



A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all. May you soon be up to your neck in good dry, Canadian snow, out of the slush and mud.

Pressure of work and lack of snow have delayed the publishing of this circular. Wading ankle deep in slush by a muggy atmosphere up the steep slopes of Camp Fortune, where your publicist usually gets his inspirations, is not conducive to a happy frame of mind. Things are improving, however. The white stuff is on the ground, a bit thin as yet, but there is more in the storehouses of the North, where all good things come from. It will be delivered in good time. Get your ski book out and memorize the technique of those turns while you have time. If you fall this year, you will know why.

Now for the abuse. Your fees are due, and past due. There are seven hundred slackers among you—seven hundred in arrears—seven hundred doubting Thomases who want to be shown that a winter is coming. Just because a foolish report appeared in the newspapers stating that beavers went around hatless and coatless in Labrador, did you think there would be no winter? Play fair to the Club and pay up. If skiing is late this year, what of it? Did you not get two winters into one last year, and a summer almost as good as a winter. Did we charge you double fee then? Who wants to ski before Christmas, anyhow? Think a little more of your Club and less of yourself and pay up.

More about fees. It has been suggested by a kind lady, for the convenience of members who do not care to trust their pennies to the mail, that our membership secretary, Miss Ashfield, might stand an hour or so a day at the corner of Elgin and Sparks. Meanwhile—and before Miss Ashfield acts upon this suggestion, as she doubtless will—we would remind our members that fees can be paid at Holbrook's, Sparks street, and at the Bank of Toronto, Central Station. There are badges and membership cards at both places. Cheques may also be sent direct to Miss Ashfield, 107 Pretoria.

Now a word about those contributions. We are building and we need financial assistance badly. Our carpenters are blessed with families of twelve apiece and can't wait for their pay. Our lumber dealers, well they are lumber dealers—Camp Fortune is finished. The first nail is being driven to-day into the extension of the Ironsides Lodge. The construction of the new lodge at Pink Lake will be started as soon as sufficient money is in sight. Get that circular you received last week out of the drawer where you stored it, read it again and see what you can do to help us. One hundred Treasury notes bearing interest at 6 p.c. are for sale. There is not one among you who could not afford to lend us ten dollars; there are at least a hundred who could afford to take a life membership, and every one should, in addition, buy a gold or silver nail, and get a new member. Do something for your Club and help the Executive.

First life members: J. P. Henderson, H. de Miffonis, C. E. Mortureux.

Purchasers of Treasury Notes: Mrs. Semple (\$50), Mr. McQuag (\$100), J. T. Jansen (\$50).

Donations: Colonel Hill, \$10; R. J. Durley, \$5; Y. Hanawa, \$5; S. H. Forest, \$5; Miss R. E. Richards, \$2; Edith K. Stanley, \$2. Who is next?

Who is who on the Executive. As some of the subscribers to this sheet may have dropped the newspapers and may not have attended the general meeting, let us say that the affairs of the Club are managed by seven directors: Sigurd Lockeberg, Capt. T. J. Morin, A. G. Haultain, F. G. Semple, A. West, J. R. Dickson, Geo. Audette. There is a Secretary-Treasurer, W. R. Stevenson (95 Gilmour), and a Membership Secretary, Miss Mildred Ashfield (107 Pretoria). There are two Vice-Presidents: Allan Snowden and J. A. Wilson and the President is C. E. Mortureux. The Ladies Executive is made up of the following: Sybil Stewart (Recording Secretary and Archivist), Margaret Winter, Dorothy Weston, Edith O'Connor, Betty Berry, Edith Stanley; Vivian Reid is President and Convenor. Mrs. J. R. Dickson is in charge of the mid-week night hikes. Miss Queenie Robinson arranges for the working of the cafeteria. Director Semple is Chairman of the Lodge Committee. He has three lieutenants: Colonel Hill, in charge of Camp Fortune, Kenneth Chipman, in charge of Ironsides, and Jos. Bernier, in charge of Pink Lake. If anything goes wrong you will know who to blame, but be sure of your ground before you tackle the Colonel, because you might get the worst of it.

THE SKIS YOU HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR

I have just received a shipment of high grade hickory skis from Johnson & Nilson, Norway, and I invite the members of the Ottawa Ski Club to come and see them. They speak for themselves.

The prices at which they are listed are easily 25% below the prices quoted anywhere else for the same grade of skis. First come, first served.

Jumping Skis, Hickory:

All sizes, per pair \$18.50

Racing Skis, Hickory:

All Sizes, per pair 17.50

Standard Skis, Hickory:

6'9", per pair 12.50

7' " " 13.00

7'3" " " 13.50

7'6" " " 14.00

7'9" " " 14.50

Hagen Fittings, (put on), per pair \$3.00

M. E. Fittings, (something new), per pair 4.00

Hansen Fittings (something new), per pair 4.00

Bergendahl Fittings, per pair 4.00

Ottawa Ski Club Fittings (steel), per pair 4.50

Ski Poles, per pair 2.50

"Cat's Paw" Ski Wax (No Back Slipping).

In Blocks 35

In Tubes 50

Repairs at Reasonable Prices.

S. R. LOCKEBERG

542 WELLINGTON ST.

With 3000 feet of floor space, seating accommodation for 500, a dormitory for forty, a rest room for ladies, a kitchen and well-stocked cellar (30 pillars supporting the building) Camp Fortune has passed the shack stage, and even the lodge stage and is now a magnificent Club House. There is good bathing in the creek nearby (never dry in winter) and good fishing in the lake.

For much valuable work done at Camp Fortune this fall, the Club is deeply indebted to Architect Kidd, who drew the plans of the new building, to Colonel Hill, Bridge builder and Master of all Trades, to Fred Baillie, who carried cords of wood and laid cords of wall board, to A. D. Watson, finishing expert, and to Kenneth Fosbery, who, in addition to building stacks of chairs and tables, painted the buts of every stick of green wood with the letters "T.G." ('Tis green), and every stick of dry wood "T.G." ('Tain't green). Use "T.G." in moderation, as Willie Murphy says it is hard on stove pipes.

New Publications. The uses and misuses of Poison Ivy, by Geo. Audette.—What an Ostrich can do to a Lion, by a lady member of the club.

Geo. Audette, who has donated the splendid photo enlargements adorning the walls of Camp Fortune, presents his compliments to the man who stole one of them out of the frame, and expresses the hope he may soon re-enter the jail, out of which he should never have been let.

Anyone wanting to sleep at Camp Fortune, please phone Colonel Hill (R. 3875).

What about a membership to the Ottawa Ski Club as a Xmas Gift? What better gift could there be than to initiate one to the wonders of the ski trail, to that fountain of perpetual health and youth? Send him a card and let him buy the skis.

Greetings and compliments of the season to our members in exile: Mr. and Mrs. and Master Berry in Shanghai; Harold Eeman in Cairo, Egypt. May the memory of the happy days spent on the ski trail stay with them and comfort them.

It is not necessary that members who were in good standing last year should fill in an application form again this year. Once accepted into the Club, one is a member until one resigns.

New regulations about Lodge. In future, members must bring their own cups, plates, knives and fork, and their own supply of tea (or coffee and cocoa as well). The increasing number of members, the difficulty of washing dishes and of keeping a supply on hand have compelled us to take this step. There will be plenty of tea pots, frying pans and hot water.

Mrs. Semple who did such magnificent service for the Club last year in arranging for the workers of the Cafeteria steps out to take other lines of activities, and Miss Queenie Robertson (Q. 7595) takes up her duties. May we bespeak for Miss Robertson the same enthusiastic cooperation that Mrs. Semple never failed to get among the members of the Club and for which she is truly thankful.

Skis wanted: Mrs. Thompson C. 5357 (Evenings). Q. 3000 Local 405 (office)

Skis for Sale: 6 ft., Ash, good condition. Miss Charlotte Whitton, (R, 5737)