

## THREE RIVERS SKI CLUB

**O**UR Club was organized a year ago under the name of the St. Maurice Ski Club, but we have now changed the name to the Three Rivers Ski Club.

The activities of our Club last year were mostly in the nature of introducing and teaching the young people of this district how to ski. From time to time during the winter we invited outside skiers to participate in ski-ing exhibitions staged on our senior jump, and we are glad to say that every event brought out skiers as well as spectators, I dare say, by the hundreds.

One of these exhibition jumps drew a crowd of over three thousand. At this meeting we were favored with a visit of a number of executives and ski experts from the Montreal and Quebec Ski Clubs, and we take pleasure in stating that the good sportsmanship and excellent ski-ing by our guests did more for the good of the sport in one afternoon than we could have done in a whole season.

Being only a year old, we have not gone in for any pretentious clubrooms or artificial slides, yet we have managed with the kind assistance in the form of building materials, etc., of Messrs. T. A. Wark, W. B. Baptist, F. Ritchie and B. Grant, to construct a fairly comfortable log cabin and a senior and junior jump. On our senior jump a leap of 130 feet is possible.

We are looking forward to a busy season and hope to have most of the young people in this district take up ski-ing in earnest. The Officers for this season are: T. A. Wark, *Honorary President*; C. F. Charbonneau, *President*; T. Iversen, *Vice-President*; W. Argall, L. P. Goulet and W. F. Koren, *Executive Committee*.

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## THE QUEBEC SKI CLUB

**T**HE Quebec Ski Club enjoyed a most successful season last winter, having the Boy Scout Huts, on the cove fields, as their Club House.

We opened the season with a dance on December 4, at our new quarters, which was a very great success. Our first official tramp of the season took place on December 29; up to then we did not have enough snow for ski-ing.

We had a great many out-of-town trips. Every week-end we went either to Kent House, Montmorency Falls, Indian Lorette, "Snow Bird Valley," Ste. Anne de Beaupre, and our last trip of the season was on April 18 to Lake St. Joseph. The ski-ing was very good—the best we had during the winter.

Ivan Nelson, a member of the Quebec Ski Club, won the Ontario Championships at Ottawa last season.

This year the Quebec Ski Club entered upon the twentieth year of its existence, and is one of the original members with the Montreal and Ottawa Ski Clubs, which together formed the Canadian Amateur Ski Association.

The officers for the coming season are as follows: *President*, Major A. S. Law; *1st Vice-President*, W. A. Goodday; *2nd Vice-President*, J. G. Vallerand; *Secretary*, A. Gourdeau; *Treasurer*, C. Gourdeau; *Directors*, Major G. R. Bouchard, H. W. Aslin, C. J. Falkenberg, E. Blondeau, Dr. E. Gale, J. G. Coote, D. O'Donnell.

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## PRONUNCIATION OF THE WORD "SKI"

In the last issue of the "British Ski Year Book," Professor F. F. Roget has an important letter on this subject. He takes exception to the soft, spurious pronunciation, "she," and which he terms, "an adventitious trick of fashion," and stoutly calls for an immediate reform to restore the pronunciation of ski according to use, sense and history. After tracing the history of the word from its originators, the Nordic people, he gives as his final authority, Murray's Dictionary—SKI (pronounce ski) subs. Plural ski (without an s, like sheep, kine, deer, etc.). It is interesting to us to read Professor Roget's remarks, particularly so, as in this country and in the U.S.A. ski is usually pronounced as above.