



The Penguin Ski House

THIS winter at St. Sauveur, Que., a new ski chalet will be seen. During the past few years the Penguin Ski Club has rented a house for the season in one of the well-known ski-ing centres. The membership has been growing however, and sometimes, during competition week-ends, as many as twenty-four girls have been put up in a house that would comfortably hold sixteen. Although this was taken in good humour and without complaint, there were times when it was disconcerting to find ski wax on one's pillow and someone else's boots in one's sleeping bag . . . to say nothing of the odd sock in the frying pan! Now, due to the kindness and generosity of Mr. John Molson and Mr. Bert Molson, these discomforts have become a thing of the past, and we have a permanent clubhouse with every comfort and convenience that could be desired.

The house, designed by Mr. Galt Durnford, is admirably suited in every way to its purpose. It is excellently located on a knoll about three-quarters of a mile from St. Sauveur, well set back from the highway leading to Piedmont: thus it will have fine ski-ing facilities at its doorstep with some good practice runs. Built in traditional French-Canadian style with a mansard roof, it is outstanding both in architectural beauty and comfort. The main construction is of squared logs, silver gray and pointed with white. Color is added by a black roof and pink gables. The foundations are

built of stone, and the main entrance, flanked by two octagonal windows, opens into a flag-stoned ski room on the ground floor. This room is equipped with a work bench, ski racks and a small stove for waxing. A large game room, a wash room and a furnace room make up the rest of the basement plan. Three of the most important facilities of the house are electricity, hot and cold running water and a hot air furnace. A winding staircase leads up to the second floor and to the main feature of the house, which is a combined living room and dining room, twenty-two feet by twenty-four, with a large stone fireplace. Two bay windows facing south give a fine view of Hill 70 and the surrounding country. An office, pantry and kitchen face northwards, the kitchen being connected with the main room by a counter as well as a door. The third floor consists of seven cedar lined bunk rooms with twenty-four built-in bunks, a bathroom and linen closets. These rooms open on to a gallery which looks down on the living room below. The bunks have cupboards on each side and drawers underneath. The bathroom is fully equipped with two showers.

It is scarcely necessary to add that the Penguins find words inadequate to express their appreciation of the new clubhouse, and their gratitude for all that has been done for them. It will be left for them to prove themselves worthy of this kindness in every possible way.