



DIAGRAMMED ABOVE are skiing facilities in Minnesota, as presented in the November-December Minnesota Conservation Department magazine "Conservation Volunteer." Not shown is Afton Alps off U.S. Hwy. 12 between St. Paul and Hudson, Wis., and Washington County's new ski resort under construction some five miles north of Hastings. Of these ski areas, the Midwest Ski Association says the following have artificial snow-making equipment: Afton Alps, Lookout Mountain, Moon Valley, Pine Bend, Sugar Hills and Buck Hill.

SKI CONDITIONS

MINNESOTA
DETROIT MOUNTAIN, Detroit Lakes—Five inch base, trace of new snow. Skiing good.
VAL CHATEL, Park Rapids—Good skiing. 5.10 inch base. One inch new snow. Open Sat. Skiing good.
AFTON ALPS, Afton—Seven inch base. One inch new snow. Open Sat. Skiing good.
RIFEMA VISTA, Bemidji—3.5 inch base. Trace of new snow. Skiing good.
LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, Virginia—13-26 inch base. Two inches of new snow. Skiing good to excellent.
MOON VALLEY, Shakopee—One to four inch base. One inch new snow. Skiing fair.
MONT DU LAC, Fond Du Lac, Duluth—One to four inch base. One inch of new snow. Skiing fair to good.
THEODORE WIRTH, Minneapolis—Three inch base. Skiing good. Open daily for next two weeks.
CEDAR HILLS, Minneapolis—Skiing good to excellent. Hours 9 to 4:30 and 6 to 10 from Dec. 21 through Jan. 5.
MT. NORMANDALE, 86th and Normandale—Four inch picked base. One inch new powder. Skiing very good.
SUGAR HILLS, Grand Rapids—Twelve inch new snow. Ten slopes, both T bars and four rope tows open. Skiing excellent.
BUCK HILLS, Minneapolis—Six-15 inch base. Making additional snow. Skiing good.
WISCONSIN
RIB MOUNTAINS, Wausau—Fair to good skiing. 4-8 machine base, lower slopes only. Opening daily except Christmas Day.
BIRCH PARK, Houlton—Two inch base. One inch new snow. Open during Christmas vacation. Skiing very good.
HARNSCRIBBLE, Rice Lake—Four inch base. One inch new snow. Skiing fair to good.
MT. LA CROSSE, La Crosse—Two to 10 inch base. Two inches of snow. Skiing very good. Open daily starting Saturday.
SKI MAC, Somerset—4.5 inch base. Two inches of new snow. Skiing very good. Open starting Saturday.
TROLLHAUGEN, Dresser—Six to 24 base. One inch new and making. Skiing excellent.
WHITECAP MOUNTAIN, Hurley—15 inch base. Four inches of new snow. Skiing good to excellent.
TROLLHAUGEN SKI AREA, Dresser—One inch new snow on a 6.24 inch base. Skiing excellent.
MT. TELEMARSK SKI AREA, Hayward—Three inches of new snow over a 12 inch base. Skiing excellent.
MONTANA
BIG MOUNTAIN, White Fish—25 inch base. Deep powder. 96 inch total snow. Beginners have 24 inch base. Skiing good to excellent.
MICHIGAN
PORCUPINE MOUNTAIN, Ontonagon—Six-inch base. Two

inches of new snow. Skiing good.
BOYNE MOUNTAIN, Boyne Falls—12-14 inches new snow. Skiing excellent.
IROQUOIS MOUNTAIN, Brimley—Not open.
CLIFFS RIDGE, Marquette—Eight inches new snow. Skiing excellent.
PINE MOUNTAIN, Iron Mountain—One inch new snow. Skiing very good.
MOLANHEAD MOUNTAIN, Bessemer—Six inches new snow. Skiing excellent.
IDAHO
SAM WORMINGTON SCHWITZER BASIN, Sandpoint—Powdered snow. Operating daily including Christmas Day. Skiing excellent.
CANADA
LOCK LOMOND, Port Arthur—Six-inch base. Three inches new snow. Skiing good to excellent.

Nothing But Breaks for Huskies' Stroud
LONG BEACH, Calif.—(AP)—Either way you look at it, Mike Stroud got a break. Stroud was a third-string halfback for the Washington Huskies when he broke a bone in his left hand during Thursday's workout. But he kept practicing — despite the injury — and got a second break. Coach Jim Owens promoted him to the second unit.
Owens, one of the game's foremost lineup shufflers, made other changes. Left halfback Ron Medved, who had been demoted to the second team Wednesday, was returned to the first unit.
Guard Rick Redman, who had been elevated to the first string the day before, was demoted to the second team Thursday morning. But when team pictures were taken in the afternoon he was back with the first squad.
The Huskies, who meet Illinois in the Rose Bowl New Year's day, are expected to have their first scrimmage Saturday or Sunday.

Skiers Take to Chartered Buses

Thirty-eight Twin Cities area ski buffs will board a chartered bus for Crested Butte, Colo., Dec. 28. They will return to Minneapolis Jan. 3. The trip is sponsored by Tatra Ski Bus, an offshoot of a ski shop which runs a chartered bus trips to ski areas every winter weekend.
Chartered bus is the second most popular way of getting to ski areas in Minnesota—Lutsen and Sawtooth Mountain on the North Shore of Lake Superior, Lookout Mountain near Virginia, Giant's Ridge by Aurora, Sugar Hills near Grand Rapids, Mont Du Lac southwest of Duluth, Buena Vista near Bemidji, Val Chateal and Comet Skiways in the Park Rapids

area, Old Smokey near Ferguson Falls, Powder Ridge south of St. Cloud, Val Hulla near Mankato, Rushford south of Winona and Mount Normandale, Moon Valley and Buck Hill, south and west of the Twin Cities.
The most popular way is by private car.
Harold Grinden, who has spent most of his working life promoting skiing and tourism for the Duluth Chamber of Commerce, said regularly scheduled bus and train service usually isn't suitable in Minnesota because of the distance between the stops and the ski areas.
"Iver Iverson, who runs Mont Du Lac (southwest of Duluth), is going to try running a bus from downtown Duluth and back on Saturdays," he said. "But there won't be Sunday service."
"At Lutsen, if they know you are coming, they will pick you up and drive you the two miles from bus stop —and the Greyhound runs on the shore only once a day," Grinden said.

Northern Pacific and Great Northern railways promote trips to western ski areas.
Great Northern offers, for \$63.01 round-trip coach fare, a trip to the Big Mountain ski area eight miles from Whitefish, Mont.
Great Northern trains leave for Whitefish at 10:50 p.m. and 10:05 a.m., arriving there at 6:40 p.m. and 9:30 a.m., respectively, the next day. The trip from Whitefish to Big Mountain is by bus.
Northern Pacific passengers to western ski areas can go to Red Lodge, near Billings, Mont., where a railroad-owned bus takes skiers to the lodge; Bozeman, Mont., and Missoula, Mont., where it's necessary to hire private transportation to get to the ski areas.
The Northern Pacific North Coast Limited leaves at 7:55 p.m., arriving at Billings at 10:48 a.m. (round-trip coach fare \$49.50), Bozeman at 1:54 p.m. (fare \$53.90) and Missoula at 6:35 p.m. (fare \$65.70).
A slower train leaves at 9:15 a.m., arriving in Billings at 4:51 a.m., the next day, Bozeman at 9:08 a.m. and Missoula at 3:19 p.m.

2 Soldiers Convicted of Murder

EVREUX, France — (UPI)—A U.S. Army court martial today found two Negro American soldiers guilty of the unpremeditated murder of a white airman in a barracks brawl.
A third defendant — a white soldier — was convicted of involuntary manslaughter in the case arising from the Sept. 6 death of Airman Robert Padgett, 23, of Woodlawn, Va.
Pvt. Richard L. Parker Jr., Eckman, W. Va., and Pfc. Edward Spears, New York, were sentenced to 11 and 10 years respectively. Both were given dishonorable discharges.
Pfc. Allen L. Gernard, New York was given an 18-month sentence and a bad conduct discharge for involuntary manslaughter.
The military court was composed of six whites and two Negroes.
United States officials have denied French press reports that the brawl was the culmination of racial hostility between white and Negro servicemen and have attributed the fight to traditional inter-service rivalry.
Six soldiers were charged with Padgett's murder. Pfc. Raymond Bost Jr., Pittsburgh, and Pfc. Robert Burrell, Philadelphia, Negroes, were convicted by an all-white court Nov. 9 and sentenced to 15 and 12 years, respectively, at hard labor in Leavenworth federal prison.

Many Charters

A Greyhound Bus Lines official recommended charter service and said the company runs many charters to ski areas on winter weekends.
The price is economical, if a group of 25 or more decide to charter a bus, he said.
"If a person calls us before he goes on a regular trip to Lutsen, we can make arrangements for him to be picked up at the stop there," he said.
Skiers who want to take regular buses to other ski centers in the state should plan on taking taxis from the bus stops, he said.
Paul Geyer, who runs the Tatra charter service, said the ski areas in Minnesota usually are five to 10 miles from bus stops—"and it's a long, cold walk."
Cable, Wis., ski areas have a direct connection with Minneapolis through Zephyr Bus Lines.
"It's easy," said Anthony Wise, owner of Mount Telemark Resort at Cable. "The bus leaves Minneapolis at 1 p.m., arrives here at 6 p.m. You call the resort you want and you're picked up."
Most skiers come by car, a few by light aircraft, landing at the Cable airport. Wise

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