

## Forest City's New Ski Area Opens Today



*Trail blazers travel Forest City's ski slopes in preparation for today's opening*

FOREST CITY, IA.— Today is opening day at a new skiing area southeast of Forest City.

Skiing and tobogganing facilities have been constructed on a hill adjacent to Pilot Knob State Park.

An electrically-powered ski tow, 560-feet

long, carries skiers to the top. A 1,100-foot slope and an 800-foot slope provide courses for more experienced skiers.

Numerous beginner slopes are also available.

Lighting is being installed to provide nighttime action. A chalet has been constructed near

ample parking areas at the bottom of the slopes. Refreshments are available during skiing hours. Ski equipment rental is provided.

Hours of operation will be all day Saturday and Sunday, with "under-the-lights" skiing on those two days.

Night skiing will be

open to the general public Wednesdays. Officials have indicated that other week nights will be reserved for private parties.

The Pilot Knob Ski Corp. will operate the area.

Decorah's ski club is

planning a free session on techniques of skiing, care of ski equipment and use of ski facilities. It is tentatively set Jan. 9 at Decorah High School.

Movies will be shown on ski etiquette, instruction and other subjects.