

find some members of the Chicopee Ski Club of Kitchener, Ontario, placing high in the ranks of Canadian ski runners.

Officers of the club are as follows:—*President*, W. Clare Duffus; *Vice-President*, Murray Snyder; *Secretary*, Jerry Eastman; *Treasurer*, Brian Barrett; *Directors*, Frowde Seagram, Mait Newman, Wilf Bitzer, North Kennedy, Phil. Breithaupt, John Goldie.

### Limberlost Ski Club

THE LIMBERLOST SKI CLUB was organized on January 1, 1932, by a group of ski-minded guests spending the Christmas-New Year holiday at Limberlost lodge. The first president was Clarence Robinson of Rochester, N.Y. Thirty-six charter members joined the club at the initial meeting. Since then the club has increased its membership to a total of one hundred and thirty-two.

The object of the Limberlost Ski Club is to unite all those who have enjoyed ski-ing at Limberlost. By joining skiers indicate their desire to further the development of ski-ing in this district and by accepting these memberships Limberlost pledges its support to provide the best possible facilities. Since the resident community of Limberlost is very small the majority of members are transient guests of the Lodge, many of whom make a ski-ing vacation at Limberlost an annual event. Limberlost Ski Club members are also members in many other clubs throughout Ontario. The Toronto Ski Club, the Chicopee Club of Kitchener, the Pickering College group at Newmarket and the Huntsville Ski Club all contribute enthusiastic skiers to the Limberlost Club. Membership is drawn from territory west to British Columbia, south to Virginia, east to Prince Edward Island and north to Quebec. Distinctive club pins and badges, showing the Limberlost owl and crescent moon, serve to identify Limberlost skiers in any company and to introduce, wherever they may meet, members whose visits to the Lodge have not chanced to co-incide. Accommodation for skiers is available in the main lodge and separate log bungalows, all well heated and modernly equipped.

Located in the bush and lake country of Northern Muskoka, bordering Algonquin Park Reserve, the property includes three thousand acres, with thirty lakes within a two-mile radius of the Lodge. Networks of abandoned clearings, old pioneer roads, trappers' trails and ice-bound lakes invite exploration. Lake trout fishing through the ice, ski-joring and riding, winter picnics and aeroplaning afford varied sport. Ski tours lead far afield to secluded lakes. At intervals through the bush, cabins provide rest and a hot lunch on all day tours. Expert instruction, without extra charge, enables the novice to begin correctly and the more experienced to check faults that hinder progress. Instructors are qualified judges for recognized tests. Frequent trials, slalom and downhill races are held.

Adjacent to the Lodge are cleared practice slopes. "Old Baldy" and extensive clearings are excellent for all

types of open hill ski-ing. Millar Hill offers nearly a mile of continuous downhill running. The "Top of the World," "Hickory Tom's Tote Road," and "Interlaken Trail" are runs to test the adept. The slalom hill, near the Lodge, has a vertical drop of about 350 feet, averaging 20 feet in gradient. The high altitude and bush location of Limberlost bring heavy snowfalls and practically constant ski-ing conditions from early winter until April, while 150 miles of mapped trails through rolling country indicates unlimited ski-ing terrain.

GORDON HILL, *President*.

### Laurentian Ski Club—North Bay

IT WAS not until the year 1925 that ski-ing as an organized sport made its appearance in North Bay. In that year a few enthusiasts formed a club to foster the pastime and establish it on a stable footing. From this feeble beginning, with a membership of 22, the organization has expanded until with the close of the season 1934-35 242 members wore the badge of the Laurentian Ski Club and included in their number many very active and proficient skiers.

The club takes its name from the Laurentian hills, which extend eastward from North Bay to the Quebec boundary and thence enter the province of Quebec to form the playground of some of Canada's foremost ski clubs. The hills in the vicinity of North Bay are less rugged than they are farther east, but nevertheless provide a ski-ing terrain sufficient for all general purposes. Trails and slopes are available for all types of skiers. The country is particularly well adapted to cross-country running, and the club in its activities devotes considerable attention to this branch of the sport. The downhill runs are comparatively short, the longest not exceeding six or seven hundred yards, but the descents are fairly sharp which make the runs exciting enough for the average skier.

The past season was highly successful from many points of view. Perhaps most important was the progress made by those skiers who favoured slalom racing. Downhill and slalom racing were first introduced by a party of skiers from the Toronto Ski Club which visited our club in 1932. This type of ski-ing met with popular favour at once and undoubtedly has elevated itself to first place in the events which are conducted from time to time during the season.

The annual meet at North Bay is commencing to assume importance in the community and nearby towns and should within a few years be a major gathering in Northern Ontario. It at present includes events for juniors, ladies and men seniors. The outstanding events, of course, are the senior cross-country race, senior downhill and slalom races. To date the club has not produced locally any cross-country runners of real ability but it has among its out of town membership (from points North and West of North Bay) several more than average racers, who require only stiff competition to bring out ability which should enable them to compete in fast company. Insofar as slalom racing is concerned the club

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