



ED LOCKE SHOWS SKI FORM
He's new instructor at Telemark

SNOW TO BRING NEW HIGH

**1,000 May Jam
JCC Ski Train**

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With participation in skiing up as much as 40 per cent in most areas in the Upper Midwest, the sport will really soar to new highs now that plenty of snow has arrived.

The increase is phenomenal in that several centers had to close down entirely because of lack of snow up to Thursday. Others had to use special precautions to protect what hase they had, and some even used tractors to push snow into place.

Now it all is changed.

The recent heavy snowfall practically assured success for the Junior Chamber of Commerce Snow Train to Trollhaugen Feb. 1. About 1,000 skiers are expected to jam the chartered coaches for the trip to Dresser, Wis.

Activities include a parade led by the Osceola and Taylors Falls high school bands, skiing, skating, bus rides, a buffet dinner by the Dresser Association of Commerce and dancing.

GROUPS PURCHASING block of 50 tickets (\$3.99) will be allotted a special car . . .

Meanwhile, at Cable, Wis., more than 3,000 skiers have tested the Telemark slopes since that area opened after Christmas. Telemark's facilities have been expanded to five tow, five downhill runs up to 2,600 feet and with vertical descent of 370 feet, and three open slopes. Chalet services also have been increased . . .

NEW DIRECTOR of the Telemark ski school is Ed Locke, a native of Amesbury, Mass., who formerly instructed at Aspen and Sun Valley . . .

Speaking of Sun Valley, they've got more than four feet of powder on the summit of Baldy mountain now! . . .

Night skiing has been one of the big reasons for the boost in interest in the sport this year, with the Sno-Fun area (eight miles south of St. Paul) the lat-

est to install lights . . .

And Hal Whittier says another reason is the swing to family-group skiing. His Sno-Fun area recently added geared-down tows for beginners and children . . .

MORE FAMILY skiing also has been noted as one reason New Hampshire's winter "industry" is heading for another new record . . .

Today, more than 100 of the East's top skiers will compete in the Victor Constant Memorial races at Stowe, Vt., with Othmar Schneider of Austria, Olympic slalom winner, the favorite . . .

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