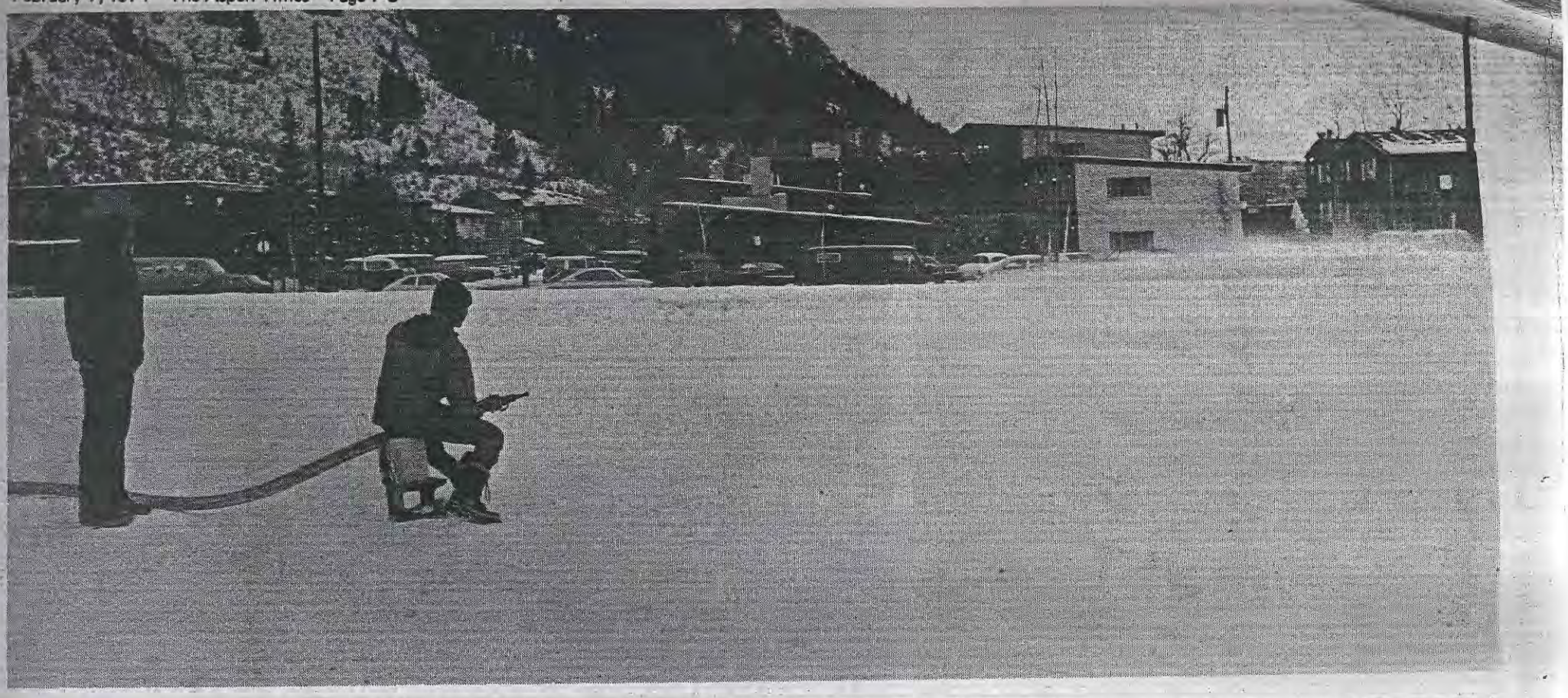

As part of the winter recreation program sponsored by the city Parks and Recreation department, the city is creating two outdoor ice skating rinks. This one is in Wagner Park and the other will be in Herron Park. Skating will be allowed as late as 10 PM in Wagner Park. Both the rinks will be available for daytime use as long as weather permits. There will be no charge during the daylight hours and if the interest warrants, lights may be installed later, according to recreation department officials. Chris Cassatt photo.



A team of miniature white mules with Frank Baranko driving the sleigh ... takes a group of children on a ride through the wintry streets of Aspen. The children are from The Children's Playshop, a pre-school that Ruth Stone and Harriette Clements hold in St Mary's Catholic Church.

Photo by Chris Cassatt



Glassblower Todd Voight has two tables and an acetylene torch set up inside the Aspen Arcades on Galena Street, and can be seen modeling figures such as reindeer, sailboats, swans and stallions. He'll be there through next Saturday, Feb 16, and he eventually hopes to set up a permanent gallery-shop in Aspen. Voight, originally from Milwaukee, explains his fascination with glass, "I dig it, making a piece so crystal clear." Chris Cassatt photo

National organization commends the mall

The City of Aspen was notified this week that its downtown pedestrian mall had received a 1973 Distinguished Service Citation from Keep America Beautiful, Inc.

Located in New York City, Keep America Beautiful, Inc is a national non-profit service organization dedicated to improving the aesthetic environment.

The letter informing local officials of the award is reprinted below.

"Let me add my warm congratulations to those that you have already received upon your entry's selection for a 1973 KAB Distinguished Service Citation. You should be very proud that our judges felt only a couple of programs had greater accomplishments in a very competitive contest.

"Regarding presentation arrangements for the Citation, most recipients have requested in view of the energy crisis that their citation be mailed to them.

"It is KAB's policy to limit travel to essential travel only during the oil shortage. So we hope you will support our decision to enclose your Distinguished Service Citation.

"KAB regrets sincerely that we cannot make this presentation personally for your outstanding environmental improvement efforts. Again, congratulations and please keep us posted on your future activities."

Cordially,
Bruce E Tibbo, Jr
Coordinator, Field Services

Canine owners fined in court

Several owners of canines received fines in Municipal Court on Wednesday, Jan 30. Judge Tam Scott decided the following cases:

Laura and Edwin Thorne pled guilty to the charge of dog's running at large and leash control and were fined $40.

Judy and Bob Smith pled guilty to the charges of dog license required and annual rabies vaccination required and were fined $5.

Arline and Bob Jarmen were found guilty of the charge of dog's running at large and leash control and were fined $20.

Chris Faucett pled guilty and was fined $5 on the charge of dog's running at large and leash control.

W K Jones pled guilty and was fined $5 on the charge of dog's running at large and leash control.

A bench warrant of $50 was issued for Karen Troobnick who failed to appear on the charge of dog's running at large and leash control.

Peggy Rowland was found guilty and fined $5 on the charge of dog's running at large and leash control.

Howard Morris paid a total fine of $87 on four counts of dog's running at large and leash control...and impound charges.

On the traffic docket: Sandra Lee Schlager was found guilty and fined $15 on the charge of special hazards.

A bench warrant for $50 was set for Lynn D Alverson who failed to appear on the charge of special hazards.

Paid parking will be implemented

Paid parking will be implemented at Snowmass Resort Monday, Feb 11, the Resort announced this week.

Officials state that this decision was prompted by the loss of Snowmass American Corporation's annual $100,000 voluntary contribution, and also by the increased pressure of day skier traffic and parking.

$2 will be charged to park in lots 1-13, but $1 will be refunded when a driver returns to his car if he has transacted business in the resort.

The five lots by the triple chair lift at the base of Fanny Hill will remain as free parking.

Cammie Cobb, dies of injuries

A fund has been started locally by friends to help defray Cammie's hospital expenses. Anyone wishing to help may send contributions to The Cammie Cobb Fund, c-o The Bank of Aspen, 119 S Mill, Aspen, Colo 81611.

Cammie Jill Cobb, 14, of old Snowmass died Friday in Georgian House Rest Home in Lakewood of severe head injuries suffered Nov 29 in a one-car accident on the Old Snowmass road.

She had remained in a coma since the accident. Killed in the crash was the girl's mother, Leola Cobb, 34. Another daughter, Constance Jo Cobb, 16, was treated for a fractured collarbone at Aspen Valley Hospital.

Ms Cobb is survived by her father, Ty Cobb, and four brothers and sisters of Old Snowmass.



Despite the fact that there was a record number of skiers using the Ski Corp areas on New Years, the crowds were evenly dispersed so that there were few lines, according to Ski Corp officials. The reason for the dispersal was the more effective bus system shuttling skiers between Aspen, Snowmass Resort, and Buttermilk officials said. The buses are operated by the Ski Corp between Rubey Park and other areas as often as every 10 minutes. The corporation has spent about $250,000 on the system. Corporation officials also cited the limitations placed on the use of season tickets on Aspen Mountain as a factor in the dispersal. During certain peak periods of the season, season ticket holders must ski at other areas. The Ski Corp has a formula to determine skier capacity on the hills based on the ability of the Ski Corp to maintain the slopes, and the dispersal has resulted in better use of the areas, according to officials.

Chris Cassatt photo

Workshop set for this weekend

"Energy and Feeling," a Gestalt Workshop will be held this weekend, Friday, Feb 8, and Saturday, Feb 9, by Touchstone Clinic.

The workshop will assist participants in finding their innate potential, according to Helen Klanderud, director of Touchstone, who with Dr. James Thursby of Denver, will be leading the discussion.

To register, call Touchstone at 925-4336.

Correction

When the Aspen Times last week ran a letter-to-the-editor clarifying the Aspen Valley Visiting Nurses Association's role in checking for hepatitis...there was a typographical error which changed the meaning.

The statement should have read, "The AVVNA does not test for active hepatitis. They do interview persons having had contact with a patient who has a confirmed doctor's diagnosis of hepatitis. If warranted, they give a preventative dose of gamma globulin.."

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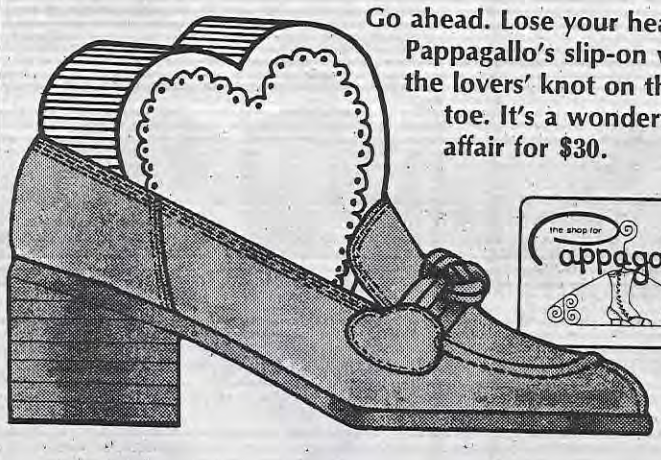

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March," says Klaus. "We did everything possible to keep our classes together."

Sepp agrees, "We would have drinks and parties with our classes...have them to dinner in our homes...many of these people became life-long family friends."

The Aspen Ski School was owned by Friedl Pfeifer with Fred Iselin as co-director. Both Klaus and Sepp agree that Friedl was the serious boss, "the beautiful smooth skier," who saw the concept of the whole ski school operation...while Fred was the flamboyant "terrific public relations man."

Sepp says, "At the beginning of the season when we had our instructor's clinic, Friedl would say, "This morning you ski with Fred," and you would be almost a little afraid. He was a daredevil skier and took you down the worst slopes he could find."

"But Fred was the best teacher," says Klaus. "He could do more in two minutes with a class than others in an hour. He was so alive on his feet and legs...the people would ski behind him and catch on fast. He had a knack of correcting the primary cause of a ski problem rather that correcting the secondary faults."

Says Klaus, "Friedl and Fred put together one of this country's best ski schools, based on discipline and friendliness. They each had such different things to offer and cooperated well together."



A Broomball game in 1949 between ski school instructors and the ski patrol. Photo courtesy of Aspen Historical Society.



Aspen Ski School instructor Pete Seibert in 1947, Photo courtesy Aspen Historical Society.

Friedl was from Austria and Fred from Switzerland...they took skiers from Germany, Austria, Italy and America and created the Aspen Ski School.

"Fred could remember everyone's name...this would thrill the tourists. And he brought so many famous people to Aspen through his Hollywood contacts. This is how Aspen became known to the world...there would be photographs in magazines and newspapers of movie stars skiing here...Gary Cooper, Van Johnson (I instructed him...what a nice guy), Ingrid Bergman, Lana Turner and Lex Barker.

"To show again how everybody knew everybody....Gary Cooper was the goalie for the weekly broomball games (on ice skates) played between the ski school and the ski patrol."

Sepp says, "There was no specific ski school uniform in the early days. We all wore nylon windbreakers, tucked inside our ski pants...or handknit ski sweaters. The colors were all navy blue, black or now and then a light blue.

"And for warmth on the chairlift, we all wore lift coats (and so did the tourists). You would go to the Thrift Shop and buy yourself an old fur coat or a warm big cloth coat for 50 cents. You would wear it up the lift and send it back down in an empty chair. The lift operators threw the coats over the fence by the No 1 lift or stacked them on a long table nearby.

"There were just the No 1 and 2 lifts on Aspen Mountain, so everyone was on one mountain and you saw each other all day. The beginner skiers were taught on Little Nell where there was a T bar. People were taught to walk on skis in open meadows where the condominiums now stand."

But what did the ski instructors do during the rest of the year?

"In the early days, the late 1940s and early 1950s, everybody left in the spring and went in all directions, because there weren't any jobs here," says Klaus. "After the lifts closed, it was like a ghost town again. In the summer of 1947, I went back to Sun Valley (where I had been an instructor) and built a house which I later sold...and that was the stake I needed to start my business in Aspen (Sport-Obermeyer).

"Pete Seibert had made a relief map of the Vail area and was dreaming already of doing something over there. Dick Wright stayed in Aspen and was a carpenter (which later he developed into a contracting business).

Sepp came in 1953 when some of the ski instructors were beginning to stay through the summers and fall off-seasons. Many looked at what was needed by the town and went into business.

Morrie Shephard, Hal Hartman and Sepp Uhl became house painters; Toni Woerndle was a plumber and trimmed trees; Sandy Sabbatini was a carpenter; Roy Parker was a stone mason and built many fireplaces; Wendy Morse was a carpenter; Jim Snobble was a salesman for bottle caps; Roy Reid was a summertime lift operator; Steve Knowlton started the Golden Horn, Walter Haugg ran The Four Seasons Club; Jack McTarnaghan and Chuck Hightower were carpenters, and Hans Nogler handcarved items and sold them to the shops.

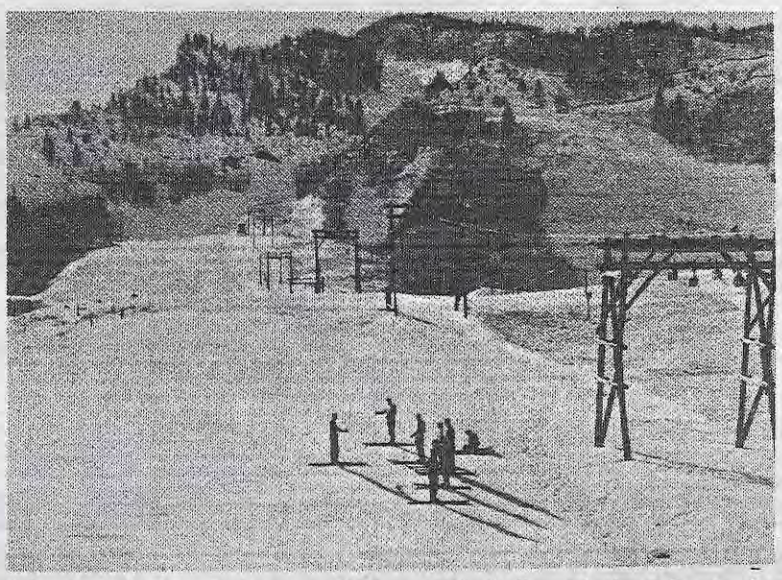
The men went on to other jobs and business ventures in later years...but these first jobs were what kept them going through the early economically precarious off-seasons in Aspen.

"A wonderful thing was 'The Wednesday Afternoon Activity' for the children of Aspen," says Klaus. It was the ski school's gift to the town...the children were dismissed from school and given free skiing instruction. We also taught the schoolteachers how to ski instruct...we would take the teachers out at 8 AM on Saturday mornings for their lessons.

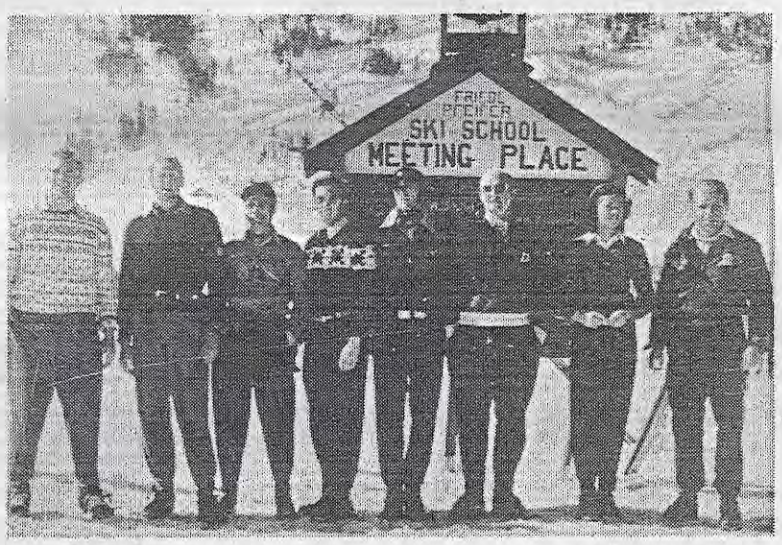
"Out of this program came some Aspen racers...the Marolt family of Bud, Max and Bill Marolt...and their cousins Cherie Gerbaz (Oates) and Keith Marolt; Fern and Barbara Brown, Sally and Jane and Tom Moore, Ted Armstrong, Tom Carter and Wes Thorpe."

A closely-knit ski school with high camaraderie...that's the way it was.

—Mary Eshbaugh Hayes



A beginner's class in January 1953 on Little Nell...with the T Bar in the background. Photo by Mary Eshbaugh Hayes.



One of the earliest photos of the Aspen Ski School (1946?). Left to right: Chuck Webb, Andy Ransom, Marshall Fitzgerald, Friedl Pfeifer, John Litchfield, Percy Rideout, Lib Fitzgerald and Walter Haugg. Photo courtesy Aspen Historical Society.



Danish pastries were the specialty of the Neilsen's Epicure in February 1950. That's Stein Eriksen second from the left. Photo by Franz Berko.

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For certain members of Aspen's younger set, there is nothing more exciting than the words "Aspen Cup". It's something they are striving to earn points toward, throughout the ski season, and involves a total of seven race weekends for boys and girls 7 to 13 years old.

The Aspen Cup Series is administered by the Aspen Ski Club. KSPN radio is the overall series sponsor; each race weekend is sponsored by a local Aspen business. (So far there's been the Bank of Aspen Classic, the Sabbatini Sport Slalom Classic and the Stapleton Insurance Downhill Derby.)

Aspen racers work for Cup points as well as for Rocky Mountain Divisional awards (in which contest they are joined by teams from Leadville, Vail, Steamboat Springs, Purgatory, Sunlight and Crested Butte).

The Aspen Cup

A Community Program

Photos by Doug Lee







Dedication of the first ski lift . . . Pheiffer wearing goggles, Paepcke standing behind the chair. (From the Rio Grande Collection, State Historical Society of Colorado)

ASPEN CIRCA...

Site of the 1941 Nationals in Aspen. (Photo by O. Roach, from the Denver Public Library Western Collection)



Austria when he heard about "this fellow Pfeiffer who wanted to develop skiing."

At this time Pfeiffer was having a hard time raising money from his hospital bed . . . the people he approached said "Aspen is too inaccessible — it will never succeed."

Paepcke and Pfeiffer [illegible] well. They formed the [illegible] Corporation and in '45 [illegible] along with Johnny [illegible] Percy Rideout, (two ex-10th [illegible] buddies) started the Aspen Ski [illegible] they used the Aspen Ski Club [illegible] tow up Roch Run. They used to [illegible] coin to see who would get to [illegible] new pupil; it was that slow.

In the summer of 1946, with money raised by Paepcke and his brother-in-law Paul Nitze, the "world's longest chairlift" was put up by hand, more runs were cut and skiing on Aspen Mountain had become a reality. Pfeiffer began to see his vision materializing.

(Stephen Horowitz is currently working on a film documentary on the Aspen Skiing Corporation, which will be aired over Grassroots (Channel 12) on Feb. 12-15.)

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Freidl in the powder, circa 1950.

Freidl Pfeiffer was born in Austria and learned to ski about the same time he learned to walk. In 1938 he came to the United States and began teaching skiing in Sun Valley. When the war broke out he joined what was to become the 10th Mountain Division and was stationed at Camp Hale, near Minturn.

As a skier, he had heard about Aspen because the 1941 National Championships were held on the Aspen Ski Club's Roch Run. During his training in 1942, his company made the 72 mile trek from Leadville to Aspen. They came down through Hunter Creek. Pfeiffer, although happy at Sun Valley, had been hoping to develop a ski area of his own.

His first view of Aspen was impressive . . . there it was, a town with a north-facing mountain whose ski runs came down right to the streets of town. He turned to his buddy and said, "There it is, the place I've been looking for. I'm going to create the best ski area in the world here." They continued on down into Aspen to the Hotel Jerome for some "Aspen Crud" (a milk shake with a shot of bourbon or rum in it.)

During his training at Camp Hale, Pfeiffer came to Aspen often. He approached the city council and Mayor Robeson to untangle the minging claims on Aspen Mountain. Also, through his father-in-law, he got in contact with the president of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad. He was asked to come to a board meeting when the railroad was considering a multi-million dollar investment in vistadome pullman cars. At the end of the meeting he made his proposal about developing Aspen as a ski resort. The response was favorable. They put one of their attorneys, John Schimer, on retainer to untangle mining claims.

In 1944, the 10th Mountain Division (which also included Curt Chase, now director of the Aspen Ski School, and Fritz Benedict, architect and developer of Red Mountain) was shipped off to Northern Italy. Spear-heading a drive over the Alps, the fighting was hard and the casualties heavy. Pfeiffer was hit with shrapnel during a mortar attack and had a lung damaged. He was returned to the United States to recuperate in a hospital in Colorado Springs.

It was there in the summer of '45 that he got an invitation from Walter Paepcke to come to Perry Park and discuss the development of Aspen. Paepcke had been to Aspen earlier and had his own idea about developing a cultural center comparable to Salzburg,



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T-Lazy-7 Guest Ranch, 925-4614

SWIMMING — Glenwood Hot Springs open 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily, in Glenwood Springs.

TENNIS — Tennis at the Super Dome . . . Aspen Racquet Club west of Aspen on Hwy. 82. Open from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Snowmass Country Club opens indoor courts Thanksgiving. Hours: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

COLORADO MOUNTAIN COLLEGE — Two new courses scheduled to begin in February are: Spanish and Developing Architecture. Call the Aspen office of CMC for information, (925—7740).

GUIDED TOURS — Of the Aspen area Benedictine Monastery, Lenado, Snowmass; Toklat. Conducted by Cloud 9; phone 923-2000 ext. 54.

CHILD CARE & PRE-SCHOOLS

Kiddieland of the Highlands: Creative play center open from 8:30 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. Phone 925-5334. (Aspen Highlands Ski Area)

Licensed Night Care Center: 2-6 yrs.; late afternoon and evening (eating and sleeping facilities) daily except Wednesday. On the corner of 6th and Bleeker; call Sherry McEuen at 925-4288.

Aspen Montesorri School: 3 to 6 yrs.; 8:45 - 11:45 a.m. Mon. through Fri.; 135 W. Main St. Call Terry End, 925-3093.

Happy Face Montessori School & Day Care Center: 2½ yrs. and up; 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., five days a week (seven days from Thanksgiving till Easter); in Aspen Village (Gerbazdale). Call Jinny Sanderson, 923-4212.

The Little Red Nursery: Pre-School for 2½ to 5 yrs.; 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., 1 to 5 p.m. (half day or all day); 601 E. Hyman. Call Phyllis Bergen or Rhonda Thompson, 925-4131.

Kinderheim Ski-Play School: 3-6 yrs.; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., seven days a week; West Village. Call Gracie Oliphant, 923-3175.

Patsy Forbes' Pre-School: 3-5 yrs.; 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., Mon.-Fri.; 126 W. Francis. Call Patsy Forbes, 925-7785.

The Children's Playshop: 3-5 yrs.; 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Mon. through Fri.; 3 day and 5 day programs; non-sectarian. St. Mary's Catholic Church, on the corner of Hunter and Main. Call Harriet Clements, 925-7061, or Ruth Stone, 925-3634. (Between 8 a.m. and noon, call 925-9789.)

Holiday House Child Care: 2½-6 yrs.; 9-4 p.m.; by the hour, half-day or whole day. It's located at 127 W. Hopkins St.; call Dottie Colestock, 925-3512.

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HAL BOYLE'S COLUMN

Snow Boom Doesn't Excite Aspen's Silver Boom Vet

BY HAL BOYLE

ASPEN, Colo.-AP-They can't make old Harry Brown's pulse beat any faster over the new bonanza this rebuilt mining community expects to find in the pocketbooks of Winter ski enthusiasts.

He was here 60 years ago during the great Colorado silver boom and he finds the present snow boom pretty tame in comparison.

"This doesn't excite me at all," said the mining veteran who attributes his cheerful health at 78 to a judicious mixture of one part bourbon whisky and three parts branch water.

Harry is the last survivor of seven Brown brothers who came here during the 1880's from New Brunswick and found fortune in the metal-rich crags that rise above Fork river.

From a "bang-bang" town of 12,000 people Aspen declined rapidly during the '90's after silver dropped from 85 cents an ounce to 43 cents. The miners took their tools and went to Cripple Creek to hunt gold, leaving behind them empty frame houses and tales of fabulous spending.

Aspen dwindled until it was down to a population of 400—one-fourth of them elderly citizens on state pensions—and the Brown family was paying one-third of the town taxes.

Expenditure of a million dollars by outside capitalists to build Aspen into the Winter sports capital of the Rockies has tripled the town's inhabitants and brought an influx of skiers wearing colorful garb that rings louder in the frosty hills than ever did the miners' picks.

Brown thinks the "snow boom" has possibilities but he can't quite understand why grown men and women want to slide down a hill on slats for fun.

"Folks used skis when I was young only because they had to," he said.

But he was quite willing to lease the surface of a patch of 350 acres he owns on Aspen mountain to the newcomers, and if they want to pay to break their arms, legs and necks in the snow—well, he doesn't want to interfere in anybody's idea of pleasure.

Holds Mining Rights

But Brown has retained his mining rights. Like other oldtimers he has never given up hope that the old boom-days of lead, zinc and silver would return.

"The mountain people are glad to see this snow business get going," he said, "although they are pretty indifferent about it. But if they ever open the mines again—then you'll see something.

"It's not wide open here now as it was when I came. There were two railroads building in, and we had 40 to 50 six-horse teams hauling ore.

"The town had 30 saloons and six churches. At least half the saloons operated gambling games—faro bank and chuckaluck.

"One rancher dropped $2500 trying to win enough to take a few friends to dinner. Never complained much either."

Today the only open gambling is by nickel to quarter slot machines installed to help skiing visitors donate their small change to Aspen's civic betterment.

"Doggone, I used to like to play faro bank," grumbled Brown, "but these slot machines are terrible. That isn't gambling—it's robbery."

JAY

The Women's Farm Bureau will meet Thursday at 10:30 A.M. at the grange hall. The subject will be: "Refresher Course on Square Meals for Health. Mrs. Eleanor Currier, foods leader, will be the speaker The dinner committee is: Mrs. Elizabeth Gallagher, Mrs. Myrtle Bryant and Mrs. Natalie Bryant.

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Skiers Tighten Amateur Code

PAU, France, Aug. 31 (U.P.)—The International Ski Federation ended a five-day session today by electing officers—including Roger Langley of the United States as vice president—and banning from amateur competition any skiers who have gained financially from international competition. The new and stringent interpretation of amateurism also bars any knowing participant in meets with skiers making money from such skiing.

Rocket Six to Open Camp

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 31 (AP)—The Philadelphia Rockets, first big-time hockey team to represent the Quaker City since the 1941-42 season, will open training at Cornwall, Ont., on Sept. 15, General Manager Peter A. Tyrrell of the Philadelphia Arena announced today. Coach Herb Gardiner expects forty candidates.

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The panic of 1893 resulting from the Repeal of the Sherman Silver Purchase Act causes widespread failing of banks, and the closing of the mines, bringing about the decline of Aspen into a ghost town of less than 700 citizens.

In **1937** forty-eight years later, a group of outdoor enthusiasts forsee Aspen as an ideal year around vacation center. Its forty miles of well-stocked fishing streams, numerous pack trails, ideal camping sites (with over seventeen peaks above the 14,000 foot mark) make it the logical hub of recreational activity.

In the wooded terrain are found varieties of animal life, deer, elk, bear, grouse and pheasant, which please the enthusiasts and thus Fall activities become popular.

Andre Roche, the Swiss ski expert, comes to Aspen and delights at the possibilities of long months of skiing. A course is mapped over what is promptly christened "Roche Run" after its distinguished discoverer. At present plans are in operation to build America's longest chairlift, which enables the skier to enjoy more downhill runs per day, and also opens up the vast expanse of perfect touring snow above timberline.

In order to accommodate the ever increasing flow of vacationists to Aspen, The Aspen Company, in 1946, completely remodels the old Hotel Jerome. The stylish new hotel lobby welcomes the arriving guest in the traditional hospitality of the "nineties." It is here that arrangements can also be made for hunting, fishing, hiking and pack trips, as well as other events.

The Dining Room is capable of seating one-hundred guests in the comfortable atmosphere of the lush dignity of days gone by. "The Smuggler Grill," in more rustic finish and gay colors is open from early morning to late evening serving pleasing snacks and unusual dishes. The Soda Fountain is a popular spot in the Grill.

Both of these dining rooms are served by a modern, newly-installed Propane gas kitchen presided over by a famous European Chef.

The Bar Room has been made into a show place of the Rockies. The bar itself is the completely renovated original fixture of the old Jerome. Its adjoining cocktail lounge is equipped with cozy and intimate booths.

The Hotel Lounge, with its comfortable chairs and friendly fire is rapidly becoming the favorite gathering place of the visitors to Aspen.

Hotel rooms are remodeled into light and airy accommodations, with attractive color schemes and relaxing furniture. The Aspen Company restores the picturesque houses and cottages of the city into apartments and rooms of the architectural style of the gay and adventurous "nineties," designed to accommodate whole families, or groups of friends who desire to be by themselves. These units are completely serviced to eliminate all house-keeping burdens.

Thus these charming historic buildings become once again scenes of activity and splendor. The "ghost town" of Aspen becomes fully awakened to its part as a year around resort, to emerge, finally, into the glory of its picturesque former self of the "Roaring Nineties."

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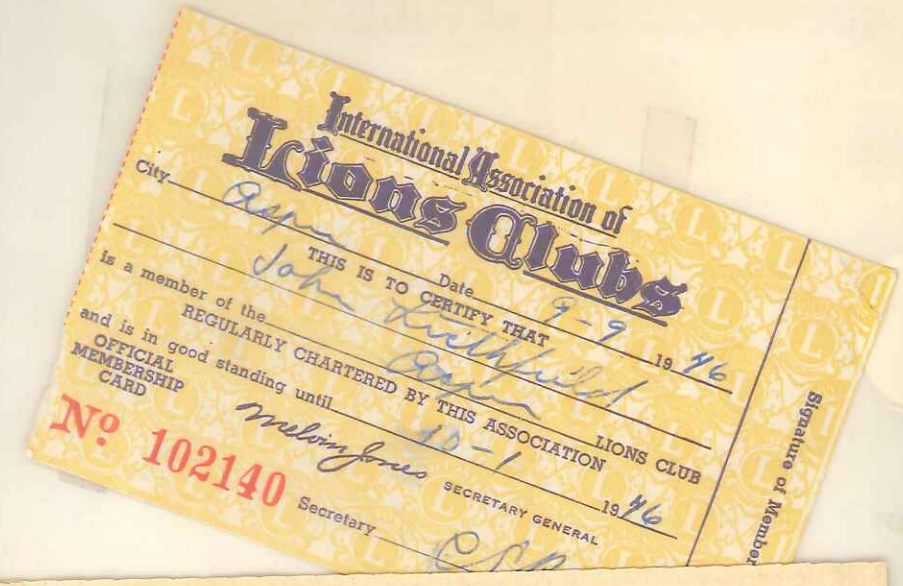
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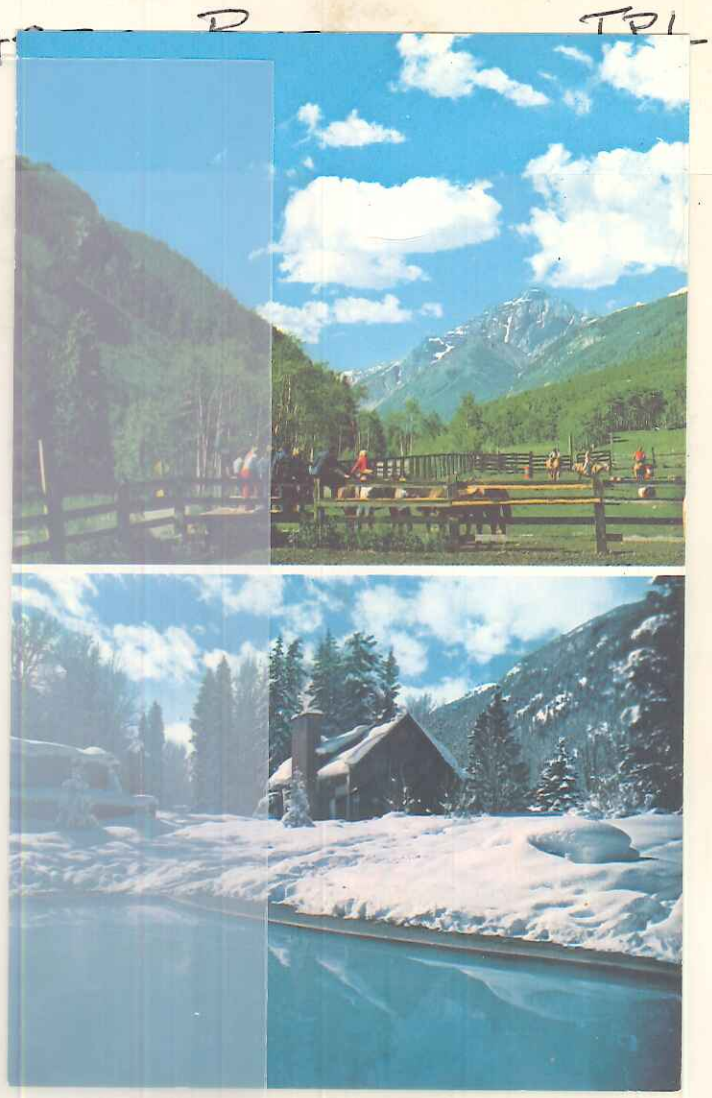



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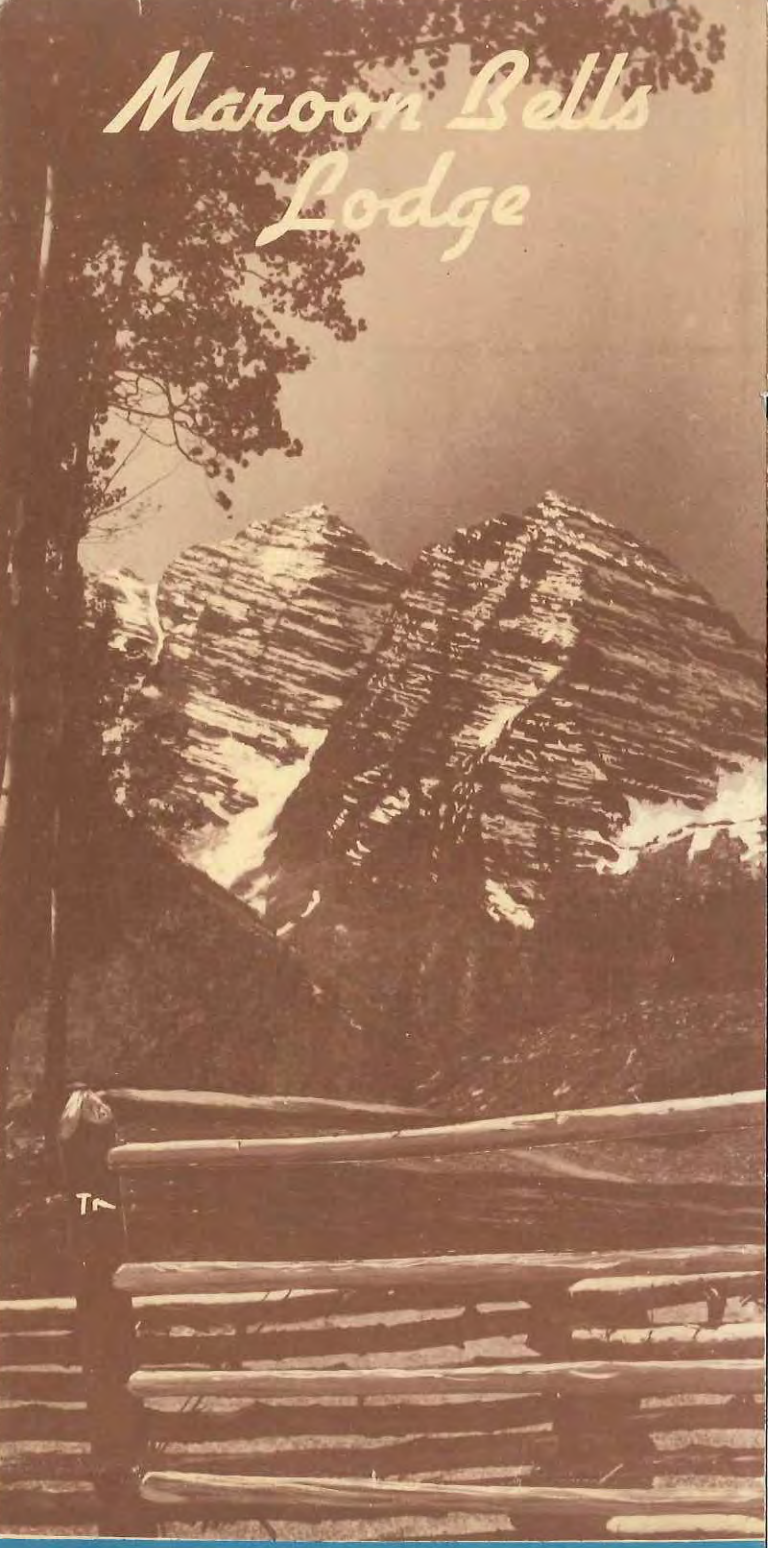

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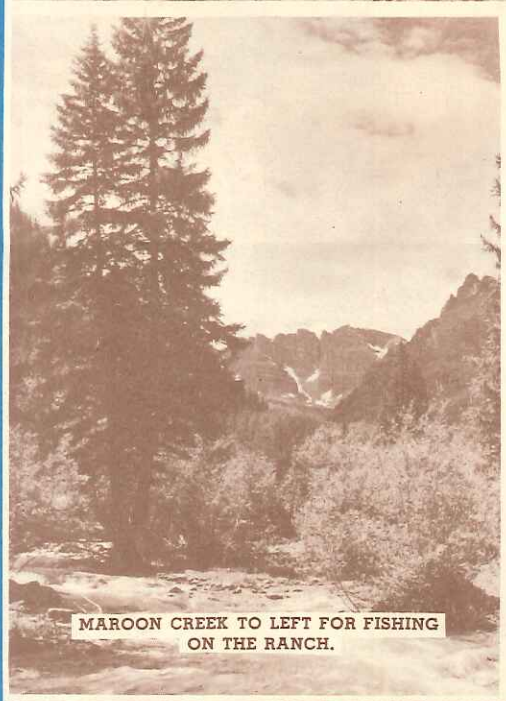

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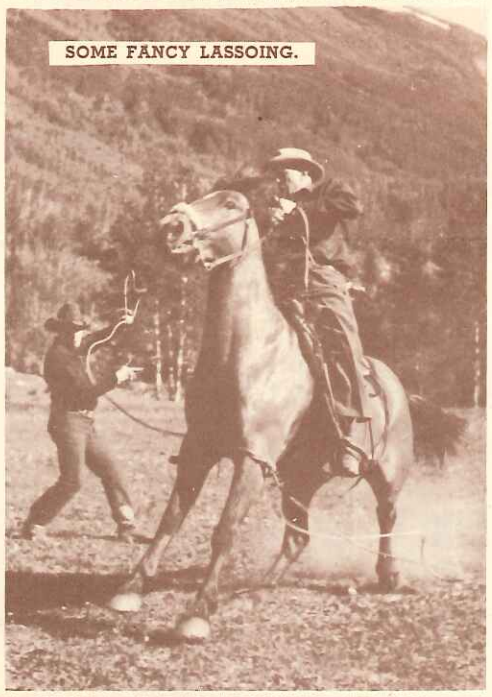

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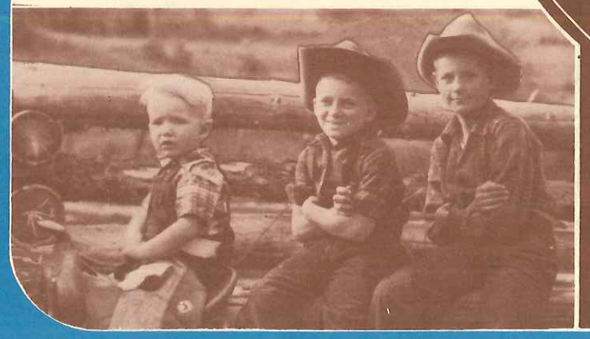

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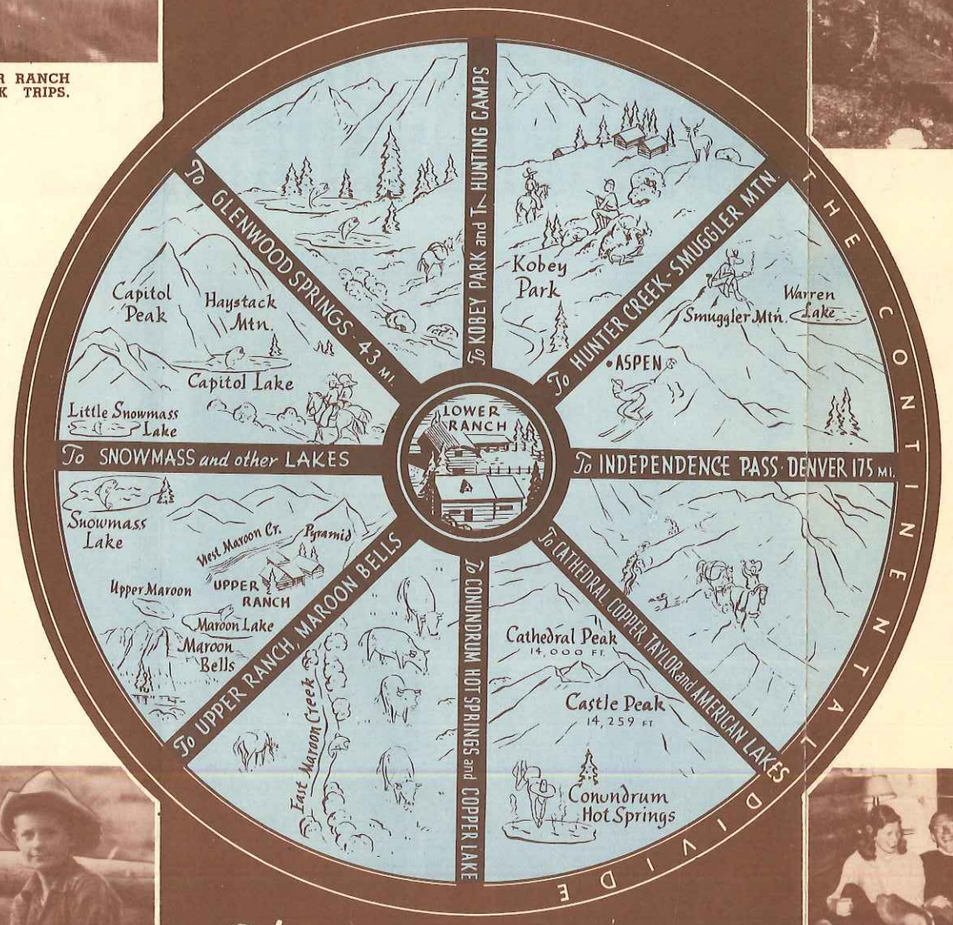

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RELIABLE FACTS ABOUT COLORADO WINTER SPORTS AREAS

The chart herewith reveals a number of facts about each area which has developed facilities necessary for the enjoyment of winter sports. Snow conditions are constantly changing and are reported each week by the Denver Weather Bureau. Telephone the Denver Convention and Visitors Bureau or the Denver Chamber of Commerce for latest information.

Make definite hotel reservations directly with hotels before coming to any location because housing facilities are limited, even in the larger cities.

If you bring your own car or rent a driverless car, you can reach and enjoy several fine spots not conveniently reached by train or bus. Bring your own ski outfit or buy one locally if you do not own one, as local merchants know the type of clothing and equipment best suited for this region.

For further information about winter sports, contests, meets or the investment of funds as a business enterprise in some area of Colorado, please address:

THE WINTER SPORTS COMMITTEE
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	Hotel	Restaurant	Area Open 1945 Season	Amusements	Good Skiing	Jump	Local Ski-Club	Best Trail	Length	Class	Shelter House	Ski Patrol	Equipment Available	Ski Season	Weekly Snow Report	Tow	Kind of Tow	Length
Aspen	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Roche Run	2 miles	Expert	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dec. 15 April 15	Yes	Yes	1 Rope 2 Boat	1400 ft.
Allen's Park	Estes Park			No		Yes		One	1800 ft.	Intermed.	Yes	No	No	Jan. 1 April 1		No		
Berthoud Pass	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	High Trail	3 miles	Intermed.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Nov. 15 May 15	Yes	Yes	2 Rope	575 ft. 1200 ft.
Climax	Yes (Leadville)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Chalk Mtn. Trail	2000 ft.	Intermed. Op. Slopes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Nov. 20 May 1	Yes	Yes	Rope	1600 ft.
Colorado Springs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Glen Cove "Big Hill" (25 mi.)	1200 ft.	Expert	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dec. 15 May 1	Yes	Yes	Rope	1200 ft.
Durango	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair	No	No	One (25 mi.)	1300 ft.	Intermed.	No	No	Yes	Dec. 15 Mar. 1	No	Yes	Rope	1000 ft.
Estes Park	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Hidden Valley	9280 ft.	Intermed.	Yes	NPS Rangers	Yes	Dec. 15 Mar. 30	Yes	No		
Gunnison	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Big Dipper	3900 ft.	Expert	Yes	No	Yes	Dec. 15 April 15	Yes	Yes	Chair Rope	3000 ft. 300 ft.
Glenwood Springs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Red Mountain	5280 ft.	Expert	Yes	No	Yes	Jan. 1 Mar. 15	Yes	Yes	Chair	5280 ft.
Grand Junction	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Gr. Mesa Mesa Creek Trail	4 miles	Intermed.	Yes	No	Yes	Nov. 15 May 15	Yes	Yes	2 Rope	600 ft. 1300 ft.
Grand Lake	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Shadow Mountain	½ mile	Intermed.	No	No	No	Dec. 15 April 1	Yes	Yes	Rope	450 ft.
Idaho Springs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Few	Loveland Berthoud Passes								Yes	Nov. 15 April 30	Yes	Berthoud-Loveland Yes	Rope	
Leadville	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Cooper Hill Tennessee Pass	6 Runs 1300 ft. to 6000 ft.	Novice, Intermed. & Expert	Yes	No	Yes	Dec. 15 April 15	Yes	Yes	"J-Bar" Rope	6000 ft. 600 ft.
Loveland Pass	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	5 Trails	1200 ft. to 5400 ft.	Amateur to Expert	Yes	Yes	No	Dec. 1 May 15	Yes	Yes	3 Rope	450 ft. 600 ft. 4200 ft.
Monte Vista	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Wolf Creek Pass "Thunder Mountain" (50 mi.)	3 or 4 miles	Intermed.	Yes	No	Yes	Dec. 1 April 15	Yes	Yes	2 Rope	900 ft. 1400 ft.
Ouray	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Red Mountain	1000 ft.	Intermed.	No	No	No	Dec. 15 April 1	No	Yes	Chair	600 ft.
Salida	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Monarch Pass		Intermed.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Jan. 1 April 15	No	Yes	Rope	800 ft.
Steamboat Springs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	6—"Devil's Hangover"	3 miles	Intermed.	No (Planned)	Yes	Yes	Dec. 15 April 15	Yes	Yes	Boat	1000 ft.
Winter Park	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Hughes Trail (Several)	5800 ft.	Amateur to Expert	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dec. 15 April 15	Yes	Yes 5	Constam "J-Bar" 3 Rope	2300 ft. 750 ft. 500 ft.

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Most of the areas are equipped with power driven rope or chair tows. Professional instructors and ski schools are available in several places (see chart).

Fine skating may be had on lakes, rivers or ice rinks and a number of figure skating clubs flourish.

Magnificent scenery greets the eye in every direction in Colorado. There are fifty-three peaks which are 14,000 feet or more in elevation and there are countless hundreds around them of lesser height. There are vast forests of aspen, pine and spruce. On ridges, cliffs, gorges and canyons Nature has spread beauty with a lavish hand.

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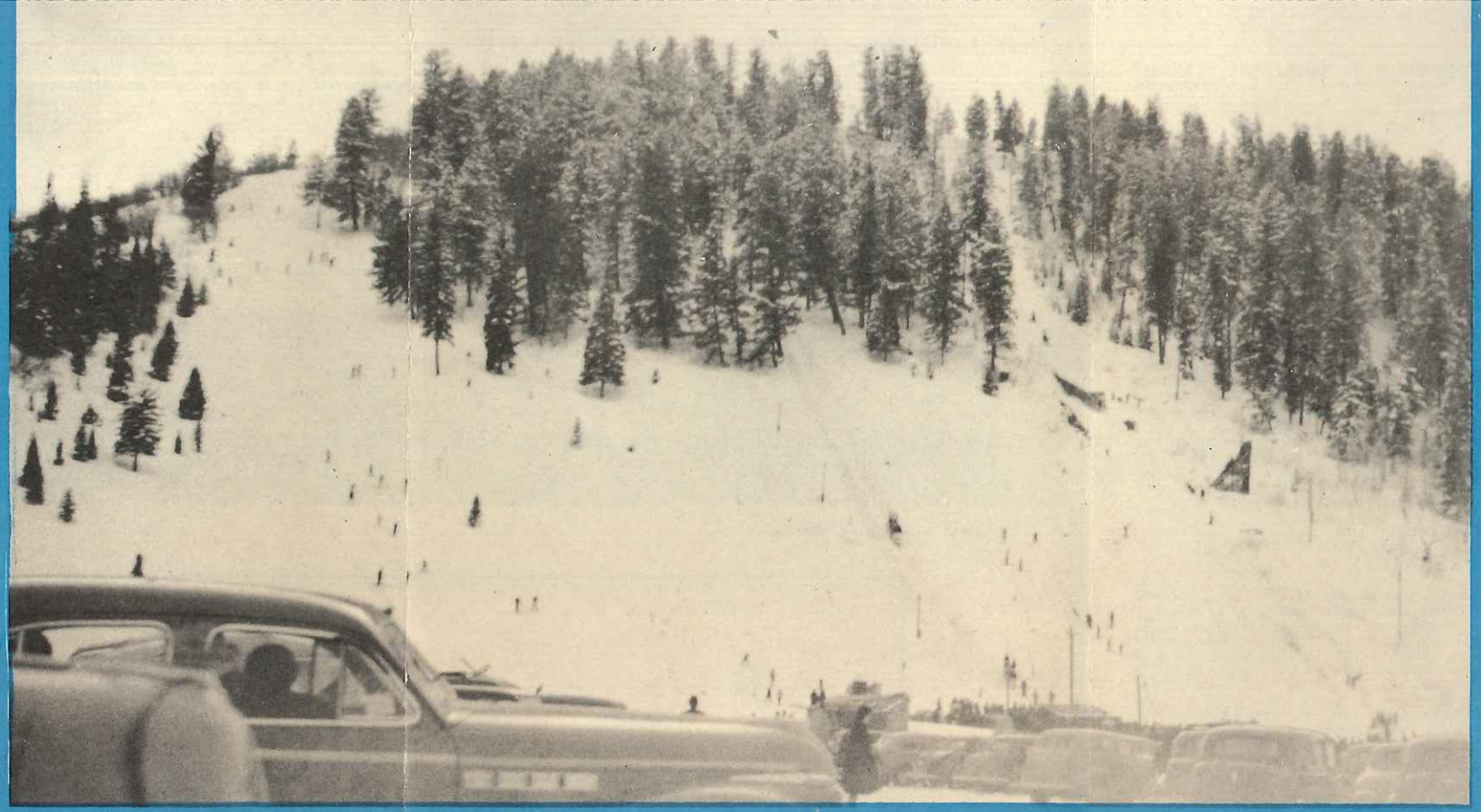

Howelson Hill, Steamboat Springs—Scene of National Jumping Championship, 1946

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3 of Colorado's 30 Famous Ski Areas

Roch Run, Aspen—Course of National Down Hill and Slalom Championship.

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Shelter House and Practice Course Top of Berthoud Pass

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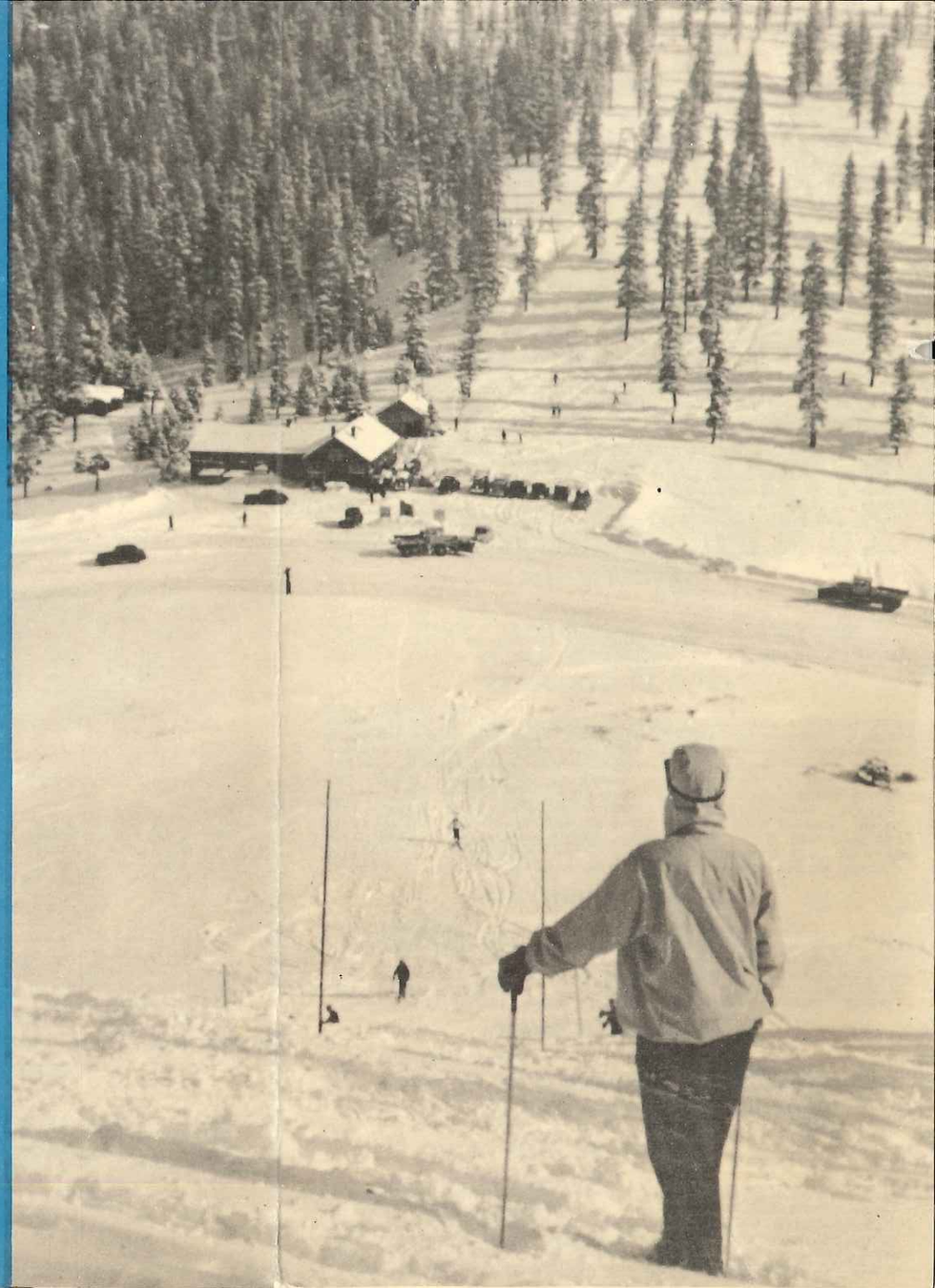
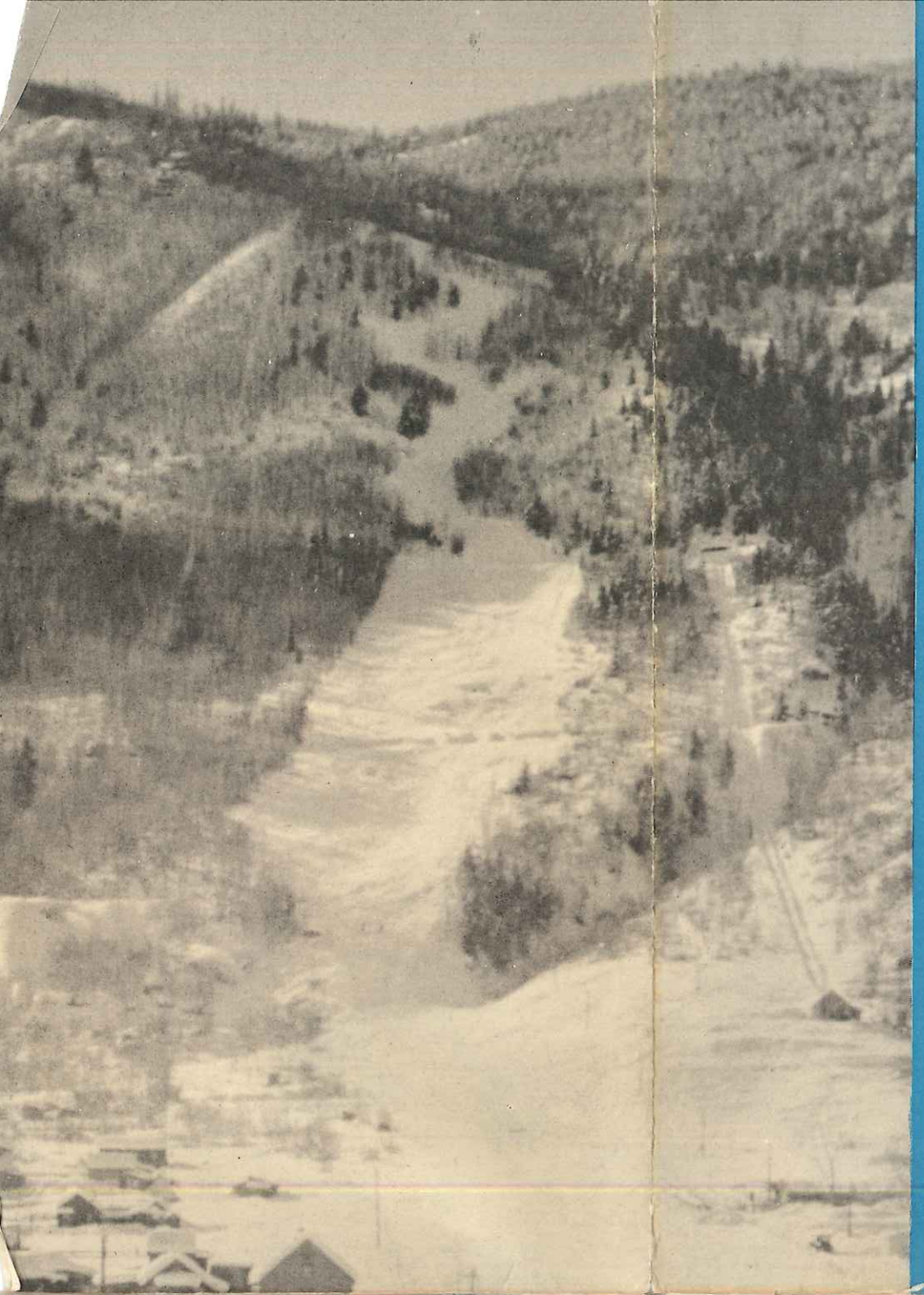






Howelson Hill, Steamboat Springs—Scene of National Jumping Championship, 1946

—Photo by Oleta Jacobs

3 of Colorado's 30 Famous Ski Areas

Roch Run, Aspen—Course of National Down Hill and Slalom Championship.

—Photo by Chas. E. Grover

Shelter House and Practice Course Top of Berthoud Pass

—Photo by Chas. E. Grover

RESORTS IN COLORADO SKIING AREAS

ASPEN

Located on north side Aspen Mt., partly within Holy Cross Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 7,900 to 11,500 ft. SEASON: Dec. 1 to Apr. 15. REACHED VIA: State 82 and D&RGWRR from Glenwood Springs, 41 mi. RUNS: Roch, 9,750 ft., 2,700 ft. drop; Brown, 4,000 ft., 1,250 ft. drop; Slalom, 1,500 ft., 580 ft. drop. TOWS: Sled, 1,400 ft., 550 ft. rise; Rope 600 ft. JUMPS: Willoughby, 180 ft. SHELTERS: Ski Club lodge at foot of runs. Small warming shack top of Roch Run. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotel, cafes, rooming houses, auto court, churches. Movies, horseback riding, skating, sleighing, snowshoeing. Chapter of ski patrol, Aspen Ski Club, % Mrs. Fred Willoughby Jr. (50 members). Equipment rented and sold locally. Telephone, telegraph. Lower end of ski area is electrically lighted, and Roch Run has telephone equipment for timing races. Famous "Corkscrew" on Roch Run. There is a Ski school, under Friedl Pfeifer. The fine Ski country in the Elk mountains above Aspen is especially good for Spring skiing.

BERTHOUD PASS

Located on Berthoud Pass, Arapaho Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 10,000 to 12,000 ft. SEASON: Nov. 15 to May 15. REACHED VIA: U. S. 40 from Idaho Springs, 25 mi.; from Denver, 58 mi. Daily bus service. RUNS: Hoop Creek, 3,500 ft., 600 ft. drop; Back, 1,200 ft., 320 ft. drop; Short, 800 ft., 200 ft. drop; High, 3 mi., 1,650 ft. drop; Practice Slope, 320 ft. high; Beginners' Slope, 200 ft. high. TOWS: Rope, 1,100 ft., 320 ft. rise; Rope, 575 ft., 100 ft. rise. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: Forest Service, beside highway. Telephone, first aid, lunches, refreshments, parking space 600 cars. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels and cafes in Denver, Empire and Idaho Springs (several hotels). Auto courts, churches, stores for equipment. "Glen Arbor" ranch house for guests, on way to Pass. Amusements in Idaho Springs: movies, dancing, billiards and pool, horseback riding.

CEDAREDGE

Located on south slope Grand Mesa, outside Natl. Forest boundary. ELEV.: 7,000 ft. SEASON: Jan. 15 to Mar. 15. REACHED VIA: State 65 from Cedaredge, 4 mi.; from Delta, 19 mi. RUNS: One, 900 ft. TOWS: Rope, 400 ft.; rope, 200 ft. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: Small, Ski Club. ACCOMMODATIONS: Cafe at Cedaredge. Hotels, cafes at Delta.

CLIMAX

Located on Chalk Mt. near Fremont Pass, Cochetopa Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 10,000 to 13,000 ft. SEASON: Dec. 15 to May 1. REACHED VIA: U. S. 6 from Leadville, 12 mi. RUNS: Fremont, 2,000 ft., 700 ft. drop; Chalk Creek, 2 mi., 1,500 ft. drop; practice slopes. TOWS: Rope, 1,600 ft., 600 ft. rise. Tow operates Wednesday nights and Saturday nights till 10 P.M. and Sunday afternoons. Vast open slopes, ideal for cross country trips. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: Medium at bottom of main run. Small one at top. ACCOMMODATIONS: Two roadside cafes at Climax. Hotels, restaurants, churches in Leadville. Amusements, movies, square dancing, billiards and pool, horseback riding, sleighing, skating, snowshoeing, tobogganing. Continental Ski Club % Warren E. Nord, Pres., Leadville (75 members). Local chapter, Ski Patrol. Equipment for sale at local stores.

COLORADO SPRINGS

(Pikes Peak)

Located north side Pikes Peak at Glen Cove, Pike National Forest. ELEV.: 11,500 ft. REACHED VIA: U. S. 40 and Pikes Peak Hwy. from Colorado Springs, 22 mi. SEASON: Dec. 1 to May 31. RUNS: Little Hill, 500 ft.; Big Hill, 1,200 ft.; Cove, ½ mi., 500 ft. drop; Timberline, ⅞ mi., 1,000 ft. drop; Skyline, 1¼ mi. long, 1,500 ft. drop. TOWS: Rope, 1,500 ft., 500 ft. rise; cable, 500 ft., 200 ft. rise. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: Medium, Ski Club, lounging room. ACCOMMODATIONS: Lunches, refreshments, 24 bunks available in Glen Cove Inn. Hotels, cafes, Manitou Springs and Colorado Springs. AMUSEMENTS: Movies, square dancing, bowling, bridge, table games, billiards and pool, swimming, golf, horseback riding, skating, hockey, snowshoeing, tobogganing. Pikes Peak Ski Club % Don Lawrie, 1335 No. Nevada, Colo. Springs (100 members). Local chapter Ski Patrol. Equipment for rent or sale at local stores.

DURANGO

Located near Electra Lake, San Juan Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 8,500 ft. SEASON: Dec. 1 to Mar. 15. REACHED VIA: U. S. 550 from Durango, 25 mi. RUNS: One, 1,300 ft., 90 ft. drop. TOWS: Rope, 1,000 ft., 75 ft. rise. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: None. Parking space 200 cars. ACCOMMODATIONS: Cabin camp, 3 mi. above course. Hotels and cafes in Durango. OTHER INFORMATION: Area small. Sunday crowd usually taxes capacity.

ESTES PARK

(Hidden Valley)

Located on slopes of Hidden Valley in Rocky Mt. Natl. Park. ELEV.: 9,000 to 10,500 ft. SEASON: Dec. 15 to Apr. 1. REACHED VIA: U. S. 34 from Estes Park, 11 mi; from Loveland, 41 mi. RUNS: One, 1½ mi.; one, 2 mi., 1,500 ft. drop; practice slopes. TOWS: None. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: Medium, Natl. Park. Lunches. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels and cafes, Estes Park. OTHER INFORMATION: Runs begin off Trail Ridge road which connects upper and lower ends of area, permitting uphill travel by car to high slopes along Trail Ridge.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS

Located on Red Mt., west edge Glenwood Springs. ELEV.: 6,000 to 7,600 ft. SEASON: Jan. 1 to Apr. 1. REACHED VIA: U. S. 24 and 6, and D&RGWRR. Bus service to course. RUNS: Red Mt., 5,280 ft., 1,600 ft. drop; Slalom slope, 5,280 ft.; Practice Slope, 2,000 ft. TOWS: Electric chair 4,600 ft., 1,600 ft. rise. 80 chairs, capacity 160-200 per hour. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: One at top and one at bottom planned for construction. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels, cafes in Glenwood Springs. Check up on snow conditions before making hotel reservations.

GRAND LAKE

Located ½ mile from hotel near Grand Lake, adjacent to Rocky Mt. Natl. Park. ELEV.: 8,300 ft. SEASON: Dec. 15 to Apr. 1. REACHED VIA: U. S. 40 and 34 and State road from Granby, 16 mi. RUNS: One, 2,640 ft., 600 ft. drop; Slalom, 800 ft. TOWS: Rope, 450 ft., 150 ft. rise. JUMPS: One, 30 meter. SHELTERS: None. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotel in Grand Lake.

GRAND JUNCTION

(Grand Mesa)

Located on north side Grand Mesa, Grand Mesa Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 8,000 to 10,000 ft. SEASON: Nov. 15 to May 15. REACHED VIA: U. S. 24 and 6 and State 65 from Grand Junction, 42 mi. RUNS: Ford, 2 mi., 1,800 ft. drop; Oak Brush, 2 mi., 1,500 ft. drop. TOWS: Rope, 1,200 ft., 300 ft. rise; rope, 600 ft., 90 ft. rise. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: Medium, Ski Club, lunches and refreshments. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels, auto court, restaurants and churches in Grand Junction. Amusements: Movies, square dancing, bowling, bridge, billiards and pool, golf, horseback riding, skating, snowshoeing. Ski School with instructor. Grand Mesa Ski Club, % R. A. Paige, 1360 Rood Ave., Grand Junction (100 members). Equipment for rent or sale at local stores.

GUNNISON

(Pioneer)

Located on the north side of Cement Mountain. Drive 20 miles north from Gunnison on State Highway 135, thence 2 miles east on Cement Creek Road. ELEV.: 9,100 to 11,635 ft. SEASON, Jan. 1 to Mar. 31. RUNS: Big Dipper, 3,900 ft., 1,300 ft. drop; Little Dipper, 7,900 ft., 1,300 ft. drop; Down Hill, 2 mi., 2,600 ft. drop. TOWS: Aerial chair lift, 3,000 ft., 1,300 ft. rise; Rope tow, 300 ft., 40 ft. rise. JUMP: One, big one. SHELTERS: Small rest house at upper end of chair lift. Ski Lodge and cabins for 30 at foot of chair tow. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels, auto courts, cabins, churches, restaurants at Gunnison. AMUSEMENTS: Movies, square dancing, bowling, bridge, table games, billiards and pool, horseback riding, snowshoeing. Licensed guides. Hunting. Gunnison Ski Club, % A. E. Fordham, Pres., Gunnison. Equipment on sale at local stores.

HOMEWOOD

Located on Deer Creek in Denver Mtn. Parks. ELEV.: 7,500 ft. SEASON: Dec. 1 to Mar. 15. REACHED VIA: State 124 from Littleton, 14 mi.; or 3 mi. off U. S. 285 on State 124. RUNS: One, 400 ft. TOWS: None. JUMPS. One. SHELTERS: Private Ski Club lodge. Good skating on privately operated lake, Dec. 15 to Apr. 15. Occasional skiing on small hill.

HOOSIER PASS

Located north. side of Hoosier Pass, Arapaho Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 11,000 to 11,500 ft. SEASON: Nov. 15 to Apr. 1. REACHED VIA: State 9 from Fairplay, 13 mi.; from Breckenridge, 10 mi. RUNS: One, 600 ft., one 800 ft. TOWS: None. JUMPS: Small, near bottom of courses. SHELTERS: Small, privately operated, at foot of courses. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels and cafes at Fairplay. Cafes at Alma.

HOT SULPHUR SPRINGS

Located on Sulphur Hill at south edge Hot Sulphur Springs. ELEV.: 7,600 ft. SEASON: Dec. 15 to Apr. 1. REACHED VIA: U. S. 40 and D&SLRR. Daily bus service, D&RGWRR. RUNS: One, 6,600 ft., 1,800 ft. drop; Slalom, 2,500 ft., 600 ft. drop; Practice, 1,300 ft. TOWS: Rope, 1,000 ft., 300 ft. rise. JUMPS: One, 55 meter. SHELTERS: None. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotel, cafes, Hot Sulphur Springs. OTHER INFORMATION: Skating rink, hand sled run. Check up on snow conditions before making reservations.

JONES PASS

Located Jones Pass, Arapaho Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 10,000 to 11,500 ft. SEASON: Nov. 15 to May 1. REACHED VIA: U. S. 40 from Denver, 52 mi., and Jones Pass road, 3 mi to City of Denver building. Large undeveloped snowfield now being considered for future development.

LAKE ISABEL

Located near Lake Isabel, San Isabel Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 8,400 ft. SEASON: Dec. 15 to Mar. 1. REACHED VIA: U. S. 85 and State 165 or 76 from Pueblo, 45 mi. RUNS: One, 1,000 ft. TOWS: None. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: None. ACCOMMODATIONS: Cafes at Rye and Beulah. Hotels and cafes in Pueblo. OTHER INFORMATION: Skating on lake.

LEADVILLE

(Tennessee Pass—Cooper Hill)

Located adjacent to U. S. Highway 24, 10 mi. north of Leadville, in the San Isabel Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 10,424 ft. SEASON: Dec. 15 to Apr. 15. REACHED VIA: U. S. 6 and 24, over Loveland and Fremont Passes, 166 mi. from Pueblo, 125 mi. from Denver. Also, on D&RGWRR, daily train and two bus trips daily from Denver. RUNS: Eight. of varying length; three for novices, 1,300, 2,000 and 2,500 ft.; four intermediate, 4,300, 5,300, 6,000 and 6,000 ft.; one for experts, 4,800 ft. TOWS: One, "Constam," T-Bar type, 6,000 ft, with rise of 1,122 ft., capacity of 500 per hr. One, rope, 600 ft., on practice run. JUMPS: None. SHELTER: Temporary buildings at bottom of course, built by Army. ACCOMMODATIONS: A lunch room and parking space serve the area and there are hotel and restaurant accommodations in Leadville. (See under Climax.)

LOVELAND BASIN

Located east side of Loveland Pass, Arapaho Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 10,600 to 12,500 ft. REACHED VIA: U. S. 6 from Georgetown, 12 mi.; Idaho Springs, 25 mi.; Denver, 60 mi. SEASON: Nov. 15 to May 30. RUNS: Zipfelberger, 3,800 ft., 700 ft. drop; West, 1,200 ft., 300 ft. drop; Switchback, 5,200 ft., 1,100 ft. drop; Creek, 5,400 ft., 500 ft. drop; South, 4,000 ft., 500 ft. drop; Slalom slope, 200 ft. high; Practice slope, 100 ft. high. TOWS: Rope, 4,200 ft., 800 ft. rise; rope, 600 ft., 175 ft. rise; rope, 450 ft. 90 ft. rise. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: Large, Forest Service, lunches, refreshments. First aid patrol, large parking space. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels and cafes, Georgetown, Idaho Springs. (See Berthoud Pass.)

MERCURY

Located north edge of Alma, Pike Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 10,500 ft. SEASON: Dec. 15 to Mar. 1. REACHED VIA: State 9 from Fairplay, 7 mi.; from Dillon, 20 mi. RUNS: One, 600 ft.; one, 600 ft.; one, 800 ft. TOWS: Rope, 700 ft., 200 ft. rise. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: None. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels and cafes in Alma and Fairplay.

SALIDA

(Monarch Pass)

Located east side of Agate Pass, Cochetopa Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 10,500 to 12,000 ft. SEASON: Dec. 15 to May 1. REACHED VIA: U. S. 50 from Salida, 21 mi. RUNS: Timber, 2,000 ft., 400 ft. drop; Park, 2,100 ft., 400 ft. drop; Divide Cross-Country, 2¾ mi.; practice slope, 400 ft. TOWS: Rope, 950 ft., 400 ft. rise; rope, 450 ft., 50 ft. rise. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: Large, Ski Club, lunches, refreshments, first aid, ski patrol, large parking area. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels, auto courts, churches, restaurants in Salida. AMUSEMENTS: Movies, square dancing, bowling, billiards and pool, swimming pool, golf, horseback riding, skating, snowshoeing, tobogganing. Monarch Ski Club, % Ed Patterson, Salida (40 members). Local chapter, Ski Patrol. Equipment for sale at local stores. Highway open all year.

MONTROSE

Located on Red Mountain Pass, near Montrose. SEASON: Dec. 15 to March. RUNS: Several served by rope tow, 700 ft. long. Practice slopes and cross-country trail. No shelter house, no jump. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotel and auto courts, restaurants, churches in Montrose. AMUSEMENTS: Movies, bowling, bridge, billiards and pool, golf, hunting, horseback riding, skating. Black Canyon Ski Club, % Dr. F. V. Strong, Montrose (20 members). Local stores offer equipment.

PAGOSA SPRINGS

Located edge of Pagosa Springs, San Juan Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 8,500 ft. SEASON: Dec. 15 to Mar. 15. REACHED VIA: U. S. 160 from Del Norte, 59 mi., from Durango, 63 mi. RUNS: One, 1,000 ft. TOWS: Rope, 800 ft. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: None. ACCOMMODATIONS; Hotel, cafes in Pagosa Springs.

RABBIT EARS PASS

Located west side of Rabbit Ears Pass, Routt Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 7,500 to 9,500 ft. SEASON: Nov. 15 to Apr. 15. REACHED VIA: U. S. 40 from Steamboat Springs, 18 mi. RUNS: Valley View, 16,260 ft., 2,000 ft. drop; B. P. R., 5,100 ft., 600 ft. drop. TOWS: None. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: Rabbit Ears Ranger Station available for small shelter. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels, cafes, Steamboat Springs.

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS

Located north side of Howelson Hill, town of Steamboat Springs. ELEV.: 6,700 to 7,500 ft. SEASON: Dec. 1 to Apr. 1. REACHED VIA: U. S. 40 and D&SLRR. Bus service. RUNS: Stone Quarry, 2 mi.; one, 7,800 ft.; one, 3,300 ft.; slalom slope; practice slope. TOWS: Boat, 1,000 ft., 500 ft. rise. JUMPS: One, practice; one, expert. SHELTERS: None. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels, cabins, auto courts, churches, restaurants in Steamboat Springs. AMUSEMENTS: Movies, square dancing, bowling, bridge, table games, billiards and pool, horseback riding, hunting, licensed guides, sleighing, skating, ski school with instructor, snowshoeing, tobogganing. Steamboat Winter Sports Club, % Edward Werner (250 members). Equipment available at stores. National Jumping Championships will be held here, February 1946.

ST. MARY'S GLACIER

Located head of Fall River, Arapaho Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 11,000 ft. SEASON: Dec. 1 to May 15. REACHED VIA: U. S. 40 and forest road from Idaho Springs, 3 mi and 12 mi., respectively. A large snowfield used by locals, especially at end of season.

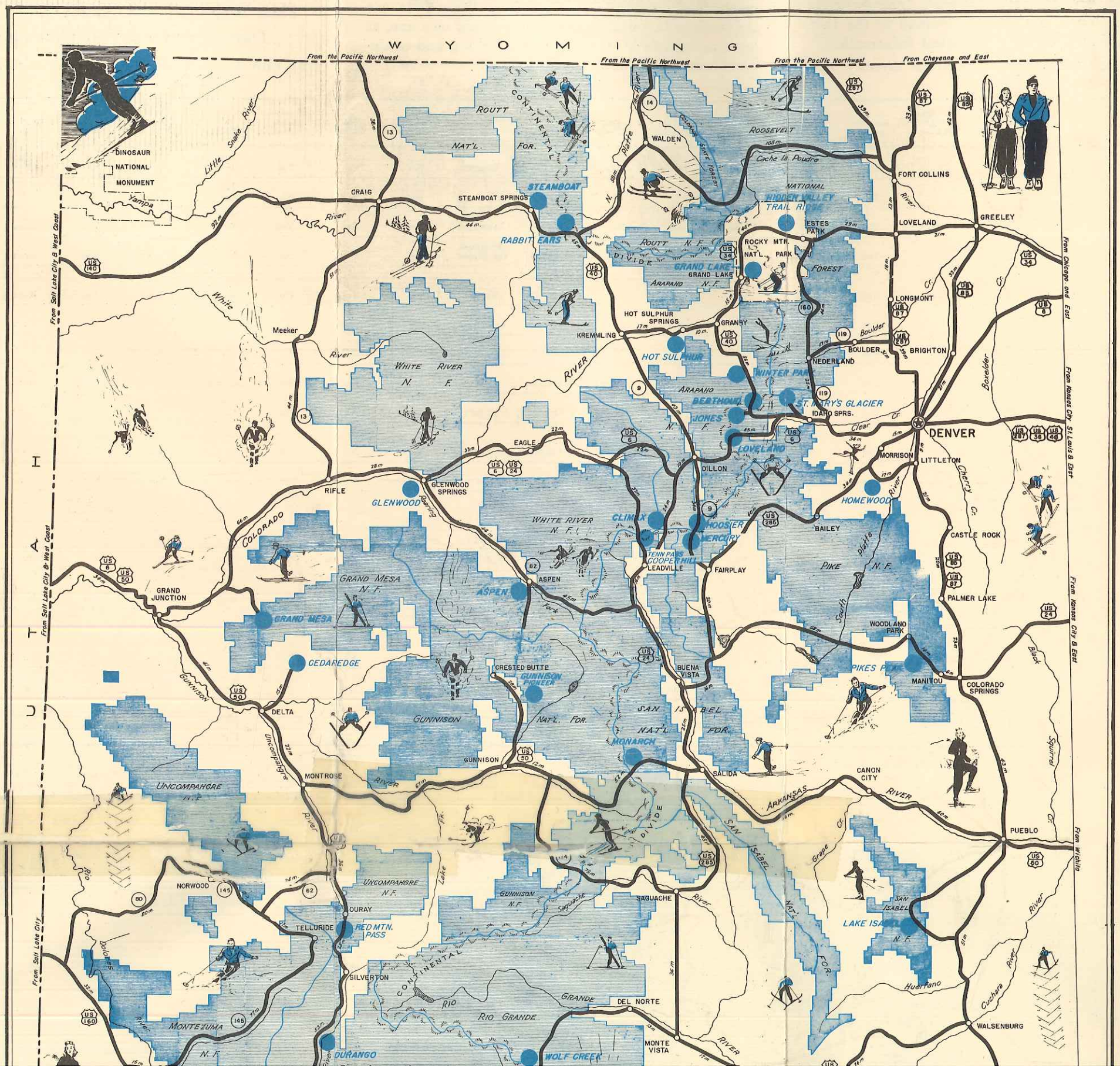
WINTER PARK

Located west entrance of Moffat Tunnel in Denver Mt. Parks and Arapaho Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 9,000 to 10,700 ft. SEASON: Dec. 15 to Apr. 15. REACHED VIA: U. S. 40 and D&SLRR from Denver, 67 and 53 mi. respectively. Bus service daily. RUNS: Hughes, 5,800 ft., 1,600 ft. drop; Cooper Loop, 11,000 ft., 1,600 ft. drop; Mary Jane, 8,800 ft., 1,700 ft. drop; Mary Jane Racing, 8,800 ft., 1,900 ft. drop; Hughes-Cutaway-Bridge, 6,500 ft., 1,600 ft. drop; Hughes-Cutaway-Highway, 7,000 ft., 1,600 ft. drop; Cutaway, 2,200 ft., 510 ft. drop; Bridge, 2,200 ft., 575 ft. drop; Highway, 2,600 ft., 575 ft. drop; Parkway, 3,700 ft., 575 ft. drop; Parkway Cutoff, 2,300 ft., 425 ft. drop; Billy Wood, 5,500 ft., 575 ft. drop; Hughes Slalom, 1,800 ft., 575 ft. drop. TOWS: Electric, T-bar, 2,300 ft., 575 ft. rise; Tractor Sled, 7,000 ft., 1,000 ft. rise; Novice, T-bar, 750 ft., 175 ft. rise. JUMPS: One, 35 meter. SHELTERS: Large, privately owned, bottom of course. Lunches, refreshments, large parking space, first aid patrol. Two small, at top of runs. Three shacks for starter, timer, judges. ACCOMODATIONS: For 40 at Sportsland Valley Chalet, 2 mi. west; Timmerhaus Ski Lodge, about 20 persons, ½ mi. west. Few cabins at Hideaway Park, 2 mi. west. Hotels and cafes in Fraser and at Idaho Springs. Arlberg Ski Club, with private club house; Winter Park Ski Club. There is a ski school with instructor. No facilities for amusements other than skiing and snowshoeing. Equipment for rent but stocks for sale are limited.

WOLF CREEK PASS

Located east side of Wolf Creek Pass, Rio Grande Natl. Forest. ELEV.: 9,500 to 11,600 ft. SEASON: Nov. 1 to May 1. REACHED VIA: U. S. 160 from Pagosa Springs, 24 mi.; from Del Norte, 36 mi.; from Monte Vista, 50 mi. Bus service. RUNS: Thunder Mountain, 3 mi., 1,900 ft. drop; Divide, 2 mi., 800 ft. drop; unlimited practice slopes. TOWS: Rope, 900 ft., 225 ft. rise; rope, 1,350 ft., 540 ft. rise. JUMPS: None. SHELTERS: Large, Forest Service, lunches Sundays and holidays. ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels, cafes in Pagosa Springs, Del Norte, Monte Vista. San Luis Valley Ski Assn., % Robert J. Schutte, Monte Vista, Colo. (100 members).

The COLORADO ROCKIES





LEGEND

- Area within National Forest Boundary { 90% National Forest Land
- U.S. Highway Numbers
- State Highway Numbers
- Skiing Centers (See back side of map for descriptions.)

ASPEN

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SKIING CENTERS IN COLORADO

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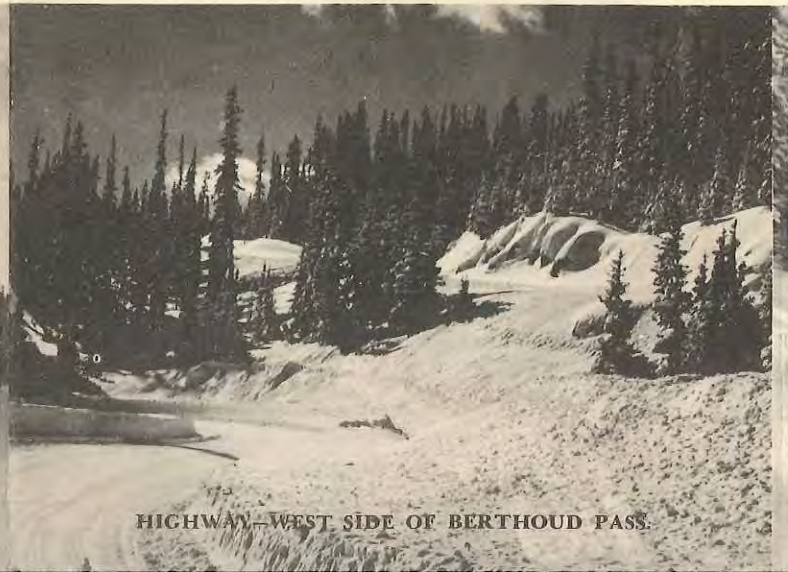
SKIING DOWN FROM MT. HAYDEN—ASPEN AREA.



HIGHWAY—WEST SIDE OF BERTHOUD PASS.



HELL'S HALF ACRE—WEST SIDE OF BERTHOUD PASS.

ASPEN



ASPEN, COLORADO

JULY 19th and 20th

1947

1:30 P. M.

AT THE OLD FAIR GROUNDS

TICKETS: Adults, $1.20, Children, 12 and under 60c
tax included

PARADE SUNDAY

All contests to be judged according to R. A. A. rules.

Headquarters at Hotel Jerome.

JUDGES: Homer Roark, Bill Seivers and a third,
contestants choice.

Stock Furnished by J. C. Gentry of Meeker.

LIST OF PRIZES

The following prizes are offered:

Calf roping, 1st, nylon rope and $25; 2nd, cinch strap and $15; 3rd, silver kerchief slide and $10. Team tying: 1st, 2 saddle blankets and $25; 2nd, 2 silver match folders and $15; 3rd, case of beer and $10. Bareback bronc: 1st, silver buckle and $25; 2nd, billfold and $15; 3rd, cinch and $10. Saddle bronc: 1st, silver buckle and $25; 2nd, silver mounted billfold and $15; 3rd, silver kerchief slide and $10. Bulldogging: 1st, aluminum bit and $25; 2nd, hoof clippers, farriers hammer, $15; 3rd, cinch and $10. Pony express race: 1st, calfskin military brush set and $25; 2nd, leather wallet and key set and $15; 3rd, $10. Kid's race (9 to 14 years): 1st, wallet; 2nd, tooled belt; 3rd, $2.00 worth of milkshakes. Musical chairs: 1st, silver tie clasp (each day); 2nd, case of beer (each day). Girl's cowhorse race: 1st, aluminum spurs and $25; 2nd, moccasins and $15; 3rd, beaded belt and $10. Kid's race (9 and under): 1st, five pound box of candy; 2nd, pocket knife; 3rd, pair of levis. Cowhorse race: 1st, wallet set, key case, cigarette case and $25; 2nd, case of beer and $15; 3rd, painted bottle and $10.

Donors of prizes and money are:

The Towne Shop, Lyle Cottrell, Pierce's Stables, Red Mountain Lodge, Alex Maddox, Judge Shaw, Beck and Bishop Grocery Store, Dr. Robert Lewis, Dr. Allan Cochrane, Clarke's Garage, Dummer and Hansen Garage, Stallard's Garage, Mountain Utilities, Red Onion, Castle Creek Cabins, Aspen Times, Moore's Motel and Barber Shop, Alpine Inn, Aspen Stables, Mount Sopris Hereford Ranch, Had Deane, Sportsman's Club, Fritz Kaeser, Silver Grill, The Midnight Shop, The Tintype, The Epicure, Rocky Mountain Lodge, Aspen Supply, Louie's Liquors, Aspen Drug Co., Crystal City Inn, Tomkins Hardware, Magnifico Sport Shop, Kalmes Dry Goods, The Smuggler Shop, the Mesa Store and Blue Deer Lodge.

RODEO OFFICIALS

Directors — Meg Brown, Leonard Woods

Secretaries — Jean Maxwell, Elizabeth Forbes

Asst. Sec. — Lydia Jonas, Edith Skiff, Lee Saunders

Timers — Carl Jonas, Bill Bronski

Recorders — Willmina Willoughby, Joy Maxwell

Arena Heads — Had Deane and Lyle Cottrell

Bucking Chutes — Don Meyers

Roping Chutes — Red Rowland, Bob Perry

Race Director — "Irish" Sherwood

Flag Man — Ray Huber

Pick-up Men — "Chick" Stotts, Lyle Cottrell, Buck Valentine

Parade Director — Elizabeth Clarke

Parade Judges — William Zaugg, Kenneth Watt, Ethel Frost

Announcer — Leonard Woods

The parade will form at the ball park at 11:15 Sunday, start at twelve, and proceed through the downtown section, down Main street, and to the Rodeo Grounds.

Prizes for the parade and for the contests will be awarded from the judges stand after the Rodeo, Sunday.



BIG
COWBOY DANCE

ARMORY HALL

Saturday Night, July 19th

1947

Armand DeBeque and his Orchestra

ADMISSION:
$1.50 Couple, 50c Spectators, tax included
Free tickets to all contestants.



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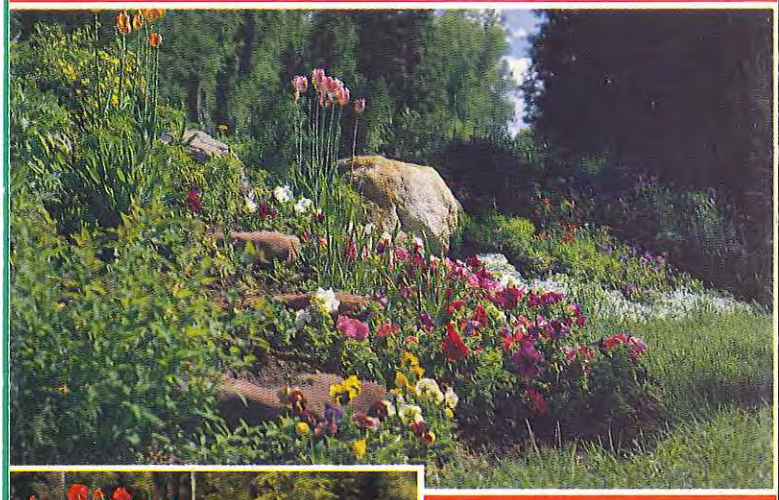

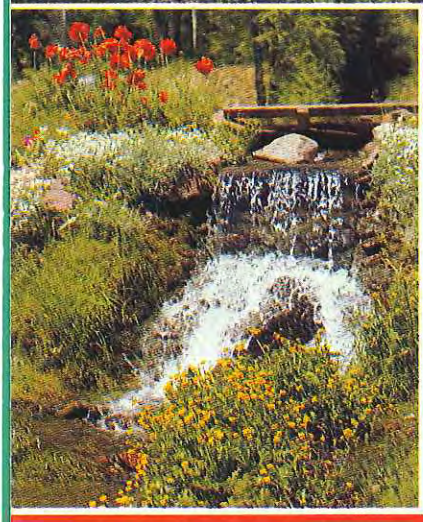

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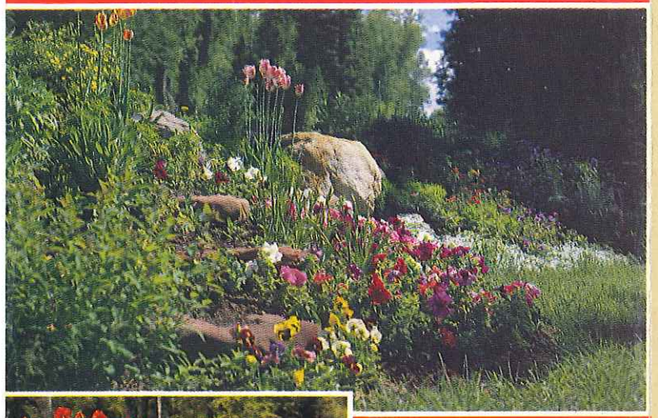

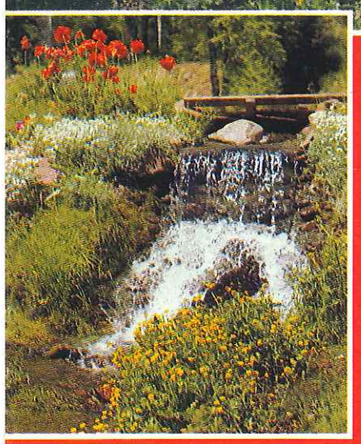

is one of the oldest brands in Colorado. This is a working horse ranch, family-owned since 1938. Our five hundred acres, surrounded by Wilderness Area, is located on the road to the Maroon Bells and Maroon Lake. Come share our informal ranch life, summer, fall or winter.

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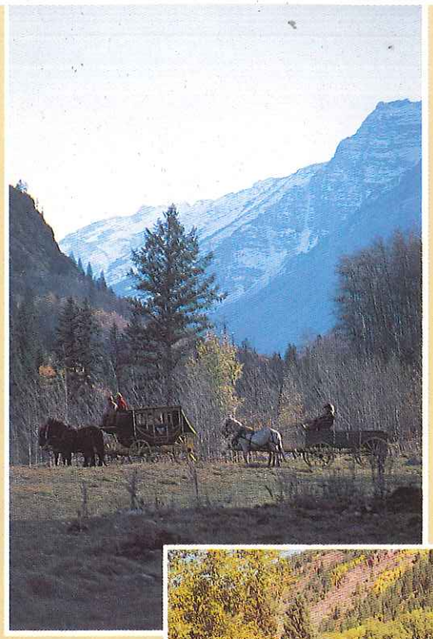
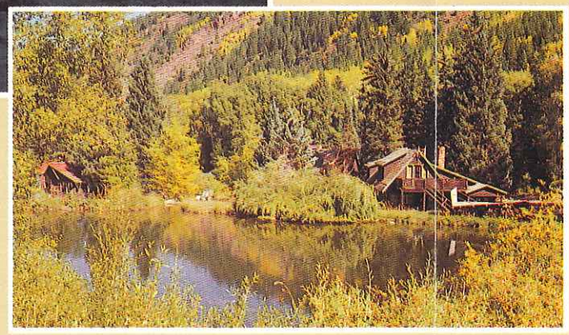


T Lazy 7 Ranch...a place where memories are made.

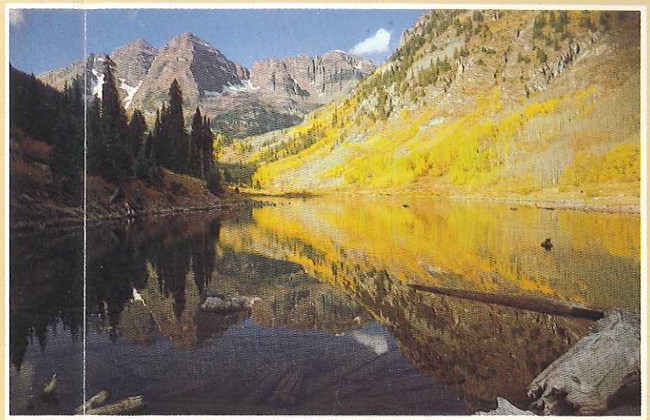


Lodges overlook the kids' trout pond.



Relax & Enjoy

"Where the Old West Lives on...T Lazy 7 Ranch"



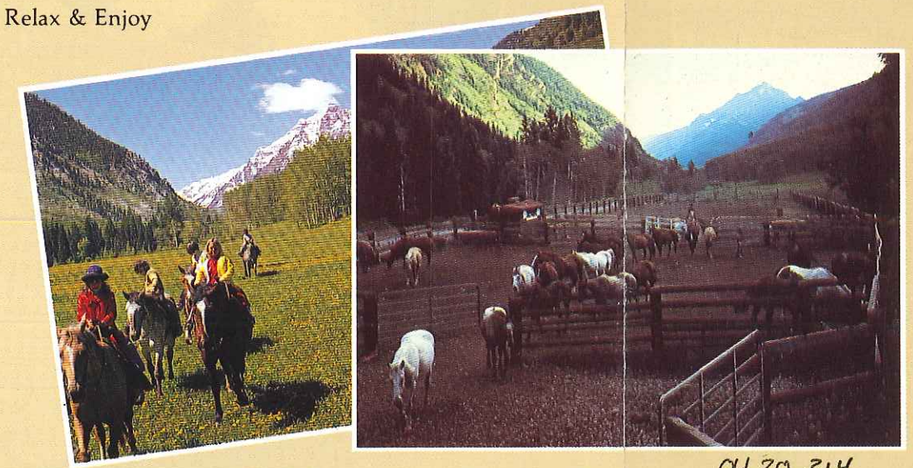
The Maroon Bells (14,156') and Maroon Lake are upstream from the Ranch.



"Shall we dance?"

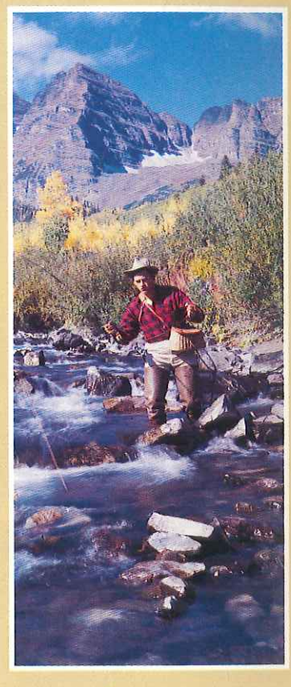
SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Horseback Riding
Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Rides & Hayrides
Barbecue & Live Country-Western Music & Dance
Stream & Beaver Pond Trout Fishing
Stocked Trout Pond for Children
Hiking & Photography
Large Heated Swimming Pool
Sauna & Jacuzzi
Golf & Tennis Nearby



Trails leave our corral in every direction.

Try our three miles of private trout fishing streams & beaver ponds.



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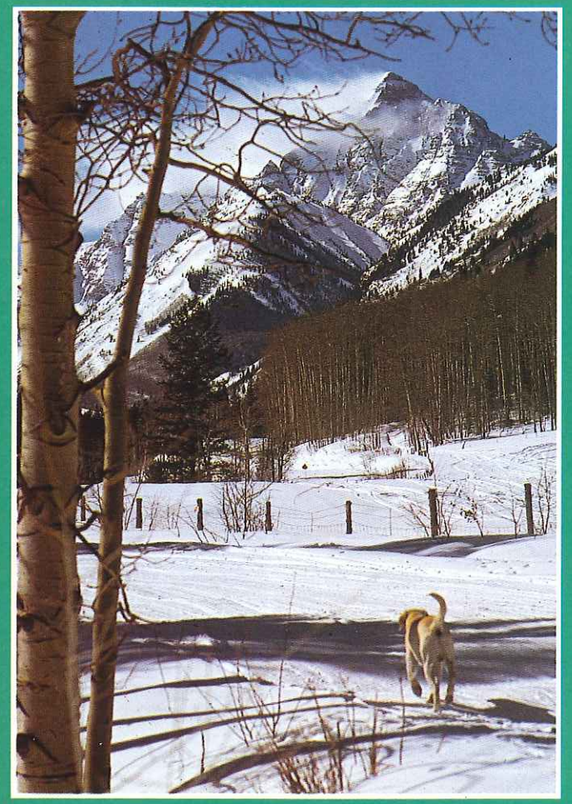

This is our ranch, one of the most beautiful in the world. T Lazy 7 Ranch is located at the base of Pyramid Peak (14,010'). With an annual snowfall of 200", we offer superb snowmobiling & cross-country skiing to the otherwise inaccessible Maroon Bells. Come share our powder snow and bright sunshine this winter.

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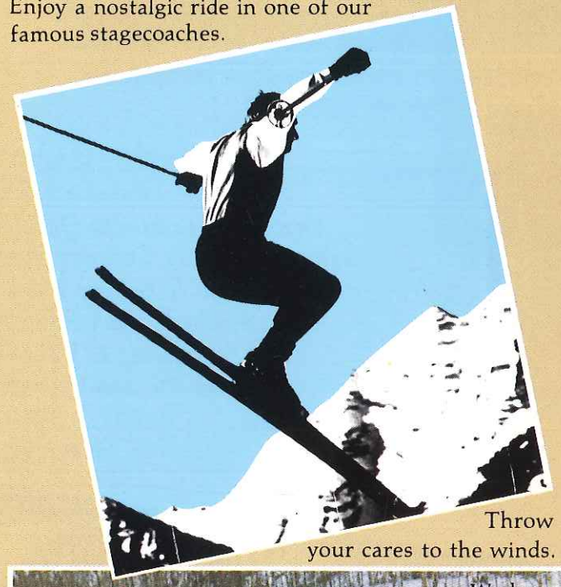
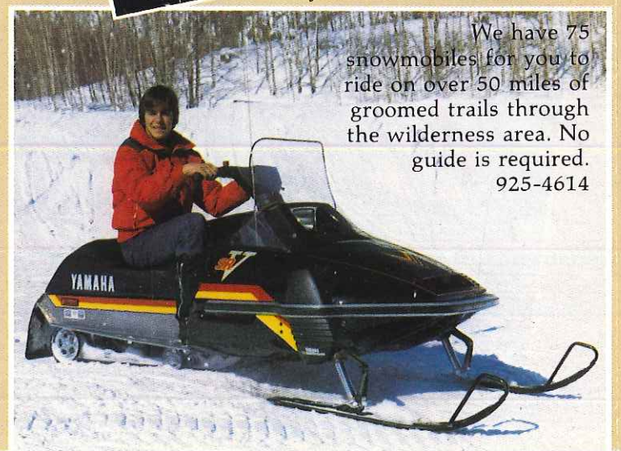


Throw your cares to the winds.

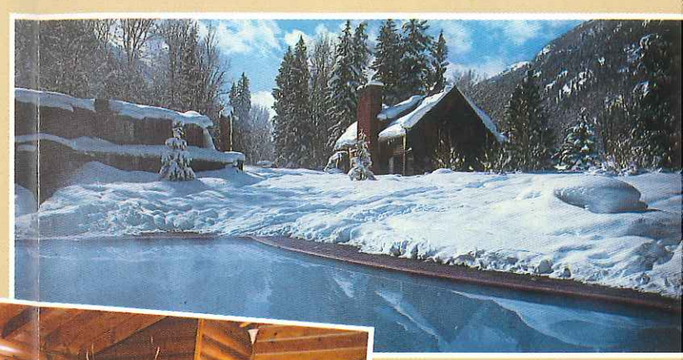


We have 75 snowmobiles for you to ride on over 50 miles of groomed trails through the wilderness area. No guide is required. 925-4614

"T Lazy 7 Ranch is One of a Kind—Brilliant Winter Days and Warm, Friendly Winter Nights"



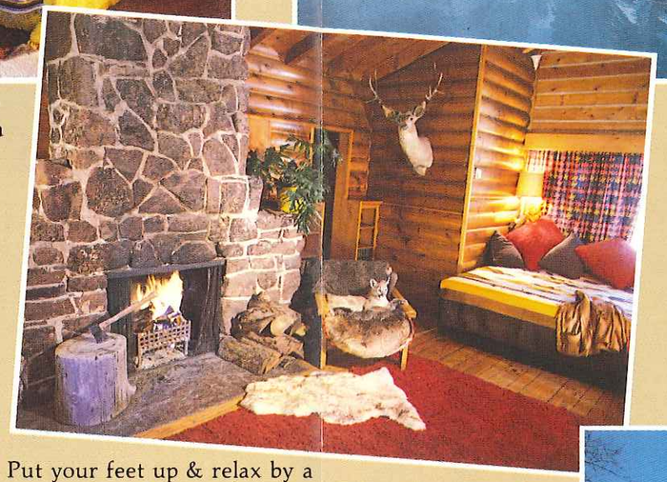
Our ranch-style apartments are planned as you would your own mountain home, comfortable & colorfully Western. Most have fireplaces & balconies. All have modern kitchenettes & baths.



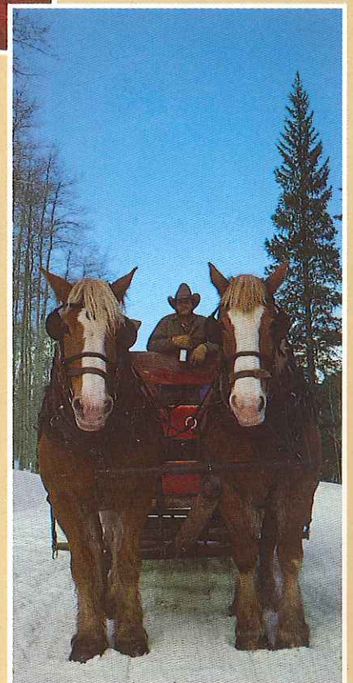
Several Western lodges & cabins encircle our large year-round pool, Jacuzzi & adjoining sauna. These lodges contain three or four apartments of varying sizes.

WINTER ACTIVITIES

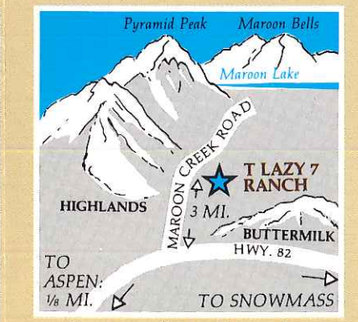
Snowmobiling
Sleigh Rides & Live Country-Western Music & Dance
Cross-Country Skiing
Ice Skating
Large Heated Swimming Pool
Sauna & Jacuzzi
Stagecoach Rides
Alpine Skiing Nearby



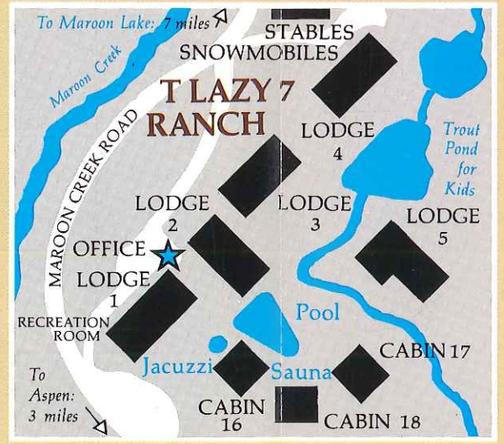
Put your feet up & relax by a roaring fire. Our ranch is a great place for a family vacation, even your well- behaved pet will love us.



Pete & Pat, our matched Belgian sleigh-ride team.



Buttermilk to the right. Aspen Highlands to the left. Aspen & Snowmass just minutes away.



Please don't confuse us with a motel, hotel or condominium. We offer informal, friendly Western hospitality.

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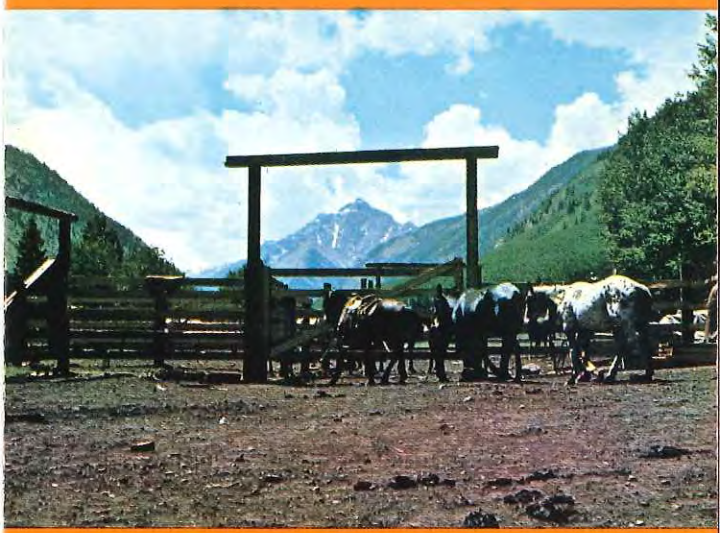
THE RANCH



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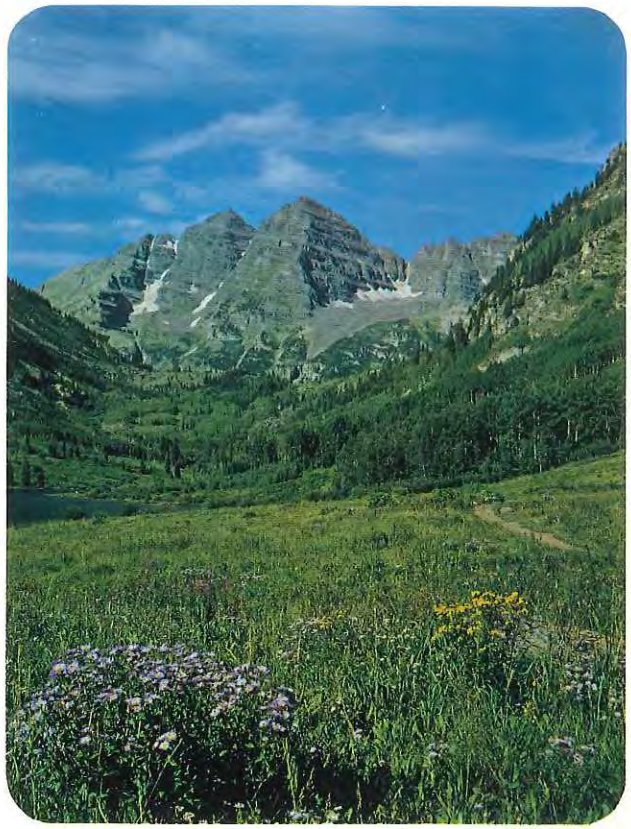
Throw your cares to the winds! Enjoy our mountain air all day, then take a sauna and swim year-round.



Put your feet up and relax by the roaring fire in our ranch room. You'll find a group of congenial friends to sing, dance or loaf with at our western saddle bar.



Our ranch welcomes you "IF" . . . you enjoy superb scenery, horses for riding our beautiful trails, fishing our tumbling mountain streams or just relaxing by our large pool. We plan breakfast, lunch and dinner rides with great camp cooking. Our chuck wagon dinners include singing, dancing and just plain fun.



Our ranch style apartments are planned as you would your own mountain home, comfortable and colorfully western. Most apartments have fireplaces. All have modern kitchenettes and baths.
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Seven western lodges encircle our large year-round heated pool and adjoining sauna. These lodges contain 3 to 4 apartments of varying sizes accommodating over 100 people.
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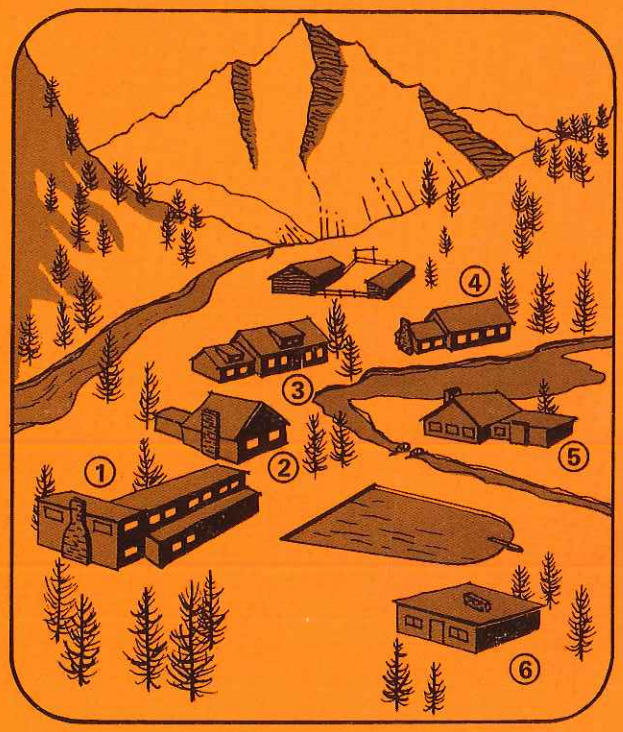

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T-LAZY SEVEN

THE RANCH



This is our valley . . .

Highland ski area to our left, Buttermilk ski area to our right, Aspen and Snowmass just minutes away.

Free transportation during the winter months

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GREAT ESCAPES

Aspen on a Budget

WITH A FAMILY of five, we thought Aspen in high season was out of our reach. Then we found the T Lazy 7, a family-run and family-oriented guest ranch 3 miles from Aspen up Maroon Creek.

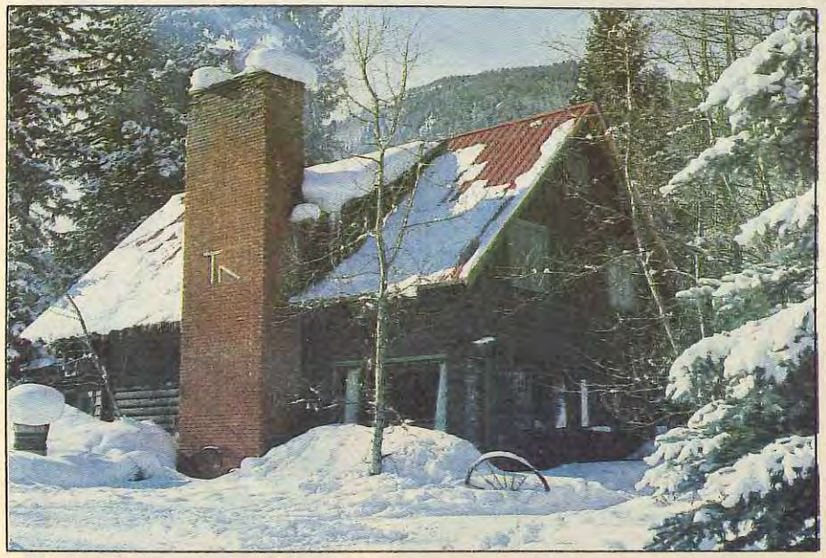
"Put your feet up and relax," is the greeting you receive from manager Lou Deans when you first arrive at the old homestead, once a working horse ranch. In contrast to most of the lodgings in trendy Aspen, you will find a casual atmosphere pervading the picturesque log buildings of the 500-acre spread.

The rustic guest cabins, consisting of a living room, kitchenette, fireplace, and bedrooms, retain the character of a working ranch. They are comfortable yet modest. Walls are decorated with a hodgepodge of antlers, stuffed-animal trophies, and faded Western prints. Dust-covered, earmarked literary classics rest on the bookshelves.

Deans, with her unbounded energy and contagious laugh, makes the ranch a lively place for families to spend a holiday. Twice a week there is a sleigh ride followed by country-western dancing in the old lodge. Snowmobiles are available for spectacular rides to Maroon Lake, Independence Pass, or any of the many trails in the surrounding wilderness area. And for those who want to recapture the spirit of the old West, there is a stagecoach drawn by a matched pair of draft horses.

Most of the winter guests at the T Lazy 7 are there to ski the magnificent slopes of the world-famous resort city. The four major alpine skiing centers in the Aspen area can be reached by automobile or public transportation provided by the Roaring Fork Transit Authority.

We found that nearby Aspen Highlands, also on the Maroon Bells road, offered the best deal for families. A family package for five is $60 a day. Locals refer to The Highlands as "the best-kept secret in the area." Offering broad slopes and spectacular views, the mountain has the highest vertical drop of the downhill ski areas in the region. At noon skiers flock to Cloud Nine on top of the mountain for an open-air barbecue as they watch ski jumpers sail over the restaurant.



BEAR CARLSON

The lodge at the T Lazy 7 has an adjacent open-air Jacuzzi.

To get a real feel for the glitz of Aspen, you must spend a day on Ajax Mountain, the jagged peak that looms over the small mining town which, over the years, has become a playground for a number of bronzed celebrities. We treated our children to one day at Aspen Mountain, and they came back with tales of schussing the slopes with Brooke Shields, Don Johnson, George Hamilton, Arnold Schwarzenegger, the Kennedy clan, and others.

Although lacking the glamour of surmounting the steep alpine pitches, cross-country skiing is another attraction in the area. Within an easy drive of the T Lazy 7, extensive touring tracks accommodate the novice as well as the accomplished mountaineer. And, typical of Aspen, food and drink are usually not far away.

For an easy day's trek we recommend the old railroad corridor which runs from the heart of Aspen to Woody Creek along the Roaring Fork River. Regulars at the Woody Creek Tavern, on the Woody Creek Road off the main highway, include author Hunter Thompson and Cowboy Terry who, from under his large sombrero, boasts of being the best pool player in the valley. Meals at the tavern are inexpensive and families are welcome.

The serious cross-country skier will probably head for touring centers in Old Snowmass and in Ashcroft. At these centers skiers of all abilities have the opportunity to explore the breathtaking vistas of remote mountain valleys and passes. Owl Creek and Brush Creek trail systems are accessible from the Snowmass Club Touring Center in Old Snowmass. Or for an invigorating day's trek, you might want to start at Buttermilk/Tiehack and cross Buttermilk Mountain ski area into the Owl Creek drainage system, where you will meet the Owl Creek trail. There are many beautiful picnic sites along the 8-kilometer trail. However, if you prefer a catered lunch, there is Gracie's Cabin in the Snowmass Club tour area. For information and reservations, call Snowmass Club Touring Association at 923-3148.

The Ashcroft system offers 30 kilometers of groomed trails maintained by Ashcroft Ski Touring Unlimited on a public road which heads up Castle Creek to the Alfred Braun Memorial Huts. The fee for using the private trails is $7 per day, per person. This entitles the skier to beginner, intermediate, and expert tracks as well as access to the Pinecreek Cookhouse offering lunches and dinners in the comfort of a warm log shelter. For information and reservations, call 925-1971.

The Hunter Creek trail, which serves as the trailhead for the backcountry trail system linking Aspen and Vail, is also suitable for day trips. Originating on Red Mountain, the trail wends its way through a series of lush mountain meadows toward Independence Pass. Bear in mind that the trail is not maintained or regularly patrolled, and there are no official shelters or restaurants for day tours. We found shelters in abandoned miners' shacks along the trail. Those headed for an overnight stay in the Tenth Mountain Trail Association Huts must have reservations. For information call 925-3232.

Regardless of the day's activity, guests at the T Lazy 7 end up in the large, open-air Jacuzzi next to the lodge. Adjoining the Jacuzzi is a heated pool and a bathhouse with hot showers and a sauna.

Cabins at the T Lazy 7 run from $45 per night for an efficiency for two people to $148 for a cabin with five bedrooms which sleeps 10 people. Minimum stay is two nights. For reservations, call (303) 925-7254 or 925-4614. ◢

Getting There

From Denver, take I-70 to Glenwood Springs (about 160 miles), then Colorado 82 to Aspen. Do not enter Aspen or cross the Maroon Creek bridge. Just past the airport, there is a stop light. The intersection is marked "Maroon Lake." Turn right and go 3 miles to the T Lazy 7.

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Fellow Lions!

Regular Meeting tonight, February 4, 6:30 P. M. at The Red Onion.

Charley Fifield will show some interesting Kodachromes and there will be singing. Be there! : ? ; " ? " .: ; ?

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TO MRS. KELLEHER TIM'S WIFE

I PAID $5000 FOR THE PROPERTY SPRING 1946.





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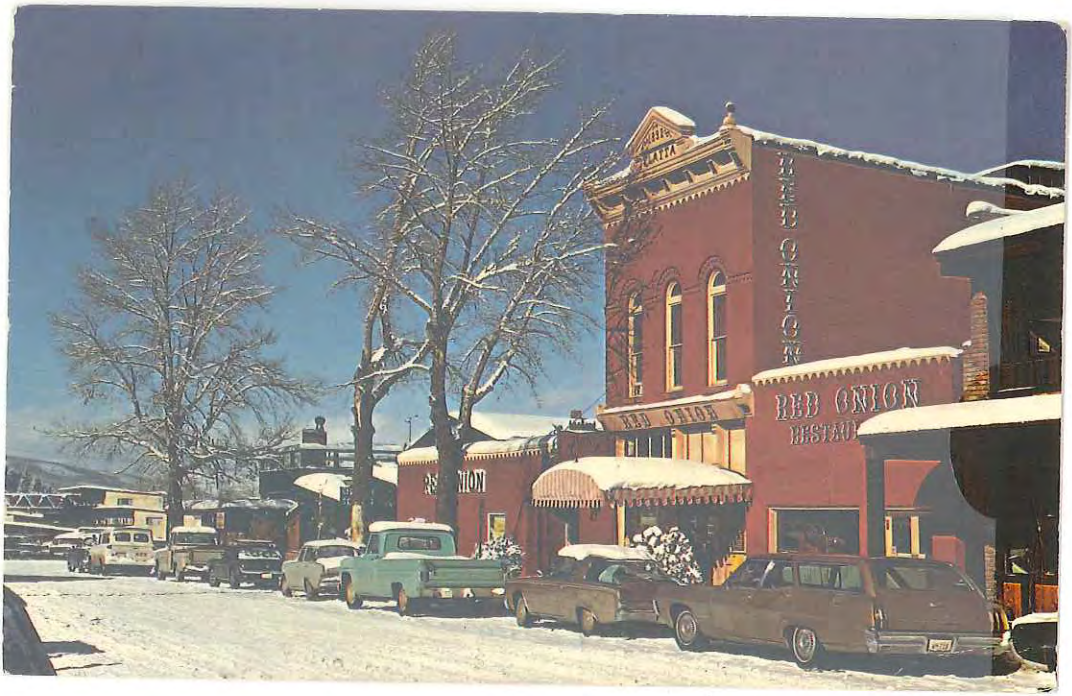
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Hi - Ho,

Homeward round after nearly two great weeks of skiing. Hope to do it again come next spring. Still plenty of snow in N.E. so I don't have to fold up my gear yet. Hope you'll look us up via Hanover.

Betsy
(your kissin' cousin)

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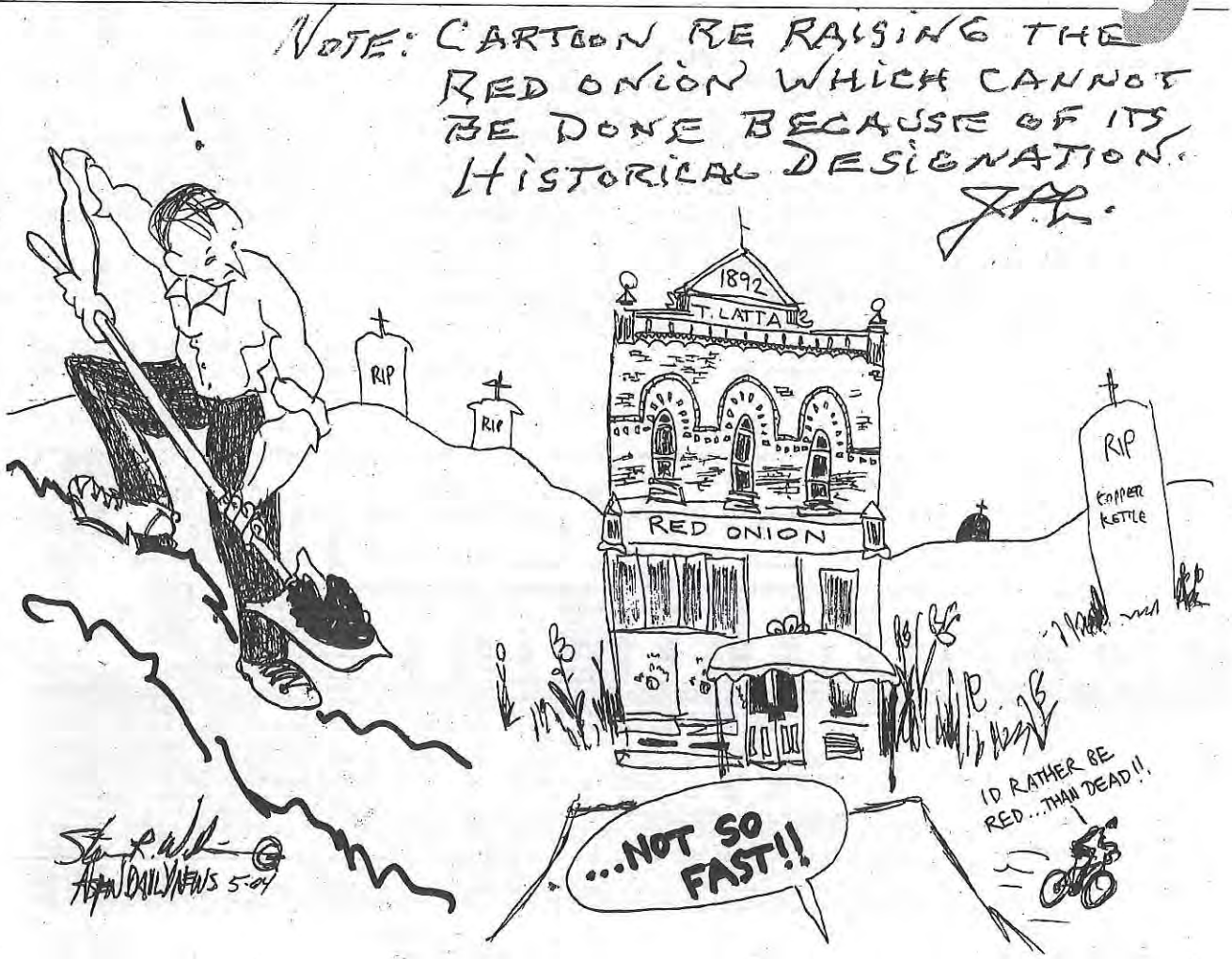

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Friday
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Saturday
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Sunday
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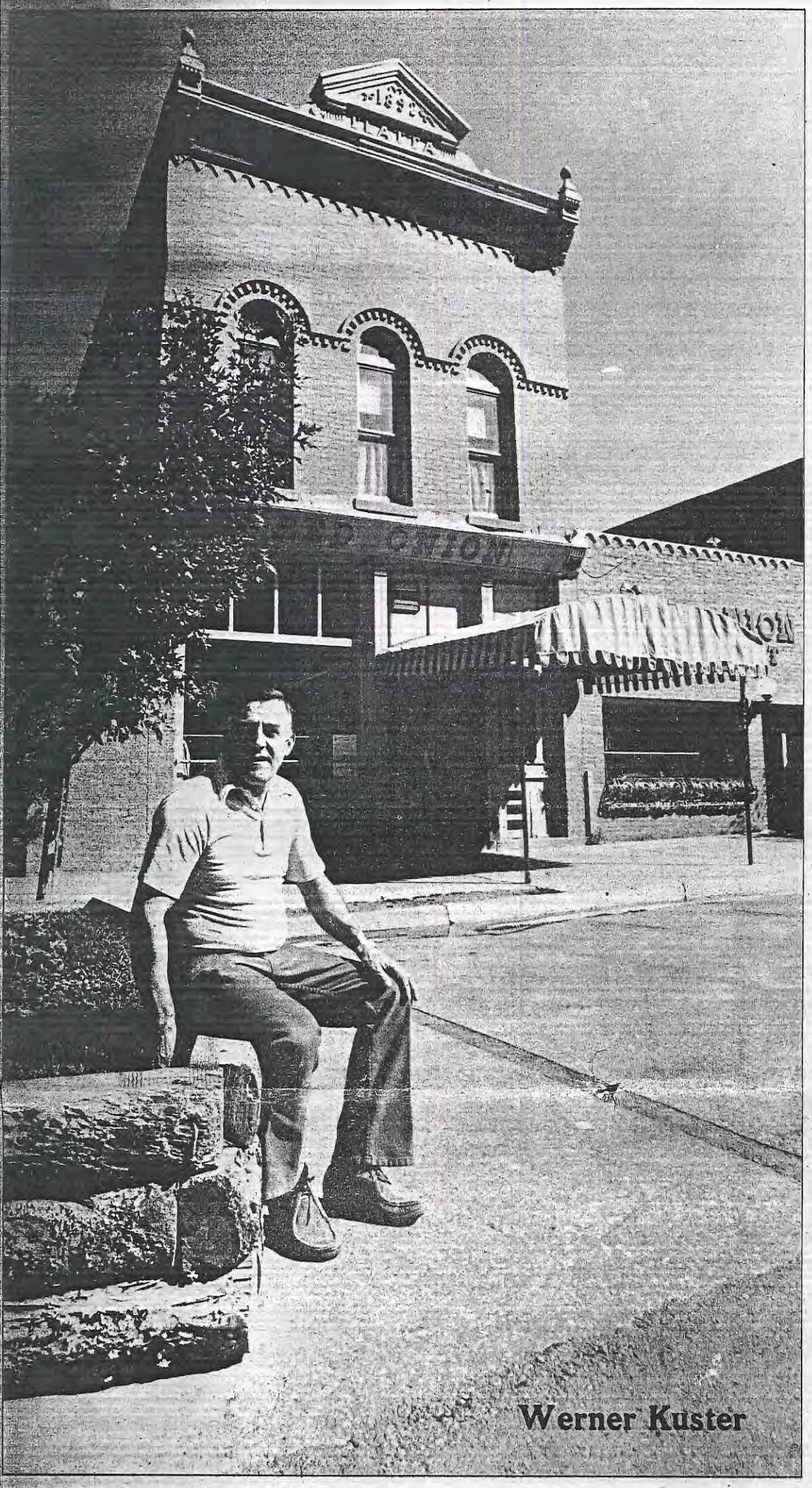

Werner Kuster

the town's not the same but the old bar is

Werner Kuster figures that over five million people have been served during the years he has had The Red Onion Restaurant.

People that are world famous, people that come back year after year from New York, Los Angeles and Dallas. There is a big local trade.

But the people who no longer come to the Red Onion, Kuster likes to talk about. The old miners who used to come to the bar.

"I miss them more than anything," says Kuster. "Ray Porter and Toby Hess would be waiting on the doorstep for me to open at 11. Then there were Hoofy Sandstrom, Alec Barrailer, Martin Mishmash, Chuck Hanon, Algot Erickson and Harry Holmes.

"They always came with their pension checks. I'd cash them. They'd have a beer. That's all they could afford.

"I'd like to sit there with them, especially in the off-season, and listen to their stories."

A story they loved to tell and Werner retells is that of Hoofy and the ants. "Hoofy's wife was cooking jam in the kitchen and in the morning all the jam had ants in it. Hoofy went to Tomkins Hardware and bought three sticks of dynamite.

"The ants were all coming from an old tree stump in front of the house so Hoofy blew it up with the dynamite. He also blew all the windows out in the neighborhood. When the Sheriff came to arrest Hoofy, he said, 'I sure got rid of the ants.'

"Then there is the story of the two bartenders. They had been to the Frontier Bar in Basalt and had a few drinks. On the way home they ran into a horse on Castle Creek bridge. The poor horse was lying there on the bridge. The Undersheriff came and decided it had a broken leg and should be shot. They began to argue over who should shoot the horse.

"The Undersheriff finally shot at the horse, hit the bridge, and the horse got up and ran away."

Kuster talks about the people who got their start here in entertainment. "For a small town to come up with such talent, I find exceptional," he says. "But then, you can't fool Aspenites with entertainment. They know what is good.

"I've always been fascinated by the people that got their start in Aspen," he says. "People like the Smothers Brothers, Glen Yarborough and The Limeliters, John Denver, Marilyn Childs, Billie Holliday, Joe Marsala, Liberty, the Eric Lawrence Trio, and Louise Duncan. Then there was Freddie Fisher.

"I remember when Freddie came to town. He walked into the old bar with his clarinet in a black case. Upstairs I had Joe Marsala, Eric Lawrence and Dean Billings playing. The bartender talked Freddie into going down to the basement and playing for him. Before the evening was over, there were more people in the basement than there were in the main floor of the Red Onion."

Kuster says he has always liked jazz. "But the last few years we didn't have jazz groups here because they didn't draw. But I think the trend is reversing now, and swinging back.

"The Red Onion has been a good business. I like living in the West, in Aspen. I mostly like the skiing, the job, I like to fish. I'll always stay in Aspen," he says.

"When I first came, the old timers were extremely wonderful. I had a German accent, that wasn't so easy right after the war. But the old timers made me feel welcome. I have kept many of them on my staff out of their loyalty to me."

Kuster was brought up in Berlingen, Switzerland where his father had a resort on Lake Constance. "I could fish right out of my window."

He became interested in skiing when his school took the students to the mountains each winter on a two to three week ski trip.

Kuster served in the Swiss Army for three and a half years during World War II and after the war he apprenticed as a pastry cook and candy maker in Lucerne.

Then he worked winters in the ski resorts of Davos, St Moritz, Arosa and summers he would work in the Swiss lake resorts like Geneva and Lucerne.

"In 1947 I went to work on the passenger liner, The New Amsterdam, and was the chef, with 22 cooks under me. We made trans-Atlantic crossings in summer and in winter went on southern cruises."

Kuster says, "The first time I saw New York City, I immediately decided to immigrate to this country.

"I liked New York City. I liked the people and the jazz music. I was so impressed by the big bands you could hear on Broadway."

His first job was as pastry cook at the Rainbow Room, on the forty-eighth floor of the RCA Building.

But then he read an article in a Swiss newspaper which had been written by Arnold Senn, of a trip to Aspen, and what Aspen was like.

Reading that Arnold was chef at the Hotel Jerome, "I wrote and asked him for a job. He hired me and I arrived in Aspen on Sept 20, 1949."

Kuster would work the winter and summer seasons for Arnold at the Jerome, then in the off-seasons, he would go back to New York City and work.

In 1950 he was drafted into the US Army and spent two years with the Mounain Troops at Camp Carson and Camp Hale as an instructor in the cold weather training command. Every weekend he would drive back to Aspen to work as a cook at the Jerome.

One weekend the Mountain Troops decided to hold a rescue operation for the benefit of Aspenites. They had Kuster be the victim, and they rescued him from the top of the Wheeler Opera House, rappelling down the walls and lowering him in a litter.

"I got out of the army in 1952," he says, "and came back to the Hotel Jerome as a cook. Arnold was the Chef. One morning on the way walking to work I met John Sihler who owned the Red Onion, and he asked me if I was interested in leasing his kitchen.

"Which I agreed to do and then he left for a hotel management school in Switzerland. The summer of 1953 I was tending bar when a rich divorcee from Chicago came in and said she wanted to look the Onion over as she might buy it.

"Realizing it was for sale, I called Sihler and told him I was interested in buying it. Arnold, who had been on vacation in Europe, met me and we bought it in 1953 as 50-50 partners.

"I ran the Red Onion and Arnold stayed on as chef at the Hotel Jerome. Arnold watched for every penny, and much of the success of the Red Onion was due to his watchfulness.

"In 1955 we put on the east wing addition, and in 1956 we added the new dining room. At that time, we extensively remodeled the Red Onion...which I regret now. However the old bar is unchanged."

In 1967, Arnold sold his half of the partnership to James Perry and the Red Onion was remodeled again. Last Spring Kuster, with Perry and Kurt Wieger, opened a Glenwood Springs branch of The Red Onion.

Kuster works most every day at the Onion. "To be a success, you've got to be around," he says. "At the Aspen Red Onion we have about 100 employees and we serve between 650 to 850 dinners a day plus about 150 lunches."

Kuster used to ski instruct. "I wasn't the greatest skier," he says. "When all the instructors had full classes, then they would call me." Other instructors are quoted as saying he was one of the wildest skiers on the mountain.

Kuster served six years as an Aspen City Councilman and four years as Mayor pro-tem. He still serves on the Mall Commission. "With Dr Barnard, I was originally against condominiums and tried to have a moratorium on building," he says. "When the condominiums were built, that was when everything got out of hand."

To save Aspen, he believes, we must aim for strong good zoning. "There is something of which I do not approve," he says. "Aspen is dependent on good help. We need living facilities for these people.

"With incorrect zoning we are pushing these people into trailers. There should be land available, people should be able to buy one acre lots so they can build homes, rather than live in trailers.

"If we came to Aspen today...most of it would be beyond our reach. The unique characters, the young people who came here after the war to work and to ski, who shaped this town, could not come today at the prices.

"My biggest regret with zoning is that we should have carried through Aspen's Victorian character. A Swiss chalet belongs in Switzerland. But I am impressed with some of the new brick buildings, like Victorian Square and the Mill and Main building. They are a definite plus. I like lighting of the old buildings to bring the character out."

Kuster says, "In winter I would like to see better use of the mall. Taking all the snow out...the little bit of brown snow doesn't enhance the winter look. White snow piled up gives a wood winter aspect. I would like a holiday look. I would like to see some sleighs with bells. We must remember that people come to see things here that they don't have anymore in the city."

Kuster concludes with a smile. "The town is not the same. But we must not look back too much. We must look forward and make an effort to keep what is good."

—Mary Eshbaugh Hayes

NOTE: I SOLD THE RED ONION WHILE IN THE KOREAN WAR (1951) TO JOHN SIHLER WHO SOLD IT TO KUSTER TWO YEARS LATER

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Red Onion, Little Annie's at crossroads

By Rick Carroll/Aspen Daily News Staff Writer

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The Red Onion and Little Annie's Eating House, two Aspen landmarks known for their no-frills menus and brisk business, are on the brink of changing ownership within the next two months.

The Red Onion building, owned by Red Onion Investments LLC, is under contract to be acquired, real estate agent Joshua Saslove confirmed Friday. Saslove also is part of the group that plans to close on the sale by the start of spring.

"We have agreed to a price but I can't discuss the terms," Saslove said. "And at this time our plans are to leave everything as the status quo. Nobody is going to move out, and nothing has changed as far as we know right now."

The Red Onion is Aspen's oldest dining establishment. It has operated as a bar and restaurant since 1892 under several other guises as well. The eatery's lease expires in April, said owner Dave "Wabs" Walbert, who added he is working with Saslove and other future owners on negotiating a new lease.

Walbert said he is hopeful that a new lease agreement can be reached, but for the time being, many uncertainties are in the air, especially with a new owner coming in.

"It depends if the lease is viable enough for me to run my business and I'm hoping that it will be," he said. "I'm fairly confident that we'll be able to keep it the Red Onion, but it depends on a lot of things. We're just at a critical stage here."

Said Saslove: "We've already had some preliminary discussions and we don't see a problem for the Red Onion for the near future. It's a significant building, it's important to the history of Aspen and we're really excited to be owning it."

While the fate of the Little Annie's building isn't as definite, negotiations are under way for the Hyman Avenue space to be acquired. Listing agent Rich Wagar declined comment when contacted Friday. The agent for the buyers, Tony Scheer, could not be reached.

But Mike Otte, the accountant for the restaurant, confirmed that discussions are under way for the building to swap hands.

"We're not going to know that anything is definite until the end of May," Otte said. "And even if something is definite we don't expect to see a change in the Annie's operation for at least two years." He would comment no further.

Little Annie's owner John Hamwi could not be reached for comment.

Little Annie's and Red Onion have been popular with tourists and locals thanks to their laid-back atmosphere, affordable prices and down-home menus.

The Red Onion's "Meatloaf Mondays" have reached near legendary status in downtown Aspen, and the Cooper Avenue locale is a popular haunt for occasional live, local music and Monday Night Football.

Little Annie's stays busy even during the off-season and its popcorn barrel continues to be a hit with visitors, while its hamburger has claimed several best-hamburger accolades in reader polls conducted by both newspapers.

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MARSHALL FITZGERALD



MAUD BANKS (DUKE)



EDI ROMMINGER — MRS BROWN — WERNER GROB DRINKING — SHADY LANE. PAUL VALAER — JEAN



LENNIE WOODS — OLIVIA ANSONI — ROSEMARIE BLEUER — ANTONETTE MEYER — KARL MOLITOR — PAUL VALAER

"LE RACONTEUR EXTRAORDINAIRE" 1947 SWISS NAT'L TEAM AT THE "ONION"

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1947 SWISS NAT'L TEAM AT THE JEROME

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ANSONI

EDI ROMMINGER

ARNOLD GLATTHART
TEAM COACH

ROSEMARIE BLEUER

ANTOINETTE MEYER

WERNER GROB
OF SWISS NAT'L TOURIST OFFICE TEAM MG

KARL MOLITOR



SWISS SKIERS STOP IN DENVER—Stars of the Alps ski trails are these International competitors who stopped off in Denver yesterday en route to Aspen where they will test famous Roche Run. Left to right: Werner Grob, team manager; Edy Rominger, Rosmarie Bleuer, Arnold Gearhard, captain; Karl Molitor, Antoin Meyer, Olivia Ansoni and Paul Valaer. They were snapped as t boarded the Denver & Rio Grande Exposition Flyer.

—*Photo by Bud Hilke*

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Noted Swiss Skiers Here on Way to Aspen

An internationally famous team of Swiss skiers stopped off in Denver yesterday en route to Western ski slopes.

The European delegation, a hand-picked collection of stars touring the United States, were headed for Aspen, Colo., first. From there they will invade Alta, Utah, and will proceed on to Sun Valley, Idaho.

"We are especially anxious to visit Aspen and ski on the famous Roch Run," Warner Grub, team manager, said.

Time Trials Planned

"Andre Roch, for whom the run is named, has told us for years that Aspen has incomparable aspects," Grub asserted, "and we in Switzerland have heard him talk of Aspen so much, we finally decided that a group of our best skiers should try the course and discover just how good it is."

The visitors will not participate in actual competition, but Aspen leaders plan some time trials for them, so that they may be compared to the excellent performances of native skiers the last few years.

Will Compete at Alta

The Swiss stars will be on hand for the national meet at Alta March 1 and 2, then will attend the U. S. Olympic tryouts at Sun Valley the following week-end and the Harriman Cup matches on March 15 and 16.

The team is captained by Arnold Gearhard. Other members, including three attractive feminine skiers, are Edy Rominger, Rosmarie Bleuer, Karl Molitor, Antoinette Meyer, Olivia Ansoni and Paul Valaer.

Officials of the Southern Rocky Mountain Ski Association entertained the visitors during the stay here.

GLATTHARD



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At the "Orion"



LENNY WOODS

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JEAN JPL STEVE & WIFE

ELIZABETH CLARKE



JEAN JPL [illegible] ELIZ CLARKE

ARNOLD GLATTHART

RENÉ KNOWLTON

PAUL VALLAR

SWISS NAT'L SKI TEAM AT RED ONION

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DRC BROWN
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TURKEY JONAS
CARL JONAS
ANDY RANSOM
RUTH HUMPHREYS
DRC BROWN
BOB PERRY
DITTY PERRY



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NOTICE OF HISTORIC DESIGNATION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following area located in Pitkin County, Colorado, constituting the commercial core of the City of Aspen, has been designated an H, Historic Overlay District, to wit:

INCLUDES RED ONION

Blocks 80, 81, 82, 83, 87, 88, 89, 90, 93, 94, 95, 96, and the south half of Blocks 79, 86, 92, of the original townsite of the City of Aspen, and south half of Block 19 of the East Aspen Addition to the City of Aspen.

Such designation was made under the authority of Section 24-9.1 of the Aspen Municipal Code by Ordinance 49, Series of 1974, effective January 8, 1975. As a consequence of designation, no building permit may issue for the (1) exterior remodeling, reconstruction of, or any addition to an exterior architectural feature of a structure within the district, (2) the demolition or moving of any structure within the district, or (3) the construction or erection of any new structure or addition to any structure within the district, until the Aspen Historic Preservation Committee has reviewed the permit application and approved the same.

The Preservation Committee will judge any proposed remodeling for the preservation of historical, architectural and characteristic qualities, and any new structure for complimentary design with the existing structures within the district. In case of an application to raze, demolish or move a structure, judgment shall be made on the basis of the structure's historical and architectural importance, its importance as a part of the area within which it is located, and

the actual physical condition of the structure. All as set forth in said Section 24-9.1, and reference is made to Section 24-9.1 for a more specific and detailed analysis of the procedures and guidelines for the Committee's review.

THIS NOTICE is given this seventh day of January, 1975, pursuant to the requirements of Section 24-9.1 (e) 5b of the Municipal Code of the City of Aspen, Colorado.

(SEAL)

Kathryn Hauter
City Clerk

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Johnny Litchfield's

INTERNATIONALLY FAMOUS

RED ONION



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OF THE RED ONION
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IN THE FALL OF 1948
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J. Litchfield

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1949

BAR

Cocktails

Gibson	.50
Martini	.50
Manhattan	.50
Tom Collins	.50
Whiskey Sour	.50
Old Fashioned	.60
Stinger	.60
Bacardi	.60

Wines

Port

Burgundy

Sherry

Sauterne

Champagne

DINING ROOM

Red Onion Specials

Porterhouse Steak	3.00
Filet Mignon	2.75
T-Bone Steak	2.50
Short Cut Steak	1.75
Club Steak	1.50
Hamburger Steak	1.25
Pork Chops (2)	1.50

Includes:
French Fried Potatoes Salad Coffee

Sandwiches

Hamburger Sandwich	.25
Cheeseburger	.35
Baked Ham	.45
Roast Beef (Cold)	.45
Braunschweiger	.35
Cheese	.25
Salami	.30
Egg	.25
Peanut Butter and Jelly	.40

Coffee .05 Tea .10 Milk .10
Ice Cream .15
Soup .20 Chili .35
French Fried Potatoes .25

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FRENCH FRIED JUMBO SHRIMP $1.75
Tartar Sauce — Cole Slaw — French Fries
Salad — Coffee

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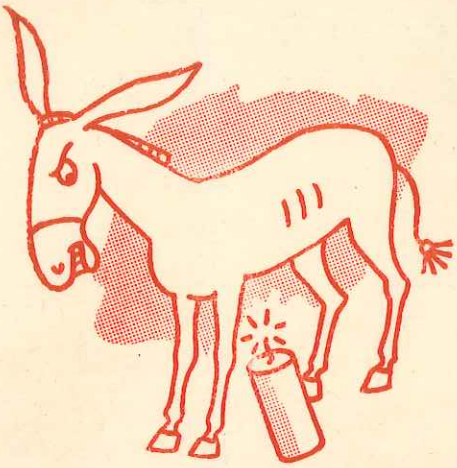

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Red Onion Original

(Circa 1892)

THE MULE SKINNER COCKTAIL . . . 85¢

This "pleasant" before-dinner drink derives its name from the time-honored practice of Aspen's Mule Skinners who used to stop in at the Red Onion each morning for a "pick-me-up" suitable to the problems of their profession before taking the long trek into Pitkin County's fabulous mountains and wealthy valleys — driving their mules in pursuit of the elusive white lead.

(For your protection, only one to a customer.)

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Fine BEERS

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Adolph Coors Company
Golden, Colorado

1892

One of the most picturesque of the various colorful victorian establishments in Aspen is "The Red Onion".

Built in 1892 at the height of the great silver boom by Tom Latta and christened "The Brick" at elaborate opening night ceremonies, "The Red Onion" has lost none of its early American old world charm.

Original business was based on the patronage of the "sporting men" of the country who were interested in all forms of prize fighting, wrestling, cycling and the other sports events popular during that period. The back room, now the dining room, contained every form of gambling device as did the five private rooms in the upstairs of the building, now used to house Red Onion employees.

Local old-timers such as Johnny Williams, Leonard Nelson, Billy Taggart, Panhandle Pete, Tom Kinney, Blane Bray, John Beck, Jimmy Parsons, Bill Jordan, Bill Marolt and Alec Barrailler who had known Tom Latta and Tim Kelleher had their own favorite name, other than "The Brick" and "Tim's", for this colorful saloon. Among themselves, and unknown to "Tom" and "Tim" they nicknamed the place "The Red Onion" which in the parlance of the day meant something out of the ordinary, unusual, odd, a "white elephant", something the likes of which could be found nowhere on this earth.

When the Aspen winter and summer sports development got under way and John Litchfield returned to this area after service with the famed "10th Division" which trained at nearby Camp Hale in Pando, Tom Latta's Saloon was up once again for sale, and after complete remodeling, except for the now rare pictures, original bar, back bar and mirrors, Johnny Litchfield opened the Red Onion on January 8th of 1947.

It is interesting to know a little about the building, and the fixtures contained in it. The Bar-Room is almost exactly as it was in 1892 — the one exception being the attractive old-style wallpaper. The bar has been completely cleaned, at which time was found, under layers of "antique dirt" the matchless inlaying of various colored woods The two figures above the original large mirror were in the same remarkable condition as they appear now except for the left leg of the gypsy boy which had been lost 25 years ago. The collection of now priceless tintypes on the walls of the bar room is the result of long years of followning the sporting world which practice was the lifetime hobby of both Mr. Latta and Mr. Kelleher. Most of these old-time "heroes" were the personal acquaintances of the former proprietors.

The dining room, by way of contrast, has been designated as that part of this famous establishment devoted to present-day sports greats — with the understandable accent on winter sports. On the west wall of the dining room are three paintings — one a water color of the Red Onion exterior, the other two oils, of the area in and around the neighboring ghost town of Ashcroft — done by the local, former Austrian artist, Florian Haemmerle. On the east wall are caricatures of our nationally and inter-nationally known skiers, some of whom represent the U. S. in the Olympics held at St. Moritz this year. These color chalk drawings as well as the two cartoons at the rear of the room (look twice please) were done by local artist, "Snuffy" O'Neil.

Food served in this attractive restaurant is prepared in a completely new kitchen, serviced by propane gas stoves and ultra-modern equipment. The Red Onion's reputation for unexcelled steaks is another thing that makes it the most famous establishment on Colorado's Western Slope.

It is suggested that you feel free to take one of these menus as a souvenir of your visit to Aspen and it's Red Onion — and it is the hope of the management that your visit with us will be a pleasant one.

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Night life in Aspen, where the Red Onion bar is a favorite meeting place for skiers, miners and townfolk. Credit it to skiing, which has remade the town

GHOST TOWN ON SKIS

BY EVAN M. WYLIE

For forty years the once bustling town of Aspen, Colorado, was virtually abandoned. Then someone fitted it with skis and now everything's booming again

ASPEN is a tiny Colorado village tucked away in one corner of a lush green valley ringed by snowcapped peaks rising to altitudes of more than 14,000 feet. It is an old mining community in the midst of a turbulent transformation engineered by ex-G.I.s, ex-Wacs, artists, musicians, small businessmen and a wealthy Chicago industrialist.

Still present are the ghostly vestiges of a dead era—blocks and blocks of houses, weather-beaten, dilapidated, many of them abandoned. Its streets, laid out in neat, rectangular patterns, are dusty, poorly paved and dimly lighted, with cracked sidewalks, and planks thrown carelessly across gutters.

The main street is spruced up but in between the new, gay, freshly painted shops there are still a number of shabby, boarded-up store fronts.

Above the town, on the mine-scarred slopes of the great mountains, abandoned skeletons of rusty mining equipment project blackened, misshapen silhouettes against the snow. But straddling these relics of the past, painted an orange as bright as the buoyant hopes of Aspen's new settlers, is the world's longest ski chair lift, rising almost right out of one end of the main street and traveling 14,000 feet into the upper Rockies.

Moribund Aspen has awakened to an atmosphere of boom, hustle and bustle. The Hotel Jerome, once one of the most famous hostelries of the Old West, has been restored to its former plushy splendor, and a barbershop and cocktail lounge have been added. Over Clark's garage, new-Aspen citizen Richard Dyer-Bennett, young ballad singer of concert and night-club fame, is teaching his new school of minstrelsy. His dark-haired wife, Mel, a former professional dancer, is completing arrangements for her new dance studio which, combined with the music classes, the Dyer-Bennetts expect to see develop into "one of the largest music-dance studios in the world."

Near by, in a one-story white

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frame building is old-Aspen citizen Mike Magnifico's sports shop. A cobbler before the war, Mike now sells ski togs in the winter and hunting and fishing equipment in the summer.

Then there is Joan Trumbull's and Maud Banks' country store. Both girls are ex-Wacs, who stopped off at Aspen "just for a few days' skiing." They stayed on and last summer opened an old store. They have installed a cracker barrel and a pot-bellied stove and sell everything from blue jeans and canned beans to frilly shirtwaists.

Typical of the ex-G.I.s who have made Aspen their new home are Andy Ransom and dark loquacious Len Woods, both of whom were instructors in the Aspen ski school last season. Now they are building The Golden Leaf, a restaurant and skiers' club modeled after the old Swiss mountainside taverns.

Mountain Meadow Homesites

Up on Red Mountain, overlooking the valley, is soft-spoken young architect Fritz Benedict. After his discharge from the Army, Benedict bought 600 acres of meadowland halfway up the mountainside. A former student of Frank Lloyd Wright, he is breaking it into one- and two-acre lots and designing homes built of logs, stone and glass with long windows and expansive terraces.

The center of the town's social life is the Hotel Jerome. But it is in the Red Onion, a small bar owned by ex-ski trooper John Litchfield, that the contrast between Aspen's past and future is most apparent.

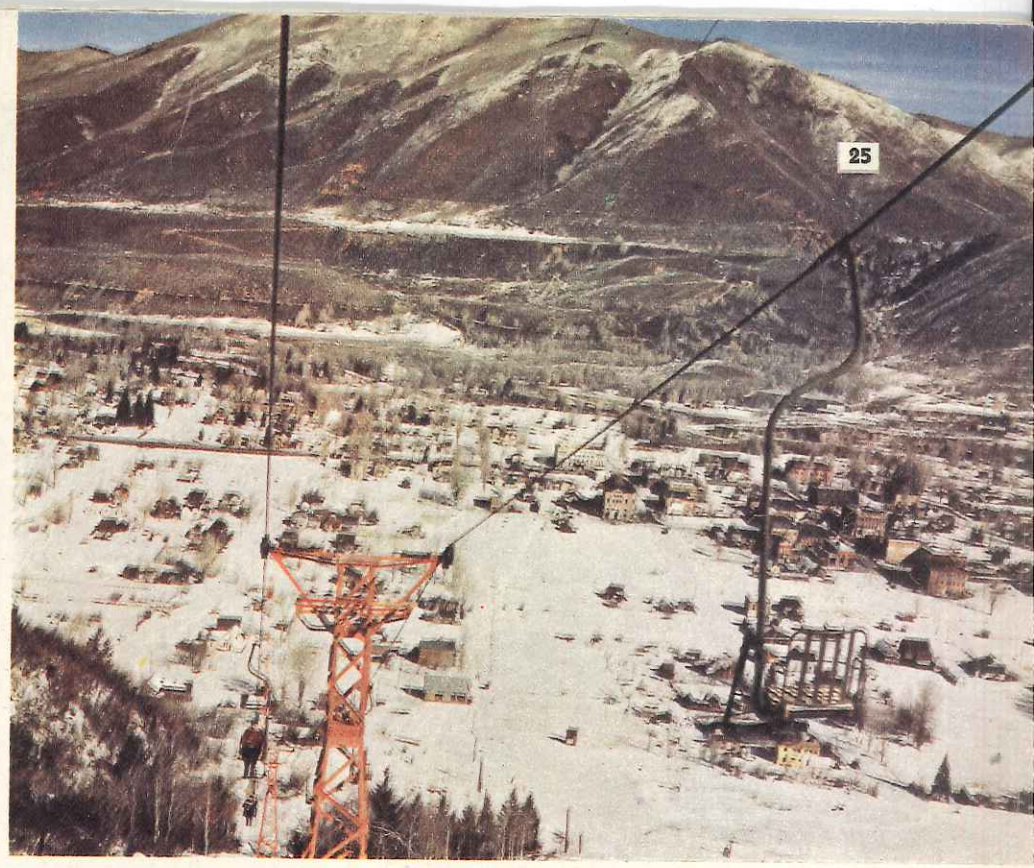
Here on winter evenings the booted, wind-burned skiers predominate. Behind the swinging doors in the back room and in the overheated, faintly steamy atmosphere up front, they crowd around scarred dark tables laden with steak platters and huge steins of beer, their cigarette smoke beclouding the already dim light from the old Victorian chandeliers. Feet planted firmly on the bar rail, they scan the faded photographs of prize fighters in long tights that adorn one wall and study the bunches of dried red onions flanking the mirror. Their talk, the mysterious jargon of the *Schuss,* Telemark and stem Christie, waxes fast and furious.

Off to one side, half hidden in the shadows, is a table of old miners in blue jeans and faded Mackinaws. They talk of silver, lead and zinc and fabulously rich mines with picturesque names, and they pause occasionally to toss a scornful glance at the boisterous group at the bar. For some of these old-timers can still remember the heyday of this town on the Roaring Fork, some fifty or sixty years ago.

In 1880, Aspen was a favorite hunting ground for the Ute Indians. Fortune hunters who poured into Colorado in the great "Pikes Peak or Bust" gold rush of 1859 had spent themselves against the eastern slopes of the continental divide. Adventuresome spirits who tried to push farther were soon discouraged by a sea of mountain peaks and by the Utes. But by 1879, little groups of prospectors trickled up through the passes into the unexplored valleys and ranges beyond, and although the Utes went on the warpath, they were unable to stem the tide.

One group established itself on the banks of the Roaring Fork River and held on through the winter of '79. With the first spring thaw their faith was rewarded. Within sight of the settlement, it was discovered, were some of the richest deposits of silver in the United States. News of the strikes spread like wildfire and the rush was on. Up over the divide came a horde of fortune seekers and with them the strange assortment of humanity that made the mining camps famous.

Overnight, Aspen became one of the great bonanza camps of the West. Blocks of stores, saloons, hotels and theaters mushroomed like magic. Miners, prospectors, gamblers, bankers and merchants jostled one another on the narrow board sidewalks and



Aspen, from a distance, with its $250,000 chair lift in the foreground. The little village is ringed by peaks, seven of which rise more than 14,000 feet



Fred Iselin (left) and Friedl Pfeifer executing a difficult skiing maneuver: a double "tempo" parallel turn. Pfeifer learned skiing in the Austrian Tirol



Mike Magnifico enjoying life in Aspen. A cobbler before the war, Mike now has a sports shop, selling ski togs in the winter and fishing items in the summer



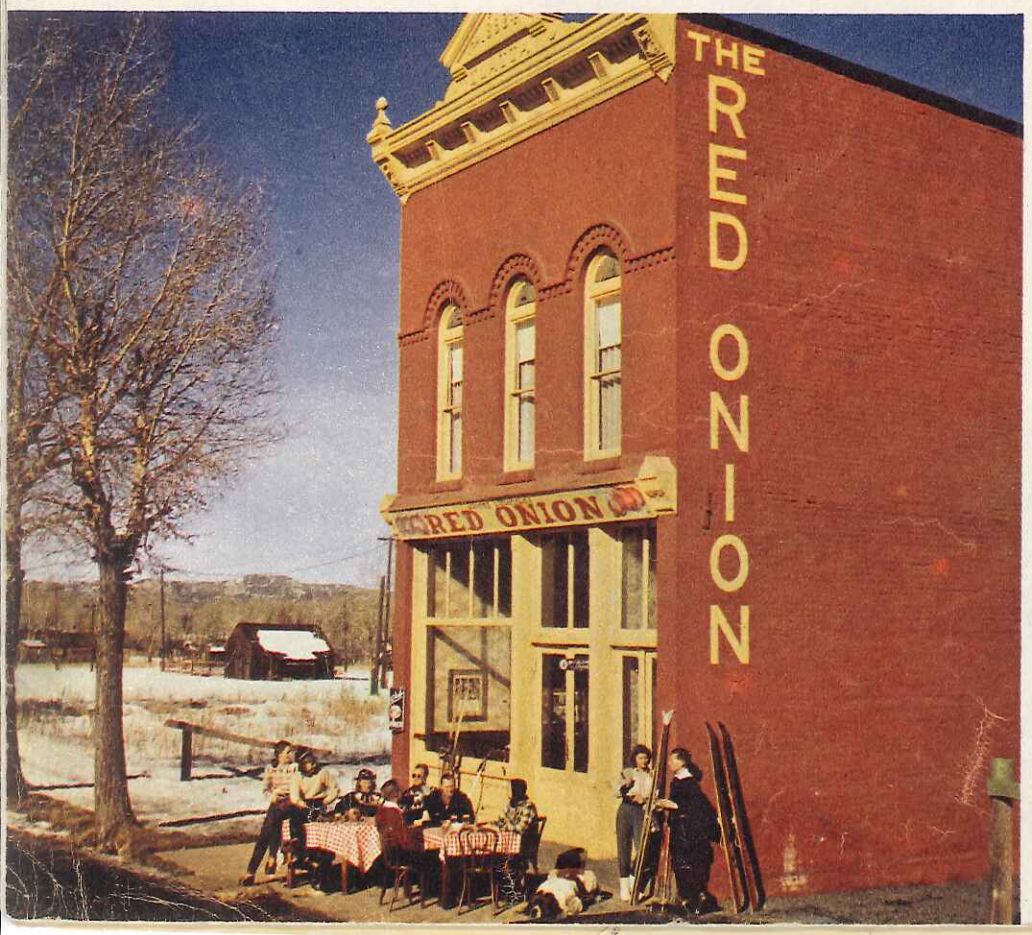
Square dancing in the Blue Room of the Hotel Jerome, center of the town's activities. The Jerome was built in 1889, nine years after Indians began to leave



The Sundeck, at the summit of the 3-mile-long chair lift, the longest in the world



Deep powder-snow skiing on a slope of Ajax Mountain. (Below) Skiers dining at the outdoor café of the Red Onion, once a livery stable of the old American variety, now a prosperous resort for skiers. The café isn't Parisian, but it's Colorado!



overflowed into the rutted streets. J. B. Wheeler opened his Wheeler Opera House and imported dramatic companies that played nowhere else west of the Mississippi. Lillian Russell, E. H. Sothern and Julia Marlowe appeared before cheering throngs. "Gentleman Jim" Corbett stopped off for an exhibition of fancy boxing.

By 1891, the onetime Ute campsite had a population of 15,000 and was calling itself the second largest city in western Colorado. It boasted a courthouse, armory, hotels, churches and three daily newspapers, a roaring half mile of saloons, gambling palaces and sporting houses. Silver poured from the Smuggler, Bonnybell and Little Annie mine shafts at the rate of more than a million dollars a month.

But Aspen's foundation was free silver and soon that foundation was shaking. In January, 1893, a bill was introduced in Congress to repeal the Sherman Silver Purchase Act. Smelters and refiners cut their purchases of silver. In June the mints of India were closed to free silver, and the Panic of 1893 was on. The Smuggler, Aspen and Durant mines closed down. The largest drygoods store in Aspen failed. The price of silver spiraled downward.

On November 4th, Congress repealed the Sherman Act, and the West's epic of silver—its colossally rich mines and their boom camps—was at an end. As swiftly as it had mushroomed, Aspen declined. Prospectors drifted away, stores nailed shut their doors. By the turn of the century, Aspen was a village of silent, weed-infested streets and deserted dwellings inhabited only by a handful of die-hard prospectors. Aspen stayed that way almost cut off from the world, for forty years.

Then in 1934, André Roche, the Swiss ski expert, spent two weeks skiing in the mountains above the town. Roche marked a trail down the mountain and after his departure, cobbler Mike Magnifico cut out the trail and built the first ski tow of discarded mining equipment from the Midnight Mine. In 1942, the War Department sent its newly activated 10th Mountain Division to train in Colorado. Ski troopers, the division's key unit, were stationed at Camp Hale, near Leadville, and it wasn't long before they discovered Aspen.

Early in 1943, slight, dark Friedl Pfeifer, then a sergeant in the ski troops, got his first glimpse of the valley of the Roaring Fork. Pfeifer, who was born in the Austrian Tirol and has spent most of his life since on skis, caught his breath. "I suddenly realized," he said later, "that here was the nearest thing to Switzerland in America."

Ideal Winter Sport Country

When he got back to Hale, Pfeifer talked up Aspen's skiing possibilities with a group of fellow ski fanatics. They saw it for what it might be worth —no longer a silver mine but a snow mine. Its altitude, 7,900 feet at valley level, assured it of steady and dependable snowfalls from November until April, and there were seven peaks of more than 14,000 feet rising practically out of Aspen's main street. Because of the high, dry air, the climate was crisply exhilarating rather than uncomfortably cold and the snow was always a top grade of powder, ideal for skiing.

The G.I. skiers met with the town council and laid before them plans for a postwar ski development, and it was agreed that as many as possible of the group would return to Aspen as soon as the war ended. Some of the soldiers purchased property, and the town councilors set to work to unravel old titles and mining claims to clear the way for a new ski lift up the mountains.

Then the 10th went overseas to fight brilliantly in the final days of the Italian campaign. The cost was high. Among the names on casualty lists were Torger Tokle, the greatest ski jumper this country has ever developed, and Ralph Bromaghin, who had been one of those planning to return to Aspen. Friedl Pfeifer came back to a base hospital, barely surviving a terrible wound from mortar fragments.

But the luck of the Roaring Fork continued. Into the picture came wealthy Chicago industrialist Walter Paepcke.

On Decoration Day, 1945, he arrived in Aspen for a holiday visit with his wife, who had become interested

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Maud Banks and Joan Trumbull, who were Wacs in China and India together, own the Aspen country store. They went to Aspen and stayed, so they could ski

GHOST TOWN ON SKIS

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in the scores of old mining communities which dot the state.

Paepcke was fascinated with Aspen and bought a house and property there that same week end. "I had never seen such a perfectly beautiful, naturally scenic setting for a community," he remembers.

"Hasn't anyone ever thought of reviving Aspen?" he asked the natives. Paepcke was told about Friedl Pfeifer and his ski troopers. Where was Pfeifer now, he inquired. They thought he was in an Army hospital somewhere in U.S. Paepcke made up his mind to find him. But in the meantime, he returned to Chicago and turned loose a crew of experts to tour the Western resort areas and make a comparison report on Aspen's development possibilities.

Also for Anglers and Trail Riders

Their report confirmed everything the ski troopers had told the Aspen town council. In addition, Paepcke learned that the near-by forests were full of tumbling trout streams (1,000 within a twenty-mile radius), which already had attracted anglers from as far away as Texas, and that the mountain trails were a growing favorite with pack trail riders and hunters.

Paepcke shrewdly realized that skiing would play an important part in the development of Aspen. But his major interest was not merely the founding of a new ski resort. He was determined to establish a healthy, balanced community.

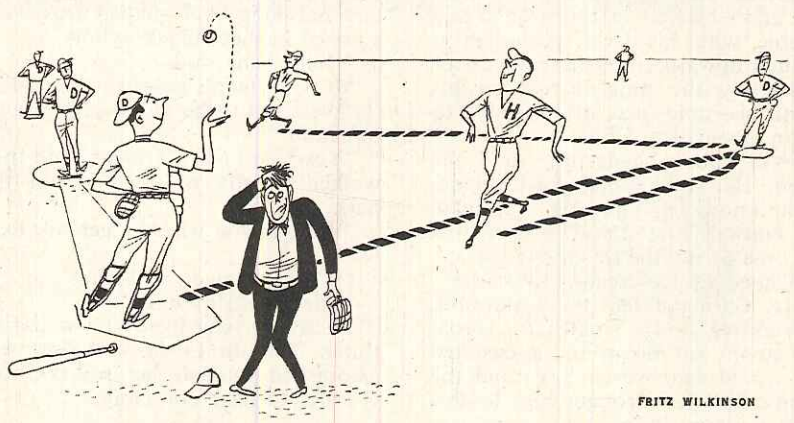
"What America needs," he says earnestly, "is more towns that offer a person three things: a livelihood, a healthy, outdoor life, and a good dose of culture for himself and his children. In other words, a balanced community. When I saw Aspen, I wasn't just thinking of starting a place that would attract tourists. Here was a town, an old established place, that had had bad luck because its fortunes were all tied up in one thing—silver. Yet it still possessed all the attributes of a wonderful place to live.

"It seemed to me we might be able to start a new life on the old foundations without having to worry about the value of a metal. With skiing as a permanent industry we could build a new community and broaden it to include its own schools, theaters and places of graduate study."

Meanwhile Paepcke was hot on the trail of Friedl Pfeifer. He finally found him in an Army hospital in California. The two men discovered that their ideas about Aspen coincided. As a result two corporations were formed: the Aspen Company with Paepcke as president, and the Aspen Ski Corporation with Pfeifer as vice-president and general manager. Pfeifer spent his last days in the service rounding up the 10th's Aspen enthusiasts, and early dischargees started moving their families to Colorado in the fall of 1945.

Paepcke ran like a star halfback through a battered field of his own friends and fellow industrialists. By letter and long-distance telephone, and across dinner tables in clubs and restaurants, he plugged his plan for a revived Aspen. Altogether, he raised as much of a million-dollar investment as he cared to. The rest he invested himself.

Throughout the winter, Pfeifer and his assistants explored the surrounding territory, cutting new trails and open slopes and enlarging the old ones. Miners and ski troopers worked side by side in the town and up on the mountains. A bulldozer reamed out old mining roads to form a network of connecting trails and runs. Early that spring came the climax of the effort. Up Aspen



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Houston was at bat in a recent hotly contested Texas League game with Dallas. There was a runner on first, and center fielder Harold Epps was at bat with the count three balls, one strike. The next pitch cut across the outside corner of the plate. The umpire called, "Strike two," but Epps ignored it and started strolling toward first base. The runner on first trotted toward second. As the umpire endeavored to check Epps, the Dallas catcher watched in amusement, knowing the umpire would stick to his ruling. Epps continued toward first until the runner had touched second. Then he grinned and returned to the plate. The runner had stolen second in a walk. Epps then singled him home.

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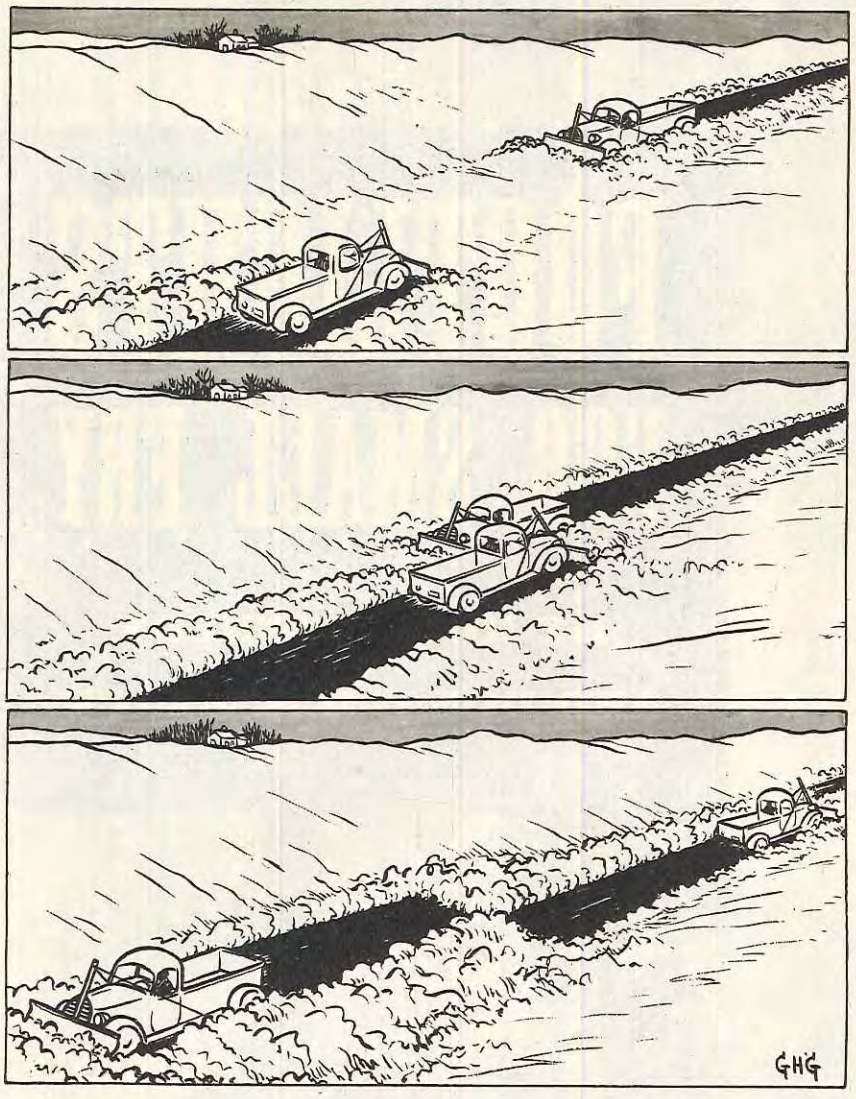

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Mountains, at a cost of $250,000 was flung the longest ski chair lift in the world, extending three miles into the mountains.

By the fall of 1946, Aspen was a working ski center. Down in the town, rebuilt cottages, new dormitories and a restored Hotel Jerome awaited the first guests. From the Sundeck, a spacious glass-enclosed shelter high up on the mountain, skiers could choose any of thirty miles of trails and open slopes, most of which converged at the foot of Aspen's main street.

The ex-G.I.s went about making Aspen their permanent home. They bought houses and installed their families. Some bought shares in Aspen's already established stores. Others purchased sites on which to erect new ones. Instead of forming a separate new group, they all joined the local Lions Club. As Pfeifer puts it, "Instead of building on top of a local community, we are trying to integrate ourselves into it. We want to work with the local people in the ski business."

Keeping the Town American

While the ski development was progressing, Paepcke's Aspen Company was at work restoring the town. Paepcke recruited a staff of designers headed by Herbert Bayer, well-known Chicago designer. "I'm tired of this business of everlastingly imitating Europe," he told them. "I don't see why we can't have a community with its own truly American flavor."

Instead of tearing down the old houses, the group set out to renovate and restore them with their gingerbread intact. Free paint was offered to the older residents if they would paint their homes with colors recommended by the planners, and Walter Gropius, at the time head of the Harvard School of Architecture, went to Colorado to confer with the town council about a consistent pattern in the local structures.

Paepcke continues energetically to pursue his grand objective—the balanced community. He has been after writers, artists, musicians and educators. When he has run down his quarry, he invites him out for a visit. "Just come out and look at it," he tells them. Many of those who accept the invitations end up by buying permanent homes in the Roaring Fork valley.

And besides these Paepcke-induced settlers have come the independents such as Maud Banks and Joan Trumbull and C. B. Caraway. Caraway has opened a barbershop on Main Street. "Ought to be plenty of business," he observes with a good-humored wink, "soon as all these long-hairs start getting haircuts."

Paepcke and his colonists continue to bubble with other ideas about Aspen's future. They talk about a jewelry business which will employ local metals, and manufacturing wool and cheese products from sheep and goats they expect to have grazing on the ski slopes during the summer. In his business offices in Chicago, Paepcke is trying out a new desk made of Aspen wood. "It's a beautiful thing," he cries enthusiastically. "I want to see somebody start a furniture factory!"

About the only ones who still view Aspen's rebirth with a jaundiced eye are the old miners. They still consider skiing a new-fangled, darned-fool business and the restoration job has not dazzled them. Most of them continue to believe stubbornly that Aspen's future, like its past, lies underground. "Silver," they mutter. "Let silver come back and you'd see this place amount to something."

But right now it looks as if Pfeifer's skiers and Paepcke's artists might prove a good substitute for silver so far as Aspen's fortunes are concerned.

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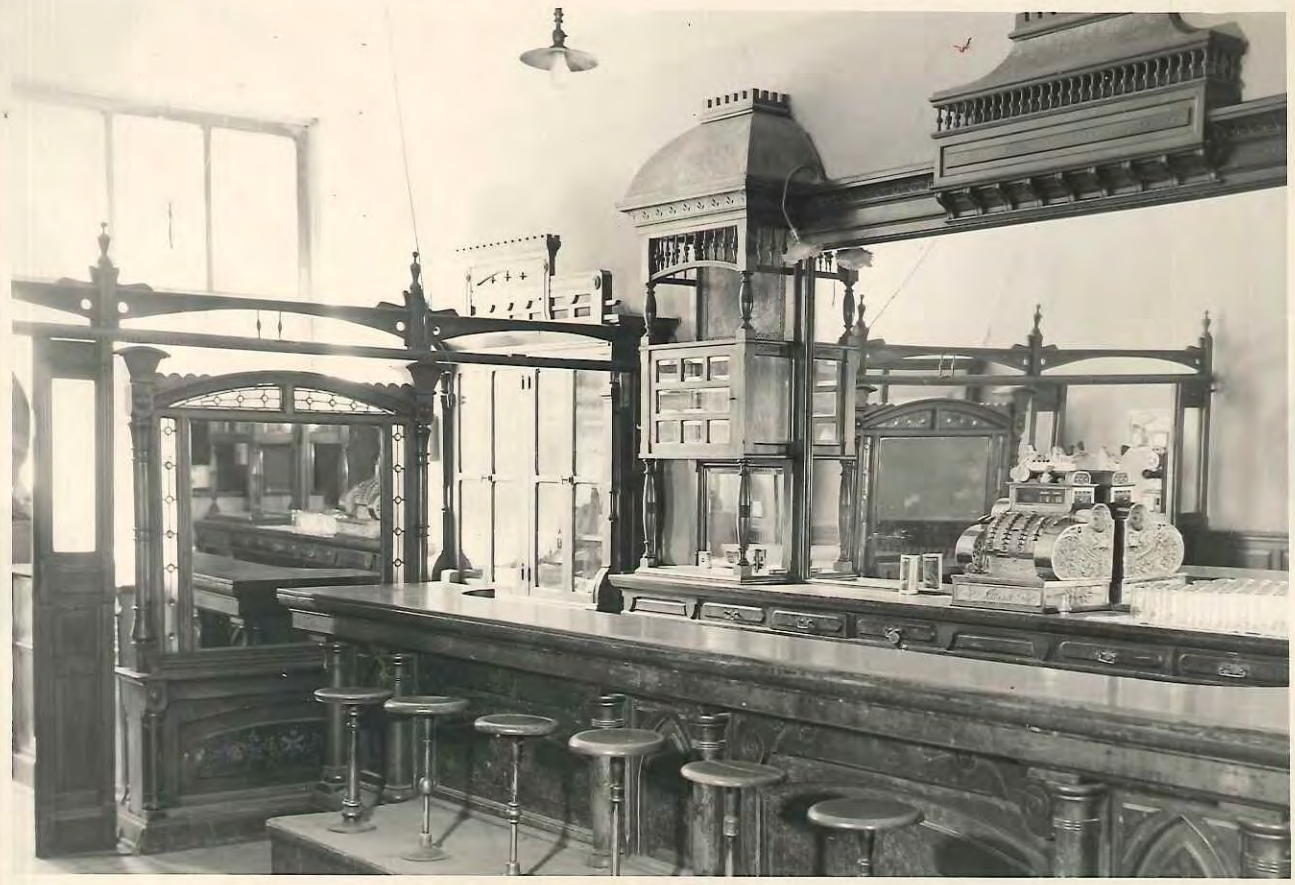

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Downhill and Slalom CHAMPIONSHIPS

Aspen Colorado

February 8th and 9th, 1947

CONTESTANTS

Women	Class	Club
1. Jean Litchfield	B	ASC
2. Sonja Savig	B	PSC
3. Barbara Kidder	A	PSC
4. Shirley Fopp	FIS Open	AqSC
5. Charlotte Cornish	FIS Open	AqSC
6. Geraldine Flemming	B	PSC
7. Renee Knowlton	B	ASC
8. Margaret Packard	B	CCC
9. Olivia Brock	B	CCC
10. Gretchen Storer	B	CCC
11. Louise Bulkley	B	CCC
12. Dorothy Vance	B	CSR
13. Lucy Coffin	B	BSC
14. Norma Benedeck	C	GSWSC
15. Emily Schultz	C	ASC
16. D'Ann Gravett	C	PSC
17. Donnis Gallagher	C	U. C.
18. Paula Hutchings	C	GSWSC
Men		
19. Jach Reddish	A	Alta
20. Gates Gooding	A	SSWSC
21. Gordon Wren	A	ESC
22. Dick Movitz	A	Alta
23. Dev Jennings	A	ASC
24. Steve Knowlton	A	ASC
25. Barney McLean	A	Z
26. Jerry Hiatt	A	Z
27. Ross Davis	A	ASC
28. Kristopher Berg	A	DC
29. Ralph Ball	A	PSC
30. Jim Jackson	A	Z
31. George Macomber	A	Alta
32. Dick Kirby	A	Alta
33. James Griffith	A	BSC
34. Leonard Woods	FIS Open	ASC
35. Ed Jones	FIS Open	ESC
36. John Litchfield	FIS Open	ASC
37. Johan C. Rader	FIS Open	DC
38. Sid Russell Jr.	FIS Open	AqSC
39. Keith Wegeman	B	SSWSC
40. Ben Duke	B	ESC
41. Lowell Elisha	B	ASC
42. Bill Gorsuch	B	CSC
43. Harry Brandt	B	Z
44. Josh Bradford	B	ASC
45. Don Elisha	B	ASC
46. Art Kidder Jr.	B	PSC
47. Vernon Scott	B	Z
48. Peter Seibert	B	ASC
49. Bob Kidder	B	Z
50. Rudi Schnackenberg	B	ESC
51. Robert G. Look	B	BSC
52. Gale Spence	B	BSC
53. Bill Steele	B	BSC
54. Rex Rathbun	C	ASC
55. Hank Roath	C	Z
56. William Paddock	C	BSC
57. Erik Brown	C	U. of N. M.
58. Paul W. Bolander	C	APWSC
59. Casey McKibben	C	Z
60. Ronnie Harner	C	Z
61. George N. Annis	C	CSC
62. Robert Ware	C	PSC
63. Dick Stevens	C	Z
64. Malcolm Brown	C	U. of N. M.
65. Jas. Doolittle	C	AqSC
66. Bob Zerr	C	PSC
67. Nick Beadles	C	BSC
68. Jim Davis	C	Z
69. John Kane	C	APWSC
70. Barton Newlin	C	PSC
71. Ernie Gray	C	Z
72. Bob Davis	C	Z
73. Bill Brown	C	Z
74. Woodie Shelton	C	Z
75. Jim Seccombe	C	Z
76. Fred Nyland	C	BSC
77. Fred Dolder	C	BSC
Junior Girls		
78. Marlene Crawford	B	SSWSC
79. Vera Van Cleave	B	SSWSC
80. Skeeter Werner	B	SSWSC
81. Barbara Hulburd	B	SSWSC
82. Katy Rudolph	A	SSWSC
Junior Boys		
83. Gifford Lininger	A	Z
84. Daniel Jones	A	SSWSC
85. Aldris Scoggins	A	SSWSC
86. Glenn Beck	A	ASC
87. Donald Bolander	A	APWSC
88. Bill Gear	A	SSWSC
89. Jim Kline	A	SSWSC
90. Adolph Kuss	A	CSC
91. Deally O'Donnell	A	Z
92. Rod Davis	A	Z
93. La Vern Marshall	A	SSWSC
94. Jack Smith	B	ASC
95. Louis O'Block	B	ASC
96. Dick Hilbert	B	SSWSC
97. Donald Dismuke	B	SSWSC
98. Donald Paulich	B	ASC
99. Laurie Wegeman	B	SSWSC
100. Chas. Leckenby	B	SSWSC
101. Chuck Maddalone	B	ASC
102. Marvin Crawford	B	SSWSC
103. Paul Beck	B	ASC
104. Bud Marolt	B	ASC
105. Allen Walker	B	SSWSC
106. Doug Fox	B	SSWSC

PARTICIPATING CLUBS

PSC — Pioneer Ski Club
AqSC — Albuquerque Ski Club
CCC — Colorado Christie Club
CSR — Colorado Ski Runners
GSWSC — Glenwood Springs Winter Sports Club
SSWSC — Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club
U. C. — University of Colorado
DC — Dritten Club
BSC — Buffalo Ski Club
ESC — Eskimo Ski Club
CSC — Continental Ski Club
Z — Zipfelbergers
APWSC — Aqua Piedra Winter Sports Club
U. of N. M. — University of New Mexico
Alta — Alta
ASC — Aspen Ski Club

RACE DATA

The downhill race will be held on famous Roch Run, over the same course used for the National Downhill and Slalom Championship Races of 1941, and for four previous championship races of the SRMSA. This course starts on Aspen Mountain a short distance below the upper terminal of the new giant chair lift, at an elevation of 10,400 feet, dropping a vertical distance of 2,400 feet over trail length of 1.6 miles to the finish at the city limits of Aspen. The slalom will be set on the lower slopes of Aspen Mountain, with a vertical drop of approximately 600 feet.

Roch Run records over this same course are as follows:
1941 National Downhill and Slalom — Toni Matt 2:22:3.
1946 SRMSA Downhill and Slalom — Don Goodman 2:28:4.

Race Committee:

Dick Wright
Robert McPhee
Andy Ransom.

Officials:

Fred Bellmar — Referree
Robert Perry — Course Setter
Arthur Kidder — Chief Timer

PROGRAM

Downhill Race:	11:00 A. M. Saturday, Feb. 8th. (Women to start first, followed by men after short interval).
Ski Ball:	Saturday night, February 8th.
Slalom Race:	First Run — 10:00 A. M. Second Run — 2:00 P. M. Sunday, February 9th.

Competitor's Banquet and awarding of prizes: 6:30 P. M. Sunday evening, Hotel Jerome.

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that has laid all those golden eggs unless they mend their ways."

WREN, JEAN LITCHFIELD TAKE ASPEN SKI TITLES

Aspen, Colo., Feb. 10.—(AP)—Top-flight ski contestants were headed toward further Olympic ski trials Monday following conclusion of the Rocky Mountain Ski association annual championships on the rugged hillsides of this mountain sports center.

Gordon Wren, Steamboat Springs, took the men's combined championships at the closing meeting Sunday, and Jean Litchfield, Aspen, the women's combined crown.

Contestants are scheduled to participate in further Olympic trials at Salt Lake and Alta, Utah, March 1 and 2.

Wren won the combined title with 249 points, and Jean Litchfield headed the women's field with 318.

In the slalom competition John Litchfield of Aspen was first in the men's division and Barbara Kidder, Denver, first in women's competition.

Following Wren in the combined events were Dev Jennings, Aspen, 258; John Litchfield, Aspen, 259; Dick Movitz, Salt Lake, 261; Jack Reddish, Salt Lake, 261.5; George Macomber, Salt Lake, 273; Jerry Hiatt, Denver, 274; Don Elisha, Aspen, 277; Peter Seibert, Aspen, 284, and James Griffin, Colorado university.

Women's competition following the winning Aspen skier was listed: Barbara Kidder, Denver, 330; Louise Bulkeley, Denver, 355; Olivia Brock, Denver, 342, and Shirley Fopp, Albuquerque, N. M., 345.

Slalom contestants in the men's event following Litchfield, included Wren, Jennings, Reddish, Macomber, with Movitz and Peter Seibert tied for sixth place.

Following Miss Kidder in the women's slalom event were Jean Litchfield and Margaret Packard, Denver.

1947

Combined Place	Name	Club	Downhill Time	Downhill Place	1st Run	2nd Run	Slalom Place	C Pts
1	Gordon Wren	ESC	2:03.2	1	1:05.1	1:14.4	2	249
2	Dev Jennings	ASC	2:11.0	3	1:12.0	1:08.3	3	258
3	John Litchfield	ASC	2:16.4	7	1:08.0	1:08.0	1	259
4	Dick Movitz	ALTA	2:11.1	4	*1:14.0	1:10.1	6(tie)	261
5	Jack Reddish	ALTA	2:12.3	5	*1:14.4	1:07.2	4	261.5
6	George Macomber	ALTA	2:24.2	10	1:21.1	1:10.4	5	273
7	Jerry Hiatt	Z	2:14.1	6	1:15.1	1:20.1	14	274
8	Don Elisha	ASC	2:23.4	9	1:13.2	1:14.4	8	277
9	Pete Seibert	ASC	2:34.0	12	1:11.0	1:13.1	6(tie)	284
10	James Griffith	BSC	2:25.0	11	*1:23.3	1:13.0	15	286
11	Sid Russel	AqSC	2:35.1	13	1:15.1	1:13.1	9	289
12	Steve Knowlton	ASC	2:05.1	2	1:11.2	1:53.4	24	292
13	Erik Brown	UNM	2:25.0	8	1:21.1	1:25.2	16	293
14	Ross Davis	ASC	2:37.1	14	1:20.3	1:10.3	12	293
15	Malcolm Brown	UNM	2:46.2	16	1:12.3	1:17.3	10	302
16	Dick Kirby	ALTA	2:49.1	18	1:19.1	1:13.2	13	307
17	Ralph Ball	PSC	3:01.0	22	1:15.0	1:16.0	11	317
18	Lowell Elisha	ASC	2:50.0	19	1:19.0	**1:39.3	21	331
19	Art Kidder	PSC	3:07.0	24	*1:25.2	1:26.0	18	341
20	Kris Berg	Norway	2:44.4	15	1:41.1	2:05.0	26	344
21	Bill Gorsuch	CSC	2:55.3	21	1:44.4	*1:52.4	25	344
22	Gale Spence	BSC	3:08.3	25	1:25.3	1:32.2	19	348
23	Leonard Woods	ASC	3:02.0	23	1:27.3	1:37.2	23	349
24	Ben Duke	ESC	3:11.3	26	1:37.0	1:26.2	22	357
25	Keith Wegeman	SSWSC	2:48.2	17	*1:40.4	*1:49.2	27	358
26	Rex Rathbun	ASC	3:13.2	27	1:32.0	1:25.4	20	358
27	Robery Ware	PSC	3:27.1	28	1:28.1	1:20.1	17	359

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1	Jean Litchfield	ASC	2:35.4	3	1:28.0	1:34.4	2	318
2	Barbara Kidder	PSC	2:39.2	6	1:34.4	1:31.0	1	330
3	Louise Bulkeley	CCC	2:38.3	4	1:31.3	1:40.2	5	355
4	Olivia Brock	CCC	2:35.4	2	1:32.3	1:37.0	7(tie)	342
5	Shirley Fopp	AqSC	2:31.3	1	1:48.0	1:46.4	9	345.5
6	Margaret Packard	CCC	2:49.3	5	1:39.3	1:38.2	3	346
7	Sonja Sarig	PSC	3:07.1	7	1:42.1	1:49.1	8	377
8	Bonnie Gallagher	JC	3:37.3	8	1:38.2	1:38.1	4	385
9	Renee Knowlton	ASC	3:28.4	9	1:41.4	1:39.4	6(tie)	390
10	Emily Schultz	ASC	3:47.0	11	1:51.0	1:54.0	10	429

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1	Bud Marolt	ASC	1:59.5	1	1:34.1	1:17.3	2	246
2	Chuck Maddalone	ASC	2:24.4	2	1:31.2	1:13.3	1	267
3	Don Paulich	ASC	2:38.2	4	1:29.1	1:16.0	3	292
4	Katy Pudolph	SSWSC	2:41.4	6	1:32.3	**1:39.3	4	307
5	Adolph Kiss	CSC	2:41.1	5	1:47.0	1:26.0	10	322

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SPORTS 'ANGEL' TURNS ASPEN REGION INTO 'THE AMERICAN SWITZERLAND'

By TOR TORLAND.
Denver Post Winter Sports Writer.

As arts have their patrons, so do sports.

Munificent and foresighted among these is Walter Paepcke, Chicago millionaire and the angel of Aspen.

A 20,000-foot chair-lift, the biggest ski school in Colorado—possibly in the United States—accommodations for a thousand skiers, a 2,650-foot vertical drop on Roch Run, and a ghost town turned into a Swiss village. That's what Paepcke is doing to Aspen.



Tor Torland.

It began in May of 1945 when Walter Paepcke visited Colorado, and was impressed with the winter sports potential of Aspen. After making a survey of the possibilities, Paepcke decided to put his money on a sure thing.

In June of this year Aspen Company Inc. was formed. Co-directors with Paepcke are Joseph Binns, executive vice president of the Holton hotel chain, and Eugene Lilly, a Colorado Springs businessman.

Plans were blueprinted for the complete renovation of the famous old Jerome hotel at Aspen, the construction of the world's longest chair-lift, dormitories, and the purchase and remodeling of some fifteen old residences for the housing of skiers. The Jerome, leased for 50 years, is being refurnished and modernized to the tune of big money . While the hotel is being projected for the $20 a day clientele, apartments and dormitories will be available for leaner purses.

Chosen to head the ski school at Aspen is Friedl Pfeifer, formerly head of the Sun Valley, Ida., school. Present assistants to Pfeifer are Johnny Litchfield and Percy Rideout, both widely known to Rocky Mountain Empire skiers. Ultimately it is planned to augment the school staff with 25 or 30 more teachers.

Friedl Pfeifer earned an enviable reputation at the de luxe Idaho resort before the war and is generally considered to be one of the foremost teachers and stylists in the United States today.

The 2,000-foot chair-lift, purported to be the longest in the world, will carry skiers to the hilltops with effortless ease for a variety of long runs down. To those accustomed only to the rough and ready ride of the ski-tow, let us explain that a chair-lift is all that its name implies: you are borne aloft sitting in a chair, warmed by a laprobe, with no exertion on your part whatever. Except for the aerial tramway, the chair-lift is the ultimate in ascending to the snowy heights without a Charley-horse from climbing up under your own leg power.

Two world-famous European sportsmen, Otto Schniebs and Andre Roch, described the Aspen terrain as the "American Switzerland." Schniebs was the first Dartmouth ski coach, while the Roch run at Aspen was named after Andre Roch . The city, at an elevation of 7,850 feet, is at the base of this fine downhill course which extends on up another 2,500-odd vertical feet.

Aspen will fulfill what has been a crying need in Colorado: it will provide luxury lodgings and Sun Valley facilities for out-of-state visitors to Colorado. Apart from that, Aspen strongly encourages Rocky Mountaineers to visit the "Switzerland of America" next winter, and in the seasons to follow.

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Word has reached us now that Mayor Claude Luekens of Steamboat Springs, Colo., has offered an official bid of $2,000 to the international committee for the jumping trials.

The bid issued from the Steamboat Winter Sports club thru Fred Bellmar, president of the Southern Rocky Mountain Ski association, and gives detailed descriptions of the many advantages this fine resort town has to offer.

Howelson hill at Steamboat is a 75-meter jump, fully capable of handling the highest sort of jumping competition. Technical facilities there encompass an up-to-date communications system, efficient ski-patrol and hill service, plus a boat-tow to save jumpers' legs on the uphill grind.

Further, Steamboat Springs promises adequate housing facilities for contestants. Since the town lies on the transportation mainline, competitors and spectators alike should have little difficulty in getting to the mountain village.

Last year at the National Jumping championships staged at Steamboat, Alf Engen, the Sun Valley Squarehead, copped the blue ribbon with jumps of 257 and 259 feet. Art Devlin of Lake Placid, N. Y., placed second, while Merril Barber of Brattleboro, Vt., and Walter Bietila of Ishpeming, Mich., showed third and fourth respectively.

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Those of you G. I.'s who took your ski-troop training on Cooper hill at Camp Hale will be glad to learn that last year the army sold the mile-and-a-quarter T-bar tow to the forest service.

Jack Graw, district forest ranger up there, and a veteran of three years Pacific service, is supervising facilities. Ray Zoberski, an ex-ski instructor with the Tenth mountain division, is chief of the new ski school at Cooper hill. This is an enterprise backed by substantial business money, and altho old army barracks are now being used for day-skiers' huts and school headquarters, the forest service plans some day to build a real lodge in this "poor man's Sun Valley."

Considering that army experts selected this site out of all others inspected as ski headquarters for the training of Yank ski troops, Cooper hill must have plenty on the ball.

WINTER SPORTS by TOR TORLAND

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Denver Socialites Sporting Colorful Costumes at Aspen

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ASPEN, Colo., Jan. 11.—Aspen, boom town, playing a new role of the nation's ski capital, is society's playground this weekend. All along the crowded streets, which have taken on a gala Tyrolean atmosphere for the four-day opening, Denver's society is in evidence. Conversation centers around the one topic—skiing. Even those members of society to whom skis are no more than a pair of boards, were clustered in groups chatting merrily about "That run I made yesterday" or "It must have been that new wax that made me fall . . ."

Struggling up Aspen's streets, maneuvering skis overhead, to the dorms which took care of those crowded out of Hotel Jerome, were William Temple and Paul Baxter Lanius — whose skis created no small problem with the rest of the baggage. Joining them later in the evening were the two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gates, Charles Jr. and Harry, who drove up late Friday evening.

Mrs. William H. Downs was the focus of attention at a gay group at the Jerome, dressed in a chartreuse slack suit with a black and white printed blouse, which complimented her auburn hair.

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Another rendezvous where the smart set staked a claim was Johnny Litchfield's Red Onion. Johnny, former member of the Dartmouth ski team, has recently made Aspen his home. The Red Onion in Aspen's boom days was the old swinging-door type of saloon, and Johnny has done a remarkable job of re-creating this atmosphere. There is a high mahogany bar, lighted by overhead lamps with fringed shades. The jigsaw decorated mirror reflects the blues, greens and reds of the imported liqueur glasses. A slick-haired bartender stands ready to take your order.

As one enters, tintypes of wrestlers of prospecting days attract one's attention. In the back room, the atmosphere has a more modern trend with caricatures of today's prominent skiers.

One of the unusual features of the Red Onion is the tremendous quart-sized beer steins, with inscriptions reading, "Do You Think You Could?"

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Aspen visitors from Denver seen at the Red Onion over the weekend included Miss Ruth Humphreys and Miss Jane Garrison. Both socialities are making Aspen their home for the winter season. Miss Humphreys' spectacular white silk blouse stood out from the crowd as it was decorated with multicolored sequins in an Aladdin's lamp design and it was set of by black slacks and gold Grecian slippers. Miss Garrison contrasted her black dirndl skirt with a ruffled off-the-shoulder white cotton blouse and red ballet slippers.

Among other members of the smart set noticed in the crowd were Messrs. and Mesdames Adolph Coors III, Wilbur Lakas, Jack Pechman, F. George Robinson, J. Kenneth Malo, and Mrs. Felder Hughes, Norman Barwise and John Sweeney.

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Everywhere in Aspen one sees traces of silver mining days, but the pioneer spirit has been merged with the new enthusiasm for the skiers schussing down Roch run. The narrow frame houses, with the inevitable gingerbread effect at the east, old-fashioned high-sash windows and Victorian towers are contrasted with smart ski shops and cars racked with skis, lining the streets.

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STEVE BRADLEY, ski coach at Colorado university, and long-time ski great hailing originally from eastern slopes, writes that he is greatly pleased at the attention given to winter sports by press and radio in the Rocky Mountain area. Steve also stresses the need for laying emphasis on the National Ski association fund-raising campaign, soon to be put into effect. On the "nickel-a-night" plan, every skier staying overnight at any ski lodge in the state will put out 5 cents per diem, this money to go toward the fine and worthwhile work of the National Ski association. This plan has already functioned efficiently in other states, with the full co-operation of recent owners, and I feel that no skier in his right mind will resent devoting such a small percentage of this output toward National Ski association activities which will benefit all skiing in time.

One thing that ski-visitors to Aspen will have noticed is the lack of down-mountain runs suitable for novices and intermediates. On all three of the Aspen courses, Roch, the Silver Queen, and the Magnifico, expert skiing is required at one time or another somewhere along the line. The conclusion is that people who come from far and wide to ski in the sun at Aspen will be discouraged and disappointed at having to clatter down steep and icy pitches demanding top technic. Both Walter Paepcke, president of the Aspen company, and George Berger, president of the Aspen Skiing corporation, have assured me that gentler runs graded for beginners and learners are part of the big picture in the Aspen scene, and when more snow falls the southerly slopes down around the Little Annie, these hills will then be opened for the pleasure and recreation of visitors.

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The Smart Set

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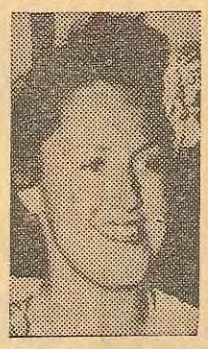
ASPEN, COLO., Jan. 13.—The nation's skiing capital shifted this weekend from the slopes of New England to the slopes of Ajax hill and Aspen mountain. Appropriately, ski fashion edicts from Aspen have become the final word. With members of the smart set and prominent skiers as models, those edicts were defined Sunday evening at the fashion show staged in the old Isis theater under direction of Miss Ruth Humphreys, Miss Jane Garrison and Mike Magnifico . . . Miss Humphreys and Miss Garrison, incidentally, were two of the most charming models in their own show—both of them in the new pencil-slim downhill trousers with matching monogrammed parkas of the same wool gabardine.



Ruth Humphreys.

Mrs. Johnny Litchfield and little Miss Mary Isabel Litchfield were an attractive mother-and-daughter couple, modeling the very latest in Swiss parkas with matching mittens and hats—the hats made with tiny brims and under-the-chin tabs. The Litchfields topped their costumes with lambs' wool white coats.

The new dressy look in after-ski clothes spotlighted the show—low round-neck sweaters trimmed with sequins or Tyrolean embroidery, worn with velvet slacks or full skirts . . . Mesdames Friedl Pfieffer, William Hodges Jr., D. R. C. Brown, Allan Phipps and two of Walter Paepcke's charming daughters, the Misses Nina and Paula, also were garbed in the latest in ski modes.

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Speaking of fashion, one of the most amusing features of Saturday's festivities was the costume ski race, in which expert skiing couples, garbed in a variety of ensembles, raced down the trail, tied together with a twenty-foot rope . . . That internationally known skier, Dick Durrance, padded like a fat woman, and Gordon Wren raced down the hill encumbered with an umbrella as the final touch for his costume as an old woman. One couple competed in pajamas and bathrobes. Other couples were dressed as Red Riding Hood and the grandmother, an angel and a devil, and belles and fops of the 1820's.

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Saturday night's ball at the old armory attracted a gay group of socialites who could have staged an informal fashion show, too . . . Mrs. Wilbur Lakas wore a striking red wool jersey dress with a red and gold wool hood, Miss Ruth Humphreys wore a black and white three-quarter-length dinner dress with a very full skirt and Miss Jane Garrison was attired in a yellow evening dress with a draped bustle.

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One group of socialites solved the housing shortage in crowded Aspen this weekend. Three couples, Messrs. and Mesdames Allan R. Phipps, John G. McMurtry Jr. and Harry Combs, occupied a private railroad car near the station. Mr. and Mrs. McMurtry were two of the most energetic skiers on the slopes and their slogan for the weekend was "Just one more run before lunch."

Caught watching Sunday morning's jumping exhibition were the two attractive Paepcke girls. "We had never skied until last year when dad became interested in Aspen and now we wish we could live out here . . . In fact, I would be willing to stop school and live here for the rest of the winter," was Nina's comment. She is a student at the School of Design. Her sister Paula is a freshman at Chicago university. They left Monday to return to classes. "We're both already looking forward to spring vacation," said Paula wistfully.

Mrs. Morrison Shafroth and her daughter, Mrs. J. Quigg Newton Jr., were other enthusiastic skiers in similar outfits of navy downhill pants, white parkas and red hoods . . . Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Bradford, who were part of the gay crowd aboard the special train, chatted informally in the diningroom Sunday evening. "I never thought I would see the day when I was enthusiastic about skiing, but I've ridden up and down on that spectacular lift for two days and loved every minute of it," remarked Mrs. Bradford. Their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Bradford, skied down the slopes during the gala weekend every minute that was free of exhibitions.

Sun-loving ski spectators crowded the mountain cafe atop Ajax mountain. They included the Denise Barkalows, James B. Grants, Morrison Shafroth and many others.

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ALBRIGHT STAGES SHOW THURSDAY

Another thirty-two-round boxing card has been booked by "Pistol Pete" Albright, Denver boxing promoter.

The card will be presented in the orthside Rollerdrome arena at :30 p. m. on Thursday, with an ght-round battle between Gene uffalo of Philadelphia and Eddie Veller from Oklahoma City. Weller a full breed Caddo Indian.

Buffalo recently defeated in a nver ring, Jose Martinez, the ddleweight champion of Mexico, d has defeated such well known xers as Fritze Zivic, Holman Wilms, and Charley Burley. Weller s met and defeated Tony Mar, elterweight champion of Mexico, d Rudy Cruz recently and in his t fight finished one up on Jess ores in Los Angeles. Buffalo xes at 150 pounds and Weller at 7.

Harold Wilson of Kansas City ill meet Johnnie Martinez of Denver in one of the four-round openers. In another Joe Matulick of ueblo will mix with Skippy Shurack of Colorado Springs at 135 ounds. Hank Henderson Henderson of Lowry field will battle Wayne Strowbridge of Colorado Springs at 147, and Louis Martinez of Colorado Springs will meet Dick Carr of Knoxville, Ky. There will be two other four round bouts.

Tickets are on sale at Jacobson's Cigar store, 610 Seventeenth street, Dave Cook's at Sixteenth and Larimer streets, and at Pagliacci's at 1430 West Thirty-third avenue.

Junior Ski Meet Slated Next Week

Sun Valley, Idaho, March 22.—(AP)—The youngsters next weekend will take over the Sun Valley ski slopes occupied just a week ago by the cream of the international corps.

Nine western states have filed entries for the Western Junior American Legion Ski championships, March 29 and 30. Tournament officials said that because of the lack of accommodations at Sun Valley each state would be permitted to send only five skiers.

A week ago Sun Valley was the scene of the Harriman cup races.

The Idaho American Legion sponsors the junior event, with entrants limited to high school students. Each state may send five boys, or three boys and two girls. In the last junior meet, held prior to the war, only Idaho, Washington and Montana entered girl skiers.

A Boise girl, Kathryn Rayne, has been chosen queen of the junior meet.

WREN THIRD IN OLYMPIC TEAM SKI JUMPING TRIALS

Special to The Denver Post.

Hyak, Wash., March 22.—Gordon Wren of Winter Park, Colo., with leaps of 230 and 240 feet for 209 points stood in third place at the end of Saturday's first-day competition for the six places on the United States Olympic ski jumping team.

The slender Coloradan was just two and a fraction points be-hind the second-place man—Walter Bietila of Iron Mountain, Mich., who had 211.10 points although his leaps were not as long as Wren's.

Both Bietila and Wren were far behind the pacesetter for the day—Joe Perrault of Ishpeming, Mich., who sprung 230 and 251 feet for 256.6 points.

SIX-MAN TEAM.

The American six-man team will be chosen at the conclusion of Sunday's finals.

Squat Arnold Kongsgaard of Kongsberg, Norway, after failing to match the record on two scheduled jumps, leaped a third time for 290 feet in an exhibition. The leap on the Milwaukee road's Olympian hill was one foot beyond the national record set by the late Torger Tokle at Ironwood, Mich., in 1941.

NOT OFFICIAL.

It was two feet more than Tokle's short-lived American record on this hill, which lasted for a week before he broke it at Iron Mountain.

Kongsgaard's leap will not count as a record because it was not competitive.

The summary of the Olympic tryout jumps:

First—Perrault 230, 251, for 256.6 points.
Second—Walter Bietila, Iron Mountain, Mich., 208, 230 for 211.10.
Third—Gordon Wren, Winter Park, Colo., 230, 240 for 209.
Fourth—Ralph Bietila, Ishpeming, 233, 235, 208.7.
Fifth—Sverre Fredheim, St. Paul, Minn., 226, 231, 208.45.
Sixth—Roy Bietila, Iron Mountain, Mich., 236, 251, 208.5.
Seventh—Eugene Wilson, Coleraine, Minn., 225, 222, 203.5.
Eighth—James Lawson, Ishpeming, 207, 229, 198.75.
Ninth—Walter Nelson, Beloit, Wis., 212, 210, 197.4.
Tenth—Leonard Soler, St. Paul, 204, 235, 197.35.
Eleventh—George Wright, Duluth, Minn., 222, 239, 195.2.
Twelfth—Wilmer Hampton, Wenatchee, Wash., 202, 227, 194.
Thirteenth—John Eilertson, Stanwood, Wash., 229, 230, 192.
Fourteenth—Bill Duckowitz, Madison, Wis., 182, 201, 184.
Fifteenth—Arnt Ofstad, Seattle, 179, 194, 179.
Sixteenth—Bud Lent, Minneapolis, 180, 179, 172.45.
Seventeenth — Oscar Severson, Eau Claire, Wis., 210 (fell first jump), 216, 136 points.
Eighteenth—Buster Campbell, Leavenworth, Wash., 198, 196, 120.85.
Nineteenth—Henry Olshanki, Madison, Wis., 194 (fell), 198, 114.

vored teammates and capture first place in the down mountain race.

Valaer's time over the spectacular two-mile course, which has a vertical drop of 3,000 feet, was 1:56.6. This was slightly better than the time turned in by Karl Molitor, 27-year-old Swiss shoemaker who holds the down mountain and slalom championships.

Molitor was second, in 1:58.

The slalom races will be run Sunday at Mount Rose near Reno.

MEN'S DIVISION RESULTS.

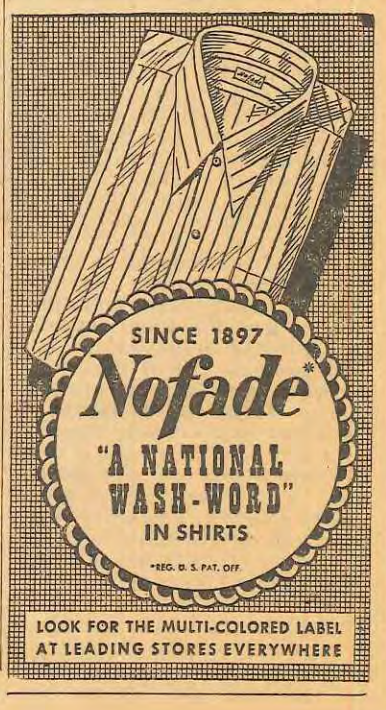
First, Paul Valaer, Switzerland, 1:56.6; second, Karl Molitor, Switzerland, 1:58; third, Edy Rominger, Switzerland, 1:58.2; fourth, Harry Morgan, University of California, 2:00; fifth, Leon Goodman, Sun Valley, 2:05; sixth, Pierre Jalbert, Quebec, 2:05.5; seventh, Abbot Phillips, Sun Valley, 2:05.4; eighth, Don Goodman, Sun Valley, 2:07.2; ninth, Cliff Banta, Reno, 2:07.8; tenth, Kris Berg, Norway, 2:10; eleventh, Peter Courtney, Franconia, N. H., 2:10.2; twelfth, Sel Hannah, Franconia, 2:16.2; thirteenth, Mickey Munley, Reno, 2:21; fourteenth, Barnes Berry, Reno, 2:21.8; fifteenth, Glen Gallison, University of California, 2:25.2; sixteenth, Bob Skinner, Utah, 2:27; seventeenth, Dean Kiner, University of California, 2:27.4; eighteenth, Ashley Van Slyck, Reno, 2:28.2; nineteenth, Harvey Clifford, Ottawa, Canada, 2:31; twentieth, Herbert Blatt, San Jose, Calif., 2:36.4; twenty-one, Gerald Wetzel, Reno, 2:40.4; twenty-two, Byron Johnson, Auburn, Calif., 2:43.6; twenty-three, George Jester, Sugar Bowl, Calif., 2:44; twenty-four, Al Henry, Tahoe City, Calif., 2:52.4; twenty-five, Craig Jacoble, Fresno, Calif., 2:56; twenty-sixth, Claude Redwine, Stanford, 3:21.4; twenty-seventh, Ralph Mitchell, Fresno, 3:51.4.

WOMEN'S DIVISION RESULTS.

Rosemary Bleur, Switzerland, first, 1:56; second, Rhoda Wurtele, Montreal, 2:02.6; third, Peggy Kenny, Franconia, N. H., 2:04; fourth, Olivia Ausonio, Switzerland, 2:21.8; fifth, Norma McDonald, University of California, 2:22.2; sixth, Nadine Malm, Stanford, 2:49; seventh, Antoinette Meyer, Switzerland, 2:51.6; eighth, Pauline Hannah, Franconia, N. H., 2:52.2; ninth, Ginnie Rodgers, Worcester, Mass., 3:13.8.

Swiss Skier Wins Nevada Downhill

Reno, Nev., March 22.—(AP)—Paul Valaer, member of a crack Swiss ski team, swept down the Silver Dollar Ski Derby's slide mountain course at speeds of seventy and seventy-five miles an hour Saturday to edge out his fa-



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Pete Seibert, Soldier Skier Who Built Vail, Is Dead at 77

By DOUGLAS MARTIN

Pete Seibert, who transformed a heep pasture in the Colorado Rock-es into the Vail ski resort, died July 5 at his home in Edwards, Colo. He vas 77.

The cause was cancer, said Jenni-er Brown, a spokeswoman for Vail Resorts.

In 2000, Ski magazine placed Mr. eibert third on its list of history's 00 most influential skiers for build-ng one of the first and largest of the ew breed of postwar American ski esorts, with all the amenities of uropean skiing villages.

Mr. Seibert's early inspiration ame from pictures he saw of an dyllic Austrian ski resort when he vas 10, Skiing magazine reported in 999. He had already been skiing for hree years on a pair of his mother's vooden skis.

Mr. Seibert served as a combat oldier on skis in World War II and vas wounded so badly that doctors aid he might never walk again, let lone ski. Three years later, he laced third in the giant slalom at the Jnited States Nationals.

Peter Werner Seibert was born on Aug. 7, 1924, in Sharon, Mass. He spent much of his youth in the White Mountains of New Hampshire, where he practiced with Austrian instructors who had left Europe as war seemed imminent. By 15, he was winning races.

In 1943, Mr. Seibert, then 18, joined the Army and volunteered for the 10th Mountain Division. He trained for high-altitude winter combat at Fort Hale in the Colorado Rockies.

In 1945, he saw combat in the Apennine Mountains of northern Italy, where he was hit by small-arms fire and two mortar shells, one of which blew off his right kneecap. He spent 17 months undergoing surgery and convalescing at hospitals in the United States.

With the dream of starting a ski resort, Mr. Seibert headed for Colorado. Other members of the 10th Mountain Division did the same thing, forming the nucleus of the postwar skiing industry.

Though Mr. Seibert had to tape himself from his hip to his ankle and strap on a homemade leg brace, his skiing progressed to the point that he qualified for the 1950 United States Alpine ski team. But he wanted to get into the resort business, and he used the G.I. Bill to study hotel management at a school in Switzerland from 1951 to 1954.

He returned to Colorado to take a job with the Aspen Ski School and in 1955 became manager of the Loveland Ski Area. After three years, he moved back to Aspen as assistant manager of the Aspen Highlands resort.

After discovering what would become Vail Mountain in 1957, he devoted himself to his dream. With the help of a small group of partners, he paid $55,000 for 520 acres of ranch land.

The land was in the White River National Forest, and the Forest Service required him to come up with $1.8 million by December 1961 to cover construction costs. He decided that each investor of $10,000 would get four free lifetime lift passes. For $500 more, investors would get land for a home site.

The lots are now worth millions.

Mr. Seibert never realized a fortune from Vail. In March 1976, a frayed cable caused two gondolas carrying skiers up the mountain to plunge 125 feet to the ground. Four were killed and eight injured. Fearing lawsuits, Mr. Seibert sold his stake in Vail, which then changed hands several times.

He later put together the group that developed Snow Basin, a ski resort in Utah. A cash squeeze resulting from a recession forced him to sell again.

After working on several other ski developments, he returned to Vail as a consultant.

Mr. Seibert was president of the American Ski Federation and the National Ski Areas Association, and was inducted into the United States National Ski Hall of Fame.

He is survived by his sons, Peter Werner Seibert Jr. of Edwards, Brant Albert Seibert of Boulder, Colo., and Calvin Pardee of Manhattan.

As recently as last March, Mr. Seibert was poking around Colorado, looking for another mountain to develop.



Associated Press

Pete Seibert in Vail, Colo., in 1962, the year the ski resort opened.

On March 19, 1957, he saw a skier's promised land when Earl Eaton, a sometime uranium prospector, took him on a seven-hour climb through deep snow to the summit of a mountain whose bulk had not been visible from the valley below.

Mr. Seibert was awed. It was an almost perfect hill, with slopes all around that permitted skiing in all directions, at different degrees of steepness; skiers of almost any level would be able to get down safely. The peak was 3,000 vertical feet above a valley that seemed perfect for a ski village. At an elevation of 8,000 feet above sea level, the valley was just below the timberline, so the trees minimized the problem of high winds.

"My God, Earl, we've climbed all the way to heaven," Mr. Seibert said, according to articles in Denver newspapers over the years.

Mr. Seibert gave Mr. Eaton credit for finding Vail, which Mr. Seibert named for Charles Vail, chief engineer of the Colorado highway department from 1930 to 1945.

But most people give Mr. Seibert credit for the next critical steps. He secretly bought the land, telling anyone who asked that he was building a rod and gun club. He found people willing to invest in the still-unproven postwar ski industry. He organized construction and found a gondola lift in the Alps.

Scant snow was on the ground when the resort opened in December 1962, so he hired Ute Indians to perform a snow dance. A blizzard materialized.

"Everybody else thought we were crazy, but we thought we could do any damned thing we decided to do," Mr. Seibert said in an interview with Sports Illustrated in 1989.

The result, an idealized environment with bed, board and bars close at hand, established a style that has since become familiar at American ski resorts.

It happened fast. In 1964, Sports Illustrated reported that "never in the history of U.S. skiing has a bare mountain leaped in such a short time into the four-star category of ski resorts."

Sent by son of John's best friend, Ken Bergren, deceased

SECOND ANNUAL ROCH CUP RACES
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COMBINED RESULTS

PLACE	NAME	CLUB	DOWNHILL	PLACE	SLALOM 1st run	SLALOM 2nd run	SLALOM PLACE	POINTS
	WOMEN							
1.	Hope Humphries	ASC	2:35.1	3	1:20.3	1:12.3	1	293
2.	Joan Trumbull	ASC	2:2[illegible].4	1	1:22.3	1:25.2	5	296
3.	Emily Schultz	ASC	2:33.4	2	1:26.0	1:20.1	4	303
4.	Louise Bulkley	CCC	2:5[illegible].0	5	1:15.1	1:22.2	2	316
5.	Maud Banks	ASC	2:49.3	4	1:24.2	1:45.0	6	340
6.	Olivia Brock	CCC	3:28.0	9	1:22.3	1:23.0	3	357
7.	Jane K. Brown	JHSC	3:01.3	7	1:25.0	1:52.2	7	359
8.	Donnis Gallagher	BSC	3:02.1	8	1:33.2	1:59.0	8	373
9.	Debbie Smith	ASC	2:59.1	6	1:35.4	2:02.1	9	375
10.	Lydia Brewster	JHSC	3:39.4	10	2:06.0	1:44.4	10	428
	MEN							
1.	Pete Seibert	ASC	2:16.0	1	58.0	1:11.3**	5	292
2.	Lowell Elisha	ASC	2:32.2	5	55.4	1:01.2	1	293
3.	Don Elisha	ASC	2:30.2	3	1:02.2	1:01.2	2	299
4.	Ralph Ball #	PSC	2:32.1	4	1:03.1	1:04.2	4	305
5.	Rex Rathbun #	ASC	2:34.2	6	1:02.0	1:03.2	3	305
6.	Ed Halsted	SVSC	2:26.1	2	1:02.3	1:25.2	12	324
7.	Scott Taylor	ASC	2:48.3	10	1:10.4	1:14.4	10	343
8.	Don St. Louis	HSC	2:56.0	11	1:03.3	1:20.3	8	349
9.	Leonard Woods	ASC	2:43.2	8	1:24.0	1:11.3*	14	350
10.	Casey McKibben	Z	2:58.2	12	1:14.1	1:10.2*	9	352
11.	James Johnson	Z	3:11.3	15	1:01.2	1:14.0	6	354
12.	Art Kidder	PSC	2:46.4	9	1:10.1	1:27.2*	15	356
13.	John Wood	BSC	3:00.2	13	1:10.2	1:17.0*	11	357
14.	Thomas Thompson	BSC	3:13.0	16	1:09.4	1:22.4	13	376
15.	Tom Lyon	BSC	3:06.1	14	1:08.3	1:32.3*	16	380
16.	Bill Ostrander	BSC	3:43.2	23	1:00.3	1:19.4*	7	392
17.	Fred Nyland	BSC	3:20.3	17	1:15.4	1:34.1	18	405
18.	Henry W. Toll	CU	3:33.4	22	1:15.2	1:30.2	17	413
19.	Jack Jackson	Z	3:24.2	19	1:40.2	1:37.3	20	442
20.	Phil Gibson	ASC	4:00.1	25	1:05.0	1:51.1	19	452
21.	Alfred Vail	BSC	3:23.1	18	1:55.4	1:45.3	22	469
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	Bill Lane	ASC	3:27.3	21	Disq.			
	David Stephenson	CU	4:01.3	26				
	Robert Wilson	GWSC	4:02.1	27				
	Pete M. Thompson	BSC	4:06.0	28				
	Women							
	Lucy Coffin	BSC	3:41.4	11				
	Margaret Packard	CCC	3:42.1	12				
	Jerry Fleming	PSC	3:50.0	13				
	Jean Stinson	CMC	3:57.1	14				
	Marcia Toll	CCC	5:39.2	15				
	D'Anne Gravitt	PSC	6:49.3	16				

RACE DATA

The Andre Roch Trophy Race, inaugurated last season by Aspen Ski Club, has been named in honor of the great Swiss mountaineer and skier who designed the race course, Roch Run, on which the event is held. The fine trophy dedicated to this race, given by Mr. Walter Paepcke, was won last year by Barney McLean in the men's, and Barbara Kidder, in the women's class. The downhill race will cover the same course length and drop of 1.6 miles in 2400 feet as used for five previous SRMSA Championships and the National Championships in 1941. The present course record over this distance is held by Gordon Wren at 2:03:2. The slalom will be set on the Magnifico Cutoff, on the lower slopes of Aspen Mountain.

OFFICIALS

Race Committee:	Dick Wright Robert McPhee Andy Ransom
Chief of Course:	Robert Perry
Chief Timer:	Arthur Kidder

PROGRAM

Downhill Race:	Saturday, March 22nd, 11:00 A. M.
Ski Ball:	Saturday evening, Armory Hall.
Slalom Race:	Sunday, March 23rd, 10:00 A. M. and 2:00 P. M.
Banquet:	Sunday evening, Hotel Jerome.



Second Annual Andre Roch Trophy Race

Sponsored By Aspen Ski Club

March 22-23, 1947 **Aspen, Colorado**


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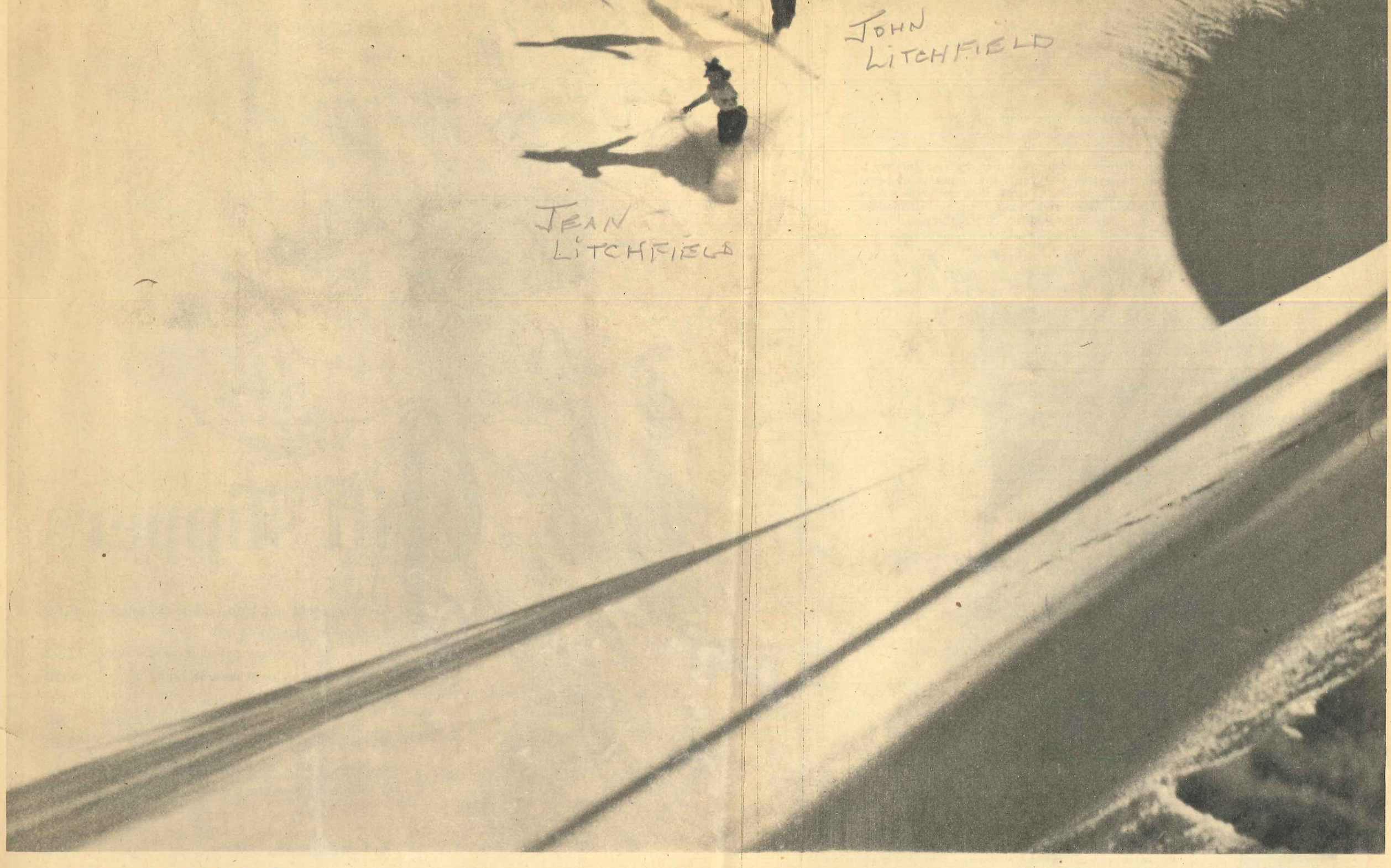

COLORADO'S VIRGIN SNOW gives glorious fulfillment to a skier's dream. Ski experts from the Old World and the crowded courses of the east find their first view of the white Rockies difficult to believe. Mile after mile, vast unmarked slopes invite them to be first to ride. This is such a view in American lake basin, twelve miles south of Aspen, Colo., and west of the ghost town of Ashcroft at the foot of Mount Hayden in the Elk mountains. The skiers are Percy Rideout, Jeanne and John Litchfield, all of Aspen. Photograph by Charles E. Grover of Denver.

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ASPEN

FEATURES SPRING SKI TOURING!

SKI TOURS, one, two, three day or a week's trip into some of the finest touring country in the world, will be conducted at ASPEN during the months of April and May when the spring corn snow is at its best in this great ski area.

Among the possible tours is one starting from the Sun Deck, at the terminal of the 14,000 foot chair lift, having gained an altitude of 3,400 vertical feet. From the Sun Deck skiers proceed along Richmond Hill Ridge to Gold Hill to its junction with the Elk Range, crossing into Montezuma Basin either via North Italian Mountain and through Pearl Pass, or through Cooper Basin across Castle Creek. The National Ski Association's shelter hut in Pearl Basin has been stocked and readied to receive overnight parties.

Skiers may tour this route, gradually climbing until lunchtime, then ski down to Aspen that afternoon, or they may continue to the shelter hut for the night.

From the hut, the famous slopes of Mount Hayden, in Montezuma Basin and in Cooper Basin, are easily accessible for a day's skiing. A group may thus headquarter at the hut and make a different tour each day for as long as the party wishes. Shelter cabins are also available at Ashcroft as headquarters for touring parties in the Mount Hayden area. From the shelter hut it is a day's skiing back to Aspen, or transportation may be arranged from Ashcroft.

All tours will be organized and conducted by the Friedl Pfeifer Ski School with expert skiers and mountaineers leading each party.

The climax of spring skiing in Aspen is the annual giant slalom race at Independence Pass early in June with rival ski clubs of the area competing. Throughout April and May excellent snow conditions make Aspen one of the outstanding spring ski resorts in the country, and its magnificent surrounding terrain offers touring not to be surpassed anywhere in the world.

COME TO ASPEN FOR THE SPRING TOURING!

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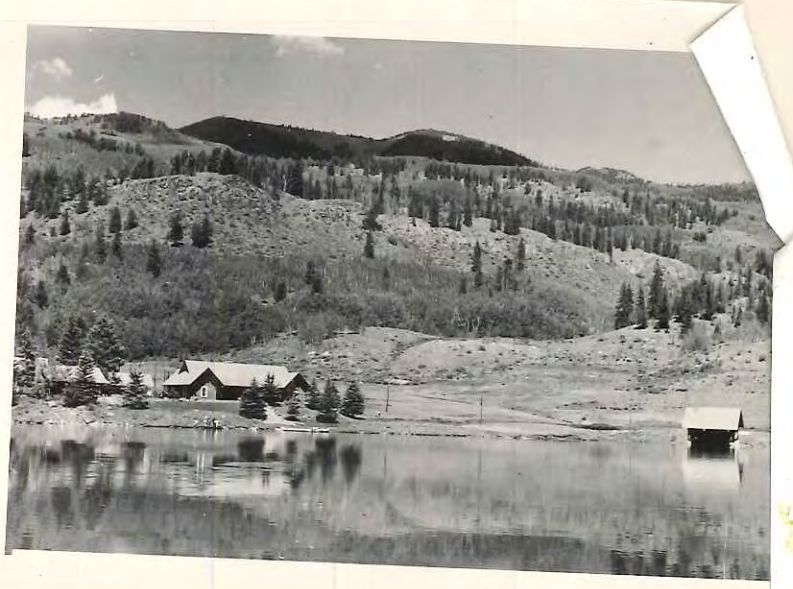

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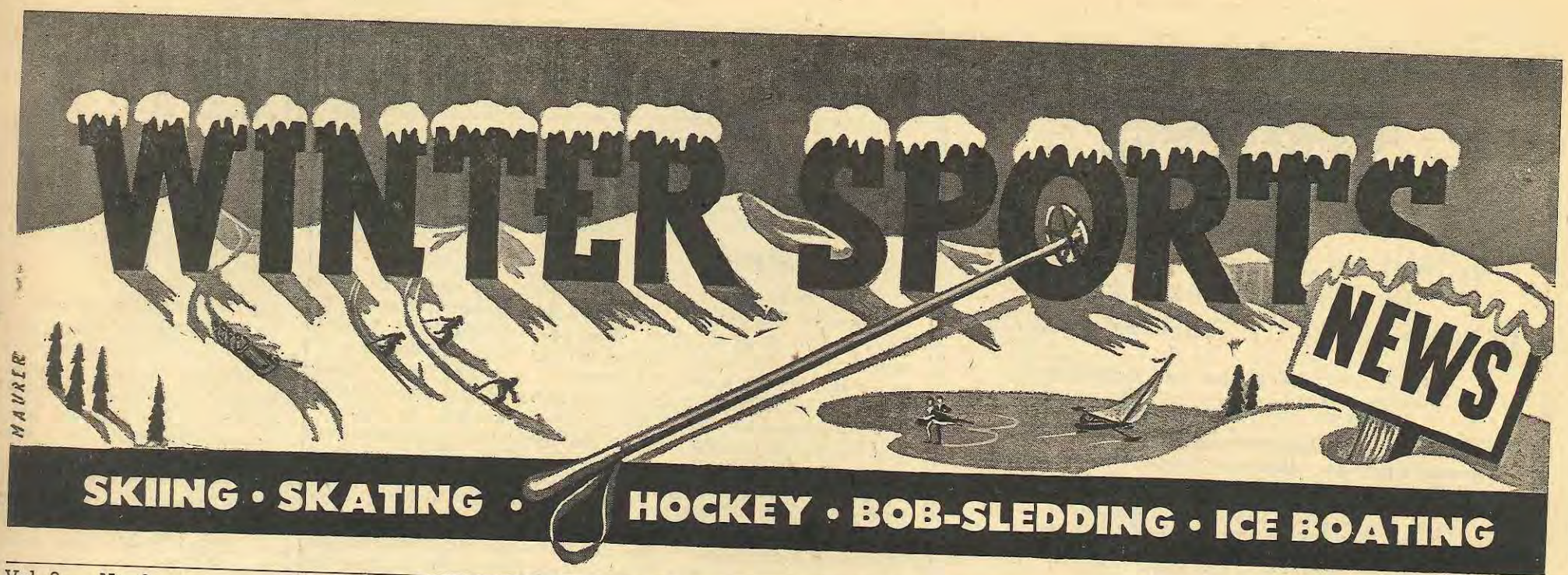

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$30,000 Shortage Uncovered
A National Disgrace

Pittsfield, Mass., November 1st. Today your reporter heard of a shortage of slightly over $30,000. All skiers in the Eastern part of the United States can be held personally responsible except those who have worked or donated their dollars to the United States Olympic Ski Team Fund. $50,000 was needed and so far only $20,000 has been collected.

Alexander H. Bright, a member of the 1936 U. S. Olympic Ski Team and at present a member the 1948 Ski Games' Committee, speaks most enthusiastically of the members of the 1948 Ski Team but they must be backed with funds. They have a hard enough job to win against our European experts and competitors without carrying the mental burden of a lax and indifferent American public. The fund is not completed and the time is so short. Hundreds of skiers and interested people have done their part. For instance, Mrs. Everett Griggs II, a very good recreational skier from Tacoma and a regular visitor at Sun Valley, produced with the help of Fred Picard, a beautifully designed hand knit sweater and the entire proceeds are going to the fund, $450.00 so far. Many clubs will run benefit shows in the next two months. Buy tickets even if you can't go. Other helpers are working and we have no knowledge of their good deeds - to them we say - "well done" but this lead story - in the best spot of our newspaper is for one purpose only. To get that missing $30,000. We can, if you will mail $1.00 to Alex Bright tonight. His Address is U. S. E. A. S. A., 1416 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, 38, Massachusetts.

To a Pair of Skis

For twenty years they grew on ends
In one round spot in one round place
May fifty, maybe on tips, maybe each
In a different tree that wished
It were able to ski about and places be.
Not into a house these hickory sticks
Or lemon woods, or stove or grate or packing case,
But molded as who isn't these days
And schooled and polished in the best of ways
For a sure swift ski through the wood
And mountain country. Ecstacy!
And here is man with the same desire-
Good companions these three,
The skier and the two skis.

E. A. Pyyny



THE "GELANDESPRUNG"

The "Gelandesprung" or the "Jump turn" you guess which, are both good for the downhill runner, to leap over small obstacles, deep ruts or small ledges. It is not recommended for novices.

SKI PENNSYLVANIA

Pennsylvania's winter resort areas, in many of which improvements in facilities for the enjoyment of winter sports have been expanded since the last season, are prepared for one of their greatest years according to a survey just completed by the vacation and recreation bureau of the State Department of Commerce. The Department also announced it has completed the compilation of data for its annual booklet "Winter Sports in Pennsylvania," which is now ready for distribution.

Organized winter sports activities will be provided in more than a score of areas in Pennsylvania this season, most of them in the

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SKI SCHOOLS FOR SKI TEACHERS

Yes Sir, "Benzine knees," $2.00 puleese, may be a joke but hereafter the teachers intend to give you more than your money's worth. Ski schools for ski teachers are not only for junior teachers but for the experts.

The Putney School, Putney, Vermont is a ski school for Coaches sponsored by the Interscholastic Ski Committee of the U. S. E. A. S. A. directed by John S. Holden and Erling Heisted. Cost $15.00 for the tuition. Accommodation at Putney School Inn $30.00 for 6 nights. Putney Youth Hostel 35 cents per night for members, 50 cents for non-members.

Mrs. Inga Prime, Box 712, Lake Placid Club, secretary of the New York State Professional Ski Instructors' Association, announces an instructor's course and examination this winter. The course wil last 7 days. Five days tuition $7.50 and two days examination $10.00. Rooms at Snow Ridge are $2.00. Perry Williams will give a special rate of $1.00 for all candidates taking the course. Write Mrs. Prime for further information.

St Lawrence University at Canton, New York, conducts a New York State Winter Sports School for High School students, teachers and coaches, etc. Otto Schniebs internationally famous skier heads the school with James "Doc" Littlejohn, St. Lawrence's Ski Coach with a vast ski teaching experience, assisting. Space prohibits the listing of the entire illustrious staff. The course is $25.00. Living quarters and food is handled at the Men's Residence, St. Lawrence University, Canton, N. Y.

Ski Area Owner Bemoans New Falling Snow

No he is not "nuts." When a reporter from Winter Sports News visited Mohawk Mt. Ski Area at Cornwall, Conn., on Sunday November 9th it started to snow to the great concern of Walter Schoenknecht. Walter wants no snow for another three weeks. Temperamental carpenters and outdoor fireplace builders won't work outdoors in a snow storm. And Walter wants everything ready for Mohawk's grand opening. It is sure will be grand. Skiers of Connecticut you've got yourself an area.

Amateur Ski Club of New York Presents Washburn

Don't miss "The Conquest of Mt. McKinley" under the auspices of the Amateur Ski Club of New York, Thursday, December 18th at Hunter College Auditorium. This magnificent colored picture by Bradford Washburn, famous mountaineer and explorer is of special significance to all Americans. Jot it down on your calendar, December 18, 1947.

TRAIL NAMING CONTEST EXTENDED
To December 31, 1947
$50.00 in CASH
or
$75.00 SKI OUTFIT
10 Additional Consolation Prizes
See Mohawk Ski Area Adv. Page 7

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The Editor's Corner

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EDITORIAL

I just came back from a two day coverage of the U. S. E. A. S. A. Convention in Pittsfield, Mass. I would be letting you skiers down if I did not write this Editorial exactly as I feel. My reactons - my opinions - not guided by parliamentary rules - which have their place - or by pussy-footing for some potential advertiser - or the fear of losing a subscription. I'm going to write fearlessly with no consideration of friend or foe and thank God, I have a few foes for they stimulate me to fight back. I write humbly and with a fervid hope that you will encourage me with your criticism both good and bad. A penny post card will do the trick. Send it today, for in this editorial we blast several people. The shoe may not fit so don't get personal. I am forced to also ask you, you the skier, if you love the sport, for some money. I am not asking you to fill Winter Sports News coffers or my pocket book but to make skiing a better sport for more and more and more people. It is within your power to do so. That is the purpose of this editorial but remember this is only one little man's opinion. God gave me a brain, even though it is "addled" most of the time. Let me use it to our mutual advantage.

YOUR TURN TO LAUGH.

Many, Many years ago I used to coach shows and one day one of the cuties (you know, dumb but of so beautiful) 'way in the back row, made some suggestion to improve the musical. The cast roared with derision and laughter but I accepted the suggestion and yes, you guessed it, it was one of the outstanding hits of the show. May you roar with derision at some of the following suggestions but may also your penny postal card reply show us **your** way of doing something about our sport. Not just talk but action.

WINTER SPORTS NEWS

Winter Sports News is not (and positively **NOT**) the official organ of the National Ski Association of America or the U. S. E. A. S. A. meaning the United States Eastern Amateur Ski Association. This is a free press that begs the opposition and the disgruntled within the family to use its editoral pages, free, for the discussion of vital things. Things that should not be laid on the table for another year because of parliamentary rules. Certainly rules are necessary. Decorum and law is in order. But to hell with ethics if the patient is dying. And boy, some of your vital, important committees and associations are very, very sick. In fact, dying.

HOW TO HELP.

There is a crying need for your help but you can't help without knowledge. You have to learn through this unattached and unofficial organ about what the U. S. E. A. S. A. is - what it will do for you - its purposes and objectives. This can be best accomplished by taking out a membership in a ski club. Ski News, its official organ is a great sheet. Bill Eldred its publisher is a fine man and in the short space of 10 years, has the very best ski publication in existence today. There is no better medium covering the national picture. Recently Ski News absorbed Ski Sheet, that lively little skinews paper, edited by Robert Stevens and Hewitt Penny. Both boys are now on the Ski News staff and that is good, (for Ski News). When Bill started back in 1938 with a bed room for an office and an orange crate for a filing cabinet, I am sure he did not hope for such a swell supporting staff including Betsy Bankart, the Managing Editor and a 16 page slick sheet such as Vol. 10, No. 1. But why sell it so cheap? Only 50c to members of the Eastern. Ski News is worth every cent of $2.00 a year and membership in the Eastern is worth another $2.00. Wake up boys and get your selling prices nearer production costs. Secondly, Bill, your front page should be screaming headlines likes ours in this issue. Why should not our Olympic Ski Team go to Europe in luxury with America's wholehearted backing? See page 1, column 1, Volume 2, No. 2 of Winter Sports News.

1948 CONVENTION

The Convention comes to New York City next year, with the Swedish Ski Club as its host. I as a member of the U. S. E. A. S. A. in good standing - dues paid and also as a Trustee and Active Member of the Swedish Ski Club, will do my part to see that proper individual rooms are arranged for the meeting of the all important panels and not have the distraction of two panels meeting with only a screen between. To arrange that "Doug" Burckett's table is centered so that all delegates can hear or better still we'll have a "mike" and loud speaker system. Perhaps that will keep some of the delegates awake. I counted three, tight asleep. Also Mr. President, why not plan now to speed up next year's convention with efficient management and preparation. Why not have mimeographed copies of all committee reports at each delegates chair in time for thought and contemplation and summary of panels also mimeographed and available an hour before the main convention session. It can be done, inexpensively - in New York. Also Mr. President, why not plan now on a program that will be so lively and so interesting and so timed that all delegates will remain in their seats. This year while you may have had a quorum, near the end, some very vital things were discussed and passed with half the delegates gone, some home and some to the "Satire Room." And how about a five or ten minute bull session on the program for the Press. You can't tell me "Tap" Goodenough of the Boston Record-American, Fred Hawthorne of the New York Herald Tribune and that ace reporter Frank Elkins of the New York Times, or Henry Moore of the Boston Herald could not be most helpful in a question and answer period on "How can the Press and Eastern do a better job together." And boy, how you fellows missed the boat on Winter Sports News. I not only offered you all the space you needed in my pages but offered to get you a new, much needed mimeograph machine for nothing and both offers were turned down in a dignified, quiet, diplomatic manner. Why? Wake up gentlemen, in us you have a friend and willing worker and what's more, a paid up member. I leave my last "yap" because last is never least. Any competitive or recreational skier or any area owner or anyone making a nickel on winter sports, who has not donated at least $1.00 to the Olympic Fund, should give up his skiing or his business. Our boys and girls will have a hard enough time beating the well-trained Europeans without feeling they haven't our financial and moral support. Read the story on Page 1, Column 1.

Henry Paschke

Thanks To The U. S. E. A. S. A.

Skiing is more fun thanks to the United States Amateur Ski Association because of their four basic objectives.

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Professor Nasensprung Slatski

SNO-BAWLS

Under this heading come letters to the editor. This column will serve as an open forum for all letters pertaining to the good or bad aspects of winter sports.

Wall Street Ski Club
October 26th, 1947

Gentlemen:

We have just read the first issue of the coming season. To us at the Club, Winter Sports News is a "must" to all skiers. Great work! Lots of information given.

Skifully yours,
Helen A. Delaney, Sec.

New York Times Sports Department
October 18th, 1947

Dear Henry:

Many thanks for your copy of Winter Sports News, a publication which Johnny Jay incidentally, mentions in Skiing the Americas.

Keep up the fine work! The more ski publications, the more writers, the healthier the sport. Right?

Here's my $1.50 for a year's subscription.

Cordially,
Frank Elkins

Dear Mr. Paschke:

Will you please somewhere in your columns, page the New York City Ski Council and call the following to the attention of all Ski Patrols?

It has long been agreed that controlled skiing prevents accidents and increases skiing pleasure for the skier and for all other skiers in the vicinity. Controlled ski technique is obtained through proper instruction and practice. But controlled behavior on the ski slopes can only be achieved through association with skiers who believe that good manners are worthwhile outdoors as well as indoors.

We have noticed that in the main, members of well organized ski clubs are the best exponents of control in the snow world. Unfortunately however, the vast majority of skiers do not belong to a ski club. This condition can be blamed on a number of reasons, among which are;

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1. Not knowing about ski clubs.
2. Not knowing the advantages of belonging to a club.
3. Not knowing how to join

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"Subscription Gyp" Sez he – Could be?

That's what one subscriber thought when after starting last season we only came out with four editions. Paper shortage - new organization and an exceptionaly bad snow season **start.** Remember January? Palm Beach weather?

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THE POSTMAN RINGS TWICE

Dear Miss Donovan:

I am returning check for $1.50, feeling the 4 issues of Winter Sports News last season were not enough for your money, so I extend your subscription for another full year.

Henry Paschke

PEGGY REPLIES

I again return my check, please accept it. Your four issues gave me more than that amount of enjoyment. Apply this $1.50 to next year.

Peg

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SKI LESSON FOR BEGINNERS

Number 6

By KARL ACKER

Headmaster of the Pico Peak School, Rutland, Vermont

There are several ways of changing direction from a straight walk. Stepping around it is called and can be done by either using the front or back of the skis. Let's do it with the front first. Say you want to turn to the right - well you pick up the front of the right ski and move it outwards about 30 degrees - without raising the tail end - that stays on the snow - then pick up your left ski and catch up to the other one. It is very important that the tail ends be kept on the snow - that prevents your skis from crossing. Now you can do it the opposite way, by opening your tail ends. Simply raise your right or left heel - push it outwards again about 30 degrees - this time keep your tips on the snow - then catch up with the other ski. It is an easy maneuvre as long as you keep your skis from crossing. For good practice you can make a complete circle this way, however if you want to turn around a little quicker you can use what is called the kickturn. Picking yourself a good level spot to stand on - your poles at your side for better balance - move your left ski back about a foot - then swing it forward and upward vigorously until the ski points straight up in the air, - then set the end of it down right near the tip of the other ski, now when you're sure you are properly balanced move your left pole behind your back next to the other pole - then let your left ski drop to the outside - keeping that tail end on the snow - use it as a pivot -let that ski drops until it rests next to the right ski - pointing in the opposite direction - sort of an akward position, isn't it! Now you put all your weight on your left ski - then pick up your right ski and pole - swing them around until you end up in a normal position again facing the other way.

Well let's get up the hill now - a very slight grade can be climbed using the regular walking step - as on the level - however you'll have to use your poles now to keep you from slipping backwards. You have to make sure not to insert the poles in front of you - they have to be kept in back at all times so to act as a brace. When it gets a little steeper you'll use the herringbone step. Facing up the hill you open your skitips about 5 feet - then putting your weight on your left ski you step forward and **out** with your right one - you step out so as not to cross the back end of your skis they must clear otherwise you wouldn't be able to pick up the other ski. Now you shift your weight to the right and step with your left ski. Again keep your poles behind you - after you have climbed for a while look back and your tracks will look like a herringbone - thats where the name comes from. On steep grades we use the sidestep - simply place your skis straight across the hill - step upwards with your upper ski about one foot moving your upper pole at the same time - then close up with the lower ski and pole.

Now you are up about high enough - set your poles out near the tips of your skis then step around by opening your tail ends - using your poles to hold yourself from giding forward - step around until your skis face straight down the hill - now hold it there until next week.

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MAN MADE SNOW

Most everyone has heard of the amazing new process of producing man made snow. And we have dreamed about it in connection with our grand sport of skiing too.

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"Man made snow!! What do you know? What next?

1. "And now how about twelve inches of powder over there!"

2. "Oh for that good old hard-pa could execute the best of christi ankles!"

WHO SAID WINTER SPORTS NEWS IS NOT ON THE NEWSSTANDS?

Our underground operator reports a malicious lie to the effect that Winter Sports News cannot be bought at the crossroads of the U. S. which for our money is 42nd St. and Fifth Avenue. Upon our return to the office we checked our distributing Newsstands in that area and here is the list. All in 42nd Street.

First a reference copy can be referred to in the New York Public Library. 2. The newsstand in front of the Grand Central Station. Ask for Libien. 3. Fimiani - Northeast corner of Madison Avenue. 4. Radicone - Northwest corner of Madison Avenue. 5. Rosenstein - Southwest corner of Madison Avenue. That squares off things on that corner. 6. On Fifth Avenue try Wittenberg, southwest corner and for good measure 7. Sachs, a little down from that corner. 8. Rutkin is half way down between 5th and 6th Avenue opposite Stern's. 9. Leavitt Bros. will take care of you on the Southeast corner of 6th Avenue and then there is 10. Garfield News down in the subway of the Times Building.

Next week we list others in other sections of this great metropolis for your convenience.



WHY WE SKI

Clocked at 45 miles an hour this unknown skier is distinctly "alerted". Note the pitch of the ridge - the way his inside edges are biting into the mountain - his excellent Vorlage and the safe handling of the poles. Let's practice hard so that we may all ride like this!

ICE CHIPS

with RAY RUGE

Iceboaters and Prospective Iceboaters - Greetings!

When Editor Paschke had his first iceboat ride at Greenwood Lake last winter, he vowed he would not rest until more eastern winter sport fans had tried it. When he learned that The Eastern Ice Yachting Association centers in New York, with all its regular Championship Regatta courses within 70 miles of Times Square, he was amazed. Why its much closer than skiing! And you do it when there's no snow! I want to learn more about it, said he-so we gave him a ride. He didn't want to quit. In fact, he went "nuts". And so does anyone else with a normal yen for speed, beauty and thrills. It is in sincere hopes of acquainting more metropolitan folk with iceboating and the spots and means for enjoying it, that we launch this column.

WHERE:

Iceboating has flourished for nearly a century on the Navisink and Shrewsbury Rivers at Red Bank and Long Branch, N. J. and (until the coast guard icebreakers undertook to ruin the Hudson River every season it was the hottest spot of all.) The salty bays and ponds along Long Island's south shore, at Patchogue, Bellport, Moriches and Binghampton, have always had iceboating, in a hard winter. The mountain lakes of northwest Jersey, Hopatcong, Muscovetcong and Greenwood have become very active in the last 20 years when milder winters were the rule. Lake Tiorati in the Bear Mt. Park, Rockland Lake, near Nyack, Orange Lake just west of Newburg, Lakes Warawang, Candlewood and Bantam in Connecticut, and several lakes in Northeren Rhode Island and southeastern Massachusetts, as well as the Mystic Lakes near Boston have active clubs and plenty of sailing.

Just ten years ago, the desire to get together for racing, plus better roads, cars and trailers, prompted the formation of the Eastern Ice Yachting Association with headquarters in New York and member clubs now numbering 14 from Long Branch, New Jersey to Stoughton, Mass. Each year these clubs send their best boats to the Association Championship Regatta, where they sail three heats for each class championships, and then toss the six class champions into a three race series for the open championship. Past regatta sites were:

1939 Lake Hopatcong, 1940 Red Bank, 1941 Lake Musconetcong, 1942 Greenwood Lake (Central), 1946 Orange Lake, 1947 Greenwood Lake (Southern).

The 48 Regatta site will not be finally selected untill next Jan-

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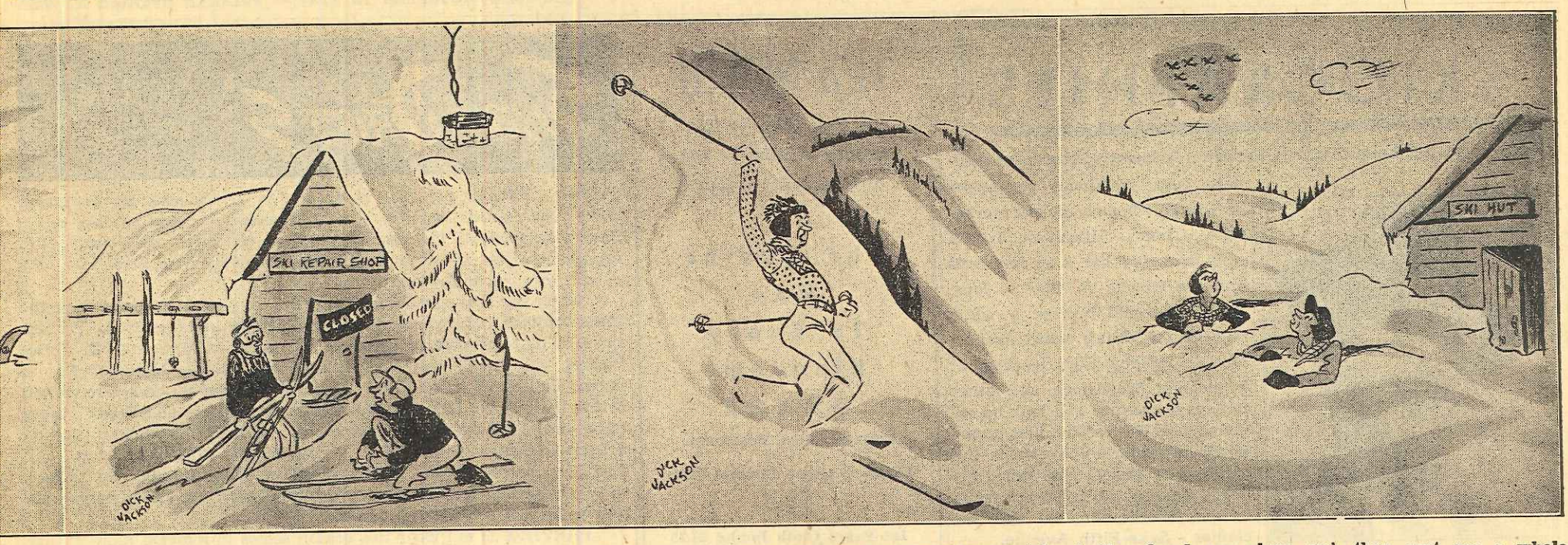

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3. "On this snow a new lacquer job lasts a year and edges never tear out, so I'm closing up shop and going skiing myself!"

4. "Now what was that they used to say about a telemark trun being good for deep snow?"

5. "I ordered one plane and they sent me a whole squadron!"

SKI PENNSYLVANNIA

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Pocono Mountains in the northeastern corner of the state. New ski lifts, wider trails, new toboggan runs are included in the improvements made since last year and all resorts report they already have more reservations for the winter season than was true last year. The optimistic note sounded by the resort owners is seen in their expenditures for improvements.

For example at Split Rock Lodge, not far from White Haven and on the edge of the Poconos, more than $100,000 has been expended in facilities for participants in winter sports activities.

At Laurel Mountain Slopes, near Ligonier, in southwestern Pennsylvania, a similar sum was spent. At this place, too, arrangements have been made for the operation of "snow" buses out of Washington, D. C., Cleveland, O., and Pittsburgh. It is quite possible, too, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and the D. L. & W. Railroad will operate winter sports specials into areas in Pennsylvania served by their lines.

Rates in the resort areas are not higher than last year and compare favorably with pre-war rates, according to a survey just completed by the Department.

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An Expert's Advice on Ski Care

John Wictorin, Director of the U. S. E. A. S. A., Chairman of the N. Y. Metropolitan Ski Jumping Committee, President for 10 years of the Swedish Ski Club, accredited Jumping Judge, Runner-up of the National Cross Country 18 km. championship and all around good fellow, tells you what to do about the care of your skis.

1. First remove all running and base wax from bottom of Ski. To remove use scraper, sandpaper and steel wool or apply heat with the means of a blow torch.

2. Use small Phillips screwdriver to tighten all screws holding steel edges. Precaution: Do not tighten screws too much, they might break in the wood. If the outside edge is burred or torn, use a fine file in smoothing out the edge. Always try to maintain sharp edges.

3. Apply first coat of lacquer and allow to dry. Before applying second coat, sandpaper or steel wool first coat. Apply second and third coats in the same manner. Three coats of lacquer leaves a splendid running surface. A very important factor in preserving the life of the base of your ski is to always apply a running wax on top of the base wax.

4. If you are the type of skier who prefers a base of pine tar or klister, the following is the best procedure. Apply a thin coat of pine tar or klister to bottom of ski. Apply heat from torch or open fire to make tar penetrate into wood. Wipe off excess tar and leave the skis until you are ready to use them. Before using, apply your running wax the type most suitable for the prevailing snow of that day. Pine tar or klister is highly commended for touring and cross country running.

5. It is also important to check the camber of your skis. If you lost it, any well equipped ski shop can put the proper camber back. Laminated skis seldom lose their camber.

6. Keep your skis good looking and fresh. Nothing is worse than scratched skis. It is very simple to remove the varnish or stain with varnish remover and sandpaper. One coat of clear varnish or stain will make your skis look like new.

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SKIOGRAPHIES



SIG BUCHMAYR brilliant Austrian skier, with countless European running and jumping championships to his credit, came to this country as a visitor in the early thirties. He remained to found America's FIRST ski school at Pecketts-on-Sugar Hill, Franconia, New Hampshire. Mr. Buchmayr has been in the front rank of American instructors ever since. Among the thousands of pupils he has taught to ski have been such prominent personages as Lowell Thomas, Nelson Rockefeller, Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., ad infinitum. The list is so enormous and the friends of "Sig" so long, it really would become a who's who of the skiing world, instead of a skiography. Sig's teaching at Franconia, Woodstock and other famous ski resorts will long be remembered. He was the first prominent instructor and perhaps the only one to demonstrate skiing indoors. This he did on Fifth Avenue in the famous home of chic ski clothes - Saks-Fifth Avenue.

To write about Sig one must include his attractive and charming wife Sally Buchmayr and of course their triplets, Sigi, Norbert and Charles Ruppert, who at the ripe old age of 5½ are good enough skiers to make the mid-November issue of Vogue Magazine.

When in Manchester, Vermont, see the boys, say hello to Sig and Sally. They own and personally supervise both the Sportshop in Manchester and the Sportshop on the Big Bromley Mountain.

SKI CLUB NEWS

These columns will be devoted to news of club activities and personal items of interest to club members. Clubs are urged to send in material weekly, 10 days before the date of issue. Spot news of importance will be handled editorially.

The German Ski Club of New York, on December 10, 1947 will reach the 18th year of its existence. Eighteen years ago a small group of skiers, familiar with skiing partly as a necessity in their former Alpine Villages as a competitive sport, got together to form a club under the colorful atmosphere of traditional sports clubs in their native country. The roster contained 16 charter members present at the initial meeting on December 10, 1929 at the Austrian Hall, New York City. These 16, together with 14 interested new comers, completed the attendance of 30 persons who were the nucleus from which the ski club was built.

Skiing is strongly emphasized and has always taken first place in the minds and hearts of the members. The club continues being the most active ski club here in the East during the entire year round by maintaining a summer camp at Interstate Park, New York, where sports are always in session. If you are interested in this club write to the Corresponding Secretary, Joseph M. Kozma, Jr., 3104 Wilkinson Avenue, New York 61, N. Y.

The Swedish Ski Club reports a most successful Haloween Party Dance and Membership Drive. Ed Harling, its congenial and efficient President welcomed more than 90 members and friends. Six visiting students from Sweden were invited as guests of honor. "Bill" Johnson the M. C. ran the games which were many and hilarious, with the hand of an expert. Native dances until the wee hours bolstered by convivial cocktails sent everybody home with the hope of early snow and more fun outdoors. Margaret Lundstrom and Arthur Langert took top honors with their magnificent and eeasy to watch dancing.

Mountain Laurel Skiers reports through one of its most active members, Robert J. Smith, that the club is all set for a most wonderful season. Week-end trips are scheduled to North Conway and Pinkham Notch as well as other New England resorts. This club, founded in February 1946 has as one of its prime objectives, the teaching of skiing and inexpensive bus transportation for club members. They are members in good standing of the U. S. E. A. S. A. and members of the Connecticut Ski Council. With nearly 100 members now the club is expanding rapidly to reach a goal of 200 members. Their new President is Ralph Leya.

Be Ski-Wise Go Ski-Ways

The Norse House announces regular one day Sunday Bus Trips, leaving the Norse House every Sunday. They also will run week-end trips directly to the Elm Tree Inn in Bennington which will be used as their headquarters and from these headquarters will go wherever the snow lies best. These weekend trips will leave Friday night and return Sunday evening. ALL EXPENSE TOUR. All you bring is your ski gear, your best girl and let Ski-Ways do the rest. When you realize that these tours are under the personal supervision of Johnny Ladenburg, Peter Pringsheim and Adrian Whyte, you will appreciate the fun that is in store for all skiers. We particularly recommend these tours for Novices, to get better acquainted with skiing and for Experts, to meet old and new friends.

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Ski Trooper Turns Ski Sculptor

The Ru-Dee Studio is the dream child of Rudi Hofmeister, an ex-Army Mountain Ski Trooper and a wood sculptor by profession. During his time in the Ski Troops on his hours of leisure, Rudi carved small Skiers that went over so well with the boys on his Post that he decided to combine his two loves, skiing and carving and upon his discharge make the combination his life's work. He convinced his former business associates of the great possibilities in the ski line and they formed a partnership and so his dream child became a reality and so was born the Ru-Dee Studio. They specialize in Window Display work, Trophies, and Giftware for the ski trade. Rudi's window displays are attracting the attention of many department stores and manufacturers. One large shoe chain is at the present time using his ski figures in over 400 stores. The studio is an open house to all interested in skiing. If you are in the neighborhood, you are cordially invited to look at their display and to talk "shop" skiing. A new organization that is behind the educating of the public on skiing does so with their creations for window displays throughout the country.

SNOW DRIFTS by DELPHINE CARPENTER

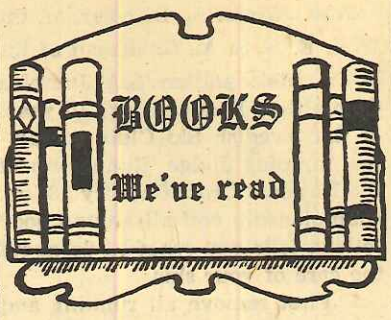
Delphine Carpenter, one time editor of The Ski Bulletin, has contributed articles and columns on skiing to most ski publications and to many of the Eastern newspapers. This winter, as last, she will supply radio station WJZ key station of the American Broadcasting Company, New York, with news of ski conditions in the East.

When one has skied for a number of years, it seems that the great outdoors, nature and what have you, gets into the blood. Witness the fact that the new daughter in the home of Mrs. and "Doc" Des Roches, ski pro at the Laurel Mountain Slopes, Ligonier, Pa., is named Laurel. This could be only loyalty to the ski area, but viewed in the light of the fact that Montreal skiers, Marie and Frank Forbes have named their daughter Heather, we wonder if the whole thing isn't a back-to-nature movement . . . . Again this Christmas season will find Max Barsis at Sun Valley. He'll be there through the winter, then a month in California, back to New York City, and next summer will be in "The Valley" again. . . .

PREVIEW of ski wear this season seems to indicate more change in after-ski usings than in the actual ski clothes. Slacks are something fabulous . . . . Dick Mekkelsen, who left Aspen last December to work in the Fred Picard Ski Shop at Sun Valley, moved to the Utah Parks for the summer and is returning to Sun Valley by way of Aspen, New York City and Boston . . . . Read all the ski equipment columns and folders you can find or you'll be a back number. There are some interesting new developments in skis, bindings and poles. Even if you don't buy them, you should be able to talk about them . . . . Rumor is that Johnnie Litchfield is leaving Aspen. What, then, will become of the now famous "Red Onion"? . . . . New York Club Skivue notes: There was Midge Sperry Withol, in from Redbank, N. J., for the fun, and looking better than ever . . . . Jim Parker, full of pep and enthusiasm for his Brodie Mountain ski area which he will open this winter. We are sure that where Jim is there will be good skiing and fun. He has put in three new rope tows, made new trails and a new novice slope. The former operator of the area has gone West . . . . Handsome, scenic background for the Norse display . . . .

LIVIA SANTIVANY, who was at Aspen last winter will be in the Sak's Fifth Avenue Ski Shop this season . . . . Bloomingdale's party this month, to open its Ski Shop was held, of all strange times, at ten-thirty in the morning. But it's always a good show, complete with things-of-Picard and Barsis . . . . Now that scientists have found ways by which to make it rain or snow where and when they wish (or is that still debatable?) why doesn't someone work on the problem of piling up altitude where we want it. Then we could have our ski trails where and how we want them.

Editor's Note: That is the first time we caught Delphine Carpenter not knowing everything about skiing. There is no longer any debate about the scientists making snow. Last year in Schenectady they made it snow for 14 hours and blocked all roads for a radius of many miles. See our Art Director Jackson's version on page 4 and 5.



Schuss Cuties and Spill Billies. A perforated book of cartoons by Max Barsis with an introduction by Otto Lang.
Stephen Daye Press - 1947 - $3.00

Here is a book of truly humorous ski cartoons that grow on you. We reviewed it hastily and were not unduly impressed. However, on second scrutiny we got about 18 chuckels AND on the third, we really found that we had more than our money's worth.

Max Barsis was born and educated in Austria and has successfully managed to preserve a good portion of the proverbial Viennese humor. A skier himself enables him to provide an inexhaustible fountain of ideas and the ability to sketch the seemingly impossible entanglements and painful contortions that only a skier can experience.

The pages are perforated in order to frame those that appeal to you or to send them on to friends as a Valentine or reminder of past experiences. Most are in two colors and the paper lends itself to adding three or four more water colors, if you dream you can improve on Max's work. You must see the sketches to get the laughs. No reviewer could do a satisfactory job with words.

For instance, Nana Kickturner has appurtenances that one just hopes she doesn't fall on and puncture. Her skiing in the hills of Nevada is really something! And then there is Frankie No Hankie. It is really "snot" nice. Clinging Clothilde is positively bawdy and I hope the Amateur Ski Club members will buy a copy without this page. Fortunately, Barsis has made the male skier the cold, austere type which sort of helps the situation.

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Pittsfield Convention Hi? Notes

The Hotel Sheraton, Pittsfield, Mass. with good looking John Donegan the manager, in charge was the scene and home of the 26th Annual Convention of the U. S. E. A. S. A. on November 1st and 2nd. The Mt. Greylock Ski Club acted as host and did a bang-up job on food, cocktails and good living. "Doug" Burckett the President presided.

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The Convention added its own U. N. to the agenda making it, UN official headquarters UN conventional mostly on the 3rd floor c/o Alf Halvorsen. Many of these special panels not finishing their discussion before 4 A. M. the next morning. Paging Hans Strand - Roger Langley - Perry Williams - Oscar Haug - Harry Voege and all points east.

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Who said only a tree grows in Brooklyn? Did you see the three beautiful "gals" Olive Hantho, Eileen Hubertz and Inga Olsen, constantly distracting the Delegates of the Norway and Telemark Ski Clubs. They all came "clean" from Brooklyn and when the delegates left for a moment, 3 others would take their place. Yes sir, Brooklyn surely produces some gorgeous things and we don't mean trees. (Echos from "Vat 69.") "You know who dis is?" "This is THE PRESIDENT, Roger Langley" Exits and shrieks.

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For years we have been looking for a house in which Washington hasn't slept. Now we have a new one. Ye Editor wants to find a Ski Conference - Convention - Ski Council Meeting - State Forum - Jumping Hill or general "Sheing meet" where Harry W. Voege ain't. He sure gets around and does a good job if you know what I mean. Harry is now 2nd Vice Presidenet of the U. S. E. A. S. A. and a top man for my money.

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Whenever I saw a crowd of men in a vicious circle and went up to find out what gives, I found Janet in the middle. Jolly Janet of Fabulous Pico as if you didn't know.

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Did you notice Sally and Fred Pabst of Big Bromley fame? As if many eyes did not turn whenever Sally went by.

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Roland Palmedo and J. N. Cooke didn't say a word about Mad River but I bet they could.

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I got so tired of answering the question "Who is that attractive blonde?", that I wish Dolf Rath, her husband would either wear a Snow Valley button or carry a placard reading This is Florence the Blonde Bomber." Wish we had room to tell you all about the many nice people there. The charming Mrs. William Eldred and Miss Woodward, Alex Bright, Perry Williams, Minnie Dole, Roger Langley, T. Bleeker Ripsom, Fred Harris, Mr. & Mrs. Ronald McKenzie, E. Maltby Shipp, Carroll Reed, oh so many nice people. See you all in New York in '48.

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Henry "Swampy" Paris was awarded the U. S. E. A. S. A. Annual Safety Trophy Award for the most outstanding safety work done by a Ski Patrolman. Three cheers from Winter Sports News. "Swampy had all our votes too.

"HANK"

The Philadelphia Story

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existing clubs.

4. Not being permitted to join some clubs.

We therefore suggest that the New York City Ski Council and members of the Ski Patrol publicize ski clubs, suggest to non club members that they join a ski club, liberalize quantity limitations of clubs and help to form new clubs if that is deemed necessary. A help in this direction would be if some of our ski clubs in the Metropolitan area could suggest—to their members that they show less clannishness in common, that is the grand love for the outdoors and making skiing "A way of life"

Ben Siminow

N. Y. State Free Ski Information

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Call MUrray Hill 3-1975 or better still pay them a visit.

Addlepated Juniors

by
Cathryn Murray
and
Arthur Stockman

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uary. Probable choices are Long Branch, if the winter is cold, or Lake Hopatcong if the weather is milder .The mountain lakes are usually snow bound in a tough winter, but when it's mild they give us ice while the seacoast spots are wide open.

WHEN:

Like the skiing season, iceboating does NOT reach its best on Christmas Day, popular fancy to the contrary notwithstanding. The peak of the season usually comes between January 15th and February 22nd, with many of the loveliest days of sailing in March, with a warm sun and daylight until after 6 P. M. Snow is our arch-enemy. So when the wacky skiing is good you can't go iceboating anyhow. But when the slopes offer nothing but icy crust after a rain or no snow at all, watch for good iceboating! The dovetail is a natural. Many resorts on lakes could take a tip and cater to both.

HOW:

Assuming you want to get better acquainted, how to go about it? Best way I can think of is to visit the club nearest you and put in a day or a week-end, getting on speaking terms with the skippers and the boats. It's fun, and they're a friendly bunch, like all real enthusiasts. A few rides ought to send you home in a bright-eyed glow like that which prompted our Editor's 3 column of praise in his last February 27th issue. "Hank Goes Yachting." Our next column will list the clubs and give a resume of the 6 racing classes, so you'll know a little of what it's all about. Should your interest get to the point where you want a boat, there are a few used boats available in almost every club, and a few commercial builders are turning them out. When that time comes, contact your correspondent and we will try to give you a good steer.

In the meantime, plan to sample iceboating this winter. It's a sport that more people should enjoy.

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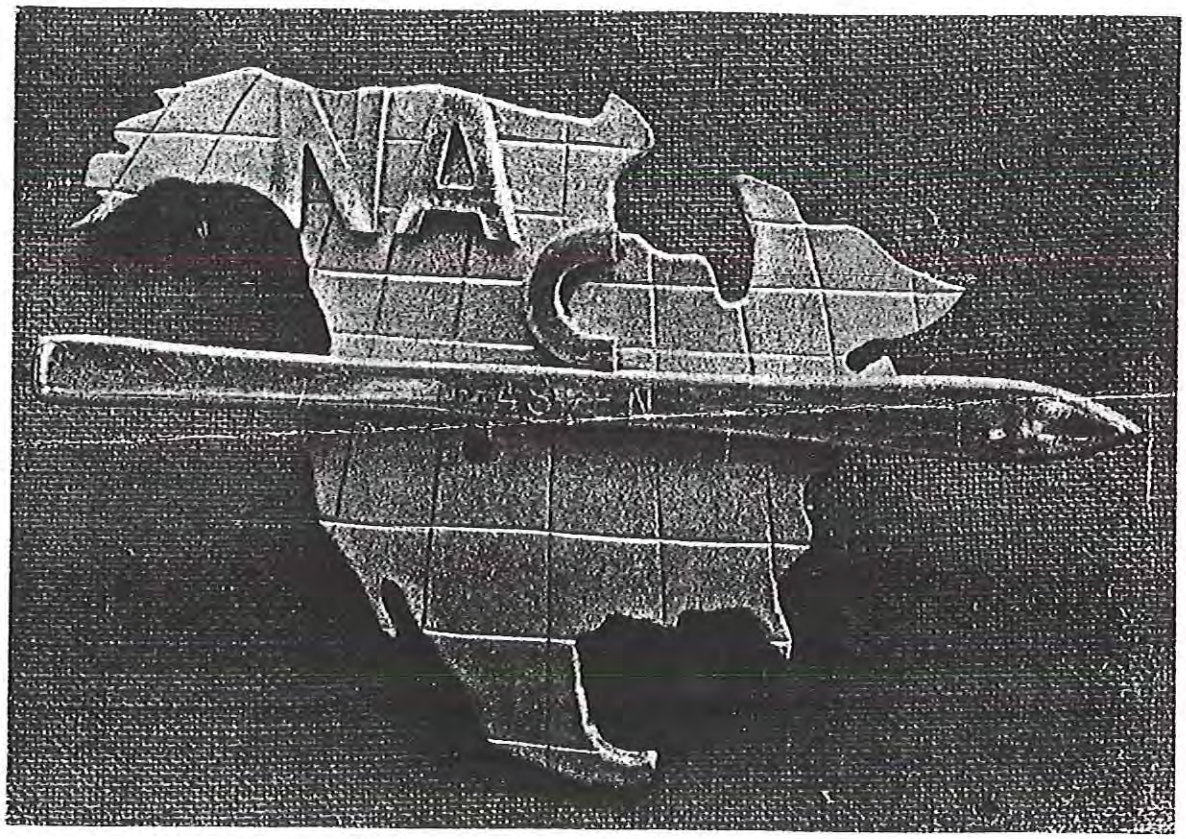

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The North American Championships, drawing the best skiers from the United States and Canada, are being held for the first time. Both the downhill and the slalom races will test to the fullest degree the skill and endurance of the best skiers in North America.

DOWNHILL **SATURDAY — 11 A. M.** **START AT THE SUNDECK**

The men's downhill will be run over one of the longest courses in the United States. The start is at the Sundeck, and the finish is at the bottom of Little Nell. The course is some 3¾ miles long with a vertical drop over that distance of 3,225 feet. The ladies will start after the men, and run a shortened course, beginning at the Dam in the bottom of Tourtelotte Park.

Chief of Course: Dick Durrance.

Forerunners: Dick Durrance, Len Woods, Bud Marolt, Chuck Maddalone, Glen Beck, Don Paulich.

SLALOM **SUNDAY — 11 A. M.** **MAGNIFICO CUT-OFF**

Friedl Pfeifer, director of the Aspen Ski School, and one of the outstanding International slalom experts has invented an innovation in slalom racing to be used for the first time in the North American slalom championships. A slalom course is a test of the finest in precision skiing with the racers passing over a course dilineated by pairs of colored flags, while racing against time. Instead of one course with only one racer running at a time, Friedl has laid out a dual slalom with two identical courses set side by side. Two racers will run simultaneously and race down the course, competing against time. For the first time in slalom racing history, spectators will be able to watch two men racing identical courses at the same time. The racers will each have two runs, and will run the opposite course on their second run. The winner will be decided on the basis of which racer has the least total elapsed time for the two runs. The ladies will start first.

Chief of Course: Friedl Pfeifer.

Forerunners: Friedl Pfeifer, Fred Iselin.

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3. Joan Law —
4. Ila La Casse — Vancouver, B. C.
5. Louise Bulkley — PSC
6. Jackie Pyles — CSC

MEN

1. Jim Griffith — BSC
2. Gale Spence — ASC
3. Joe McNealus — ASC
4. Ed Halstead — SVSC
5. Kalle Nergaard — Norway
6. Leon Goodman — SVSC
7. Pat Kearnes — ASC
8. Lowell Elisha — ASC
9. Dick Movitz — Alta
10. Jack Reddish — Alta
11. Karl Stingl — ASC
12. Bob Griffin — Ptarmigan
13. Pete Johnson — Ski Gulls
14. Roland Chivers — BSC
15. Norman Richardson — CSC
16. Curt Chase — ASC
17. Pete Seibert — ASC
18. Ralph Ball — PSC
19. Don Elisha — PSC
20. Chuck Hightower — ASC
21. Bill Farrel — Salt Lake
22. Noel Paul — Seattle
23. Bob Ware — ASC
24. Art Kidder — PSC
25. Ross Davis — Z
26. Waly Young —
27. Keith Wegeman — PSC
28. Alf Chesley — ASC
29. Bert Herbert — CSC
30. John McClellan — Wyoming U.
31. Bill Ostrander — BSC
32. Ben Duke — ESC
33. Art Shafer —
34. Hank Roath — Z
35. Rod Holden — Ski Gulls
36. James Sewell — TSC
37. Rob Forbes — ASC
38. Ryden Skinner — Alta
39. Klaus Obermeyer — ASC
40. Mac Fraser — Jackson Hole
41. John Kassa — Seattle
42. Ernie Gray —
43. Dick Callaway —
44. Adolph Kuss — CSC
45. Bob Perry — ASC
46. Bill Steele —
47. Gergard Heje — Norway

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ASC — Aspen Ski Club
BSC — Buffalo Ski Club (Colorado University)
SVSC — Sun Valley Ski Club
Ptarmigan — Canadian
Ski Gulls — Canadian
CSC — Continental Ski Club (Climax)
ESC — Eskimo Ski Club (Winter Park)
PSC — Pioneer Ski Club (Denver University)
Z — Zipfelberger (Denver)
SLSC — Salt Lake Ski Club
TSC — Teton Ski Club

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Assistant Referee ——— Fred Bellmar, President SRMSA

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The way it was in the Ski School

by Mary Eshbaugh Hayes

It has already been 40 years since the beginnings of The Aspen Ski School.

Now during peak days, the ski school has more instructors teaching than there used to be people taking lessons in the Ski School.

What was it like back when the school and the town were both small?

Klaus Obermeyer, who joined the Aspen Ski School in 1947 (soon after it started), and Sepp Uhl, who joined it in 1953, share some of their remumberings.

Klaus says, "Everybody knew everybody. The townspeople, ski instructors, ski patrol, and the people who came here to ski . . . all gathered at the Hotel Jerome at the end of each day for the tea hour at 4 o'clock. The instructors had a meeting . . . then everyone danced and talked over the day's skiing. The Neilsens would bring over Danish pastries from the Epicure to serve with the tea.

"There were more dogs than people in town in those days. I would come off the mountain and skate on my skis through town . . . by the time I would reach the Jerome, I would have about 25 dogs barking and chasing along behind me."

"We were really happy to have a class to teach. We would work during the Christmas holidays, then in January hardly at all (often only three or four instructors worked). Then we would have classes again in February and March," says Klaus. "We did everything possible to keep our classes together."

Sepp agrees. "We would have drinks and parties with our classes . . . have them to dinner in our homes . . . many of these people became life-long family friends."

The Aspen Ski School was owned by Friedl Pfeifer with Fred Iselin as co-director. Both Klaus and Sepp agree that Friedl was the serious boss, "the beautiful smooth skier," who saw the concept of the whole ski school operation . . . while Fred was the flamboyant "terrific public relations man."

Sepp says, "At the beginning of the season when we had our instructor's clinic, Friedl would say, 'This morning you ski with Fred,' and you would be almost a little afraid. He was a daredevil skier and took you down the worst slopes he could find."

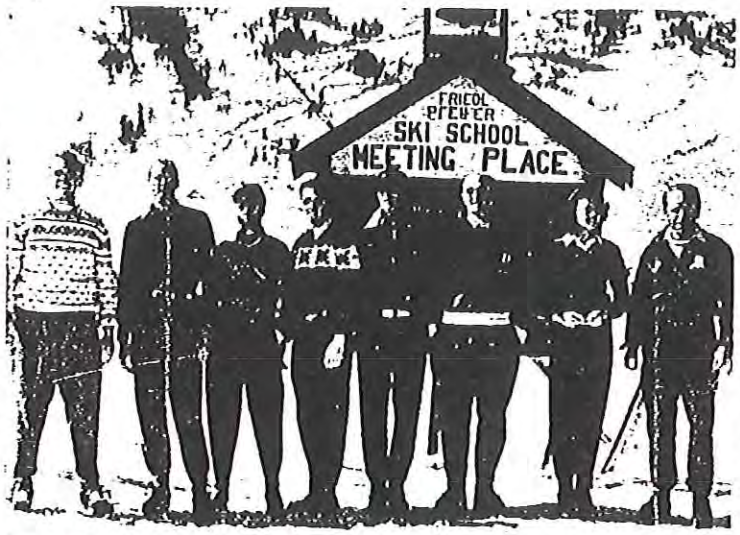
"But Fred was the best teacher," says Klaus. "He could do more in two minutes with a class than others in an hour. He was so alive on his feet and legs . . . the people would ski behind him and catch on fast. He had a knack of correcting the primary cause of a ski problem rather that correcting the secondary faults."

Says Klaus, "Friedl and Fred put together one of this country's best ski schools, based on discipline and friendliness. They each had such different things to offer and cooperated well together."

Friedl was from Austria and Fred from Switzerland . . . they took skiers from Germany, Austria, Italy and America and created the Aspen Ski School.

"Fred could remember everyone's name . . . this would thrill the tourists. And he brought so many famous people to Aspen through his Hollywood contacts. This is how Aspen became known to the world . . . there would be photographs in magazines and newspapers of movie stars skiing here . . . Gary Cooper, Van Johnson (I instructed him . . . what a nice guy), Ingrid Bergman, Lana Turner and Lex Barker.

"To show again how everybody knew everybody . . . Gary Cooper was the goalie for the weekly broomball games (on ice skates) played between the ski school and the ski patrol."



Members of the first Aspen Ski School in 1947 were, left to right: Chuck Webb, Andy Ransom, Marshall Fitzgerald, Dick Wright, Lennie Woods, Percy Rideout, Lib Fitzgerald, and Walter Haugg.

Sepp says, "There was no specific ski school uniform in the early days. We all wore nylon windbreakers, tucked inside our ski pants . . . or handknit ski sweaters. The colors were all navy blue, black or now and then a light blue.

"And for warmth on the chairlift, we all wore lift coats (and so did the tourists). You would go to the Thrift Shop and buy yourself an old fur coat or a warm big cloth coat for 50 cents. You would wear it up the lift and send it back down in an empty chair. The lift operators threw the coats over the fence by the No 1 lift or stacked them on a long table nearby.

"There were just the No 1 and 2 lifts on Aspen Mountain, so everyone was on one mountain and you saw each other all day. The beginner skiers were taught on Little Nell where there was a T bar. People were taught to walk on skis in open meadows where the condominiums now stand."

But what did the ski instructors do during the rest of the year?

"In the early days, the late 1940s and early 1950s, everybody left in the spring and went in all directions, because there weren't any jobs here," says Klaus. "After the lifts closed, it was like a ghost town again. In the summer of 1947, I went back to Sun Valley where I had been an instructor) and built a house which I later sold . . . and that was the stake I needed to start my business in Aspen (Sport-Obermeyer)."

Pete Seibert had made a relief map of the Vail area and was dreaming already of doing something over there. Dick Wright stayed in Aspen and was a carpenter (which later he developed into a contracting business).

Sepp came in 1953 when some of the ski instructors were beginning to stay through the summers and fall off-seasons. Many looked at what was needed by the town and went into business.

Morrie Shephard, Hal Hartman and Sepp Uhl became house painters; Toni Woerndle was a plumber and trimmed trees; Sandy Sabbatini was a carpenter; Roy Parker was a stone mason and built many fireplaces; Wendy Morse was a carpenter; Jim Snobble was a salesman for bottle caps; Roy Reid was a summertime lift operator; Steve Knowlton started the Golden Horn, Walter Haugg ran The four Seasons Club; Jack McTarnaghan and Chuck Hightower were carpenters, and Jans Nogler hand carved items and sold them to the shops.

The men went on the other jobs and business ventures in later years . . . but these first jobs were what kept them going through the early economically precarious off-seasons in Aspen.

"A wonderful thing was 'The Wednesday Afternoon Activity' for the children of Aspen," says Klaus. It was the ski school's gift to the town . . . the children were dismissed from school and given free skiing instruction. We also taught the schoolteachers how to ski instruct . . . we would take the teachers out at 8 am on Saturday mornings for their lessons.

"Out of this program came some Aspen racers . . . the Marolt family of Bud, Max and Bill Marolt . . . and their cousins Cherie Gerbaz (Oates) and Keith Marolt; Fern and Barbara Brown, Sally and Jane and Tom Moore, Ted Armstrong, Tom Carter and Wes Thorpe."

A closely-knit ski school with high camaraderie . . . that's the way it was.

Editor's note: This story about the Aspen Ski School was first published in the Aspen Times in February 1974. It is reprinted as part of the 1987 Fortieth Anniversary celebration.



The ski slopes in Aspen were not as wide and as groomed as they are tody. This was the glade in 1947.



Pete Seibert (center) won the Roch Cup. Some of the onlookers include Herbert Bayer (in Austrian hat), Mike Howden (with white stripe on his jacket, and Fritz Benedict (with white hair in center of photo). Tony Gauba photo.



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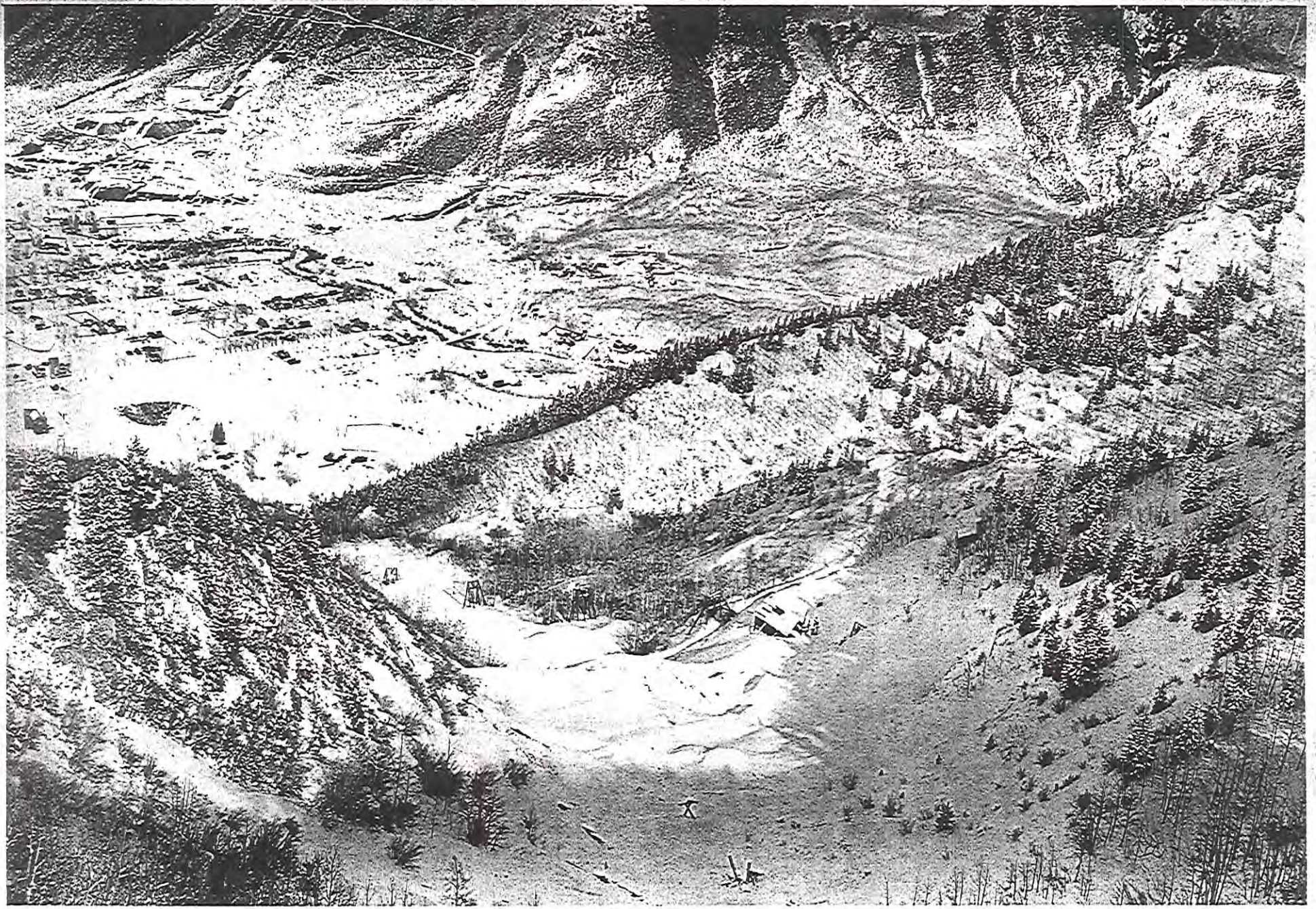



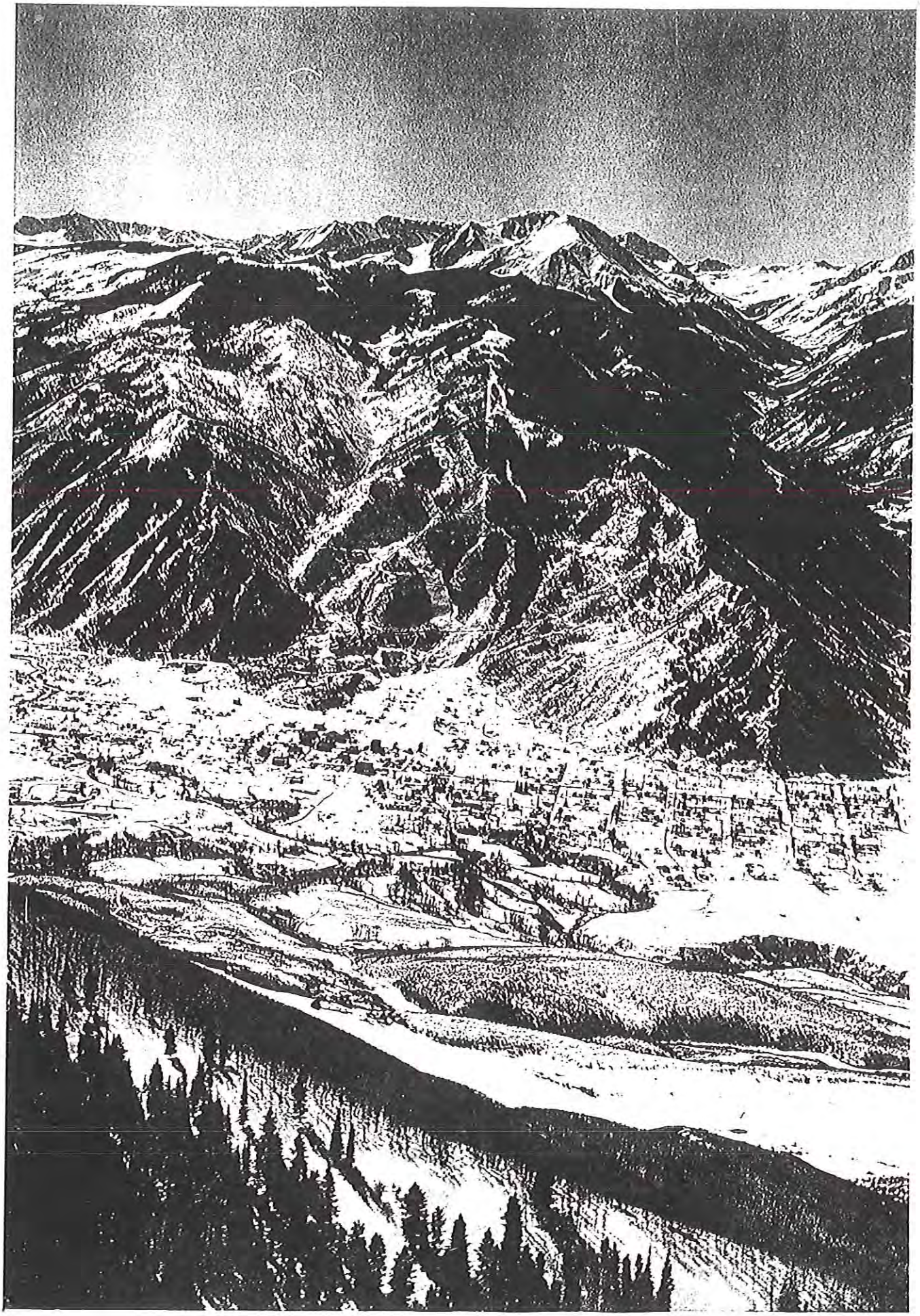

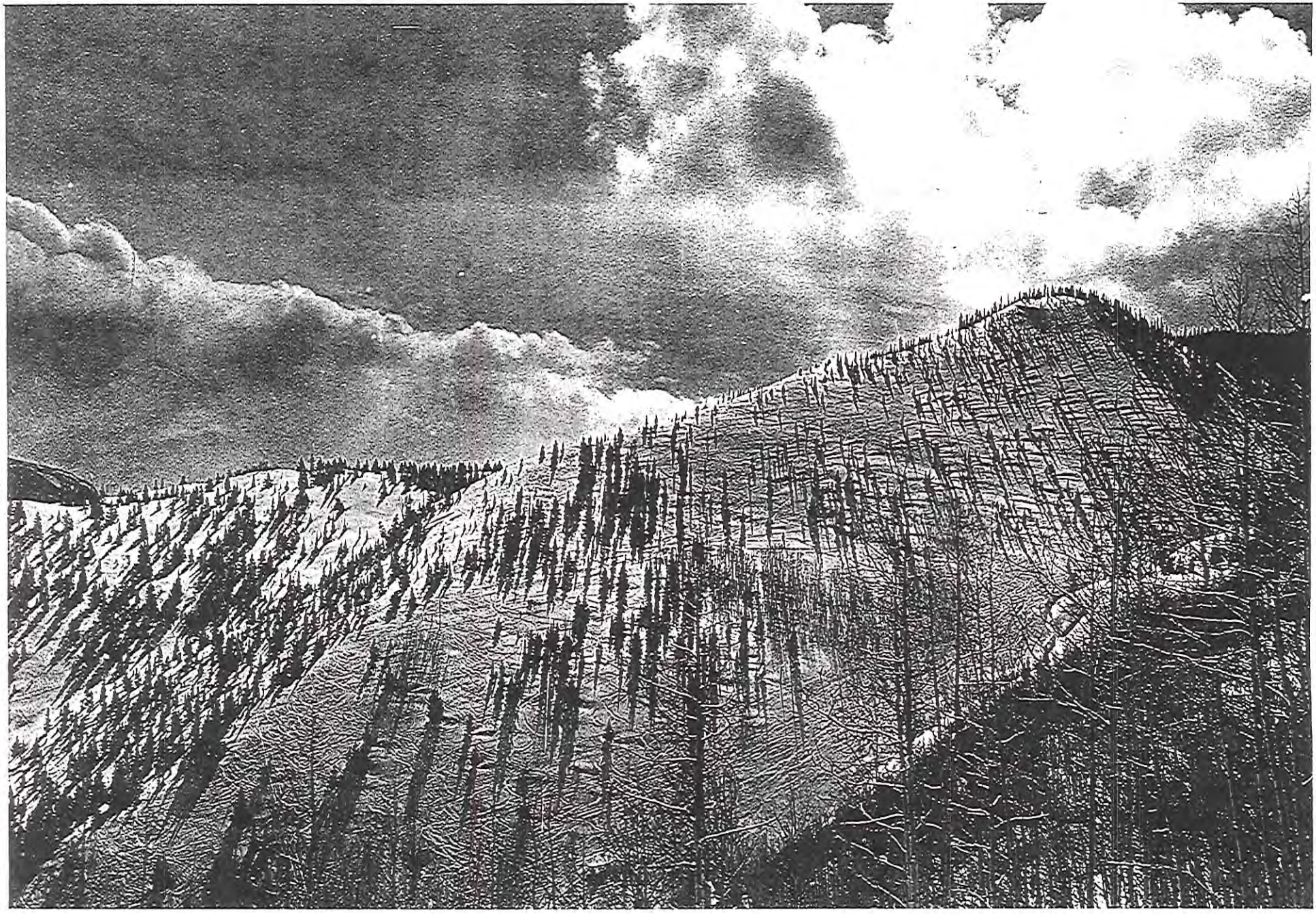

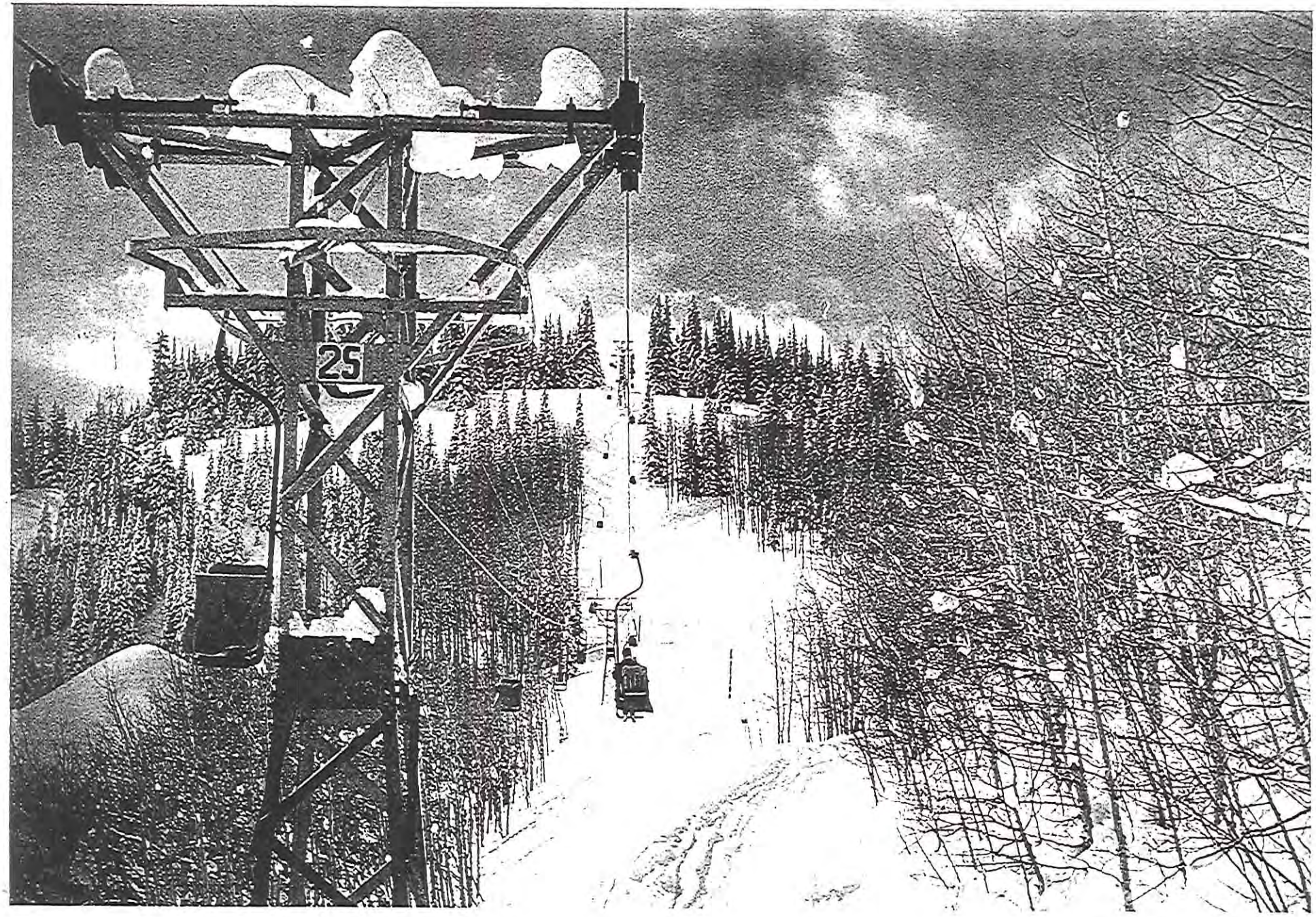
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Plan Restoration Of Opera House

Once luxurious, twice burned and long the home of mournful pigeons, the Wheeler Opera House is being restored that opera, American folk music and the legitimate theater may again be brought to the stage in Aspen.

Work has been started to put the charred theater into shape for a summer theater group and plans are being made for a full music festival. Partially destroyed by two fires which struck a week apart in 1913, the opera house will be gradually restored to its original glory.

Atop the three story Opera House building, the theater was typical of the rich Victorian taste of the western mining towns. Lavishly decorated with gilt and velvet, the theater welcomed 800 people to its opening performance April 23, 1889. The air, according to the Aspen Daily Times of the day, "was filled with delicate odors that added an oriental touch to the scene. This was accounted for when it was learned that an enterprising Aspen druggist had perfumed the satin programs for the ladies."

The older theater, suffered by comparison of "The metamorphosis from the high-set, stiff backed, straw-cushioned racks to the spring cushioned morroco-covered opera chairs will immediately translate the fortunate auditor from Tophet to Olympus."

Famous opera and stage companies performed to capacity audiences. Helen Modjeska, Richard Golden, Edward Harrigan, Patti Rosa and Mlle. Rhea all received

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New Life Sparkles in Old Silver Veins

JANUARY CELEBRATION CULMINATES YEARS PLANNING

Aspen glowed with festivity and hospitality reminescent of its silver boom days when sports notables, nationally prominent businessmen, skiers, metropolitan visitors and political leaders arrived January 10, 11, and 12 to take part in the gala three-day dedication ceremonies for its formal opening as a resort. The remodeled Hotel Jerome, the newly renovated Victorian guest houses and the skiers' dormitories welcomed guests who had come to help innaugurate Colorado's first major all-year recreational development.

Heading the committee in charge of the celebration was state Gov. W. Lee Knous. In attendance were newspapermen, radio, newsreel and magazine representatives from all over the United States.

One of the most important features of the three-day affair was the dedication of the chair lift, whose first section is the longest, highest and fastest single section in the world, by Gov. Knous, Mayor Gene Robison and Walter Paepcke, principal figure behind Aspen's phenomenal development as a resort. The mayor's daughter, Allene, was the first official passenger on the lift, which rises from the valley floor 14,000 feet to the summit of Ajax Hill.

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Dancer Paul Draper dines at the Jerome with Mrs. Hans Hagemeister, Aspen publicity director. Mr. Draper visited Aspen between theater engagements in February; returned Easter weekend.

Four Seasons Club To Open In June

The luxurious homes of two former Pitkin county mining kings is the site chosen for the new Four Seasons Club, a country club which will offer tennis, swimming, skeet and trap shooting and dancing. The houses, on the Newman Mining property at Castle Creek, are being remodeled to include game rooms, tap rooms, private dining room and a club room. Tennis and badminton courts, croquet lawns and a skeet range will be built on the grounds.

The pine and spruce wooded acreage overlooks two spring fed lakes, one to be cleaned for swimming and the other to be stocked with trout for fishing.

Manager of the club, to open in June, is Walter Haug, genial Bavarian ski instructor and former hotel man.

Spin a Silver Yarn

The friendly little town of Aspen, nestled between high mountains in the valley of the Roaring Fork, has had a dramatic history of birth and growth, then an almost deadly sleep, followed by renaissance as a famous year 'round resort.

Aspen's first settlers came in June, 1879. They were prospectors, seeking their fortune in silver, and their trip on snowshoes over Independence Pass was long and hazardous. The second group of mining men came in July. After that the reports of the geological riches in the upper Roaring Fork region soon spread and prospectors straggled in over rough trails, alone and in groups, until in September of that year a courier came from Governor Frederick Pitkin warning the settlers of the Ute Indian outbreak. Nearly all the miners departed to safety, but most returned and remained during the severe winter of 1879-80.

H. B. Gillespe, most often given credit for the founding of the city, returned in October with a contract for the purchase of the Spar and Galena, and with him he brought sixteen miners to work his new possessions. Thus the first active mining in the new camp began. He then left for Washington to present a petition for mail service to the third Assistant Postmaster General and during his absence B. Clark Wheeler came up from Denver. He laid out and plotted a town by the Roaring Fork and called it Aspen after the golden aspen trees which dot its valley and mountains. So Gillespie, returning from the capitol with a mail contract for his proposed town of Ute City found its name changed. He compromised with Wheeler and they both worked fiercely to publicize and improve settlement.

In February, 1881, Pitkin county was organized with Aspen as the county seat. At the election of 1882 485 votes (mostly Republican) were polled in the county. By 1886 the population of Aspen had risen to 3,000 people and before the close of 1887 it was 5,000. It is considered by most authorities that the peak population was 15,000 people.

The only lines of communication from the city were primitive trails, the nearest market for ores and the base of supplies was Leadville, a dangerous 60 mile trip across the mountains. But progress continued year after year until the Denver and Rio Grande railroad began service to Aspen in 1887 and opened the gates to marvelous prosperity. The Colorado Midland was completed to the camp soon afterwards.

Aspen was the site of the most valuable silver mining property in Colorado . . . the Mollie Gibson on Smuggler mountain. Supposedly named by its discoverers after the cook in their boarding house, the Mollie Gibson at one time produced $60,000 worth of ore in eight hours. It shipped out an average of 40 tons of rich ore a day, the market value for which was $15,000 per ton.

The Mollie Gibson, the Durant, the Compromise, Smuggler, Little Percy, Camp Bird, the Little Annie and many other mines poured wealth into the town; the people of Aspen lived well and spent their money freely. There was every hope that new development and machinery would increase production far surpassing anything the past had ever seen.

(In the June issue of the Aspen Leaf more about Aspen's mines and early days.)

Little Annie Curtsies To



Walter P. Paepcke

There has never been any question in Little Annie's mind about which Aspenite would receive her first curtsey. It is to Walter P. Paepcke that she makes her graceful, grateful bow of the month, for without this imaginative and enthusiastic Chicago benefactor Little Annie would still be thinking, "Aspen is so full of potentialities why doesn't someone do something about it?"

Walter Paepcke has done something about it; he has made it a place of cultural and recreational opportunity the year 'round. From a sleepy little town, relic of silver boom days, it is rapidly becoming "America's most liveable city." And this change has been wrought principally because of Walter Paepcke's foresight.

He first found Aspen when he was looking around for a ski resort. His affection for Colorado had already established him as a substantial rancher at Larkspur, Colo., and when the skiing bug struck the country he was sure that in Colorado he would find the ideal location for a ski center. However, he was convinced that any ideal resort must be as pleasant, as recreational and as properous in summer as in winter. He was searching for an ideal community development into which the additional features of cultural life, commerce and social attributes could be woven.

This godfather of Victorian Aspen says, "There are too few communities which offer good opportunities for combining work, play and culture." After investigating the possibilities and advantages of Aspen, Paepcke organized the Aspen Company to rebuild, develop and add to the existing facilities of the town.

Walter Paepcke feels that people should not be forced to work hard for a living in their home towns, then rush off to Miami for recreation and return to New York or Boston for culture. In Aspen he is creating a symbol of balance, with work, play and culture going hand in hand to rekindle Aspen's economic life.

So Little Annie knows she's picked an intelligent and unusual man when she bows to Walter Paepcke, founder and board chairman of the Container Corporation of America; visionary energetic power behind the impetus to make Aspen the ideal community for the people who live there and the visitors who return again and again.

OPERA HOUSE RESTORATION

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ovations from the theater-going miners, prospectors and townspeople.

Jerome Jottings

Frequent Aspen visitors, Lowell Thomas and his son, Lowell, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Draper returned to the Jerome for Easter weekend. We saw them dining at the hotel with Walter Paepcke and his attractive blond daughter, Nina.

One of Eli's best pole vaulters during his days at Yale, Keith Brown, gave an elegant cocktail party at the Flora Dora annex during his stay here. And one of the year's plushest and lushest gatherings was the party in Parlor A at which Elliot Averitt and George Hoke were hosts. Everyone tried to persuade Elliot to open a laundry in Aspen so he wouldn't have to go back to New York. Maybe the fact that he looks exactly like Steve Canyon had something to do with the amount of feminine persuasion which was employed.

After the tea hour one day in the Blue Room we spotted Lydia Jonas doing the queerest things. Stopping to watch her totter about the empty dance floor with a perplexed audience observing her every move we were informed she was acting out "shilly-shally" in a game of charades.

When people are describing an event in the past skiing season and they wish to place it definitely in the minds of their listeners they say "It was while the Milwaukee people were here" or "You know, it happened during the St. Louis' peoples' stay." Those enthusiastic and expert Milwaukeans included Ricky Pritzlaff, the Robert Brumders, William Nelson, Gordy Lindeman, Steve Storer, Warren Stringer, Paul Van Antwerpen, Kate Nedecker, Nina Wild, Bob Niss, Jeanne Nunnemacker, Gene Pawlowicz, Grace Wilson, Patricia Ferneding, Brad Van Brunt and Glenn Lampier.

When the St. Louisans arrived a few weeks later most of them couldn't bear to leave and so got jobs and stayed on. Frances Reyburn, Phyllis McPheeters, Libby Moser and Mary Love remained when the Ed Walshs, Robert Smiths, Sears Lehmann, Richard Stickney, David Francis and H. L. and Ford Morrill reluctantly departed for Missouri.

Some Chicago visitors during the winter were Mrs. Bluford R. Spencer, who was the guest of her brother, John D. Richardson; Mr. and Mrs. R. Joseph Rich, Miss Rosalind Boland, Miss Jean Cambitts, Walter Mueller, Ward McNally, Robert Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Thorne, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Fitzgerald and their son, Cliff, Jr. of Winnetka and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Spaulding. Farwell Smith of Lake Forest visited three weeks in Aspen, where his sister, Debbie, spent most of the winter.

From New York came Hampus Morner, Dorothy Sampson Smith, Cynthia Schubart, John S. Greenway and Corgin C. Bauman. Also here were Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie Bushby, their son, James, and their daughter, Anne.

George Caulkins, who is attending the Harvard Business School, met his sister, Christine of Grosse Point, Mich., for a skiing holiday here between semesters.

Salt Lake City skiers included Mr. and Mrs. Joern Gerdts, F. W. Croft, Mrs. Louise Ringquist, J. Wilfred and David Patterson and J. Fred Johnson.

Omaha, too, had quite an Aspen colony in March, with Dr. and Mrs. Hal Gifford, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Collins, Mary Elaine Morsman, and Dr. August Jonas. With them were the Edgar Stantons from Chicago.

Honeymooners at the Jerome during the winter included Mr. and Mrs. Richard Buck of Long Island City, New York. She is the former Marjorie Van Ryn, Davis Tennis Cup team member and former women's doubles champion.

Seen relaxing in the bar of the Jerome after a day spent touring Little Annie Basin were the William Hodges, May Coors, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Coors, Mr. and Mrs. Porry Robinson (in their matching blue sweaters, knitted by Merby herself) the George Bergers and the Charles Kendricks, all of Denver.

Harold Ross, editor of "The New Yorker" returned in February to the town of his birth for the first time since he was seven years old. He spent most of his time talking to the old timers and drinking Coca Cola in the bar of the Jerome. He did go up on the lift, although his heretical "I don't ski" caused mild excitement at the Sundeck. Remembering the days of his youth when the hardy outdoor athletes skied on barrel staves he said "Aspen would have invented skis in time if Europe hadn't beaten us to it."



Miss Sarah Chapin (above) of Grosse Point, Mich., was the Aspen guest of Miss Ruth Humphreys, formerly of Denver. Both Miss Chapin and Miss Humphreys were members of the WASPs during the war.

New Life Sparkles

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National ski champions displayed their unsurpassed form and skill in a skiing exhibition. Ski joring races and musical chairs on skis was an afternoon event.

Sunday morning after the spectacular dual jump of Barney McLean and Gordie Wren everyone rode up to the Sundeck to witness ceremonies in which a plaque in memory of members of the Tenth Mountain Division who were killed in action was presented to Col. David L. Ruffner, Tenth veteran himself and now commandant of the mountain and winter warfare school at Camp Carson. Maj. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, commanding general of the army ground forces, looked on while Johnny Litchfield of Aspen presented the plaque. Veterans of the Tenth who live in Aspen, among them Hans Hagemeister, Fritz Benedict, Bill Bronski, Bob Dennis, Leonard Woods and Andy Ransom, plan to build a mountain refuge for their group in the Elk Mountains this summer. The plaque, which is now in the Sundeck, will hang in the refuge, which was designed by Fritz Benedict, Aspen architect.

Gold Aspen Leaves Won in Standard Races

The first of Aspen's standard races was held February 2, when Lowell Elisha, Glen Beck, Arnold Chocquette, Josh Bradford, Don Paulich, Frank True and Phil Gibson all ran the course in the prescribed 3:15 for men and received the gold two leaf awards.

Other two leaf winners during the winter included: Joan Trumbull, Maud Banks, Hope Humphreys, Livia Santivany, Debby Smith, Dottie Lunken, Ruth Porter, Susan Cooper, Don St. Louis, Scott Taylor, James Vorhees, Keith Johnson, Rex Rathbun, E. Pawlowicz, Phillip Reinhard, Buzz Schultz, Mary Love, Lillian Saeger, Ralph Ball, Art Kidder, Bill Ostrander, Casey McKibbon, Tom Lyon, Fred Nyland, Lewis Doom, Hank Damon, Tommy Thompson, Don Vetterlein, Snuffy O'Neil, Ralph Cormier and Ben Duke.

Ski Patrol Captain Wins Aspen Classic

The Andre Roch Trophy Race, held on the renowned Roch Run March 22 and 23, was climaxed by the triumph of Peter Seibert, head of Aspen's Ski Patrol. Seibert, who lead the field in the downhill with a sizzling 2:16, placed fifth in the slalom to stack up combined points of 292 to win the coveted Roch Trophy, captured in 1946 by the great Barney McLean.

The women's trophy went to comely Hope Humphreys, Andover, Mass., whose combined score of 293 was three points ahead of her nearest competitor, Joan Trumbull, with Emily Schultz, third. All are members of the Aspen Ski Club.

Two Aspen brothers, Lowell and Donald Elisha, placed second and third in the men's division, with Lowell but one point behind the winner. Ralph Ball of Denver and Rex Rathbun of the Aspen Ski Club tied for fourth place.

Sponsored by the Aspen Ski Club as an S. R. M. S. A. sanctioned meet, the Roch Trophy race is held in honor of famous Swiss skier Andre Roch, for whom Roch Run is named. Roch was one of the first to discover Aspen, which he described as "the ideal Ski center of North America." He pioneered new trails here in 1936.



Toni and Paula Paepcke are snapped before they ski down Roch Run with popular Ski School Instructor Andy Ransom. The daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Paepcke of Chicago, Toni and Paula will spend the summer in Aspen with their parents and their sister, Nina.

Easter Bonnets On Roch Run



Crossing the finish line is skating instructor Ralph Jackson in his holiday garb. "Everyone prefers blondes," is the way he explains his yellow wig.

Six inches of new powder snow made the Easter weekend skiing excellent and the holiday highlight was the colorful costume race on the lower reaches of Roch Run.

Dressed for the occasion in sarongs, fancy hats, evening gowns and other colorful costumes, Aspen housewives pitted their schuss prowess against curiously garbed Aspen businessmen in a Giant Slalom.

Fred Willoughby, president of the Aspen Ski Club which sponsored the race, vorlaufed; after him came the masquerading racers. Ralph Jackson, Hotel Jerome skating master, flew down the hill with his stubbly new beard and behind him flowed a long black velvet robe and a shimmery blond wig. Jean Browning wore a massive and intricate "mobile" Easter bonnet, Sistie Blanning's was bedecked with red satin ribbons, Lydia Jonas' was a scarlet crew hat to match her pedal-pushers. But the costume prize went to Ruth Humphreys and Jane Garrison, dressed alike in Easter ensembles to end all Easter ensembles. Straw hats trimmed

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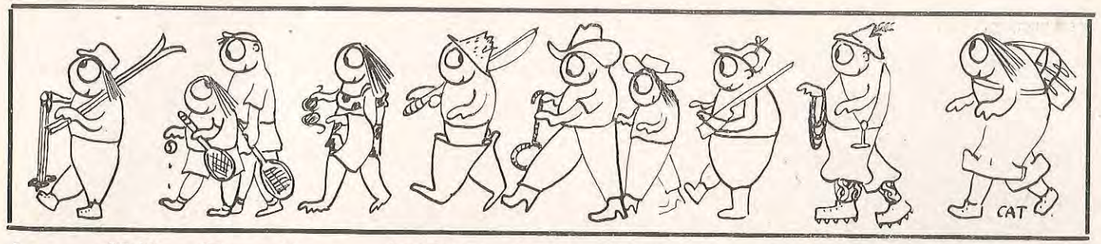

Aspen Skiing Roundup

The Opening

The biggest ski weekend of the winter was the formal opening January 10, 11 and 12. More than a thousand spectators gathered to watch Johnny Litchfield, Percy Rideout, Steve Knowlton, Dick Durrance, Friedl Pfeifer, Jack McMurty, Gordie Wren, Donny Elisha and Barney McLean come down off Magnifico in a dazzling burst of speed, followed by the brilliant and beautiful French champion, Georgette Thioliere. After the experts came native and Aspen-adopters in a costume race, each girl tied to her partner with a 30 foot rope. But the most exciting event on the slopes occured the next day when Barney McLean and Gordie Wren took off side-by-side in a dual takeoff over the 60 meter jump and sailed in unison to a jump of nearly 190 feet. Barney holds the Aspen jumping record with his recorded 205 feet . . . exceeded once by 3 feet by Gordie, but he lost his balance and fell to disqualify.

S. R. M. S. A. in February

The five-year record for Roch Run was broken by 7 of the 28 competitors in the Southern Rocky Mountain Ski Association meet in Aspen on February 8. Gordie Wren of Winter Park came down the 1 and one-sixth mile drop in 2:03.2, cutting nearly 20 seconds off the record of 2:22 set by Toni Matt in the 1941 Nationals held on Roch Run. Dev Jennings took second place, followed by Dick Movitz. Jack Reddish, Jerry Hiatt and John Litchfield also broke Matt's record in this downhill race, one of the three qualifying events for entrance in the Nationals. Wren took the combined with his superb downhill performance and his second in the slalom, which was won by John Litchfield.

A second in the slalom and a third in the downhill gave the women's combined trophy to Jean Litchfield.

Swiss Team Takes Honors in Aspen

Top American skiers tested their skis against those of the Swiss boardmasters in Aspen February 15 and 16. The Swiss team, with Karl Molitor, Eddy Rominger, Paul Valaer, Antoinette Meyer, Olivia Ausoni and Rosemarie Bleuer, grabbed all the honors in the two-day slalom races against Jean and John Litchfield, Toni Matt, Barney McLean, Jerry Hiatt and Paula Kann.

Cousin Jack Races

On April 27 the Cousin Jack races for pleasure skiers, beginners and snow bunnies was called off because of poor weather. With competition for every class of skier, picnic lunches and later a beer party at the Sundeck, this festive race-day will be held each April. Cousin Jack is an old name for the Cornish miners who with their Pied Piper bands used to parade the streets of Aspen.

But the races aren't over yet; there is the Giant Slalom at Independence Pass still to come on the first of June.

The Face Is Familiar

All-out daring and top technic marked racing skiing in 1947. The boardmasters were blasting the trails and slopes with eyes and hearts on Europe and the 1948 Olympics. When the powder settled eight men and eight women had won the honor of wearing the United States' colors in international competition next winter in Switzerland.

Of the eight men who were picked from the cream of American skiers, one is an Aspenite — Steve Knowlton, American downhill champion of 1946, and two trained on Aspen's demanding Roch Run during the winter — American combined champ, Barney McLean, and Gordie Wren, brilliant skier who set a new record on the Roch this year. Dev Jennings, also an Aspenite, was among the five racers chosen as alternates.



Friedl Pfeifer, head of Aspen's Ski School, and Percy Rideout, Ski School associate, are shown here with Georgette Thioliere, beautiful French champion. These three experts helped make the skiing exhibition at Aspen's formal opening one to remember.

EASTER BONNETS

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with left over Christmas wreaths, from which painted eggs, hollow in case of a spill, dangled on ribbon. Then came green sweaters, sequins and jewelry over long red drawers.

The men's team was victorious and Gene Trainor, genial grocery clerk, took first place with 1:02.4. His costume, a very short red waitress uniform complete with lace cap, didn't hold him back on the downhill push. The Post Office's Hod Nicholson was second and Robie McPhee, a perfect Groucho Marx, placed third.

Elizabeth Clark's 1:04 was the day's fastest time for the women. Meg Brown in a bright sarong and yellow jonquils in her hair, was second and third place went to Buzz Schultz, Hotel Jerome barmaid, who skied down carrying a tray laden with bottle and glasses. Tacked to her peasant uniform were bar chits. Example: One Aspen Crud, signed, Walter P. Paepcke.



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Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Taylor, Jr., expert and enthusiastic skiers, were guests at the Hotel Jerome early in the year. Mrs. Taylor is known as Anne Cooke, designer of sweaters and ski clothes.

Knit Two, Purl Two

If you should ever be riding on a train or sitting in a hotel lobby and you see a young man haul out a knitting bag stuffed with yarn and needles it will be quite safe to speak to him. Chances are 99 in 100 that he's from Aspen.

Here the bellboy at the hotel knits while waiting for the buzzer to summon him to the desk. The ski patrol member who's lucky enough to draw duty at the Sundeck can work on his complicated popcorn-stitch sweater if all goes well on the slopes. The trail packers knit while riding up on the lift; the wine steward purls a few rows between trips to the cellar.

A stranger in the Jerome Grill might have been startled to hear a girl rush up to Josh Bradford behind the soda fountain and ask "How many stitches do you put on a cable, Josh?" and hear Josh's professional answer. But this same visitor would be even more surprised to see this tall young knitter come whishing down Magnifico Cutoff doing the most beautiful Christies . . . his long knitted cap billowing out behind him. (No, he bought this one). Josh is one of the most prolific disciples of Lydia Brewster, Aspen's Queen of the Yarn.

Joe McNealus used to fascinate guests as he sat behind the Sports Desk clicking his knitting needles. He started out making mittens and later graduated to hats. Even Peter Seibert, head of Aspen's Ski Patrol and winner of this year's Andre Roch Trophy race, knits. He has a hat and sweater started, but unfortunately, neither are quite ready to be worn.

That snaky white scarf with the red and blue cable was Bill Lane's first attempt with knitting needles, but his latest, a hat, is more professional. "What's that great bulge in your parka, Bill?" someone asked at the top of the mountain. "Oh, just my knitting," replied Bill, another Ski Patrol member. He's making a sweater now; what next, we wonder.

It's rather like playing chess by mail, but Jim Ellertson, former Aspen skier and Jerome bellboy who has returned to his home in Minneapolis, is having a race with Josh Bradford on their newest sweaters . . . fancy things with yokes and cable stitches. At last report Josh was at the armhole, Jim just a bit above the waist.

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Tourtelotte Park is now a fine run for beginning skiers; the difficult lower part where it runs into Spar Gulch has been filled and widened to thirty feet. Richardson Photo.

Slopes And Trails Cut For Beginners

New Tow Being Erected on Gentle 1,910 Foot Slope

Former Aspen skiers will find many changes on the ski slopes here this winter, including four new major trails, a new tow, and improvements on old trails.

The novice skier now has his own practice hill, as well as the four new trails primarily for his use. Beginning ski school classes will ride the T-bar tow to practice their turns on the new Little Nell, with its 400 foot drop, pictured below. The Constam tow, which will carry an initial capacity of 275 persons per hour, will be in operation in November. Upper terminal of the new tow, which will serve with a maximum capacity of 1,000 persons per hour, is at the foot of the Silver Queen.

The other changes on Aspen's mountains are designed to give the novice and intermediate more and better skiing. They can ski the new wide trail from the Sundeck to the saddle between Tourtelotte Park and Gentleman's Ridge on Bell Mountain or through Tourtelotte Park and down West Spar, or a trail to the top of Bell, and a traverse which comes out one fifth of the way down the west wise, or the Seibert trail down the east side of Bell to

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At the very foot of the gentle grade of the Little Nell lies the town of Aspen. The Wheeler Opera House, Hotel Jerome, Roaring Fork and the Prince Albert are all within five blocks of the beginning of the T-Bar tow as well as the chair lift. Richardson Photo.



One of the new novice slopes on Aspen Mountain is the Little Nell, lower left in the picture above. A Constam tow will carry skiers up 1,910 feet. Other skiers can swing onto the Little Nell from Magnifico Cutoff, upper right. Richardson Photo.

Jerome Jottings

Labor Day weekend brought the Mitchell Wilders and their children to Aspen for a brief respite from the activity at the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center where Mitchell is the director. With them came Henry Lenning, formerly of New York, who spent most of his time here looking for a house to which he will commute this winter after he dismisses his Friday classes at Colorado College.

Polly Lockwood arrived in Aspen one Saturday with Mary Lawrie and Gertrude Hockbawn, all of Grosse Point and the following Monday Polly had found a job teaching here. She is now happily ensconced in a house with Steve and Rene Knowtlon, who are staying in Aspen until it's time for Steve to join the Olympic team of which he is a member . . . then off to Switzerland.

Jane Hagemeister and her husband, Hans, are also going to Europe this fall, with England, Austria, France, Italy and the Olympics on their itinerary. They will leave Aspen the first of November with their daughter, Victoria.

Lee Saunders, whose pretty face used to be behind the desk at the Jerome, was married September 5 to Phil Gibson of Aspen. The Herbert Bayers had a wedding reception for the pair, who have departed for Phil's former home in Ithaca.

Another September wedding was that of Ruthie Humphries and Darcy Brown, who are now living at the Perry-Brown ranch in Carbondale. The William Hodges gave a dinner party and shower at the Four Seasons for the former Denverites where many Denver faces were seen, especially out on the bank of Castle Creek with the George Bergers, Frank Ashleys, Fletcher Browns, Norman Barwise and Charles Kendrick singing.

Everyone was glad to see Tom Flynn back in Aspen again. He was one of the first to investigate the possibilities of Aspen and Ashcroft as a ski center with the late Billy Fiske in 1935. He lives in Stratford, California now. Other Californians at the Jerome this month included Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Turpie, Santa Monica; Mr. and Mrs. J. Avery Smith, Menlo Park; and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis A. Storrs, Los Angeles. And two who found it hard to escape the Jerome with their Aspen friends clutching their coat tails were Mrs. Sanford Gifford and her son, Carter, of Santa Barbara. The Giffords had planned only a short stopover here on their way west after a visit in Chicago, their former home, but were told they simply couldn't leave until they had ridden the chair lift. When that was done, not until they had gone to the Four Seasons, Ashcroft, Red Mountain, Maroon Lake, ad infinitum. So they stayed and saw everything.

Directors of the Container Corporation of America met in Aspen this month, with Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Spachner returning from Chicago for the meeting. Also here were J. A. Cunningham, Barrington, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. William Dixon, Lake Forest; Mr. and Mrs. Ira C. Keller, Mundelien, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ivey, London, Ontario; Mr. and Mrs. William P. Jeffery, Greenwich, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. John Dole, Wayne, Ill.; Henry Clark, San Diego; Earl Wagonseller and Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Jacobsen, Chicago.

A familiar face in Aspen was that of Bill Barker, editor of Rocky Mountain Life, who brought his pretty wife, Patty, for a weekend visit. Patty is the former Patricia Raine, daughter of western writer, William McLeod Raine.

We had noticed the absence of Bill Lane, but thought he was off on a packtrip. Spying him at a Four Seasons dance we inquired about the outing, but it seems he had been studying at the University of Wyoming instead. A former member of Aspen's Ski Patrol, Bill is counting on some weekend skiing here this winter.



One of America's favorite young actors, Jeffrey Lynn, and his wife pose for the Aspen Leaf while perusing last month's issue in the Gay Nineties bar of the Hotel Jerome. Mr. Lynn is the star of Universal's "Black Bart — Highwayman." Mrs. Lynn is the former Robin Chandler Tippet, fashion editor of the New York Journal American. During their Aspen visit the charming couple inspected the new runs on Aspen and Ajax mountains and will return in February for their first Aspen skiing. Richardson Photo.

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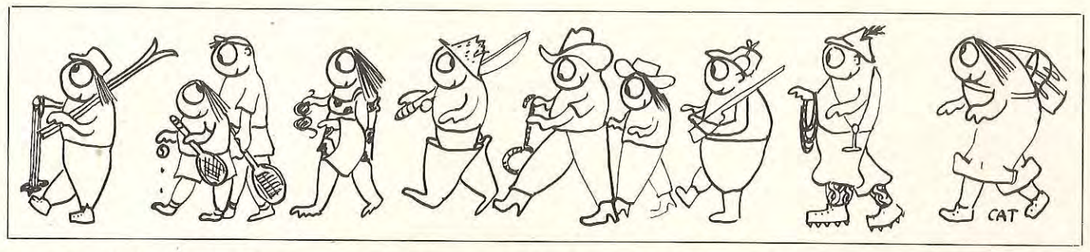

Aspen Ski Club Corner

By Leonard Woods

After an unusually active summer, during which the Aspen Ski Club put on Aspen's first Rodeo, the club has turned in recent weeks to the problems of a winter with a heavy schedule of competitions.

The Competitions Committee headed by Frank Ashley and consisting of Dick Wright, Curt Chase, and Joan Trumbull, has recommended to the club that four major ski meets be put on by the club this winter.

Christmas week will see the largest Intercollegiate meet yet to be arranged in Aspen. All four events, downhill, slalom, cross-country, and jumping will count toward the final point total that will win the prize. Some sixteen of the skiing colleges in the U. S. and Canada are being invited to participate.

Later in the season, probably late in February or early in March will come the Roch Cup Annual Trophy Races. The Downhill and Slalom features of the North American Ski Championships, a new race, has been asked for by the Aspen Ski Club, and will be run presumably the weekend preceding or following the Roch Cup.

A bid will also be submitted for the Southern Rocky Mountain Ski Association Ski Jumping and Cross Country Championships that were held in Steamboat Springs the last two years. The Willoughby 60 meter Jump will be used for all the big jumping meets, with a smaller jump being planned for this season to encourage the Junior Jumpers of Aspen. The new jump will be situated at the foot of the new Little Nell at the bottom of the Silver Queen and will be served by the new Constam lift.

Precise dates for this season's races have yet to be fixed. All races of any size must be sanctioned by the parent divisional Ski Association, in our case, the Southern Rocky Mountain Ski Association.

Montezuma Ski Hut Improved

The National Ski Association cabin in Montezuma Basin, near Aspen, is ready to receive touring skiers overnight. Jay Laughlin and Julien Cornell, both of New York, spent a week there building an insulated cellar for food storage in the cabin, and have stocked it with canned goods.

The hut, donated by William Tagert of Aspen, is available to all members of ski clubs which belong to the National Ski Association. Tagert is the head of the NSA hut committee and, as donor of the first hut, is pushing the plan to have a series of such shelters in ski areas.

The hut will accommodate four persons, whose $1 per night goes toward the improvement of the cabin. Prices are noted on the cans of staples and skiers pay their bills at the Hotel Jerome, where reservations for the cabin's use are made.

According to Laughlin the best ski months in Montezuma are early spring until late May, when powder snow may still be found on the north slope.

Trout Season Extended; Hunting Begins Oct. 11

Good news for fishermen is the extension of the fishing season until November 1. Those who found the streams high and roily during the earlier part of the season now have a chance to try their luck in clear waters. The high altitude lakes and their tributaries will be closed but the Roaring Fork, Castle Creek, Woody Creek, the Crystal River, Frying Pan river and Hunter Creek will afford Aspen visitors their limit of trout.

Deer hunting in Aspen and its surrounding high country will begin October 11 and continue until the 26th. Both does and bucks may be taken; licenses may be obtained at the Hotel Jerome. Antlered elk only may be taken in the Aspen section. Hunting parties with guides will be arranged for Aspen guests.

A copy of the 1947 Hunting and Fishing leaflet may be obtained from the Department of Game and Fish, Denver.

"Learn To Ski" Weeks In December

Special rates for the beginner who wants to learn to ski, the intermediate who is anxious to improve his style, and the expert who wants to try some of the best skiing in America, will be in effect during December and early January.

Lessons in the Ski School, unlimited rides on the chair lift or T-bar tow, meals, lodging in the Roaring Fork or Ski Barn will be available at an inclusive rate of $65 per week.

The special rate is offered only to visitors staying a full week; however a skier is not limited to one week in Aspen but may stay the full three weeks if he wishes.

Reservations for the Learn to Ski weeks, December 15-21; December 22-28, or December 29 - January 4 should be made soon by writing to the Hotel Jerome.

Friedl Pfeifer and his staff of skilled ski instructors will conduct classes in the Arlberg technique throughout the week for those who have never skied before as well as for intermediates and experts.

Standard races for the gold Aspen leaf pins will be held on weekends. The one-leaf race is held on the beginners' slope, the two-leaf race takes place on an intermediate course, and the coveted three-leaf pins go to those skiing an expert run in the required time.

This Christmas In Aspen To Be Merry

The holiday week in Aspen offers not only one of the most exciting ski races, the Aspen Intercollegiate which includes downhill, cross-country, jumping and slalom, but also a full program of gala evening events. The holiday festivity will culminate with the Silver Queen Ball on New Year's Eve when a queenly ruler of Aspen will be chosen by ballot. The queen will also preside at the informal costume race to be held New Year's Day for novice and intermediate skiers. Tea will be served daily at the Hotel Jerome.

Holiday Program

Wednesday, December 24, Christmas Eve: Carol singing from Hotel Jerome; Dance in Blue Lounge.

Thursday, Merry Christmas! Sleigh ride from Hotel Jerome to Four Seasons Club for Snowshoe Rabbit Breakfast, 11 a. m. See Santa Claus in the Blue Lounge, 3 p. m.

Friday, December 27: Ski jouring party to Four Seasons Club, 4 p. m.

Saturday, December 28: Full Moon Supper at Sundeck; moonlight chair lift ride back to the village, 6 p. m.

Sunday, December 29: Tea dance at the Hotel Jerome, 5 p. m.

Tuesday, December 30: Square dance, Four Seasons Club, 8:30 p. m.

Wednesday, New Year's Eve: Silver Queen Ball, Hotel Jerome, 10 p. m.

Thursday, New Year's Day: Silver Fizz party for the Silver Queen, Hotel Jerome, 11 a. m. Costume Race, 2:30 p. m.



"Aspen's First Snow" **By Snuffy O'Neil**



Artist Suzanne Suba, who with her dog, Susie, spent the summer in Aspen, stops to admire one of Aspen's wrought iron fences. Miss Suba draws vignettes for the New Yorker magazine. Dorothy Fifield Photo.

New Slopes For Beginners

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lower Spar.

The road from the saddle to Tourtelotte has been given a new thirty foot width, and a new trail has been cut out onto Gentleman's Ridge down the back of Bell Mountain.

Tourtelotte Park, whose broad open slopes could be skied by beginners but whose meeting with narrow Spar Gulch was not so easily navigated is now an ideal run. Spar Gulch has been leveled and widened to thirty feet, and the beginner may continue downhill on the Silver Bell, avoiding the wide but fairly steep Magnifico Cutoff.

The Little Corkscrew, below the midway section of the chair lift, has been widened, cutting down the spills of intermediate skiers. And the road from the Corkscrew to Magnifico has been widened.

Even the octagonal Sundeck on the summit of Ajax Hill has been improved, with large Thermopane windows installed, affording an even more spectacular view of the distant 14,000 foot peaks. The old smaller windows will be used as a windbreak for sunworshippers. At the midway section of the chair lift a warming house has been built for skiers and will also be used as headquarters of the Aspen Ski Patrol.

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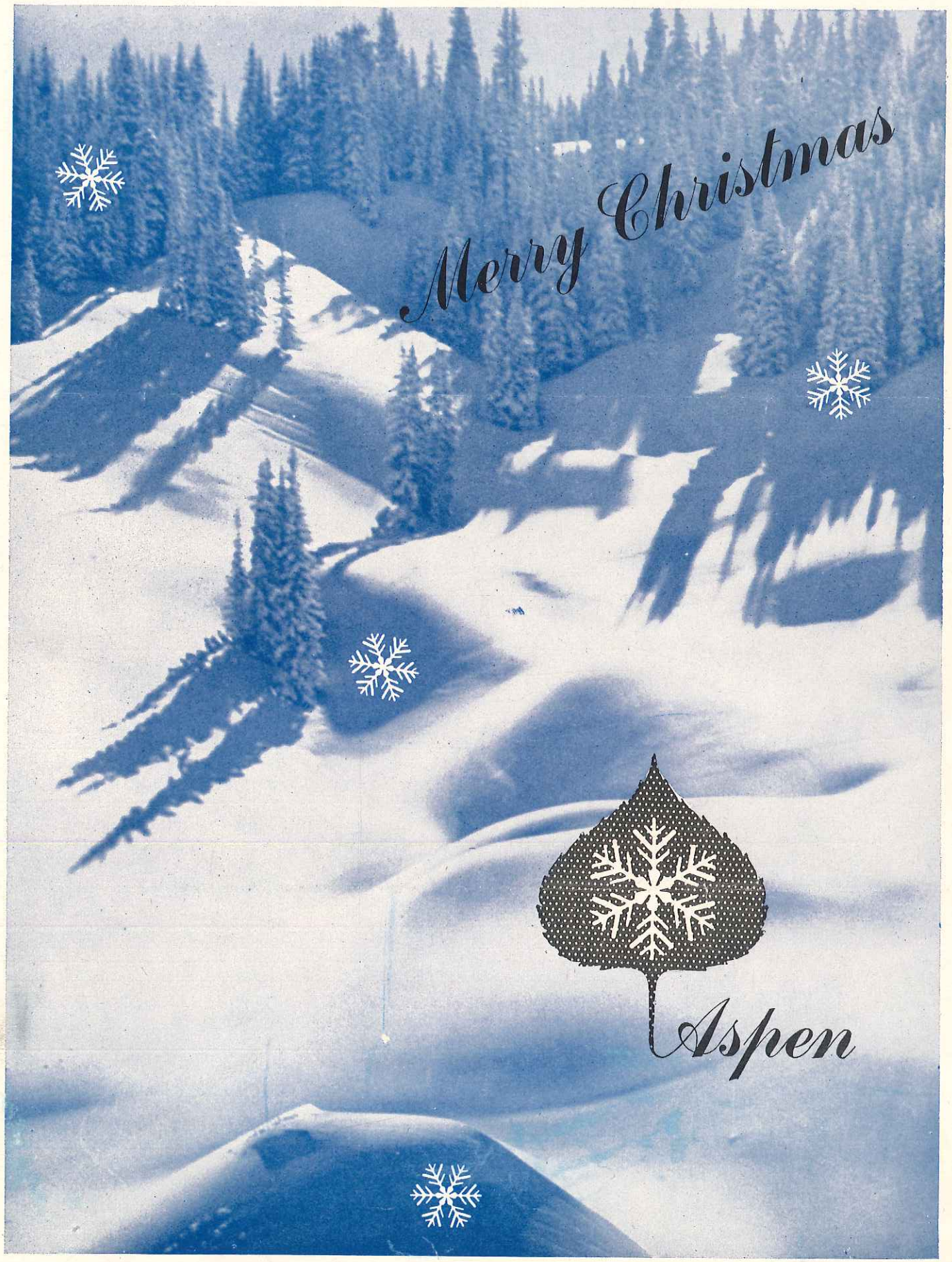
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Comedy Success Plays Here During Christmas

The list of Christmas activities in Aspen is growing by the minute. Already on the program are Christmas carol singing led by minstrel Richard Dyer-Bennet, a sleigh ride to the Four Seasons club for Christmas breakfast, a ski-joring party, a full moon supper at the Sundeck, tea dances, square dances, costume ski race for snow bunnies, and the most festive event of all, the Silver Queen ball on New Year's Eve.

Latest addition to the holiday doings in Aspen is "The Vinegar Tree," Broadway comedy hit of the 30's, which will be presented by the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center on Sunday, December 29. Directed by Orvis Grout, the three-act comedy is to be played penthouse style with the audience seated on four sides of the stage.

Young Mr. Grout, who is also director of the Fine Arts Center Theater Art class, has staged ten Civic Players shows since last December. His cast for "The Vinegar Tree" includes some of the finest actors in Colorado Springs: Agnes Daniels, ingenue, who was acclaimed for her performances in "Years Ago" and "Stage Door"; Bob Fisher, Colorado College undergraduate and star of several Civic Players productions; Walter O'Keeffe, former Broadway actor and friend of this play's author; Paul Osborn; Margaret Tutt, another seasoned player; Mrs. Baker Lambert, former New Yorker, and T. Gerowe Simmons, long a mainstay of the Civic Players.

"The Vinegar Tree," originally starring Warren Williams and Mary Boland, concerns two young people and the situations and troubles that confront them in their efforts to become sophisticated.



New Face For Jerome Hotel

The Hotel Jerome, gathering place for all of Aspen, will greet the new year with many improvements both inside and outside its Victorian structure.

A sun roof, with windbreak for winter sun-worshippers, is being built on the hotel roof. There guests may have massage in the warm Aspen sun at the hands of Bill Nelson, formerly of the Arizona Biltmore.

Inside the hotel guests will notice many changes. The lobby, with its new burgandy walls stenciled with green and blue sworls is not only attractive but also friendly and cozy with its crackling fire and Victorian furniture in deep red.

The Blue Lounge, scene of daily tea-time gatherings, has acquired lots of new furniture and there is space in the middle of the large room for square dancing or tea dancing.

An amplified music system has been installed and programs may be heard in the grill, dining room, blue lounge and bar. Richard Dyer-Bennet, now on an Eastern concert tour, is bringing back a special selection of records for the Jerome.

The cocktail lounge of the Gay Nineties bar is being redecorated this winter and will boast new lounge-type furniture designed by Aspen's Herbert Bayer.

Pfeifer, Iselin, Rideout To Head Ski School

Some of the world's best skiers, including Friedl Pfeifer, Fred Iselin and Percy Rideout, will be on hand in Aspen this winter to help novice, intermediate or expert skiers on these famous slopes.

Heading the Aspen Ski School are Friedl Pfeifer, Fred Iselin and Percy Rideout, who with their staff of skilled instructors including Karl Stingl, Elli Stiller Iselin, Walter Haug, Peter Seibert and Dick Wright, will conduct classes throughout the season. Classes, private lessons and training courses are scheduled for seven days a week.

Friedl, long top instructor in the Hannes Schneider ski school at St. Anton, is known for his brilliant performance on the ski runs of this country and Europe. Winner of the Kandahar in 1936, the White Band at St. Moritz, in 1936; his record on the Grosseglockner has never been excelled.

Fred Iselin's racing background is impressive: a record on the precipitous Glacier in France, another record for the Golden Sun race, winner of the Grand Prix at Chamonix. His Viennese wife, Elli, was the Austrian champion in 1937 and was a member of the Austrian Olympic team and FIS team for six years.

Percy Rideout, former captain of the Dartmouth ski team, later coached at that skiing college. He won the intercollegiate combined championship in 1939 and that same year was chosen as an Olympic alternate.

The three directors will divide their instruction among the beginners, intermediates and advanced skiers. All the instructors will be available for private lessons.



Photo Fritz Kaeser

High Tours Above Ashcroft - - - - - - - By James Laughlin

There comes a moment in the life of every Aspen skier when he realizes that lift skiing is vain vanity and dress, dull repetition of a fruitless hope because he will never be as good as Friedl any way . . . and then, like the beginning of a new and better life, he sets his face toward Ashcroft and makes off into the "big white."

When you look off to the Southwest from the terrace of the Sun Deck the great peaks that you see shining in the sun are the mountains of the Elk Range. Maybe you think they are just there for decoration. But the fact is they are there also for skiing. Some of the finest ski runs in America — or anywhere else for that matter — lie in the folds of those imposing masses. Cathedral Basin, Montezuma Basin, Star, Pearl and Hayden . . . Those are just a few of the tours that can be made from Ashcroft. And any one of them will be an experience, given good snow and weather, that you will never forget.

Have a go at a high tour this year when you come back to Aspen. To be sure, don't go until your legs and lungs are in shape, but don't be frightened away from it either with the thought that you have to be a perfect skier to tour. You don't. All that you need is a reliable stem turn. One of the most ardent tourers I know is a charming old boy close on to his eightieth birthday. He takes the climb slow and has a marvelous time. If he can, you can.

Till you get to know the country pretty well be sure to take a guide. It's plain sailing while the sun is shining bright, but often a snow shower will come over suddenly from the other side of the range, blotting out the visibility. Then you'll want someone along who has the map in his head. The teachers in the Aspen Ski School have been certified as touring guides by the National Ski Association.

The old town-site of Ashcroft, a most tenebrous ghost, lies only about six miles from the Sun Deck as the crow flies. The ambitious skier will probably go along the ridge top and then drop down into Ashcroft valley. But the easiest way to go is by weazel or jeep along the road that goes around behind Aspen Mountain, the same one you take to go to The Four Seasons Club.

In wintertime, with an early start you can make the tours into Ashcroft in a day, provided the weazel works well and gets you to the bottom of the climbs. In spring it's probably better to spend the night in one of the cabins up there and get off to an early start at dawn.

To get the full length of those long runs in Ashcroft — some of them give you 4,000 vertical feet — you want to allow plenty of time for climbing, and some for "restauration" on the top

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The Piffins, enchanting brainchildren of F. H. Trumbull, former professor, will tell you with his permission about the cousin to his Concord, Mass., Country Store, to be opened in Aspen by his daughter, Joan, and Maud Banks.

The Piffins In Aspen, Colorado

"Now who in the world," remarked Mrs. Piffin, gazing about her distratctedly, "would ever have dreamed of finding a branch of our own Country Store in Colorado, among such terrifying mountains, and so far from Concord too,, and in a place called, of all things, Aspirin—."

"Aspen, my dear, Aspen," said Mr. Piffin calmly. "Once the second largest silver mining city in Colorado. And The Aspen Country Store is not a branch, you know. It's a sort of first cousin of our Store at Concord, and it's owned and run by our Boss' daughter, Miss Joan Trumbull, and her partner, Miss Maud Banks, two most capable young ladies, who also make a habit of skiing down hills altogether too rapidly, in my opinion. .We're here to give them our blessing, remember?"

"Of course I remember," replied Mrs. Piffin. "They were at Vassar together and they joined the WACs, and served as sergeants in the Air Transport Command in India and China, and now they've started a Country Store patterned on ours. But why do they have to put it among all these mountains? The Store, I mean. Couldn't they have it on some level place?"

"Not for skiing, they couldn't," explained Mr. Piffin. "Aspen is one of the finest places to ski in the entire country, thanks to its natural advantages, and to a certain miraculous Mr. Paepcke, who saw to it that Aspen had the best trails, and the longest chair lift in the world, and a sun deck affair 11,300 feet up a mountain, where Miss Joan and Miss Maud worked last year."



Joan Trumbull (left) and Maud Banks, of whom the Piffins speak.
Photo John Richardson

"I know all about that," said Mrs. Piffin. "They both skied on the Aspirin girls team which won the Loveland Pass race. And in the Roch Cup race, Miss Joan won the Women's Downhill breaking all records, and was second in the Combined, and Miss Maud was fourth in the Downhill and in the Combined. And Miss Joan also won the Women's Downhill in the Pike's Peak race and Miss Maud was third in the Downhill and in the Combined. It's wonderful, and they're wonderful; but what in the world does it all have to do with the Aspirin Country Store?"

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Spin a Silver Yarn

By Jean Maxwell

Until the promise of wealth was found in the high mountains circling the Aspen valley no human being had lived in their shadow through the winter. Only the very oldest inhabitants of this town can remember the first winters of the early eighties, when the men who stayed depended on skis and snowshoes for life and livelihood.

William Wheeler has reason to smile, thinking of the changes made during his eighty years. When he came to Aspen skis were "snowshoes", and snowshoes were "webs". When he travelled the thirty miles from the Enterprise mine where he was superintendent, to Aspen, he wore twelve foot skis that were five inches wide. Each ski was fastened to his foot with two leather straps nailed to the outside edges, one was a toe strap that came across the instep, the other came from behind, like a spur strap. He slipped rolled gunny sacks or twisted rope onto his skis for climbing, and used a long pole as rudder and brake on downhill runs. Because he would die of exposure if he lost a ski, he, as many others, wore two fine ropes about his waist which he tied to his skis.

A tall, broad shouldered old man came into the newspaper office here a few days ago. The brave days of the eighties are still vivid in his mind, as they are for all who live to remember.

"Let me tell you," he said, "Let me tell you. People aren't the same now. When I was a young man we weren't afraid of the high country. We worked hard and risked our lives. It's nothing but pleasure, pleasure, now."

He doesn't remember, perhaps, up where there were no trees; to head their big boards straight downhill, holding their poles horizontally for a breakneck ride.

He doesn't remember the miners on Aspen mountain, most likely.

"The boys from the "Conomara", The Aspen Times said, "come down from work in ten minutes . . . It takes them an hour or more to climb back."

Chances are the "boys" would have appreciated a good chair lift.



Robert Maynard Hutchins, of Chicago University, in Aspen to discuss plans for the Goethe Bicentennial.
Photo Dorothy Fifield

Plans Laid For Goethe Bicentennial In Aspen

Plans for a Goethe Bicentennial celebration, to be held in Aspen in August, 1949, were discussed here last month when Robert Maynard Hutchins, chancellor of the University of Chicago, visited with Walter Paepcke, another member of the committee. The celebration will honor the two-hundredth anniversary of the birth of the great German poet and supranationalist who believed that strife between nations should not hinder the advancement and exchange of cultures.

The Goethe Bicentennial Foundation Inc., of which Herbert Hoover has accepted the honorary chairmanship, will sponsor the event, and if the proper arrangements can be made, the celebration will be held here for two or three weeks beginning August 28, 1949. Present plans call for a program of Goethe's poems set to music, lieder and choruses; drama, with one or two of his plays translated into English and presented at the Wheeler Opera House; and lectures on his works by professors from Europe and North and South America. There will also be an exhibit of Goethe memorabilia, including letters, sketches and designs.

Jerome Jottings

Visitors from far away . . . Brussels, Belgium, and Rio de Janiero, Brazil . . . were guests at the Hotel Jerome this fall. Mrs. Ernest Solvay and her daughter, Ann, from Brussels were in Aspen for the first snow (and the Hallowe'en masquerade dance). Aspen's earliest skiers were Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Pierotti and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Carvalho from Rio. They skied daily on Independence Pass during their week's stay.

Nearer home were the group of Lincoln Nebraska, visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Seacrest (he's the publisher of the Star-Journal) arrived with Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Ayer, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whitten, Mrs. Donald Miller and Ted Butterfield.

Lewis Cobb, director of Colorado publicity, came to Aspen with his pretty wife for a weekend visit after he delivered a speech in Glenwood Springs. Mrs Cobb is a commercial artist whose work appears in Denver papers.

Frequent Aspen visitors are Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Vandemoer of Denver whose new house here is almost finished. Other Denverites seen at the Jerome were Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lehrer, Mr. and Mrs. Lauren Burt, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Morris and Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Zang.

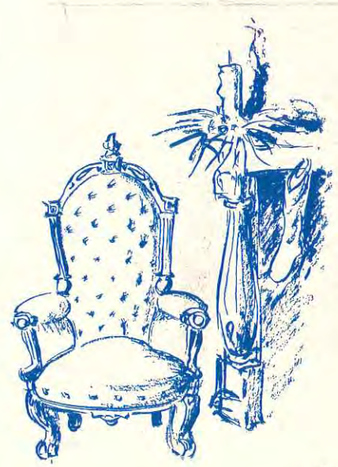
Energetic artist Dave Stirling of Estes Park, who was recently spotlighted in the American Magazine, spent some busy days in Aspen painting. He rose with the sun one morning and by breakfast-time had finished one oil of Maroon Lake, and another painting was underway. Mr. Stirling is known for his theory of "art for the people," which puts original works within the reach of the average householder.

An Aspen reunion took place when Mrs. Edward Kernochern of Colorado Springs came here to meet her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Kernochern of Farmington, Conn. Another group of visitors from Colorado Springs included Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Wilder who spent five days here seeing the sights in the Herbert Bayer's jeep. Ralph Giddings and Henry Lenning drove up with the Wilders for a weekend.

Later Marshall Sprague, publicity manager for the Fine Arts Center, came with Orvis Grout, young director of the Colorado Springs Civic Players, to discuss plans for a December performance in Aspen of "The Vinegar Tree." More about this on page two.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wendell Morse, formerly of Easton, Conn., are headed for Rio de Janiero in a jeep. The young, blond Morses who came to Aspen in June, when they bought the Roberts ranch, west of the ctiy, have already caught the pioneer spirit. "We're just going to get in the car and go," said Mrs. Morse. They will go first to California, then down into the Southwest and on toward Rio. Except for an occasional visit with relatives, the Morses will be camping out, roughing it all the way. They will take movies of their trip, and when they return to Aspen in the spring, Mr. Morse hopes to write a book about their experiences.

And now Aspen is preparing for the bright days and deep snows of winter. Already dusk brings skiers tromping through the snow to the Hotel Jerome where a cup of tea by a roaring fire awaits them. Skis are again in evidence on Aspen front porches. And those familiar tracks lead straight up to the soft new fluff on Aspen mountain.



Little Annie Curtsies To



Frank and Fred Willoughby
Photo John Richardson

A bow as well as a curtsey goes to brothers Frank and Fred Willoughby for their major share in building the new Aspen. The quiet Willoughbys came to Aspen twenty-five years ago and have always played an important part in the town's activities.

Frank Willoughby has been manager of the Midnight Mine more than fifteen years. However, it was the Little Annie mine which Fred and his father worked in the early days. With their lodging half a mile from the mine they climbed to the summit of Ajax Hill and skied down narrow trails between trees to get into town. Although there were horse-drawn sleds to carry supplies they took no passengers and they climbed back.

Thus Fred and Frank learned to ski through necessity, but took up skiing as a sport in more recent years. With their wives, Doris and Wilmina, Laurence Elisha, Mike Magnifico, and others, they formed the Aspen Ski Club which has always been the sparkplug behind skiing in Aspen.

It was in 1937 that Andre Roch discovered Aspen and laid out the new-famous Roch Run, and put the plans in the hands of Frank Willoughby who engineered the run. The Roch was cut out of the mountain entirely by hand with the Aspen townspeople donating both money and labor. The next year Roch designed a jump over the old Veteran Mine. Frank was again given the engineering job, and the jump was named after the Willoughbys.

When the present chair-lift was proposed, it was natural that Frank and Fred should have a hand in it. Frank and Robert McPhee surveyed in the winter of 1946, often working in five feet of snow. The following summer Fred opened the country so that the workers could get into it, bulldozing out old wagon trails that had not been used for years. Fred also supervised the erection of the lift's steel towers, work on which was to begin in mid-summer. However, the steel was delayed, and the first of it arrived just ahead of an early snow. As a result, much of the heavy work of building the lift was done by men pulling cables through snow to their waists.

Today Frank is still managing the Midnight, where the miners swear they could never work as well for another boss, and is a newly-elected city alderman. Fred has just finished supervising the building of the new 1,910 foot T-bar tow on the Little Nell and will continue in charge of operation for the lifts.

Whatever the future holds for Aspen it is certain that the Willoughby brothers will be a part of it and will be called on again and again as builders and leaders.

The Piffins In Aspen

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"Everything, my dear," said Mr. Piffin patiently. "Aspirin—I mean Aspen—is not just good for skiing, it's popular all year round. And that means people here will need all our good durable Country Store things to wear. Like Siwash Socks and Pendleton Shirts, and Hand-knit ski sweaters, and ski caps and pants and parkas, and Saranac gloves, and all the rest. And Miss Maud and Miss Joan will have all those things in The Aspen Country Store whenever people need them, and —."

"Just like our nice red Country Store in Concord," remarked Egmont.

"Except for all the mountains, dear," said Mrs. Piffin. "My goodness, I'm going to sneeze, and we must see the store, and catch our train for Concord. Do you think I'm catching a cold, Theophilus? What shall I do for it?"

Mr. Piffin gazed up and away at all the snow-tipped mountains.

"Since this is Colorado, my dear," he said, a little dryly, "I think I should recommend Aspirin."

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Where there are songs usually skiers may be found. And where there are skiers there are always songs. This group is harmonizing at the Red Onion.
Photo John Richardson



Aspen Ski Club Corner

By Leonard Woods

The competitive season in view for the Aspen Ski Club, promises to be one of the most active it has ever sponsored, with four major races put on by the Club in Aspen.

The Christmas Intercollegiate four-event meet (slalom, downhill, jumping and cross-country) will be held on the 27th and 28th of December. On January 31st and February 1st Aspen plays host to the Southern Rocky Mountain Ski Association Championships in the classic combined; Jumping and Cross-Country.

With the sanction of the National Ski Association still pending, it looks likely that Aspen will hold the first meeting of the North American Downhill and Slalom Championships. This race will come on either the 6-7 or the 13-14 of March, with the famous annual Roch Cup Trophy races being on the one of the two weekends not taken by the North American.

Both Frank Ashley, chairman of the Competitions Committee, and Andy Ransom, chairman of the Race Committee, have recommended that the North American Downhill be set on Aspen's newest and longest downhill course. The race will start at the Sundcek thence to Tourtelotte Park, Spar Gulch,, to the bottom of the Silver Queen, to finish on the Little Nell open slope. This course, not so precipitious as the Roch Run is well over three miles long, and will bring out the best in endurance and waxing techniques.

The junior teams of the Aspen Ski Club will be the strongest in history this winter. Glenn Beck, Chuck Maddalone and Bud Marolt, can be expected to give the seniors a close run for the money. Pete Seibert, Lowell Elisha, Karl Stingl, and Leonard Woods will probably make up the strength of the men's A team.



Olympic team members, Gordie Wren, Steve Knowlton and Gene Gillis, are training in Aspen where the first good snow fell the first of November.
Photo John Richardson

Lifts Are Operating; Ski Season Gets Underway

With Aspen's famous runs once again covered with snow and the world's longest chair lift in operation for the season skiing fever is running high.

Center of attraction on the mountains are members of the Olympic Ski Team beginning their winter training. Gordie Wren is practicing daily on the new twenty-five meter jump which will soon be lighted for night jumping, and with the next snow fall he expects the sixty-meter Willoughby jump to be ready for use. Four other members of the team, including Steve Knowlton and Gene Gillis are also taking advantage of the early snow to perfect their racing and slalom techniques, and champions Barney McLean and Bob Blatt arrived recently in Aspen to train here.

Good news for those less skilled than the Olympic competitors is the opening of the Little Nell, new slope for novice skiers, with its 1,900 foot T-bar tow which starts operating December 1st.

As last season, the octagonal Sundeck on top of Ajax Hill, newly equipped with large Thermopane windows, will serve hot lunches, and at the midway section of the chair life a new warming house has been built for skiers. This house will also be used as headquarters for the Aspen Ski Patrol which is headed this year by Leonard Woods. Members of the patrol include Bob Dennis, Jim Voorhees, James Green, Morris Shepherd, Gale Spence, Fred Nyland, and Bob Parker. The Aspen Ski Patrol functions under the rules of the National Ski Patrol System, and all emergencies are met by a network of telephones and toboggans on all slopes.

Boon to Ski Budgets, New Prince Albert Is Opened

The Prince Albert, newest addition to Aspen's remodeled Victorian accommodations, opened this month, bringing new low rates to the budget-minded skier.

The Prince Albert is a three-story building with steam heat. There are baths and showers on each floor; a sunny sky-lighted court makes it friendly and cheery.

On the third floor small rooms furnished with two double-decker bunks rent at 75c and $1 per person, with the guests providing their own sleeping bags or bedding. The second floor has apartments for transient or permanent rental and individual rooms with double or twin beds, (some with hotel maid service), at minimum rates.

Other accommodations in Aspen include the Roaring Fork and Ski Barn, where dormitory-type accommodations with four to six in a room are available at $2 per person. The Aspen Apartments, providing kitchenette, private bath, livingroom - bedroom combination with hotel maid service are from $4 per person. All the above mentioned rates are European Plan.



The Hotel Jerome and Cottages, American plan, have a variety of rooms beginning at $7 per person, including meals. There are six guest houses in the town, sleighs provide a shuttle service to the hotel for meals and to the lift for skiing.

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High Tours Above Ashcroft

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before you start down. Most people, using good skins, can do close to a thousand vertical feet an hour, without tiring themselves. The secret is to take a gradual line and keep moving. Start slow and work up climbing speed as you get the rhythm.

If you want a more adventurous trip, head up into Montezuma Basin, which lies about six miles on West from Ashcroft. Here you can stay at the Tagert Hut of the National Ski Association. This beautifully located hut is an old mining cabin, presented to the NSA, for the use of all American skiers, by William Tagert, proprietor of The Montezuma Mines. Arrangements for its use should be made through Chuck Bishop at The Hotel Jerome. There is a small guest charge in the Tagert Hut, but it is a non-profit affair, and all the revenue collected will go into a fund for improving the cabin and building others later in other basins above Ashcroft. Eventually it is hoped to have a chain of huts in the Elk Mountains, so spaced that you can spend a week touring, going from one to the other.



Sleighing and ski-joring are popular winter sports in Aspen, but these guests at the Victoria guest cottage are using the shuttle-sleigh to return to the Hotel Jerome for supper.

Photo John Richardson

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THE LURE OF OPEN SLOPES. ASPEN'S TOURTELOTTE PARK FOTO FRITZ HENLE

Caught between ranges of some of the most magnificent peaks in the Rocky Mountain chain, whose shoulders bear the finest powder snow from November to May, *ASPEN*, old mining town of silver fame, is the enchanting new magnet drawing America's skiers west to the Colorado snow fields.

Already famous for its Roch Run, racing course laid out by the Swiss Andre Roch, Aspen enters the 1947-48 season with new slopes and broad trails designed by some of America's greatest skiers to provide safe and interesting skiing for the novice and intermediate skier.

Primary among the new developments is the Little Nell, beginners' slope served by a new T-bar lift. Located a few blocks from the center of town, the Little Nell is more than 300 feet wide, 1800 feet long, has a vertical drop of 400 feet and an average slope of only 10°.

Other improvements, aimed exclusively at giving the novice and intermediate skier more and better skiing, have been made on trails originating at the Sundeck, octagonal shelter house situated at the top of Ajax Hill and already known to winter sports enthusiasts as one of the most strikingly beautiful meeting places in the world, in the very heart of the Rockies.

Beginners and pleasure skiers in *Aspen* are not restricted to the lower slopes: they may leave the Sundeck on the Silver Bell, a wide trail leading into wide-open Tourtelotte Park, the easy slopes of Gentleman's Ridge and finally onto the new novice slope itself.

The Sundeck is reached by the renowned Aspen chair lift, 14,000 feet long, whose first section alone is the longest in the world.

The Wheeler Opera House, 57 years old, twice burned and long neglected but acoustically one of the finest anywhere, is once more the scene of musical, dramatic and folk song events.

Richard Dyer-Bennet has founded his School of Minstrelsy and Folk Lore in Aspen, the first of its kind since the sixteenth century. His wife, Melvene Dyer-Bennet, who conducted her own studio in New York and Boston, has opened a school of modern dance here.

The luxurious homes on Castle Creek, two miles from town, of two former Pitkin County mining kings have been remodeled to become the new Four Seasons Club, a popular gathering place with dancing, trap shooting and the congenial atmosphere of a tap room, dining room and private cocktail rooms. Membership is open to guests by invitation and payment of a small entrance fee.



JINGLING SLEIGHS AND SKI-JORERS ARE AN ATTRACTIVE PART OF THE ASPEN WINTER SCENE. FOTO RICHARDSON





THE ASPEN SUNDECK, WITH MOUNT HAYDEN IN THE DISTANCE, IS AN OUTSTANDINGLY BEAUTIFUL SPOT ON THE SUMMIT OF AJAX HILL AT THE UPPERMOST TERMINAL OF THE CHAIR LIFT. NOT ONLY POPULAR WITH SKIERS, IT ATTRACTS MANY NON-SKIERS FOR LUNCH AND THE PLEASURE OF THE VIEW. FOTO FIFIELD



THE WORLD-FAMOUS ASPEN CHAIR LIFT CARRIES SKIERS SMOOTHLY AND SAFELY INTO SOME OF THE FINEST KNOWN SKI TERRAIN. FOTO THE TINTYPE

The Aspen Ski School is under the expert direction of Friedl Pfeifer and his associates, many of whom were members of the famed Tenth Mountain Division. In addition to regular class sessions and private instruction, the Ski School conducts cross country tours throughout the season.

Beginning with an intercollegiate meet in December, Aspen sees races throughout the winter. In March, the annual Andre Roch Trophy race brings America's top skiers, both men and women, to test their skill against the demanding two-mile course. A giant slalom race down the face of Mount Hayden is planned for May to honor Billy Fiske, pioneer skier and mountaineer. The first Sunday in June the annual Independence Pass slalom is held by the Aspen Ski Club and the Zipfelberger Ski Club of Denver.

Aspen's professional Ski Patrol functions under the rules of the National Ski Patrol System. All emergencies are met by a network of telephones and toboggans on all slopes.



THE WARM WINTER SUN TEMPTS MANY SKIERS WHEN THE MORNING'S RUN IS OVER. FOTO FRITZ HENLE





AT THE SKI SCHOOL MEETING PLACE PUPILS ARE ASSIGNED TO THEIR INSTRUCTOR OF THE DAY. FOTO THE TINTYPE

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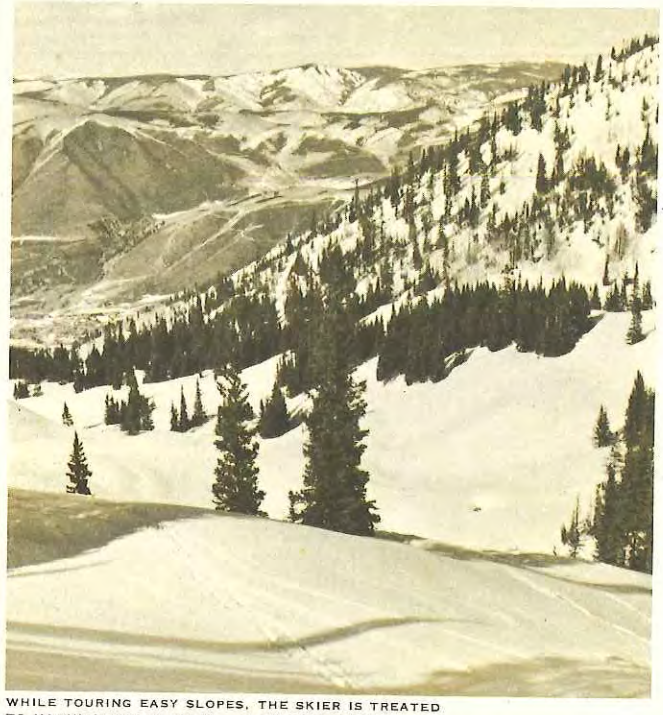
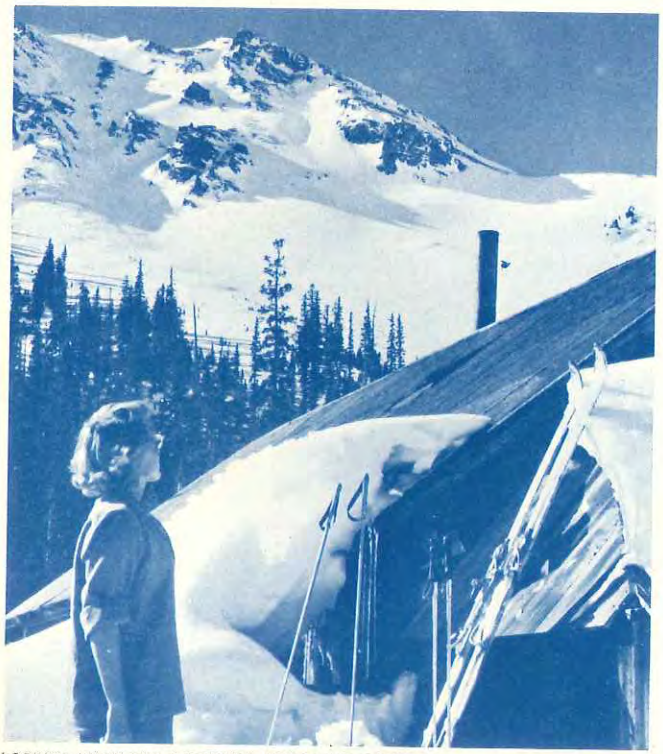
←ASPEN SKI SCHOOL SCENE. FOTO CHAS. E. GROVER



WHILE TOURING EASY SLOPES, THE SKIER IS TREATED TO MAGNIFICENT SCENERY. FOTO FRITZ HENLE



GENTLE SLOPES MAKE ASPEN SKIING FUN FOR THE NOVICE AND INTERMEDIATE. FOTO FRITZ HENLE



LOOKING UP TO THE SLOPES OF MONTEZUMA BASIN: OPEN COUNTRY AND FINE POWDER! FOTO THE TINTYPE



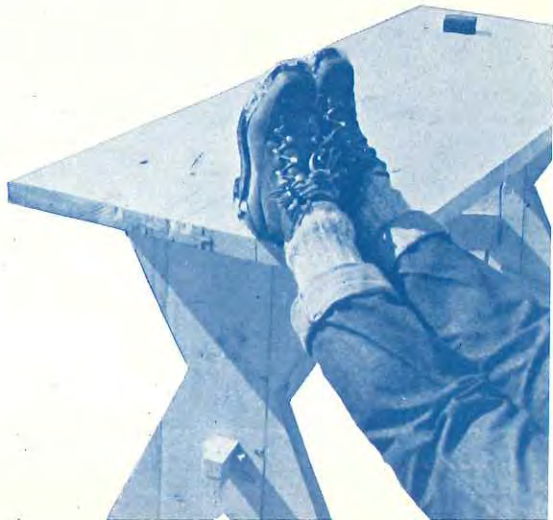
THE SUNDECK AND SIGNPOST INDICATING SOME OF THE MANY ASPEN TRAILS. FOTO FRITZ HENLE

Guest races for the coveted gold Aspen leaf pins are held every weekend. Courses are set for the one, two and three leaf pins, on various runs on Aspen Mountain and Ajax Hill. At Christmas, the intercollegiate races attract college men and women from all over the country to compete and join in the holiday festivities, which include sleigh rides, ski-joring, egg nog parties, carolling, and the Bonanza Ball New Year's Eve, where the Silver Queen is crowned.

The "Cousin Jack" races—named for Aspen's Cornish miners—for pleasure skiers are held in April, presenting to the beginning and intermediate skier a chance to enter competition. Picnic at the Sundeck and an evening party at which prizes are awarded are features of Cousin Jack day.



The best in ski clothes, skis, ski boots, poles and all ski accessories may be purchased in Aspen from Mike, the Outfitter: Mike also does excellent waxing and ski repair work.





THE JEROME. FOTO H. BAYER



THE GRILL AT THE JEROME. FOTO CHAS. E. GROVER

HOTEL JEROME
and Cottages



THE FLORADORA ANNEX AND COTTAGE. FOTO H. BAYER

PART OF THE MAIN HOTEL JEROME DINING ROOM. FOTO THE TINTYPE



THE FRONTIERSMEN'S BAR. FOTO CHAS. E. GROVER



HOTEL JEROME • In the center of Aspen is the historic *Hotel Jerome*, built when Aspen was riding the crest of the 80's silver boom. Newly restored throughout, the hostelry has lost none of the charm and atmosphere of its last-century days and yields to none in the comfort of its accommodations.

Guests are welcomed with true western hospitality to the Blue Lounge with its open fire, music and dancing, to the Frontiersmen's Bar with its magnificent view of the ski runs and to the distinguished main dining room and the rustic grill. Guests find their rooms decorated in warm, charming colors, furnished with inviting chairs and comfortable beds.

In addition to the Jerome there are many enchanting, freshly renovated guest homes, such as the "Victoria", the "Gay Nineties", and the "Gibson Girl." These houses and cottages, furnished with the same taste and appeal as the hotel, are available to groups or as individual accommodations. Transportation from the houses to and from the hotel is provided by old fashioned sleighs and carriages.

ROARING FORK • For the college skier or others wishing dormitory type accommodations—at minimum rates—Aspen has the *Roaring Fork* and *Ski Barn*, two of the finest dormitories to be found in any American Ski resort. These two buildings, planned to provide comfort and congenial atmosphere at low cost, are popular with many winter sports fans who have already experienced their charm and comfort. In the first story of the Roaring Fork, which, like the Ski Barn, has rooms accommodating from four to six persons, is the Roaring Fork Inn where simple meals, sandwiches and soft drinks are served.

PRINCE ALBERT • The *Prince Albert*, attractive new addition to Aspen guest facilities, offers inexpensive one, two and three-room apartments, built around a skylighted, sunny court, for couples wanting minimum rates. Although many of the apartments will be suitable for monthly residence, several single and double apartments will be open to guests for shorter stays.

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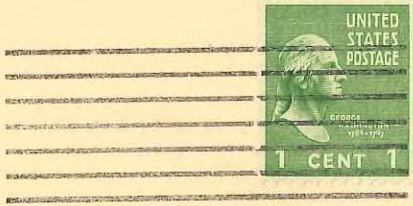

Mr. and Mrs. John Litchfield

Aspen, Colorado

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Around Town

ASPEN TIMES

There was a riot in Aspen Wednesday. Peace loving residents, out enjoying the lovely sunshine came across a band of warlike skiers who were kneeling to the North. Investigation proved they were saying "Allah" for snow. Rumor has it certain ski boys have engaged a swami in Seattle to direct storm clouds this way. The Aspen branch of the Brotherhood of Associated Weathermen is financing a lobby. BAW spokesman, Astrid Schmitt, says the brothers are evolving a plan to have it snow only at night. "We feel we stand," she said, joshingly, "At the hub at the hubub."

In the meantime dispatches are coming in from all sectors. In honor of being very sorry the Litchfields are leaving, and so soon, a group of people jeeped all over Aspen, early this week, getting their dinner. Warm-ups were staged in the Fred Willoughby home, fruit salad was served at Mike and Maggie's, chicken and trimmings, at the Alton Beck's, chocolate ice cream at Laurence and Svea's house, followed by finisher-offs, demi-tasse, liquer, and such, at the Effingers. The Fritz Kaesers served as co-sponsors of the project, but, up Castle creek is such a long way in a cold jeep that they were accepted into the corporation as donors of olives and time. Present with the Litches were John's mother and his sister, Mrs. Pabst who are visiting.

The shining faces of Jerry Hiatt, Lydia Brewster, Donny Elisha, Jim Ellertson and Shady Lane appeared on the mountain over the holidays . . . as they travelled back over the horizon to education and gainful employment people with good hearing could still hear their voices saying dimly, "I won't go back to school" . . . and "Stop the car!" Donny was not as reluctant as he might have been, feeling that his future lay at the alma mater. Together with Keith Wegeman of Steamboat, he placed highest in recent tryouts held to pick the D. U. team for a college meet at S. Valley.

Virginia Packard, Denver Post ski writer spent last weekend in Aspen writing about ski wheels Knowton, Wren, McLean, Blatt and Gillis. Although the boys had dispersed some days before she arrived her writeup in the Monday's Post made Aspen sound very fine and serious.

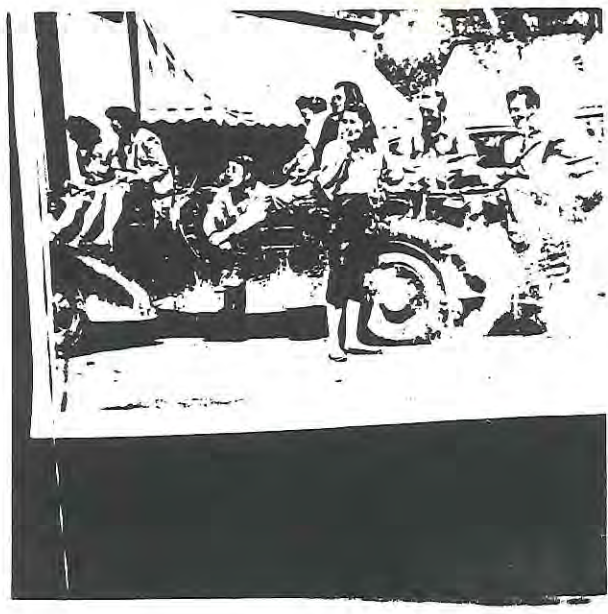
David Peskin, Colliers lens man, waiting about town for his pics seems to have developed a very good time. Peskin, with 27 magazine covers to his credit, (fourteen of them for Colliers) says he is all but certain Aspen will blossom out in the magazine in seven or eight weeks. "I have lots of material here for covers," he says, looking at the pretty girls.

Unrevealed official sources are quoted, this week, as commenting with pleasure on the forthcoming annexation of Sun Valley. Home forces are being instructed in infiltration tactics, and in a short time the bastions are expected to fall. Pre-season listing of agents reveals that our friend Flokie is to start teaching in the valley towards the end of this month; Jerry Hiatt has been signed for beginners classes. Litch and Andy plan to leave for the front on Monday or Tuesday They are going to travel in Andy's car, Herman, but it is believed they will arrive in the valley safely. (Herman has been undergoing physiotherapy and is feeling better. Hasn't lost a fender in weeks.) Jean and Mary Isabel will follow in the Litchfield car. The white jeep is to pasture at the Effingers until spring.

Suspense is mounting, day by day, as people wonder who will have the first singing telgeram sent from the Jerome. Imagine waking in the cold Sunday dawn to pick up the phone and hear the sweet voice of Willie de Jonge singing the Western Union message No. 24368 which is the Readers Digest condensation of God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen.

ASPEN FEATURED IN COLORADO MAGAZINE

Under the head "New Era for Aspen," the Colorado Municipalities magazine for November presented a detailed view of Aspen Corporation developments here. The article, outlining the problems and plans of those interested in developing Aspen as a resort, is generously illustrated with photos by Kaeser, Fifield, Richardson and Crail. It tells of the renovation of the Jerome, the building of the lift, the passing of the zoning ordinance, and the introduction of concerts and the Dyer-Bennet schools. The cover of the magazine carries the now well known Fifield shot of Aspen mountain showing Roch, the Magnifico, and Spar Gulch.



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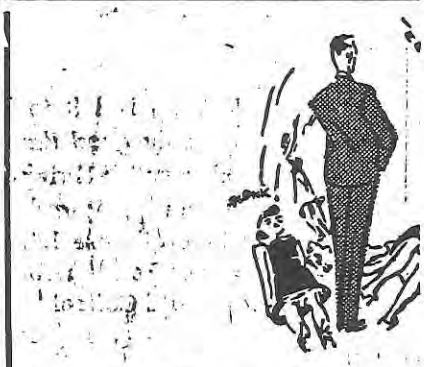

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Blatt, Reddish Pace Field In Ski Meet

:en Cops Slalom ‹ Sun Valley)lympic Tryouts

By LOUDON KELLY

SUN VALLEY, Ida., March 9 (AP)—A 14-year-old brunette from Rutland, Vt.—Andrea Mead—garnered an almost certain reservation for the U. S. Olympic ski jaunt to St. Moritz next February when she topped the women's field Sunday in the slalom trials.

Gordon Wren, Denver skier, captured the men's division but his poor showing in the downhill test Saturday kept him off the list of the top 10 men in the combined, the most likely of the male contingent to draw assignments to St. Moritz.

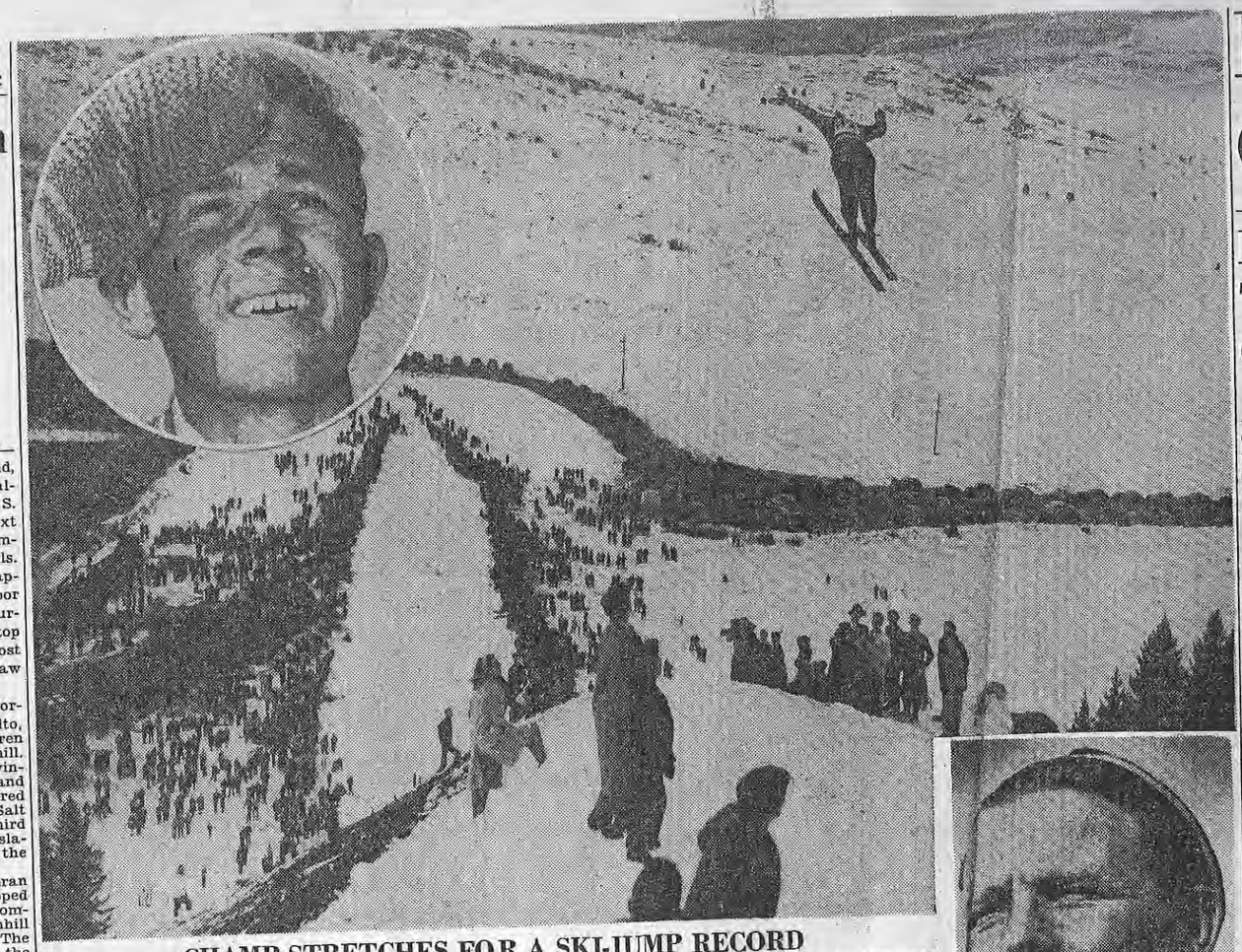
Tops in the men's combined scoring was Bob Blatt of Palo Alto, Cal., who finished second to Wren Sunday and fourth in the downhill. Jack Reddish of Salt Lake City, winner of the down mountain run and eighth in the slalom trials, garnered second, and George Macomber, Salt Lake City runner, put together third in the downhill and fifth in the slalom for the number three spot in the combined.

Gretchen Fraser, comely veteran skier from Vancouver, Wash., copped the first spot in the women's combined with a first in the downhill and second in Sunday's run. The Mead girl posted second place in the downhill Saturday and with her win Sunday scored second in the combined. Paula Kann of North Conway, N. H., swept the number three spots, combined, slalom and downhill.

Best chances for berths on the Olympic team were held by the top five in each division of the combined. Fourth and fifth among the men went to Steve Knowlton of Aspen, Colo., and Colin Stewart, Hanover, N. H., while the four and five spots in the women's division were won by Virginia Hudiekoper of Jackson, Wyo., and Suzanne Harris of Salt Lake City.

The remainder of the first 10 in the combined scoring: Men—Don Amick, Seattle; Bill Bowes, Salem, Ore.; Leon Gerrard, Alta Valley; Gene Gillis, Portland (first in Alta Valley); Gene Gillis, Portland (total of both heats): Gordon Wren, Denver, 3:11 minutes; Bob Blatt, 2:32.4; Steve Knowlton, 2:33.8; Colin Stewart, 2:34.6; George Macomber, 2:36.8; Bill Bowes, Salem, Ore., 2:38; Gene Gillis, 2:38.4; Jack Reddish, 2:39.6; Barney McLean, Denver, 2:40.6; Rees Stevenson, Seattle, 2:42.4; tied for 11th, Don Amick, Seattle, and Bill Ferrell, Salt Lake City, each with 2:43.8; tied for 13th, Ross Davis, Aspen, Colo., and Pat Kearnes, Salt Lake City, each with 2:44.4; Leon Goodman, Sun Valley, 2:44.6; Karl Stingl, Sun Valley, 2:45; Devereaux Jennings, Aspen, Colo., 2:47.2; Dick Movitz, Salt Lake City, 2:48.4; Don French, Seattle, 2:49.2; Abbott Phillips, Little Compton, R. I., 2:51.

The first 20 women in the slalom (time is total of both heats): Andrea Mead, Rutland, Vt., 2:58; Gretchen Fraser, Vancouver, Wash., 3:02.8; Paula Kann, North Conway, N. H., 3:03.4; Ruth Marie Stewart, Hanover, N. H., 3:12.2; Brynhild Grasmoen, Merced, Cal., 3:15; Virginia Huidekoper, Jackson, Wyo., 3:15.2; Ann Winn, Salt Lake City, 3:16.2; Mary Alice



CHAMP STRETCHES FOR A SKI-JUMP RECORD

Stocky Arnold Kongsgaard stretched out trying for a record at Ecker hill Sunday. He is caught in mid-air with part of the crowd in the background. Bill Beesley, B winner, insert. Kongsgaard, below.

Magna Gals Pace Keglers

Five feminine keglers from Magna made a clean sweep in the handicap division of the women's Salt Lake round robin bowling tourney, which wound up at the Temple alleys Sunday night, while Faye Andrews of Salt Lake salvaged some glory for the city by winning first place in the championship division.

[illegible] placed second in the handicap and a total of 2248, while Ann Tygeson was third thanks to a 1994 scratch, 207 handicap and a total of 2201.

Miss Schultz had the high handicap series of the tourney, an 854, while Madalyn Sowles had high scratch with 735. Mary Lou Wood of Salt Lake had the high game of the meet, a 222.

Following Miss Andrews whose score of 2099 gave her first place in the championship division, was Donna Cromar with a 2093, and Lucille Fyffe with 1999. Ann Tygeson placed fourth with a score of 1994.

The leaders:

Handicap Division

1. Helen Schultz, 1806-531—2337.

Scheffner, Barney, Parry Capture Bowling Titles

A pair of consistently good bowlers from Ogden, Claude W. Parry and Joe Barney, together with an equally fine kegler from Salt Lake, Frank Scheffner, walked off with top honors in the Centennial state bowling tourney which closed Sunday at the Ritz alleys.

Scheffner won the scratch singles crown with a score of 636, captured the handicap singles with 688, and his 1860 pins in the all-events gav[illegible]

Parry and Barney scooted 12[illegible] pins in the doubles championshi[illegible] flight, to edge out Bill Ward an[illegible] Harry Lovett, whose 1197 pins gav[illegible] them second place, followed by [illegible] Leick and Otis Pusey, who had [illegible] third place total of 1195.

The Ogdenites also paced the han[illegible]dicap division, their 1258 pins placin[illegible] them in front of Willard Swan an[illegible] Chick Stevens who toppled 1255 pins Deb Long and Martin Elich placed third with a total score of 1250.

Parry, incidentally, was the only bowler in the meet who retained a championship honors won [illegible] last year [illegible]

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Kenny Griffin of Los Angeles City college, and Stan Cerro, captain of the 1946 UCLA track team were named to assistantships on the UCLA coaching staff Sunday . . . Mickey Harris, left-handed hurler for the Boston Red Sox, was arrested for speeding at Sarasota, Fla. . . . The Hipodromo de Tijuana will offer dog racing as well as horse racing as soon as equipment can be [illegible]badway. Leadman wagua[illegible]

Kongsgaard Anne[illegible] Centennial Ski Jump

Norwegian Ace Leaps 285 Fe[illegible] Beesley Snares Class B Cro[illegible]

By JIMMY HODGSON

Sturdy Arnold Kongsgaard flew over the lof[illegible] takeoff and sailed 285 feet Sunday, just four feet national record, as he added the Utah Centennia[illegible] Norwegian and United States championships.

The powerfully-built Kongsgaard got off to a running start, flashed down the approach and gave a mighty leap, leaning ahead of his ski tips as he stretched for distance. He landed with a thud and the impact nearly upset him, but he caught his balance and rode the hill to the cheers of the biggest gallery that has ever assembled at Ecker hill, more than 5000 fans.

King Kongsgaard's jump, longest in the country this season, was just four feet away from the official American record of 289, set by the late Torger Tokle in 1941 at Iron Mountain, Mich.

The leap was made after the Norwegian and U. S. champ had clinched honors in the Centennial meet with leaps of 267 and 258 feet, to barely edge out his teammate, Gustav Raaum by three-tenths of a point. Kongsgaard scored 227 points to 226.7 for Raaum.

Jumps in the Centennial meet Sunday far surpassed any meet that has been held in America this season. Out of the 26 official leaps, 20 were over the 200-foot mark and most of them were over the 240 mark. The jumps were run off in rapid-fire order and results were tabulated less than 10 minutes after the meet was completed, making it probably the best ski jumping meet held in the state.

Eric Lindstrom, four times champion of Sweden, presented some of the best style jumps of the meet as he registered leaps of 244 and 248 to win third place and Ragnar Baklid of Norway was fourth with jumps of 261 and 257. Baklid's jumps would have put him in second place on distance alone but he dropped points on form. Baklid gave the fans some thrills as he shot over the takeoff on both leaps with his skis crossed and seemingly out of control, but he recovered magnificently for long leaps without a spill.

Joe Perrault of Ishpeming, who leaps after the style of the greatest stylist of them all, Einar Fredbo, went 249 and 241 to win fifth place honors. Don Johnson, already assured of a place on the U. S. Olympic team, led the Utah skiers in ninth.

Young Bill Beesley of the Utah Ski club, a miniature Alf Engen, sailed off with the class B championship with leaps of 147 and 151 feet. Walter Nelson of Beloit and Ken Lee of Seattle, who were favored for the class B honors, lost points on falls, although they had by far the longest leaps in that division. Nelson jumped 210 and 217 and Lee went 215 and 211. They were the only B[illegible] the 200 mark.

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4—R. Baklid, Norway[illegible]
5—J. Perrault, Ishpemi[illegible]
6—H. Hauge, Norway[illegible]
7—Gunderson, Chicago[illegible]
8—Campbell, Lynworth[illegible]
9—D. Johnson, Utah . .[illegible]
10—Ivan Hall, Utah . .[illegible]
11—Jack Walker, Utah . .[illegible]
12—R. Bietila, Ishpeming[illegible]
13—J. Larso[illegible] Ishpeming 2[illegible]

Class B

1—Bill Beesley, Utah . . 14[illegible]
2—I. Hughes, Portland 178[illegible]
3—Spendlove, Park City 171[illegible]
4—W. Winward, Ogden 179[illegible]
5—Seth Taft, Utah . . 175[illegible]
6—Fletcher, Park City 151[illegible]
7—Nelson, Beloit, Wis. 210[illegible]
8—Ken Lee, Seattle 215[illegible]
9—D. Young, Park City 162[illegible]
10—B. Bailey, Park City 147[illegible]
11—Don Williams, Utah . . 145[illegible]
(* denotes fall.)

Engen Named To Coach Olympic Team

SUN VALLEY, Ida., March 9 (UP)—selection of the 1948 American Olympic ski team has been delayed until next week end, Albert Seagull, San Francisco, chairman of the selection committee, announced Sunday night.

Seagull said the selections were postponed because of the absence of two committee members and injuries suffered by several contestants in the downhill and slalom trials Sunday and Saturday. He explained the majority of the committee felt that the injured skiers should be given another chance to qualify for the team during the Harriman cup races March 15 and 16.

Seagull also announced that the veteran Alf Engen of Snow Basin, Utah, and Walter Praguer, coach at Dartmouth, had been named to coach the United States team.

Those asked to stay included Bobby Blatt, Stanford university; Jack Reddish, Salt Lake City; Gretchen Fraser, Sun Valley, and Andrea Mead, Pico Peak, Vt.

Blatt, Reddish, Miss Fraser and the 14-year-old Miss Mead were virtually assured berths on the team after walking off with top honors in the downhill and slalom trials.

Carbon Holds Ski Tourney

CLEAR CREEK, Carbon County—The efforts of the Coal Mountain Ski club with Keith Leavitt, Price, president; the Utah Fuel Co., and P. L. Summerhays, Price, general chairman, in promoting the first large ski meet to be held in this area, were proven successful Sunday, through the favorable reactions of the crowd and participants during and after the racing events.

Held on the steep slopes of the Coal Mountain Ski club site, skiers from Salt Lake City, Provo, Sanpete county and Carbon county thrilled a large crowd as they sped over the course in the downhill and slalom events.

Top honors for both women and men went to two young skiers representing East high school. They were Peggy Vorse winning the women's contests with a total time of 57.3 seconds, and Gordon Woolley for the men with a total time of 79.8 seconds.



Photos by Jack White, Tribune Staff

Wilson Ski Champ

GRAND RAPIDS, Minn., March 9 (AP)—Eugene Wilson of the Norge Ski club of Chicago Sunday won the northwest ski tournament class A championship with a jump of 191 feet, breaking the 180-foot record he had set on the nearby Coleraine slide in 1941.

The tournament attracted 90 skiers from 21 clubs in the midwest.

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Power Boat Club Meets Wednesday

The Salt Lake Power Boat Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Tribune-Telegram auditorium, according to Pres. Lynn Hansen, who said that not only members, but any individuals interested in power boats, are urged to attend.

One of the features of the meeting will be a color film on boating, which will be presented by Clyde Anderson. Also on the agenda will be the formation of plans for the coming season, plus items of particular interest to power boating in and about Salt Lake City.

California Wins

YOSEMITE, Cal., March 9 (AP)—The University of California won the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate Ski union championships today, placing second, third and fourth in the final event, a cross-country race at Badger Pass.

Howard Judson, rookie White Sox pitcher, flew to Chicago for treatment to avert loss of the sight of his left eye . . . Sheboygan virtually clinched a play-off spot in the N B L western division by trimming the Tri-City Blackhawks, 60-50 . . . Sir Francis Stanley Jackson, 70, one of England's greatest cricket players, died in London Sunday.

Russ Aitken of N. Y. C. shot a perfect 100 out of 100 clay pigeons in the finals of the midwinter skeet tourney in Miami . . . Buck Brigance of Charlotte, N. C., won top honors in three events for expert motorcyclists at Jacksonville, Fla. . . . Bob Flock of Atlanta, Ga., won the U. S. stock car races at Daytona Beach Sunday, with an average speed of 85.2 m.p.h.

Smolka Sets Pace In Sunday Shoot

More than 80 sharpshooters turned out Sunday to participate in the Salt Lake Gun club's opening shoot, according to Dean Hurd, who said that it was one of the biggest opening crowds in the club's history.

Emil Smolka led the field, scoring 50-50 in singles, 21-24 in doubles and 24-25 in handicap events.

Miss Hortense Wood won second place in the singles event with a 49-50, followed by Pat Miller, Rene Trotter and Ted Pope, all of whom tied for third with 48s.

In skeet, Russ Jones and R. W. Evans were the winners as they blasted 23-25.

KELLY TO MAP NCAA PLANS

Jim Kelly, Minnesota track coach, arrived in Salt Lake City Sunday night to help draw up plans for the N C A A track and field championship meet which will be held at the University of Utah stadium June 20 and 21.

Kelly will be guest of honor at a dinner given by the Centennial sports committee Monday noon at the Crown room.

the all-events championship. This year he was third in that division.

Following Scheffner in the championship singles were Jack Wignall with 632 and Martin McPhie, 629, while behind him in the handicap bracket were H. D. Cate with 677 and A. B. Watlers with 669.

Right behind Scheffner in the all-events division was Herb Wessman, a former Ogden bowler, who moved to Malad, Ida., but managed to get back to Ogden every week to keep in the thick of the game. Wignall had the highest series of the meet, a 700, which featured a 289 line, the highest single game of the tourney. Wessman's 700 led the Finer Foods squad to second place in the championship division with a score of 2936, right behind the Ritz Classic club which had a winning score of 2966. The Finer Foods club swept to first place in the handicap competition, however, their 3125 giving them an edge over Ritz, whose tally was 3070.

The five leaders in each division:

Singles—Championship

Frank Scheffner, 636.
Jack Wignall, 632.
Martin McPhie, 629.
Ace Smarrt, 625.
Russ Miller, 617.
Ken Fehr, 617.
Al Fialdini, 617.

Singles—Handicap

Frank Scheffner, 688.
H. D. Cate, 677.
A. B. Walters, 669.
Martin McPhie, 666.
Russ Miller, 662.

Doubles—Championship

1. Claude W. Parry-Joe Barney, 1213.
2. Bill Ward-Harry Lovett, 1197.
3. Al Leick-Otis Pusey, 1195.
4. Lionel Freeman-Perc Darley, 1183.
5. Doug Muir-Gordon Wood, 1174.

Doubles—Handicap

1. Claude W. Parry-Joe Barney, 1258.
2. Willard Swan-Chick Stevens, 1255.
3. Deb Young-Martin Elich, 1250.
4. Chick Bowerbank-Herb Wessman, 1234.
5. Reno Smith-Les Grames, 1233.

Team—Championship

1. Ritz Classic, 2966.
2. Finer Foods, 2936.
3. Ecker Studio, 2859.
4. Paramount Ice Cream, 2830.
5. Skid's Hat Shop, 2791.

Team—Handicap

1. Finer Foods, 3124.
2. Ritz Classic, 3070.
3. Hibbard Drugs, 3007.
4. Magna, 2987.
5. Ecker Studio, 2981.

All Events—Championship

1. Frank Scheffner, 1860.
2. Herb Wessman, 1825.
3. Claude Parry, 1803.
4. Kyle Coles, 1801.
5. Ray Cromar, 1798.



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Sugar Ward Places Cager On M Men All-Star Squad

Nineteenth ward, winner of the all-church basketball tournament which concluded Saturday night at the Deseret gym, placed three men on The Tribune all-star team. Sugar ward and Maxwell Park each placed a man on the squad to round out the starting five.

Myron and Ralph Hale of Nineteenth, garnered the number one guard and center posts, respectively, while Sterling Paul joined his mates at a forward berth. Lee Roberts, hot-shooting Sugar ward center, one of the tournamnt's leading scorers, was named to the other forward slot and John Wilkins, Maxwell Park star, was selected as a guard along with Myron Hale. Myron Hale was named the captain of the first all-star team.

On the second team are Wayne Cleverly, one-armed forward who set a torrid scoring pace for 27th ward, and Clair Empey, 19th ward forward. Mahlon Barney, big rawboned Richfield pivot man, was named to the center post, while Grant Clove from Enterprise and Gil Tobler of 27th ward were selected as the second team guards. Cleverly was named honorary captain of the second team.

Most of the top players in the meet who were not listed on the first and second teams were given honorable mention for their fine play in the biggest of all basketball tournaments.

First Team		Second Team
S. Paul, 19th	f	W. Cleverly, 27th
L. Roberts, Sugar	f	C. Empey, 19th
R. Hale, 19th	c	Barney, Richfield
M. Hale, 19th	g	Clove, Enterprise
J. Wilkins, Max. Park	g	G. Tobler, 27th

Honorable mention: Forwards—Sheffield, Colonial Heights; Peterson, Grantsville; Wickwire, Maxwell; Smith, Virden; Mortenson, Virden; North, 27th Ward; Weight, Springville; Stark, Redondo; D. Harline, Redondo; Call, Logan; Peterson, Logan. Centers—Childs, Afton; Woolf, 27th Ward; Randall, Morgan; Pace, Virden; Miller, Springville; G. Harline, Redondo; Reed, Grantsville. Guards — Cragun, Maxwell; Palmer, Grantsville; Lundahl, Logan; Watts, Logan; G. Clark, Springville; Marchant, Maxwell; Thygerson, Virden; Paxman, 27th Ward; G. Thompson, 19th Ward; Hopkins, Afton; L. Bohne, Glenwood; L. Sayer, Park Ward; Dickson, Morgan; L. Harline, Redondo.

to give his mates the edge.

North countered 14 points on seven field goals. Forwards White and Rawlins of Centerville matched North's scoring pace with 14 markers each.

By virtue of its victory, 27th ward goes up against Logan Fourth in the tournament opener at 1 p.m. Wednesday. Springville faces Afton South from Wyoming at 3 p.m. Wednesday.

The scores:

27th Ward				Centerville			
G	T	F	P		G	T	F P
7	0	0	14	North,f	5	4	4 14
4	1	0	8	Cleverly,f	6	5	2 14
6	0	0	12	Woolf,c	3	5	2 8
1	6	2	4	Tobler,g	2	1	0 4
2	4	1	5	Papman,g	T.Randall,g	0	1 0 0
1	1	0	0	Glissmeyer,c	Gower,g	0	0 0 0
20	12	3	43	Totals		16	16 8 40

Score by quarters:

27th Ward	6	20	25	43
Centerville	9	17	28	40

Officials: Couch and Ball.

Springville 6th				Murray 1st			
G	T	F	P		G	T	F P
1	4	4	6	R.Clark,f	2	6	2 6
3	5	0	6	Weight,f	H.Nelson,f	1	1 1 3
4	8	2	10	Miller,c	Barnett,c	5	1 1 11
4	2	1	9	G.Clark,g	Wright,g	2	1 1 5
0	2	1	1	Mower,g	Jensen,g	2	2 1 6
1	1	1	3	Cherington,f	Atkinson,f	0	0 0 0
					Freeze,f	1	3 2 4
					Meyers,c	0	0 0 0
					M.Nelson,g	0	0 0 0
					Eyre,g	0	0 0 0
13	22	9	35	Totals		13	14 8 34

Score by quarters:

Springville 6th	6	10	18	35
Murray 1st	7	11	20	34

Officials: Houston and Pugh.

Quits Football

PHILADELPHIA, March 3 AP—Villanova's George Guida, winner of the national A A C and IC4-A indoor track championships at New York's Madison Square Garden the past two Saturdays, has forsaken football to devote entire time to running in an attempt to gain a place on the U. S. Olympic team.

BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

East

Columbia 47, Cornell 45.
Holy Cross 93, Providence 66.
Dartmouth 43, Yale 41.
West Va. Wesleyan 66, Glenville 55.
Bowling Green 80, Findlay 26.
Capital 87, Kenyon 55.
Ottawa 50, Baker 49.
Marshall 84, Hawaii 57.
Ohio U. 62, Butler 53.

Midwest

Bradley 61, Detroit 51.
Indiana 54, Purdue 38.
Michigan 66, Ohio State 62.

South-Southwest

Texas Wesleyan 70, Austin 46.
Virginia U. 59, V M I 37.

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8 p.m.—Pageant (presentation of awards).
8:30 p.m.—Maxwell Park (Northern California) vs. Park Ward (Provo).
9:30 p.m.—Enterprise vs. Morgan.

Utahn Takes Ski Honors

LACONIA, N. H., March 3 AP—Don Johnson of Salt Lake City, Utah, Monday won the United States Eastern Amateur Ski Assn.'s combined cross country and ski jumping championship with 446.1 points.

The former naval aviator scored third in the jumping events to add to his third in Saturday's cross country.

Johnson finished eight points up on Conrad Delisle of Quebec City, Quebec, in class A.

Sanctioned jumping was conducted Monday on 20-Meter hill because weather forbade use of Torgar Tokle memorial 65-meter hill in the same Belknap recreation area.

The class A summaries:

Combined:

1. Don Johnson, Utah Ski club, Salt Lake City, 446.1.
2. Conrad Delisle, Quebec City, Canada, 438.4.
3. Dave Brown, Sno-Birds, Lake Placid, N. Y., 434.1.
4. William Wilkinson, Winnipesaukee, S. C. Laconia, 402.8.

Jumping:

1. Dave Brown, 78 feet, 76 feet, 212.1 points.
2. William Wilkinson, 78, 79, 210.8.
3. Don Johnson, 74, 79, 206.0.
4. Conrad DeLisle, 71, 79, 205.9.

Wurtele Twins Lead Ski Team

MONTREAL, March 3 (AP) — Members of Canada's 1948 Olympic ski team were named Monday by the Olympic ski team selection committee of the Canadian Amateur Ski Assn. The team is made up of eight men and two girls—the Montreal twins, Rhona and Rhoda Wurtele.

Tee Connelley paced the victorious San Diego attack and grabbed off scoring honors with 22 points.

Clarence Brannum, a sub center, led Kansas City with 12.

DENVER, March 3 (AP)—Tuesday's schedule for the American Basketball league tournament:

6:45 p.m.—Los Angeles Shamrocks vs. Kansas City Smokies (first round consolation).
8:00 p.m.—Sacramento Senators vs. Pocatello (championship first round).
9:15 p.m.—Bartlesville Oilers vs. Salt Lake City (championship second round).

Aggies Slate BYU Fray

LOGAN—Utah Aggies will wind up their Big Seven conference basketball season Tuesday night when they meet Brigham Young university in the field house. Seeking a revenge for the sound "spanking" they received at Springville two weeks ago, the Aggies are out to end the season with a .500 standing.

Known as the "upsetting" team of the conference the Aggies started out the season with an upset against Utah, and continued as a contender for the crown of the Big Seven until "slides" were put under them. The Cougars will enter the game Tuesday night as favorites because of their previous victory.

A starting lineup for the Aggies will probably find Norval (Nog) Hansen and Jim Cleverly, forwards; Red Gilmore, center; Jay Van Noy and Clark Johnson, guards. Norm Jones, Ev Sorenson, Bill Ryan and Marv Abrams are sure to get into the fray.

The Aggies will wind up the season in Logan with a game against University of Hawaii Friday night.

Interchurch League

St. John's Lutheran 34, Rio Grande Baptist 13.
First Baptist 38, Central Christian 28.
First Presbyterian 62, DeMolay 18.
Liberty Park Methodist 39, First Methodist 29.

Tuesday Schedule
(At Westminster gym)

6:30 p.m., Zion Lutheran vs. Wasatch Presbyterian.
7:30 p.m., Hellenics vs. A M E.
8:30 p.m., B'nai Brith vs. St. Mark's.
9:30 p.m., St. Paul's vs. Centenary Methodist.

OUTDOOR BATTLE

Ray Ranks Slight Favorite Against Jersey Joe Tonight

MIAMI, Fla., March 3 (UP)—Elmer (Violent) Ray and Jersey Joe Walcott, top-flight contenders to the heavyweight boxing crown, meet Tuesday night in an outdoor show in the Orange bowl, with the next crack at Joe Louis the reported stakes.

The biggest fistic event of Florida winter seasons since boomtime days is expected to draw around $90,000 through the gates. Ray, the Hastings, Fla., fighter who has shifted his home to Minneapolis, is slightly favored.

Keyed to a high pitch for the return fight, Ray will go into the ring at around 194 pounds, three more than Walcott. Both went through easy final workouts Monday.

Walcott lost a decision to Ray last November in Madison Square Garden. He has since outpointed Joey Maxim.

Ray's manager, Tommy O'Loughlin, said Monday that his fighter would do his best to knock out Walcott, something he failed to do in their last encounter. Walcott's style, primarily defensive, rated a good counter to the aggressive Ray.

Scores of notables from the sports, entertainment and social worlds are expected in the Orange bowl crowd, under chilly weather conditions.

Ray has fought here for the past three winters and ranks as the local favorite. Walcott, less well-known in these parts, nevertheless has much backing from the northern vacation contingent. Workouts of both have been well attended for the past week.

The winner of the 10-round bout is expected to move into first position in the line waiting for a fight with Champion Joe Louis. If Ray wins, he may go against Jimmy Bivins in Chicago in about three weeks, as a final test. Louis is not expected to defend his title until summer.



THEY TOOK HONORS IN U. S. SKI MEET

Upper left, Karl Molitor, Swiss star who took first in the men's combined; upper right, Dick Movitz, Utah ace, who finished second in the slalom; lower, left, Olivia Ausoni, another Swiss star, who took the women's slalom, and right, Rhoda Wurtele, who captured women's combined.

AAU BOX SCORES

Westminster				New Town			
G	T	F	P		G	T	F P
7	1	1	15	Rouillard,f	Gusick,f	0	0 0 0
4	7	3	11	Brown,f	Graham,f	6	4 4 16
1	4	2	4	Richardson,c	B.Boulos,c	1	1 0 2
0	2	2	2	Zogg,g	Proctor,g	1	2 0 2
1	1	1	3	Pesten,g	J.Boulos,g	4	9 4 12
3	0	0	6	McFarlane,f	Jones,f	0	0 0 0
					Russell,f	3	5 1 7
					Rinaldi,c	1	5 0 2
					Nelson,g	0	0 0 0
					Buzinis,g	1	2 0 2
16	15	9	41	Totals		17	28 9 43

Score by halves:

Westminster College	22	41
New Town	13	43

Am. Fork Post 29				Windmill Inn			
G	T	F	P		G	T	F P
3	4	1	7	Bean,f	Wheaton,f	2	0 0 4
2	1	1	5	Crystal,f	Workman,f	1	2 0 2
1	1	1	3	Richens,c	Maybee,c	5	0 0 10
5	2	2	12	Grass,g	R.Oakeson,g	2	2 2 6
1	0	0	2	Anderson,g	Gillen,g	7	3 2 16
0	1	0	0	Horton,f	Peterson,f	0	1 0 16
0	0	0	0	Smith,f	Price,f	1	0 0 2
0	0	0	0	Prizipp,c	Roy Oakeson,c	0	0 0 0
0	0	0	0	Parduhn,g	Sheppick,g	0	0 0 0
1	1	0	2	Carson,g	Cooper,g	1	0 0 2
					Sherman,f	0	0 0 0
13	10	5	31	Totals		27	8 4 58

Score by halves:

American Fork Post No. 29	10	31
Windmill Inn	22	28

Leo Jensen Ins.				Ogden 21st Ward			
G	T	F	P		G	T	F P
5	1	1	11	J.Hamblin,f	B.Moore,f	3	4 2 8
2	0	0	4	Adamson,f	S.Call,f	1	0 0 2
9	0	0	18	Lundquist,c	D.Call,c	2	1 1 5
1	3	1	3	Kessler,g	R.Call,g	1	0 0 2
5	5	2	13	D.Hamblin,g	Young,g	2	5 3 7
1	1	0	2	Meyers,f	Johnson,f	4	1 0 8
3	1	0	6	Evans,f	C.Moore,f	0	0 0 0
2	1	0	4	McLeary,c	W.Harrip,c	0	0 0 0
0	0	0	0	Glozas,g	R.Harrip,g	2	0 0 4
					Hyer,g	0	0 0 0
28	12	5	61	Totals		15	11 6 36

Score by halves:

Leo Jensen	32	61
Ogden 21st	12	36

O. P. Skaggs				Rotary Y M C A			
G	T	F	P		G	T	F P
2	2	2	6	W.Work,f	Mayne,f	6	1 0 12
2	5	1	5	Caldwell,f	Corbin,f	11	3 1 23
1	0	0	2	Sorenson,c	Williams,c	4	1 0 8
2	0	0	4	Davis,g	Tolich,g	2	1 0 4
1	1	1	3	Eliason,g	Roth,g	0	0 0 0
1	2	0	2	Chamberlain	Parry	3	1 0 6
0	0	0	0	J.Work	Pagnanelli	1	1 1 3
					Carlson	2	0 0 4
9	10	4	22	Totals		29	8 2 60

Score at half-time: Rotary 32, Skaggs 6.

Union Legion				Malad Bees			
G	T	F	P		G	T	F P
3	2	0	6	Hilton,f	Williams,f	5	6 2 12
1	2	1	3	Wheeler,f	Anderson,f	3	5 4 10
1	2	0	2	DelPoulson,c	Salverson,c	1	5 2 4
2	0	0	4	Atkinson,g	Budge,g	2	2 0 4
1	3	1	3	DonPoulson,g	Richards,g	0	1 0 0
3	0	0	6	Beckstead	Hansen	0	3 0 0
1	0	0	2	Jenkins	Taylor	0	2 0 0
3	1	0	6	Milne			
0	0	0	0	Brady			
15	10	2	32	Totals		11	24 8 30

Score at half-time: Union 16, Malad 10 (overtime game).

Benefit Game

AUSTIN, Tex., March 3 AP—The University of Texas Longhorns, new Southwest conference basketball chamions, will face an all-star Southwest conference team here Tuesday night. Proceeds will go to the Red Cross.

American Fork No. 2				Empire Motor			
G	T	F	P		G	T	F P
0	4	1	1	Pyper,f	Heath,f	7	5 19
0	0	0	0	McCashland,f	Gordon,f	1	1 0 2
0	0	0	0	Grow,c	Barney,c	6	6 1 13
0	0	0	0	Chrstnsn,g	Englestead,g	2	1 0 4
1	3	1	3	Hallman,g	Worthen,g	2	1 0 4
1	0	0	0	Reaney,f	Perkins,f	6	3 1 13
1	0	0	2	Brown,f	Fullmer,f	2	1 0 4
2	2	0	4	Dunn,c	Lindsey,c	3	2 2 8
1	0	0	2	Bobbulis,g			
1	2	0	2	Cornia,g			
0	0	0	0	Reynolds,f			
0	0	0	0	Heinholts,g			
6	11	2	14	Totals		29	22 9 67

Score by halves:

American Fork No. 2	6	14
Empire Motor	33	67

A. F. All-Stars				Grantsville Mustangs			
G	T	F	P		G	T	F P
0	0	0	0	McCallister,f	Johnson,f	2	5 4 8
2	2	0	4	G.Lastrand,f	Stromberg,f	2	1 1 5
0	0	0	0	Hawkins,c	Reed,c	1	0 0 2
1	0	0	2	Lewis,g	Johnston,g	1	4 3 5
5	0	0	10	Peters,g	Cook,g	1	4 1 3
7	4	2	16	W.Durrant,f	Solberg,f	0	0 0 0
0	0	0	0	D.Lastrand,f	Slinders,f	0	0 0 0
0	0	0	0	D.Durrant,c	Smith,c	0	0 0 0
0	0	0	0	Mecham,g	Williams,g	0	0 0 0
15	6	2	32	Totals		7	14 9 23

Score by halves:

American Fork All-Stars	8	32
Grantsville Mustangs	11	23

Jockey Injured

MIAMI, Fla., March 3 AP—Jockey Francis Thacker, of New York, received a fractured ankle in the seventh race at Hialeah park Monday when his mount, Cash Reward, became fractious in his stall and reared up.

An oddity of the race was that the seven starters finished in order of their post position. Cash Reward was in the eighth position.

WEBER OPENS PLAY TODAY

COMPTON, Cal., March 3 (UP) Grant Tech of north Sacramento, Cal., Monday was chosen as the 16th team to play in the five-day western states invitational basketball tournament, starting Tuesday at Compton college.

Grant was invited on the basis of its Saturday night win over Menlo Park, also a contender for the tournament invitation.

Opening round games will pair Pasadena, Cal., vs. Wentworth Military, Lexington, Mo.; Phoenix, Ariz., vs. Vanport, Ore.; Ricks college, Rexburg, Ida., vs. Visalia, Cal.; Weber of Ogden, Utah, vs. Grant; Compton vs. Amarillo, Texas; Branch Agricultural, Cedar City, Utah, vs. Clark college, Vancouver, Wash.; Sacramento, Cal., vs. McNeese, Lake Charles, La., and Dixie, St. George, Utah, vs. Pueblo, Colo.

The first six opening-round games will be played Tuesday and the other two Wednesday afternoon.

Tourney Gains Second Round

Play in the junior division of the Intermountain A A U basket b a l l tournament entered the second round Monday at the Murray high gym with the playing of seven games.

Eight games are on the Tuesday schedule. All games will be played at the Murray high gym.

Monday's Results

Union Legion 32, Malad Bees 30.
Rotary Y M C A 60, O. P. Skaggs 22.
American Fork All-Stars 32, Grantsville Mustangs 23.
Leo Jensen Insurance 66, Ogden 21st Ward 36.
New Town 43, Westminster college 41.
Windmill Inn 58, American Fork Post No. 29.
Empire Motor 67, American Legion Post No. 2 14.

Tuesday's Schedule
(Second round games)

4 p.m.—Leo Jensen Ins. vs. New Town, Tooele.
5 p.m.—American Fork vs. Windmill Inn.
6 p.m.—Union Legion vs. West Jordan-National Tunnel winner.
7 p.m.—Rotary Y M C A vs. Empire Motors.
8 p.m.—Eagle Gate Store vs. Pelton Spudnuts.
9 p.m. — Dean's Sand vs. Sigma Chi.
10 p.m.—West's Independents vs. Jacobs Feed.
11 p.m.—Layton J. C. vs. Wallace Independents.

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give her top spot in the all-around. Miss Ausoni was second in the combined and Miss Kann, third in both the slalom and downhill, was naturally third in the combined.

Rominger, who lost out in the downhill Saturday on account of a false start which cost him 40 seconds, was fully repaid Monday by being handed the slalom championship as a result of the six-second penalty to Molitor. Rominger, another powerful skier, crossed the finish line with times of 61.2 and 61.6 to lead the slalom parade.

Paces U. S. Skiers

Young Dick Movitz, 1946 U. S. slalom champion, paced all the American skiers again when he placed second to Rominger. Movitz covered the first run in 60.4 seconds and the second in 63 seconds in a standout performance that stamps him as strong Olympic team timber.

Alf Engen of Sun Valley was third in the slalom with times of 60.4 and, 63.8 seconds, just ahead of the third Swiss rider, Paul Valaer. Molitor was fifth and William Distin, open skier from New York, was sixth with Gene Gillis of Sun Valley and Bob Blatt of Stanford next in line.

The veteran Engen was second to

Dick Movitz, Salt Lake	60.4	63.6	123.2
zAlf Engen, Sun Val. ..	60.4	63.8	124.2
Paul Valaer, Switz. ..	61.0	63.6	124.6
Karl Molitor, Switz. ..	59.0x	67.0	126.0
zW. Distin, Saranac Lake	60.6	65.6	126.2
Gene Gillis, Sun Val...	62.6	64.4	127.0
Robert Blatt, Stanford .	63.6	63.6	127.2
Don Amick, Wash.	64.4	62.8	127.2
Jens Prytz, Norway ...	62.2	65.4	127.6

zOpen class; xPenalty.

Men's Combined
(Slalom and Downhill)

1. Karl Molitor, Switzerland, 322.2.
2. zAlf Engen, Sun Valley, 324.4.
3. Paul Valear, Switzerland, 327.0.
4. Dick Movitz, Salt Lake, 336.2.
5. John Litchfield, Aspen, 336.8.
6. Gene Gillis, Sun Valley, 338.4.
7. Don Goodman, Sun Valley, 339.2.
8. Barney McLean, Denver, 339.6.
9. Toni Matt, New Hampshire, 340.0.
10. Philip Puchner, Dartmouth, 340.4.
11. Kristofer Berg, Norway, 341.6.
12. Don Amick, Washington, 341.8.
13. Dave Faires, Sun Valley, 342.6.
14. zWilliams Distin, New York, 342.8.
15. James Prytz, Norway, 345.8.

zOpen class.

Women's Combined

1. Rhoda Wurtele, Canada, 297.2.
2. Olivia Ausoni, Switzerland, 302.8.
3. Paula Kann, New Hampshire, 303.4.
4. Rosmarie Bleuer, Switzerland, 316.2.
5. Gretchen Fraser, Sun Valley, 318.6.
6. Rhona Wurtele, Canada, 319.6.
7. Antoinette Meyer, Switzerland, 320.2.
8. Rebecca Fraser, Sun Valley, 326.2.
9. Susan Niedlinger, New Hampshire, 328.6.
10. Brynhild Grasmoen, Merced, Cal., 334.0.



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Bunny Oakes Resigns As Wyoming Coach

Board Grants Bunny's Request To Be Relieved Immediately

LARAMIE, Wyo., March 3 (UP)—Wyoming university's head football coach, B. F. (Bunny) Oakes, Monday asked to be relieved of his duties. He had been a coach at the school since 1941.

In announcing the resignation, the university's board of trustees stated: "Coach Oakes, in a letter to Glen J. Jacoby, athletic director, asks that he be relieved of his duties as football coach. The board agreed to his request but in appreciation to his years of service and loyalty to the institution, expressed hope he might continue with the university in some other capacity.

"Oakes will continue with the athletic department until the close of the present academic year. It is understood that a new coach will be selected very shortly and will take over spring football and other coaching duties."

Neither the president of the university or the board made any statement as to whom Oakes' successor would be.

Oakes was graduated from the University of Illinois, where he was a tackle on the same football team as Red Grange, all-American halfback. After receiving his degree, Oakes was line coach at the University of Tennessee for two years under Head Coach Robert Neyland.

From 1926 to 1930 Oakes was line coach at Nebraska university, then served as football coach at the University of Montana for four years.

In 1935 Oakes was made head coach at the University of Colorado, and it was during his five years there that the Buffs won two conference titles and a tie for a third. One of his teams—sparked by all-American Halfback Byron (Whizzer) White—played Rice university in the Cotton bowl.

After taking a year of graduate work at the University of Illinois, Oakes assumed his coaching job at Wyoming. His first Wyoming team won only one game. In 1942 his season record showed three wins and five losses.

Last season Oakes' Wyoming team won one game, tied another and lost eight.

RUMORS LINK WYATT TO WYOMING JOB

STARKVILLE, Miss., March 3 (UP)—Mississippi State college officials refused to comment Monday night on a report that the school's end football coach, Bowden Wyatt, will become the new football coach at the University of Wyoming.

Persistent reports indicated Wyatt, all-America end at the University of Tennessee in 1938, would fill the Wyoming coaching post vacated by the resignation of Bernard F. (Bunny) Oakes.

The United Press learned reliably that Wyatt was in Laramie, Wyo., site of the University of Wyoming, Monday and that he discussed the coaching job with the university's board of trustees. Outcome of the talks was withheld.

The Mississippi State coach was reported flying back to the south Monday night. He left Cheyenne by plane late Monday.

Wyatt, considered one of the greatest gridiron stars of Tennessee's football history, was reported en route back to Mississippi and was not available for confirmation or denial of the report that he will take over the football future of the Wyoming school.

HERB TO PLAY WITH STARS

IOWA CITY, Ia., March 3 (AP)—Herb Wilkinson, University of Iowa guard who ended his intercollegiate basketball career on the Hawkeye team last Saturday, said Monday he had accepted an invitation to play in the all-star East-West game in Madison Square Garden in New York City March 29.



Molitor, Rhoda Wurtele Take U. S. Ski Honors

Rominger Paces Field; Ausoni Leads Women

By JIMMY HODGSON

SNOW BASIN—The United States ski championships took on a Swiss movement Monday as the brilliant team of slick-sliders from Switzerland streaked away with honors in the second and final day of the competition at Snow Basin.

It's every man to his own sport and the Swiss' game is skiing. They proved it Monday as they won first in both the men's and women's slalom races to convince Utah's sports fans that Switzerland still rules the snow.

Karl (The Mighty) Molitor, who won the downhill Saturday, alternately flew over and churned into the snow down Wildcat run as he slipped through the 23 gates and covered the half-mile course in 59 and 61 seconds, the best two runs of the day. But he missed one gate and suffered a six-second penalty which threw him out of first and down to fifth place in the event. However, he still won the combined slalom and downhill title with ease.

Wins Slalom

The penalty gave the slalom crown to his teammate, Edy Rominger.

At home in Wengen, Molitor is just a quiet shoemaker, but on skis he's "Molitor the Magnificent" with unique combination of power and speed along with the grace and poise of a ballet dancer.

After flashing and gliding his way past the last gate, Molitor pounded down the final straight-away like a charging bull and fairly flung himself ahead of his skis across the finish line. He was terrific. Skiing is an all-out job with Molitor, that's why he is rated No. 1 in Switzerland and now No. 1 in the U. S.

A striking contrast to the powerful Molitor, was the tiny 98-lb. Olivia Ausoni, the diminutive Swiss miss who swept honors in the women's slalom Monday.

Displaying perfect ski technique with unerring judgment, Miss Ausoni from the Alps flitted in and out of the flags and flashed past the timers, hardly leaving a trail. Her times of 64.1 and 66 seconds were the two best runs of the day in the women's division.

Second Place

Rosmarie Bleuer, blonde beauty of the Swiss team, wended her way down Wildcat run for second place honors with times of 69.4 and 67.2 seconds. Pretty Paula Kann of New Hampshire, who finished third in the downhill Saturday, also took third in the slalom Monday with times of 68 and 69.6 seconds.

Antoinette Meyer, another feminine member of the Swiss team, tied with Rhoda Wurtele of Canada for fourth in the slalom. Gretchen Fraser of Sun Valley led all the American skiers in sixth place.

Rhoda Wurtele captured the combined women's title. The Canadian champ took the downhill title on Saturday and her fourth-place performance Monday was enough to





Molitor in the combined but Switzerland got two of the top three with Valaer in third position. Movitz proved himself the top American amateur skiman in the joust by taking fourth in the all-around just six-tenths of a point ahead of John Litchfield of Aspen. Don Goodman of Sun Valley, Barney McLean of Denver and Toni Matt, eastern ace, were next in line.

The slalom meet was held at Wildcat run near Ogden instead of Alta as originally scheduled, because of heavy snows and slides which halted all skiing at the Little Cottonwood canyon site.

Some herculean efforts by members of the Snow Basin Ski club put the course in excellent shape for the Monday races. The change in plans resulted in a delay in starting but the races were run off in rapid-fire order after they began.

The tournament was followed by a big banquet at the Hotel Utah. The eating and program had been completed before the official results were announced after 10 p.m.

Most of the skiers headed for Sun Valley and the Olympic trials as soon as the banquet was completed. Amateur leaders in the U. S. meet at Snow Basin will be the favorites for the U. S. Olympic team in 1948.

The national ski championship was the first major event on Utah's centennial sports program.

Women's Slalom

	1st Run	2nd Run	Pts.
Olivia Ausoni, Switzerland	64.2	66.0	130.2
Rosemaria Bleuer, Switz.	69.4	67.2	136.6
Paula Kann, N. H.	68.0	69.6	137.6
Antoinette Meyer, Switz.	68.8	71.6	140.4
Rhoda Wurtele, Canada	70.4	70.0	140.4
Gretchen Fraser, Sun Val.	70.0	72.2	142.2
B. Grasmoen, Merced	70.4	74.6	145.0
Rebecca Fraser, Sun Val.	72.6	73.0	145.6
Andrea Mead, Vermont	73.2	77.8	151.0
zJean Litchfield, Aspen	77.4	77.6	155.0
Jinny Rogers, Mass.	76.6	78.4	155.0
Rhona Wurtele, Ca.	...	...	....
Susan Niedlinger, N. H.	...	...	....

Men's Slalom

Edy Rominger, Switz.	61.2	61.6	122.8

TIM ESHORT!

IRON MOUNTAIN, Mich., March 3 AP—A crosswind of more than 35 miles an hour whipping across Pine mountain Monday held up the twice-postponed jumping tournament for another day, with officials announcing that meet preparations would go forward again Tuesday.

About 100 of the original field still were here but time was growing short for Arnholdt Kongsgaard, new national champion, and his Norwegian team mates, who must leave Wednesday for a Salt Lake City tournament.

27th, Springville Cop Berths in Tourney

By ED McFADDEN

The final two berths in the all-church cage tournament, which opens at the Deseret gym Wednesday, were filled Monday night when 27th ward and Springville Sixth captured a pair of play-off tilts at the gym to qualify automatically for the big cage event.

Twenty-Seventh, runner-up to 19th ward in the division nine finals, had to go all out in the Monday playoff tussle to defeat a scrappy Centerville quintet, 43-40, while Springville Sixth out-lasted Murray First, 35-34.

In the opening tilt on the twinbill, Murray yanked its starting five out of the ball game after it had led during the first three frames. When the regulars reentered the fracas, Springville had taken the lead and could not be headed. Center Miller, who left the game with a badly sprained ankle in the final minutes of the game, tossed in 10 points for the winners but had to share scoring honors with Center Max Barnett of Murray who garnered five fielders and a charity toss for 11 counters.

Dick North, former South high school athletic star, was the guiding light in the 27th ward victory over Centerville. However, it was Chick

BALL REVEALS GAME TIMES

Dick Ball, publicity director for the all-church basketball tournament, announced the following pairings for the first round of the meet which opens Wednesday.

1 p.m.—27th Ward vs. Logan Fourth.

2 p.m.—Redondo (Southern California) vs. Sugar Ward (Rexburg).

3 p.m.—Springville Sixth vs. Afton South (Wyoming).

4 p.m.—Virden Ward (New Mexico) vs. Colonial Heights (Oregon).

6 p.m.—Richfield First vs. 19th Ward.

Denver, Dons Cop Battles

DENVER, March 3 (UP) — Denver bounced off Los Angeles, 61-46, and San Diego coasted to a 51-40 victory over Kansas City Monday night in the opening games of the American Basketball league tournament.

Thus eliminated from title play, Kansas City and Los Angeles open consolation bracket play Tuesday night in the first game of a tourney tripleheader. Pocatello faces Sacramento and Bartlesville meets Salt Lake City in championship bracket games Tuesday.

San Diego's first half start proved too much for the favored but outclassed Kansas City team.

The Missourians scored only one field goal in the first 10 minutes of play and they were behind, 23-12, at the intermission. Kansas City rallied at the start of the second half, but the charge was not nearly so strong as to threaten the San Diego margin.

San Diego led 35-27 at the end

Set Cage Meet

The Salt Lake Basketball Officials Assn. will hold a meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at county recreation department headquarters, 4966 So. State st., leaders announced Monday.

HOLLYWOOD, March 1 (UP)—Glamorous Actress Hedy Lamarr Saturday became the mother of a baby boy delivered through caesarean section.

Drs. John Vruwink and D. E. Mitchelson performed the operation at Good Samaritan hospital at 8:11 a.m.

The boy, weighing 7 lbs. 15 ounces, was named Anthony John.

Miss Lamarr and her husband, Actor John Loder, have two other children, an adopted son, Jamsie, 8, and a daughter, Denise, 2. Loder has a daughter by a former marriage, Danielle, 8.

Before her confinement, Miss Lamarr completed the picture, "Dishonored Lady," the first film in which she and Loder appeared together.

Pilots Rescue 14 In Alaska Crash

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, March 1 (AP)—Fourteen army fliers, whose blazing B-29 crashed with an "explosion like Bikini" after they had parachuted to safety, were rescued by four daring civilian pilots Friday from the snow-covered tundra wastelands of the Alaska peninsula over which the Superfortress crew had been flying in search of 13 lost comrades.

Four of the airmen were hospitalized with undisclosed injuries at the small settlement of Kanakanak, six others were taken to the village of Naknek on Bristol bay near where the plane went down, and the remainder were flown back to their base at Elmendorf field near Anchorage.

The Alaskan air command, which has lost three B-29s in a week, said an engine of the giant bomber burst into flames during the hunt for another Superfortress which disappeared in the Mt. Katmai region Monday.

An abandon ship order was given by the commander, Lt. B. M. Johnson, Mason City, Iowa, when it became apparent the big craft could not be saved.

Second in Week

The hazardous, dramatic rescue of the stranded B-29 airmen was the second this week from the bleak wastes of the arctic. Eleven other fliers were snatched from the northwestern Greenland ice cap Monday by an air transport command pilot who risked his life and the lives of his crew to bring the men to safety.

Veteran bush pilots who flew out the 14 fliers from the Alaska peninsula were Orville Tosch of the Ray Petersen Flying Service, Anchorage; Dennis Fenno, owner of the Dillingham Air Service; Myron Moran of Dillingham, and Bill Smith of the Pacific Northern Air Lines.

Tosch, who was en route to Anchorage from Dillingham, and Fenno, who was flying from Egegik to Dillingham, both saw the airmen parachute from their flaming Superfortress. They said the smoke, flames and explosion from the crash of the huge ship resembled pictures of the atomic tests at Bikini.

Land on Lake

Tosch and Fenno put their small amphibious planes down on a lake a mile and a half away and quickly began rounding up the 14 fliers.

They were joined soon afterward by Moran and Smith, who put their craft down on the ice-rimmed lake and aided in bringing the B-29 crew to its edge. From there the heavily loaded amphibians were lifted off the water's surface without mishap and the airmen taken to the settlements.

Aboard the plane, the army announced, were:

Lt. Johnson, Lt. F. C. Oliver, Sandpoint, Ida., pilot; Capt. E. V. Halpin, Richmond Hill, Long Island, N. Y., observer; Capt. F. W. Elliott, Charlotte, N. C., observer; Lt. J. A. Kulenguski, Glendale, Cal., navigator; Lt. N. F. Repp, Julesburg, Colo., engineer; M/Sgt. R. Middleton, Marthaville, La.; Sgt. C. D. Harris, Covington, Ky.; Sgt. G. C. Combs, Raton, N. M.; M/Sgt. L. Hogan, Choudrant, La.; Sgt. P. R. Benedict, Stockton, Cal.; M/Sgt. J. A. Barnes, Taylors, S. C.; S/Sgt. P. T. McWilliams, Portsmouth, N. H., and M/Sgt. A. Schmolt, Waterloo, Iowa.

Hunting Lost Craft

The B-29 that crashed was in the aerial armada which has been searching for the B-29 that disappeared on a training mission Monday, last reporting it was near Bruin pass on the mainland peninsula north of Kodiak. The pilot of the lost ship was Capt. Raymond N. Tutton, whose wife, Jane L., lives at Rome, Ga.

oil value or its retention as a state park and then voted, 18-0, for the bill.

Praise Site

During the debate, speakers extolled its virtues as a site for a civic auditorium, a cultural center and site of a pioneer village similar to the model village at Fort Dearborn, Mich., and declared "it would be a tragedy for the state to let go of it" to private interests, as it is one of the few really good sites left in Salt Lake City.

Senators expressed concern over the recently announced closing of the work shop for juvenile delinquents at Tooele, and expressed the probable necessity of a legislative appropriation to care for the 60 youths who have been working there.

The experiment, which started last summer, said Sen. Sol J. Selvin (D., Tooele), has proved one thing—"that there are better places for delinquent boys than at the industrial school."

"Let's not send these 60 lads somewhere where they'll become candidates for the penitentiary," he pleaded, adding that closing of the school, located at a former government prisoner of war camp, with boys working at the near-by

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RACE RESULTS

AT OAKLAWN PARK

FIRST RACE, 6 FURLONGS

Doctor Reder (Weidaman)	4.60	3.40	2.80
Puffed Up (Pierson)		8.60	5.30
Wheat (Camp)			4.90

Time, 1:16 2-5. Vero Lumen, Bee Sting, John's Bird, Tufano, Glory Step, Paddy D., Zem Wood, Rodimic, Desert Battle also ran. Off at 3:03.

SECOND RACE, 6 FURLONGS

Miss G. G. (Camp)	16.40	6.00	3.90
Carmelita (Lullo)		3.70	3.00
Diadele (Hooper)			11.10

Time, 1:17 1-5. Brazado Maid, Lookout Miss, Topping, Cecil, Baytree Bomber, Maria Theresa, Fair Girl, Winding Sun also ran. Off at 3:32.

THIRD RACE, 6 FURLONGS

Night Editor (Keene)	4.20	2.90	2.50
Tuckie (Keiper)		3.70	3.30
Aunt Lucy (Prehm)			3.50

Time, 1:16. Judy Dunn, Yvonne's Lady, Broadway Jim, Rap Joy, Panpan, Lady Deck, Brown Gown, Lady Toddle, Silver Spy also ran. Off at 4:01.

FOURTH RACE, 6 FURLONGS

Bolo Prince (Featherstone)	57.40	17.70	6.60
Ebony Edge (Scurlock)		6.40	3.60
Blue Mountain (Lullo)			4.20

Time, 1:16. Thunder Echo, Willis E., Jemina, Claremont Miss, Rotamal also ran. Off at 4:32.

FIFTH RACE, 6 FURLONGS

After Eight (Camp)	5.10	3.20	2.80
Thunderhoof (Featherson)		5.00	4.20
Biloxi Bay (Zufelt)			4.60

Time, 1:16. Doc Wagner, Gallant Hour, Wise Sue, Helpsweep also ran. Off at 5:01.

SIXTH RACE, 6 FURLONGS

Petsome (Camp)	20.70	7.30	3.70
Sugar Beet (Featherson)		8.30	3.90

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By PATRICK R. ECKMAN

Taking another long step toward putting all state expenditures on a strict budget basis, the Utah house of representatives voted Saturday morning to exercise legislative control over state fish and game department funds.

Tabled for amendments Friday, H. B. 186 was placed at the top of the calendar under suspension of the rules and passed with little more than token resistance. The vote was 37 to 10, with 13 members absent at this particular stage of the first Saturday morning meeting of the 27th session.

In a motion which nearly has become routine on any bill which fails by less than half a dozen votes, the house also moved to reconsider H B 136, which would convert Weber junior college into a four-year institution.

Measure Falls Shy

The measure fell three votes shy of a constitutional majority Friday afternoon and was set up as a special order of business for Monday at 2:30 p.m. The reconsideration move was made by Rep. Maurice Anderson (D., Utah).

During the morning the house passed three other bills relating to junior colleges and state schools. They were:

H B 3, appropriating $25,000 for the construction of an athletic field at Carbon junior college. Rep. E. K. Olsen (D., Carbon), cosponsor, said the city of Price was donating the necessary land on condition the athletic field be built.

Asks Gymnasium

H B 106, appropriating an additional $25,000 for the completion of a gymnasium at Snow junior college, Ephraim. (Rep. James L. Nielson (R., Sanpete) explained that the $40,000 allotted two years ago did not meet hiked building costs.)

H B 127, making a state school of the Central Utah Vocational school at Provo, which was given $100,000 in the appropriations bill.

The final passage of the morning would change the mine assessment rate from "full value" to "50% of the reasonable fair cash value."

A compromise amendment was made on the fish and game measure, said Rep. Clifton G. M. Kerr (R., Box Elder) in deference to protests against placing the commission under control of the finance department.

Although the latter clause was stricken, the bill, in its altered form, still calls for finance department control over employment and salaries of fish and game employes.

Controls Outlays

The bill also gives the state building board approval powers over construction outlays in excess of $3000 and severely restricts the powers of the fish and game director, who would be reduced to a purely supervisory capacity.

Although the house went on to a six-day week Saturday morning, it adjourned at noon until Monday at 10 a.m. The stepped-up pace was prompted by anxiety, shared by the senate, over the approach of the 60th and final day on March 13, less than two weeks away.

The senate, meanwhile, was creating a legislative muddle by passing H B 140 with little debate and no dissent, and in the Saturday session complicated things even further by the budget group incorporating amendments of the house to S B 33.

As it now stands, both bills, one providing for a legislative council with the budget included, and the other providing for a budget committee, will now go to the governor for his action.

In its rush to clear away pending legislation, however, the legislature Friday apparently forgot to let its right hand know what its left hand was doing. The house, unwilling to create both a legislative council (S B 33) and a legislative budget committee (H B 140), accepted a compromise Thursday by which the budget committee would be incorporated into the council. With the understanding that H B 140, already shot over to the senate, would be killed by the upper body, the house passed the amended S B 33.

The area was cordoned, and traffic throughout Jerusalem was at a standstill.

Eyewitnesses said a number of armed men surrounded the club, on fashionable King George ave., a few moments before the blast, and exchanged gunfire with guards.

It was not immediately learned whether the bomb was carried into the building or hurled from a passing automobile.

An unofficial report said a group of men drove alongside the building under cover of the fire laid down by their companions, and threw explosives through a window into the hall.

Three Attackers Grabbed

Three attackers were believed to have been wounded and captured.

A truck was found parked about 50 yards from the building, and officers said it might have been used by the attackers in hurling the bombs.

The death toll was greater than in any other one incident in the turbulent Holy Land since last July, when more than 60 persons were killed in the bomb explosion which wrecked the King David hotel.

Scores of hastily organized rescue workers brought out the bodies and ambulances whizzed through the city. Twelve survivors were rushed to hospitals within 20 minutes after the blast.

The explosion occurred as nearly 1400 uncertified Jewish immigrants waited off Haifa in three British ships for a final court decision on whether they should be shipped to detention camps on Cyprus.

Greek Aid May Cost U.S. $250 Million

WASHINGTON, March 1 (AP)—Undersecy. of State Acheson Saturday handed British Ambassador Inverchapel a reply which responsible sources termed "favorable in principle" to a proposal that the United States assume a big part of Britain's obligations in Greece.

WASHINGTON, March 1 (AP)—Any decision by the United States to assume wavering British commitments in Greece may possibly necessitate the expenditure of $250,000,000 this year to maintain that nation as a democratic bastion.

Authoritative sources gave this estimate to reporters Saturday, basing it on their familiarity with details of the new diplomatic crisis discussed by President Truman and Secretary of State Marshall with congressional leaders at a top secret White House conference Thursday.

These informants said no serious consideration has been given in the discussions with Britain to the use of American troops to replace British security forces in Greece and thus stiffen the Greek government's hand against internal disorder and outside pressure from leftist guerillas.

The British will be expected to maintain in Greece their reduced force of 10,000 or more troops should the United States decide to support that nation economically, informants said. British government sources have said Foreign Minister Bevin is planning to withdraw the remaining 10,000 British security troops within the next three months.

The tentative proposal advanced to congressional leaders is that a new American commission be dispatched to Greece to supervise expenditures. The current mission headed by former O P A Admin-

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Motor Ship Blast Kills 3, Hurts 7

NEW ORLEANS, March 1 (UP)—Shipping officials Saturday investigated the cause of a Diesel engine explosion aboard the motor ship Ben Froemming that killed three persons and injured seven Friday night during a trial run down the Mississippi river.

The explosion wrecked the engine room and buckled deck plates, but the main force of the blast went straight upward, preventing more extensive damage. The ship did not spring a leak and was towed safely to a repair berth by five tugs sent to the scene 18 miles from New Orleans.

Dead included two Americans. Joel W. Moore, who represented the Bush-Sulzer Engine Co. of St. Louis, manufacturer of the ship's power plant, was the only person who could have given expert advice on the cause of the blast. But he was fatally injured along with a Mr. Chatfield and Luis Perez of Colombia, third engineer.

10 Killed, 9 Injured In Korean Riot

SEOUL, Korea, March 1 (UP)—At least 10 persons were killed and nine injured Saturday in fighting between leftists and rightists throughout Korea on the 28th anniversary of the country's abortive attempt to throw off the yoke of imperial Japan.

Rioting in Seoul broke out when an unidentified man fired a pistol from the window of an office building into a crowd of about 2500 persons in the street below.

At the time the shot was fired 200,000 leftists, returning from a political rally on South mountain near the city, were converging on approximately 150,000 rightists, also returning from a rally at Seoul stadium.

Gandhi Condemns U. S. Industry as Menace

HAIMCHAR, Bengal, India, March 1 (INS)—American industrialization was termed a menace to the world Saturday by Mohandas K. Gandhi, Hindu spiritual leader.

He declared that although the United States is the richest country in the world it has not banished poverty and degradation because industry is concentrated in the hands of a few men who rose to power and amassed fortunes at the expense of others.

were John Litchfield, Aspen, Colo.; Colin Stewart, Hanover, N. H.; Toni Matt, North Conway, N. H.; Jack Reddish, Alta, and Gene Gillis, Sun Valley.

Cites Schedules

"Then, there's the matter of schedules. I understand that Colorado joins the old Big Six league in December of this year. What about the three-year conference athletic schedules which we adopted at our last meeting? Of course, I don't know how many schedules and contracts have been signed up, but it's something to consider.

"However, I am very hopeful that we can carry on as a league in the Big Seven and keep up friendly relations with Boulder, even though Colorado won't be a member of the Big Seven any more."

Eddie Kimball, B Y U athletic director, was en route from Salt Lake to Provo and couldn't be reached for contact.

However, it seemed apparent that this was the "finis" of the Bog Seven league, inasmuch as Denver U., now, in all probability, will bolt in favor of a more versatile schedule. The Pioneers long have resented taking the bitter with the sweet on the schedule, and would like to join the Buffs in playing Colorado and Utah and forgetting the so-called "weak sisters" of the conference.

Clark Indorses Truman for '48

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., March 1 (UP) — President Truman had Atty. Gen. Tom Clark's indorsement Saturday for the 1948 Democratic presidential nomination.

Clark told a Jefferson jubilee dinner group Friday night that under Mr. Truman the United States is "marching confidently toward a future of security in the world and abundance at home" and that he should be sent back to the White House for another term.

Guerillas Kill 53 Police, Greek Dispatch Says

ATHENS, March 1 (AP)—Press dispatches said Saturday that a leftist guerilla band killed 53 Greek gendarmes Friday in a bloody ambush near the village of Domoko, between Trikkala and Lamia.

The dispatches said a contingent of 66 gendarmes left Lamia Friday morning for Domoko, to the north, and was surprised at a bend in the road by a band which opened machine gun and rifle fire.

Poland, U. S. Link Phones

WARSAW, March 1 (AP) — Poland reestablished telephonic communications with the United States Saturday for the first time since the war. Several hundred Americans flooded the exchange with calls home.

COLORADO U JOINS BIG 6

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Buffalo Shift Leaves Utah Colleges Stunned

The decision of Colorado university to bolt the Mountain Ctates Intercollegiate Athletic conference (Big Seven), in favor of the Big Six conference, left athletic leaders in Utah's collegiate circles more than a little stunned when informed of the move Saturday afternoon.

(Colorado, late Saturday, was accepted as a member of the Big Six conference at the annual meeting in Kansas City.)

Ike Not Available

Ike Armstrong, athletic director and head football coach at the University of Utah, is a member of the Utah centennial sports committee, and as such was attending the national downhill championships at Snow Basin and was unavailable for comment.

However, E. L. (Dick) Romney, athletic director at Utah State, had this to say:

"Colorado always has been a power in the conference and we shall be sorry to see the Buffaloes leave us. Colorado has always been noted for fine teams, fine people and a fine school. Our loss will be the gain of the Big Six.

'Fire From Smoke'

"However, this is one of the old cases where some fire finally breaks out from all the smoke that's been floating around for all these years. There have been many rumors over the years about Colorado and Denver quitting the league. And as I look back, I can see connections between many things that happened then, and the ultimate end as we see it now.

"Colorado has been leaning toward the Big Six for years, though," Romney continued, "and you can see from their past schedules against Kansas, Kansas State, Iowa State and Missouri.

"However, I hope we can continue athletic relations with the Buffaloes, although I don't see how it will be possible for all of us to keep on a schedule which must list six conference games for them in the Big Six.

"I wonder what Denver university and Utah U. will do in this matter? Certainly, Jack Carberry and the Denver papers won't

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SWISS SKIER WINS SNOW BASIN RACE

Averaging almost 50 miles per hour for the 2½-mile course, Karl Molitor, Wengen, Switzerland, flashed down the Snow Basin slope to capture first place in the men's national downhill championships Saturday before an estimated 10,000 spectators.

With perfect skiing condition prevailing, Molitor's unofficial time was 2 minutes 38.4 seconds. Second place went to big Alf Engen of Sun Valley, who negotiated the tricky course in 2 minutes 42.8 seconds.

Skiers said the hill was excellent, although it was cold and foggy at the starting line 2500 feet above the finish.

Paul Valaer, another of the six-man ski team from Switzerland, placed third in the running with a time of 2:44.9, while Don Goodman of Sun Valley was fourth with 2:46.8.

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The Swiss team, composed of three men and three women, lauded the hill as one of the best they had ever seen, and eastern skiers said that such perfect conditions were very seldom seen in the aest.

Fifth place in the unofficial timings went to Philip Puchner, Han-



Beautiful Hedy Lamarr Thursday became mother of a 7-lb. baby boy delivered in a caesarean section. Her husband is John Loder.

BLESSED EVENT

Stork Presents Hedy

Senate Okehs Prison Site As Tourist Spot

By THOMAS MATTHEWS

Retention of the state prison site as a cultural and tourist attraction center, discussion of the announced closing of the juvenile detention and work camp at Tooele ordnance depot, and throwing of a sop to welfare worriers featured Utah senate activity Saturday morning as the legislature met for the first time on a Saturday during the current session.

Expected to see senatorial debate was the appropriations bill, but discussion was delayed until the afternoon, when a dearth of copies of the measure led the senators to find more rather than peer over each other's shoulders.

The move to set aside the prison

LATE SPORTS FLASHES

BUFFALO, N. Y. (UP)—The Fairview Athletic club announced that the postponed bout between Tami Mauriello, New York heavyweight, and Buffalo's Joe Muscato will be held here March 19.

ST. LOUIS (INS)—Sam Breadon, president of the St. Louis Cardinals, announced that southpaw pitcher Howard Pollet has signed a one-year contract.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP)—Heavy rains caused postponement of the scheduled third round of the 72-hole St. Petersburg open golf tournament.

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (UP)—The Navy basketball team won its first game from Army since 1941, downing the Cadets 64-42 at Dahlgren hall for its 16th win in 17 games this year.

Utah House Limits Fish, Game Funds

Explosion Kills 16, Hurts 17 In Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, March 1 (AP)—A terrific explosion wrecked a British officers' club in the heart of modern Jerusalem Saturday, and an official announcement said 16 persons were killed, 17 were injured and 24 were missing.

Three of the dead—two policemen and a civilian—were killed in bursts of gunfire between attackers and police.

While rescue parties clawed frantically through blackened debris, police and helmeted troops searched the Jewish agency building and Yeshuron synagogue—both across the street from the club—for the perpetrators of the blast.

ski officials rated one of the finest

ALTA RACES

Sunday's slalom races at Alta will get under way at 10 a.m.

The heavy snows of the past week have been cleared away and the roads are open, but the state highway patrol reports that cars must have chains before they will be allowed to go up the canyon.

ever held from the standpoint of the caliber of contestants, snow conditions and operation.

Molitor, the 27-year-old champ, is Switzerland's undisputed champion in the downhill and slalom and also rated unofficially F I S world champ. Therefore, it was no surprise when he flashed off with the U. S. crown.

Starts Too Soon

Eddy Rominger, Molitor's mate from Switzerland who was expected to finish high, started too soon and had to go back to the starting line and begin again. The mistake cost him something like 30 or 40 seconds and put him completely out of the picture. He made a sensational run but the faulty start ended his hopes for the honors.

Engen and Valaer both performed well but couldn't quite match the brilliance of Molitor.

Don Goodman of Sun Valley led the American amateurs and became a strong candidate for the U. S. Olympic team by finishing fourth with a time of 2:46.8. Phillip Puchner of New Hampshire was fifth with 2:49.8, and John Litchfield of Aspen next with 2:50.4.

Steve Knowlton, defending champion from Aspen, had his troubles and ended up in 23rd place. Jack Reddish led the Utah skimen with a time of 2:51.1 to get ninth position. Pat Kearns of Salt Lake was 14th, and Dick Movitz, defending slalom champion, was 17th. Barney McLean, 1946 combined champ, was 11th in the downhill field.

Susan Follows

Susan Neidlinger of New Hampshire followed the Wurtele sisters and Miss Kann in the women's division, taking fourth with a time of 2:33.7. Gretchen Frazer of Sun Valley was sixth. Suzanne Harris led the Utah field in ninth place. Rebecca Frazer of Sun Valley was 12th, and Ann Winn of Salt Lake, 13th. Audrey Roth of the home club, Snow Basin Ski club, finished 19th.

The snow was perfect for the meet but the course was a bit slower than expected. Weight and wax played a big part in the race, according to the skimen.

Rhoda Wurtele, commenting on

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15. xKristofer Berg, Norway, 2:55.4.
16. Dave Faires, Sun Valley, 2:55.6.
17. Dick Movitz, Alta Ski club, 2:55.8.
18. George Macomber, Alta, 2:55.8.
19. xMartin Fopp, Albuquerque, 2:56.2.
20. Don Amick, Seattle, 2:56.4.

xOpen class.

Women's Division

1. Rhoda Wurtele, Montreal, Canada, 2:22.8.
2. Rhona Wurtele, Montreal, Canada, 2:28.4.
3. Paula Kann, New Hampshire, 2:32.0.
4. Susan Neidlinger, New Hampshire, 2:33.7.
5. Olivia Ausoni, Switzerland, 2:39.6.
6. Gretchen Frazer, Sun Valley, 2:42.8.
7. Ann Volkman, Portland, Ore., 2:42.9.
8. Suzanne Harris, Salt Lake, 2:45.6.
9. Peggy Kenny, New Hampshire, 2:45.8.
10. Rosmarie Bleuer, Switzerland, 2:45.8.
11. Antoinette Meyer, Switzerland, 2:45.8.
12. Rebecca Frazer, Sun Valley, 2:45.9.
13. Ann Winn, Salt Lake City, 2:46.7.
14. Kaki Corbett, Norden, Cal., 2:49.3.
15. Jean Litchfield, Aspen, Colo., 2:50.0.
16. Jinny Rogers, Worcester, Mass., 2:50.6.
17. Shirley Fopp, Albuquerque, 2:52.6.
18. Andrea Mead, Pico Peak, Vt., 2:52.6.
19. Audrey Roth, Ogden, 2:52.6.
20. Brynhild Grasmoen, Merced, Cal., 2:54.4.

SEEK RECORD

Norway Skiers Hold Edge

IRON MOUNTAIN, Mich., March 1 (UP)—A Norwegian team led by the new American ski jumping champion and the runner-up for the U. S. crown was the outstanding attraction Saturday for the annual Pine Mountain contest Sunday at which contestants will shoot for the American distance record of 289 feet.

DOUBLE WINNER

OSLO, Norway, March 1 (AP)—Nils Karlsson of Sweden, who won the 31-mile ski marathon Wednesday, became a double winner at the Holmenkollen carnival Saturday by annexing the 11-mile cross-country event.

There were indications Saturday that Sunday's jumping, climax of the world's major ski competition, might be postponed because of snow. Weather forecasters said a heavy storm was on the way.

A delay would be to the advantage of Walter Bietila of Ishpeming, Mich., who injured an ankle in practice Thursday. Bietila and Merrill Barber of Brattleboro, Vt., flew here for the jumping earlier this week.

Officials of the Pine Mountain slide, where the late Torger Tokle set the U. S. mark in 1942, hoped that proper weather conditions would prevail. If so, they hinted, the 25,000 fans expected to attend might see the first 300-foot leap in American jumping.

Arnold Kongsgaard, a Norwegian power jumper who was runner-up for the Norway championship last year and captured the American title Friday at Ishpeming, was picked as the most logical challenger for Tokle's mark.

Kongsgaard's own distance mark is 295 feet, set in Norway, and to win the American title his best mark was 239 feet on Suicide hill at Ishpeming, where the record is 250.

Ragnar Baklid, who finished just behind Kongsgaard Friday; Joe Perrault and Ralph Bietila of Ishpeming, third and fourth place winners in the national, and Ray Bietila of Ishpeming, the fifth-place winner, also were rated as threats to the 289-foot mark.



THEY WON SKI MEET LAURELS

Pictured above are the winners and runnersup in the Saturday ski meet at Snow Basin. Alf Engen (top) finished second in the men's division; Rhoda Wertele (center, right) won the women's title, while Rhona (center,left) finished second. Karl Molitor (bottom) won the men's championship.

LINKS FINALS

Babe Zaharias Encounters Peggy Kirk for Title

ORMOND BEACH, Fla., March 1 (UP) — Mrs. Babe Didrickson Zaharias, national women's amateur golf champion from Denver, Colo., reached the finals of the South Atlantic women's tourney Saturday by beating Peggy Gunther of Memphis, Tenn., in 19 holes.

Mrs. Zaharias will meet Peggy Kirk of Findlay, O., in the final round Sunday. Miss Kirk defeated Polly Riley of Fort Worth, Tex., 3 and 2, in another semifinal match.

The Denver champion was leading the match up till the 18th hole, when she rimmed an easy putt and gave Miss Gunther a long-awaited chance to catch up.

On the 19th hole, Miss Gunther's second shot to the green plopped into the trap, and although she recovered nicely with a chip that landed six inches from the flag, the Babe clinched the match with a 45-foot birdie putt.

Kramer Cops Net Battle

NEW YORK, Mar. 1 (UP)—Top-seeded Jack Kramer, Davis Cup star from Los Angeles, ripped through Nathan Goldstein of Brooklyn, 6-1, 6-3, Saturday in the second round of the National Indoor Tennis championships.

It was the first appearance for both players, who drew byes in the first round.

Unseeded veteran J. Gilbert Hall of New York, provided a major upset by routing sixth-seeded Elwood T. Cooke, also of New York, in straight sets, 6-3, 6-2, to join Kramer in the third round. Hall also drew a bye in the opening round.

Hall, 48 years old and national veteran champ for the third time, is highly regarded in local tennis circles but was thought to be at a disadvantage on the hard boards. Instead Hall made use of all of his court savvy to eliminate his younger opponent.

Extra Games

The only other seeded player to see action in the men's singles was third-ranked Bob Falkenburg of Los Angeles, Cal., and he was forced into extra games twice before beating Frank J. Salichs of New York, 7-5, 7-5.

Others to advance to the third round were Ladislav Hecht, former Czech Davis cupper now living in New Gardens, N. Y.; Lester Hirschfield of New York, Chauncey Steele Jr. of Cambridge, Mass., and August Ganzenmuller Jr. of Sea Cliff, N. Y.

Hecht topped Frank J. Bowden of Madison, N. J., 6-4, 6-1; Hirschfield defeated A. L. Hollander Jr. of Charlottesville, Va., 6-3, 6-4, and Steele conquered Albert Ritzenberg, Washington, D. C., 6-1, 6-4. Ganzenmuller disposed of Captain Edgar N. Powers, another Washingtonian, 6-1, 6-3.

Women's Play

In women's division play which Los Angeles, Cal., national outdoor started Saturday, Pauline Betz of titlist and top-seeded in a field of 27, moved into the third round by scoring a triumph over Mrs. Norma Barber of New York, current New York state clay-courts champ and veteran of many a tourney.

Miss Betz breezed through Mrs. Barber in the first set, 6-1, but ran into trouble in the second set before winning, 7-5. Both Miss Betz and Miss Barber had first-round byes.

Second-seeded Doris Hart of Coral Gables, Fla., and Mrs. Helen Pedersen Rihbany, Cambridge, Mass., defending champion who is seeded third, both had easy times in opening round matches. The former disposed of Barbara Nields, Rye, N. Y., 6-1, 6-2, while the latter topped Lois Felix, Meriden, Conn., 6-1, 6-0.

Chappuis Suffers Broken Wrist

ANN ARBOR, Mich., March 1 (AP)—A friendly fraternity house scuffle sent Bob Chappuis, star Michigan athlete, to the hospital Saturday and dealt a blow to the Wolverines' Western conference baseball prospects.

Dr. Carl E. Badgley said an X-ray revealed a broken bone in the Toledo, O., junior's right wrist and ordered an operation to remove a small bone chip.

aged to get in to accept the honors.

Dodson, obviously disheartened by the outcome, said he couldn't get room in the stretch for his final drive. To others, however, it appeared that the Calumet star tired in the final stages of the mile and one quarter haul.

The winning time was 2:01 4-5—

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$49,500 PRIZE

Feature Goes To Faultless

HIALEAH, Fla., March 1 (AP)—Adding another golden link to Calumet farm's ever-growing victory chain, Faultless Saturday captured the $68,100 Flamingo stakes, 18th and richest in the history of the winter classic for 3-year-olds.

Facing 10 other possible Kentucky derby candidates, Warren Wright's brown Bull Lea colt won the $49,500 major share of the purse by four lengths, teletimed in 1:49.6 for the mile and a furlong distance. W. P. Chrysler's Brabancon, attempting to give his stable a third straight triumph on Saturday's program, headed Edward S. Moore's Riskolator for the place.

In scoring his most notable victory, Faultless was a $4.90 choice in the field of 11 (he was the fifth successful favorite of the day), and boosted his earnings to $66,140. It was the pace-making Calumet farm's 21st score of the meeting and made the stable's money-earned total for the 38-day-old H i a l e a h session $173,675.

Mrs. M. E. Whitney's "little upstart," Bullet Proof, conqueror of Faultless at a similar distance a week ago, could only finish fourth after being well placed all the way.

Ben Jones, back on the training job for Calumet with son Jimmy handling Armed at Santa Anita, and Florida's Gov. Millard Caldwell figured in the trophy presentation ceremonies after the race. Ben previously had saddled two Flamingo victors for Herbert M. Woolf—Lawrin in 1938, which later became the only Flamingo winner to capture the Kentucky derby—and Technician in 1939.

The official attendance was 29,153, high for the meeting but short of last year's record 33,399.

they might not—and we might want to play Colorado and we might not. . . . In hazarding a guess, I would say that a free-lance situation might arise. Colorado college is interested in us, and we are interested in them. Last Thanksgiving we made more money playing Colorado college than we did playing at Boulder.

Financial Hurt

"And another thing. I believe Colorado's move will hurt them in a financial way. It's going to cost a lot of money for the Buffs to maintain an all-sports program over that wide area covered by the Big Six. And I believe Colorado has about as much place in the Big Six as Denver or Utah has in the Pacific Coast conference."

From Logan came these expressions:

"Colorado university has always been a pillar of this conference geographically and otherwise, and I am very sorry to see them leave," said Coach E. L. (Dick) Romney of U S A C. "I had heard much in the past few years of such a possibility, but did not take it serious until about a week ago when Big Six members were talking about it. I am not totally surprised, and am interested in the effect on Utah and Denver universities. Colorado is lost to the conference because of size, high scholastic standing and particularly of all the fine things it stands for. For the past 29 years I have attended meetings with their representatives and have admired them for what they stood for."

Voices Regrets

Dr. King Hendricks, chairman of the athletic council: "I don't know what effect it will have on the Big Seven conference. I am awfully sorry that Colorado university is leaving, because it may mean the realignment of the conference with a possibility of additions. I regret very much the loss of Colorado university as they have been a stalwart member of this conference. Their representatives have been very pleasant to work with."

Other members of the athletic department were of the same opinion.

And from Provo:

Statement from Dr. P. A. Christensen, president of the Mountain States conference and Brigham Young university representative for the past 18 years.

"For several years it has seemed probable to some of us that the University of Colorado would eventually seek athletic relations with the Big Six and it is not a complete surprise.

"Personally, I regret very much

SAME OLD STORY

USAC Grapplers Cop Bouts In Conference Mat Meet

PROVO — Coach George Nelson's sturdy Utah Aggies, who dominated Utah college wrestling before the war, won the first post-season western division mat tournament at the B Y U women's gymnasium Saturday night. The Aggies rolled up a total of 35 points. Utah won second place with 29 and Brigham Young university finished third with 23.

The Farmers won four of the eight individual champions with Utah and B Y U each copping two.

The summary:

121 lbs.—Joe Kessler, Utah Aggies, won from Dan Roberts, B Y U, fall in 2 minutes and 30 seconds of 2nd period, body press.

128 lbs.—Walt Reinschisel, B Y U, won a decision from Ray Soderberg, Utah. Soderberg won decision from Eldon Palmer, Utah State, for second place.

136 lbs.—Dale Maughan, Utah Aggies, won from Harley Robinson, Utah, fall in 2 minutes, five seconds of first period, half nelson and body press.

145 lbs.—Glen McCarty, Utah State, won a decision from Carl Adams, B Y U. Adams won decision from Lawrence Stevens, Utah, for second place.

155 lbs.—Verle Nelson, Utah State, won from Robert McKellar, Utah, fall in 2 minutes, 5 seconds of 2nd period, body press. McKellar won second on forfeit from Calvin Pace, B Y U, who suffered fractured rib.

165 lbs.—Harold Crane, Utah, won a decision from Marien Tree, B Y U. Harry McCarty, Utah State, won decision over Tree for second place.

75 lbs.—Harold Oldroyd, Utah, won a decision over Nephi Schwab, Utah State. George Hawkes, B Y U, won decision from Schwab for second place.

Heavyweight—Willard Call, Utah, won from Moroni Schwab, Utah State, when Schwab used illegal hold.

Buffs Jubilant

BOULDER, Colo., March 1 (AP)—University of Colorado athletic officials were jubilant Saturday over news that the school had been admitted to the Big Six conference.

Athletic Director Harry Carlson and Prof. Walter B. Franklin, faculty athletic representative, expressed hope, however, that relationships could be maintained with teams of the Big Seven, in which Colorado has been a member.

"Very strong friendships" exist between Colorado and other schools of the Big Seven, Franklin said, and every effort will be made to maintain athletic relations with as many members of that league as schedules will permit.

An announcement as to when Colorado's merger with the Big Six will take place is expected to come out of future meetings with Big Six officials. It will depend largely upon expiration of existing football contracts.

It was presumed that Colorado would begin participation in Big Six basketball, baseball, track, wrestling, swimming, tennis and golf with the beginning of the 1948 season.

Colorado officials said they would not cancel any existing contracts.

"We have always considered Colorado university one of the strongest links in the Mountain States conference, and we feel that it is our loss and the Big Six's gain.

"I'm sure they will continue to produce good athletic teams in their conference."

Statement by Eddie Kimball, athletic director and head football coach at B Y U:

"I deeply regret to learn that Colorado university has become a member of the Big Six conference. However, the news does not come as a surprise.

"Our athletic relationships with Colorado have always been of the highest order. Her teams have been colorful and difficult to defeat, and I count their athletic officials and coaches among my close friends in the profession.

"Colorado is an outstanding school both athletically and academically and she will be a distinct asset to the Big Six. It is too early to determine what effect her withdrawal will have upon the Big Seven con-

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Opinions Vary on Result of Buffs Quitting Big 7

Wurtele, Molitor Cop Ski Titles

Rhoda Leads in Women's Field, Slalom Event Slated at Alta

By JIMMY HODGSON

SNOW BASIN—Karl Molitor, the swift Swiss shoemaker who makes an art of skiing, flashed out of the clouds around Mt. Ogden and streaked down the precipitous Wildcat run at a mile-a-minute speed to add the United States downhill championship to his long list of ski titles.

Leaving a trail of whirling snow, Molitor the magnificent, rated Switzerland's No. 1 skier, became a part of the slick hickory sticks he was riding as he gracefully wove and wended his way down the 2500-foot drop. His time for the two-and-a-half-mile course was 2 minutes 38.4 seconds.

This time was a full four seconds better than Alf Engen of Sun Valley, former champ, and six seconds better than his teammate, Paul Valaer, who finished third. Engen's time was 2:42.8, and Valaer, 2:45.

Canada dominated the women's division even more than Switzerland did the men's competition. The famed Wurtele sisters from Montreal, Rhoda and Rhona, finished one-two in the feminine competition with times of 2:22.8 and 2:28.4 for the testing two-mile course.

JOHNSON PLACES

LACONIA, N. H., March 1 (AP)—Wendell Broomhall of Rumford, Me., and Roland Chivers of Franconia, N. H., raced over a 10-mile course on Belknap mountains in 50 minutes 43 seconds Saturday to finish in a first-place tie for the eastern amateur ski cross-country championship title.

Their times were about a minute better than their most pressing rivals, Don Johnson of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Paul Townsend, member of the University of New Hampshire faculty.

The eastern jumping championships will be held here on Torger Tokle Memorial hill Sunday.

Third place went to pretty Paula Kann of New Hampshire, queen of the downhill competition last year. Paula had a time of 2:32. The Swiss misses, Rosmarie Bleuer and Antoinette Meyer, were well down the list in 10th and 11th places. Olivia Ausoni made the best showing for the Switzerland crew by finishing fifth.

Sunday the ski troupe moves to Alta for the national slalom championships. The competition will get under way at 10 a.m., with all contestants making two runs.

A crowd of about 5000 turned out the meet, said: "We have been fighting ice and lack of snow in the east all year. It seemed awful good to get some deep snow. It was really wonderful today."

Several outstanding skimen did not perform. Georgette Thioliere, French champion, was still confined in the Ogden hospital and unable to participate, and Corey Engen of the Snow Basin club had to drop out because of a back injury. Gordon Wren, who performed in the national jumping tournament at Ishpeming Friday, was unable to get to Ogden for the meet.

The meet was run off in flawless fashion. The racers sped down the course at regular one-minute intervals. Time were reported as soon as they crossed the finish line and tabulations were made in record time. Chairman Don Reddish credited the help of Ed Seagle, Bob Blakslee and Beth Crooks of Sun Valley for much of the success of the meet.

The roads to snow basin were practically dry due to some prompt work by the state road commission and the traffic was handled well by the state highway patrol.

The downhill race was the opening feature of the Utah Centennial sports program and it was an auspicious debut.

The race committee was still concerned over the Alta course late Saturday but planned to go ahead. More than 85 skimen were busy all day Saturday tramping down the 27-inches of snow that had fallen there in the past three days.

The tournament will be topped off with a huge award dinner at the Newhouse hotel Sunday evening.

Men's Division

1. xKarl Molitor, Switzerland, 2:38.4.
2. xAlf Engen, Sun Valley, 2:42.8.
3. Paul Valaer, Switzerland, 2:45.0.
4. Don Goodman, Sun Valley, 2:46.8.
5. Phillip Puchner, New Hampshire, 2:49.8.
6. xJohn Litchfield, Aspen, Colo., 2:50.4.
7. Colin Stewart, New Hampshire, 2:50.8.
8. xToni Matt, New Hampshire, 2:51.0.
9. Jack Reddish, Alta Ski club, 2:51.1.
10. Gene Gillis, Sun Valley, 2:53.2.
11. Barney McLean, Denver, Colo., 2:53.4.
12. xNorman Richardson, Camp Carson, 2:53.4.
13. John Blatt, Stanford, 2:54.0.
14. Pat Kearns, Salt Lake, 2:54.4.



RAIN DELAYS GOLF MEET

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 1 (AP) — Heavy rains Saturday caused postponement of the scheduled third round of the 72-hole St. Petersburg open golf tournament.

The final 36 holes of the $10,000 event will be played Sunday, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

The postponement was the first of the winter season for the touring pros, who also ran into a day's delay here last year.

Meanwhile, the country's leading money winners set their sights on Jimmy Demaret, leader by two strokes at the halfway mark.

Demaret's leading total was fashioned on a 68 and 67 for 135. Tied for second with 137 are Jim Ferrier of San Francisco and Ky Lafoon, St. Andrews, Ill.

Anita Racing Purse Goes To Olhaverry

By BOB MYERS

ARCADIA, Cal., March 1 (AP)—The mighty Armed fell off turfdom's throne Saturday as Olhaverry, an 8-year-old grey charger from Chile, scored a smashing upset victory in the $100,000 Santa Anita handicap before a roaring record crowd of 85,500.

Astounding the fans who had installed the long-tailed champion from the blue grass as an even money favorite, Olhaverry, virtually overlooked as a 15-to-one shot, came up from behind in the stretch and crossed the line a length and a quarter in front of Stitch Again, with Pere Time third in a photo finish for the spot with See-Tee-See.

Armed, rounding out the complete upset, finished fifth, out of the money, in his bid for the $100,000, his third major stake in as many weeks, and a place as the No. 2 all time winner of the turf.

With a record sum for the race of $1,044,331 riding on the outcome, the field of 22 got off to a good start, with Armed laying off the early pace grabbed quickly by Artillery. Jockey Doug Dodson kept him back until the far turn, and then moved up to second.

Falls In Stretch

The gold-winning gelding seemed about to take charge as they turned into the stretch, but he failed to put on the power and dropped back before the on-coming Chilean charger, Stitch Again, Pere Time and See-Tee-See, the latter a pair of California bred horses.

Olhaverry is owned by Raoul Espinosa of Panama, trained by A. E. Silver, and the winning jockey was Melvin Peterson.

In 18 previous starts in this country, Olhaverry had won four races and earned $52,580. His owner is a former president of the Panama Jockey club.

"That's the greatest horse I ever rode," said the jockey, "when we made our move we had plenty of room and came through to win the race."

Finishing back of Armed, who finished two and a half lengths back of Olhaverry in the big push, were, in order, Monsoon, Texas Sandman, Autocrat, Terry Bargello, El Lobo, Plover, Adrogue, Bric-A-Bac, Nanby Pass, Triplicate, Witch Sir, Be Courageous, Burning Dream, Menu, Galla Damion, Hank H., and Artillery.

Betting Record

The betting handle was higher than the record $805,082 set on handicap day last year, when War Knight came in as a surprise victor. Last year's record crowd was 80,200.

So great was the crush of people, Olhaverry's owner couldn't reach the

Little Effect Expected On Schedules for '47

By PHIL M'LEESE

Life will go on as usual—for the time being, at least.

That was the consensus of western division Big Seven officials to Colorado university's official acceptance as a member of the Midwest, nee Big Six, conference, effective Dec. 1, 1947. The Buffs were taken into the new midwest group at a meeting of the conference officials Saturday at Kansas City, Mo.

All officials expressed regrets at the Buffs' departure—and that was about the only definite statements which came from leaders of Utah university, Brigham Young university and Utah State Agricultural college. Most of them expected life to go on as usual for the 1947 season, but beyond that nobody knew what, and explanations of their views of the future varied widely.

Expresses General Attitude

Ike Armstrong, athletic director at the University of Utah, expressed the general regret attitude when he said, "we are sorry to see Colorado leave the conference . . . They have been an outstanding member of the Big Seven . . . They provided a natural rivalry which was good and wholesome . . . and we hope that the university will continue a home-and-home arrangement in football, and carry on with basketball and track."

But there was more difference of opinion as regards the future. Armstrong said he believed that the Buffs' move would not break up the conference, but Clyde (Cac) Hubbard, Denver U. mentor, who was in Logan for the U S A C-Denver basketball game, saw a "free-lance situation . . . a loosely-organized conference."

Will Not Cancel Contracts

Colorado officials announced from Boulder that they would not cancel any contracts. This may mean that 1947 will be the last season for the Buffs in the Big Seven, in spite of the fact that the conference lines up its grid games three years in advance. As Armstrong explained it, the "contracts" are drawn only from year to year. The three-year schedule arrangement is a loosely-drawn set of regulations.

None of the western division officials had anything definite to say about the possibilities of expansion. Only school which has previously asked for permission to enter the Big Seven is Montana university. Their application was turned down at the last meeting of the conference.

Armstrong said that "geographically," the admission of Montana U. would not be good. "Who else would we take in?" Ike replied to further questioning on expansion. It was a good question.

Hubbard, in Logan, said, "I don't know for sure whether the Big Seven will stick by the conference setup. . . . None of us knows what will happen ultimately, if anything. Colorado might want to play us and the loss of Colorado to the conference. Perhaps, more than any other school, it has stood for high standards of scholarship and sportsmanship. It has always been represented in the conference meetings by men of outstanding ability and integrity.

"But what the ultimate effect of Colorado's action on the future of our conference will be, no one can say just now. If administrative heads will hold a tight rein on impulses and imaginations of the sport minded on and off the campuses, the necessary adjustments will be made and a wholesome athletic life for all of us will be assured."

"There will be, I think, no abrupt changes in athletic schedules and commitments in the Mountain States conference."

FOR DETAILS

For details of the Big Six meeting at which Colorado U was admitted to the conference, see page one.

ring an 8-5 underdog after more than a week of betting in which he had been quoted as low as a 3-1 underdog. But his superior experience and his gameness against the green youngster made it apparent after the fifth round that he would make his third successful defense of the world's 175-pound crown.

First Knockdown

When Fox hit the canvas in the 10th round, it was the first knockdown of a fight that had been unexpectedly dull, although by no means as lack-lustre as the Joe Louis-Billy Conn heavyweight title fiasco last June.

In the third and fourth rounds, it seemed Fox, who loks like Louis, might make ancient Lesnevich his 44th consecutive knockout victim, adding a champion's scalp to the most imposing knockout record in ring history.

BOUT POSTPONED

LONDON, Feb. 28 (UP)—The international heavyweight contenders' bout between Joe Baksi of Pennsylvania and Bruce Woodcock of England has been postponed from March 25 to mid-April because of Woodcock's illness, Promoter Jack Solomons announced Friday.

This was the second postponement of the bout that is expected to produce a June challenger for Champion Joe Louis.

Bryan Five Cops League Crown

OGDEN—Lou Bryan's team won the second half of the Commercial Basketball league. They did not play in the final round of games Thursday night, but finished the season undefeated. They will meet Sigma club of Weber college, first-round winners, for the league title.

Thursday night Sigma beat Excelsior, 42-25; Navy Civilians grabbed second-place by stopping People's Auto Insurance, 61-58, and Utah General Depot downed Ogden Arsenal, 48-22.

Final standings, second half:

	W	L	Pct.
Lou Bryan	7	0	1.000
Sigma	5	2	.714
People's Auto Ins.	4	3	.555
Excelsior	2	4	.333
Utah General Depot	2	4	.333
Arsenal	1	6	.166

Eagles Pick Ennis As New Head

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 28 (UP)—Al Ennis, public relations director of the Philadelphia Eagles of the National Football league, has been appointed general manager of the Eagles, it was announced Friday.

The announcement by Alexis Thompson, club owner, now recuperating at Saranac Lake, N. Y., from injuries sustained in a bobsled crash 10 days ago at Lake Placid, was made from the Eagles' office here.

Ennis succeeds Harry Thayer, who resigned.

Ennis, 49, is a native of Savannah, Ga., but now lives in New York City. He is a former professional tennis player and coach, professional basketball player and a water polo

Score 237 Runs

SYDNEY, Australia, Feb. 28 (UP)—England made 237 runs for six wickets Friday, after a disastrous start, in the fifth and final cricket test match against Australia.

INDOOR MEET

Bill Talbert Defeats Gates

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (UP)—Second-seeded Bill Talbert of Wilmington, Del., defeated James Gates of New York in the second round of the national indoor tennis tournament Friday, 6-0, 6-3.

Talbert, a member of the 1946 U. S. Davis cup team, outmaneuvered Gates all the way and scored most of his points on cross volley shots as he went to the net. Gates, Illinois state doubles champion when he lived at Chicago, went all-out on offense in the second set and rushed the net himself to pull into a 3-3 tie in games before Talbert stopped the rally.

Top-ranked Jack Kramer of California, national champion, does not make his first start until Saturday.

Other seeded players to join Talbert in the field of 16 were Sidney B. Wood Jr., and Frank X. Shields, both of New York and rated fourth and fifth respectively.

Wood topped Alexander Carver, Pelham, N. Y., 6-8, 6-3, 7-5. Shields also ran into trouble before winning from Raymond Antignata, New York, 8-6, 6-2.

Preps Seek Nevada Tourney Berths

RENO, Nev., Feb. 28 (UP)—Elimination tournaments to qualify contestants for the state high school championship basketball meet in Reno March 13-15 are under way in several parts of Nevada.

At Ely, White Pine qualified by beating Elko, 41-33, in the eastern zone class A opener, and Friday night Elko played Winnemucca for a berth. Eastern class B competition in Carlin found Wells nosing Battle Mountain, 36-34, in overtime, and Montello beating Eureka, 27-20. In the southern class A event in Las Vegas, the host team whipped Lincoln, 45-22, and Baxic defeated Overton, 58-42.

HOW THOROUGHBREDS LINE UP FOR SANTA ANITA FEATURE

ARCADIA, Cal., Feb. 28 (AP)—Entries, post positions, weights, jockeys, owners and probable odds for the $100,000 Santa Anita handicap:

P.	Horse	Wt.	Jockey	Owner	Pbr. Odds
1.	fNamby Pass	108	J. Nichols	L. E. Hutson	7-2
2.	El Lobo	110	W. Bailey	S. Hamblen	10
3.	fBurning Dream	110	H. Trent	N. S. McCarthy	7-2
4.	fBe Courageous	112	No Boy	C. S. Howard	7-2
5.	Galla Damion	120	J. Gilbert	G. J. Sebastian	8
6.	See-Tee-See	114	E. Neves	C. T. Clifford	6
7.	fBele A Bac	114	L. Balaski	Ralph-Gilmore	7-2
8.	Peretime	108	B. Layton	R. C. Ellsworth	20
9.	fAdrogue	115	F. Zufelt	Rolando-Stempel	7-2
10.	Hank H.	112	J. Westrope	A. Drumheller	10
11.	fPlover	117	G. Wallace	S. D. Graham	7-2
12.	fTerry Bargello	109	W. Swigert	A. Sparks	7-2
13.	fAuteurat	110	L. Hanford	Baroni-Raffetani	7-2
14.	Armed	120	D. Dodson	W. Wright	6-5
15.	fWitch Sir	114	J. Longden	L.Schlosser	7-2
16.	fStitch Again	112	R. James	Circle B. Ranch	6
17.	Olhaverry	116	M. Peterson	R. Espinosa	15
18.	Monsoon	112	No Boy	C. V. Whitney	20
19.	Texas Sandman	114	E. Arcaro	W. R. Rorex	5
20.	fTriplicate	117	J. Higley	F. Astaire	7-2
21.	fMenu	109	R. Permane	C. H. Jones	7-2
22.	Artillery	110	J. Adams	W. G. McCarthy	7-2

f—Field horse in mutuel betting.

son of Los Angeles, and C. S. Howard's Be Courageous were considered doubtful starters since they were entered in another race Saturday. If the track remains fast, there may be other withdrawals.

Post time was set at 6:03 p.m. (Mountain Standard Time).

There will be no radio broadcast of the race.

The start will be from the chute. The regulation starting gate accommodates 14, an auxiliary gate four, and individual stalls will be used if needed.

The draw for post position was important. Armed, Warren Wright's flying gelding, a solid choice to win and move into the second spot of the turf's all-time money winners, drew No. 14, while Walter G. McCarty's fast starter, Artillery, got the outside and will have to burn up the track to stay in the race before they hit the clubhouse turn.

$50,000 Preview

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 28 (AP)—An even dozen 3-year-olds, topped by Calumet farm's Faultless and Mrs. M. E. Whitney's Bullet Proof were entered Friday in the $50,000 Flamingo stake—a Kentucky Derby preyue—at Hialeah Saturday.

The entries with owners, weights and jockey assignments follow:

Circle M. ranch's Riskolator, 120, Willie Balzaretti; Caulfield and Wahl's Cellophane, 118, Francis Thacker; Calumet's Faultless, 118, Al Snyder; Mrs. M. E. Whitney's Bullet Proof, 118, Ruperto Donoso; Mrs. Tilyou Christopher's Donna's Ace, 115, Chris Rogers; Greentree stable's Wide Wing, 118, Ted Atkinson; Walter S. Horne's Red Devil, 118, no boy; Walter P. Chrysler's Brabacon, 118, Con McCreary, and Reckon, 118, no boy; J. R. Steinman's Stimulist, 118, M. A. Buxton; Brookmeade stable's Dinner Hour, 118, J. D. Jessop; W. W. Adams' Radar Man, 118, Bobby Watson.

Donna's Ace which would have carried 120 pounds, received a five-lb. allowance because she is a Florida-bred horse.

Ex-Braves Hurler Dies in N. Y.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Feb. 28 (AP)—Ensign S. Cottrell, 59, left-handed member of the 1914 world champion Boston Braves pitching staff, died Friday at Crouse-Irving hospital.

Cottrell, who captained the Syracuse university baseball team in 1911, served with the Pittsburgh Pirates, the Chicago Cubs and the Philadelphia Athletics before joining the Braves. He also played with Scranton, Pa., and Baltimore.

gars trailed with five counters.

Verl Nelson, USAC, won the most exciting match of the evening when he decisioned Calvin Pace, BYU, in the 155-lb. class. Another top match was the 175-lb. event, in which Hal Oldroyd, Utah, took a decision over George Hawkes, BYU, by a narrow margin.

There were but two falls during the matches, with Walt Reinschisel of the Y. downing Eldon Palmer, Utah, with a three-quarter Nelson in 7:58, while Moroni Schwab of the Aggies won a fall over Alvin Daley, BYU, with a half Nelson in 7:07.

The matches were handled in good style, pleasing a small but enthusiastic crowd. Merrill Croft, AAU wrestling chairman, was the third man in the ring. Final matches will be held Saturday at 8 p.m. in the women's gymnasium.

Results:

121 lbs., no matches held; 128 lbs., Walt Riemschisel, BYU, pinned Eldon Palmer, USAC, in 7:58; 136 lbs., Parley Robinson, Utah, decisioned Rulon Meyers, BYU; 145 lbs., Glen McCarty, USAC, decisioned Lawrence Stevens, Utah; 155 lbs., Verle Nelson, USAC, decisioned Calvin Pace, BYU; 165 lbs., Harold Crane, Utah, decisioned Harry McCarty, USAC; 175 lbs., Hal Oldroyd, Utah, decisioned George Hawkes, BYU; heavyweight, Moroni Schwab, USAC, pinned Alvin Daley, BYU, in 7:07.

Beaver Ringmen Topple Delta

BEAVER — Wrestling and boxing bouts between Delta and Beaver high schools held at Beaver Thursday evening gave Beaver a 40-21 win.

Contestants from Delta included Sirley Peterson, Bevin Nielson, Sheldon McCallister, Sid Morrison, Bud Fullmer, Mickey Sorrensen, Erwin Prestwich, Wilford Ashby, Lynn Prestwich, Alton Cahoon, Harold Ogden, Carlyle Peterson, Dwight Church, Robert Clark, Joe Barney and Carl Corey.

From Beaver, the contestants were Don Thorpe, James Warby, Wayne Christensen, Glade Merkley, Dick McQueen, Gary Davis, Sammy Johnson, DeLoy Littlefield, Norman Bradshaw, Howard Potter, Frank Nowers, Karl Myers, David Miller, Sam Oakden, Russell Muir, Gary Hodges, Allen Farnsworth, Ted Cox, Arlo Farnsworth, Lawrence Burns, Verl Holdaway, Jerry Robinson, Bill Miller, Mitchell Martin, Harold Gale, Douglas Briggs and George Miller.

Latins Give Joe Big Reception

BOGOTA, Columbia, Feb. 28 (UP)—Joe Louis arrived Friday night from Medellin, Columbia, and was greeted by thousands of fans at Techo airport, while thousands more waited for him at the Hotel Granada.

Many had been disappointed Thursday as they awaited the champion for hours, not knowing that he had postponed the trip at the last minute.

Louis was quoted by El Siglo of Medellin as saying that he and his former wife, Marva Trotter, had been reconciled in Mexico and that he would remarry her on his return to the states.

HOLCOMB SIGNS WITH PURDUE

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Feb. 28 (AP)—Stuart K. Holcomb, an assistant Army coach at West Point, will take over in March as football coach at Purdue university and try to bring the Boilermakers back to the top in Big Nine football.

Holcomb signed a five-year contract Thursday and left immediately to rejoin the Army basketball team at Annapolis. He is head basketball coach.

He succeeds Cecil Isbell, former Purdue and professional grid star who resigned to coach the Baltimore Colts professional team of the All-America conference.

Holcomb's salary was not announced. Isbell's salary at Purdue was reported to have been about $8500 a year.

U. S. Table Tennis Teams Cop Wins

PARIS, Feb. 28 (UP) — United States table tennis teams dominated play in the opening round of the world's championship Friday, with the men's team breezing to three victories while the women's team scored a double victory.

Led by American Singles Champion Richard Miles, the men registered a 5-2 victory over England, blanked Holland, 5-0, and whipped Wales, 5-1.

run.

The loss of Martin hurt New York's chances for winning the meet for the fifth time and retiring the team trophy which it was favored to do. At the same time it enhanced the chances of Manhattan's Jaspers, who also have won the meet four times previously.

Nowicki, who would have run the 1000-yard event, competed with Fordham in 1942 and 1943 and in 1944 was a V-12 student at Rochester where he was in four meets before going to Parris Island, S. C., for marine boot training. The I C 4 A committee ruled that those participations constituted a season of indoor eligibility but Nowicki will be permitted to resume competition when the outdoor meets begin.

Martin was declared to have completed his four years of track eligibility, two at Notre Dame and two at New York university. He now is a medical student at N Y U.

Big Six Meet

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 28 (AP) — The Big Six will reel off its 19th annual indoor track and field meet in Municipal auditorium here Saturday in what is expected to be the most keenly contested thinclad show in the conference's history.

Several of the 132 contestants—22 from each school — are considered capable of record performances, while not one of the six returning champions from 1946 is a cinch to repeat.

Ed Quirk of Missouri, in the shotput, and miler Bobby Ginn of Nebraska, who will compete for the co-favored teams, appear best bets for new records.

Here's How They'll Run in Ski Tourney

Ladies

1. Doris Post (Olympic Am.), Sun Valley, Idaho.
2. Rosmarie Bleuer, Grindelwald, Switzerland.
3. Georgette Thioliere, Chamonix, France.
4. Antoinette Meyer, Hospenthal, Switzerland.
5. Jean Litchfield (FIS Am.), Aspen, Colo.
6. Gretchen Fraser, Sun Valley, Idaho.
7. Rhoda Wurtele, Montreal, Canada.
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9. Paula Kann, North Conway, New Hampshire.
10. Sally Neidlinger, Hanover, New Hampshire.
11. Virginia Huidekoper, Jackson, Wyo.
12. Olivia Ausoni, Villars, Switzerland.
13. Shirley Fopp (Olympic Am.), Albuquerque, N. M.
14. Rebecca Fraser, Sun Valley, Idaho.
15. Susan Neidlinger, Hanover, N. H.
16. Berit Stensby, Norway.
17. Anne Winn, Salt Lake City, Utah.
18. Suzanne Harris, Salt Lake City, Utah.
19. Andrea Mead, Pico Peak, Vermont.
20. Audrey Roth (FIS Am.), Ogden, Utah.
21. Jimmy Rogers, Worcester, Mass.
22. Brynhild Grasmoen, Merced, Cal.
23. Norma MacDonald, Norden, Cal.
24. Mary Alice Peel, Washington.
25. Peggy Kenny, Franconia, New Hampshire.
26. Dory Ann Killian, Los Angeles, Cal.
27. Ann Volkman, Portland, Ore.
28. Kaki Corbett, Norden, Cal.
29. Ruth-Marie Stewart, Hanover, N. H.
30. Alma Hansen, Sun Valley, Ida.
31. Louise Bulkley, Denver, Colo.
32. Audrey Sugden, Milwaukee, Wis.
23. Dorothy Vance, Denver, Colo.

Men

34. Jerry Hiatt, Denver, Colo.
35. Edy Rominger, St. Moritz, Switzerland.
36. Dick Movitz, Alta, Utah.
37. Christopher Schwarzenbach, Pasadena, Cal.
38. Karl Molitor, Wengen, Switzerland.
39. Devereaux Jennings, Aspen, Colo.
40. Jack Reddish, Alta, Utah.
41. Norman Richardson (FIS Am.), Camp Carson, Colo.
42. Kristofer Berg, Norway.
43. Stephen Knowlton, Aspen, Colo.
44. John Litchfield (FIS Am.), Aspen, Colo.
45. Gordon Wren (Olympic Am.), Denver, Colo
46. Paul Valaer, Davos, Switzerland.
47. Gene Gillis, Sun Valley, Ida.
48. Leon Goodman, Sun Valley, Ida.
49. Barney McLean, Denver, Colo.
50. Toni Matt (FIS Am.), North Conway, N. H.
51. Don Goodman, Sun Valley, Ida.
52. Walter Prager (FIS Am.), Jackson, Wyo.
53. John Blatt, Palo Alto, Cal.
54. Corey Engen (Olympic Am.), Ogden, Utah.
55. Alf Engen (FIS Am.), Sun Valley, Ida.
56. George Macomber, Alta, Utah.
57. William Distin (Olympic Am.), Saranac Lake, N. Y.
58. Robert Blatt, Palo Alto, Cal.
59. Pat Kearns, Salt Lake City, Utah.
60. Karl Stingl, Sun Valley, Ida.
61. Philip Puchner, Hanover, N. H.
62. Jens Prytz, Norway.
63. Bill Beesley, Salt Lake City, Utah.
64. Ralph Ball, Denver, Colo.
65. Ralph Townsend, Durham, N. H.
66. Ross Davis, Aspen, Colo.
67. Bill Bowes, Portland, Ore.
68. Dave Faires, Sun Valley, Ida.
69. Bill Farrell, Salt Lake City, Utah.
70. Martin Fopp (FIS Am.), Albuquerque, N. M.
71. Jack Nagle, Seattle, Wash.
72. Paul Gilbreath, Seattle, Wash.
73. Kjell Torke-Hagen (FIS Am.), Norway.
74. Abbott Phillips, Aspen, Colo.
75. Donald Elisha, Aspen, Colo.
76. Don Amick, Seattle, Wash.
77. Dick Moench, Salt Lake City, Utah.
78. Sel Hannah, Franconia, N. H.
79. Cliff Banta, Reno, Nev.
80. Colin Stewart, Hanover, N. H.
81. Leslie Hawkins, Reno, Nev.
82. Tito Sigal, Yosemite, Cal.
83. Peter Seibert, Aspen, Colo.
84. William Taylor, Seattle, Wash.
85. Tom Cremer, LaCrosse, Wis.
86. Amos Little Jr., Helena, Mont.
87. Maurice Willey, Billings, Mont.
88. Yasi Teramoto, Norden, Cal.
89. Don Williams, Palo Alto, Cal.
90. Bertram Herbert, Franconia, N. H.
91. Jerry Wetzel, Reno, Nev.
92. William Beck, Providence, R. I.
93. Harry Morgan, Berkeley, Cal.
94. James Huidekoper, Jackson, Wyo.
95. Jim Griffith, Boulder, Colo.
96. Malcolm Brown, Albuquerque, N. M.
97. Rees Stevenson, Seattle, Wash.
98. Cliff Schmidtke, Seattle, Wash.
99. Robert Skinner, Alta, Utah.
100. Peter Brucato, Sun Valley, Ida.

Norway	207	209	210.35
Harold Hauge, Norway	200	200	208.40
Sig Ulland, Oakland, Cal.	207	209	206.15

Kenneth Oja, Ishpeming, walked away with the class B championship on two excellent jumps of 217 and 223, his best leap 22 feet better than that of his nearest competitor.

He scored a point total of 212.65 to beat his teammate, Gerald Gauthier, for the title. Gauthier leaped 203 and 201 for 208.75 points and second place.

Others in the top five in class B were:

George Wright, Duluth, Minn.	199	201	204.85
Walter Nelson, Beloit, Wis.	185	187	201.25
Henry Isabelle, Ishpeming, Mich.	193	187	199.05

Only rider in the class A open division, Gordon Wren, turned in leaps of 205 and 213 feet.

Bruises Ankle

OSLO, Norway, Feb. 28 (AP)—Walter Bietila of Ishpeming, Mich., bruised an ankle Friday while practicing for the Holmenkollen ski jump Sunday but said he thought he would be fit to compete in the event, the world series of international skiing.

Bietila and Merrill Barber of Brattleboro, Vt., left New York by plane Tuesday to compete here. Barber showed good form Friday in his practice leaps.

The two Americans will oppose jumpers from Norway, Sweden, Iceland and Switzerland. Weather predictions are for a cold, clear day Sunday.

MISS POST HURT

OGDEN—Dodie Post, star Sun Valley skier and recent winner of the Intermountain Amateur Ski Assn.'s downhill and slalom title, Friday sprained her ankle in a fall at Snow Basin and may be out of the national tourney.

the U. S. crown were Steve Knowlton, Barney McLean, Dev Jennings and Gordon Wren of Colorado. Wren appeared in the national ski jumps at Ishpeming Friday, but was expected in Ogden by airplane Saturday in time to participate.

Besides these Colorado stars, the U. S. offered such fine challengers as Toni Matt, New Hampshire; Walter Prager, Jackson, Wyo.; Bob and Boots Blatt, California; Bill Distin, New York, along with Dick Movitz, Alf Engen, Corey Engen, Jack Reddish, George Macomber, Bill Beesley and others from Utah.

The women's competition shaped up as a battle between the foreign ski stars with the three Swiss misses, Rosmarie Bleuer, Antoinette Meyer and Olivia Ausoni, pitted against Georgette Thioliere of France and Rhoda and Rhona Wurtele of Montreal, Canada. Some of the strongest U. S. women entries are Dodie Post and Gretchen Fraser of Sun Valley, Paula Kann of New Hampshire, Susan Harris and Anne Winn of Salt Lake City, Audrey Roth of Ogden and Sally Neidlinger of New Hampshire.

The skiers met Friday night at the Ben Lomond hotel for final instruction and numbers. Many of the entrants expressed the opinion that the course was not as difficult as they had expected. All skiers were pleased with the reception and arrangements accorded them.

Snowfall Slows Course

Dick Durrance, chief of course, predicted the new snow would likely slow up the course but announced that he expected one of the "hottest scraps in years for the championships." Temperature at the top of the course was about two degrees above zero Friday night and weather was ideal for the meet.

The field is rated by national ski leaders as "the finest that has ever participated in the national tournament."

These national championship races at both Snow Basin and Alta will be free to the public and are sponsored by the centennial sports committee.

Officials for the meet:

Race committee — Don Reddish, chairman; F. C. Koziol, Jim Laughlin. Fred Montmorency and Monie DeHann. Referee—Albert Sigal. Chief of course—Dick Durrance. Assistant chief of course—Sverre Engen. Timers—LeRoy Peterson, chairman; Eddie Seagle, Lee Irvine, Justin Vorse, Brent Jennings. Starters —Koziol, Laughlin, Montmorency, Bob Blakslee. Recorders—John Eberhardt and Jacke Wolfe. Judge of finish — Don Reddish. Calculator — LeRoy Peterson. Banquet — M. A. Strand, Frank Rasmussen, Lee Irvine and John Eberhardt.

Late Friday night it was reported by the race committee that Walter Prager of Jackson, Barrett Stansby of Norway and Ralph Townsend of New Hampshire would not run, and that Georgette Thioliere was still under a physician's care and likely would not participate.

Several new entries were accepted including Dave Quinney, Merl White and Dick Kirby of Salt Lake; Don French and Bob Dunaway from Washington, and Jim Kennedy from the Eastern Ski Assn. A light snow was falling in Ogden.



Lesnevich Stops Fox in Tenth

By JACK CUDDY

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (UP)—Gus Lesnevich, 32, kept his world light-heavyweight championship Friday night by scoring a technical knockout over young Billy Fox at 2:19 of the 10th round, tagging the Philadelphia Negro with his first defeat after 43 straight knockout victories.

The fight, which had been a dull affair, ended in turbulent fashion. Lesnevich floored the young challenger with a straight right to the chin for the count of eight. Fox, who had fought like an amateur during most of the rounds, rose and Lesnevich was upon him, hammering away. Fox appeared in such helpless condition that little gray-haired Referee Johnny Burns rushed in to stop the bout as Fox came tumbling forward. Fox clasped Lesnevich about the knees as he sank to the canvas, and Burns again emphatically motioned Lesnevich to his corner, ending the bout.

Staggers to Feet

Referee Burns held Fox as he staggered to his feet and indicated that he wanted to renew the battle. Meanwhile, Lesnevich danced about his corner elatedly, and the near-capacity crowd of 18,318 in Madison Square Garden roared its ovation for another ancient champion who had come through heroically.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Jockey Ted Atkinson was ruled off Hialeah race track for the balance of the meeting, on charges that he had bumped Jockey Robert McPhee in the last race Friday . . . Louis B. Mayer got rid of the major portion of his racing stable for $1,553,500, but he still had some of the horses on his hands . . . Late City belied his name Friday, as he came first in the $4000 purse at Hialeah.

Danny Webb, Canadian lightweight boxing king, said he emerged with a "clean bill of health" after being questioned by the D. A.'s office in

VORSE SOUNDS S O S FOR SUNDAY RACES

About 50 skiers are needed to help tramp the course at Alta Saturday for the national slalom race Sunday, according to J. G. Vorse.

The first 50 who report will be given free ski passes on the Alta lift for helping an hour or two in getting the course into shape. About 27 inches of snow have fallen at Alta the past three days, posing a problem in getting the course ready. But officials were confident that arrangements could be completed to run the event Sunday.

World's Top Skiers Open National Meet at Snow Basin



CHAMPIONS AND WHERE THEY'LL PERFORM TODAY

Above, left to right, Dick Movitz, Barney McLean and Steve Knowlton, national champions, who will be among the star-studded field competing in national downhill championship at Snow Basin. Saturday. Below, bird's-eye view of famous course located near Ogden.

100 Entrants Seek Crowns In Downhill Test Today

By JIMMY HODGSON

OGDEN—Utah's sparkling centennial sports program gets under way Saturday with 100 skimen, the finest in the United States along with some topnotchers from Norway, Switzerland, France and Canada, participating in the inaugural feature—the United States downhill and slalom championships.

Six inches of new snow Thursday had put the course at Snow Basin in perfect shape for the downhill test which will get under way at noon Saturday, according to Don Reddish, race committee chairman.

Skiers were busy tramping the course all day Friday, and the trail was well-packed and "perfect" for the test Friday night. The roads to Snow Basin were cleared early and were reported "nearly dry" Friday night. All the skimen were waiting eagerly for the test.

Dodie Tries First

Doris (Dodie) Post, Sun Valley, will have the honor of making the first official try down the Wildcat run. Blond Rosmarie Bleuer, Switzerland, will be second, with Georgette Thioliere, France, and Antoinette Meyer, Switzerland, following in order. A total of 23 feminine skiers, all of them outstanding performers, will compete for the national downhill honors.

The women's course will be nearly two miles long and will have a vertical drop of about 2000 feet.

As soon as the women have been started, the men will begin racing over a course that will be nearly two and one-half miles long, with a vertical drop of 2500 feet. Racers will be started at one-minute intervals, so that the competition is expected to be completed between 3 and 4 p.m. The results will be tabulated immediately and are expected to be ready for release about 7 p.m., according to Reddish.

Skiers will make only one run in the downhill but each entrant will make two trips down the course in the slalom, which is scheduled for Sunday at Alta. Sunday's races will get under way at 10 a.m.

Weight Makes Difference

The general opinion among the skiers Friday was that weight would make a big difference in the downhill test and the heavier skimen would have the best chance to cop the honors.

Three of the top candidates for the laurels will be the Swiss skiers, Karl Molitor, Edy Rominger and Paul Valaer. Norway will have some strong contenders in Kristofer Berg, Jens Prytz and Kjell Torke-Hagen.

Some of the top American riders

SUICIDE HILL

Norway Skier Wins Jumps

ISHPEMING, Mich., Feb. 28 (UP)—Arnold Kongsgaard, one of Norway's top-ranking ski jumpers, easily outdistanced the field Friday to win the 43rd annual national ski jumping tournament before a crowd of more than 10,000.

He made jumps of 239 and 230 feet off Suicide hill and scored a point total of 230.65. His teammate and closest competitor, Ragnar Baklid, jumped 219 and 226 feet for 220.8 points, winning second place by a close margin over Joe Perrault, Ishpeming.

Perrault leaped 214 and 217 feet for 219.3 points. Perrault's teammate, young Ralph Bietela, 1941 class C national champion, placed fourth in the top title class with leaps of 225 and 217 feet for a 218.7 point total.

Kongsgaard's best leap fell 11 feet short of the 250-foot hill record set by Wilbert Rasmusen of Negaunee, Mich., last year and was an even 50 feet short of the American record of 289 feet set in 1942 at Pine Mountain slide, Iron Mountain, Mich., by the late Torger Tokle.

Others in the first 10 were:

Roy Bietilla, Iron Mountain, Mich.	217	200	213.65
James Lawson, Ishpeming	219	205	215.15
Erik Lindstrom,	205	200	211.95

IKE NOT LISTED

Ike Hall, of the Utah Ski club, was not listed among the leaders in the national ski jumping tournament. Distance of his jumps could not be obtained Friday night.

$100,000 Race Attracts 22

ARCADIA, Cal., Feb. 28 (AP)—Twenty-two candidates, topped by the highly favored stakes champion, Armed, were named Friday for the Santa Anita handicap and its guaranteed-to-the-winner purse of $100,-

Utag Matmen Take Lead In West Division Race

PROVO—Coach George Nelson's Utah Aggie wrestlers went into the lead in the western division wrestling tourney in Friday night's opening matches in the B Y U women's gymnasium when they scored 11 points. Coach Karl Schleckman's Utah gropplers

IC4A Ruling Bars Nowicki

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (UP) — The I C 4 A executive committee affirmed the ineligibility of Joe Nowicki of Fordham Friday, preventing him from participating in the annual track meet of the association Saturday night at Madison Square Garden.

The association also made a new

Slalom Meet Transferred to Ogden



PICTURESQUE SNOW BASIN GETS U. S. SLALOM RACES TOO

The national downhill races were held at Snow Basin, above, Saturday and the slalom event will be staged at the same course Monday. Part of the crowd that lined the trail all the way up Wildcat run Saturday is shown here as Edy Rominger of the Swiss ski team goes into a crouch to cross the finish line. About 5000 saw the meet. The ski event opened Utah's centennial sports program, and attracted a record entry list. The visitors praised Utah's skiing facilities.

Heavy Snow at Alta Halts Sunday Races

By JIMMIE HODGSON

It takes snow to stage a ski tournament, but the thing can be overdone. It was ridiculously overdone at Alta Sunday when another foot of snow was added to the 27 inches that had just recently fallen.

As a result, the national slalom ski championships which were slated at the Little Cottonwood ski resort Sunday, were postponed and Alta lost its chance to play host to the greatest field that has ever been assembled for a national tourney.

The slalom races will be run off at Snow Basin, just east of Ogden, Monday, starting at 10 a.m., according to Don Reddish, chairman of the race committee.

About 10 inches of snow fell at Alta Saturday night, causing a slide at Superior which blocked traffic. The result was a stranded string of cars about three miles long up Little Cottonwood canyon, a jam that took several hours for the state highway patrol to unravel.

The heavy snowfall made it impossible to even think of skiing at Alta for several days, so officials immediately decided to complete the tourney at Snow Basin, site of the very successful downhill races which were held Saturday.

Prepare Course

Dick Durrance, chief of course, went to Snow Basin Sunday to lay out the course and skiers were tramping the trail to have it in the best possible shape for the final day of the national meet.

Saturday's race was a "wax and weight" affair, with right waxing and additional weight paying heavy premiums. Monday's race will be run under similar conditions. The skimen spent much of the day Sunday trying to outguess each other on the right wax to use for the Monday test.

Karl Molitor of Switzerland won the men's downhill race Saturday with the excellent time of 2:38.4 for the course which is nearly two and a half miles long. Miss Rhoda Wurtele of Canada claimed the women's downhill title with a time of 2:22.8 for a course of about two miles. After the excellent showing of the two in the first day's meet, they are the heavy favorites to ski off with the combined honors in the meet. The combined title is based on both slalom and downhill performances.

Defending Champion

Dick Movitz of the Alta Ski club is defending champion in the slalom event. Rhona Wurtele, sister of the downhill champion, won the slalom and combined titles in last year's meet at Franconia.

The skimen are eager to get the meet completed as soon as possible so they can go on to Sun Valley to prepare for the Olympic ski trials which are scheduled at the Idaho snow center this week end.

F. C. Koziol of the Forest Service, member of the race committee, announced Sunday night that 12 contestants in the national races had been marooned at Alta. Six of them skied out Sunday evening and the other six were expected to ski out Monday morning if the road wasn't opened by that time. Arrangements had been made to have a car to meet them.

The snowplow broke down Sunday about one mile from Alta. The telephone line also was out, leaving Alta isolated Sunday evening. Miss Brynhild Grasmoen of Merced, Cal., was the only one of the marooned skiers that was known.

Roads in Shape

Monie DeHann, president of the Snow Basin Ski club and member of the race committee, reported the roads to Snow Basin cleared Sunday night. The Ogden club had a large delegation of members tramping the course and it was reported in "good shape." About six inches of snow fell at Snow Basin. Weather forecasts were favorable.

The award banquet which has been scheduled for Sunday evening will be held Monday night at the Newhouse hotel, starting at 7:30 p.m. All winners will be announced at that time.

ALTA CUP MEET

The Alta cup ski races which were originally scheduled for Monday at Alta will have to be postponed until sometime in April, according to Jim Laughlin. The date will be announced later.

The Olympic ski team fund party which was slated at Alta Monday afternoon will be held Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the roof garden of the Hotel Utah.

PCC TITULAR SERIES SET

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

The U C L A Bruins and Oregon State basketball teams, respective winners of the southern and northern divisions, will meet at Corvallis, Ore., in a three-game series, starting March 7, for the championship of the Pacific Coast conference.

Each of the divisional winners wound up their regular seasons Saturday night with only three conference losses, and the championship play-off will bring together two of the strongest collegiate combinations of the far west.

Oregon State dropped the University of Oregon, 67-59, to finish with 13 loop triumphs after earlier clinching the division honors. U C L A, needing a triumph in the final game to save sharing the title with California, dumped the University of Southern California, 66-54.

Norway Wins Ski Tourney

OSLO, Norway, March 2 (AP)—Around 100,000 cheering spectators saw Norwegian ski jumpers rout foreign contenders in the famed Holmenkollen meet Sunday.

Nine Norwegian "riders," headed by George Thrane, placed before the first foreigner, Thure Lundgren of Sweden, could break into the monopoly.

The two American contestants, Merrill (Mezzy) Barber, Brattleboro, Vt., and Walter Bietila, Iron Mountain, Mich., both fell in their jumps and dropped out of the competition.

Although he finished sixth, Hans Kaarstein of Oslo broke the Holmenkollen record with a tremendous leap of 232 feet, 11 inches.

Norway's jumping champion, Henry Amdahl, trailed slightly behind the winner to take second with the Ruud brothers, Bjoern and Birger, third and fourth, respectively.

Meet Postponed

IRON MOUNTAIN, Mich., March 2 (UP)—A 35-mile-an-hour headwind Sunday forced postponement of the annual Pine mountain leaping contest at which contestants will shoot for a new American distance record.

Most of the 155 riders entered, including a Norwegian team led by Arnold Kongsgaard, who won the American title last week at Ishpemnig, Mich., announced they would remain there to compete.

Between 25,000 and 30,000 fans on hand for the meet were disappointed when the cancellation was announced.

Southeast Hoop Entry Chosen



FEATURE PERFORMERS—These artists of the waxed board, the Norwegian jumping team, will be feature performers in this weekend's huge Centennial Ski Jump Championships off the remodeled Ecker's Hill. Back row are Harold Hauge, Eric Lindstrom, Ragnar Baklid and Arnold Kongsgaard. On the front row are Gustav Raaum, Captain Harold Sandvik, William Gunderson, all internationally famous.

International Ski Aces Take off at Ecker Hill

THE DESERET NEWS
Sports

By Bill Beesley

Again a group of expert jumpers will gather on Ecker Hill to participate in the Centennial International Ski Jumping classic held today and Sunday. The entries include a six-man delegation from Norway and a representative of Sweden.

The Norwegians and Swede arrived yesterday by United Air Lines and retired to their room in the Hotel Newhouse until noon. They were then taken to the organ recital at the L. D. S. Tabernacle and from there to the Ecker Hill site. Most of the skiers got in only one jump before dark. The light was very poor, but Harald Hauge managed to spring out 230 feet while Arnold Konsgaard made a leap of 235 feet. Not bad for a poor day! Coach Harold Sandvin believes his jumpers will have no difficulty in reaching the 275 foot marker.

The coach announced that one of his team members, Odd Harsheim, was not able to come to the meet because of a broken collar bone. This will leave Gustav Raaum, William Gunderson, Ragnar Baklid, Harald Hauge, and Arnold Konsgaard as the Norwegian competitors.

Sweden's Stars

Sweden's entry, blond Erik Lindstrom, is an expert pumping stylist. In Friday's jumps, he did a little over 215 and his form was flawless.

The northwest had her boys jumping on the hill Friday. However, her Class A rider, Buster Campbell, left the hill with a broken ski. His comrade, Ken Lee, was taken off the hill with a twisted ankle. Campbell will be back on the hill, however, to participate in Saturday and Sunday's jumps. The other two jumpers from the northwest are LaVern Hughes and Don Swanson.

A telegram was just received by the Utah Ski Club that Joe Perrault from Ishpeming will particiapte in the jumping festivities. Perrault won the Iron Mountain jumping this year, and was first among the Americans in the National Jumping meet held at Ishpeming this year. With the addition of Perrault, the top jumpers of the U. S. will be present bolstered by the two foreign delegations. Both Ralph Bietila and Jimmie Lawson arrived Friday night to complete the list of top competitors.

Last minute efforts are still being made to get Alf Engen for the tournament, but up to date no success has been made. Alf is at Sun Valley as an official for the Olympic tryouts for downhill and slalom.

Word has been received that Crosby Perry Smith will not be able to jump in the Centennial meet. Smith, who is attending Western State College, reported that finals for test week will make his participation impossible.

The jumping hill is in perfect condition for the gala event, and competition will get under way at 2 p.m. Saturday's competition will be for the class B boys while class A will perform exhibition jumps. On Sunday, the class A riders will have their competition while class B will put on the exhibition. A trophy will be given for the longest leap of the day, and all skiers will jump a trial and two counting leaps.

Ceremoines will be performed shortly before the tournament begins. Ageless Mayor George Watson of Alta will be official flag starter, and Allan Granstrom, M. A. Strand and Vic Johansen will serve as judges.

The Scoring Muddle

It seems that Utah ski officials are having some trouble preventing blunders in the timing of their races. Many of the skiers remember the FIS races in 1940 where three entirely different announcements were made on who was the winner. The situation became so ludicrous that it was an embarrassment to all those who participated. Again this occurred in the Alta Club races in 1944. Then the highlight of blunders came when the officials penalized Karl Molitor in the National Slalom races at Snow Basin this year. No explanation was made to the Swiss Molitor, and international relations were at an all time low. After a lapse of five days, an effort has been made to rectify the error. Molitor did not receive the penalty and was declared the new National Slalom champ. Utah can't expect to be the site for national ski events with blunders such as these.

Marotta Wins From Nuttall In Chicago Fights

CHICAGO — (AP) — Eight youthful amateur boxers, four of them from Ohio, today held titles in the twentieth annual Golden Gloves tournament of champions, survivors of nearly 50,000 boxers in 29 states.

Newly crowned champions after last night's bouts:

175-pound class—Dan Buccaroni, Kenosha, Wis.; 160-pound—Nick Ranieri, Chicago; 147-pound—Jackie Keough, Cleveland; 135-pound — John Labroi, Gary, Ind.; 126-pound — Eddie Marotta, Cleveland; 118-pound —Robert, Bell, Youngstown, O.; 112-pound — Robert Holliday, Cincinnati.

Marotta, 18-year-old high school student, won his title in scoring an upset victory over Keith Nuttall of Brigham, Utah, who won the 118-pound championship last year.

Denver 15 27 37 58
Seattle 8 17 31 36

Free Throws Missed—Williamson 3, O'Neil 2, B. Voelker, McGregor, Varnell, Darden, Boryla, Gruenig.

Officials—Juengling and Lloyd.

HOT WIRE KILLS SKIER EINAR FREDBO

Salt Lake City, March 22.—(UP)—Einar Fredbo, 38, nationally-prominent skier and former holder of the American ski jumping title, was killed Saturday night by electrocution by a hot wire at Magna, Utah, where he was working as an employe of the Salt Lake county line department, the Salt Lake county sheriff's office reported.

THIS IS THE WAY TO GET A WINNER

Durban, South Africa, March 22.—(INS)—A South African race crowd rioted Saturday at the Greyville meeting which was attended by members of the British royal family.

Just after the royal visitors left the track, the crowd protested a decision given by the judges in the seventh race. The crowd stormed the judges' box, pulled down the numbers showing how the judges thought the horses had finished, and replaced them with their own.

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Race Committee:	Don Reddish, chairman; Felix Koziel; Jas. Laughlin; Fred Montmorency; Monie DeHann.
Referee:	Albert Sigal.
Chief of Course:	Richard Durrance.
Asst. "	Sverre Engen.
Chief Timer:	LeRoy Peterson.
Timers:	Eddie Seagle; Lee Irvine; Justin Vorse; Brent Jennings.
Starters:	Felix Koziol; Jas. Laughlin; Fred Montmorency; Bob Blakslee.
Recorders:	John Eberhardt; Jacke Wolfe.
Judge of Finish:	Don Reddish
Calculator:	LeRoy Peterson.
Course Police:	Salt Lake & Ogden Ski Patrol.
Gatekeepers:	Salt Lake & Ogden Ski Patrol.
Communications:	Monie DeHann and LeRoy Peterson.
Accommodations:	Commissioner Harold Welsh; Arthur Knudsen.
Prizes:	Jas. Laughlin; M. A. Strand; Warwick Lamoreaux.
Banquet:	M. A. Strand; Frank Rasmussen; Lee Irvine; John Eberhardt.
Transportation:	Justin Vorse; Ed Vendell.

ENTRY LIST-National Downhill and Slalom Ski Championships-Ogden and Alta-1947

34.	Jerry Hiatt	Zipfelberger Ski Club	Denver, Colorado
35.	Edy Rominger	Alpina Ski Club	St. Moritz, Switzerland
36.	Dick Movitz	Alta Ski Club	Alta, Utah
37.	Christopher Schwarzenbach	Pasadena Ski Club	Pasadena, California
38.	Karl Molitor	Wengen Ski Club	Wengen, Switzerland
39.	Devereaux Jennings	Aspen Ski Club	Aspen, Colorado
40.	Jack Reddish	Alta Ski Club	Alta, Utah
41.	Norman Richardson (FIS Am)	Mountain Training Center	Camp Carson, Colorado
42.	Kristofer Berg	Norwegian Ski Association	Norway
43.	Stephen Knowlton	Aspen Ski Club	Aspen, Colorado
44.	John Litchfield (FIS Am)	Aspen Ski Club	Aspen, Colorado
45.	Gordon Wren (Olympic Am)	Eskimo Ski Club	Denver, Colorado
46.	Paul Valaer	Davos Ski Club	Davos, Switzerland
47.	Gene Gillis	Sun Valley Ski Club	Sun Valley, Idaho
48.	Leon Goodman	Sun Valley Ski Club	Sun Valley, Idaho
49.	Barney McLean	Zipfelberger Ski Club	Denver, Colorado
50.	Toni Matt (FIS Am)	Eastern Slope Ski Club	North Conway, New Hampshire
51.	Don Goodman	Sun Valley Ski Club	Sun Valley, Idaho
52.	Walter Prager (FIS Am)	Jackson Hole Ski Club	Jackson, Wyoming
53.	John Blatt	Stanford Ski Club	Palo Alto, California
54.	Corey Engen (Olympic Am)	Snow Basin Ski Club	Ogden, Utah
55.	Alf Engen (FIS Am)	Sun Valley Ski Club	Sun Valley, Idaho
56.	George Macomber	Alta Ski Club	Alta, Utah
57.	William Distin (Olympic Am)	Saranac Lake Ski Club	Saranac Lake, New York
58.	Robert Blatt	Stanford Ski Club	Palo Alto, California
59.	Pat Kearns	University of Utah	Salt Lake City, Utah
60.	Karl Stingl	Sun Valley Ski Club	Sun Valley, Idaho
61.	Philip Puchner	Dartmouth Outing Club	Hanover, New Hampshire
62.	Jens Prytz	Norwegian Ski Association	Norway
63.	Bill Beesley	Utah Ski Club	Salt Lake City, Utah
64.	Ralph Ball	Pioneer Ski Club	Denver, Colorado
65.	Ralph Townsend	University of New Hampshire	Durham, New Hampshire
66.	Ross Davis	Aspen Ski Club	Aspen, Colorado
67.	Bill Bowes	Cascade Ski Club	Portland, Oregon
68.	Dave Faires	Sun Valley Ski Club	Sun Valley, Idaho
69.	Bill Farrell	Utah Ski Club	Salt Lake City, Utah
70.	Martin Fopp (FIS Am)	LaMadera Ski Club	Albuquerque, New Mexico
71.	Jack Nagle	University of Washington	Seattle, Washington
72.	Paul Gilbreath	Washington Ski Club	Seattle, Washington
73.	Kjell Torke-Hagen (FIS Am)	Norwegian Ski Association	Norway
74.	Abbott Phillips	Aspen Ski Club	Aspen, Colorado
75.	Donald Elisha	Aspen Ski Club	Aspen, Colorado
76.	Don Amick	Washington Ski Club	Seattle, Washington
77.	Dick Moench	Utah Ski Club	Salt Lake City, Utah
78.	Sel Hannah	Franconia Ski Club	Franconia, New Hampshire
79.	Cliff Banta	Reno Ski Club	Reno, Nevada
80.	Colin Stewart	Dartmouth Outing Club	Hanover, New Hampshire
81.	Leslie Hawkins	Reno Ski Club	Reno, Nevada
82.	Tito Sigal	Yosemite Winter Club	Yosemite, California
83.	Peter Seibert	Aspen Ski Club	Aspen, Colorado
84.	William Taylor	Washington Ski Club	Seattle, Washington
85.	Tom Cremer	LaCrosse Ski Club	LaCrosse, Wisconsin
86.	Amos Little Jr.	Belmont Ski Club	Helena, Montana
87.	Maurice Willey	Silver Run Ski Club	Billings, Montana
88.	Yasi Teramoto	Sugar Bowl Ski Club	Norden, California
89.	Don Williams	Stanford Ski Club	Palo Alto, California
90.	Bertram Herbert	Franconia Ski Club	Franconia, New Hampshire
91.	Jerry Wetzel	Reno Ski Club	Reno, Nevada
92.	William Beck	Rhode Island Ski Runners	Providence, Rhode Island
93.	Harry Morgan	California Winter Sports Club	Berkeley, California
94.	James Huidekoper	Jackson Hole Ski Club	Jackson, Wyoming
95.	Jim Griffith	Buffalo Ski Club	Boulder, Colorado
96.	Malcolm Brown	LaMadera Club	
97.	Rees Stevenson	University of Washington	Seattle, Washington
98.	Cliff Schmidtke	Penquin Ski Club	Seattle, Washington
99.	Robert Skinner	Alta Ski Club	Alta, Utah
100.	Peter Brucato	Sun Valley Ski Club	Sun Valley, Idaho

LADIES

1.	Doris Post (Olympic Am)	Sun Valley Ski Club	Sun Valley, Idaho
2.	Rosmarie Bleuer	Grindelwald Ski Club	Grindelwald, Switzerland
3.	Georgette Thioliere	Chamonix Ski Club	Chamonix, France
4.	Antoinette Meyer	Hospenthal Ski Club	Hospenthal, Switzerland
5.	Jean Litchfield (FIS Am)	Aspen Ski Club	Aspen, Colorado
6.	Gretchen Fraser	Sun Valley Ski Club	Sun Valley, Idaho
7.	Rhoda Wurtele	Penquin Ski Club	Montreal, Canada
8.	Rhona Wurtele	Penquin Ski Club	Montreal, Canada
9.	Paula Kann	Eastern Slope Ski Club	North Conway, New Hampshire
10.	Sally Neidlinger	Dartmouth Outing Club	Hanover, New Hampshire
11.	Virginia Huidekoper	Jackson Hole Ski Club	Jackson,Wyoming
12.	Olivia Ausoni	Villers Ski Club	Villers, Switzerland
13.	Shirley Fopp (Olympic Am)	LaMadera Ski Club	Albuquerque, New Mexico
14.	Rebecca Fraser	Sun Valley Ski Club	Sun Valley, Idaho
15.	Susan Neidlinger	Dartmouth Outing Club	Hanover, New Hampshire
16.	Berit Stansby	Norwegian Ski Association	Norway
17.	Anne Winn	University of Utah	Salt Lake City, Utah
18.	Suzanne Harris	Salt Lake Ski Club	Salt Lake City, Utah
19.	Andrea Mead	Otter Ski Club	Pico Peak, Vermont
20.	Audrey Roth (FIS Am)	Snow Basin Ski Club	Ogden, Utah
21.	Jinny Rogers	Worcester Ski Club	Worcester, Mass.
22.	Brynhild Grasmoen	Merced Ski Club	Merced, California
23.	Norma MacDonald	Sugar Bowl Ski Club	Norden, California
24.	Mary Alice Peel	Washington State College	Washington
25.	Peggy Kenny	Franconia Ski Club	Franconia, New Hampshire
26.	Dory Ann Killian	San Gorgonio Ski Club	Los Angeles, California
27.	Ann Volkman	Reed College	Portland, Oregon
28.	Kaki Corbett	Sugar Bowl Ski Club	Norden, California
29.	Ruth-Marie Stewart	Dartmouth Outing Club	Hanover, New Hampshire
30.	Alma Hansen	Sun Valley Ski Club	Sun Valley, Idaho
31.	Louise Bulkley	Colorado Christie Club	Denver, Colorado
32.	Audrey Sugden	Heiliger Huegel Ski Club	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
33.	Dorothy Vance	Colorado Ski Runners	Denver, Colorado

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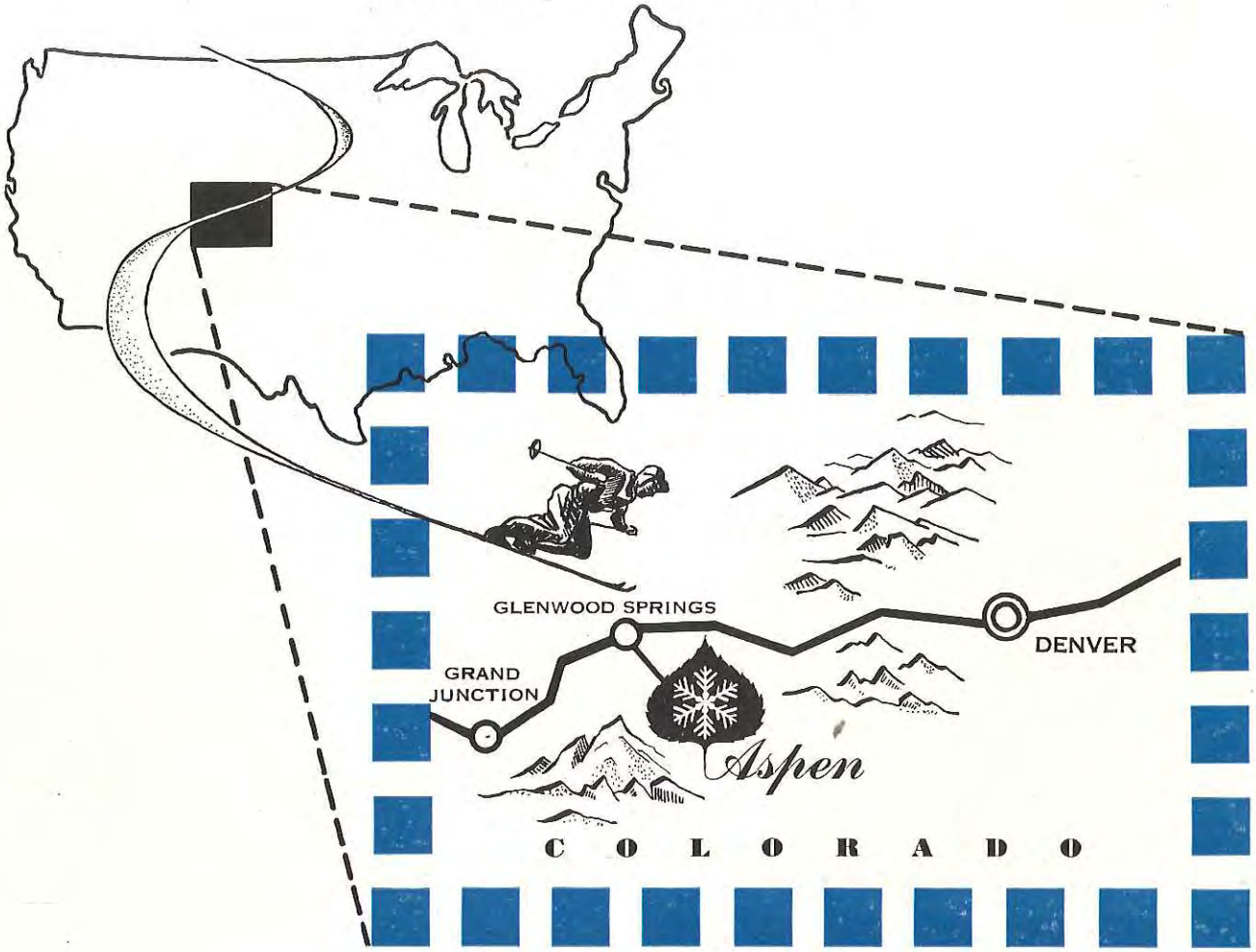

Aspen is a complete growing community of approximately 1200 *persons; located about* 200 *miles west of metropolitan Denver. Forty miles by good road from Glenwood Springs; in the heart of some of America's finest Alpine country.*
The climate in winter is mild with abundant sunshine. Average annual snowfall in town is eight feet. Snow is always dry and fluffy. Rain in mid-winter is practically unheard of.

TRANSPORTATION

Aspen is centrally located and easily accessable from any part of the United States. By train it is slightly more than fifty hours from New York, twenty-four hours from Chicago, and a day and a half from San Francisco. Bus service connects it with all coast-to-coast trains which stop in Glenwood Springs. By air, United Airlines from the East stop in Denver and Western Airlines from the West stop in Grand Junction. Bus and train service is available from both cities to Glenwood Springs. Both United and Continental Airlines are making plans to establish direct air service to Aspen. Aspen would then be just fifty minutes from Denver. Main transcontinental highway, U. S. 6, passes thru Denver, Grand Junction, and Glenwood Springs.

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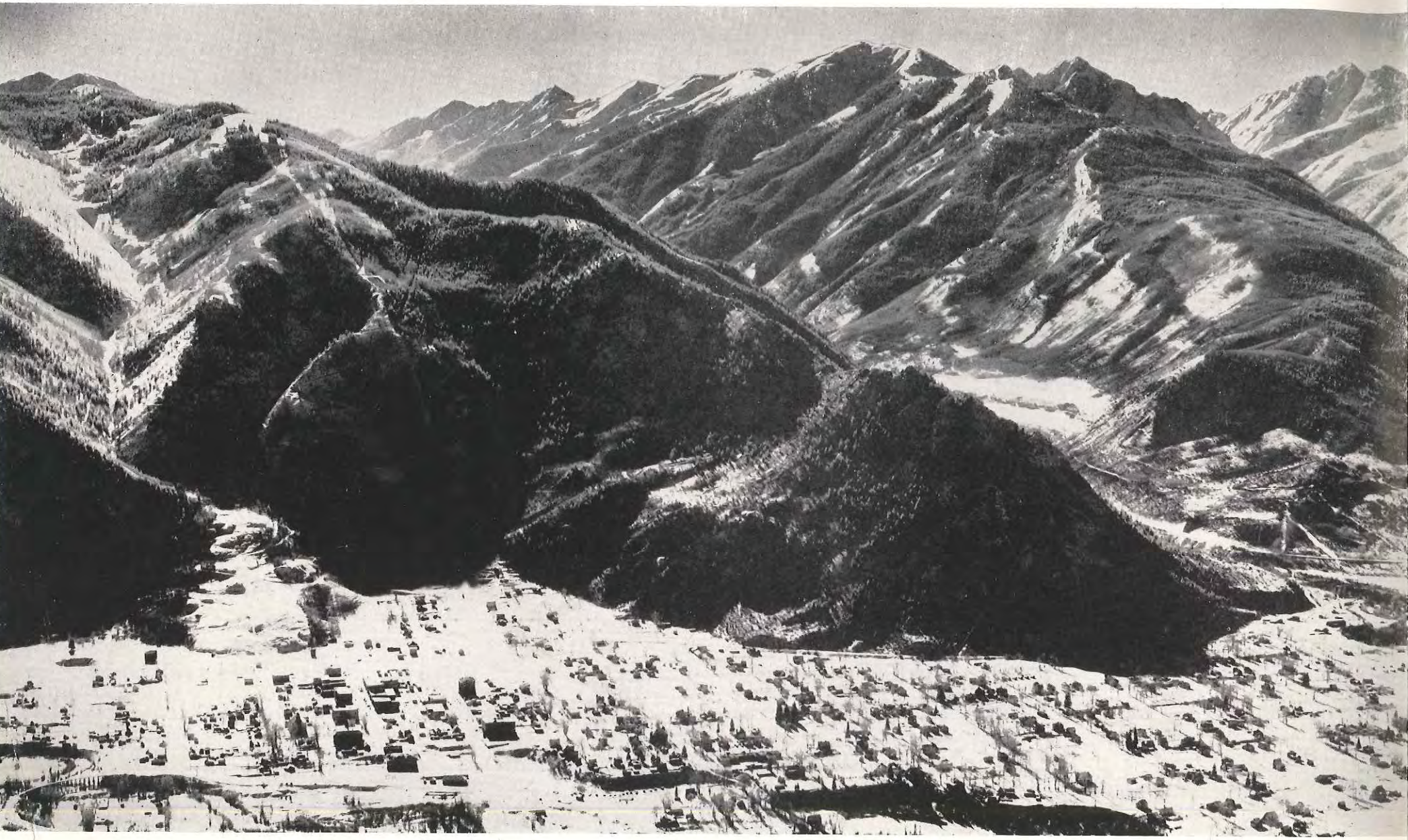
Aspen and Aspen Mountain. (Photo Tintype)





(Photo Fritz Kaeser)

COMMUNITY

Once Colorado's second largest city, during the fabulous days of silver mining, Aspen is today a revitalized modern community containing all of the professional, recreational, and cultural elements of an interesting year round place to live.

In the center of Aspen is the historic Hotel Jerome built during the 80's when Aspen was riding high on the crest of the silver boom. Newly restored throughout, the Jerome has lost none of the charm and atmosphere of its golden days and yields to none in the comfort of its accommodations.

Additional facilities to suit every family group or individual need can be found in enchanting, freshly renovated guest homes, comfortable and informal ski lodges, newly furnished apartments, comfortable low cost skiers dormitories, automobile courts, tourist cabins, and private rooming houses.

Numerous dining places, cafes, grills, and restaurants are available.

Like any modern community Aspen provides every type of professional service: drug store, groceries and meat markets, hardware stores, filling stations, garages, camera and photo shops, clothing stores, Danish pastry shop, ski and sport shops, beauty parlor, and barber shop. Many of these shops are run by young people who have come to Aspen from all corners of the United States to help make Aspen what it is today and what it will be tomorrow.

Aspen also has a newspaper, a bank, public library, legal services, a modern public grade and high school, motion picture theatre, school of minstrelsy and modern dance, historic opera house, and several churches.

In addition Aspen has a dentist and a hospital staffed with nurses and doctors.



World's longest chair lift.
(Photo S. Bradley)



The Sundeck, Mt. Hayden in the distance. (Photo Fritz Kaeser)

SKIING FACILITIES

The summit of Aspen Mountain, commonly known as Ajax Hill, is reached silently, quickly, and effortlessly by the 14,000 foot, two section chair lift. There on top is the "Sundeck", a modern octagonal building where skiers go for warmth, refreshment, a sun bath, or just to take in the spectacular view. To the west, just a few miles away you can see great massive alpine giants of the Elk Mountain Range, many of which are over 14,000 feet (4268 meters) high and whose sides form almost endless snowfields dropping four to five thousand feet into the deep valleys below. In every direction you can see unlimited cross coutnry touring terrain.

Just a few blocks from the center of town is "Little Nell", the new novice slope with an average gradient of ten degrees. Little Nell is served by an 1800 foot T-bar lift. Nearby are several small jumps for the fledgling jumpers. Aspen also has an excellent 50-meter jump originally designed by the Swiss Andre Roch where one may frequently see spectacular ski jumping competitions.

Adjacent to this jump plans are under way to build a 70-80 meter jumping hill for major jumping events in this region.

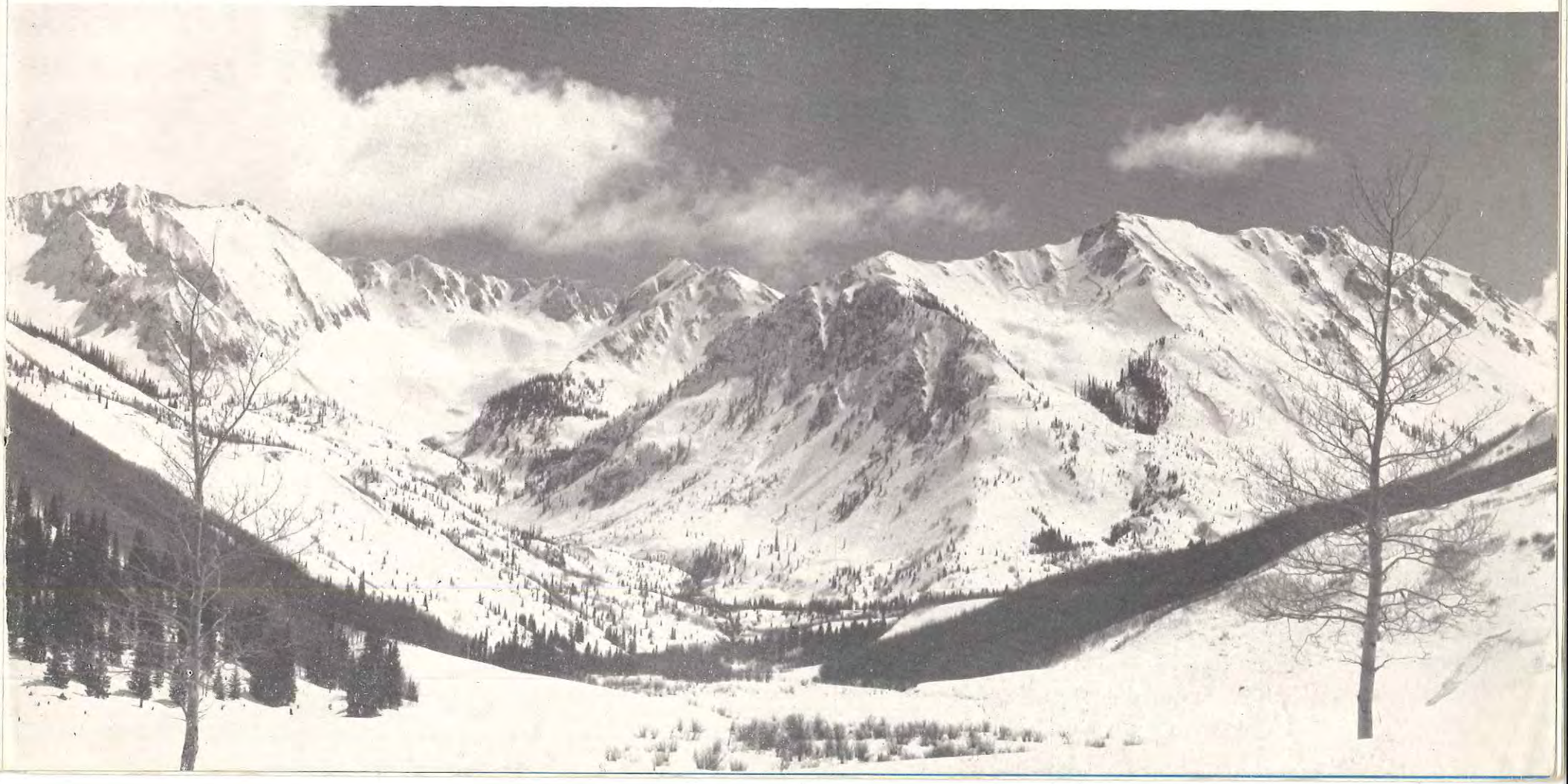
The Aspen Ski School is one of America's finest, being staffed with well qualified instructors, many of whom saw active service with the Tenth Mountain Division during the war.

The Ski Patrol is a large professional patrol which functions under the rules of the National Ski Patrol System. There is a complete communications net-work on the mountain and emergency toboggans are strategically located on the many slopes and trails.

TERRAIN

Aspen Mountain rises 3200 feet (975 meters) from the town itself. On it one can find every variety of ski terrain a person might ask for, from gentle open slopes at the summit, easy and interesting touring trails all of the way down past old abandoned mine structures, to open slopes and ski trails to suit any type of downhill enthusiast. In addition new areas are being cut almost doubling the amount of skiable terrain.

The heart of some of America's finest alpine country. (Photo Fritz Kaeser)



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FOR THE FIS SKI WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

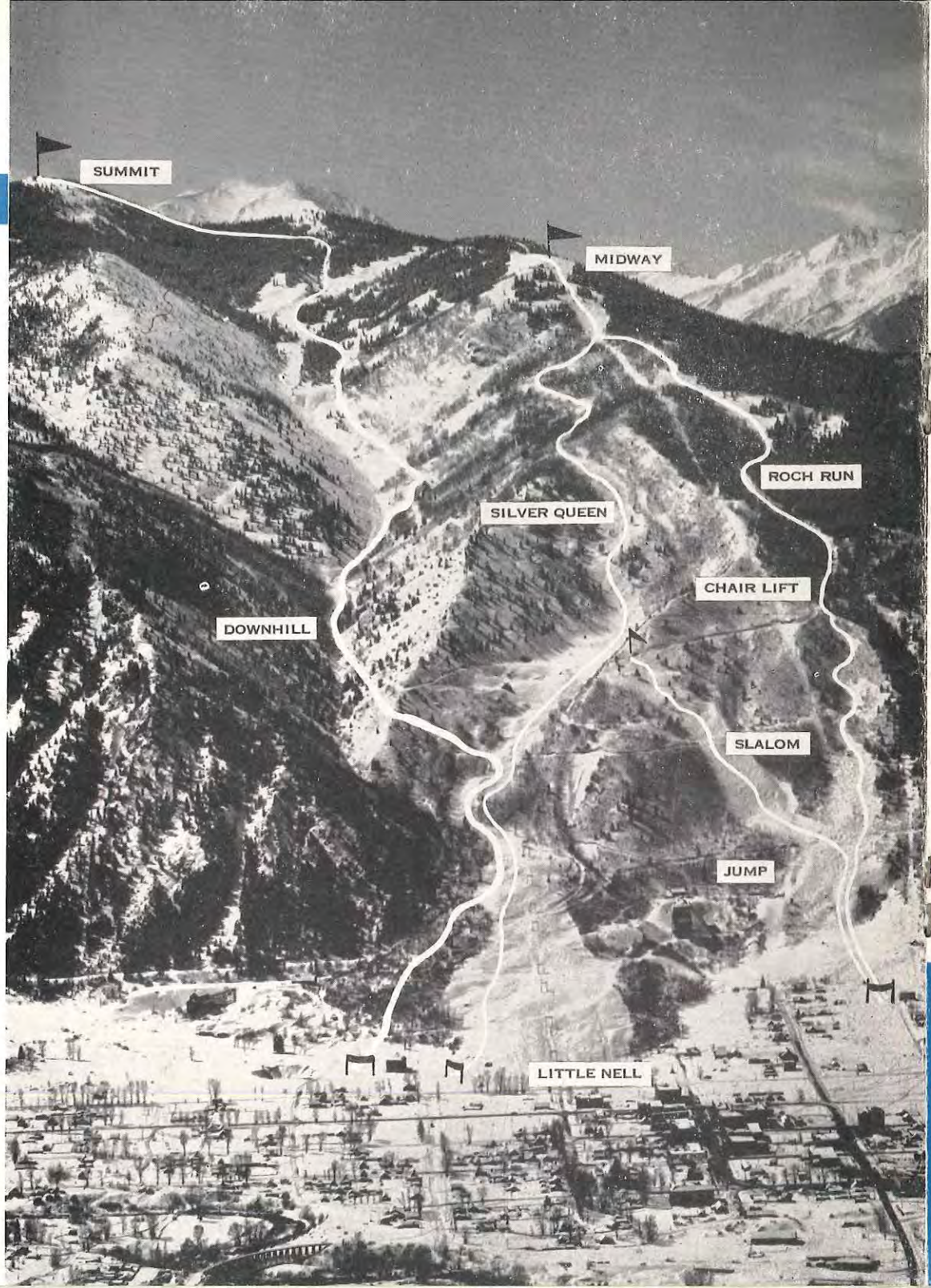
Competitors and trainers: For the FIS Ski World Championships Aspen can house more than 300 competitors and trainers. This housing will be made available during the pre-race training period of not less than one week and during the eight day race period.

Officials: A minimum of 200 officials can be accommodated for this same period.

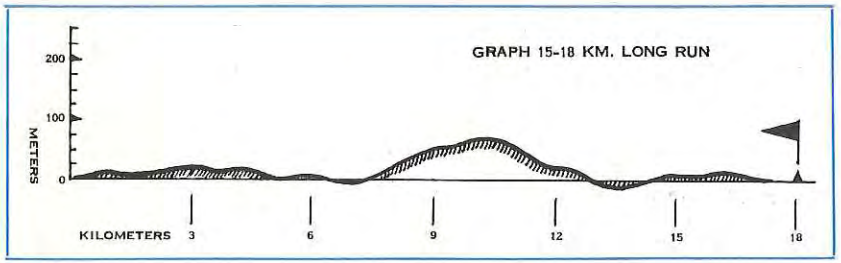
Press: In addition Aspen is prepared to accommodate at least 200 representatives of the Press, Radio, and News Reel Services.

All housing will be made available at minimum cost and will be handled through the Office of the Director of Accommodations. Each nation will be responsible for securing its own accommodations from this office.

Visitors and guests: Every effort is being made to secure supplemental space for as many people as possible who wish to witness the FIS Ski World Championships. Aspen, being limited in its capacity to accommodate large numbers of additional visitors, it is anticipated that during the races accommodations for at least 3,000 - 5,000 persons will be available in some of the near-by communities of Carbondale, Basalt, Redstone, and Glenwood Springs. Glenwood Springs has two large modern hotels plus numerous auto courts, tourist homes, and rooming houses. From these communities daily scheduled bus transportation to Aspen will be maintained during the races.



Aspen Mountain
showing some of the ski courses.
(Photo S. Bradley)



RACE COURSES

Long Run, General:

Two complete sets of courses have been surveyed. One starts from the town of Aspen at 7900 feet (2308 meters) above sea level. The other is located thirty miles down the valley toward Glenwood Springs at an altitude of approximately 6000 feet (1829 meters) above sea level. In general the terrain at Aspen and the snow conditions are more favorable. In addition the spectator opportunities would be greater here than thirty miles away.

The valley at Aspen is broad and gently rolling. The Long Run courses are laid out along this valley starting and finishing right in town giving the spectators an opportunity to see a maximum amount of the courses.

Because of the altitude question, these courses, as well as the Relay Race course, have been designed to be relatively easy embracing no strenuous uphill sections and no long monotonous level running sections. Emphasis in choosing the courses has been placed upon providing as much variety of interesting terrain as possible with equal portions of uphill, downhill, and level running.

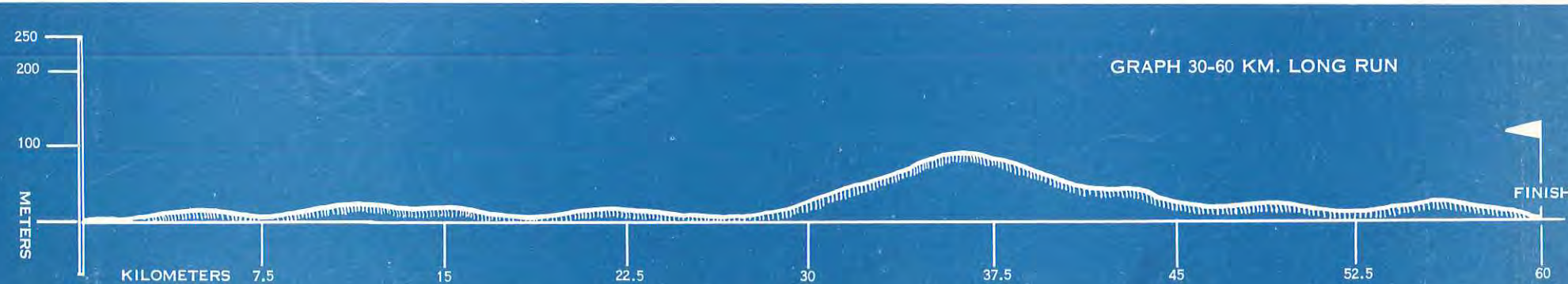
If a runner is in good physical condition and has spent a minimum of one week acclimating himself the altitude here should not prove to be a serious factor. Many Long Run races have been successfully run here including the Southern Rocky Mountain Classic Combined Long Run and Jumping Championships in 1948.

The U. S. Army Air Force Search and Rescue Unit Training program during the last war, conducted often at altitudes in excess of 10,000 feet (3048 meters), proved that men in good physical condition who went thru one week of acclimation at the desired altitude were not hampered in any way by the altitude in the amount of work they could perform.

However, this matter will be left entirely up to the judgment of the FIS. Within the rules of the FIS on Long Run each course could be shortened to its minimum allowable length: 15 km. and 30 km. Each course could be further shortened if the FIS deems this advisable. Regardless of length each course will be designed to be a good test of a competitor's "strength, endurance, ski technique, and tactical knowledge."

15-18 km. Long Run:

This course starts and finishes in Aspen. Its first half consists of gently rolling terrain with no long climbs and no long downhill sections. Maximum





climb at the beginning of the second half will not exceed 100 meters. Maximum vertical drop for the full length will be approximately 250 meters.

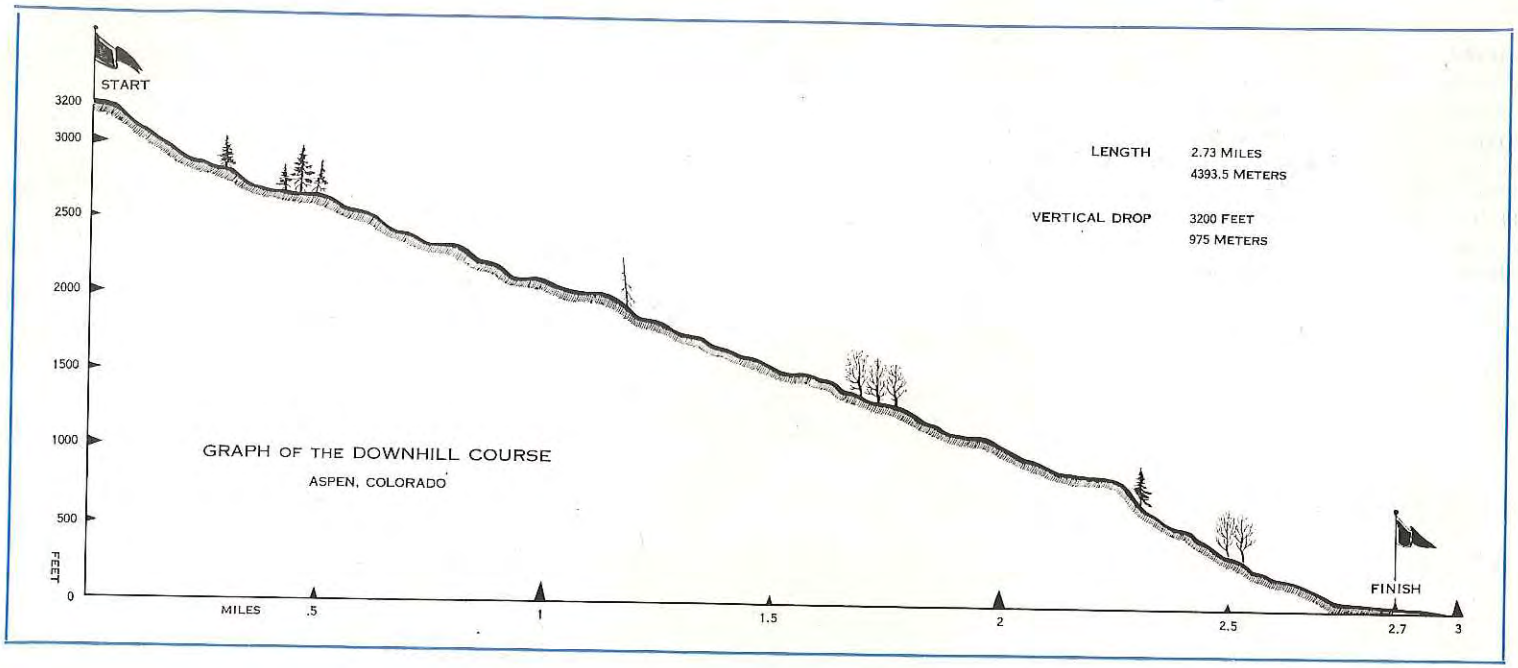
30-60 km. Long Run:
Two courses have been surveyed: one approximately 20 km. in length to be run twice. Maximum climb for this course will not exceed 100 meters. The other is a single lap full length course. Both begin and finish in Aspen. Maximum climb on this course will not exceed 200 meters and will occur at the beginning of the second half. Maximum vertical drop will not exceed 300 meters.

Relay Races:
This course has been prepared in accordance with the FIS rules. It is 4x10 km. Its maximum climb will not exceed 100 meters. Its total vertical drop will not exceed 150 meters. This course starts and finishes in Aspen. The relay zone is situated at the same altitude as the start and finish.

Men's Downhill Course:
This course is the one on which the 1948 North American Downhill and Slalom Championships were held. The entire course is to be improved by additional cutting and earth moving. It is a long course of 2.7 miles starting from the summit of the mountain and finishing in town. The vertical descent is 3200 feet (975 meters). It includes a fair portion of steep and difficult ground. It is a hard course leading the racer over countless bumps and rolls. At no time can the



View of Tourtelotte Park showing a section of the North American downhill course. (Photo S. Bradley)

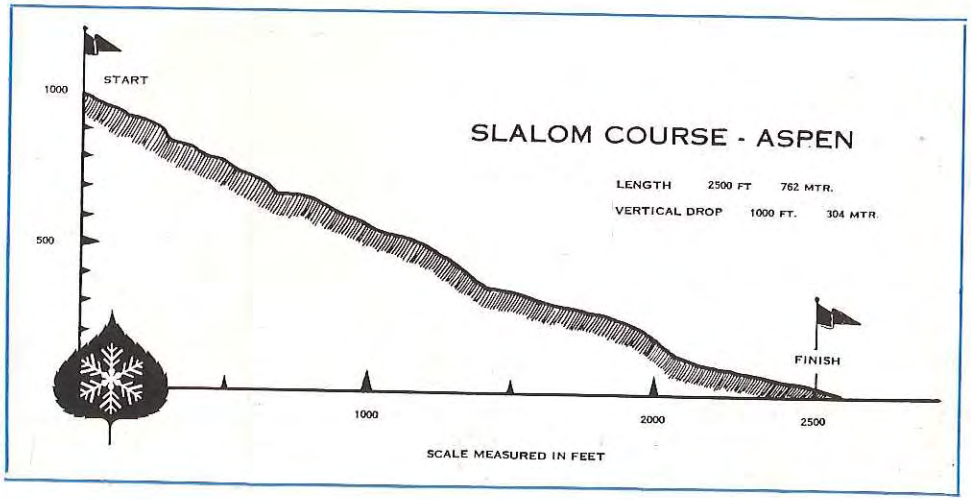


racer relax and rest. He must be on his toes from start to finish and must be in control at all times.

A special course is also being surveyed and designed by Richard Durrance. If it is felt that this course will be a greater test of skill, courage, and intelligence then it, instead of the present course, will be recommended. In any case the maximum vertical drop will not exceed 3200 feet (975 meters).

Women's Downhill:

The downhill course for ladies will be a "controlled course" separate from the Men's Downhill Course. This course will be specially designed by Richard Durrance and will be sufficiently controlled to eliminate excessive speed and risk of accidents. The vertical drop is approximately 2200 feet (671 meters), and will include a fair portion of steep and difficult ground.



Slalom:
The slalom will be laid out on a well tried slope on which numerous major championship slalom events have already been conducted including the 1948 North American Slalom Championships. This course, to be run twice, has a vertical drop of 1000 feet (300 meters) and at least a quarter of the course has a slope exceeding thirty degrees in gradient. In addition the entire race will be visible to spectators whether they be on the hill itself or viewing the race from the town.

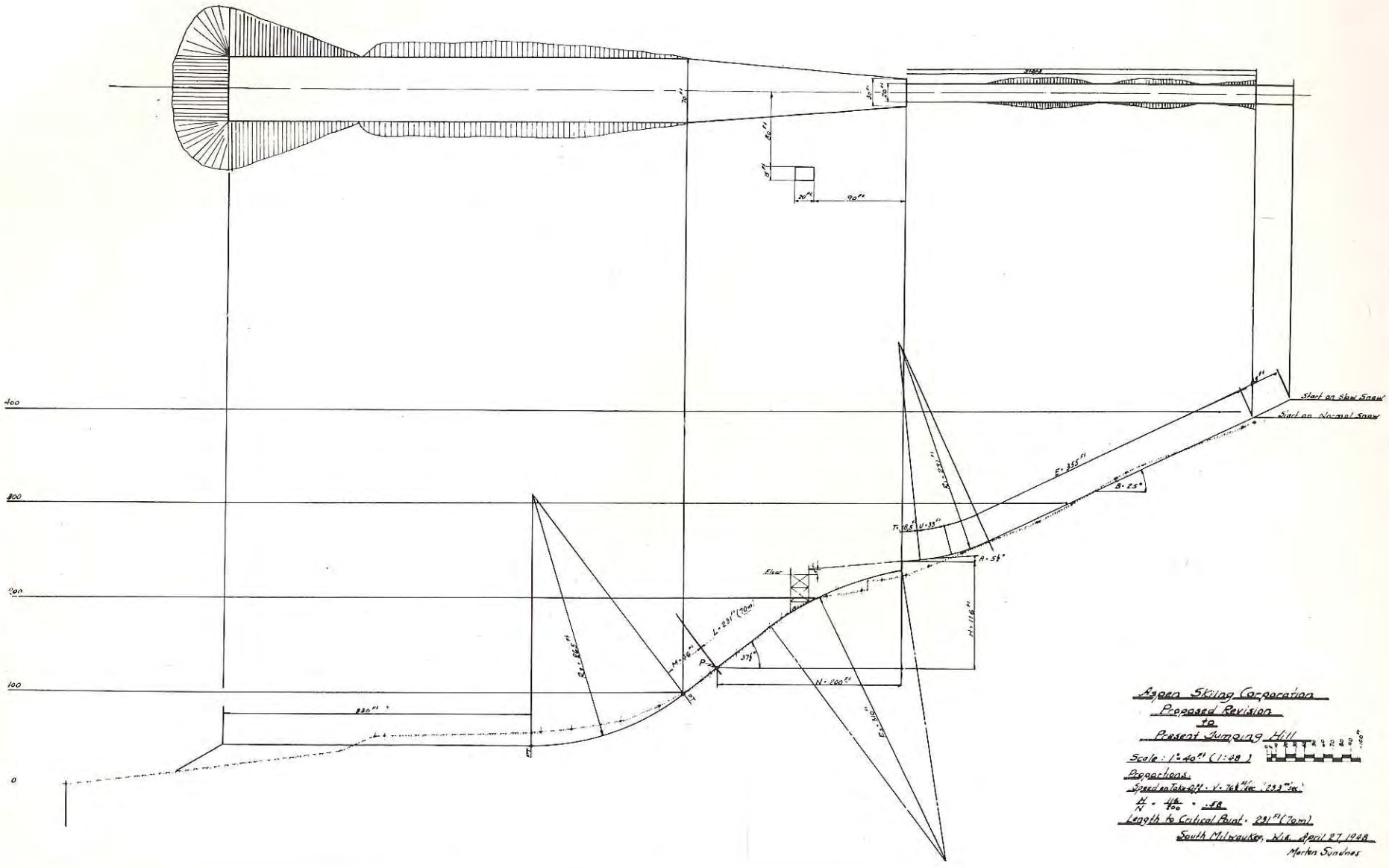
Giant Slalom:
Aspen Mountain has sufficient variety in its terrain so that a good Giant Slalom may be laid out in a number of different places. The total vertical drop will not exceed 2200 feet (approximately 700 meters).

Combined Jumping and Long Run:
Aspen has at present an excellent 50 meter jumping hill designed by Andre Roch. The profile has since been improved and additional work is planned this year to make the hill conform to FIS requirements. While jumps in excess of 60 meters have been made without difficulty the critical point lies at approximately 50 meters.

Special Jumping:
The most favorable local site for the Special Jumping Event lies adjacent to the present 50 meter hill. This site comes down into a superb natural theatral bowl where an unlimited number of spectators may be taken care of, all of whom would have a complete view of this event. The hill is sheltered from winds, although high winds are very rare in this country during the winter. Also this hill like its smaller neighbor faces almost due north insuring the very best of snow conditions.
The design work was done by an accredited ski jumping hill engineer, Mr. Morton Sundnes, who for ten years has been Chairman of the Central Ski Association's Engineering Committee He also is serving on the Technical Board of the National Ski Association's Ski Jumping Committee.



Design of the proposed 70-meter ski jumping hill.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ORGANIZATION FOR THE RACES

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In the past the Aspen Ski Club has clearly demonstrated its abilty to organize and conduct major ski competitions successfully. These have included:

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SRMSA Classic Combined Jumping and Cross Country
Annual Roch Cup, Combined Downhill and Slalom.

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1942 *SRMSA Classic Combined Championships.*

1941 *National Downhill and Slalom Championships.*

While it is realized that a large functioning organization composed of well qualified individuals must carry the work load of organizing the FIS Ski World Championships the basis for this organization will be the well qualifed Organizing Committee outlined above, working in close cooperation with the SRMSA, the NSA, and the State of Colorado.

American skiing in the last fifteen years has enjoyed phenomenal growth. The trend is quite naturally westward. The West has the great mountain ranges with vast unlimited skiing terrain. Some of the greatest skiing country in the United States lies within the borders of Colorado. Twice blessed is this sunshine state because it not only can boast of its tremendous mountain ranges, its excellent snow conditions, but also it enjoys the good fortune of being close to the Middle West and to the East. And situated in the center of this winter empire lies ASPEN.

The survey of Aspen's facilities and this report was prepared for the Community of Aspen by Stephen Bradley, Secretary of the Southern Rocky Mountain Ski Association.

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(ALL EVENTS ARE SCHEDULED TO START BETWEEN 10:30 - 11:00 A. M., WEATHER PERMITTING).

DURRANCE

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Slalom

The Men's slalom is to be about three quarters of a mile in distance in 900 feet of vertical drop and will be controlled with about 40 gate combinations. The Women's will be only a half mile in length, will drop 700 feet, and will have approximately 35 gates.

ENTERTAINMENT

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games, although a special jumping meet has been planned for Sunday. Music for the grand finale dance will again be provided by Vern Byer's Orchestra, and tickets will be on sale for $1.20 per couple.



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Injuries Plague American And Foreign Teams - 21 Hurt So Far

Old Man Fate seems to have accompanied the various teams to Aspen and has been giving the racers a rough time ever since they began to train on the courses. To date, he has racked up a total of 21 on his casualty list.

4 Americans

Anne Dodge of Pinkham Notch, N. H., was the first member of the American team when she cracked up at Sun Valley and broke her ankle. Next on the list was Pete Seibert with a chipped ankle and Gale Spence who sprained an ankle. Sally Neidlinger, Anne Dodge's replacement, has torn several ligaments in her ankle.

5 Norwegians

The Norwegians have come in for their share of troubles, five of their members having gotten into difficulty. Guttorm Berge suffered a concussion on the downhill; Bjarne Arentz, a sprained ankle; Borghild Niskin, a chipped shoulder; and Per Klippgen and Jack Nielsen both with ankle sprains.

4 Canadians

The Canadians have added a few to the list including Ernie McCullough with a concussion, but he will race. Sandra Tomlinson also suffered a concussion. Out of the running for good is Jacqueline Tracey with a broken leg .Harvey Clifford has a pulled knee and ankle.

4 Broken Legs

Two Austrians, Tony Spiss and Schuster, are through, both having broken legs. Switzerland's Gottlieb Perren and Silvia Muehlemann have both broken a leg and Fredy Rubi sprained an ankle.

Eduard Silva, one of Chile's representatives, sprained an ankle so badly that he won't be racing, and one of England's two women, Rosemarie Fuchs, broke a leg.

France's only injury to date is Claude Penz with a bad shoulder, but he will compete.

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Russian Representatives Arrive In Aspen For FIS Alpine Meet

Training Difficulties Prevent Entrance of Soviet Team

The Russians came to Aspen over the weekend, but they left their ski team behind as Moscow's ski representatives Viktor Andreev and Peter Sobolev arrived at the site of the 1950 World Ski Championships accompanied by a translator from the Russian Embassy in Washington.

Andreev, the Chairman of the all Union Department of the Ski Sport of the USSR, and Sobolev, the technician of the Department of the Ski Sport, announced upon arrival that training difficulties this year in the homeland had prevented Russia's entry of a team in the 1950 FIS meet. The two Russian ski officials stated that the late snow season in Asia this winter, and the great distance from Moscow to the ski areas, some 3,000 miles, together hindered the USSR skiers from conditioning themselves to the tip-top shape required to race in the stiff international competition.

To Attend Council Meeting

Here primarily to fill their seat on the FIS Council when it holds its traditional meeting during the games on Wednesday, the two delegates of the Russian Ski Association told of plans for international ski competition in cross country, jumping and slalom to be held in central Asia next year. Apparently, several invitations to presently un-named foreign countries will be extended this summer by the Russian hosts.

New Ski Area Developed

In all probability, the scheduled meet will be held at the newly developed government ski area in middle Asia where chairlifts are being built that will carry competitors up the sides of 7 mountains of 22,000 ft. each. The mammouth Russian ski resort will become one of three where ski enthusiasts may go to obtain free instruction, while the equipment and lodging is also provided by the government.

Skier Pass Gov't Tests

Under the present nationalized sports system provided for at the expense of the government, the competitiors are classified upon merit scale of ability after they have fulfilled the basic requirements to become a recognized athlete of the Soviet Union. Each skier must first prove his worth as an all-around athlete in swimming, track and field and several gymnastic maneuvers as well as skiing before earning the Sports Badge which entitles him to take part in the ski competitions. These tests must be re-taken every two years with the standards being slowly lowered each time in order to compensate for increase in age.

Top Skiers Teach For Free

The Russian skiers who have won their Sport Badges are then classified into 4 groups with the fourth group being the best of the skiers as Ski Masters of the Soviet Union after having placed fifth or better in their National Championships. The elite skiers of the top class are named as Sports Master of Special Merit and are under obligation to serve as ski instructors for the government without pay in order to help teach the beginning and intermediate skiers.

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RUNNING ORDER 1950 FIS MEN'S GIANT SLALOM

STARTING TIME 11 O'CLOCK

	Name	Country	Time	Place
F	Seelos,	Austria		
F	Molitor,	Switzerland		
F	Lawrence,	United States		
F	Perkins,	United States		
1.	Alvera, Silvio,	Italy		
2.	Isberg,	Sweden		
3.	Gartner,	Italy		
4.	Dalman,	Sweden		
5.	Penz,	France		
6.	Colo,	Italy		
7.	Couttet,	France		
8.	Matt,	United States		
9.	Grosjean,	Switzerland		
10.	Pravda,	Austria		
11.	Eriksen, Stein,	Norway		
12.	Schopf,	Austria		
13.	Gabl, Franz,	Austria		
14.	Berge,	Norway		
15.	Oreiller,	France		
16.	Schneider,	Switzerland		
17.	Rominger,	Switzerland		
18.	Perren,	Switzerland		
19.	Macomber,	United States		
20.	Reddish,	United States		
21.	McCullough,	Canada		
22.	Mall,	Austria		
23.	Panisset,	France		
24.	Nergaard,	Norway		
25.	Sollander,	Sweden		
26.	Latreille,	Canada		
27.	Pazzi,	France		
28.	Nogler,	Austria		
29.	Senger,	Austria		
30.	Graf,	Switzerland		
31.	Dodge,	United States		
32.	Haider,	Austria		
33.	Lacroix,	France		
34.	Alvera, Albino,	Italy		
35.	Nielsen,	Norway		
36.	Movitz,	United States		

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Austrian Girls Show Heels To Field Of 29 In Women's Giant Slalom

Swinging high, and then dropping close to the inside flag of each gate, pert Dagmar Rom led the Austrian girls in yesterday's FIS giant slalom to an almost clean sweep of the first seven places. The only intruder into the ranks of the red-sweatered monopolists was third place winner Lucienne Schmidt-Couttet of France who hugged the fall-line all the way through the 28-gate course. The first American racer to show was nineteen year-old Katy Rodolph of Steamboat Springs who took an eighth.

Twenty-one year old Miss Rom, 1949 titlist of the International Combined at Salzburg, was clocked at 1:29.6 over the Silver Queen race course, followed by Trudi Beiser-Jochum only two-tenths of a second later on the official tally sheet.

The next five competitors, paced by France's Mme. Schmidt-Couttet with a 1:30, all came in within three and one-tenth seconds of each other as the Austrian girls continued to outclass the 29 women entries of 9 nations.

Dagmar Rom, the new FIS World Championship Women's Giant Slalom title holder, is a 21 year old Austrian student from the University of Innsbruck who is many times women's intercollegiate Alpine combined champion of Austria, Italy and Switzerland. Last year Miss Rom was the winner of the International Combined races at Salzburg, while previously she held the Austrian Women's Downhill title.

America's Youngest

Outrunning their older teammates, the two youngest American girl racers on the squad were the first to score for the United States by placing eighth and ninth. Katy Rodolph, present holder of the Women's U. S. Giant Slalom crown, followed Austria's Resi Hammerer by three-tenths of a second for eighth place. Only a tenth of a second later, seventeen year-old Andrea Mead from Pico Peak, Vt., National Women's Alpine Combined titleholder, hit the score sheets for ninth spot honors.

Want Victory

Out to win, the American contingent all took a chance on the shortest line across the road-cut above the finish, while the foreign competitors went the long way through a closed control gate leading into the sharp dip at the road. Swinging high onto the line each U. S. girl dropped straight down through the yellow flags and were forced to jump the road, resulting in many time-consuming spills. Jannette Burr of Seattle, Wash., made the road in a spectacular 60 foot leap — the longest standing jump of the day.

Although taking the longer way about by coming up into the strategically - placed gate, the foreign racers were able to drive across the road drop at more of an angle, and were thereby able to keep their skis down on the hard-packed snow in a more rhythmical run.

American Places

Fourteenth place in the field went to Suzy Harris-Rytting of Salt Lake City, eighteenth to Paula Kann of North Conway, N. H., nineteenth to Jannette Burr, and twenty-first to Brynhild Grasmoen of Merced, California.

Celina Seghi of Italy, rated high by the pre-race handicappers, was slowed down considerably as she was the first runner over the course covered with new powder, and was able to turn in no better than twelfth place time. Another top-rated favorite, Georgette Thioliere-Miller who was racing for France, skied the course with good form, but placed only sixteenth.

Results on Page 3.

FWSA Sends $1600 Check For FIS Training Fund

Yesterday, a check for $1600 was received here in Aspen by Jim Huidekoper, manager of the downhill and slalom squads from the Southern Council of the Far Western Ski Association, the Yosemite Winter Club, and the Reno Ski Club.

This money is to be used to pay for ten days of training for the Men's and Women's Downhill and Slalom squads.

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Running Order FIS Men's Giant Slalom — Continued from Page 1.

Name	Country	Time	Place
37.	Tache, Canada		
38.	Olinger, Switzerland		
39.	Hansson, Sweden		
40.	Griffith, United States		
41.	Nilsson, Sweden		
42.	Knowlton, United States		
43.	Baud, France		
44.	Eriksen, Marius, Norway		
45.	Alonen, Finland		
46.	Arentz, Norway		
47.	Mulej, Jugoslavia		
48.	Gabl, Pepi, Austria		
49.	Oelckers, Chile		
50.	Richardson, Canada		
51.	Lukanc, Jugoslavia		
52.	de Ridder, Argentina		
53.	Griffin, Canada		
54.	Vartiainen, Finland		
55.	Klipggen, Norway		
56.	Goodman, United States		
57.	Morrison, Canada		
58.	Tommy, Canada		
59.	Clifford, John, Canada		
60.	Errazuriz, Chile		
61.	Eiras, Argentina		
62.	zur Neiden, Holland		
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Results 1950 FIS Women's Giant Slalom

1. Rom, Austria 1:29.6
2. Jochum-Beiser, Austria 1:29.8
3. Schmidt-Couttet, France 1:30.0
4. Mahringer, Austria 1:31.8
5. Schuh-Proxauf, Austria 1:31.9
6. Gstrein, Austria 1:32.7
7. Hammerer, Austria 1:33.1
8. Rodolph, U. S. 1:33.4
9. Mead, U. S. 1:33.5
10. Demazieres, France ...1:33.8
11. Thommasson, Sweden .1:34.1
12. Seghi, Italy 1:34.3
13. Martel, France 1:35.3
14. Harris-Rytting, U. S. ..1:36.2
15. Ausoni, Switzerland ...1:36.3
16. Thioliere-Miller, France 1:36.9
17. Bleur, Switzerland 1:38.2
18. Kann, U. S. 1:38.5
19. Burr, U. S. 1:41.1
20. Woodworth, Canada ...1:43.4
21. Grasmoen, U. S. 1:43.5
22. Allen, Canada 1:45.2
    Pinching, England 1:45.2
24. Niskin, Norway 1:46.8
25. Stensby, Norway 1:49.8
26. Schutz, Canada 1:57.7
27. Tomlinson, Canada ...2:06.6

Disq. Owen, Canada.

Thioliere Out With Sprain

Having just arrived in Aspen Saturday morning after a quick flight from France to participate in the FIS Alpine Events, Suzanne Thioliere sprained her ankle Sunday and was unable to compete in yesterday's giant slalom.



NUMBER 22 IN TODAY'S LINE-UP, Edi Mall of Austria who took a 19th in the downhill of the '48 Olympics and a 2nd in the slalom to end up in fourth place of the combined.

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This is the first time that this type of equipment has been used at a ski meet in the United States. Last year, it was employed for timing the Arlberg-Kandahar at St. Anton, Austria, the French championships at Chamonix, the Norwegian title races at Lillehammer and Oslo, the military games at Briancon, the Parsenn Derby in Switzerland, at Grindenwald for the Swiss championships, and the FIS meet at Engleberg in Switzerland. It will also be used at the 1952 Olympic Games at Oslo.

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The Longine automatic timing equipment represents a long period of development. The company's first timing watch was made in 1870, and in 1910 the first broken - thread electrical start-stop device ever used was built by Longine for track competition.

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The timing watches are housed in a shack at the finish line. At the top of the course, the racer breaks a thread as he goes through the starting gate. This sends an impulse simultaneously by short wave raido and telephone to the timing shack where the watch is started. At the finish, the racer breaks a light beam connected to a photo-electric cell which stops the same watch, thus giving the time automatically.

Manual Timers Also Used

Associated with the battery of timing watches is a selector which sends impulses to one watch after another as different contestants make the start. Supplementing the electrical equipment are manual timers covering all of the events in case of a failure.

The Longine Olympic Timers being used register times to a tenth of a second. Each has been tested at 40 points by the Neuchatel Government Observatory and is accompanied by an individual bulletin.

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STARTING TIME 10:45 O'CLOCK

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F	Iselin,	USA		
F	Grasmoen,	USA		
F	Gstrein,	Austria		
1.	Mead,	USA		
2.	Mahringer,	Austria		
3.	Seghi,	Italy		
4.	Rom,	Austria		
5.	Schmidt,	France		
6.	Bleuer,	Switzerland		
7.	Rodolph,	USA		
8.	Demazieres,	France		
9.	Dr. Schuh-Proxauf,	Austria		
10.	Martel,	France		
11.	Thomasson,	Sweden		
12.	Jochum-Beiser,	Austria		
13.	Gebler-Proxauf,	Austria		
14.	Harris-Rytting,	USA		
15.	Thioliere-Miller,	France		
16.	Kann,	USA		
17.	Hammerer,	Austria		
18.	Ausoni,	Switzerland		
19.	Wurtele-Gillis,	USA		
20.	Burr,	USA		
21.	Thioliere,	France		
22.	Allin,	Canada		
23.	Stensby,	Norway		
24.	Woodworth,	Canada		
25.	Owen,	Canada		
26.	Tomlinson,	Canada		
27.	Pinching,	England		
28.	Schutz,	Canada		

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Zeno Colo Takes Title In Giant Slalom; First American 27th

A fiery little Italian farmer, Zeno Colo, held a high fast line to win the 1950 FIS Giant Slalom title over a wide-open mile and a quarter course of 33 gates. Running the 1600 ft. controlled drop on the steep Silver Queen off Aspen Mountain, Colo outsped 63 competitors as he displayed the same steady and consistent form that won him the World's unofficial downhill and combined championships last year in the annual Austrian Kandahar at St. Anton.

Less than a second off the Italian's time of 1:54.4, was second placing Fernand Grosjean of Switzerland, while France's Olympic Slalom Gold Medal winner, 28 year old James Couttet followed a tenth of a second later. Fourth place went to flashy Henri Oreiller, the flying Frenchman who won the 1948 Olympic Downhill and Alpine Combined titles.

First American 27th

The first American to place was Jack Reddish of Salt Lake City who finished with a time of 2:02.9 for 27th place, while second scoring United States team mate Jimmy Griffith tied with Jack Nielsen of Norway for 31st.

4 French In Top 10

Frenchmen George Panisset and Jean Pazzi, the latter holding the present North American Downhill Championship won at Aspen last year, finished in 7th and 10th places respectively to give France 4 places in the first 10. .Italy's Silvio Alvera and Carlo Gartner placed in 6th and 9th spots to score three men for Italy among the top ten winners. A 5th place won by George Schneider of Switzerland put two Swiss competitors in the winning circle, while Norway surprised with Guttorm Berge taking 8th.

Course Steep and Bumpy

A steep pitching schuss at the turn off the Silver Queen into a deep ravine, led the racers straight down across a road cut to the finish some 350 yards below. Crowds of spectators lined both sides of the gully to watch the contestants drive their way through the series of swinging turns over the sharp bumps and drop offs. Only several of the runners tried to run the upper steilhung straight at the entrance of the ravine and each lost his line, although France's Panisset recovered in time to run wide across the road cut with the rythmical driving swing that won him 7th place.

French Drive Hard

However, most every racer checked noticeably in some form or manner as they rode the schuss down into the ravine, with the everyday snowplow being most in evidence As usual the Frenchmen could be heard exhaling with their characteristic high toned wheeze of their controlled breathing, while skating the bumpy turns on one foot. as they fought for balance.

The American runners appeared to be braking hard be-

(Continued on Page 4)

Zeno Colo, the new FIS World Championship titleholder of the Men's Giant Slalom, is a 29 year-old farmer from Abetone, Italy. This latest title is only one more addition to Colo's list of victories, including 1st place in the downhill and the combined at the 1949 running of the Kandahar; that same year he won the Sestrieres Derby Downhill in Italy and the Lauberhorn Slalom at Wengen, Switzerland.



UNITED STATES SLALOM ENTRY — Paula Kann of North Conway will be running number 16 in the FIS Slalom for the Americans. The 28 year-old commercial artist was the National Women's Downhill Champion in 1947, and skied for the U. S. team in the 1948 Olympics.

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FIRST AMERICAN TO PLACE in yesterday's Giant Slalom, Jack Reddish of Salt Lake City — sixth place winner of special slalom in the '48 Olympics and first place in downhill, slalom and combined of the 1948 North American Championships.

Two U. S. Girls Out Of Race With Injuries

Dodie Post and Sally Neidlinger are both out of the U. S. lineup in today's Women's Slalom due to injuries. Miss Neidlnger will be out of action for three weeks with a bad ankle, and Miss Post is out for the present with a pulled ankle and knee.

Two Runs In Today's Women's Slalom Race

Today's Women's Slalom will be a two-run race, both runs being made over the same course unless weather and snow conditions do not permit it. Any contestant disqualified in the first run will not be allowed to race the second time.

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RESULTS 1950 FIS MEN'S GIANT SLALOM

1.	Colo, Italy	1:54.4
2.	Grosjean, Switzerland	1:55.2
3.	Couttet, France	1:55.3
4.	Oreiller, France	1:55.8
5.	Schneider, Switzerland	1:55.9
6.	Gartner, Italy	1:56.0
7.	Panisset, France	1:56.3
8.	Berge, Norway	1:56.5
9.	Alvera, S., Italy	1:56.8
10.	Pazzi, France	1:56.9
11.	Eriksen, S., Norway	1:57.1
12.	Pravda, Austria	1:57.3
13.	Perren, Switzerland	1:57.7
	Senger, Austria	1:57.7
15.	Alvera, Albino, Italy	1:57.8
	McCullough, Canada	1:57.8
17.	Penz, France	1:58.0
18.	Dalman, Sweden	1:58.6
19.	Rominger, Switzerland	1:59.1
20.	Schopf, Austria	1:59.2
21.	Lacroix, France	1:59.6
22.	Sollander, Sweden	1:59.7
23.	Graf, Switzerland	2:01.0
24.	Haider, Austria	2:01.6
25.	Hansson, Sweden	2:02.0
26.	Mall, Austria	2:02.2
27.	Reddish, USA	2:02.9
28.	Baud, France	2:03.0
29.	Arentz, Norway	2:03.3
	Mulej, Jugoslavia	2:03.3
31.	Nilsson, Sweden	2:03.6
32.	Olinger, Switzerland	2:03.7
33.	Nielsen, Jr., Norway	2:03.9
	Griffith, USA	2:03.9
35.	Gabl, Pepi, Austria	2:04.2
36.	Nogler, Austria	2:04.6
	Gabl, Franz, Austria	2:04.6
38.	Griffin, Canada	2:04.8
39.	Dodge, USA	2:04.9
	Tommy, Canada	2:04.9
41.	Nergaard, Norway	2:05.2
42.	Matt, USA	2:05.5
43.	Klipggen, Norway	2:06.6
44.	Knowlton, USA	2:06.7
45.	Isberg, Sweden	2:06.8
46.	Movitz, USA	2:06.9
47.	Macomber, USA	2:07.7
48.	Alonen, Finland	2:09.2
49.	Eriksen, M., Norway	2:09.9
50.	Vartiainen, Finland	2:11.0
51.	Richardson, Canada	2:11.9
52.	Lukanc, Jugoslavia	2:13.5
	Clifford, Canada	2:13.5
54.	Goodman, USA	2:13.9
55.	Morrison, Canada	2:14.4
56.	Navarrete, Chile	2:20.7
57.	zur Neiden, Holland	2:22.1
58.	de Ridder, Argentina	2:23.3
59.	Oelckers, Chile	2:25.9
60.	Errazuriz, Chile	2:27.5
61.	Eiras, Argentina	3:14.3

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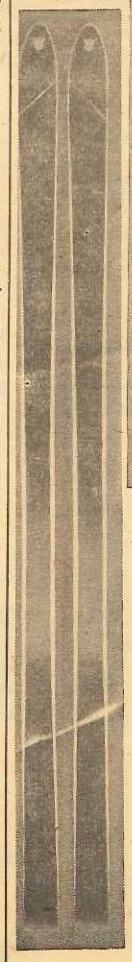



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FIS Racers "Seeded" In Groups; Running Order Picked By Draw

One question about the FIS, still uppermost in the minds of many spectators is how the racing order for each event is decided.

The competitors are classified in groups according to their racing records, the best competitors being placed in the first group, the second best in the next group, etc.

Then, within each group, the draw is made by lots. Prior to the beginning of this draw, the number of groups required is determined.

At the World Championships, this classification of competitors is carried out by the Competition Jury, composed of Otto Menardi, Italy: Laila Schou-Nielsen, Norway; Marc Hodler, Switzerland; Steve Bradley, United States; and course setter for the respective races on which a group draw is made.

Fireworks, Torch Parade Tonight's Entertainment

Tonight's program of entertainment will be highlighted at 7:00 o'clock by a spectacular display of fireworks from the top of the mountain followed by a torchlight parade down the slope by members of the Aspen Ski School and Ski Patrol.

At 8:00 o'clock there will be a showing of another of John Jay's outstanding color films, "Alps to Andes", in the Armory Hall.

COLO TAKES TITLE

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fore the jump across the road which they tried to hold in a low crouch, and all lost precious seconds, while Toni Matt and Leon Goodman fell. On the other hand, most of the foreign racers let themselves come into the sharp drop with open speed, and led their skis all the way with their bodies as they pulled out and away from the hill with the ease of a jumper coming out of his sitz.

Franz Gabl of Austria and his running mate, Hans Nogler, brought the biggest rounds of applause from the spectators lining the course when they made flawless recoveries after jumping the road. Both the Austrian racers fell on the back of their skis after 40 foot leaps, but managed to fight their way to their feet from a toboganning position while driving through the next pair of control gates.

French Thrill Crowd

But it was the Frenchmen who really gave the onlookers the thrills as they dropped down through the long bumpy gully with such great speed that most of the time they were fighting from one ski to another to stand up. Oreiller, Lacroix and Baud literally stumbled through the swing gates, but by pulling themselves forward with a combination of brute strength and a superb sense of balance they managed to regain both their feet as they hurtled down the course.

Both Stein Eriksen of Norway, a heavy premeet favorite, and Ernie McCullough of Canada, a fearless runner who shot the steilhung with hardly a check, both spoiled their runs by knocking themselves off balance when cutting too close to a set of flags which turned them off a sharp bump.

Results on Page 3.

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1:35 pm Lv	Glenwood Springs	Lv	1:53 pm
7:00 pm Ar	Denver	Lv	8:40 am
1:30 pm Ar	Chicago	Lv	3:30 pm

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5:30 pm Lv	Salt Lake City	Ar	8:15 am
6:25 pm Lv	Provo	Ar	7:16 am
12:15 am Lv	Grand Junction	Ar	1:10 am
2:06 am Lv	Glenwood Springs	Lv	11:22 pm
6:04 am Ar	Winter Park	Lv	7:35 pm
8:15 am Ar	Denver	Lv	5:30 pm

THE ROYAL GORGE

8:50 pm Lv	Salt Lake City	Ar	7:30 am
9:51 pm Lv	Provo	Ar	6:23 am
5:25 am Lv	Grand Junction	Ar	10:30 pm
7:30 am Lv	Glenwood Springs	Lv	8:15 pm
12:05 pm Ar	Salida	Lv	3:15 pm
2:13 pm Ar	Canon City	Lv	1:14 pm
4:35 pm Ar	Colorado Springs	Lv	10:47 am
6:30 pm Ar	Denver	Lv	8:50 am

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8:50 pm Lv	Grand Junction	Ar	6:40 am
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7:20 am Ar	Denver	Lv	8:05 pm

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RUNNING ORDER 1950 FIS MEN'S SLALOM

STARTING TIME 10:00 O'CLOCK

	Name	Country	1st Run Time	2nd Run Time
F	Pfeifer,	USA		
F	Seelos,	Austria		
1.	Couttet,	France		
2.	Oreiller,	France		
3.	Reddish,	USA		
4.	Pravda,	Austria		
5.	Eriksen, S.,	Norway		
6.	Schneider,	Switzerland		
7.	Colo,	Italy		
8.	Schopf,	Austria		
9.	Lacroix,	France		
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11.	Gabl, F.,	Austria		
12.	Matt,	USA		
13.	Dalman,	Sweden		
14.	Rominger,	Switzerland		
15.	Sollander,	Sweden		
16.	McCullough,	Canada		
17.	Alvera, S.,	Italy		
18.	Grosjean,	Switzerland		
19.	Alvera, A.,	Italy		
20.	Latreille,	Canada		
21.	Mall,	Austria		
22.	Haider,	Austria		
23.	Nogler,	Austria		
24.	Gartner,	Italy		
25.	Mulej,	Jugoslavia		
26.	Perren,	Switzerland		
27.	Nilsson,	Sweden		
28.	Penz,	France		
29.	Nergaard,	Norway		
30.	Macomber,	USA		
31.	Pazzi,	France		
32.	Gabl, P.,	Austria		
33.	Isberg,	Sweden		
34.	Senger,	Austria		

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Dagmar Rom Wins Slalom For 2nd FIS Victory; U. S. Andrea Mead 6th

Proving to the skeptics that it takes more than luck to win a ski race, Austria's lovely blonde college girl entry in the World's FIS Championships, Dagmar Rom, won her second world title in as many races, as she combined two brilliant slalom runs to turn in the best time in the women's slalom event.

Making the fastest single trip of the day down the tight 33 gate course for a time of fifty-three and two-tenths seconds on her first run, present European Women's Intercollegiate Champion Miss Rom, steadied her second race over the flag studded quarter mile course to lead her nearest rival and running mate, Erika Mahringer, by only a tenth of a second.

Mead of U. S. Finishes 6th

Italy's heavy favorite, Celina Seghi, finished in third place, while the first American girl to score was 17 yr. old Andrea Mead of Rutland, Vt., who placed 6th.

Austrians Again Dominate

As in the Giant Slalom event two days earlier, the Austrian women again demonstrated their skiing prowess as they dominated the slalom field by placing five of their racers in the first ten of the field of twenty-nine. France scored with Lucienne Schmidt-Couttet placing 5th, and Georgette Thioliere Miller finishing in 8th position. The American team also placed two of their entries in the first ten as Andy Mead's 6th was supplemented with a 10th spot win by Katy Rodolph who earlier led the U. S. girls with an 8th in the previous Giant Slalom event.

5 Racers Disqualified

Although no penalties were received by the 23 finishing racers, disqualifications were handed down by the officials to five girl racers who mised running one of the gates entirely in their haste to reach the finish: Berit Stensby of Norway, Rhona Gillis of the United States, Rosemarie Bleuer of Switzerland, and Canada's Sandra Tomlinson and Margaret Owen.

Course Tight and Fast

The course was set by Fred Iselin, co-director of the Aspen Ski School, and was laid out on the new cut-off from Magnifico Run down to the regular finish line at the mine tippel. Hairpin and elbow gate combinations were plentifully mixed with open and closed gates, but the usual flush was missing. The icy condition of the base on the course soon became hard and rough with chatter marks.

Falls Mar U. S. Times

America's Andrea Mead who finished 6th, won her place in her second trip when she really poured it on to turn in one of the best runs of the day. Although winning 10th in the field of 28 entrants, Katy Rodolph of the U. S. fell on her second run halfway down the course, but upon regaining her feet, raced with outstanding speed through the remaining dozen gates to the

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Dagmar Rom, two - time champion to date in the 1950 FIS Alpine Events, is not only a top-notch skier, but is also a whiz at tennis, dancing, and knitting. Only twenty-one years of age, next to the youngest member of the Austria Women's team, Dagmar is a student of philosophy at the Kaiser Leopold Franzen university in Innsbruck. The two new titles top off a long list of various victories for the blonde Austrian girl, including the Austrian Women's Downhill crown.



TOP US GIRL IN FIS SLALOM — First finisher for the American Women's Team in the two run slalom was 17-year-old Andrea Mead of Rutland, Vt., who placed 6th in the combined times.

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Running Order 1950 FIS Men's Slalom — Continued from Page 1.

	Name	Country	1st Run Time	2nd Run Time
35.	Hansson,	Sweden		
36.	Graf,	Switzerland		
37.	Nielsen,	Norway		
38.	Alonen,	Finland		
39.	Arentz,	Norway		
40.	Movitz,	USA		
41.	Griffin,	Canada		
42.	Knowlton,	USA		
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44.	Perkins,	USA		
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46.	Klippgen,	Norway		
47.	Eriksen, M.,	Norway		
48.	Olinger,	Switzerland		
49.	Tache,	Canada		
50.	Lawrence,	USA		
51.	Lukanc,	Jugoslavia		
52.	Morrison,	Canada		
53.	Dodge,	USA		
54.	Vartiainen,	Finland		
55.	Errazuriz,	Chile		
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60.	zur Neiden,	Holland		

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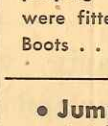

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OFFICIAL RESULTS 1950 FIS WOMEN'S SLALOM

1.	Rom, Austria	107.8
2.	Mahringer, Austria	107.9
3.	Seghi, Italy	109.5
4.	Schuh-Proxauf, Austria	109.9
5.	Schmidt-Couttet, France	111.0
6.	Mead, USA	111.7
7.	Jochum-Beiser, Austria	114.4
8.	Thioliere-Miller, France	115.1
9.	Hammerer, Austria	115.8
10.	Rodolph, USA	116.2
11.	Ausoni, Switzerland	117.5
12.	Gebler-Proxauf, Austria	119.6
13.	Demazieres, France	120.1
14.	Burr, USA	122.6
15.	Martel, France	123.3
16.	Woodworth, Canada	127.4
17.	Kann, USA	128.5
18.	Thomasson, Sweden	131.7
19.	Harris-Rytting, USA	131.8
20.	Allin, Canada	132.7
21.	Thioliere, France	133.2
22.	Pinching, England	137.0
23.	Schutz, Canada	142.2

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TONIGHT'S FIS Entertainment

The first dance of FIS week will be held tonight at 8:00 o'clock in the Armory Hall, the music being played by Verne Byer's Orchestra of Denver. Hosts for the gala affair will be the Aspen Chamber of Commerce who have arranged for $500 worth of merchandise to be given away as door prizes. Carnation favors will be presented to every man and woman. Tickets are $1.50 per couple and the profits from the dance will be contributed to the FIS Benefit Fund.

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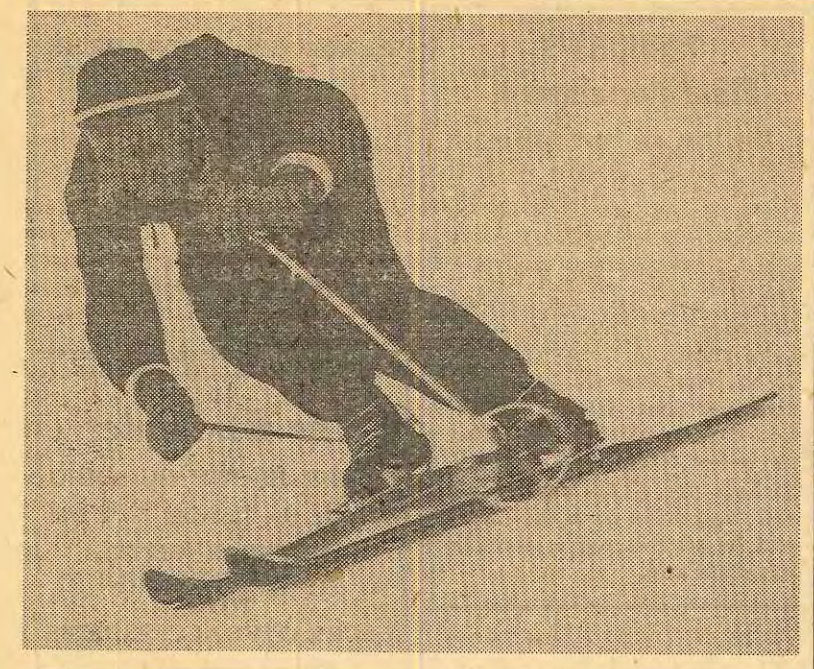

HEAVY INTERNATIONAL FAVORITE FOR THE MEN'S FIS SLALOM TITLE is Switzerland's Edy Rominger, the present Swiss Slalom Champion, who was sidelined from the '48 Olympics with a broken leg.

Guttorm Berge Suffers Second Concussion In Downhill Trial Run

Norway's Guttorm Berge, eighth place winner in Tuesday's Giant Slalom, took a terrific header Wednesday afternoon while training on the Men's downhill course, and suffered a slight concussion and several chipped teeth.

Attempts Pre-Jump

Berge was taking the Spar Gulch course wide open when he attempted to pre-jump the dam. However, the Norwegian ace jumped too early and did not leap quite far enough, his tips digging into the knoll and throwing him onto his head.

This was the second time Berge had suffered a concussion, the previous one also during a practice run on the downhill trail.

May Not Race

Berge spent the night in the hospital, and is under doctor's orders not to race today in the slalom. However, neither did the doctor want Norway's Borghild Niskin to race after she chipped a shoulder bone, but she was in the line-up when Monday's Giant Slalom for the women was run off.

WOMEN'S SLALOM

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finish.

Falls marred the times of American girl racers Paula Kann and Rhona Wurtele-Gillis, the latter being disqualified for missing a gate. Suzie Harris-Rytting of the United States had to climb back for a gate on her second run which put her down in 19th place in the final score, while Jannette Burr's two slow but steady trips gave her a 14th for the event.

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STARTING TIME 12:00 O'CLOCK NOON

	Name	Country	Time	Place
F	Iselin, USA			
F	Berg, USA			
1.	Schuh-Proxauf,	Austria		
2.	Schmidt,	France		
3.	Jochum-Beiser,	Austria		
4.	Bleuer,	Switzerland		
5.	Woodworth,	Canada		
6.	Martel,	France		
7.	Mahringer,	Austria		
8.	Seghi,	Italy		
9.	Rodolph,	USA		
10.	Rom,	Austria		
11.	Thomasson,	Sweden		
12.	Demazieres,	France		
13.	Mead,	USA		
14.	Gillis,	USA		
15.	Thioliere-Miller,	France		
16.	Stensby,	Norway		
17.	Allin,	Canada		
18.	Tomlinson,	Canada		
19.	Burr,	USA		
20.	Harris-Rytting,	USA		
21.	Thioliere,	France		
22.	Gstrein,	Austria		
23.	Kann,	USA		
24.	Ausoni,	Switzerland		
25.	Hammerer,	Austria		
26.	Pinching,	England		
27.	Owen,	Canada		
28.	Schutz,	Canada		

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Schneider Takes FIS Slalom With Two Fast Runs Over Tricky Course

Reddish of U. S. Sets Fast Pace For Fourth Place

Turning in the next to fastest run of the day on his second trip, a 24 year old Swiss cabinet maker, Georges Schneider, combined his two times in the 1950 FIS men's slalom to became the new World's Slalom Champion.

Racing sixth in a star studded international field of 60 entrants, Schneider, who was last year's winner of the slalom in Europe's famous Arlberg-Kanhahar race, showed flawless form for two steady runs to become the winner. Finishing third in the morning half of of the two run event only nine-tenths of a second out of first place behind Norway's Stein Eriksen and Zeno Colo of Italy, the young Swiss from La Chaux-de-Fonds placed second by a fifth of a second behind Christian Pravda of Austria in the afternoon.

Pre-meet Favorite Third

Zeno Colo, the speedy little Italian who previously annexed the Giant Slalom title earlier in the week, finished second in the straight slalom races, while the pre-meet favorite Stein Eriksen of Norway could do no better than a tie for 9th in the second run to place 3rd in the final scoring.

Reddish Of U. S. 4th

America's Jack Reddish, the 23 year old salesman from Salt Lake City who gave the U. S. men's Alpine team its highest score in the '48 Olympics with a 6th in the Special Slalom, brought the loudest cheers of the day from several thousand spectators when he made the fourth fastest run in the morning. In the afternoon run, Reddish turned in the 5th best time to win 4th place in the world's championship event.

3 Tie For 5th

A three way tie for the number five scoring spot developed when the same combined times were turned in by Ernie McCullough of Canada, Egon Schopf of Austria and James Couttet of France. For the first time during the meet, no one nation dominated the winning field as the first eight places were divided among as many countries: Switzerland, Italy, Norway, USA, Canada, Austria, France and Sweden.

Pravda Makes Fastest Run

The fastest time of the day down through the 3000 foot flag marked course was made by Christian Pravda of Austria on

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(A. Bauman Photo)

WINNER OF THURSDAY'S MEN'S FIS SLALOM, George Schneider, 24 year-old member of the Swiss team. Championship titles are nothing new to the young veteran, since he has built up a tremendous record of wins in the past few years, including 1st in the 1949 Arlberg Kandahar at St. Anton, 13th in the slalom at the '48 Olympics, and 1st in this year's slalom at Wengen and Cranz, Switzerland.

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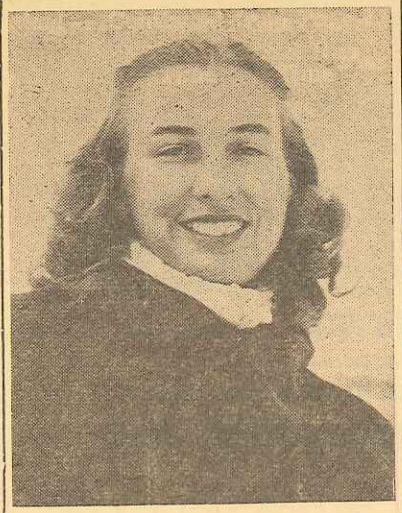
TONIGHT'S FIS Entertainment

Tonight's entertainment will get underway with the Calcutta Pool at 5:00 o'clock in the Jerome Hotel Dining Room, followed by a dance at 8:00 o'clock in the Armory Hall. Music is again being supplied by Verne Byer's Orchestra; tickets are $1.50 per couple and all profits will go to the FIS Benefit Fund.

Girls To Keep Numbers As Souvenirs of FIS

Although Borghild Niskin of Norway is not racing in today's Women's Downhill due to a chipped shoulder bone, she will be given Number 29 as a souvenir. All of the girls will be allowed to keep their racing numbers after today's event as a memento of the FIS Alpine races.

The Women's Downhill course drops 1830 feet in approximately one and three - fourths miles through 16 gates, including the start and finish. According to Fred Iselin, course-setter, the trail over Ruthie's Run and lower Roch is fast and in top condition.



RACING NUMBER 19 in today's Women's FIS Downhill, Jannette Burr from Seattle, Washington. Miss Burr placed 4th in the combined of last year's Roch Cup Derby, and 3rd in the Harriman Cup at Sun Valley.

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Official Results 1950 FIS Men's Slalom

1.	Schneider, Switzerland	126.4
2.	Colo, Italy	126.7
3.	Eriksen, S., Norway	128.0
4.	Reddish, USA	128.4
5.	McCullough, Canada	129.0
	Schopf, Austria	129.0
	Couttet, France	129.0
8.	Dalman, Sweden	129.8
9.	Gabl, F., Austria	129.9
10.	Lacroix, France	130.5
11.	Nogler, Austria	130.6
12.	Pazzi, France	131.5
13.	Grosjean, Switzerland	131.7
14.	Senger, Austria	131.8
15.	Nergaard, Norway	132.4
16.	Macomber, USA	132.7
17.	Alvera, S., Italy	132.9
18.	Nielsen, Norway	133.5
19.	Isberg, Sweden	133.7
	Gartner, Italy	133.7
21.	Sollander, Sweden	134.0
22.	Movitz, USA	134.2
23.	Mall, Austria	134.7
24.	Haider, Austria	135.3
25.	Hansson, Sweden	135.6
26.	Mulej, Jugoslavia	135.8
27.	Perren, Switzerland	136.1
28.	Latreille, Canada	136.2
29.	Rominger, Switzerland	*136.3
30.	Nilsson, Sweden	137.7
31.	Penz, France	138.3
32.	Knowlton, USA	138.9
33.	Alonen, Finland	139.2
34.	Panisset, France	*139.3
35.	Oreiller, France	*139.5
36.	Vartiainen, Finland	141.4
	Perkins, USA	141.4
38.	Tache, Canada	142.4
39.	Lawrence, USA	143.1
40.	Pravda, Austria	**143.6
41.	Lukanc, Jugoslavia	144.1
42.	Morrison, Canada	144.4
43.	Graf, Switzerland	*144.7
	Griffin, Canada	144.7
45.	Clifford, Canada	147.4
46.	Eriksen, M., Norway	150.6
47.	Oelckers, Chile	152.4
48.	Alvera, A., Italy	153.9
49.	deRidder, Argentina	154.3
50.	McDougal, Canada	154.7
51.	Arentz, Norway	*154.8
52.	Gabl, P., Austria	*155.2
53.	Navarrette, Chile	158.1
54.	Errazuriz, Chile	160.7
55.	zur Neiden, Holland	162.4
56.	Georgas, Canada	175.4
57.	Dodge, USA	176.4
58.	Klippgen, Norway	*182.0
	Matt, USA	DNF
	Olinger, Switzerland	Scratched

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Tonight's Calcutta Pool at 5:00 o'clock in the Jerome Hotel Dining Room is a combination of pure mathematical chance and placing bets on the racers in Saturday's FIS Men's Downhill. Last year at Sun Valley's Harriman Cup Races, with a much less outstanding field entered, there was nearly $13,000 in the pot when the pool closed.

One hundred tickets have been printed, each costing $25. At the drawing, the auctioneer will draw numbers simultaneously from two bowls, one being a ticket stub and the other a racer's name. When a racer's name is paired with a ticket number, the racer is then auctioned. One half of his selling price will go to the holder of the ticket with which his name was drawn; the other half of the price is put into the pot.

Racers Also Sold

When the Pool is completed, one-half of all sales of the competitors plus all money from the ticket sales in it is the kitty, and someone "owns" each racer.

With the official results, the owner of the winning racer receives 25% of the pot; 2nd place owner gets 20%; 3rd place, 15%; 4th place, 10%; and 5th place owner, 5%. The remaining 25% will be used to help defray the expenses incurred in staging the FIS races.

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his second run. However, two single penalties were handed down to Pravda for stradling several gates in a fall during his earlier slalom run, and the Austrian racer placed way back in 40th position in the final combined scoring.

Course Fast and Hard

The course was quite wide open and very fast on the upper two-thirds of the distance, and then tightened up before the run-out to the finish. The hard icy base held firm for both runs, but series of chattermarks in almost every gate caused most of the racers considerable trouble.

Many Falls Mar Times

Falls spoiled the times of two of the outstanding French skiers, Henri Oreiller and George Panisset, while Italy's Albino Alvera France's Claude Penz and Per Klippgen of Norway all were forced to climb back up for gates they missed. Falls also marred the runs of Bjarne Arentz of Norway, Gordie Morrison of Canada, Silvio Alvera of Italy, Pepi Gabl of Austria, Jack Griffin of Canada, Marius Eriksen of Norway, Matevz Lukanc of Jugoslavia, Alec McDougall of Canada, and Jim Georges of Canada.

U. S. Racers Have Trouble

The United States Captain Toni Matt missed the lower gate of an elbow on his second run, and did not finish the race since his previously injured ankle was giving him so much trouble. Two slow but steady runs by American entry George Macomber placed him in 16th position, while team mate Dick Movitz finished 22nd, and Steve Knowlton was 32nd. Bad spills slowed up Brooks Dodge, Dean Perkins, and Dave Lawrence of the American team, but all finished the race gamely.

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3.	Gabl, F.,	Austria		
4.	Pazzi,	France		
5.	Baud,	France		
6.	Reddish,	USA		
7.	Mall,	Austria		
8.	Colo,	Italy		
9.	Schoepf,	Austria		
10.	Olinger,	Switzerland		
11.	Hansson,	Sweden		
12.	Oreiller,	France		
13.	McCullogh,	Canada		
14.	Alvera, S.,	Italy		
15.	Griffith,	USA		
16.	Couttet,	France		
17.	Eriksen, S.,	Norway		
18.	Pravda,	Austria		
19.	Graf,	Switzerland		
20.	Gartner,	Italy		
21.	Mulej,	Jugoslavia		
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32.	Senger,	Austria		
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35.	Rubi,	Switzerland		
36.	Perkins,	USA		
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Jochum-Beiser Outclasses Field In Women's Downhill; Rodolph 5th

An Austrian Olympic Champion rode the 1950 Women's FIS downhill course to victory over a field of 27 international competitors at Aspen Friday, to become the new women's world downhill champion.

Trude Jochum-Beiser, a 23 year old housewife from Lech on the Arlberg, outran her nearest rival, team mate Erika Mahringer, by nine-tenths of a second as she drove her way down the one and three-quarters mile controlled downhill course off Ruthie's Run. Georgette Thioliere-Miller, the lovely French speedster, finished third, while another Austrian racer, Annelies Schuh-Proxauf, followed a fifth of a second later.

Rodolph of USA 5th

Pacing the American team for the second time, pretty 19 year old Katy Rodolph of Steamboat Springs, Colo., placed 5th only two and three-tenths seconds out of first place. United States' Jannette Burr was 7th behind Lucienne Schmith - Couttet of France.

Austrians Again Dominate

As in the previous women's races, the Austrian team again dominated the downhill event. Five out of ten places went to the red sweatered wearers of the Hapsburg Eagles, while the French scored three runners, and the American team placed two racers.

Course Very Fast

16 gates were set by Fred Iselin to control the 1,830 foot drop which started at the top of Zaugg Park and wound down Ruthies Run and across to the regular finish line below the mine tipple at the bottom of Magnifico Run. The course was hard and firm, and with the aid of brilliant sunlight, the girl racers were able to run all open.

Two Racers Injured

Bad spills forced three of the competitors to withdraw from the running. Jacqueline Martel of France who was racing number six was the first racer to come to grief, when she was unable to hold the course at the Roch cut-off, and dropped over the edge of the road without injury. Olivia Ausoni of Switzerland and Margaret Owen of Canada fell near the top of the run, and both received injuries, the latter being taken off on a toboggan.

Favorite Takes A Spill

The popular favorite, Celina Seghi of Italy, crossed her tips while driving through a control gate, and was thrown into the air for a series of somersaults. Georgette Thioliere-Miller of France also provided thrills for the spectators lining the course when she made a brilliant recovery with a one foot skate turn as she momentarily lost her balance coming off one of the many bumps.

Wax Important Factor

In the several traverses on the course, wax was an important factor, and many of the racers who had guessed wrongly, lost precious seconds as their skis slowed down on the flat. A background of good coaching and experience came to the fore as many of the American and Foreign girls turned way high on the controls to avoid the time consuming skids that became the lot of the more poorly trained.

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TOP AMERICAN GIRL — Katy Rodolph led the U. S. FIS Women's team with an 8th in Giant Slalom, 10th in Slalom and a 5th in the Downhill.

Trude Jochum-Beiser, the new FIS Women's Downhill titleholder, is a 23 year-old mother and housewife from Lech am Arlberg, Austria. Yesterday's brilliant run tops a long series of victories for the blonde Austrian girl; in 1947 she won the Swiss Downhill Championships at Grindenwald and the Arlberg Kandahar Slalom at Murren; in 1948 at the Olympics she copped a gold medal in the combined and a silver medal in the slalom.

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Running Order 1950 FIS Men's Downhill — Continued from Page 1.

	Name	Country	Time	Place
38.	Lawrence,	USA		
39.	Perren, G.,	Switzerland		
40.	Tache,	Canada		
41.	Penz,	France		
42.	Nergaard,	Norway		
43.	Alonen,	Finland		
44.	Nilsson,	Sweden		
45.	Matt,	USA		
46.	Goodman,	USA		
47.	Lukanc,	Jugoslavia		
48.	Morrison,	Canada		
49.	Dalman,	Sweden		
50.	Oelckers,	Chile		
51.	Schneider,	Switzerland		
52.	Arentz,	Norway		
53.	Vartiainen,	Finland		
54.	Tommy,	Canada		
55.	Navarrette,	Chile		
56.	Richardson,	Canada		
57.	de Ridder,	Argentina		
58.	zur Neiden,	Holland		
59.	Eiras,	Argentina		
60.	Clifford,	Canada		
61.	Griffin,	Canada		

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OFFICIAL RESULTS 1950
FIS WOMEN'S DOWNHILL

1. Jochum-Besler, Austria 2:06.6
2. Mahringer, Austria 2:07.5
3. Thioliere-Miller, France 2:08.4
4. Schuh-Proxauf, Austria 2:08.6
5. Rodolph, USA 2:08.9
6. Schmidt-Couttet, France 2:10.0
7. Burr, USA 2:10.7
8. Thioliere, France 2:11.0
9. Rom, Austria 2:11.1
10. Hammerer, Austria 2:11.3
11. Gstrein, Austria 2:11.8
12. Mead, USA 2:12.9
13. Thomasson, Sweden ...2:14.0
14. Gillis, USA 2:14.9
15. Bleuer, Switzerland ...2:16.3
16. Seghi, Italy 2:16.9
17. Demazieres, France 2:17.6
18. Kann, USA 2:20.5
19. Tomlinson, Canada 2:21.9
20. Harris-Rytting, USA ..2:23.7
21. Allin, Canada 2:26.2
22. Woodworth, Canada ..2:26.7
23. Pinching, England 2:28.3
24. Schutz, Canada 2:32.1

Ausoni, Switzerland ....DNF
Martel, France .....DNF
Owen, Canada .....DNF
Stensby, Norway .Scratched

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Poor Light Conditions May Postpone FIS Men's Downhill Race

According to Steve Bradley, FIS Chief of Race, if poor weather conditions prevail this morning, today's Men's Downhill may be postponed.

Even though new snow does not fall, the lighting may be so flat that many of the bumps will not be clearly visible. Since the racers will be moving down the Spar Gulch course at tremendous speeds, the inability to spot a bump can get a racer into plenty of difficulty.

Therefore, Bradley stated, rather than take the risk of injuring racers, the race will be postponed until light conditions are more suitable, perhaps for only one hour — possibly 24 hours!

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Injured FIS Racers On Recovery List

The FIS Medical Committee members Doctors Allen M. Cochrane and Robert C. Lewis Jr. of Aspen, and Ski Patrol Leader for the Races, William Judd of Denver, have released a comprehensive report on the injuries and conditions of the FIS competitors who have been hurt during the races and the training up through Friday evening.

Latest Injury Hits Chilean Team

Latest racer to be added to the casualty list is Jaime Errazuriz of Chile who broke his ankle late Friday afternoon while practicing on the men's downhill course. The South American racer will be confined to a walking cast for about four weeks.

Canada's Owen OK

So far, only three race injuries have occurred during the actual competition, none of which have been serious. Canada's Margaret Owen was badly shaken up in her fall on the upper part of the Women's Downhill, but although being brought down on a toboggan, later walked away from the hospital suffering no more than a sprained ankle. Olivia Ausoni of Switzerland also fell near the top of the downhill, and was forced to withdraw from the women's race with a sprained left shoulder.

Lawrence Hurt But Will Race

A series of offset hairpin gate combinations at the foot of the Men's Slalom threw Dave Lawrence of the United States team for a bid fall on to the hard packed course, badly spraining his shoulder. However, it is expected that the young Dartmouth College racer will take a chance on entering the rough Men's Downhill. Another injured racer hoping to see action in the final downhill race of the FIS meet is Fredy Rubi of Switzerland. Rubi has been withheld from any competition so far during the races because of a badly sprained ankle suffered while training earlier, but it is hoped that a week of careful attention and diathermy have made him ready to go.

Austrian In Denver Hospital

Contrary to the many rumors about Aspen telling of the seriously injured Austrian racer, Walter Schuster, being flown to Austria for treatment, or an Austrian doctor being brought to Denver to set his leg, he is now resting comfortably in St. Luke's Hospital in Denver after a successful operation by a local orthepedic surgeon. Apparently Cchuster's thigh was so badly broken, that it was necessary to perform an internal splint by inserting a pin within the marrow cavity of the bone to hold the break together. The Austrian FIS entrant's left ankle was also broken, and it is expected that it will be several weeks before he will be up and around.

Berge Breaks Wrist

Guttorm Berge of Norway, the 20 year old student who placed 8th in the Men's Giant Slalom, is out of the hospital with his wrist in a cast from a bad fall at the Dam. Berge was hurt while training for the downhill, and at the time also chipped several teeth and received a slight concussion.

3 Girls In Casts

Fractured ankles have put three girl racers in plaster walking casts from four to six weeks, Silvia Muhlemann of Switzerland, Rose Marie Fuchs of England, and Canada's Jacqueline Tracey. Harvey Clifford of Canada and Swiss entry Gottlieb Perrin are both in knee casts at present, while Gale Spence, Pete Seibert and Sally Niedlinger of the American squad have recovered enough from their ankle injuries.

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7:00 pm Ar	Denver	Lv	8:40 am
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7:30 am Lv	Glenwood Springs	Lv	8:15 pm
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Name	Club	1st Jump	2nd Jump
Eriksen, S.,	Norway		
Eriksen, M.,	Norway		
Wegeman, K.,	Denver U.		
Wegeman, P.,	Denver U.		
Johnson,	Denver U.		
Chivers,	Boulder		
Bradley,	Boulder		
McLean, B.,	Zipfelberger		
McLean, G.,	Western State		
McLean, L.,	Western State		
Larsh,	Western State		
Ellertson,	Denver U.		
Perry-Smith,	Western State		
Hoffman,	Norway Lodge		
Carlson,	U. of Colo.		

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Colo Wins Downhill For Second FIS Title; U. S. Griffith Cops 18th

Rough Course Throws Many Top-Rated Competitors

With $1,000 on his head, Zeno Colo of Italy again proved to the ski world that he was top man in the FIS Championships as he barrelled down the rugged, spectator-lined, Spar Gulch course to win the World Downhill title in slightly over two and one-half minutes.

In a spectacular race, marked by terrific spills on the part of some of the best racers, the 29 year-old farmer from Abetone, Italy, skied the two and three-tenths miles in a steady run that put him across the finish line a good second ahead of the heavily-touted James Couttet of France. Both men took the Dam at mid-way in tremendous leaps, Colo landing on one foot, and then making a remarkable recovery at an approximate speed of 50 miles per hour.

4 Nations Share Top Places

Close behind these two champions was Austria's Egon Schopf, a knicker-wearing speedster who fought the icy trail all the way to the finish line, taking the successive bumps for leaps of amazing distances.

Fourth place went to Bernard Perren of Switzerland who checked several times but really opened up to top speed on the schusses, while another Austrian, Christian Pravda, took a high and fast line through the control gates for fifth spot honors.

4 Austrians In First 10

Jean Pazzi, a stocky pre-race favorite from France, skied the bump run in a steady trip that gave him an easy sixth, followed by Austria's Edi Mall who turned in a controlled run for seventh place. Pre-jumping the bigger bumps, and hitting the steilhang lip in a graceful leap, Hans Nogler of Austria took eighth while ninth went to Ralph Olinger from Switzerland. A smooth, easy-looking trip down the Spar Gulch course earned a tenth for another Swiss favorite, Edy Rominger.

Only 2 U. S. Racers Stand Up

American hopes for any sort of victory were quickly erased when Jack Reddish, Toni Matt, Leon Goodman, Dean Perkins and Dave Lawrence all tumbled at various parts of the trail. The highest placing American boy was Jimmy Griffith who skied a consistant race to cop eighteenth place, while George Macomber tied for twenty-first with Austria's Englebert Haider. Dean Perkins fell near the finish but lost little time in regaining his footing to score twenty-fifth. Matt, with two spills on the fast down-mountain run, was able to do no better than a forty-first in the 60-man field, while Dave Lawrence finished in thirty-sixth place. Leon Goodman of Sun Valley also fell and did not finish.

Lines Vary Greatly

An outstanding feature of the United States team that was very noticeable, was the close line that they picked above the Dam, while the foreign competitors all dropped lower and took the bumps before the Dam with longer jumps. However, only the Austrians and several of the Swiss held a high line upon entering the Ravine at the bottom thus avoiding the trouble-making road-jump before swinging into the glazed finish schuss.

Thrills were rampant throughout the hour-long test of endurance and ability, as racer after racer went careening off the hard-packed course, and others took spectacular spills on the many jumps.

Top Racers Spill

Ernie McCullough of Canada, out to win, powered the upper part until he reached the Dam where to took a nasty tumble that put him out of the race with a badly sprained ankle. Francois Baud, one of the highly-rated French contingent, let out an ear-piercing whistle as he took off from the dam at a high rate of speed, and then spilled at the

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Although winning no medals during the World Championship Ski Meet, American FIS competitor Steve Knowlton was the proudest racer in Aspen Saturday morning when his wife Rene gave birth to a son.

After a long night of waiting, Steve, who raced for the U. S. in the Giant Slalom and Slalom events, scratched from the downhill race in order to be on hand when his first child was born at 9:10 a. m. The baby skier weighed 8 pounds and three - fourths ounces.

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COLO WINS

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bottom; however, he made a quick recovery and was off down the gulch again to take fifteenth.

Norway's pride and joy, Stein Eriksen, the Scandinavian who brought a $750 bid in the Calcutta Pool, fell twice, once near the start and again after a 70 foot jump off the steilhang close to the bottom. Henri Oreiller of France, again plagued by bad luck, spilled shortly after the start and did not finish.

Reddish Falls At Start

America's top hope, Jack Reddish, got off to a flying, Poling, race, but dropped off into deep snow only three hundred yards later and took a head-over-heel "egg-beater" that finished him for the race. Although Reddish sprained his back he was all for finishing the event, but was finally persuaded not to by several ski patrolmen.

Another racer who spilled and did not finish was Carlo Gartner of Italy, and a broken ski spoiled any hopes of victory for Sweden's Sixten Isberg. Gordie Morrison of Canada, Claude Penz of France, and Carlo Gartner of Italy were all disqualified after missing a gate.

A late check with Dr. Robert Lewis at the hospital proved that no one was seriously hurt during the race, the worst injuries being sprains.

Results on Page 3.

Jumping Exhibition At 1:00 P. M. Sunday

As the closing event of the 1950 FIS meet at Aspen, a special exhibition jumping tournament will be held Sunday afternoon at 1:00 p. m.

Will Jump 200 Ft.

The informal jumping will take place on the 55 meter Willoughby Hill at the foot of Magnifico Run, and a crowd of several thousand spectators are expected. Many members of the visiting foreign FIS teams are expected to enter the competition which should see leaps up to and possibly over 200 ft.

Glenwood Band To Play

Tentative judges for the meet are Thor Groswold of Denver, Pop Sorenson, the United States FIS Jumping Coach, and Martinius Strand of Salt Lake City. The Glenwood High School Band will be on hand to entertain during the contest.

Wren Holds Record

The 55 meter natural hill was designed by Andre Roch of Switzerland, and built by the Aspen Ski Club. The present record for the longest jump is still held by Gordon Wren of Steamboat Springs, who leaped 206 ft. during the 1940 SRMSA Divisional Championships.

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2.	Couttet, France	2:35.7	
3.	Schopf, Austria	2:36.3	
4.	Perren, Switzerland	2:37.7	
5.	Pravda, Austria	2:38.1	
6.	Pazzi, France	2:38.6	
7.	Mall, Austria	2:38.9	
8.	Nogler, Austria	2:39.5	
9.	Olinger, Switzerland	2:39.7	
10.	Rominger, Switzerland	2:40.3	
11.	Gabl, Austria	2:41.1	
12.	Senger, Austria	2:41.5	
13.	Grosjean, Switzerland	2:44.0	
14.	Lacroix, France	2:44.2	
15.	Baud, France	2:45.3	
16.	Schneider, Switzerland	2:45.5	
17.	Alvera, A., Italy	2:46.3	
18.	Griffith, USA	2:46.5	
19.	Alvera, S., Italy	2:46.7	
20.	Nielsen, Norway	2:46.8	
21.	Haider, Austria	2:47.1	
	Macomber, USA	2:47.1	
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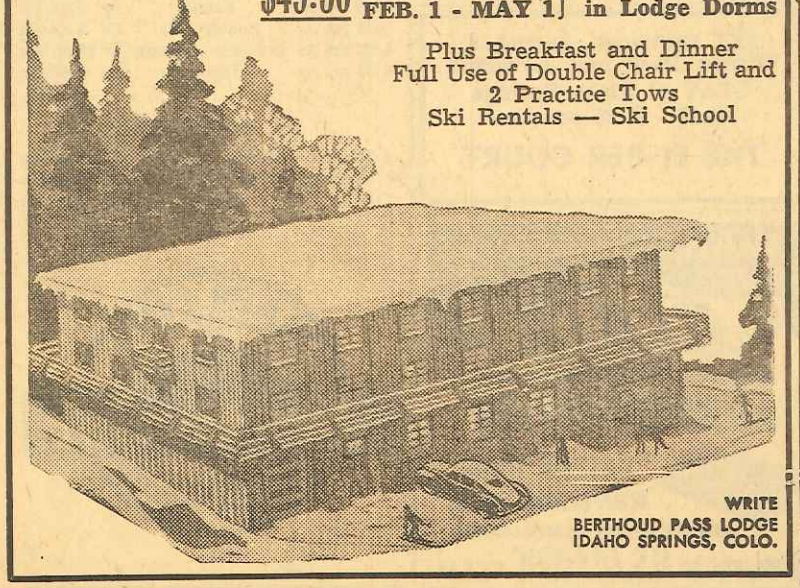

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The Council has acknowledged a report of the negotiations between the FIS and the Olympic Committee (IOC) which took place during the year of 1949, and which dealt with the Olympic Amateur Rules and those of the FIS. However, these negotiations have not led to a joint agreement. Ratifying the decisions made at the Council meeting at Lake Placid, February 1, 1950, the Council decided to send Mr. Bjorn Kjellstrom of Sweden and Mr. Marc Hodler of Switzerland, to the IOC meeting with the International Federation which will be held in Copenhagen, Denmark, 12th and 13th of May, 1950.

Pass To Accept Germany, Japan

The Council approved of the decision of five Council members present at Lake Placid concerning the application of the German and Japanese Ski Associations for re-affiliation with the FIS, that the application of these associations should be acted upon by the full Congress of the FIS.

Germany, Japan May Compete

In the meantime, as a step towards restoring relations between these two associations and the FIS, the Council has the right to authorize an affiliated Association to issue invitations to an International Competition, or to accept an invitation from an Association not affiliated with the FIS. During the past season the German association has participated in such international competitions.

Next Meeting Venice '51

The next Congress of the FIS will be held in Venice, Italy, April 22 - 29, 1951, at the invitation of the Italian Ski Association.

Members present were Colonel N. R. Ostgaard, Norway, President; Dr. Kazimierz Zaluski, Poland, Vice President; Mr. Einar Bergslund, Norway, General Secretary; Mr. Viktor Andreeve, The Soviet Union; Count Aldo Bonacossa, Italy; Mr. Marc Hodler, Switzerland, Mr. Bjorn Kjellstrom, Sweden.

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SKI-SCOPE

"It happens with every sport I take up!" said our visitor, with some warmth. "I just get a good start, and then I run into the experts. I think I shall have to give up skiing, though I was beginning to enjoy it. The trouble is that I regard it as a pastime or recreation, and when I have to learn a lot of rules and approved procedures, I cease to enjoy it. I do not propose to make myself miserable in the name of alleged pleasure. I think skiing ought to belong to the common man, not to the experts."

We started to say something in reply, but he ignored us. He said, "I gave up fishing when some self-appointed idiot wanted to make me change the way I cast a fly. I gave up golf when I found that I was expected to learn, and adhere to, a rigid form. All I wanted was to catch a few trout, or knock a ball around.

"The experts have an abominable way of taking what was once a sport and making a vested interest of it. Then it is no longer a sport but a kind of religion, with orthodoxies and heresies and all sorts of intolerance. It's very rough on the ordinary, easy-going fellow. He is subjected to persecution and obloquy — simply for wanting to enjoy himself in his own way!"

No expert ourselves, we began to warm toward this visitor. In spite of his state of sharp annoyance, he seemed basically a kindly man, not one to make demands upon his fellowmen. We felt that he must have been sorely goaded, to make him protest as he was now doing.

The light of a new purpose had begun to appear in his eye while he sat talking to us. "On second thought," he said abruptly, "I don't know that I *shall* give up skiing! It has just occurred to me that I can strike a blow for liberty by continuing to slide down any slopes I find appealing, in the manner that seems to me best.

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ROGER GRAY

Philadelphia, Pa.

. . . Back to the Stanley Steamer, wot!

METHUSELAH

Lincoln, Ill.

. . . There's no sense digging in the grave-yard. The telemark is dead for better or worse. I would like to take up Mr. Lunn's challenge, but he only challenged the experts.

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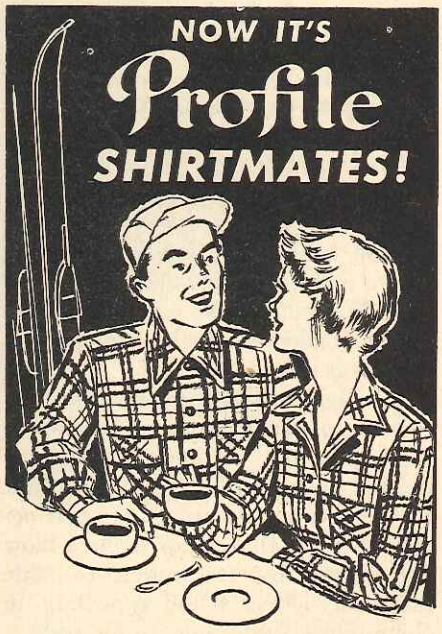

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Friedl Pfeifer's article in SKI MAGAZINE, *U. S. Girls Capable of Surprising the World* is certainly no surprise to me. I raced with and against several of these girls before and just after the war, and know well the superb high spirit they possess. That, combined with their skiing ability and racing ability and experience certainly gives them a better than even chance against their international competitors. I'm really rooting for our gals, not forgetting, of course, the men's team, a member of which I am particularly interested in — my brother. (JIM GRIFFITH — ED.)

Ski-minded as yours truly is I can't tell you how much I look forward to receiving your magazine in which you invariably mention a few more each issue of ye olde ski gang of pre-war racing days.

Incidentally, if your influence extends to the weather man, order some snow closer to New York this year, *Please.*

MARY JANE (GRIFFITH) MARIN
New York

The full weight of SKI MAGAZINE'S *influence has been brought to bear; a severance of diplomatic relations will be forthcoming if results are not satisfactory.* — ED.

Credit Due

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cette, of Jackson, N. H. If, on the following morning, he had not insisted on standing roped on the edge of the crevasse, in a torrent of icy water, with several tons of melting ice barely clinging to the rocks above, the rescue would again have been abandoned. . . . He was soaked to the skin and dangerously cold, but refused to give up, in spite of advice from all present.

All credit, also, to Shorty Lang, who was there both days and, with Arthur, finally secured the body.

RINK EARLE

Jackson, N. H.

SKI MAGAZINE *is glad to give credit to Shorty Lang and to our correspondent in Jackson, Arthur Doucette. Credit also goes to the author of the article, Mr. Casanova, who made his check payable to the National Ski Patrol.* — ED.

Ottawa Omitted

Strange that your article on Canadian skiing in the Dec. 15 issue did not mention Ottawa, which is the headquarters of the second largest ski club in the world, with a membership of from two to three thousand. The Ottawa Ski Club, a non-profit organization, owns three hundred acres of fine ski terrain in the heart of the Gatineau hills . . . four modern ski lodges with a well-developed network of trails and hills, as well as junior and senior jumps.

Surely Ottawa is worthy of mention in an article which ostensibly deals with Canadian skiing from Quebec City to the Pacific Coast.

Yours truly,

H. L. HEGGTVEIT

Ottawa, Canada

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Reading your issue of Nov. 1, under Letters, where note is made of fine Scotch Plains' Mt. Euqul mud for skiing, a friend was impelled to observe that a skier injured on such a base would have to be referred to as a Euqul-ailer. This would be harm-onious?

J. MYERS

Port Leyden, N. Y.

SKI MAGAZINE *is Scotched.* — ED.

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The "Twin Silos" of SESTRIERES

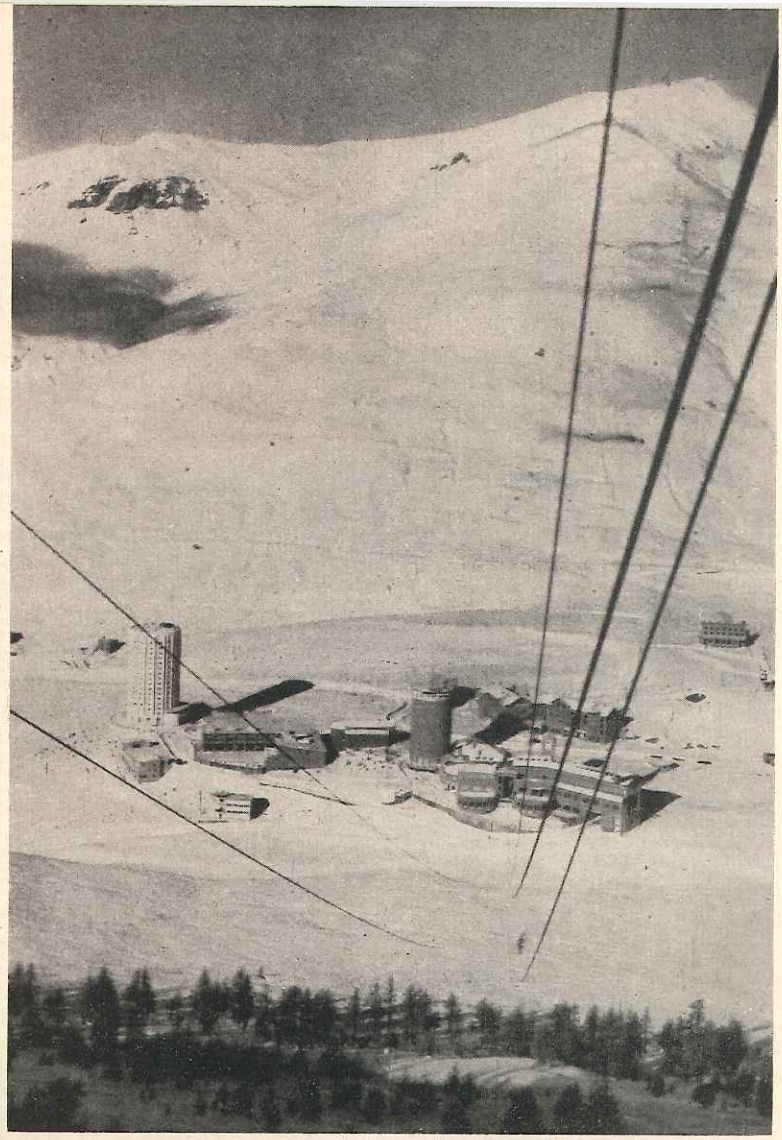
A First-Hand Report of Italy's Most Modern Resort — By Bil and Kris Dunaway

At the summit of a lofty mountain pass in the Italian Alps sixty miles west of Turin is one of the highest, most modern ski resorts in Europe. No matter how many times they have been there before, skiers and tourists gasp with pleasure when they leave the valley, surmount the last rise, and break out into this new world of sunshine and snow.

Unlike most ski resorts, Sestrieres did not evolve from an ancient town and grow into a resort bit by bit. The pass is an old one, it is true, still bearing traces of the original Roman road that crossed it centuries ago. The present road was laid out by Napoleon for the use of his armies, and to connect the Dauphiné region of France with Northern Italy. Until 1932, however, there was nothing at the summit of the pass except one small refuge and vast unbroken fields of snow.

But if this ski terrain was deserted, its splendors were not unknown. In Turin the skier son of Signor Agnelli spoke of Sestrieres often — so often that in the keen brain of his father the idea of a skier's Sestrieres was born.

Work started on this huge project late in the spring of 1932. First to be built were two tall concrete cylinders which became hotels. These have since been christened the "Twin Silos" by ski movieman John Jay.



Tramway cables rise from the "silos", with Mt. Fraiteve in the background

Inside these towers, each over fifteen stories high, are ramps that wind upward past the rooms, every one on a slightly different level. (To offset any questions, there *are* elevators also!)

The rooms, like those of an ocean liner, are compact, but the magnificent view from the windows gives them a pleasantly airy effect.

A hundred yards from these two a third hotel was built. More conventional in design, this is as modern as the others, but is planned to be even more luxurious.

These three hotels have beds for about 350 people. The rest of the 750 people that Sestrieres can accommodate — a very small number in comparison with other European resorts — is handled by the original refuge, now greatly enlarged, and by the chalets and pensions near-by.

Sestrieres is complete in itself, with a compact unit of stores, and a church, all of which were designed with the skier in mind.

From one of the hotels go two aerial tramways, one up Mt. Banchetta, and the other up the Mt. Sise.

Mt. Sise rises steeply from the summit of the pass on the south side, and is almost completely bare of trees. It offers the skier over two thousand vertical feet of fast, steep open slope skiing at its very best.

The upper slopes of Mt. Banchetta are also open, but they are more

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POWDER ON BANCHETTA

Lower down, trails through the trees

FIS *Americans will compete with the*

Modern U. S. skiing was given its greatest impetus by the 1932 Winter Olympics held at Lake Placid and again, 18 years later, the top-flight skiers of the world, in even greater numbers, are in training at Lake Placid and Aspen, Colorado for what is certain to be the biggest ski program ever staged on the North American continent.

Nearly two hundred of the world's top competitors in downhill, slalom, jumping and cross-country have converged on the two resorts to reach peak form for the FIS (Federation Internationale de Ski) World Championships. This is the first time the events have been held since the war and also the first time the United States has played host to the Games.

The flags of the thirty-two member nations of the FIS will be unfurled January 29 to open the championships at Lake Placid. For six days through February 6 spectators will see the greatest array of ski jumping stars ever assembled in this country, as well as a determined battle between Norway, Sweden and Finland to gain world honors in cross-country. Other nations will also be represented in the 18 and 50 kilometer (11.18 and 31.06 miles, respectively) as well as the four-man relay of 10 kilometers each, but there is little likelihood of any of the Middle European or American langlaufers finishing in top places in these events.

Norwegians Favored In Jump

In the jumping events, Norway's team, to be selected from the squad consisting of Olympic and U. S. Champion Petter Hugsted, Asbjorn Ruud, George Thrane, Vidar Hansen, Thorbjorn Falkanger and Arfinn Bergmann, is odds-on favorite to retain world honors on the high scaffold, with Joe Perrault, Art Devlin, Art Tokle and "Mezzy" Barber of the U. S. squad striving to keep the Norwegians from taking all of the first four places. Matti Pietikainen of Finland, who finished fourth in the special jump of the 1948 Olympics, will also be a strong contender, along with Fritz Schannen of Switzerland, holder of the world record for the longest jump — 120 meters.

The scene will move to Colorado's rejuvenated ghost town of Aspen for the downhill and slalom events for both men and women February 13–19. Last winter's visiting French team gave many Americans their first opportunity to view the skills of leading European racers and the FIS Games will not only bring France's top stars to this country, but also the equally strong squads of Austria, Italy and Switzerland, and many others.

Most European forecasters don't give U. S. skiers much of a chance of breaking into the top ten in the men's events. However, fortified by last year's competition against the French team, and with the psychological advantage of racing on terrain and snow well-known to them, Toni Matt, George Macomber, Dave Lawrence or one of the other American team members may well upset the visitors.

Girls Face Stiff Competition

In the women's events France's Lucienne Couttet-Schmith is a standout favorite, although Italy's fiery Celina Seghi, Austria's Erika Mahringer who finished nearly three seconds ahead of Gretchen Fraser in the Olympic combined slalom or Anneliese Schuh-Proxauf, also of Austria, might emerge the winner. The U. S. girls team is studded with experienced racers like Andy Mead, Rhona Gillis, Dodie Post and Paula Kann who might upset the field.

Aspen has been a beehive of activity for many months preparing for these world events. It will be many years before such an array of ski talent will be assembled in the United States again and anyone looking for the greatest ski thrill of a lifetime should try to make their reservations for Lake Placid and Aspen today.



LACY PHOTO

TRANSPLANTED CANADIAN

Rhona Wurtele Gillis, former Canadian champ now an American, may surprise

World's Best at Lake Placid and Aspen

The chances for a U. S. victory in one of the FIS World Championships is open to plenty of speculation, but it is certain that whatever the outcome, America will field the strongest teams in all events ever to represent the States in an international ski competition.

In a sense U. S. skiers first became a factor to be considered in world competition with the 1948 Olympics and attendant European events when the names of Gretchen Fraser, Andrea Mead, Jack Reddish and Gordy Wren awakened Europe to the fact that skiing had come of age in this country.

Veterans Not Awed

The U. S. squads for the coming Games include many seasoned campaigners to whom the "first nighter" jitters of big-time competition are a thing of the past. Temperament and morale are big factors in competition and with plenty of veteran skiers to lead a very promising group of youngsters of proven skill, the outlook is the brightest ever.

Zeno Colo of Italy and Henri Oreiller of France are certainly two of the strongest downhillers in the world, yet every American on the team will go into the races with a knowledge that both have been beaten by Americans. Likewise in jumping Gordy Wren knows that he has beaten Asbjorn Ruud, one of Norway's greatest, and that the Norskis have no better chance than our own jumpers. In this event Art Devlin, a native of Lake Placid, knows the Olympic hill where the jumping events will be staged so well that he could probably take it in his sleep. Little factors like this are favorable for the Americans.

Likewise at Aspen our alpine competitors will not be running on strange ground, eating strange food or encountering language difficulties — small considerations perhaps, but in some cases just enough to spell the split second difference between finishing at the top or well down the list.



JOERN GERDTS PHOTO

CAN THE NORWEGIANS BE BEATEN?

Classic Norwegian style, typified by Sverre Kongsgaard, is hard to beat

The U. S. women's squad is studded with a strong group including Andrea Mead of Pico Peak, Vt., who at 18 could lead the field. A consistently strong skier with Olympic experience and present U. S. downhill, slalom and combined champion, Andy should finish at or near the top.

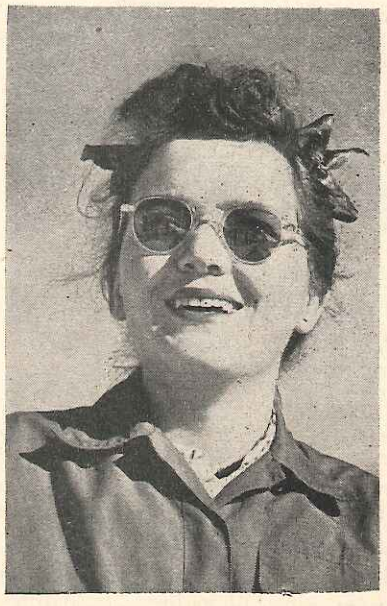
Rhona Wurtele Gillis, former Canadian star now of Whitefish, Montana, was plagued with injuries during the Olympics but this year is certain to be a strong contender. Likewise Dodie Post of Reno, who was forced out of the Olympics by a fracture in training, and Paula Kann of North Conway, N. H., can give the best Europeans a real run for honors. Brynhild Grasmoen of Madera, California, also knows her way around in international competition and is said to be in top form. Youngsters Suzy Harris of Salt Lake, Ann Dodge of



ANDREA MEAD
America's ranking champion has chance to upset "dope" and win everything



JOE PERRAULT
He holds U. S. distance mark and will push Norwegians



DODIE POST
Reno's favorite and U. S. Olympic captain may surprise

Pinkham Notch, N. H., Katy Rodolph of Hayden, Colorado, Jannette Burr of Seattle and Mary "Pete" Berg of Pullman, Washington are among the "comers" who may reach their peak in racing form in time to do the trick.

Downhill and Slalom

The men's downhill and slalom squads are packed with strength and the competition to make the team may be nearly as great as placing well in the Games themselves.

Steve Knowlton, who will be racing in his hometown, George Macomber of West Newton, Mass., our present national champion, Dick Movitz of Salt Lake, Jack "Red Dog" Reddish, also of Salt Lake, and Toni Matt of Whitefish, Montana, who was runner-up to Henri Oreiller of France in last year's Harriman Cup races at Sun Valley, outrunning all other members of the French team, have had plenty of experience in European competition.

Other men's downhill and slalom squad members include Gale Spence, Pete Seibert and Jim Griffith of Aspen, Dean Perkins of Ogden, Utah, and Dartmouth undergraduates Dave Lawrence and Brooks Dodge. Both are in the best of condition and Lawrence's victory in the National Giant Slalom Championships last spring prove that he must be reckoned with the best.



ART DEVLIN
Now or never

Placid Jumping Squad

The special jumping squad for the Lake Placid events includes Olympians Gordy Wren, Steamboat Springs, Col.; Ishpeming, Michigan stars Joe Perrault, who outjumped Norway's world champion Petter Hugsted last winter, and Ralph Bietila, youngest of the famous skiing brothers, and Art Devlin. Other squad members include Crosby Perry-Smith, also a native of Lake Placid; Keith Wegeman, Steamboat Springs,



NORWEGIAN DOWNHILL AND SLALOM TEAM
Borghild Niskin, Bjarne Arentz, Marius Eriksen, Jack Nilsen, Stein Eriksen and Guttorm Berge



PAULA KANN
Experience could win



DON JOHNSON
A 'comer for the combined



BRYNHILD GRASMOEN
In "top shape" for win

Col.; Wilmer Hampton, Leavenworth, Wash.; Eugene Wilson, Coleraine, Minn.; Billy Olson, Eau Claire, Wis.; George Pera, Iron Mountain, Mich.; Merrill "Mezzy" Barber, Brattleboro, Vt.; Wilbert Rasmussen, Ishpeming and Art Tokle of New York City and brother of the great Torger who was killed during the war.

"Prospects Are Excellent"

American squad members for the combined jumping and 18-kilometer cross-country event include present national champion Ralph Townsend and Lloyd Hawkenson of Durham, N. H.; Silas Dunklee, Henniker, N. H.; Allison Merrill, Lebanon, N. H.; Robert Wright, Canton, N. Y.; Buster Campbell, Seattle; Don Johnson, Sun Valley; Jack Pauly, Minneapolis, and Perry-Smith and Wren.

U. S. langlaufers to be selected for the 50-kilometer race include Roland Chivers, Boulder, Col.; John Burton, Wayzata, Minn.; Bob Johnson, Pullman, Wash.; Paul Townsend, Durham, N. H.; Wendall Broomhall, Rumford, Maine and Olavi Alakulppi, Gorham, N. H.

The women skiers are being coached by Friedl Pfeifer and the men's downhill and slalom squads by Barney McLean, while the jumpers and cross-country runners are being directed by Harald Sorenson and Birger Torrissen, respectively.

Barney McLean says: "The prospects are excellent."

Friedl Pfeifer says: "I regard our Ladies' Team of 1950 as a first class group of competitors of international calibre."

Harald Sorensen says: ". . . They are all determined to place higher than the American jinx of fifth place. With good breaks and luck, it surely can be done."

Out on a Limb . . .

Pick the winners! The world's best skiers will be at Lake Placid and Aspen and SKI Magazine goes out on the proverbial limb with a prediction that the following competitors will emerge as the world's best:

Men's downhill, slalom and giant slalom: Oreiller, Colo, Nogler, Couttet, Matt, Pazzi, Schopf and Schneider.

Women's downhill, slalom and giant slalom: Couttet-Schmith, Seghi, A. Schuh-Proxauf, Mead and Mahringer.

Men's jumping: Hugsted, Thrane, Devlin, Pietkainen and Schanen.

The training program will take its toll and "breaks" may unearth a new champion. In any case, may the best man (or woman) win.



GORDY WREN
America's best Olympic jumper may do it again



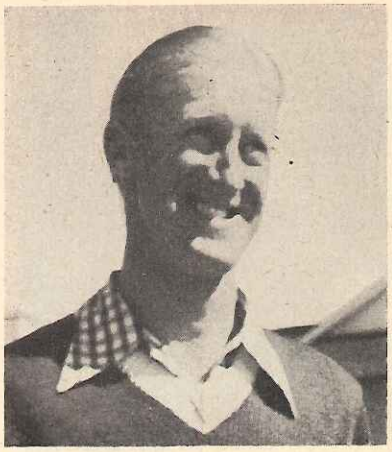
GEORGE MACOMBER
Ranking U. S. champ could upset Europe's best



TONI MATT
Is France's Oreiller too fast for the Arlberg specialist?

TWO OF A KIND . . .

McLean of U. S.—Couttet of France



McLean of U. S.

Ski folks out Colorado way consider Barney McLean their leading ski citizen. To them he's not only about the best skier anywhere, but also the grandest guy in the whole sports world. They take every honor and every title that comes his way as a personal tribute.

One of the many reasons for his great popularity is that, like Will Rogers, he "never met a man he didn't like."

He's loyal to his sport, and it would be impossible to measure the help he has given to American skiing. It would likewise be impossible to measure the respect he has gained us in the eyes of skiers from other countries when he captained the U. S. Olympic team in 1948, and when he went to Argentina with Jack Reddish last year to represent the U. S. in the Argentine championships.

He was born in Lander, Wyoming, in 1917, and began his skiing career at the age of five in Hot Sulphur Springs, Colo. The Springs kids in those days learned how to jump, but learned nothing of snowplows or christies. So his first title was won on a jumping hill when he took first place in the 1930 U. S. Western Boys Jumping Championships.

Barney wore his first pair of downhill skis in 1937. That same year he won the Berthoud Giant Slalom, and from then on successes flowed.

There follows a list of titles that would make your head swim! He reached the very peak of his career in 1942 when he won almost every title in U. S. skiing: the Harriman Cup Downhill and Combined, the National Amateur Downhill, Slalom and Combined and many others. As a climax to this memorable year he set the record on the Diamond Sun Course at Sun Valley. This record has never been broken.

It was also in 1942 that Barney enlisted in the Army Air Force. He attained the rank of corporal as an Arctic Search and Rescue instructor. He was stationed in Edmonton, Canada, when the Alta Cup was held in 1945, and a special plane flew him and Dick Movitz to the races. Of course Barney won the cup easily.

In February 1947 he severely injured his right leg and his back at Aspen. He says he has never skied the same since. But the records belie his words, for in the same year he won the Harriman Cup Slalom against the visiting Swiss team, and in 1948 was chosen captain of the U. S. Olympic team.

This list of titles could go on and on, but Barney's importance this year is as a coach. And if he does as well teaching as he has racing, the men's downhill and slalom teams for the FIS should have nothing to fear. As a man who really knows his business Barney enjoys the confidence of the whole team.

When asked about probable FIS results, he replied that "The prospects are excellent."

We all know how easy it is to make new friends on the ski slopes, and Barney feels that with the right approach to the problem, the coming FIS events will lead to the formation of many friendships between sportsmen of different countries.

W. S.



Couttet of France

In 1938, when he was sixteen, James Couttet won his first World Championship. Since then, he has won most of the major European races and has become one of the most famous skiers in the world. Among other titles, he has been three times champion of France in slalom, three times in downhill, and twice in the combined. He found time to train at jumping, and won the French national jumping title seven different times.

For the last three years he has been not only captain of the French team, but trainer and coach, as well. He deserves much of the credit for the success of the team during those years.

James Couttet was born on a farm in the Chamonix valley. His father, a popular mountain-guide, was one of the first in that region to use skis, and his sons grew up skiing in the winter and mountain-climbing in the summer. The war, and the German occupation, put a stop to ski-racing, but not to mountaineering. In fact, the men of the resistance, of whom Couttet was one, spent more time than ever in the high mountains.

When things returned to normal, after the war, James Couttet took the prescribed examination and became a full-fledged guide. In the same year — 1946 — he was married, and opened his sports store in the town of Chamonix.

Physically, Couttet is a small man — five feet, six inches in height and about one hundred and fifty pounds in weight. As might be expected, his coordination and balance are excellent, and he is much stronger than his size would suggest.

This year, while remaining as captain, he resigned as trainer and coach of the French team, in order to give more time to getting into top condition, himself. Eleven years after his first World Championship, he has his eyes on another.

B. D.



THEY CALL IT
The World's First Ski Club!

BY NORMAN BARTLETT

Most people associate Australia with sunshine and surfing, but a former gold-digger claims the world's first and oldest ski club for the land "down under".

He is William Patrick, 55-year-old postmaster at Kiandra in the Australian Alps, the highest (4,606 ft.) and coldest township in Australia.

Born at Kiandra in 1894, Bill Patrick "knocked about" Australia as a young man before settling down to married life in his home town. His father was a miner, and Bill skied as soon as he could walk.

Ever since that time, Bill Patrick has been considered Australia's best all-round skier. He claims that he could count his falls on his fingers, and that he has had none in the past nineteen years.

Not content with being a skier, he has been Kiandra's postmaster for ten years, and runs a few cattle as a sideline.

When the original Kiandra Snow Shoe Club was established is hard to fix. There were prospectors in the area in 1858 and 1859. The "rush" occurred in January, 1860, and, by the end of March, there were five thousand people in the field.

Some accounts say that Norwegians, who came to Australia from the Californian goldfields, introduced "snow shoes" during the first winter's snows. Reliable accounts fix the birth of the present Kiandra Club at about 1870, although others maintain that organized competitions were held much earlier.

Certainly Australian competitive skiing was well established when organized snow sports began in Europe. According to the *Encyclopedia Britannica*, skiing as a sport began in Norway "about 1860".

The first non-Norwegian ski clubs were formed in Germany in 1890, Switzerland, 1893, and France, 1896.

Meanwhile, gold diggers in the Australian Alps were using skis for everyday winter locomotion and holding sporting contests on them in their spare time.

The first Australian skis were much broader than the Norwegian ones, being five inches wide in the toe and tapering to four inches in the heel. The Kiandra ski-makers used mountain ash or spotted gum, and developed their own waxes from resin, beeswax, sperm candles and vaseline.

Kiandra is now a snow sports town, with its biggest winter population at the Chalet. Bill Patrick, his wife and most of his nine children are the only year-round permanent inhabitants. In summer sheep men and cattlemen, with their families, live in the dozen or so stone and wooden huts which cluster around the Post Office and the Chalet.

Although Mt. Kosciusko has become the biggest and most popular center for skiing in New South Wales, Kiandra has a faithful following. With growing national and international interest in Australia's extensive snow fields — they are bigger than Switzerland's and provide rounded slopes without chasms or glaciers — Kiandra has an assured future.

The early miners would no doubt be amazed to see the thriving town they built now depending upon a spare-time sport for its existence.

THE TELEMARK—*"passé," says Thorner;*

Ski school head, ski lodge owner and operator and motion picture director are a few of the accomplishments of Hans Thorner, whose answer to Arnold Lunn's article in the December 15 issue, is presented below.

Mr. Arnold Lunn, internationally famous skiing author, has emptied a couple of fountain pens in his dashing, Vorlage-like style, the result of which SKI open-mindedly proceeded to print. His primary concern seems to be the supposedly premature beheading of the telemark by the Arlbergers. In toto he infers that Hannes Schneider is the culprit and is wanted for the murder of the telemark.

By the way, some of the younger readers from Kalamazoo might conceivably wonder who or what a telemark is.

"Doctor, I have a lady in the balcony!"

"No, very sorry, Madam, a telemark is not a Paleozoic reptile."

The telemark, when correctly performed, is a beautiful and graceful turn. It may be steered for long radius turns, or jerked (yanked) for short radius turns. Very dandy in powder snow and murder on rough or icy going! Not a bad maneuver, if you're loaded down with a fifty-pound milk can and don't want to bring home butter! (End of lesson.)

To return to the untimely (according to Mr. Lunn) demise of the telemark, Mr. Lunn issues the following challenge:

"*The challenge is open, and the Editor of this paper with its pleasant controversial tradition might provide me with a chance to debate the telemark in his columns, provided and provided only that he can get anybody to accept my challenge.*"

Now personally I would feel flattered to participate with the eminent author in a *duelle des plumes*, for he swings a wicked pen, but it is a well established fact that such debates on paper lead absolutely nowhere. This, therefore, represents merely a partial analysis of the distinguished author's article, for the sake of skiing in general, and, if I dare hope, for the amusement of the reader.

Let's roll along and consider the contents, paragraph by paragraph. Being considerably younger then than I am now, I do not remember that the Arlberg School "created a sensation by abolishing the telemark." The fact that somewhere along the path of the Arlberg School's rise to fame, Hannes Schneider eliminated the telemark did not produce as great a splash as Mr. Lunn would like us to believe.

Mr. Lunn further states: "*The historical origin of the bias against the telemark is to be traced to the fact that Hannes Schneider, my old friend, shoved his feet so far into the toe-irons that he could not telemark with any comfort.*"

I feel sure that Hannes, in his prime, knew how to mount a couple of toe-irons. If he didn't, one of his assistants certainly would have been able to remedy the matter. Besides, if Hannes continued with this faulty rig, as it is implied he did, his snowplow and stem-turn must have suffered likewise.

A Pure And Simple Toy

Personally I have nothing against the telemark; we have never been cross with each other. About once or twice each season I attempt to make a couple of them, just for the fun of it. But the telemark as a turn is as passé as the tricycle as a means of locomotion. And like the tricycle, the telemark today is a pure and simple toy — not necessary, but fun to play with.

James Palmer-Tomkinson, Britain's international competitor, bewails the decline in straight-running and the general decadence of skiing. Mr. Lunn quotes him as saying: "*I can't rid myself of the feeling that an attempt (possibly subconscious) is being made to make our skiing into a nice gentle sport for the masses; to draw the tiger's teeth, so to speak. It is, after all, in a mass-produced and physically easy age, one of the few remaining sports that still demands and develops man's more attractive qualities.*"

To this I must stick a seal skin in my mouth and respond in my best Oxford-Swiss accent: "I say, old chap, that statement is quite assinine. Yes, indeed — quite! Not exactly what I should expect from a fellow whose 'attractive qualities' should be more fully developed! Jolly rot, I'd say! Rather!"

When Mr. Lunn speaks of mountaineering, then I can partly agree with him. Ski mountaineering means Alpine touring; it means miles of untracked snow and wallowing in powder. It does require a soft ski with a broad shovel, but it doesn't mean that I can't use a soft ski with a broad shovel on hard-packed hills and trails. I can! He who knows his skiing will have the proper equipment for the proper occasion, for any craftsman is only as good as his tools.

All of this should prevent no one from telemarking all he cares to whenever the occasion and the snow permits. There is no law against the telemark, and I wish Mr. Lunn many happy telemarking years. But let no one forget that it is the easy skiing of the packed slope, the uphill heave of the ski lift, and the power of promotion that has brought skiing so far in so few years.

Meanwhile, happy telemarking to all and sundry!

Fred Iselin has also written a reply to Arnold Lunn's claim that skiing is on the downhill. Iselin is co-director of the Aspen ski school with Friedl Pfeifer, add author of several books on skiing.

I read Mr. Lunn's article with the greatest interest. I was surprised at the viewpoint he is taking on skiing in 1950. But I was more than surprised that Mr. Arnold Lunn, after all he has done for the sport of skiing, should consider the resurrection of the telemark!

There may be those in the American ski public who are not completely familiar with the great promotional work Mr. Lunn has done for skiing. In my opinion, it was he who originated and organized ski racing. It was he who promoted the ski tourist trade to the Swiss Alps and made of the Bernese Oberland a colony of the British Empire. Mr. Lunn, with the

a "typical leg-twister," says Iselin

help of the spirit of sport in the British guests, made skiing what it is today. For much of this modern skiing, as he calls it, much of this snobbery in methods and techniques, he is responsible.

And now, Mr. Lunn, you have suddenly discovered that skiing has developed into something you never dared dream of! Something that has been carried away by uncontrollable masses of people who are anxious to get their money's worth out of their lift tickets over their short week-end — masses who pack the fresh, light Friday snowfall into a hard, bumpy Saturday nightmare. I agree with you. But can we change it?

I remember well the days when my father, Christoph Iselin the ski pioneer, used to take me skiing with him. I still was a small boy but my father insisted that we take our walks only on skis, preferably along the edges of a mountain creek. To look at fish! Or perhaps he pointed out a heavy snowed-under pine tree. We looked at thousands of rabbit tracks! Sometimes we followed these tracks for hours, and usually got lost during these "hunts." For our downhill experiences we chose golfcourse-like gentle downhill slopes, using the poles between our legs to break our speed as we descended. But sometimes — we made telemarks, feeling great and elegant!

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I should like to point out also that the telemark is a typical "leg twister," and I might add, one that invites injuries. I would also go so far as to say that if all skiers today were to use telemarks, the accident rate would immediately increase. It would rise to a point where not even Lloyd's of London would insure a skier.

In spite of the fact that in the heyday of the telemark there were relatively few skiers, the injuries were considerably more complicated than they are today. A telemark fracture usually was a break of the upper part of the thigh, a spiral break, a compound fracture or at best, a very severe sprain. According to records of the Aspen Ski Patrol System, during the 1948–49 season, the ski accident rate for 21,000 skiers at Aspen was only one-fifth of one percent. Out of this incredibly low accident rate, which included minor injuries, such as poking a ski pole in the behind, there was not one complicated break!



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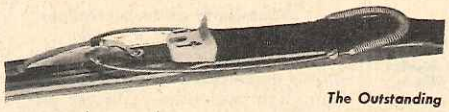

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Broken Leg?

Bill Parrish, who has written this article especially for SKI MAGAZINE, *is known to most Eastern skiers as the genial host at "Johnny Seesaw's," a comfortable inn near Big Bromley and Manchester, Vt. A veteran skier, and also a good one, Bill is convinced that the use of safety bindings will reduce the number of ski accidents. The opinions expressed in this article are his own, and the editors present them as one side of a controversial issue. Readers' opinions on this important subject will be most welcome.*

WHY in the name of Ulla so many people break or sprain legs and ankles when most such injuries are avoidable by use of safety bindings, I don't know, except that these bindings are comparatively new and are not generally understood or sold, particularly in the East. One Northwest manufacturer reports that over 20,000 pairs of his safety bindings are in use and that about one third of his binding sales this year will be of this type.

In almost daily skiing, my own Hvam *"Saf-Ski"* bindings have never released except in a bad spill when I was mighty glad they did. They have released only five times in the entire



Safety Bindings may be the Answer!

period. They certainly saved me from getting a badly broken leg once, and probably a twisted knee on two other occasions.

Because of this experience, I am convinced that any recreational skier, from beginner to expert, who uses the old style "bear traps" to weld him to his skis ought to have his head examined! Why take chances when good and proven safety bindings are available? The Hvam *Saf-Ski* binding also offers a distinct improvement in "feel" and control of the skis in addition to its safety feature, because it holds the toe down tight to the ski.

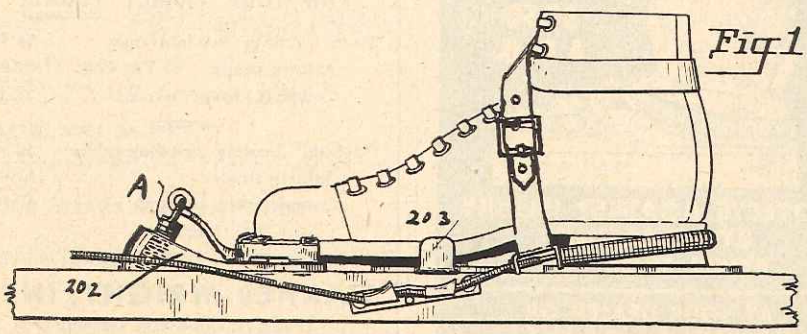
There are several such bindings on the market and most of them have merit. The only two I know much about are the *Hjalmar Hvam Saf-Ski* and the *Anderson & Thompson Safety Binding*. Both work on somewhat the same principle, and both are effective. This report is necessarily limited to these two makes.

HOW YOU GET HURT

The cause of 90% of the breaks and sprains in ski accidents is the tremendous twisting leverage applied against the leg and ankle by the ski. This twist occurs when the ski shovel strikes a snag — or a sitzmark frozen into the trail — or catches in heavy, wet snow or under a crust — particularly when the ski is in a slightly stemmed position.

The ski stops, but the skier's momentum carries him forward, so that his ski is turned under him as he falls, exerting a bone-breaking twist unless a device such as the safety binding lets the boot out, or unless the ski breaks. Something has got to give. Most novices and intermediates "check" a great deal in a snowplow or stem position, constantly exposing themselves to the danger of a caught ski-shovel; they need safety bindings more than anyone else.

There will be from five to twenty-five injuries from sprains to broken bones every single busy weekend even on a well-groomed and maintained major area, with a toll of perhaps 150 people hurt badly enough to require a toboggan. Of these injuries, fully 90% happen to novice or intermediate skiers. I am convinced that good safety bindings would prevent the vast majority of them, having been on the spot to help haul a good many out.



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Part 2. — **The Crossbar (Fig. 203).** This is absolutely essential to effect the most positive release. Efficiency of the binding is reduced by a third by omission of the crossbar. All novice to intermediate skiers should use it.

Part 3. — **Base Plate and Pivot (Fig. A-202).** In the Hvam *Saf-Ski* this part consists of a forked bracket mounted on a pivot-post, which replaces the toe-iron. The forked bracket fits into a metal clip screwed onto toe of the boot — much like a sole protector. The fork fits into two slots in the front of boot clip, about one-quarter-inch deep, and it will release three ways: a horizontal twist to either side; an upward pull at the toe; or a twisting pull upward.

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The Anderson & Thompson roller is easier to get into; the Hvam *Saf-Ski* fork holds toe down tighter. Either type is effective. Buy whichever you can get.

OPERATION

When the ski starts to twist the boot and leg in a spill, the cable heel-spring will stretch slightly and heel of boot will be forced to one side of the ski. This movement applies pressure to the lip on the crossbar (part 2). It serves as the fulcrum point to exert the leverage necessary to rotate the front pivot (Part 3) and release the boot before leg injury is possible. Voila! Your binding has earned its keep, and you will ski with renewed confidence that you won't get hurt.

Part 4 — **The Arlberg Strap** is necessary to keep the ski from running away after release. It also provides added ankle support; it is attached to the cables and wrapped around ankle as illustrated. Only experts should substitute the Swiss racing wrap.

PROPER ADJUSTMENT

A. The Cable must be tight. A loose cable will permit premature release. The bindings are designed to release under pressure in spite of a tight cable. Let me repeat: in three winters of steady use, I have never lost a ski except in a bad spill.

B. The Crossbar should be placed under widest point of boot and fastened to ski with only one screw so that it too can revolve. The lip on either side should be fitted close to boot.

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heelspring. For small boots — and lighter skiers — this measurement should be at least two inches.

Novices and beginners. The rear hook of the low hitch bracket should be located only slightly behind crossbar for maximum safety leverage. The further forward these brackets are in relation to the crossbar, the more readily will the binding release in a twist.

Racers and expert skiers. Where extreme down-pull is desired, with some sacrifice of safety, a Swiss racing wrap or "short thong" attaching to the ski itself is used without the crossbar. This reduces chance of release in a spill by about a third. Advantage of front swivel and firm pressure on toe of boot is retained. Result is excellent control and fair insurance against a "spiral" fracture.

These bindings are not foolproof. You must understand them and keep them properly adjusted. Principal fault is that they won't stay on with down-pull released, and they are not good for extended climbing or touring. And it takes a little longer to put on your skis than with a conventional binding.

Safety bindings are still new. Very few ski shops understand them or realize how much they can mean to skiers and to the sport. Some will tell you the bindings are "no good," particularly if the shop doesn't stock them. Few expert skiers or instructors have bothered to look into them; after all, they don't need them as much as most of us do! Some are prejudiced against them without trial because they fear premature release, which will not happen if cables are tight.

Don't take "no good" for an answer. Safety bindings work and work well. They are the most important development in ski equipment since the introduction of the cable. They may save you six weeks in a cast, or several months in a hospital, and a great deal of pain, trouble and expense. No one will claim they are 100% effective. But they will save three out of four sprains or breaks resulting from a twisting ski, and three-to-one are mighty good odds!

Yours for safer skiing and greater confidence,

(*Signed*) BILL PARRISH

The following people have given their opinions for quotation:

Erling Strom, Stowe, Vt.: "I mounted my first set of Hvam Saf-Ski bindings many years ago. All told, I have twisted out of the bindings on six occasions, and am positively certain that my leg was saved at least three of these times. I believe that if the binding became generally used, it would eliminate 75% of all ski accidents, and I do not permit my family to use anything else."

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However, both before and after this event the high-fliers will tour the country.

A stop for many will be the 63rd annual Ishpeming (Michigan) Ski Club tournament on Suicide hill, Feb. 1950. Norwegian, Finnish and Swedish ski jumpers have been invited to participate, the invitations having been sent in the languages of the three countries.

Ishpeming officials hope that Matti Pietikainen, Finland's leading jumper who competed there last February, will compete with many other Scandinavian aces.

Salisbury, Conn., will also see many of the world's best soarers. Although designed for jumps of sixty meters, there is every indication this mark will be bettered on January 8 when a top-ranking international field will be on hand to limber up for the FIS world championships at Lake Placid.

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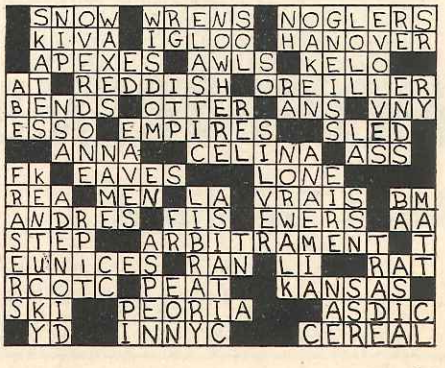
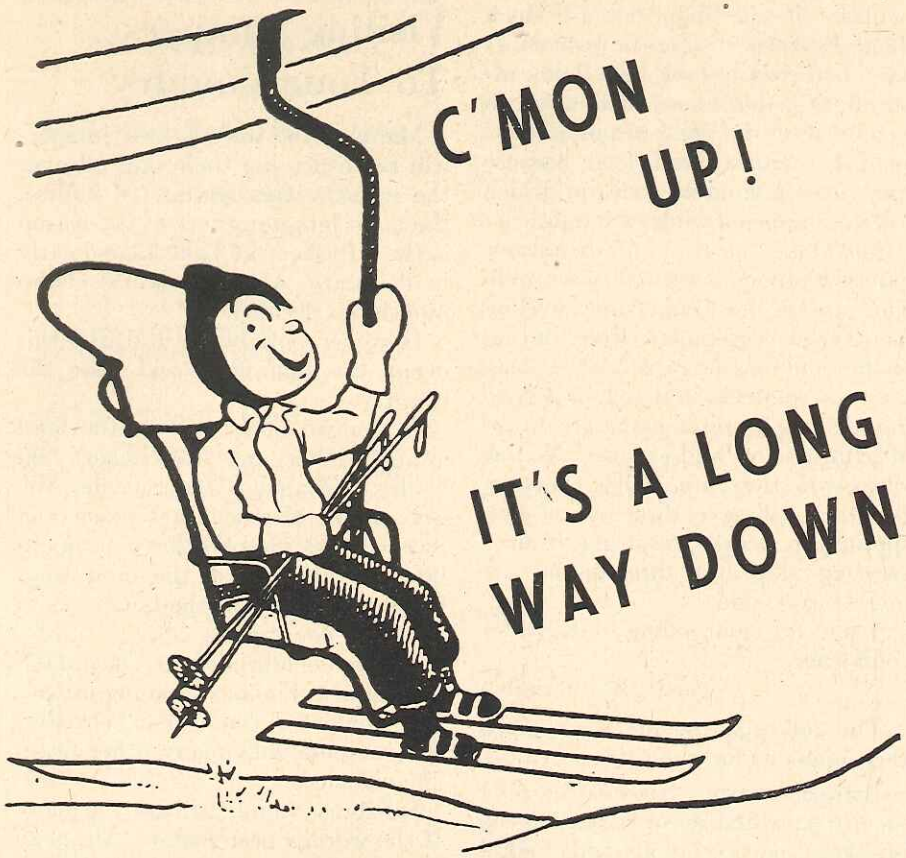
Last year at Salisbury Art Devlin was hard-pressed to beat the smooth style of Brattleboro's Mezzie Barber and two visiting Swedish Olympic jumpers.

In winning the 1949 Connecticut State Championship Devlin cracked the fifteen-year-old hill record set by Reider Anderson, but it is a foregone conclusion that the old mark will be shattered on January 8.

Solution to Crossword Puzzle In Dec. 15 Issue





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Canton, N. Y. — Another strong collegiate ski team has accepted St. Lawrence University's invitation to participate in the 15th annual S.L.U. Winter Carnival Feb. 9, 10, and 11 at the South Colton Snow Bowl. The capable McGill university team of Montreal notified the Larries yesterday of its decision to appear in the top-flight competition. The Canadian squad is the fifth to accept a bid. Already, Dartmouth, Middlebury, New Hampshire, and Syracuse have agreed to attend, and the University of Maine is trying to fit the carnival meet into its schedule.

Senior Division Teams

Eight squads are to compete under present plans, and the majority of these will be senior division teams, with a few crack junior division clubs. This improvement in competition is a long step over previous years, when only junior bracket teams were here.

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Meanwhile, preparations and planning continue. Coach Otto Schniebs' able Scarlet skiers, the senior division hosts, are conditioning daily, ready to take to the boards when sufficient snow is on the ground at the South Colton Snow Bowl.

Strong Dartmouth Team

Coach Walter Prager has high hopes for the Dartmouth ski team this year. Despite the loss through graduation of Wilbur Bull, Griff Lumbard and Sandy Treat, the Big Green is looking forward to what it hopes will be one of the best seasons since the war.

Brooks Dodge and Dave Lawrence will be absent during the first part of the season in order to compete in the World Championships at Aspen in February. However, headed by Captain Tor Arneberg and lettermen "Red" Austin, Wes Blake, "Pat" Brewster, John Caldwell, Al Karcher, Ed Post and Colin Stewart, the Indians will be a hard team to beat.

A less cheerful outlook faces Ed Blood, coach of the University of New Hampshire ski team. Ralph Townsend, last year's classic combined national champion, and cross-country ace Si Dunklee were lost through graduation. Dunklee lost only one race last year in the cross-country event, and that was to team-mate Townsend.

Serious Loss

The loss of these experienced skiers leaves a gloomy outlook for the Wildcats, but with Captain Sheldon Varney, of Rochester, Jim Bailey, Ed Cole, and Bill Mellett as returning lettermen, Blood's men won't be left at the starting gate.

Coach Buster Campbell of the University of Washington ski team expects to field three teams this winter — a seven-man varsity, a seven-man B group, and a seven-man freshman team.

Husky Aces

Among the Husky veterans who will be on hand for the tryouts are Alan Fischer, Northern Division cross-country champion, Bill Talbott and Gustav Raaum, the Norwegian jumping star.

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BY DAN WOODWARD

In winter, tiny Big Bear Lake, high in the San Bernardino mountains, comes alive with Los Angeleans, streaming up over State Route 18. More carloads arrive by the only other route of entry, the steep grade rising from the Mojave Desert and U. S. Route 66, to the north.

The factor that most distinguishes Big Bear Lake from any other ski center is that almost everyone there is a beginner. There are no slopes long enough and tough enough to excite the advanced or expert skier. Besides, skiing as a popular pastime is still brand-new in Southern California, and there just are not very many experienced skiers. But in Big Bear Lake the air is full of skiing language, the people are dressed in colorful ski costumes, and, above all, there is no measuring the crowd's enthusiasm.

Everyone uses the tows; the slopes which do not have tows are untouched. The majority of the people must cram their skiing into a few short week-end hours, and do not feel that they can waste time climbing. Los Angeles is more than one hundred miles away, and the mountain grade ices up and is dangerous from late afternoon on, which recommends an early mass-withdrawal on Sunday afternoons.

The temperature during the day is usually above freezing. Powder snow does fall frequently at night, but it never lasts beyond mid-morning of the following day.

The prevailing slope condition is granular. This makes for fast skiing, which is unfortunate, since almost nobody wants to go fast. The warmth, and a certain amount of Hollywood propaganda, tempt a number of people to ski in scanty costumes. The first fall in granular snow invariably puts an end to such practices, and more suitable clothing goes on over scraped and raw limbs.

There is a comfortable, small hotel, but most of the crowd make camp in the countless overnight cabins. Ski shops are amply stocked, and do an enormous business. So do the filling-stations, for many Southern Californians are not familiar with anti-freeze, and find out about it the morning after a cold night.

Most of the crowd are quite at home in Big Bear Lake, but those who feel that they are ready to graduate to something bigger look longingly at the higher peaks, which have beautiful, open slopes, but, unfortunately, no tows. One such mountain is San Gorgonio, which rises to 11,485 feet, immediately south of Big Bear. Skiers would like to equip it with lodges and lifts, but conservationists are determined to keep it in its primitive state.

Big Bear Lake is the most significant milestone in the development of skiing in Southern California. Its enthusiastic horde will move on gradually to claim the bigger and better slopes, but thousands of newcomers each year will make their first sitzmarks on the ramparts of the snow bunny town.

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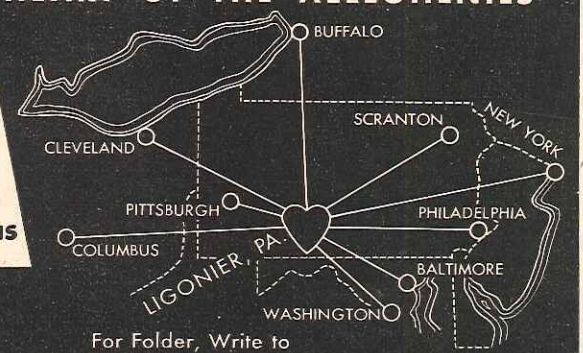

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The Macdonald twins, Bruce and Don, from Tacoma, Wash., and Sun Valley, Idaho, recently received their diplomas from the French National Ski School for Instructors. They graduated from the School last February, and are the only two foreigners ever to graduate and receive diplomas as certified French ski teachers.

The twins, who know the French method as well as anyone and who are enthusiastic in its praise, left the 3rd of Dec. for St. Anton in Austria, to train for the coming season with the Austrian national team under the guidance of Tony Seelos. They plan to race in Europe this season as members of an unofficial U. S. team.

[*Authors of this column, Bil and Kris Dunaway, are also on the unofficial U. S. team, but are too modest to say so.* — ED. NOTE.]

Over here as well as in the States there has been a considerable controversy over the respective merits of the French long-thong binding and the ordinary cable binding. Most French skiers use the long-thong, a binding that holds the foot in the toe-iron by the use of a long leather strap passed through a hole in the ski under the boot and wrapped around the foot.

Most Swiss skiers, on the other hand, use the more conventional cable-type binding, plus a strap or two passed around the foot for good measure. We have noticed that one or two members of the French national team are now using cables and that two or three members of the Swiss team are using the French thongs. Everyone tries to do his bit for international harmony.

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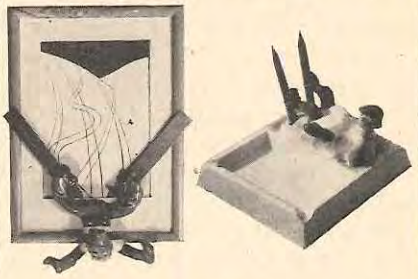

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John D. Southam, of Calgary, Alberta, and *James Morrison*, of Banff, have been named as joint chairmen to conduct the North American and Canadian Ski Championships to be held in Banff, Feb. 25 to March 5 inclusive.

Named as sub-chairmen were *Bob "Steam" Watt* and *Casper McCullough*.

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Francis "Sonny" Drury, former member of the Dartmouth College ski team, has been awarded a Rhodes Scholarship. He hopes to get some Swiss skiing mixed in with his English education.

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At a recent press meeting at Stowe, Vt., *Lowell "Sonny" Thomas Jr.* presented the premiere of the film of the trip he took with his father, the famous radio commentator and skier.

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Bob Mason, president of the Far West Ski Instructors' Association, will teach at the Green Valley Lake Bowl in Southern California's San Bernardino Mountains this winter. Bob also has become manager of Pratt's Sporting Goods Store in nearby Running Springs where he, wife *Helen*, and twins, make their home.



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BY WILLIAM S. WASSERMAN

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Throughout the countryside bordering on the French Alps, from Geneva to Nice, the same scene is taking place. In Grenoble alone, a town of about 100,000 inhabitants, fifty public or private buses head up to the resort towns every Sunday of the winter season.

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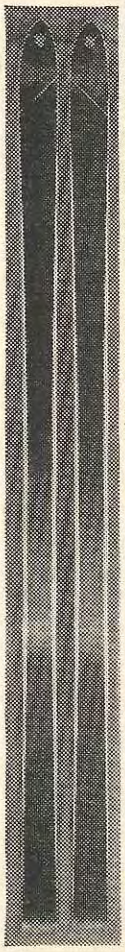



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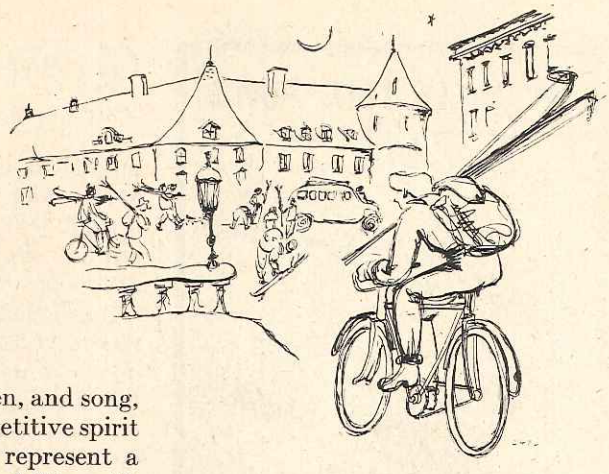

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In Grenoble alone there are at least twenty of these ski clubs, and their membership comes from every walk of life. The Club Merger, for example, is the ski club for a large industrial plant, whereas the Grenoble University Club draws mostly from students.

Inter-club Races

A large portion of this membership gets a crack at racing in club races. Almost every weekend one club or another sponsors a meet drawing six or seven club teams. These races are not deadly serious — there is usually a good deal of wine, women, and song, but nevertheless the competitive spirit reigns. The competitors represent a cross section of regional ability with one to three top rank skiers, skiers who would place in the first five in the Easterns for instance, and twenty or thirty skiers of mediocre ability.

Governing Body

The regional club racing is not the only way into competition. The French Federation of Skiing is extremely active in French skiing, much more active and much more of a governing body than our National Ski Association. Besides training and certifying all instructors, selecting the national team, holding international meets, and other extensive operations, the FFS runs the national competition. This national competition is hot. Among the first twenty, all the skiers approached the rank of those French skiers who appeared in our races last year. Allard, for example, who won the giant slalom, did not even have a place on the French team.

Student Skiing

On the student level, competitive skiing in France is as different as possible from competitive skiing in the U. S. Most of the better American skiers are from the student ranks, be-

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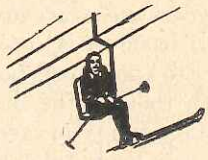

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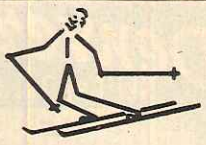

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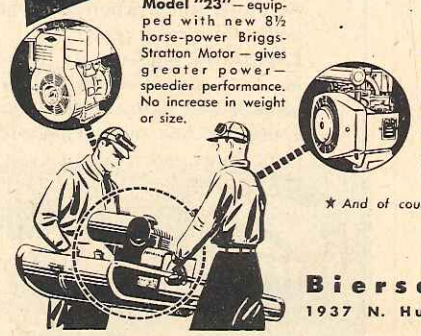

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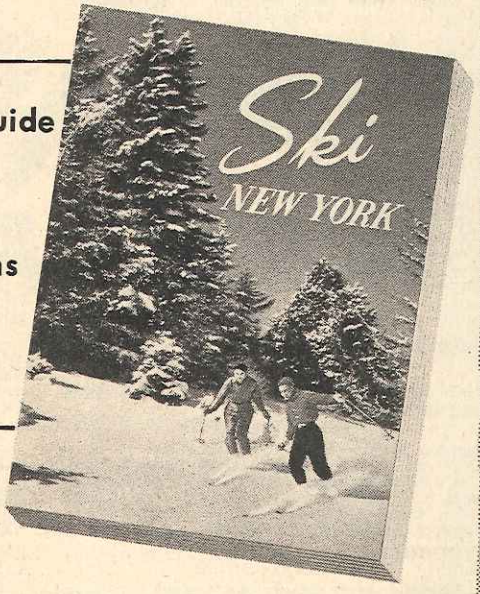

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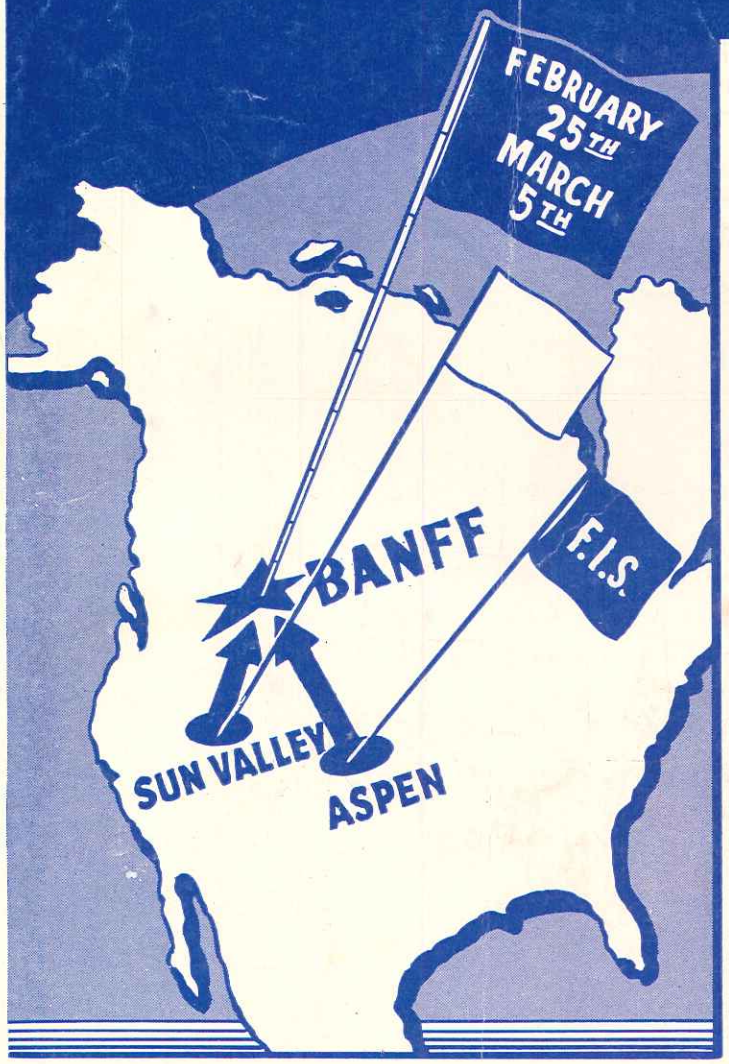

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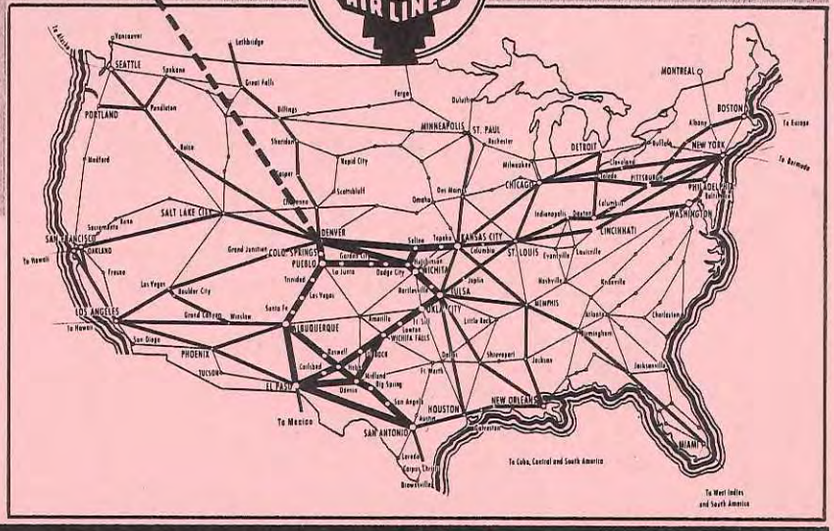

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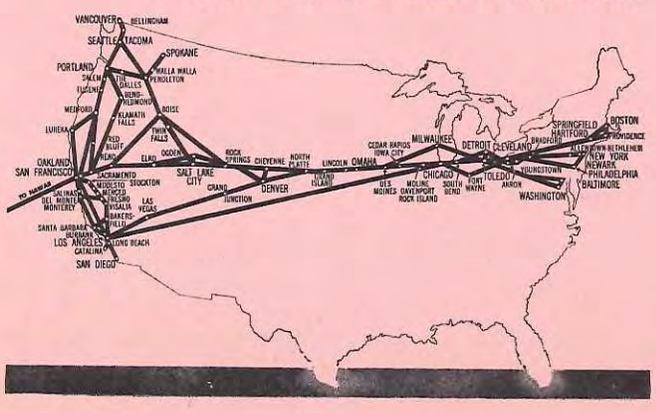

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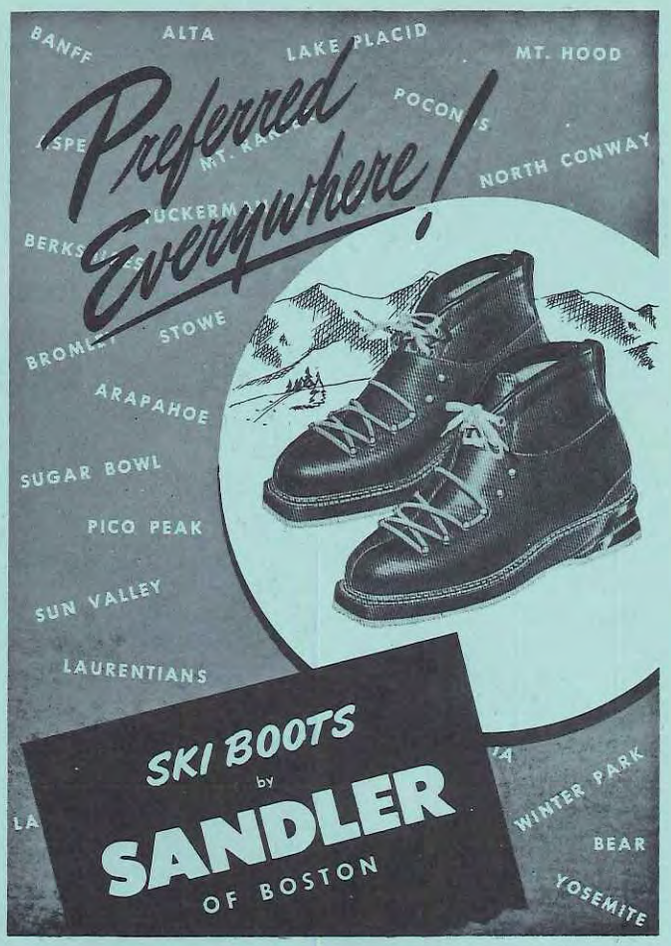



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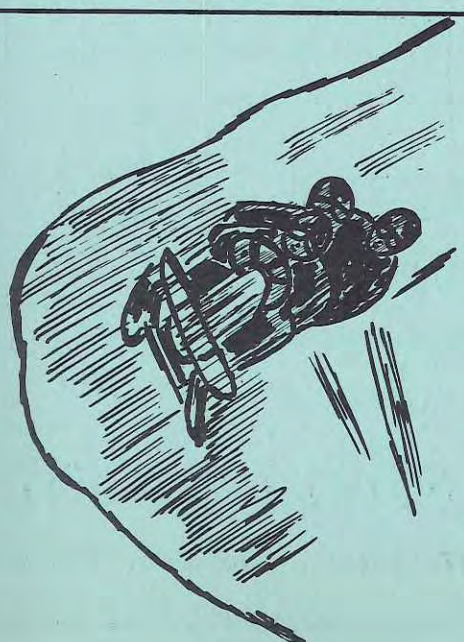

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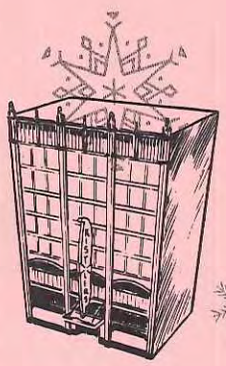

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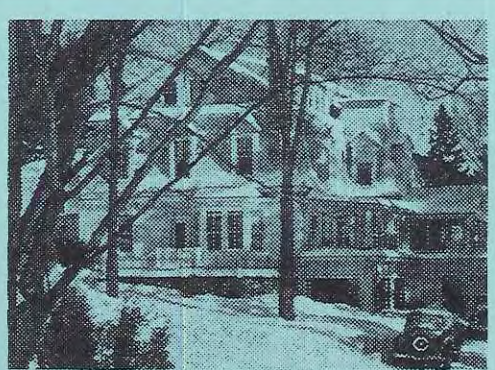

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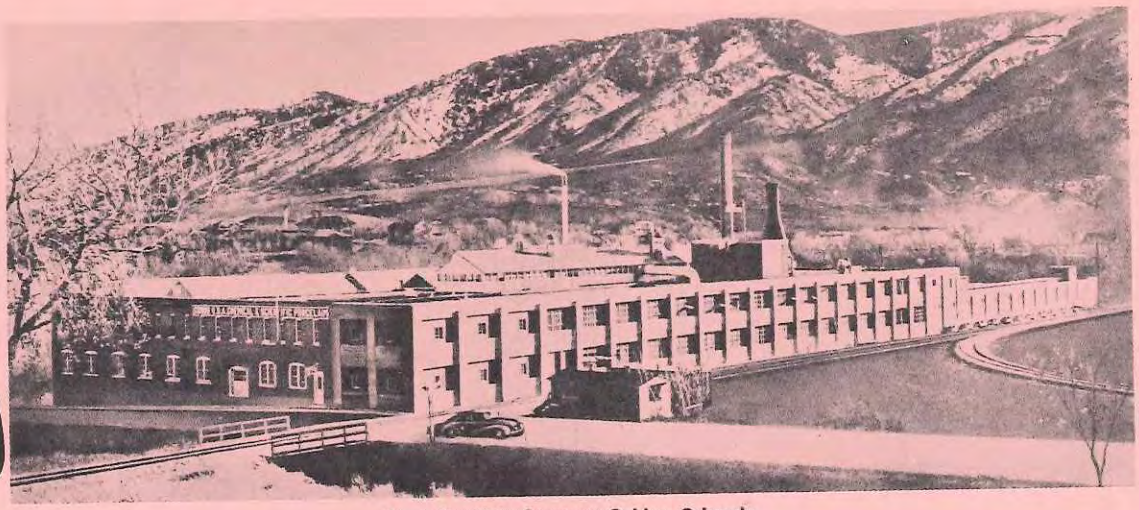

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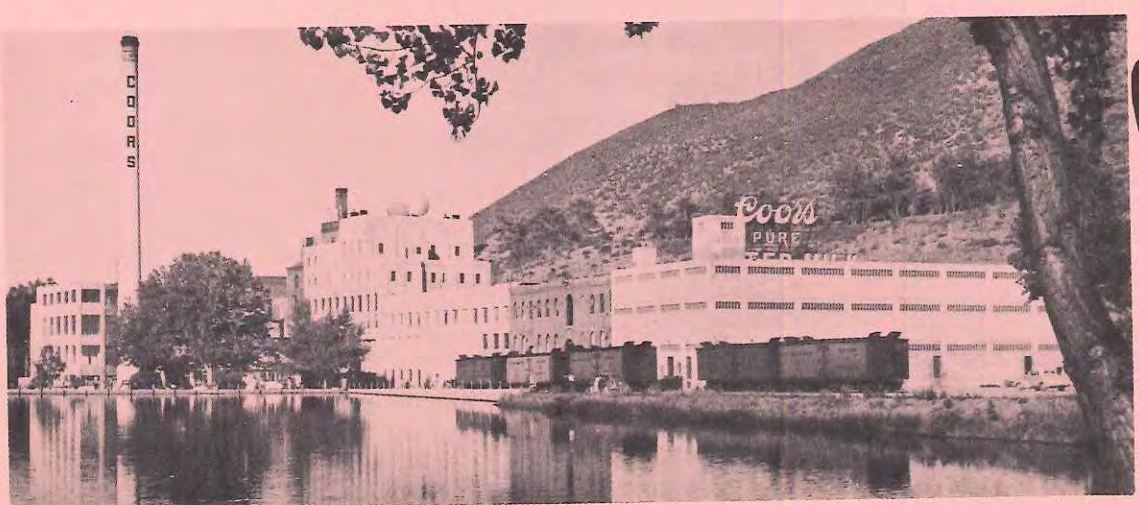

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Andrea Meade. Photo Dick Durrance

Don Goodman, nationally famed ski racer, hurtles down the Rock Garden on Baldy Mountain toward Sun Valley far below.
Photo Ray Atkeson

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Since this is the first opportunity we in the United States have had to be hosts to the World Ski Championships sponsored by the Federation Internationale de Ski, it is a particular pleasure to welcome you to these events. Under the common bond of skiing the nations you represent meet in friendly competition in order to extend the healthy influence of our favorite sport. During the past years it has been my good fortune to visit many of the countries from which you have come, where I have enjoyed your hospitality and at times your magnificent skiing. I extend my welcome in the spirit that you have so cordially welcomed me.

W. A. Harriman



Thomas E. Dewey

It is a pleasure to send warm greetings to the organizers and sponsors of World Ski Championships on the occasion of the contests to be held at Lake Placid, New York and Aspen, Colorado. I am happy to welcome the competitors from foreign nations who will be practicing their skill in our State and I am sure that in so doing I am speaking for the people of the entire State.

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Sincerely yours,

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Lee Knous

WELCOME FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE de SKI

On behalf of the People of the State of Colorado, it is a great honor for me to welcome the ski champions of the world--and our many other distinguished visitors--to the 1950 World Ski Championships of the Federation Internationale de Ski. We in Colorado are honored that you have chosen Aspen in our State as the site of the Alpine Events in this great ski meet. We are proud to have a part in an occasion that will make for greater friendship and understanding among the nations of the world through the magnificent sport of skiing. It is our hope that you will feel as we do . . . that Colorado skiing ranks with the finest you have ever known. We would it were possible to greet each FIS participant in person . . . to offer you sincere greetings and best wishes for good luck in this international contest.

Sincerely,

Lee Knous

Lee Knous
Governor of the State of Colorado
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"The International Ski Association"

by Colonel N. R. Ostgaard
President of the FIS

In view of the fact that skiing in one form or another most probably originated hundreds of years ago in those parts of the world where the snowmasses enforced some adequate means of transportation, the *history of the FIS* covers only a small period of the history of skiing.

In fact, the FIS history is not even identical with the *history of modern skiing*, as skiing as a sport is of a much earlier date than the foundation of the FIS and can be traced back as far as the year 1862. In the year 1868 some farmers from the small province of Telemark in Norway came up to the capital, then Christiania (now Oslo) to show their merits in ski-jumping. slalom and cross-country race. This gave the initiative to the inauguration of several Ski Clubs; thus the Christiania Ski Club was founded in 1877.

Ski Clubs had been founded. however. also before that year:

Norway:	Trysil Ski Club, 1861.
Australia:	The Snow Club, 1861.
U.S.A.:	La Porte Ski Club, 1867.
and later on:	
Sweden:	Stockholm Ski Club, 1879.
Germany:	Ski Club Munchen, 1890.
Austria:	Wiener Ski Club, 1891.
Switzerland:	Ski Club Glarus, 1893.
Russia:	Moscow Ski Club, 1895.
Czechoslovakia:	Cesky Ski Club, 1895.
France:	Ski Club des Alpes, 1896.
Italy:	Ski Club Torino, 1901.
Canada:	Montreal Ski Club, 1903.
England:	Ski Club of Great Britain, 1903.
Africa:	Ski Club Algerien, 1905.

National Ski Associations were founded in the following years:

1883: Norway, Skiforeningen, acting as Ski Association.
1892: Sweden, Skidframjandet, acting as Ski Association.
1902: France, Club Alpin Francais, acting as Ski Association.
1903: Great Britain, The Ski Club of Great Britain, acting as Ski Association.
1904: U.S.A.
1904: Switzerland.
1905: Austria.
1905: Germany.
1906: Finland—Finnish Sports Federation.
1908: Norway—the Norwegian Ski Association.
1909: Sweden—the Swedish Ski Association.
1918: Hungary.
1919: Czechoslovakia.
1920: Poland.
1920: Canada.

Ski competitions with international participation started about 1890 (in U.S.A. 1887. in Petersburg (now Leningrad) in Russia 1888, in Sweden 1892, in Austria 1893) and it soon proved necessary to create *an international organization*, the main task of which should be to establish international ski competition rules.

At the invitation of the Norwegian Ski Association the first *International Ski Congress* was organized in Oslo 18th February, 1910, where repre-

Administration.

The FIS is directed by:

1. The Ski Congress.
2. The FIS Council.
3. The FIS Executive Committee.
4. The FIS Presidency.

As the International Ski Association has gradually grown into a rather complicated organization, it has proved necessary to establish "Technical Committees" to assist the FIS Council. These Committees are:

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The Cross-country Committee.
The Jumping Committee.
The Ladies Committee.

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sentatives from the following 10 countries were present:—Austria, Bohemia, England, France, Germany, Norway, Scotland, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland. This Congress appointed an "*International Ski Commission*" consisting of three members, who were charged with the task of preparing international ski competition rules.

In the following years this Ski Commission was conducting the co-operation of international skiing; Ski Congresses were held partly in Scandinavia, partly on the European Continent, until the first World War broke out in 1914 and thus put a temporary end to international co-operation in the field of skiing.

The first Ski Congress after World War I was organized in Stockholm, Sweden, on the 10th of February, 1922, at which Czechoslovakia, Finland, France, Norway, Romania and Sweden were represented. At this Congress international competition rules were drafted and adopted.

By this time the importance of international skiing had grown to such an extent, and the national Ski Associations had become so numerous that the International Ski Commission was no longer adequate for the purpose.

And finally, at the VIII International Ski Congress in Chamonix, France, on February 2nd, 1924, the International Ski Association (Federation Internationale de Ski, abbreviated to FIS) was founded, with the following nations joining the new league:—Austria, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Italy, Jugoslavia, Norway, Poland, Romania, Sweden, Switzerland, United States of America.

The purpose of the FIS is:—

1. To make propaganda for the ski sport, to watch and to direct the development of skiing;
2. To create and to maintain friendly relations between the affiliated Associations;
3. To organize the Ski World Championships;
4. To create precise Rules for Ski Competitions and for hills and courses approved by the FIS;
5. To approve only those international Ski Competitions which are organized according to the FIS Rules and to see to it that the rules are observed during these Competitions;
6. To serve as last court of appeal for protests concerning international Ski Competitions.

In the beginning the international ski co-operation confined itself chiefly to the European skiing nations; the first non-European country to join the FIS was the United States of America, which in 1922 registered on the membership list as the National Ski Association of America.

In 1923 the Hokkaido Imperial University Club of Japan became a member, and later national Ski Associations of Australia and South America have joined the FIS, which in 1949 comprised 32 affiliated national Associations, with altogether 1,796,196 members.

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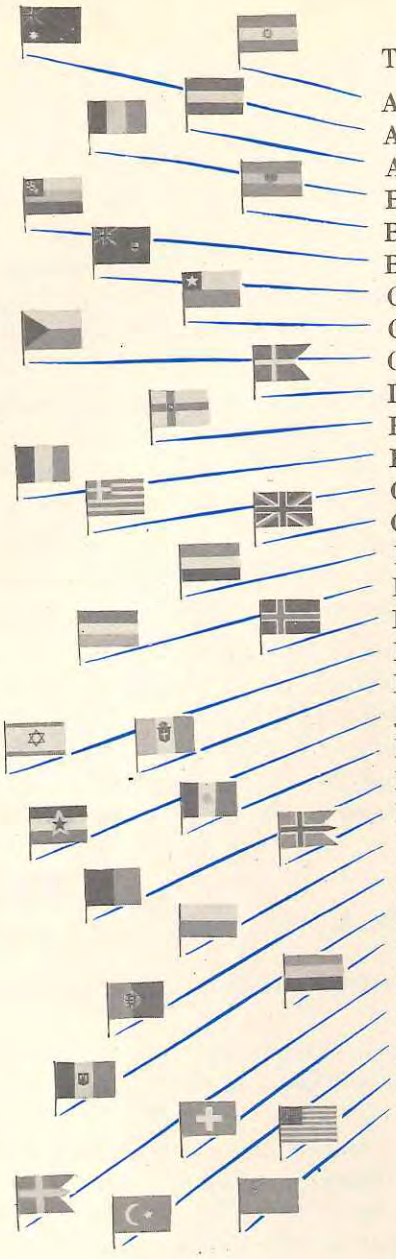

The affiliated national Associations were in 1949 as follows:

ARGENTINA: Federacion Argentina de Ski y Andinismo.
AUSTRALIA: The Australian National Ski Federation.
AUSTRIA: Osterreichscher Ski-Verband.
BELGIUM: Ligue Belge des Sports d'Hiver.
BOLIVIA: Federacion Boliviana de Ski y Andinismo.
BULGARIA: Union Populaire de Culture Physique et des Sports.
CANADA: Canadian Amateur Ski Association.
CHILE: Federacion de Ski y Andinismo de Chile.
CZECHOSLOVAKIA: Ceskoslovenska Obec Sokolska.
DENMARK: Dansk Ski- og Orienteringsforbbund.
FINLAND: Suomen Hiihtoliitto.
FRANCE: Federation Francaise de Ski.
GREECE: Club Alpin Hellenique.
GREAT BRITAIN: Ski Club of Great Britain.
HOLLAND: Nederlandse Ski-Bond.
HUNGARY: Magyar Si Szovetseg.
ICELAND: Skidasamband Islands.
ISRAEL: Sports Federation of Israel.
ITALY: Federazione Italiana Sport Invernali.
JUGOSLAVIA: Federation Yougoslave de Ski.
LIBAN: Federation Libanaise Omnisports.
LIECHTENSTEIN: Liechtensteinischer Ski-Verband.
NORWAY: Norges Skiforbund.
POLAND: Polski Zwiazek Narciarski.
PORTUGAL: Ski Club de Portugal.
ROMANIA: Federatia Romana de Ski.
SPAIN: Federacion Espanola de Esqui.
SWEDEN: Svenska Skidforbundet.
SWITZERLAND: Federation Suisse de Ski.
TURKEY: Federation Turque des Sports d'Hiver.
UNITED STATES: National Ski Association of America.
USSR: USSR Sport Federation, Ski Section.

The activity of the FIS was at first chiefly confined to Europe, but after the National Associations of other continents have joined, and because of the development of international communications, the participation of many nations at international ski competitions has been steadily increasing, and the FIS may today be considered a real world organization.

International Ski Congresses have been organized as follows:—

1910: Oslo, Norway.
1911: Stockholm, Sweden.
1912: Munich, Germany.
1913: Bern, Switzerland.
1914: Oslo, Norway.
1922: Stockholm, Sweden.
1923: Prague, Czechoslovakia.
1924: Chamonix, France.
1926: Lahti, Finland.
1928: St. Moritz, Switzerland.
1930: Oslo, Norway.
1932: Paris, France.
1934: Solleftea, Sweden.
1936: Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany.
1938: Helsingfors, Finland.
1946: Pau, France.
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"FIS Races" and Ski World Championships.

At the Ski Congress in Chamonix 1924 it was suggested that each year an international ski competition should be held which should be the most prominent event for the FIS members. During the first years these competions were called "FIS Races"; later on they were named "Ski World Championships."

These competitions have so far been organized at the following places:—

1924: Chamonix, France (Olympic Winter Games).
1925: Johannesbad, Czechoslovakia.
1926: Lahti, Finland.
1927: Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy.
1928: St. Moritz, Switzerland (Olympic Winter Games).
1929: Zakopane, Poland.
1930: Oslo, Norway.
1931: Oberhof, Germany ("Nordic Events").
Murren, Switzerland ("Alpine Events").
1932: Lake Placid, U.S.A. ("Nordic Events").
Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy ("Alpine Events").
1933: Innsbruck, Austria.
1934: Solleftea, Sweden ("Nordic Events").
St. Moritz, Switzerland ("Alpine Events").
1935: Streleske Pleso, Czechoslovakia ("Nordic Events").
Murren, Switzerland ("Alpine Events").
1936: Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany (Olympic Winter Games).
Innsbruck, Austria ("Alpine Events").
1937: Chamonix, France.
1938: Lahti, Finland ("Nordic Events").
Engelberg, Switzerland ("Alpine Events").
1939: Zakopane, Poland.
1948: St. Moritz, Switzerland (Olympic Winter Games).
1950: Lake Placid, U.S.A. ("Nordic Events").
Aspen, Colorado, U.S.A. ("Alpine Events").

In 1941 a so-called "Ski World Championship" was organized in Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy The Ski Congress 1946 decided to cancel these Races as "World Championships" in view of the fact that World War II made it impossible for *all* the members of the FIS to participate. The organization of these Races in Italy during the War caused the National Ski Association of America temporarily to withdraw from the FIS; the Association re-joined the FIS in 1946.

The types of ski competitions at present included in the FIS Rules are:—

a. 15-18 km. Cross-country.
b. 30-60 km. Cross-country.
c. 10 km. Cross-country for Ladies.
d. Relay Races.
e. Jumping Competitions.
f. Combined 15-18 km. Cross-country and Jumping Competitions.
g. Downhill Races.
h. Slalom Races.
i. Giant Slalom Races.
j. Combined Downhill and Slalom Competitions.

Up to the year 1930 the FIS Rules included only the so-called "Nordic Events" (Jumping and Cross-country Races), which were built upon thue age-old experience gained in the Scandinavian countries.

The FIS has tried to discourage the tendency to build too big Jumping-hills for use at international competitions; at present only Jumping-hills with a maximum critical point of 80 meters shall be approved by the FIS.



Murren (Bernese Oberland), Switzerland
Left: Arlberg Kandahar Course, 1947
Right: World Championship Course, 1935



The Olympic Winter Games.
The International Ski Association has participated in the following Olympic Winter Games:
1924: Chamonix, France.
1928: St. Moritz, Switzerland.
1932: Lake Placid, U.S.A.
1936: Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany.
1948: St. Moritz, Switzerland.

In order to promote friendly relations between the affiliated Associations and to create an opportunity for their young skiers to meet also beyond the severe atmosphere of international skiing competitions, a *Youth Camp Committee* has been established to organize International Youth Camps for Skiers each year.

It was planned to organize the first Youth Camp in Switzerland in the early Spring of 1949, but as only a few affiliated Associations announced their participation, the plans were dismissed for that year, and the first Youth Camp postponed until 1950.

Meanwhile, however, the Central European countries evolved other forms of ski competitions, namely the so-called "Alpine skiing" (Downhill and Slalom), which were recognized as international competitions at the Ski Congress in 1930.

The Olympic Winter Games 1940, planned to be organized in Germany, were cancelled on account of World War II.

The participation of the FIS in the Olympic Winter Games has since 1936 caused difficulties because of the amateur question, owing to the fact that the Amateur Rules of the FIS do not harmonize with those of the International Olympic Committee. So far it has been managed to settle these difficulties in due time before each Olympic Winter Games. As regards the Olympic Winter Games 1952 no agreement on this point has at present been reached as to the participation of the FIS in these Games.



Col. N. R. Ostgaard, F.S.I., President

Attitude of the FIS towards political, religious and racial problems.

The International Ski Association has always tried to show respect for the freedom of the national Ski Associations and not to interfere in questions of a national character.

The Association has further tried to keep political, religious and racial questions outside the scope of its activities. The ancient Statutes of the FIS contained a regulation, that a ski Association which refused to affiliate a club for religious or racial reasons was ineligible for membership in the FIS. This regulation has been left out in the present Statutes, as it proved to involve too much inerference in the domestic affairs of the national Associations.

At present only *one* national ski Association from each country may be represented in the FIS. In the past there existed two ski Associations in Austria (one Jewish and one non-Jewish—religious problem), two in Czechoslovakia and in Finland—racial problem. In a few other countries the sport federations were divided up on a political basis.

At the last Ski Congress in Oslo in 1949 the Russian Ski Association, among others, applied for membership in the FIS. In spite of a slight opposition to this application, the Russians were finally adopted as members with 43 votes for the admission and 4 abstaining votes (no country voting against). This indicates that the overwhelming majority of the FIS members want to unite *all* skiers of the world, in spite of differences in race, religion, languages and political systems, and to stick together by their mutual interest in skiing.

Doing its best to fulfill that part of the purpose of the FIS which is "to create and to maintain friendly relations between the affiliated Associations," the International Ski Association has a mission to keep open at least *this* field of human relationship where the nations can meet on a friendly and neutral basis.

Oslo, Norway, November 1949.
N. R. Ostgaard, President of the International Ski Association.

National Ski Association of America

by Arthur J. Barth, President

The National Ski Association of America is singularly honored by the privilege of sponsoring the 1950 International Ski Federation World Ski Championships. These Championships represent the greatest ski competitions held outside of Europe at any time in history. So it is with appreciable pride that the National Ski Association of America, through its divisional association and local club units, offers in 1950 the outstanding competitive achievement of its forty-five years of organization.

The United States Eastern Amateur Ski Association, as the divisional unit, and the Lake Placid Sno Birds and the Lake Placid Ski Club, offer the Nordic Events of the 1950 FIS World Ski Championships at Lake Placid, New York on January 30 through February 5, 1950.

The Southern Rocky Mountain Ski Association as the divisional unit, and the Aspen Ski Club, offer the Alpine Events of the 1950 FIS World Ski Championships at Aspen, Colorado on February 13 through February 18, 1950.

Organized skiing in the United States first budded into being in the 1880's in widely-scattered areas of the snow belt of the country. There is definite record of earlier skiing activity here. It was not until 1904 that the present National Ski Association was founded. This was the first concrete step to place skiing in the category of an organized sport on a national basis in this country.

Less than ten ski clubs pooled their interests in 1904 to form the National Ski Association. Interest centered in ski jumping and cross country skiing. In 1950 the National Ski Association of America is composed of seven divisional associations charged with the responsibility of general skiing promotion through the various geographical areas of the United States. In these seven divisional associations there are now close to six hundred ski clubs functioning as the promotional units for the sport of skiing in their respective local areas.

Competitive skiing in the National Association since 1904 has followed closely the international trend and has broadened its scope of activities accordingly. From 1904 until approximately 1930, competitions were limited to ski jumping and cross country racing, and a combination of the two. These events are now generally classified as the Nordic Events in skiing circles.

Since the introduction of slalom and downhill ski racing in about 1930, these phases of skiing competitions have mushroomed into national prominence and now occupy a most important part in our program. These events are now generally known as the Alpine Events. The growth and expansion of the Alpine Events of skiing have been considerably more rapid in development than was that of the other phases of the sport which were in being here over a much longer period. In the mountainous areas of the United States the Alpine Events now constitute the most active part of the divisional programs in ski competitions.

The activity and scope of the National Ski Association is not limited to, or intended to be, the promotion of ski competitions only. Recreational skiing and its allied projects and problems employ an important portion of the effort extended by the National Association in its overall program. Recreational skiing has enjoyed a tremendous growth here in the past two decades. From the comparative numerical handful of hardy outdoor enthusiasts who enjoyed skiing in the United States in the 1920's, recreational skiing has leaped into spectacular prominence until it now attracts several million persons from all social stratas of our American

Ski tracks at Alta, Utah



Mt. Baker, Washington. Photo Ray Atkeson

people. This expansion has greatly increased the duties and tasks of the National Ski Association. Through committees and coordinated effort the National Association undertakes a broad and much varied program to insure and encourage wholesome and safe skiing for the ever-increasing multitudes taking to the fascinating sport of skiing.

Let me outline briefly some of the activities of the National Ski Association: Safety in skiing and the providing of first-aid facilities on all ski slopes through the National Ski Patrol. This is of vital importance to the person taking to skiing as a novice. A committee aids and advises federal and state agencies in the development of skiing areas on public lands. A proficiency-tests group offers a step by step plan by which the new skier can earn his or her way to proficient skiing enjoyment. An elaborate junior skiing program starts and keeps the younger folks interested in the proper and shortest way to skiing pleasure. Ski mountaineering and a ski hut committee furnish and advise those that are thrilled by the beauties of the ski tour. An engineering committee advises and designs correct and safe facilities for recreational areas as well as ski lifts, race courses and jumping hills.

Intercollegiate skiing is important in the plans of the National Ski Association and in the past few years many major and secondary schools have adopted skiing as an integral part of their accredited interscholastic sports programs. In addition to these important public services the National Association has numerous specialized and technical committees functioning in the interests of the successful conducting of the highly specialized competitions such as our many National Championships, our international sanctioned ski tournaments and our important feature —the 1950 World Ski Championships.

The future presents a challenge to the National Ski Association of America. Although we now have in the United States many fine and well developed ski areas and multiple ski facilities, the natural skiing resources and terrain of the country have barely been tapped as yet. As the sport grows and ski participation demands, the vast untouched ski possibilities of the country will be opened up. Possibilities are almost unlimited as to ski terrain, particularly in the western portion of the nation. The numbers of persons who will take to skiing seriously within the next immediate span of years is likewise unlimited. Terrain and participant possibilities from our great United States population insure the future for United States skiing. With this growth and eventual achievement will come the greater responsibility and expansion of our National Ski Association. Therein lies the challenge. We must be prepared, through organization, to meet the challenge that the tremendous expansion of the sport of skiing will place upon us.

Skiing in the United States has prospered to the point where in 1950 it is recognized as a leading winter sport in this country and as an important industry as well. Our progress in the international ski family is measured by the important responsibility of being honored with the sponsorship of the 1950 FIS World Ski Championship. Its successful execution will be a milestone in our organizational life as a national sport body. Actual execution of these Championships at Aspen, Colorado and Lake Placid, New York will magnify our achievement as an accepted leader in the international skiing fraternity.

The highest honor and reward for our effort comes to us in being able to entertain here, our many wonderful ski friends from so many of the far distant ski corners of the world.

The National Ski Association of America takes great pride in being able to offer, as the sponsor, the 1950 FIS World Ski Championships.



Arthur J. Barth

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Winners in Previous FIS Championships

1924

Chamonix, France
(In conjunction with the Olympic Games)

1925

Johannesbad, Czechoslovakia

Winners:		
	50 km	Donth, Germany
	18 km	Nemecky, Czechoslovakia
	Jumping	Dick, Czechoslovakia
	Combined	Nemecky, Czechoslovakia

1926

Lathi, Finland

Winners:		
	50 km	Raivio, Finland
	18 km	Grottumsbraaten, Norway
	Jumping	Tams, Norway
	Combined	Grottumsbraaten, Norway

1927

Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy

Winners:		
	50 km	Lindgren, Sweden
	18 km	Lindgren, Sweden
	Jumping	Edman, Sweden
	Combined	Purkert, Germany

1928

St. Moritz, Switzerland
(In conjunction with the Olympic Games)

1929

Zakopane, Poland

Winners:		
	50 km	Knuttila, Finland
	18 km	Saarinen, Finland
	Jumping	Sigmund Ruud, Norway
	Combined	Vinjarengen, Norway

1930

Oslo, Norway

Winners:		
	50 km	Utterstron, Sweden
	18 km	Rudstadstuen, Norway
	Jumping	G. Andersen, Norway
	Combined	Vinjarengen, Norway

1931

Oberhof, Germany (Nordic Events)
Murren, Switzerland (Alpine Events)

Winners:		
	50 km	Ole Stenen, Norway
	18 km	Grottumsbraaten, Norway
	Jumping	Birger Ruud, Norway
	Combined	Grottumsbraaten, Norway
	Men's downhill	Walter Prager, Switzerland
	Men's slalom	David Zogg, Switzerland
	Ladies' downhill	Mackinnon, England
	Ladies' slalom	Mackinnon, England

1932

Lake Placid, U.S.A.
(Nordic Events in conjunction with Olympic Games)
Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy (Alpine Events)

Winners:		
	Men's downhill	Guzzi Lantschner, Austria
	Men's slalom	Dauber, Germany
	Combined	Otto Furrer, Switzerland
	Ladies' downhill	Paula Wiesinger, Italy
	Ladies' slalom	R. Streiff, Switzerland
	Combined	R. Streiff, Switzerland



Anton Seelos, Austria. Photo Rio

1933

Innsbruck, Austria

Winners:	50 km	Saarinen, Finland
	18 km	Englund, Sweden
	Jumping	Reymond, Switzerland
	Combined	Erikson, Sweden
	Men's downhill	Walter Prager, Switzerland
	Men's slalom	A. Seelos, Austria
	Men's combined	A. Seelos, Austria
	Ladies' downhill	Inge Wersin-Lantschner, Austria
	Ladies' slalom	Inge Wersin-Lantschner, Austria
	Ladies' combined	Inge Wersin-Lantschner, Austria

Birger Ruud, Norway



1934

Solleftea, Sweden (Nordic Events)

St. Moritz, Switzerland (Alpine Events)

Winners:	50 km	Wicklund, Sweden
	18 km	Nurmela, Finland
	Jumping	Johannesen, Norway
	Combined	Hagen, Norway
	Men's downhill	David Zogg, Switzerland
	Men's slalom	Franz Pfnur, Germany
	Men's combined	David Zogg, Switzerland
	Ladies' downhill	A. Ruegg, Switzerland
	Ladies' slalom	Christl Cranz, Germany
	Ladies' combined	Christl Cranz, Germany

1935

Strebske Pleso, Czechoslovakia (Nordic Events)

Murren, Switzerland (Alpine Events)

Winners:	50 km	Englund, Sweden
	18 km	Karppinen, Finland
	Jumping	Birger Ruud, Norway
	Combined	Hagen, Norway
	Men's downhill	Zingerle, Austria
	Men's slalom	A. Zeelos, Austria
	Men's combined	A. Zeelos, Austria
	Ladies' downhill	Christl Cranz, Germany
	Ladies' slalom	A. Ruegg, Switzerland
	Ladies' combined	Christl Cranz, Germany

1936

Olympic Winter Games at Garmisch-Partenkirchen

1937

Chamonix, France

Winners:	50 km	Niemi, Finland
	18 km	Bergendahl, Norway
	Jumping	Ruud, Norway
	Combined	Roen, Norway
	Men's downhill	Emile Allais, France
	Men's slalom	Emile Allais, France
	Men's combined	Emile Allais, France
	Ladies' downhill	Christl Cranz, Germany
	Ladies' slalom	Christl Cranz, Germany
	Ladies' combined	Christl Cranz, Germany

1938

Lathi, Finland (Nordic Events)

Engelberg, Switzerland (Alpine Events)

Winners:	50 km	Jalkanen, Finland
	18 km	Pitkanen, Finland
	Jumping	Asbjorn Ruud, Norway
	Combined	Hoffsbakken, Norway
	Men's downhill	Couttet, France
	Men's slalom	Rominger, Switzerland
	Men's combined	Allais, France
	Ladies' downhill	Lisa Resch, Germany
	Ladies' slalom	Christl Cranz, Germany
	Ladies' combined	Christl Cranz, Germany

1939

Zakopane, Poland

Winners:	50 km	Bergendahl, Norway
	18 km	Kurikkala, Finland
	Jumping	Josef Bradl, Austria
	Combined	Beraur, Czechoslovakia
	Men's downhill	Hellmut Lantschner, Germany
	Men's slalom	Rominger, Switzerland
	Men's combined	Jennewein, Germany
	Ladies' downhill	Christl Cranz, Germany
	Ladies' slalom	Christl Cranz, Germany
	Ladies' combined	Christl Cranz, Germany

LAKE PLACID, NEW YORK
January 30 to February 5, 1950

Monday, January 30
World Championship 18-Kilometer Cross Country Race

Tuesday, January 31
World Championship Combined Jumping

Wednesday, February 1
Free Day

Thursday, February 2
World Championships Relay Race (4 men, 10 kilometers)

Friday, February 3
Free Day

Saturday, February 4
World Championship 50-Kilometer Cross-Country Race

Sunday, February 5
World Championship Special Ski Jumping

FIS DAILY PROGRAM

ASPEN, COLORADO
February 13 to February 18, 1950

Monday, February 13
World Championships Men's Giant Slalom Race

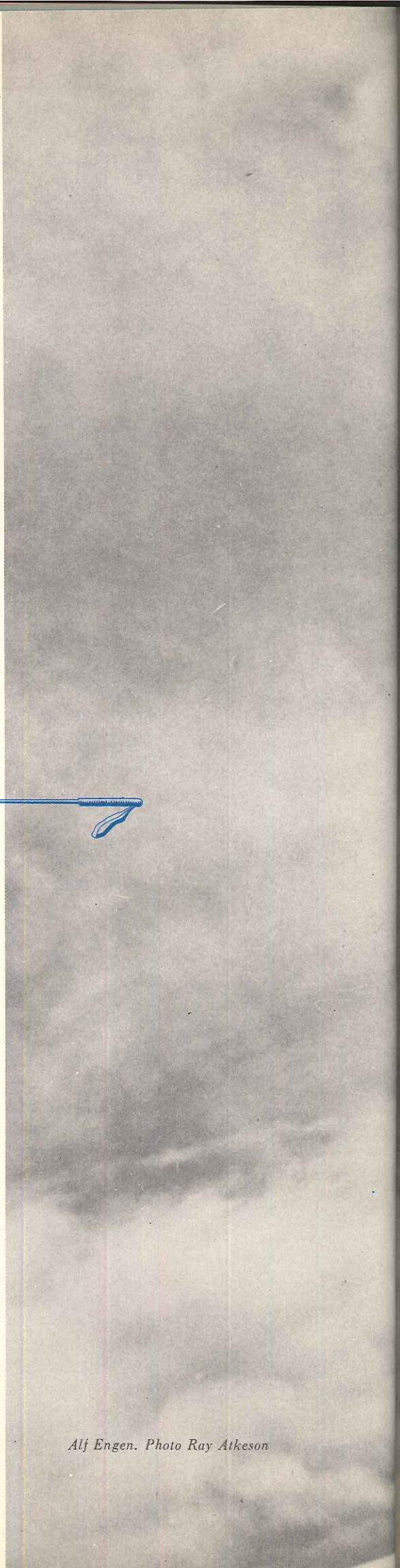
Tuesday, February 14
World Championships Women's Giant Slalom Race

Wednesday, February 15
World Championships Men's Slalom Race

Thursday, February 16
World Championships Women's Slalom Race

Friday, February 17
World Championships Women's Downhill Race
On FIS Course

Saturday, February 18
World Championships Men's Downhill Race



Alf Engen. Photo Ray Atkeson



Slalom *by Friedl Pfeifer*

A slalom race is a test of the most highly developed precision of the technique of skiing. In downhill, various other factors, such as physical stamina, and daring play a more important part, and a precise exercise of pure technique is less at a premium.

For FIS races a slalom course should be set on a slope with a varying pitch and should have from thirty to fifty gates. A gate is a pair of flags on poles between which each competitor must pass in sequence from top to bottom. The setting of a good course is of the greatest importance, and the setter must place the gates so that the racers proceed through the course with a maximum of rhythm and a sustained rate of speed. If the best racers have to run the course in a series of bursts of speed with jerks and skids between, the fault is the course-setter's.

In the past the points gained in slalom have been added to those gained in the downhill normally run the day before, resulting in the winner of the combination of both races. This year there will be no combined score and the slalom runners will not be held back in any way by trying to safeguard a high place made in the downhill. The lid will be off and one may rest assured that he who wins will have to have made two perfect runs to be named World's Champion.





Downhill *by Barney McLean*

Downhill racing pitts the skill, stamina and courage of the skier against time over a course designed by man and nature.

This type of race differs from the slalom in many ways. The course being longer, with greater vertical descent, providing many natural and prepared hazards. The race offers a greater choice of lines, being restricted only to the general boundaries of the course, plus occasional directional control gates.

The FIS men's downhill course is 2.3 miles long and drops 2800 feet in that distance over precipitous terrain.

Faced from the start with a series of steep schusses, vicious-jarring bumps and hi-speed turns coming in rapid succession, the racer is thoroughly tested in all phases of skiing ability, physical conditioning and mental alertness. Downhill racing requires the skier to combine the smooth precise skiing of the slalom runner with that of a skier taking the extra chances—hanging on and fighting for each fraction of a second, calling on every ounce of reserve strength, experience and technique.

Select a good vantage point and you shall never forget the sight of the most thrilling and nerve tingling of the Alpine skiing events.

Cross Country *by Warren Chivers*

While ski jumpers use large heavy skis and downhill racers use smaller but still heavy skis, the cross country runner uses a narrow ski of about the usual touring ski length, but of very light weight and sturdy construction.

The contestants all race over the same course with penalty of disqualification for not following the prescribed track. The course setter tries to distribute the easy sections of the trail among the more difficult ones so that all uphill work will not come at once in a long hard sustained climb.

The race is run against time and intervals of one minute are allowed to elapse between the starting times of racers. As a runner overtakes a man ahead of him he calls "TRACK" and by an unwritten courtesy of the trail the overtaken racer steps aside.

As in the case of all athletes, the best are those who start at a comparatively early age, and with careful guidance devote years of practice and training to it. In World Championships, distances of 18 kilometers, approximately 11 miles and 50 kilometers, approximately 30 miles are run. To be able to cover 30 miles at an average speed of more than 8 miles per hour requires faultless technique, perfect physical condition and first-rate ski waxing so that the skis will cling to the snow going up and glide easily coming down and on the flat.





Ski Jumping *by Harald Sorensen*

Ski jumping is the only competitive ski event wherein time plays no part. A jump is judged on distance jumped and the form the jumper displays during the jump.

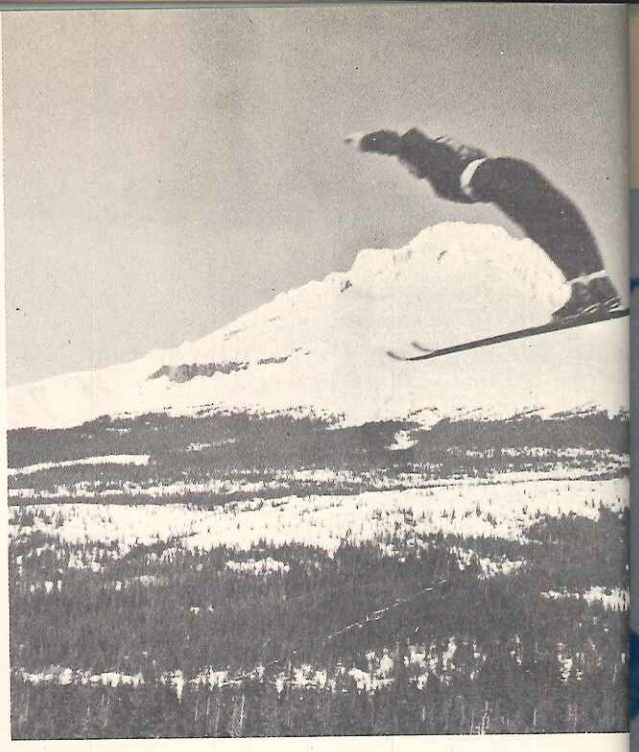
A total of two jumps count for each competitor. In FIS World Ski Championship jumping, five judges are used. They give the jumper his points on form. 20 points is a perfect score for form. Of the five judges, the high and low scores are discarded and only three ratings are counted. To the total form points, the points for distance are added, giving the total score for each jump.

Judging of style begins when the jumper starts moving. It continues until he stops. Distance is measured from the end of the take off to point where skis under jumper's feet first touch the snow. Measures are posted at fifteen-foot intervals down the hill. They watch the jumper land and measure his distance by laying a pole across the measuring tape and his landing spot.

In the early days a jump of 30 feet was very big. Today the world's distance record is held by Fritz Tschannen of Switzerland who jumped 120 meters, a little better than 393 feet at Planica, Jugoslavia, where a giant jumping hill permits such distances. FIS competitions are limited to hills of 80 meter size.



Erika Mahringer, Austria. Photo Rio



George Thrane, Norway



Dagmar Rom, Austria. Photo Rio



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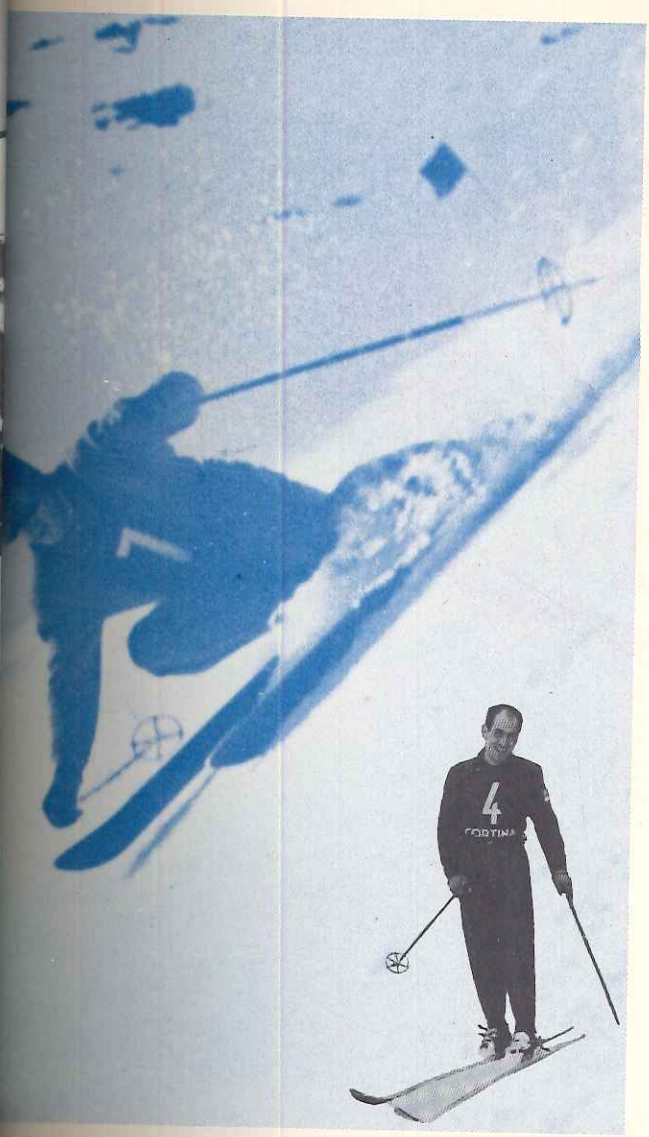

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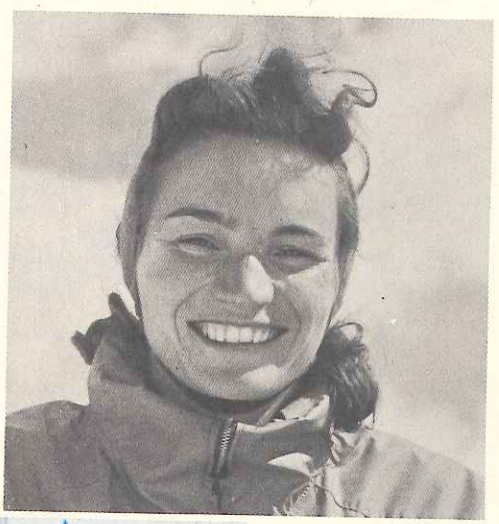

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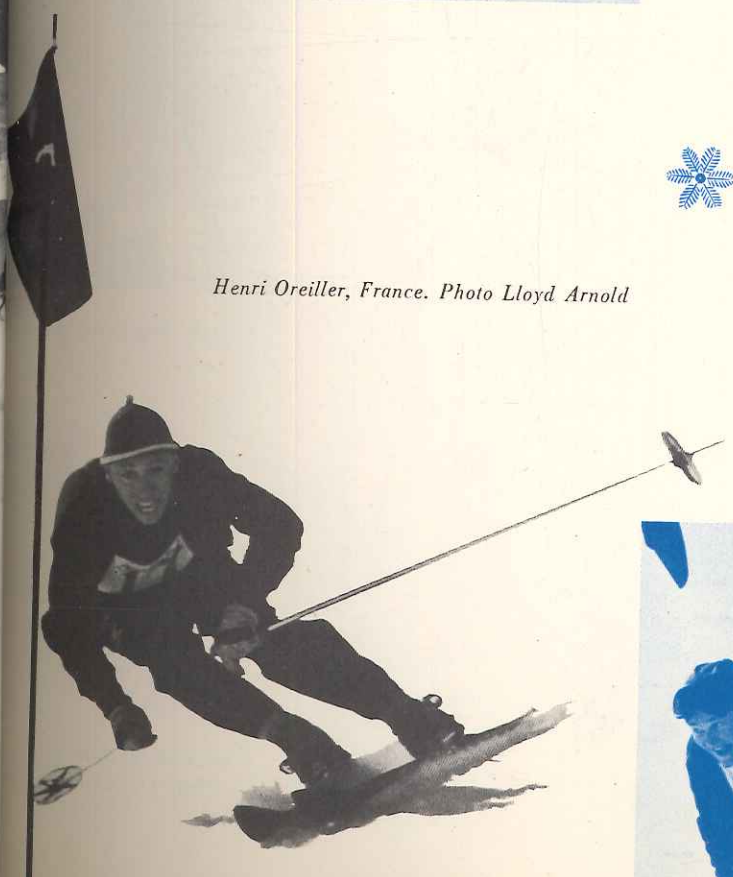
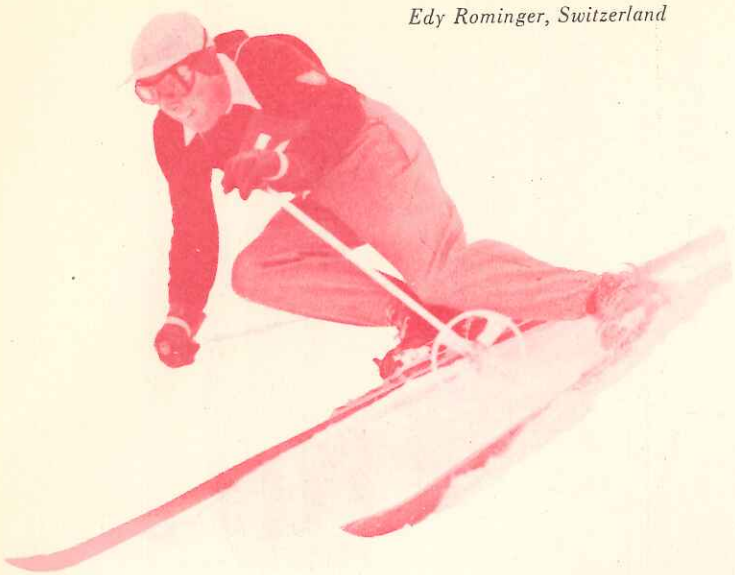




Georges Panisset, France. Photo Lloyd Arnold



Edy Rominger, Switzerland





Rose Marie Bleuer, Switzerland. Photo Lloyd Arnold

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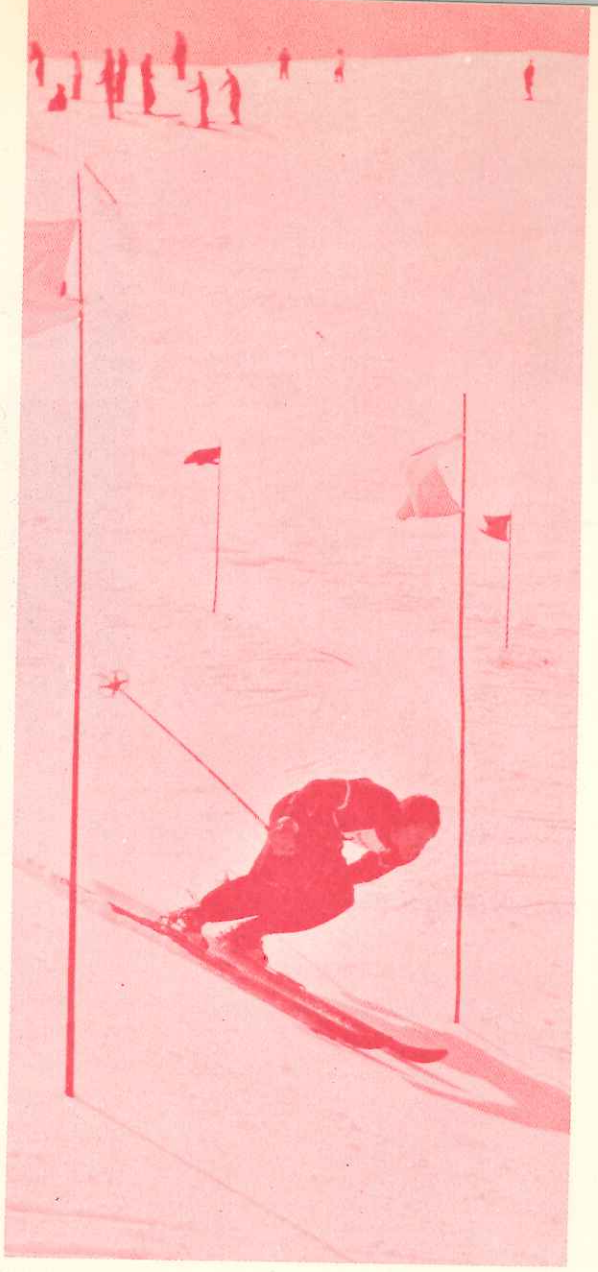

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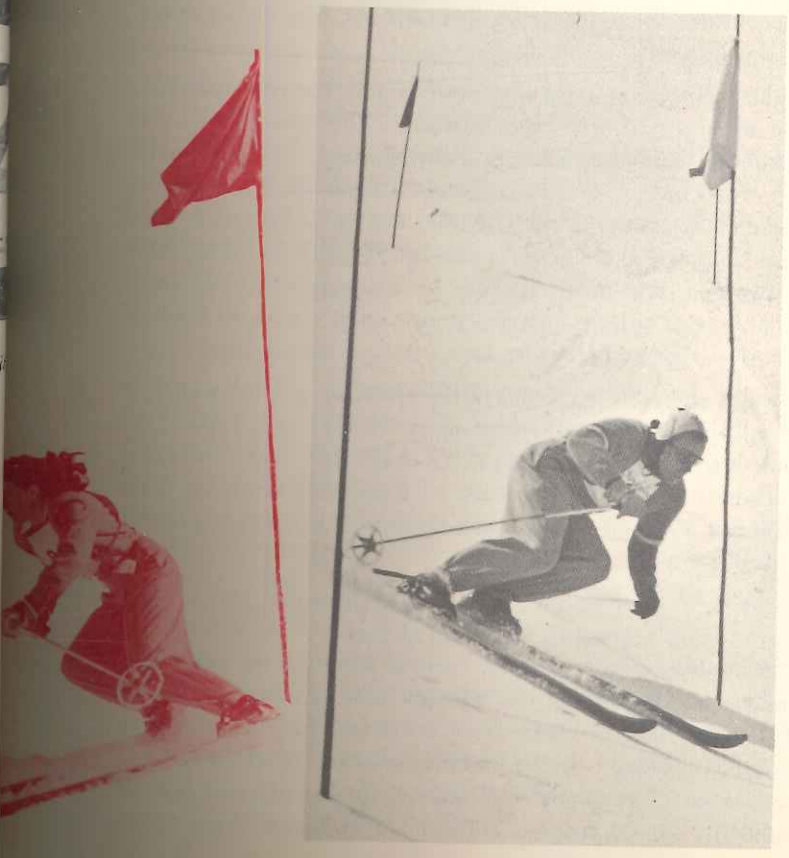
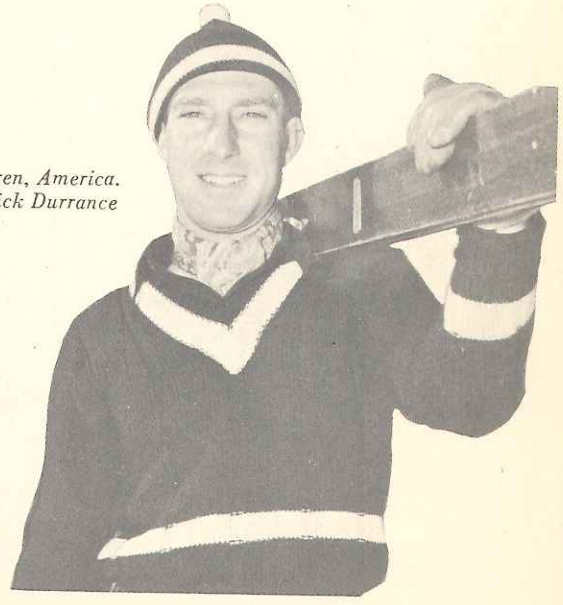


Toni Matt, America. Photo Ray Atkeson

Gordon Wren, America.
Photo Dick Durrance





Snow-shoe racing in the mountains of California

SNOW-SHOEING IN THE SIERRAS

by William Berry

Editor's Note:

Mr. William Berry of Reno, Nevada, Staff Correspondent of The New York Daily News, Member of the Historical Committee of The National Ski Association of America, is probably the world's leading authority on early American Ski History. The material which has been presented to the Official Program for the World's Championships in Skiing for 1950 is a result of Mr. Berry's efforts and has been made available through the courtesy of the New York Daily News.

The remarkable nature of Mr. Berry's material can only be appreciated when one realizes that it seems to constitute proof that the birth of Skiing as a sport, and the first competitive ski events took place in the State of California 100 years ago. Up until now, the general supposition in ski circles has been that the first competitions took place in Norway around 1870.

This is the centennial year of skiing in America. Behind the known factual tradition is a legend of how the first skis used in the Far West of the United States of America were barrel staves taken from flour barrels by Hamilton Ward and James Murray, two '49ers who had "struck it rich" early in 1850 along the gravel beds of Rabbit Creek in the High Sierra region now known as Plumas and Sierra Counties of California.

Skis, or snowshoes, in the early days were commonplace all through the snow and mountain regions of the Far West—California, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Washington and Oregon. They were always referred to as snowshoes in the early-day press. For that reason historians have usually confused them with webs, known in the West as "trampers" and seldom, if ever, used.

While straight racing over measured courses was the principal competitive event, there is evidence to spare that through the long years many events comparable to modern slalom, giant slalom, regular downhill, jumping and cross-country were held. These involved the use of shorter snowshoes, and many a bitter personal rivalry was carried from the speed straight races to nearby mountain peaks to be settled. Racers have careened in two and three-mile-long runs involving vertical descents of as much as 3,000 feet, with the courses "point-to-point" over all kinds of snow, across precipices and other hazards at mile-a-minute clips.

Heyday of speed snowshoeing came in the seventies and the winter of 1874 saw an all-time speed record marked up when Tommy Todd of the Alturas Snowshoe Club rocketed down an accurately measured 1,804 feet in 14 seconds flat. The years between 1870 and 1911 saw many times equalling 100 feet a second from a standing start. It was a fast sport for those who liked it—and many did.

To the oldtimers, Frank Steward, a onetime dopemaker, and a snowshoeing figure for 60 years, still is "world champion." He defeated the renowned "Snowshoe" Thomson at La Porte in 1869 and the noted Norwegian in defeat won the title of the "greatest skier of them all." Thomson's belated recognition has come from skiers who have seen his challenge for a return meeting with the La Porte boys and in which he listed five different types of competition. However, on the life and feats of Steward rightfully should center the history of organized skiing in the

United States, and, possibly, the world, for he was among those instrumental in placing the sport on an organized basis and he became its first downhill champion as well. Steward's reign as king of the downhill racers began in the early fifties and continued until 1911, first, as a daring downhill racer, and later as a coach whose riders won many big races.

Snowshoers traveled faster on their long boards than man ever had gone before; they developed the sport to one comparable with any scientific approach of this modern day; they had the world's very first ski club and competitive circuit; the world's first ski tow (the chain bucket ride at the Plumas Eureka mine); week-long tournaments; hundreds of racers — and flag-decorated hills like the slalom and downhill runs of the world of the present day.



Below is an article written by Charles W. Hendel, pioneer surveyor and Mining Engineer of Plumas and Sierra Counties in California, and published in The Mining and Scientific Press. The exact date of the article is not known, but is believed to be some time during the winter of 1870-1871. Hendel began writing about ski races around 1859. I have seen articles by him reporting ski races dated 1860.

Near the summit of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, on the borders of the Counties of Sierra and Plumas, are the towns of La Porte, Howland Flat, St. Louis, noted during the "flush times" of California for their enormous yield of gold dust, and still retaining fixed characteristics of the typical honest miner of '49.

The climate is very salubrious; most deaths occur from great intemperance, exposure, accidents and violence. The spring, summer and autumn months will compare favorably with the climate of northern Italy. The excessive heat prevailing in the valleys lasts for a few days, and only for a few hours each afternoon. The winter months are often very severe, but even during the prevalence of the great storms, the cold is not so severe as in the Eastern states in the same latitude at a less altitude, while the snow falls to a great depth in these high altitudes. It falls as much as 50 to 125 feet during one season in some places; though generally there is but little in the lower valleys.

When the snow attains a considerable depth in the Sierras, locomotion can only be accomplished by means of the celebrated "Norwegian snow-shoe," or "Norway skates," without which travel would be nearly impracticable, since it becomes almost impossible to break roads or trails, where the snow often covers buildings even two stories high, so that people can only make their exit from their houses through the upper windows. It sometimes happens that a resident has to climb out through his chimney, after punching a hole through the snow above it.

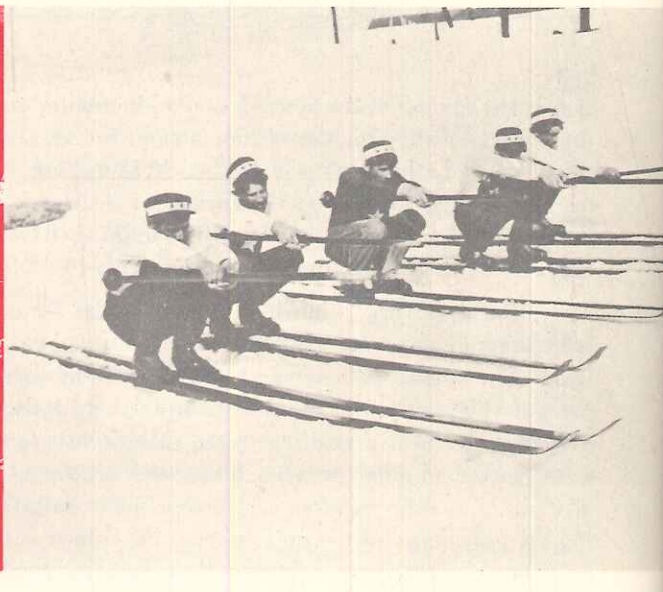
Snow-shoes for traveling are from 8 to 12 feet long, 8½ to 4 inches wide, and 1¼ inches thick in the center. They are tapered at the top from near the middle to ¼ of an inch in thickness at the toes, and nearly flat. The toes are turned up like sleigh runners. They are nearly of uniform width from end to end—a little wider, if any, on the front—and a spring is worked in, so that without weights they rest on the heels and points; but when the rider stands on them, the weight is somewhat evenly distributed, and a concave groove is made at the bottom, beginning near the toes and running to the heels, similar to the bottom of the skates. The bottoms are highly polished and tar is burned and rubbed in until a full, mahogany-like finish is obtained, which hardens the wood, makes a smooth surface, and attracts heat when exposed to the sun—the latter being a desideratum in putting on the "dope" when traveling.

Shoes made for racing are from 10½ to 13½ feet in length, from 2¾ to 4¼ inches in width, wider on the front part than on the back. Where the turn commences to the heel, or back end of the shoe, there is a fluted or concave groove about ⅜ of an inch deep at the heel and tapering in depth from the turn at the point. This groove is about 1½ inch wide, narrower at the back end than at the front. On top of the shoes, a little back from the center, there is about 18 inches of wood left flat, and toward the front they are shaved and planed, tapered sufficiently to leave the point springy. There is considerable wood left behind from the center to the end, which makes the proper balance —little or no spring being required on the back part—the most essential being the front. The object of this is, that in running over rough places, there will be no sudden jerk endangering the equilibrium of the rider, who often attains a speed of 60 to 80 miles an hour on these shoes. They have a tendency to "buck" when going over uneven snow, and the rider often finds that they are as uncertain as all other things are here below. So great have been the improvements made in racing shoes, during the past few years, from the original style, first introduced twenty years ago, that they now appear to have reached perfection.

The rider stands a little back of the center, his feet being held by toe-straps of strong sole leather or india-rubber belting, fastened to either side of the shoe, and laced, where they meet over the foot. The toe of the foot is put into the straps back to the ball, and in the hollow of the foot there is a small block inserted crosswise to prevent the foot slipping back; but this does not prevent the foot, when the heel is raised, from being slipped out of the straps. The bottom of the shoe resembles a skate with a groove, but instead of being convex, it is concave. This is necessary to balance the weight of the rider as equally as possible from end to end. They are constructed on the principle of skates, and to some extent the same evolutions are practicable, such as allowing the points and curves to describe a circle. Of course they cannot be turned so easily or quickly as skates, but still they are easily managed by experts.



Start of a race. Squad from Port Wine Snowshoe Club



Posed at full speed on the LaPorte track

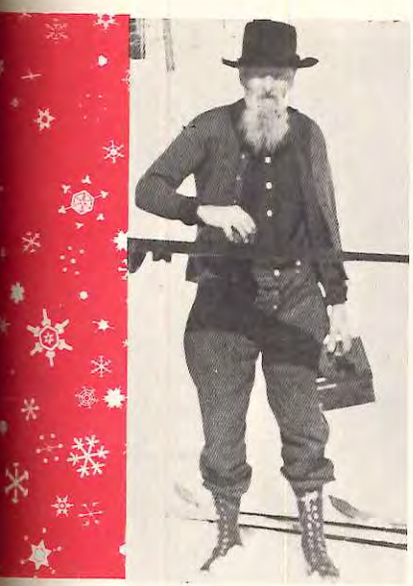
The sine qua non of snow-shoe racing is "dope." This is the material used to lubricate the bottom of the shoes and cause them to glide swiftly over the snow, as an axle is lubricated, to cause the wheel to revolve easily, the object being to counteract friction as near as practicable. To such a perfection has the manufacture of this article attained that friction has to a great extent been overcome.

The temperature of the snow is as variable as that of the atmosphere, and for every temperature of snow a different kind of dope is required. Every racer has at least half a dozen recipes for compounding the "dope," sometimes termed "greased lightning"—one for cold snow and one for warm or damp snow, as it is called by experts, as when the snow is heated by the rays of the sun, one for dry snow and one for wet, one for hard and one for soft; one for forenoon and one for afternoon; for extreme cold or frozen snow; and for new dry snow there is still another kind required. Some go as far as to have a different kind for every hour of the day. For moist snow the dope is soft, and is made harder for increase of temperature, up to the frozen, when a hard dope is required. The manufacturer requires considerable skill and ingenuity. A great deal depends upon the boiling of the dope; some requires but a light simmer, enough to melt the parts together, while another requires a good deal of boiling — gum, beeswax, rosin, sperm candle, and some other materials make an inferior quality of dope, only used for traveling purposes, but modern "lightning dope" is manufactured from spermaceti, Burgundy pitch, Canada pitch, balsam of fir, spruce, cedar, Venice turpentine, oil of cedar, pine, hemlock, fir, spruce and tar, glycerine, Barbary tallow, camphor and castor oil and many costly drugs known only to those who make it a specialty, and its manufacture a secret. Oil, grease and such material one might naturally suppose would cause a shoe to slip easily over the snow—varnish or any other polished material is useless—nothing but the scientific preparation will do. It may seem that a "snow-shoeist," who enters the arena for a hard contested race, to meet all the changes of snow must have a commissary and necessary varieties of dope, for it is a common saying amongst snow-shoers, that "Dope is King."

The once famous ski center of LaPorte, now just another ghost mining town in the High Sierra, the cradle of American and world organized ski competition.



The dope, in order to be good, must possess two qualities: First, it must be sticky, so that it will adhere to the shoe; Second, slippery, so that it will glide over the snow. And, strange as it may seem, they have attained such a degree of perfection in making this compound, that a snow shoe prepared with it and placed by the side of one with the bottom finished with polished steel, would so far outrun it as to make it no race at all. In riding for the first time down a steep hill on shoes so prepared, the great requisite is confidence. Timidity is fatal, and for one, on starting down a hill to be afraid of falling, will never do; he might with as much success try to stem the current of the Niagara river as to keep from falling when he thinks he may, or has not confidence in himself. In racing it is advisable to ride very low upon the shoes, in what is called the "squatting" position, and to hold the pole in the right hand, and in going over any obstruction, occasioned at times by a tree lying across the track under the snow, or by the wind drifting and forming a depression and elevation, which will, when a snow-shoeist is going down very fast, make a considerable lift; both shoes and rider, and sometimes the shoes go on their course alone, while the rider is making a strange gyratory motion in the air, a thing not uncommon with beginners upon these quick and uncertain carriers.



He ruled the roost of the known skiing world in the High Sierra from 1851 to 1911 — Isaac Francis (Frank) Steward, still called "World Champion."



SNOW-SHOE RACES

As soon as it is decided by a snow-shoe club to have races, it is announced in all the local papers, and by placarding large, flaming posters in all conspicuous places in Sierra and adjoining counties, offering large sums as purses to be run for, aggregating often many thousand dollars, besides which, large sums are often bet on the results. When the day arrives for the races, and the first day thereafter, all roads and trails to such a place from the surrounding country are lively with all sorts of people from the neighboring towns and mining camps of Plumas and Sierra counties; ladies, miners, merchants, hotel and saloon keepers, all other professional men, ministers of the gospel, gamblers, and editors as reporters of the local papers, and a numerous retinue of young devils—all excellent judges of snow shoes and dope, are on the road. On one occasion the far famed Thompson, from Silver City, in Alpine County, the famous snow shoe mail carrier, from Carson City in the state of Nevada to Placerville in California, before the iron horse was snorting over the Sierra Mountains, (and who beat the railroad train he was traveling on last winter, when in the snow blockade over the mountains, by leaving the same and traveling on snow shoes at the rate of 40 miles per day), came over 200 miles, traveling from his home on snow-shoes to Lake Tahoe, there is a skiff across the Lake, continued on snow-shoes to Truckee on the railroad, where he took the cars for Colfax, then by stage and sleigh via Nevada City, Grass Valley to Comptonville, and the remainder of the route on snow-shoes over mountains and canons until he reach La Porte, to participate at the annual races of the Alturas snowshoe club, and if possible to carry away the several thousand dollars offered as prizes for the fastest in each race. But when he came to run down on his old fashioned, but very practical Norwegian snowshoes, without dope for traveling he found himself far behind the slowest.

RACING

The racing track, clear of trees, shrubs and other obstructions covered with many feet of snow, the more the better, is chosen on steep side hills and is about 1,000 to 2,000 feet long with angle of depression of 15° to 35°, being always in a direct line and as even as possible. The winning poles are set on the lower end, on comparatively even ground, in order to give the racers a chance to brake up, after passing through; which is done by dragging their poles behind the

shoes and bearing heavily on them in a sitting posture.

When the entries are made, which are one dollar for each day's racing, the races are divided into squads of 4, 6 or 8 men, generally representing different towns, and the winners of such squads make up other squads in like manner, until they saw off for the deciding race, of which the last winner takes the purse. There are generally each day 3 or 4 purses run for. Say for instance the first squad is on the top of the track, and the process of "doping up" is going on. We will watch them; the dope is of about the consistence of shoemaker's wax, and is applied by rubbing on little dabs, then spreading it evenly by hard rubbing with the palm of the hand until a fine coating is evenly put on, not too thick, and a polish, that will reflect one's face, is obtained. Time being called, the racers take their places, side by side, all their boot fronts in one line, and they holding themselves back



Left: "Star" veteran snow horse at LaPorte



Right: Ski jumping in the Sierra

with their poles, on the bottom of which a flat round button of wood is fastened.

The instructions are then given, to-wit: "The first man through the winning poles, on his shoes or on one shoe, wins. Anyone starting before the tap of the drum cannot win." The drum is then tapped out of their sight; at the same time a red flag is dropped to inform the time keepers and judges on the lower end that the racers have started, (time kept with stop watches), and they shove off with their poles, poling for dear life and giving as many strokes as they can to accelerate their speed. When the highest attainable speed is reached, they squat low on their shoes to prevent retarding speed and to offer as little front as possible to the resistance of air, and to retain their balance in going over uneven places.

There is a breathless silence, from the start, for a few seconds. Sometimes one or several fall on the start by striking their shoes in poling. Now they are running 40 miles an hour—now 60, and in a second or two they are going at the rate of 70 or 80; here one runs over a rough place and loses his balance—his shoes fly in the air and touch one another—away he goes and throws another, and heads, legs, arms, poles and perhaps broken shoes are turning in 20 to 50 foot summersaults, amid a cloud of snow, raised by the current of air produced by their fall and velocity, and if the shoes are not broken, they shoot off in the air like an arrow, or like a riderless warhorse in battle, over the snow field, and leap often several feet high in the air, until they run against a tree or into a ravine, where they get stuck on the other side, if they do not go again over the next hill in the snow bank.

The suspense is over, the crowd breathes again, the friends of the winner close around him, and cheer follows cheer, especially when ladies are racing. Nobody hurt, everybody feels well. Go it, again! Another squad is formed and all is repeated again.

These races are of an all-absorbing interest, so that often the reporters, in the excitement, forget to take notes or memoranda of any sort, forgetting that there are types and printing presses in existence—or that the "devil" was watching them, leaving his duties to some old snow-shoeist to perform, who is also forgetful, being interested himself; and the opulent banker, fearfully bloated with bonds, county scrip, railroad and mining stock, for the space of several long hours, also forgets, perhaps the first time in years to think, in the excitement, that there is such a thing as big stone house, with safes full of twenty dollar pieces, gold dust and collaterals.

Even ladies fully attest, by their performance, that they, too, have a lively interest in the sport. Prizes are offered, for which they contend, on snow-shoes, among themselves. Most of them are quite experts on the shoes, and are very competent judges in all matters pertaining to the science.

The occasion closes generally with a free and easy

dance in the evening, when the winners of the day are lionized, and the conversation turns of course on nothing but the state of the snow, dope, shoes, pretty riding, gymnastic performances, time made on other occasions, etc.

The following fast time has been made at different races, as per authentic record, kept by the different snow-shoe clubs:

At La Porte, Plumas county—"Alturas Snowshoe Club"—1,400 feet in 21 seconds, or one mile in 1 minute 19.2 seconds; 1,200 feet in 15 seconds, or one mile in 1 minute 6 seconds; 1,230 feet in 14 seconds, or a mile in 1 minute .09 second. This last distance, of 1,230 feet, was also made by a young Miss of 14 summers in 21 seconds, or a mile in 1 minute 30.14 seconds.

At Port Wine, Sierra county—"Port Wine Snowshoe Club"—1,030 feet in 12 seconds, or a mile in 1 minute, 1.51 seconds; 1,025 feet in 12 seconds, or a mile in 1 minute 1.75 seconds.

At Howland Flat, Sierra county—"Table Rock Snowshoe Club—1,400 feet in 22 seconds, or a mile in 1 minute 22.97 seconds; 1,250 feet in 21 seconds, or a mile in 1 minute 28.71 seconds; 1,265 feet in 25 seconds, or a mile in 1 minute 44.34 seconds; 1,135 feet in 20 seconds, or a mile in 1 minute 33.04 seconds; 1,380 feet in 19 seconds, or a mile in 1 minute 12.69 seconds; 1,185 feet in 20 seconds, or a mile in 1 minute 29.11 seconds.

At St. Louis, Sierra county, a 9-year old girl went over snow drifts and holes 300 feet distance in 7 seconds, making her mile in 2 minutes 3.2 seconds.

Great steadiness is required in riding, and very perfect control over the shoes; but still with all the best riders some times, plough the snow and bound in the air at a fearful rate. Serious injury is seldom sustained from falling. The greatest danger lies in other riders coming in contact with one falling. I will venture the assertion that in no place but in California can so many men meet, contesting for prizes and reputation of so many towns, and part in the utmost friendship.

If skating is healthy, graceful and delightful, snowshoeing is equally so, and viewed in a gymnastic light it has everything to recommend it, especially in those portions where our long and tedious winters are met with, which are thereby made seasons of jollity and sport. Within a few years even our horses and mules have had to learn to travel on snow-shoes. The mail contractor on the mail route from La Porte invented some kind of a snow-shoe, by which his animals are enabled to travel over deep and soft snows, which they hardly could do before. It is made of heavy India rubber belting about three-fourths of an inch think, flat, and in the shape of an octagon, about 6 to 9 inches in diameter and fastened with screws by means of iron bands made to fit over their hoofs.



John A. "Snowshoe" Thomson, pioneer Norwegian of the Sierra, and often called "the greatest skier of them all."



His crested tombstone at Genoa, Nevada, where he made exhibition jumps in the sixties.

Henry Sibley of LaPorte, winner of the day's events on March 23, 1874.





Aerial view, Placid Lake with Mirror Lake at right, Whiteface Mountain in background. 1950 F.I.S. World's Championship Cross Country ski trails cover this area.

Lake Placid, Winter Sports Capital

Lake Placid, host to the Third Olympic Winter Games in 1932, truly brought winter sports into the limelight and caused a tremendous increase in snow and ice followers among the American public at that time. The name, Lake Placid, has long been synonymous with that of winter sports in all its phases. Lovers of King Winter and its accompanying recreation and relaxation throng to this pioneer resort each season, for Placid has the natural advantages of climatic conditions for snow and ice activities, a peculiar tonic atmosphere, and a close proximity to major centers of the American population.

This village, nestled 2000 feet high among the Adirondack Mountains of New York State, now includes all forms of skiing, indoor and outdoor speed skating, figure skating, skijoring, hockey and the fascinating sport of bobsledding in its attractive program.

In 1905, visitors to the famous Lake Placid Club took to snowshoes to explore the wonders of the surrounding snow-laden mountains and valleys. As years went by, thousands more emulated these hardy winter pioneers, with a gradual swing towards skiing, which remained more or less a competitive sport, not for the masses, until the '32 Winter Olympics at Placid. In 1920, trail maintenance by the New York State Conservation Department was initiated in the area, primarily for summer hiking. With cross-country ski trails necessary for the Olympics, the Conservation Department constructed 70 miles of new trails radiating from Placid, and widened and improved existing summer trails. Now over 200 miles of well-kept cross-country and touring trails around the resort are available for experts and beginners alike.

For the 1950 World's Ski Championships, the 50 kilometer cross-country course starts and finishes on the Olympic Stadium in the center of the village. The local school building will provide ample space for a food station, dressing rooms, showers and official quarters during this exhausting test of some 31 miles.

The 50 kilometer layout makes use of existing foot trails, log roads and established ski trails. It does not cross any of the many ponds or lakes in the region, hence preventing the possibility of icing of skis. A large section of the cross-country courses surrounding Mt. Whitney, which were utilized during the Olympics and other subsequent major competitions,



Art Devlin. Photo Dick Durrance

has been brought into the new trail plan, with the addition of approximately twelve miles of new trails.

Leaving the village, 50 kilometer contestants will make a three mile loop in the Fawn Ridge area, thence to Whiteface Inn Road and around Placid Lake proper (6 miles long, 15-mile circumference) to the Whitney section. From this point, the cross-country run will make a long loop near Connery Pond and proceed back to the finish. Course planners have kept the trail pattern in wooded areas for the most part, to avoid any excess wind and to assure adequate snow cover. Tree markers and direction arrows along the run will help keep the athletes on the course, with well-trained ski patrolmen on duty to aid them in any emergency. Long and steep climbs have been eliminated in general, but the variable ground contour and abundance of trails will enable those in charge to change the layout, if necessary, and provide any combination of trails, from easy to difficult.

The course follows just alongside several sections of highway to provide spectators with many vantage points and the race may be followed by visitors all along the western shore of frozen Placid Lake. Only a small percentage of the trail is inaccessible to cars, and telephone connections are available at frequent intervals to make it possible for patrolmen and checkers to report back to the officials in the high school. Radio telephones will be brought into play where 'phone lines do not follow some of the more rugged terrain. Food stations for contestants will be set up at convenient locations over the distance.

The 18 kilometer trail and the 40 kilometer relay course are scheduled for the Mt. Whitney section with its many adaptable loops and cutoffs. Alternate grades of ascent are also prevalent here, making any grade and length of climb possible for this international competition. It is also possible to conduct the 50 kilometer event in this region on a two-lap 25 kilometer basis.

Ski jumping was not forgotten in Placid's rapid development of every form of winter sport, for the perfectly engineered 65 meter Intervales Olympic Ski Jump, just three miles outside the village, has long been the scene of international, American and intercollegiate competition for the daredevil "ski-birds." Intervales developed as an outgrowth of rather humble beginnings, with so-called "soapbox" takeoffs, in the winter of 1904-05. A 20 meter jump was erected on the Lake Placid Club's Golf Hill in 1917 and is still in use. In addition, a 30 meter intermediate jump is maintained at Intervales, with 15 and 30 meter hills overlooking the Olympic Stadium in the village. Every winter afternoon, local jumping aspirants are hard at practice on these hills, which are annually the site of New York State interscholastic meets.

Original construction at Intervales, scene of the 1950 World's Jump, began in 1920 with a 35 meter hill for 1921 tournament competition, with enlargement to 50 meters in 1923. In 1928 the present form of the hill took shape as a 60 meter jump and here the world's best gathered for Olympic supremacy in '32. After considerable study and alteration, Intervales today is a 65 meter hill, according to specifications of the F.I.S. From 3500 to 4000 seating capacity is provided, with plenty of space for standees and those who ski out to a meet.

Placid-born Arthur Devlin has been National Champion in the sport, a member of the 1948 Olympic team, and was selected for the 1950 World's United States squad.

Outdoor speed skating on the blue ice of Mirror Lake rink, in the shadow of the lone majesty of towering Whiteface Mountain, was the second step in winter sports growth at Placid. In 1918 the first organized races were held and the sport progressed very rapidly, with Charles Jewtraw, a native son, aiding its prominence by defeating the world's best to cap-





Famous Mirror Lake skating rink with one mile horseracing track, Mt. Whitney and Whiteface in background. Photo Pierson Studio, Lake Placid, N. Y.

ture the 500 meter Olympic medal at Chamonix, France, in 1924. Jack Shea, another local boy, swept the 500 and 1500 meter finals in the Third Olympic Winter Games at Lake Placid in 1932 to add more impetus to the sport in this country. In present-day speed skating circles, the name of Aldrina LeBel, local high school girl, stands high on the list of champion women skaters. Nowadays, the speed demons of the silver blades can take to Mirror's natural surface or the indoor ice of the huge Olympic Arena, just a stone's throw distant.

Construction of the world-famous Mt. Van Hoevenberg Olympic Bobrun, the only one of its kind on the North American continent, was completed Christmas Day, 1930, in a record of herculean construction achievement. The winding snow and ice chute, only eight miles from Placid, has been the supreme test of daring, for Olympic crews in 1932 and for national and international competition since that time. This run, under the supervision of the New York State Conservaion Department, was the site of the 1949 World's Bobsled Championships. Length of the icy challenge to man's courage was cut from one and one-half miles to one mile, but two and four-man sleds still roar down the mountainside at speeds of 70 miles per hour, sometimes more! Since 1932 a majority of the World and Olympic titles in this thrilling sport have been taken for the U.S.A. by Lake Placid and Saranac Lake drivers and crews, who never had a taste of this type of competition before Van Hoevenberg Run was built. Local area bob pilots and teammates will represent this country in the approaching World's Championships in Cortina, Italy.

The run is situated on the north slope of the mountain, which has an elevation of 2960 feet. One of the foremost bobrun designers of the world at the time, Stanislaus Zentzytzki, was brought over from Europe to survey and plan the gigantic slide in its original length of 2350 meters, or approximately one and one-half miles. In the winter of 1936-37 the course was reduced to one mile, and the upper third of the original has not been in operation since that time. Today's run contains 15 curves, which include the well-known "Shady Corner" and the S-shaped "Zig-Zag." Van Hoevenberg is unique among bobruns, since its curves have a distinct drop in elevation, as compared with the European type which have non-dropping flat curves.

Sleds zoom down the chute one at a time, and their progress is reported at frequent intervals from telephone control booths along the slide. Timing for races is accomplished by electric eyes at start and finish, with an electric clock registering elapsed time down to one one-hundredth of a second. In many instances, different drivers and crews are only a few hundredths of a second apart at the conclusion of a major four-heat contest. Four-man sleds weigh 485 pounds and the smaller two-man type tip the scales at 352 pounds. Steering is similar to that used in automobiles and braking is possible, when necessary, by means of a two-handled lever-operated sawtoothed bar, which the brakeman can sink into the icy surface of the run. In addition to the lodge at the finish curve, spectators can take in all the thrills in stands constructed at "Shady" and "Zig-Zag."

With the Third Olympic Winter Games awarded to his mountain hamlet, an indoor location was needed for figure skating, ice hockey and curling. Consequently, the present Olympic Arena, with its 20,000 square feet of ice surface, was erected late in 1931. Every winter since, this sports palace has been a center for figure skaters and hockey teams, with an elaborate figure skating operetta attracting huge crowds during the holiday seasons. The New York Rangers have conducted their pre-season hockey training here for the past three years. Dick Button, tops the world over in figure skating, spent many hours in practice on the Arena's massive ice sheet. Summer ice skating had its origin here in 1932 and a varied program of patch and free skating, ice dancing and a summer



Two-man bobsled shooting through first part of breath-taking "zig-zag" curve on Mt. Van Hoevenberg Olympic Bobrun near Placid. Photo Pierson Studio

Olympic arena in center of village of Lake Pl scene of all ice sports, including summer ice skating. Photo Pierson Studio



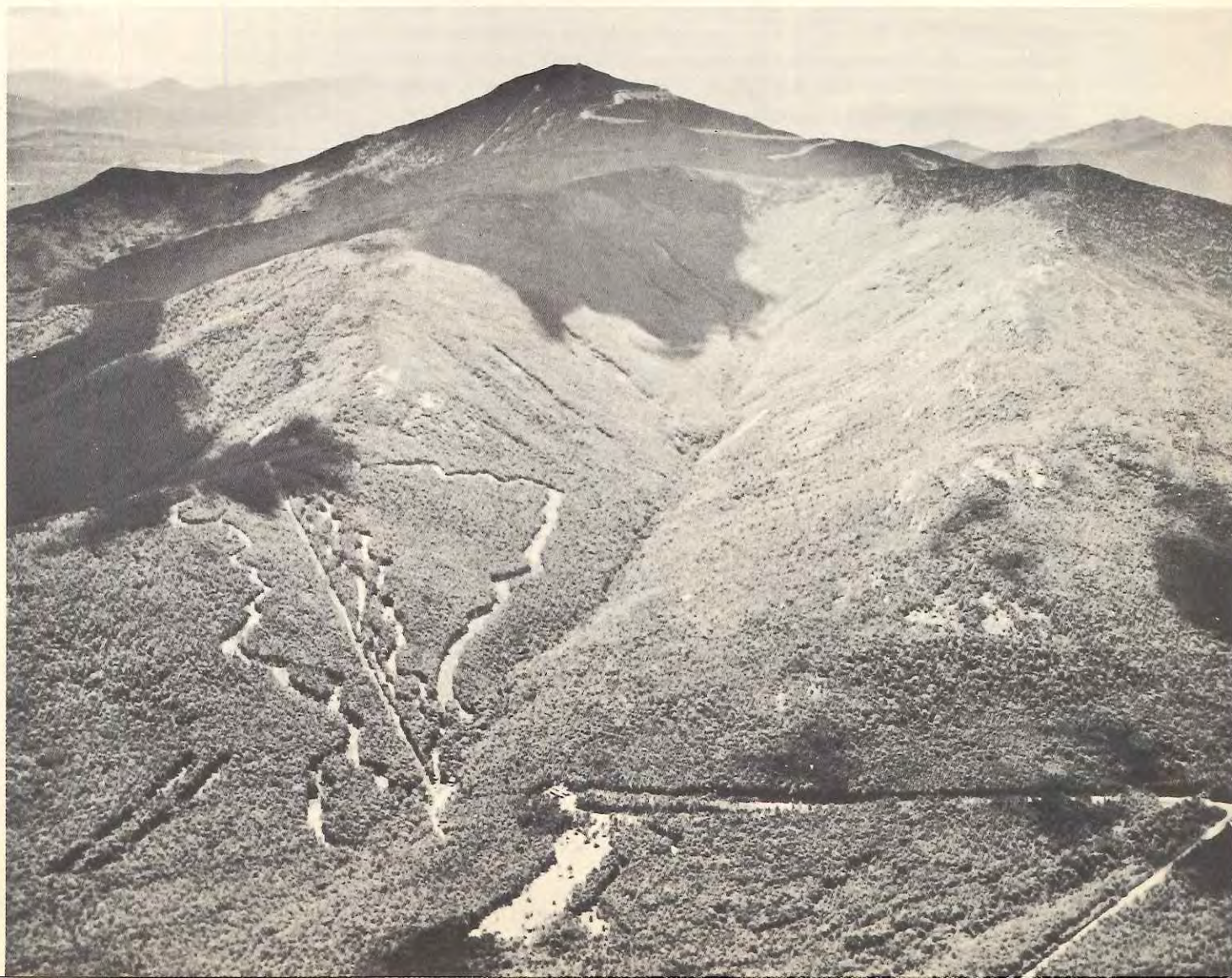
operetta are offered to summer visitors. The Arena has become one of the major convention centers in the Northeast, with its main floor seating capacity adjustable to all sizes of meetings, with smaller rooms available for panel discussions.



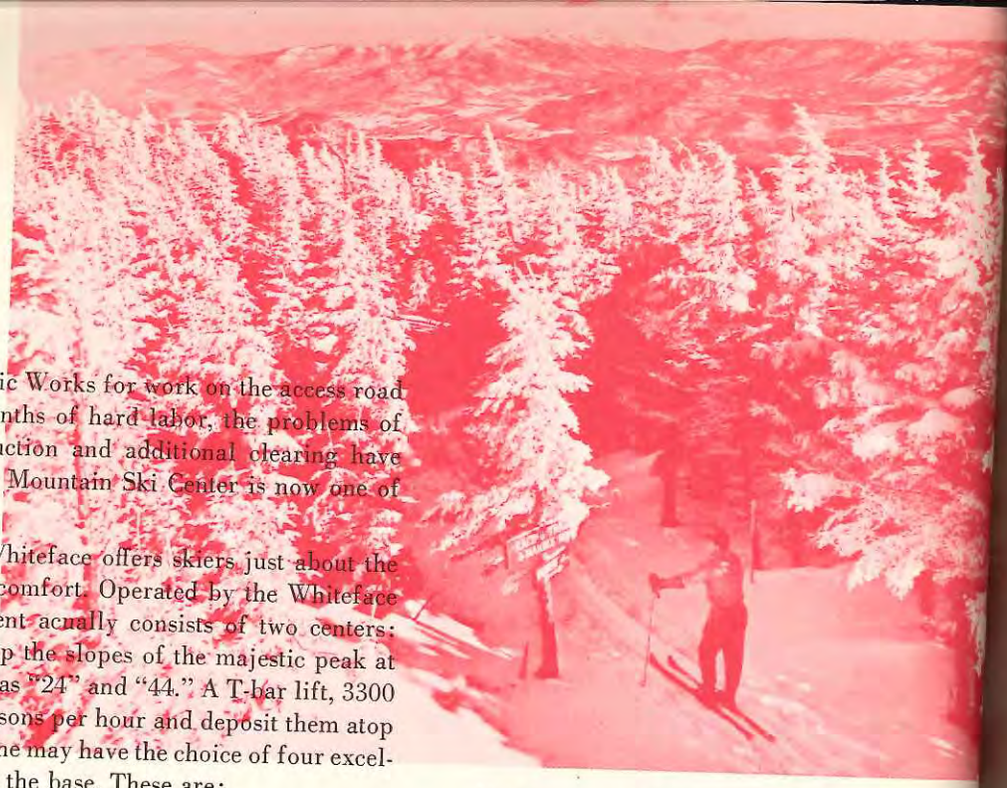
4870 feet high, Whiteface Mountain, sixth loftiest peak in the Empire State, is not only famous for its awe-inspiring beauty but also for its development by the State as a leading recreational center—one of the finest in the country! After various legislative proceedings, the great Whiteface Memorial Highway was started in 1931, as a living monument to New York veterans of World War I. Construction was completed in 1935, and now motorists may drive on a well-paved road to within 350 feet of the rugged summit, to reach its crest via elevator deep within the heart of the solid rock, or by outside stairways clinging to its sides. From the top, on a clear day, over 100 bodies of water are visible in their shining glory, with the winding St. Lawrence River and the spires of Montreal in the distance.

In 1938 the Lake Placid Ski Council was instrumental in the completion of a Class A downhill trail on little Whiteface, using private lands. Here was born the idea for a more extensive ski development! In 1940 necessary amendments to the State Conservation laws were introduced and adopted in 1941, to enable sports-minded visitors from all over the world to enjoy some of the natural terrain, climate and beauty which were God-bestowed on the area. The project was dropped during the war years, but in 1945 the famous ski-meisters, Otto Schneibs and Hannes Schneider, sketched out a system of trails for Marble Mountain and the great Esther Ravine with its northeastern exposure.

Surviving a series of setbacks, due to material shortages and labor difficulties, the center continued to progress, with the State moving in its own



Towering Whiteface Mountain showing lower level of Whiteface ski center in foreground with portion of Whiteface Mt. Memorial Highway near summit.



Skier pauses at trail junction atop Lookout Mountain, upper level Whiteface ski center. Southern range in background. Photo Pierson Studio

crews from the Department of Public Works for work on the access road and other projects. After many months of hard labor, the problems of improved drainage, shelter construction and additional clearing have been ironed out, and the Whiteface Mountain Ski Center is now one of the finest centers in the East.

Only 13 miles from Lake Placid, Whiteface offers skiers just about the ultimate in sport, convenience and comfort. Operated by the Whiteface Mountain Authority, the development actually consists of two centers: one at 2400 feet and another high up the slopes of the majestic peak at 4400 feet. The two levels are known as "24" and "44." A T-bar lift, 3300 feet long, will accommodate 700 persons per hour and deposit them atop 2700 foot Marble Mountain, where one may have the choice of four excellent trails with a 900 foot descent to the base. These are:

Trail 1—length 5000 ft.—width 30-80 ft.—pitch 10-30
Trail 2—length 3500 ft.—width 30-60 ft.—pitch 10-25
Trail 3—length 3500 ft.—width 30-80 ft.—pitch 10-25
Trail 4—length 7500 ft.—width 30-80 ft.—pitch 0-25

An expert downhill run is also available, with the long slide down the 8% grade of the Whiteface Highway as an attraction for less hardy skiers. Via Sno-cats or four-wheel drive vehicles, skiers may be transported to heated shelters at the Lookout Mountain 4400 ft. level, to take advantage of some six miles of cross-country and touring trails. The "44" setup includes four more downhill trails, from 2200 to 3100 feet long, with pitch ranging from 10 to 35, and service back to the top provided by two rope tows. One of these upper trails connects with the lower level pattern, thence to the Center's base far below. The elevation of the top level assures late spring skiing and plenty of snow depth during winter months.

A large two-story rustic lodge is situated at the Center's base, complete with cafeteria, first aid headquarters, ski school office and equipment shop. Adjacent to the lodge are two bunkhouses which will accommodate 100 "dawn-to-dusk" skiers. A 1000 foot rope tow beginners' slope and a 750 foot school hill originate directly below the lodge and parking area. Snack bars, rest rooms and plenty of warmth are supplied in the lofty shelters perched atop Marble and Lookout Mountains. All trails are patrolled, with intermediate telephone and "walkie-talkie" communication to the base office. Twelve complete first aid stations are spotted at strategic locations over the layout.

In the heart of the Adirondack ski area and forest preserve, Whiteface Ski Center now emerges as one of the leading attractions for all classes of skiers. It was the scene of the New York State Downhill Championships and the Lake Placid Club Sno Birds 29th annual College Week races earlier this winter.

Once more Lake Placid enjoys the privilege of entertaining the world's best in winter sports competition, and will do its utmost to provide every comfort and convenience for all contestants. Spectators will not be forgotten, however, since every opportunity for the non-competitor to enjoy the cross-country and jumping events has been taken into consideration in the official and experienced planning. Once again, friendly hometowners will welcome foreign athletes with a smile and a "Hi," which has proven to be something of an international language.

To all competitors—GOOD LUCK—and a hearty WELCOME to all!

Skier approaching top of one of Placid's ski slopes just outside village. Photo Pierson Studio



Accurate Timing is Extremely Important

by Frank Elkins

How many know that the first broken-thread electrical start-stop device ever used was built by Longines in 1910 for track competition? Since then, this watch has been officially used for clocking sports events all over the world.

Practically every major Amateur Athletic Union championship in this sports-conscious country of ours, including field and track, swimming, boxing, etc., for the past ten years has been timed by Longines, also used during the United States Olympic tryouts. Thus Longines will bring to the 1950 F.I.S. title games at Lake Placid, and Aspen, a time-honored reputation for accuracy, as well as $20,000 worth of equipment to make sure that everything is correct for the most important meet of its kind.

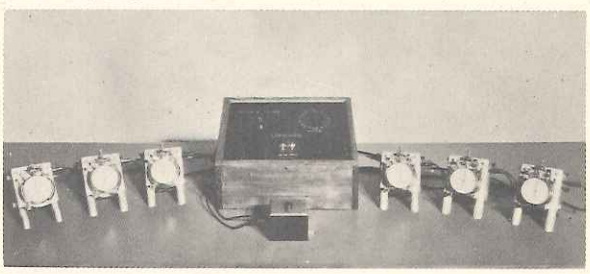
If anything goes wrong—and nothing is impossible in this living world—Longines will have, supplementing this tremendous timing equipment, a telephone system connecting the start with the finish, with timers there to operate the high-precision watches manually—assurance that the ski events will be timed correctly.

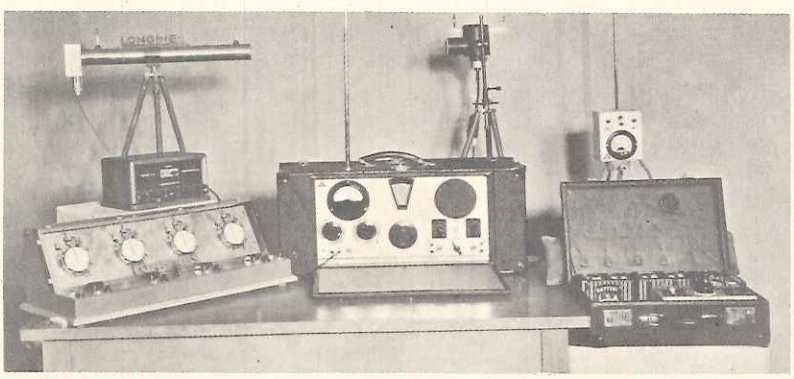
Cross-country races are relatively easy to solve from the timekeeper's point of view. Start signals will be given chronologically at regular intervals, and the arrivals are registered visibly on the split timer. For relay races, an electric revolver is fired and the collective time of departure automatically recorded. Cross-country and relay races are recorded to the second. Parts of seconds are counted as full seconds. In case of tie, both competitors get the same honor or prize.

In Downhill, Slalom, Giant Slalom and Combined Slalom, the timing problem is more complicated. Runners, as you know, usually start off at regular intervals, but in Slalom, the intervals may vary according to the decision of the Chief Timer. Each interval is not less than 30 seconds. Timing of these events is determined to a tenth of a second. In the event that two contestants get the same winning time, both get the same honor or prize.



This illustrates the way in which the selector is associated with the battery of electrically actuated watches. Either automatically or manually, the selector will move from one watch to the other, up to 20.





$20,000 worth of timing equipment will be used for timing the World Ski Championships, 1950, at Aspen, Colorado. A beam of light projector and photo-electric cells, background, are used at start and finish. The breaking of the beam actuates transmitter, center, which sends an impulse to receiver at the finish line which starts the watches at the finish. When the beam is broken at the finish, it directly actuates the watches and stops them. By means of a selector, one watch after another is started and stopped and any number of watches up to 20 can be controlled more or less automatically by this apparatus.

Use of Longines Radio-Controlled Timing in Europe

The Longines Automatic Radio-controlled Timing System has been used for timing ski championships in Switzerland, Austria, France and Norway.

Among these are the famous Arlberg-Kandahar at St. Anton, Austria; the French Ski Championships at Chamonix; the Norwegian skiing and skating title races at Lillehammer and Oslo; the military ski games at Briancon, France; the Parsenn Derby in Switzerland; the international bobsled races at the same place; the Swiss Ski Championships in Grindelwald; the "Flying Mile" in Switzerland; and the 1937 FIS World Ski Championships in Engelberg, Switzerland.

Aspen COLORADO

by Luke Short

There is no historical record of a Ute Indian ever having skied the slopes of Aspen Mountain.

However, to borrow a cliche and slightly garnish it with exaggeration, the campfires of the marauding Ute Indians of 1879 were barely cold before men *were* skiing Aspen mountain.

That year the Utes reluctantly decided to write off their favorite hunting grounds, the primitive wilderness of the Elk Range, and tolerate trespass by the Whites. The invitation by default was eagerly accepted the next year by the Whites who were prospectors to a man. And, prospector fashion, once in Aspen they took to the mountains, Aspen and Smuggler mountains first, and then to the peaks in the back country where a man had to be very sure he was going to be a millionaire by spring in order to stick out the winter.

The certain date marking the first sight of skis around Aspen is not remembered. It was nothing to note anyway because when jacks and horses were snowed to a halt and a man still had to travel, he had his choice of snowshoes or skis. But the oldest timers in Aspen can remember the common sight of miners from the workings that pocked Aspen and Ajax mountains coming off the slopes muffled to the ears, straddling a aspen pole for a brake, with ten foot skis lashed to their boots. So it is tradition here, as unremarked as was the custom of every prospector packing a rifle into the hills.

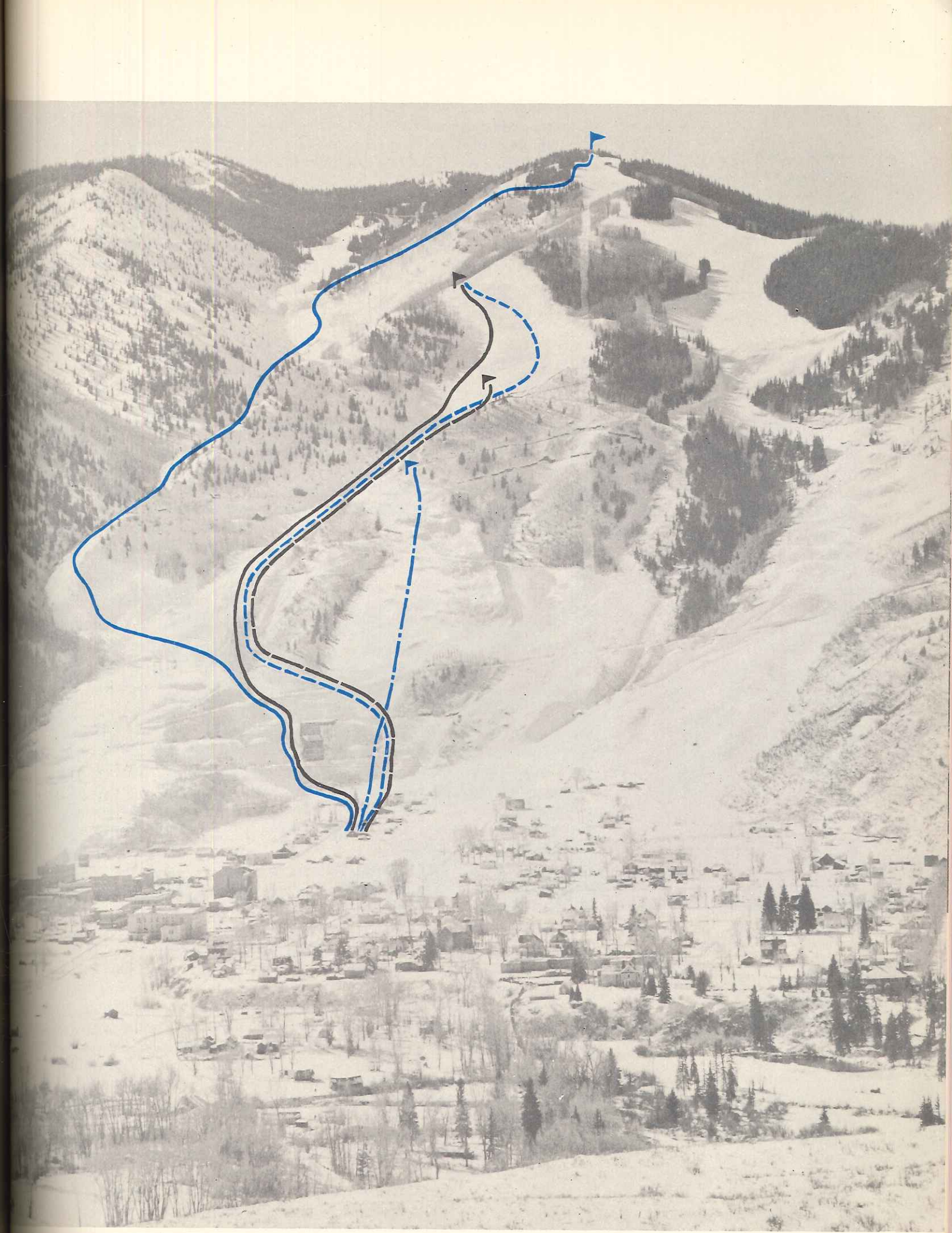
Even when Aspen was a true city of 10,000 persons in the 90's, the tradition held. For, while smoke from Aspen's foundries, its two railroads, its mills and samplers and mines; and its solid brick and stone buildings and street railway all combined to give it an urban industrial appearance, it was always the mountains and the winters that governed life.



As the four high passes stemming from Aspen snowed in so the last pack strings were turned back, and crews were called out to shovel drifts and slides so trains could go through, nobody ever forgot it was winter. Weren't miners even then hulling their way through drifted canyons to their workings, sometimes freezing to death on the way? And weren't the newspapers reporting slides in the remote gulches that buried buildings and the men in them? Winter, and the means of traveling in it, was a large part of life.

While Aspen declined in wealth winter by winter and its mines filled with water, its population drifted away. In the winter of 1935, a good Aspen town lot, level under feet of snow, was selling for five dollars, a sound frame house for fifty, with no takers. Five hundred people rattled around its big empty buildings and its few well kept homes.

That was the winter that Andre Roch, after whom the famous Roch run is named, came to Aspen and saw what many a miner before him knew, that Aspen's slopes were good skiing. A handful of Aspen folk who were skiing for pleasure then were his first friends and shared his passion for mountains and for skiing.


Men's Downhill
Men's Giant Slalom
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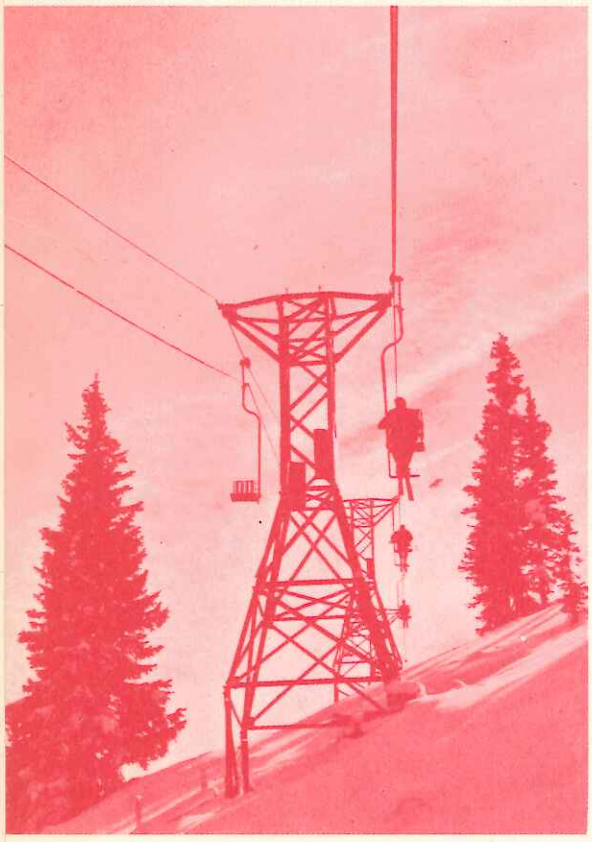
Slalom

If Andre Roch can be called the official discoverer of Aspen as a ski resort, other names deserve to stand beside his. For it was skiers of the 10th Mountain Division training in Leadville over the mountains who talked about Aspen and who swore that when the war was finished they would return to it.

The man who made their return possible—and they did return and are still here—was Walter Paepcke, Chicago industrialist. Starting in 1945, he financed the building of the longest chair lift in the world which, if facts interest you, runs some 3 miles up Aspen and Ajax mountains and has a vertical lift of 3200 Ft. Likewise, he financed the cutting of many miles of ski trails radiating from the terminal Sundeck at 11,400 ft. altitude.

This altitude is worth remembering, for it is part of the Aspen story too. Aspen itself is thirty feet short of being 8000 ft. above sea level. And Aspen skiing, like all the fine skiing of the western resorts such as Sun Valley and Alta, is high altitude skiing—in deep dry snow through fogless days unending, and in blinding sunlight.



The Chair Lift. Photo Fritz Kaeser

Along with the financing of Aspen as a skiing resort came another idea, again Mr. Paepcke's, and an idea that is still in ferment. It was a belief that Aspen itself was more than a collection of buildings in which to sleep during a pleasant ski vacation. It was a conviction that Aspen was a pleasant place in which to live and work and create. The merit of this idea is proven, for writers, teachers, artists and architects came to Aspen —and stayed. The belief is persisting too, so that last summer Aspen was host to the Goethe Bicentennial Convocation with its brilliant array of world-famed philosophers, historians and musicians. It is persisting even now, as plans are under way for the foundation of Aspen University.

Yet it took more than a gaudy history, altitude, and intellectual ferment to bring a World's Championship Ski meet—the first ever to be held in America—to Aspen, and what brought it?

At the end of Monarch Street, four streets up from Original Street (which should be anybody's favorite, as street names go), Aspen mountain begins. It is a hulk of a mountain that shadows the town in winter and where the kids play in summer. Enough of its size carried over in pictures and engineer's profiles served to impress the FIS congress in Oslo last summer. It was selected as the site for the Men's and Women's Downhill and Slalom competition.

So, up its face last summer tramped the men who were to lay out the FIS downhill and slalom courses. Following their blazes were the trail cutters, who can remember starting their work when the does on the slope still had fauns at their sides, and ending it when the bucks had shed their velvet. The drilling, blasting, bulldozing, the clearing and burning of brush and the cutting of timber was a summer's work costing $5000 in labor alone.

Following the trail cutters were the telephone linemen who installed a double circuit line from the start of the men's race to the finish, another line from the women's start to the finish, and two observation stations along the men's course. These phone installations will make it impossible for a racer to be out of a reporter's observation, and the listening spectator's hearing, for more than thirty seconds on both downhill courses.

When the linemen's work was done and before the snows came, tons of straw and sawdust were hauled up to bed the finish. From where the men racers first come into sight of spectators at the precipitous shoulder of Spar Gulch runout, and from the point where the women racers are first visible to spectators at the pitch-off of Silver Queen, a mat of straw and

sawdust was laid to the finish line. This was done to insure an even snow layer for the many days of team practice and for the races.

The final step was the drudging work of packing the trails after each big snow, so that race week would find all courses with the firm, packed snow base so necessary to championship skiing.

But how good is the course, compared to the famous downhill runs of Chamonix, Murren and St. Anton? Among the few Europeans who have seen the men's downhill and climbed it is Dr. Jean Carle, manager of the French team which raced in the North American last March at Aspen, and vice president of the FIS. Dr. Carle was quoted on his return to France as saying that Aspen's FIS downhill is even tougher than the Olympic course of 1947 in St. Moritz, Switzerland.

The concensus of American skiing opinion is that the men's FIS Downhill course is *not* the fastest, certainly not the longest, but that it is the toughest in America and one of the three toughest in the world. By that it



Above Ashcroft, near Aspen.
Photo Fritz Kaeser

is meant that the Aspen course will provide one of the most difficult tests of stamina, skill and daring supplied by any skiing terrain.

Figures are usually dull, belonging in almanacs, but sometimes they can't help but be impressive. Imagine, for instance, a second Empire State building atop the present one, and you'll have a rough visual approximation of the vertical drop in the two and one-eighth miles the men racers will travel in the FIS downhill course.

A favorite speculation is the speed a good racer is likely to approach in his descent. Aspen professionals are guessing that with good snow conditions men racers will better 60 miles per hour in Spar Gulch, the intermediate stretch of the men's course. They are also guessing the winning men's time will fall between two minutes 45 seconds, and two minutes 55 seconds—roughly half the elapsed time it would take a parachutist to reach the ground if he jumped from a plane at the same altitude as the racing start. Put another way, the winning man racer might *average* 45 miles per hour for the course. And some of his time, for certain, will be



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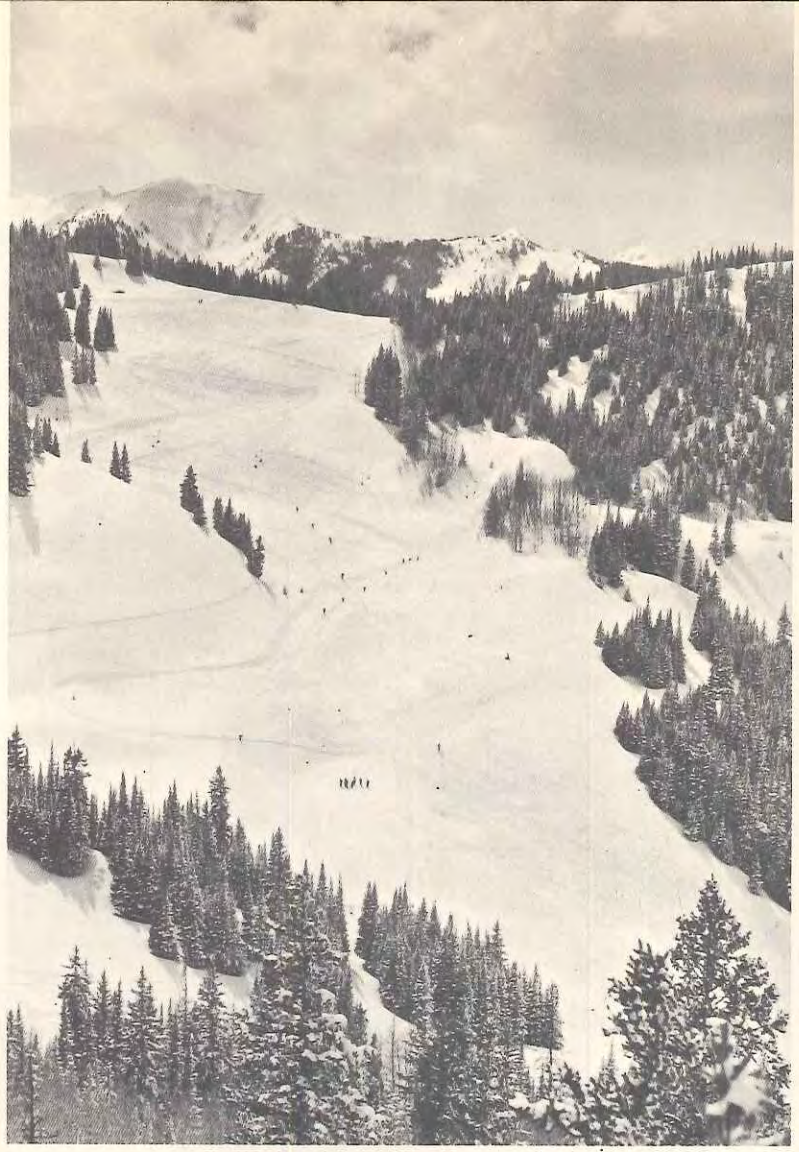


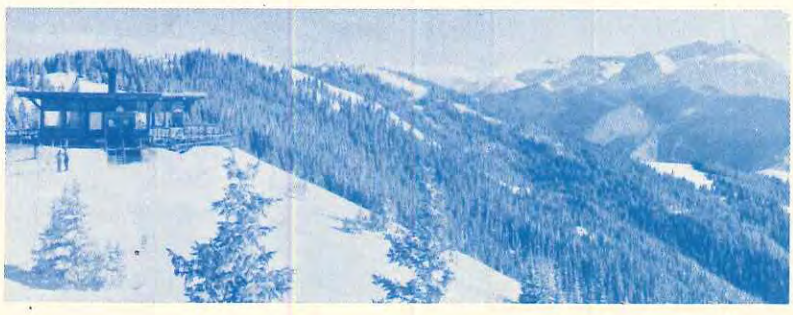
Tourtelotte Park.
Photo Fritz Kaeser

spent in the air, since there are two places in the course that will force racers off the ground for a distance of one hundred feet.

The Women's Downhill course—shorter, less precipitous than the Men's—nevertheless received the same careful cutting and grading accorded the Men's course. No woman racer has ever raced all of it, just as no man has ever raced the Man's Downhill course in its entirety. The brand spanking new Slalom course vaulting above the orehouse of the old Veteran mine was timberland last summer, with rabbits pelting down the tunnels in its shady brush.

Aspen, in all its history, has never cared much about the pigment in a man's skin or the fashion of his hair cut. Cornishmen timbered drifts for Slav miners in the old days, and Swedes mucked for Austrians. The man on one end of a singlejack might have been born an ocean apart from his partner holding the drill. In this time of unease, it is good to remember that, to reaffirm an old Aspen friendship and tolerance toward all.

Aspen had a good time preparing for this FIS meet. We hope you have a good time in winning it, trying to win it, and watching it.



The National Ski Patrol System

by Minot Dole, National Director

Twelve years ago next month, America's top ranking skiers gathered from all parts of the country at Stowe, Vermont, to compete in the National Downhill and Slalom Championships on the precipitous "Nose-Dive" trail and Mt. Mansfield. Dick Durrance, Charlie Proctor, Alec Bright, Walt Prager from the east, Don Frazer and Don Amick from the west and Ulli Beutter and Fritz Dehmel of the German Ski Team were but a few who were straining to lower the course record of 2:52. Don Frazer's breathless remark after his first practice run, "Holy smokes (or words to that effect) how does a guy ski with all those trees whizzing past him," bespoke the feelings of many.

Mindful of the hazards to racers and trees alike, those responsible asked that a group or patrol he formed that day, equipped with toboggans and blankets at strategic spots, to evacuate any who might crack up. Although Ulli Beutter just nosed out Dick Durrance and lowered the course record to 2:36, there were no accidents.

The embryo ski patrol of 1938 knew their limitations and realized that the very life blood of their future usefulness depended on caring for an injured skier *with trained knowledge*. A victim must be handled on the spot where he lies, in such a manner that his injury is not increased during a long, hard evacuation and to reduce shock, ever present in violent accidents and aggravated by the cold of winter.

At that very time the National Red Cross was seeking a way into the winter field as an outlet for their first aid teachings. The NSPS was the natural vehicle and from that day to this the two organizations, linked through their national offices have worked in close harmony in the establishment of standards of first aid training and the improvement of techniques and equipment. They have, through their local chapters throughout the United States, supplied instructors who have taught thousands of skiers and in many cases have helped the local patrols by making supplies available. The Denver area has been more than fortunate, for the Denver Chapter through its Safety and Services has cooperated closely with the Southern Rocky Mountain Ski Association in the conduct of their separate and combined programs. The Denver Chapter has assisted the Denver patrol through the purchase of first aid equipment which is available for ski patrol activities as well as emergency situations such as avalanches, airplane crashes, etc. In the Denver Chapter Disaster organization, ski patrol members form a squad which is on call for local emergencies such as fires, explosions, etc.

When the World's Championships were awarded to Aspen, Colorado, the Denver Chapter of the Red Cross was asked to assist in the conducting of these events by the provision and maintenance of personnel to enable adequate first aid coverage. The ski patrol members were the logical choice and in cooperation with them, select leaders will provide this service.

The NSPS will be active at both Lake Placid and Aspen. At Lake Placid, both the jumping and cross country meets will be fully covered. At Aspen, the regular professional patrol will be supplemented by nine picked volunteer National patrolmen. The American Red Cross will provide a first aid station at the bottom of the courses and five rescue stations will be located at strategic points.

In 1950, twelve years since its founding, there are 256 local patrols of the NSPS, operating from Maine to the west coast. Over 18,000 injured skiers have been cared for by the NSPS during these years and twenty-eight patrolmen wear the purple merit star for saving the lives of skiers, who, but for them would be seeking powder snow in higher climes.



Henri Oreiller, France

Those who attend the World's Championships will recognize the NSPS members, hand picked to care for their skiing brethren from many lands, by their rust colored parkas or their badge bearing the orange cross. These two have become the symbols of the "Good Samaritan of the Snow" throughout the country. His watchword is "Safety and Service." He is committed to spending hours of his own time in assisting those who have been injured. He has risked his own life time and again in the search for lost or injured skiers in sub-zero temperatures through the long hours of the night or by digging in the confused maelstrom of an avalanche when the mountain is still trembling and other slides are imminent. His presence on the ski slopes of the country is an assurance to all skiers that trained and willing help is at hand if needed. Tip your ski pole in salute when you pass him, skiers! He deserves your respect!

A brief explanation of what makes the NSPS tick is perhaps in order. It is incorporated as a philanthropic, non profit organization, enjoying a tax exempt status, for those interested in sponsoring and assisting its work, with national Headquarters (now desk space) at 415 Lexington Ave., New York City. Supervised by volunteer Board of Trustees and National Director, it divides the country into seven divisions, each under a divisional chairman. He in turn breaks his divisions into smaller units, responsible for the activity of local patrols.



A national medical committee compiles and analyzes all skiing accident reports, seeking the causes and the cures. When one realizes that of the 4,428 accidents handled by the NSPS in the '48 season, 63% had never had a lesson and 71% were novices, one can see a field for an excellent accident prevention campaign if funds were avaliable.

The NSPS has sparked many activities during its short existence, from the activating of the 87th Infantry Mountain Regiment, the first in our army's history, later the 10th Mt. Division, to the never ending study and improvement of rescue toboggans, but perhaps one of the most useful and far reaching efforts was initiated in the winter of '48-'49. With the increased development of Alpine terrain in the west, more and more country subject to avalanches has been opened up. With the exception of a few individuals and scattered members of the Government Services, little is known about this menace and less by skiers generally. Loss of life has resulted. The NSPS therefore procured the services of Andre Roch, who in 1936 laid out the Roch Run at Aspen, and who is head of the Swiss Avalanche Clinic at Davos, Switzerland. Special funds were raised and contributions made by interested areas and individuals. Andre spent over two months in the U.S., studying local conditions throughout the west and holding classes to impart his expert knowledge. His completed report is now in the hands of area owners and it is felt that his findings will benefit all skiers.

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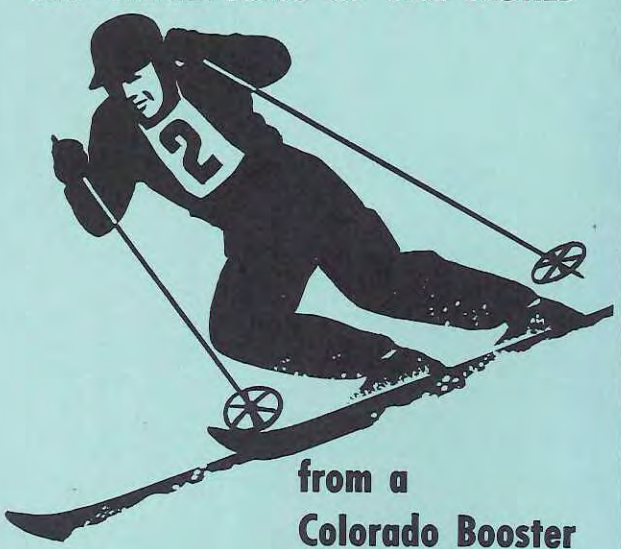

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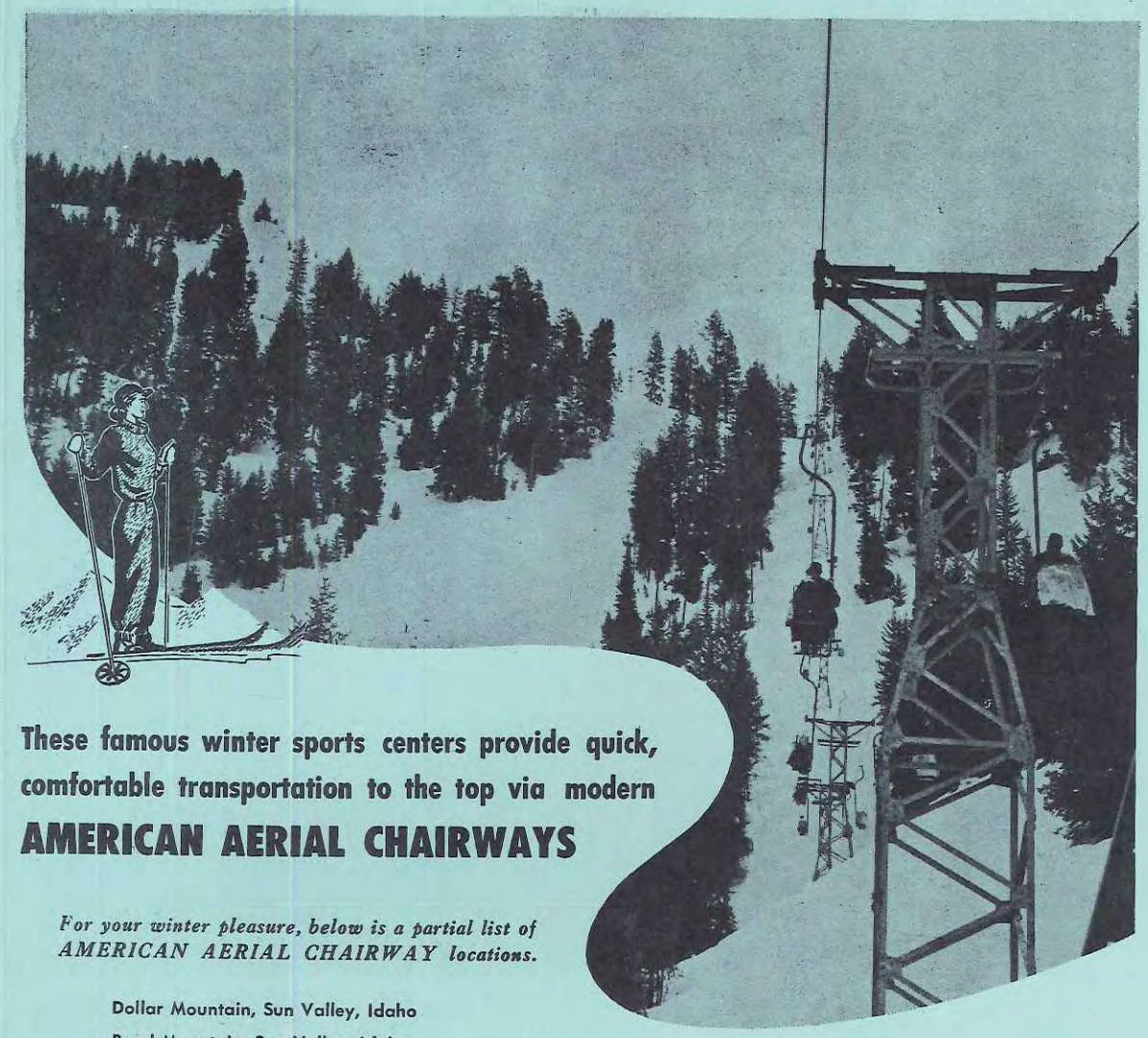

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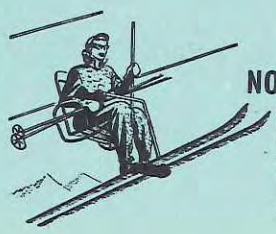

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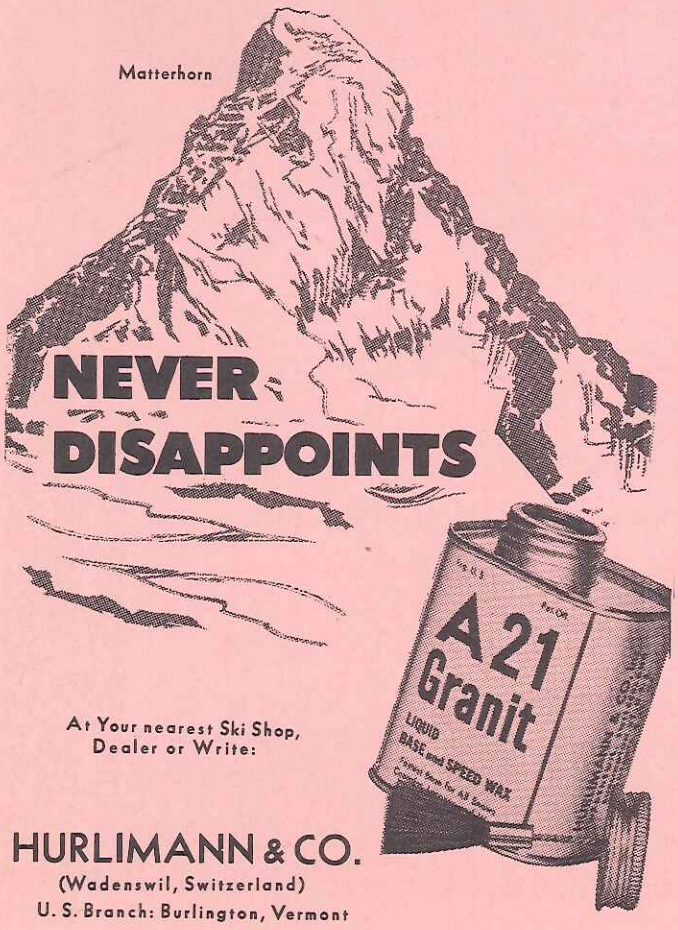

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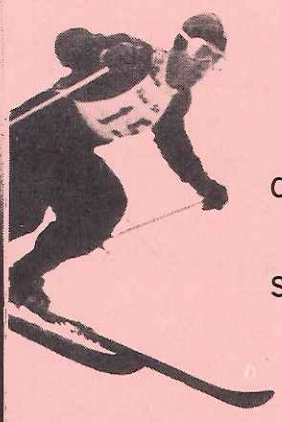

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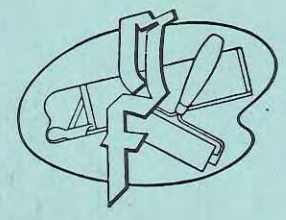

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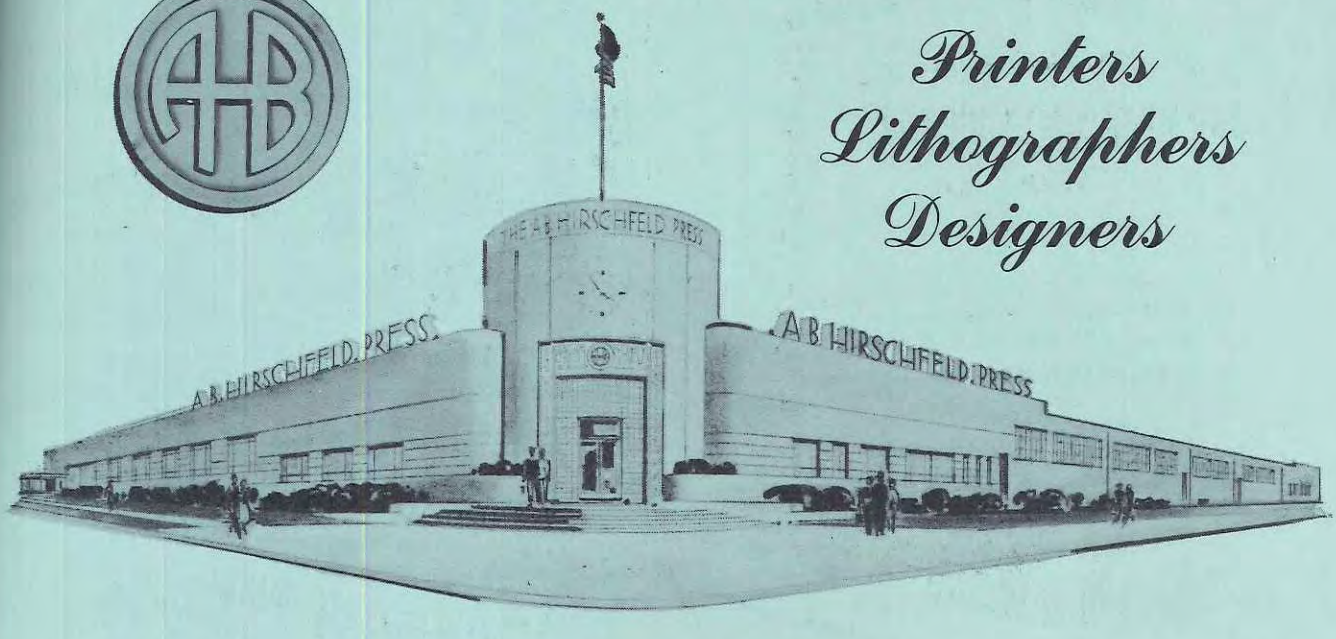

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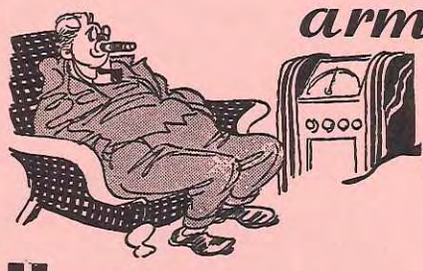

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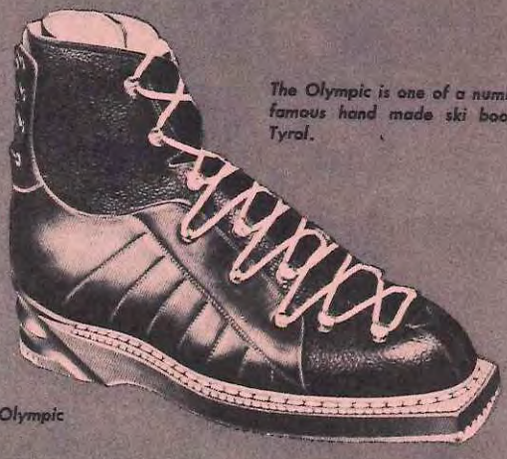

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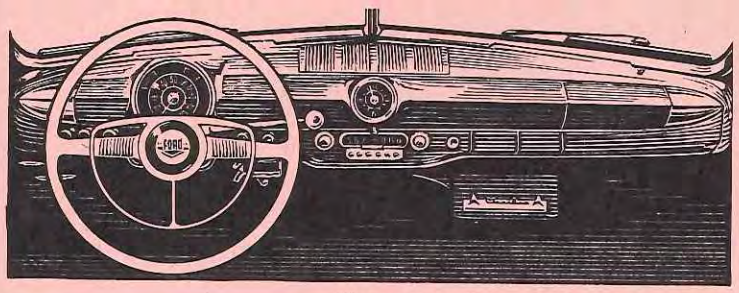



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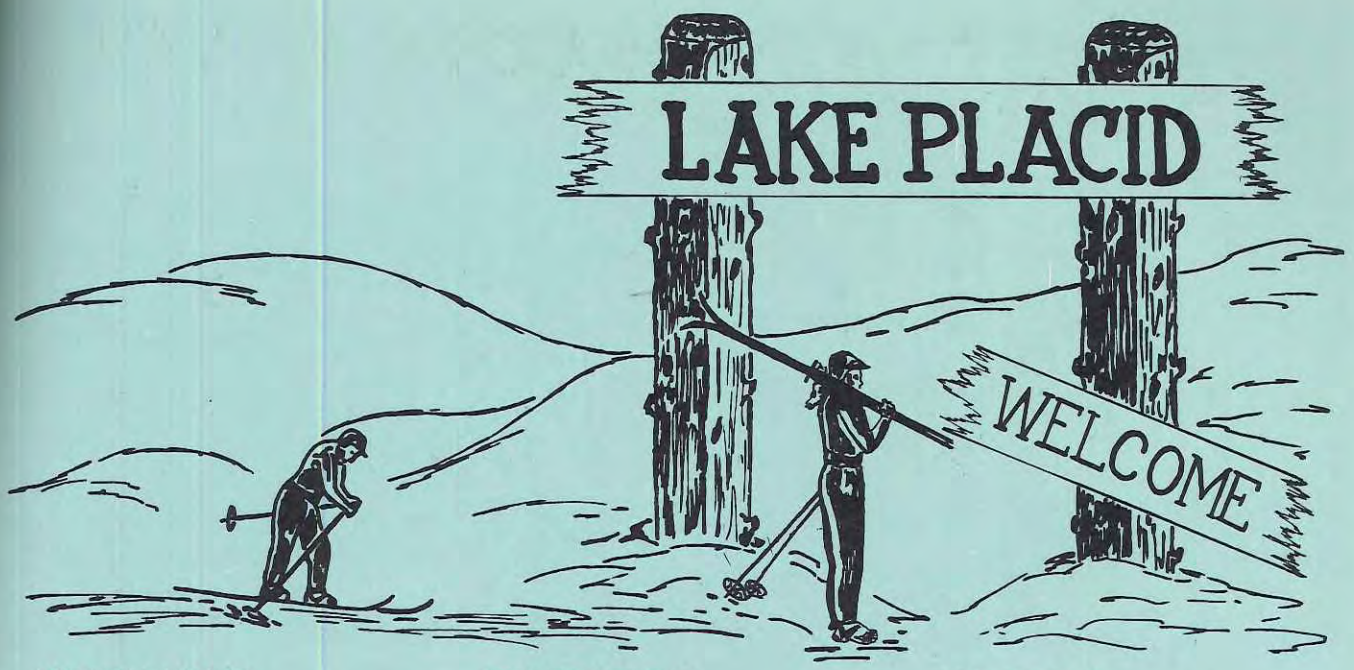

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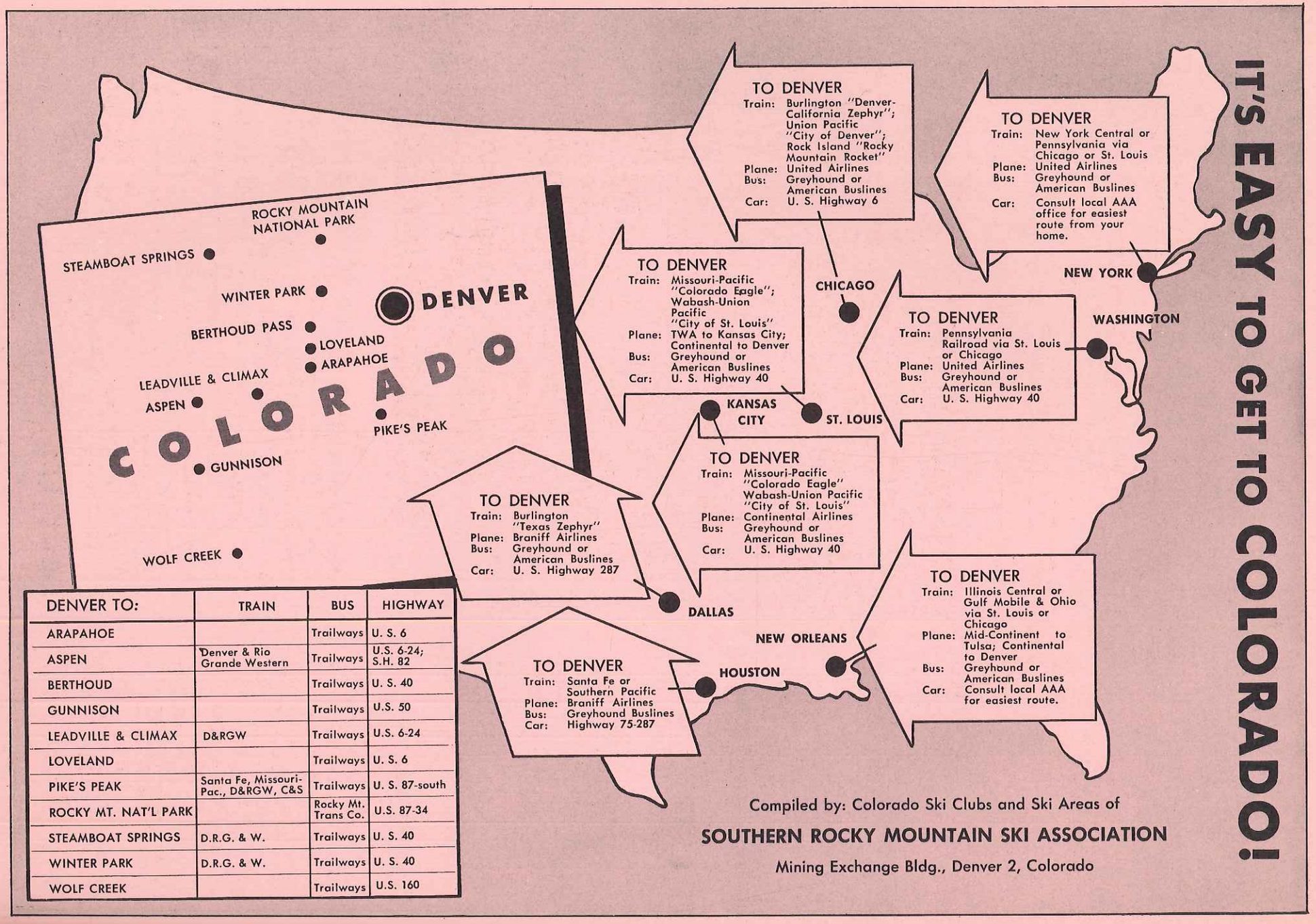

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Prior to this event, old-time prospectors broke the trails many skiers skim over today. A noted early-day skier was Reverend John Dyer, a Methodist circuit rider who preached in Colorado's early mining camps. Father Dyer made his first pair of snow-runners in March, 1862, when he was assigned the task of covering a two-weeks' circuit in the mountains. Later, he carried the mail over a thirty-seven-mile trail . . . all this without benefit of ski tows or shelter houses.

Skiing in Colorado has made remarkable advancement from these meager beginnings. The state's first ski tournament was held at Inspiration Point on the edge of Denver, in January, 1917. Inaugurated nearly forty years ago was America's oldest annual Winter Sports Carnival at Steamboat Springs—still one of the nation's most popular ski celebrations.

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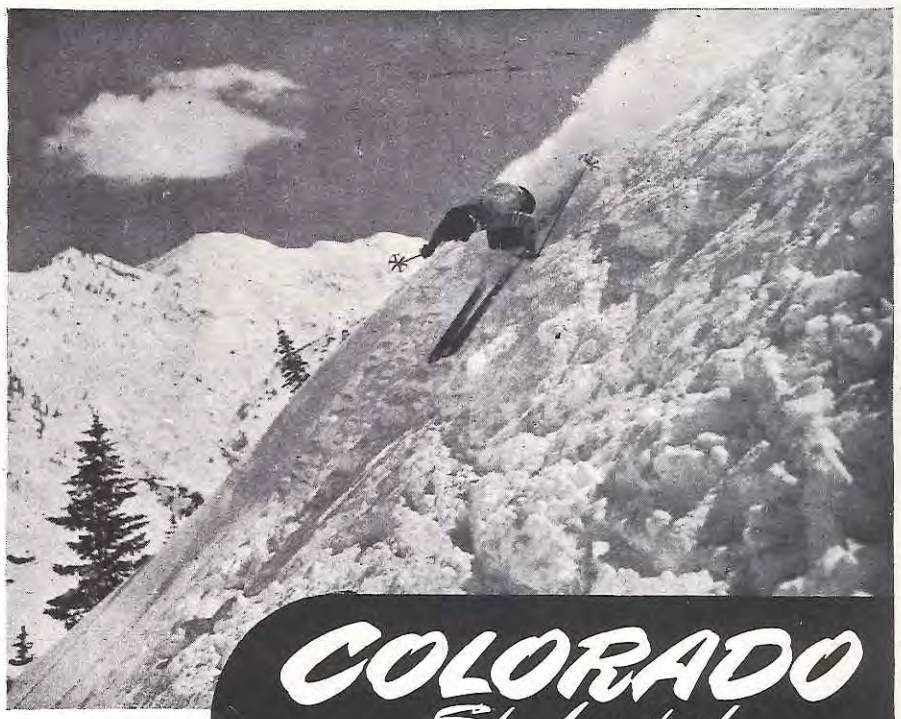

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