

## Despite Cold Thousands Enjoy Sports

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take lessons from experts, members of the club.

And don't think they aren't experts. Sixteen of the fellows went to Aspen, Colo., during the winter vacation this year and a four-man team they tossed together came up third among 12 colleges and some mighty stiff competition.

This afternoon, in place of adding a nap to that big dinner and another fraction of an inch to the waistline, you can go out to Vilas park and see the city championship skating races. They start at 2. There's also a hockey game at Vilas at the same time, with Madison battling Oshkosh. And, at the same time, there's a ski jumping meet, in three classes, at Olbrich.

Big stuff's cookin', too, for the future.

The Hoofers' Winter Carnival week is coming up, Feb. 9 through Feb. 15. On Tuesday, Feb. 10, the gals in the abbreviated skirts will whirl through an ice cabaret on the terrace behind the Memorial Union. And on Wednesday there will be ice sculpturing along Langdon st. and on Bascom hill.

### Parade Feb. 13

Thursday morning they judge the ice sculptures, and all Madison drives down Langdon st. to see what the kids have done this time. Friday night, there's parade of floats down Langdon to Wisconsin ave. to State st. and back to Park st. and to the Union. It starts at 7:30.

Saturday at 10 a. m. there's the down hill and slalom meet at the Cross Plains Twin Valley Ski area, and at 2 p. m. there's a cross country ski run leaving at the Union lakeside. The call it ski riding, by the way, which is a misnomer. You have to push the things on the level. One after the other. Gets tiresome, too.

Sunday at 2 p. m. there's the jumping meet, sanctioned by the Central Ski assn., featuring the best jumpers in this and nearby states. That's something to see. The boys fly up to 112 feet through the air.

If you feel like going farther for sport, there's Pleasure Valley, at Blue Mounds, where they have about the only bobsled run in the country, plus tobogganning and skiing. You can rent the bobs and toboggans. The bobsled run has a hairpin curve near the top, and you should be somewhat sports-wise and possessed of a hunk of coordination before you cast off.

### Still Working on Runs

Likewise, with the ski runs. They're still working on the valley, and not all of the trails have been cut through. Two of the trails are straight downhill runs, and a third is a shade narrow for novices. The novice slopes are still a building.

There's a 300-foot ski tow operating for the steepest part of one of the hills, and a heated lodge 30 by 100 feet where you can get hot lunches. They're still working on the skating rink, and it ought to be ready soon, they say.

Burns Flugum, president of the Blackhawk Ski club of Madison, and his wife are in charge.

There's another ski tow at the Twin Valley Ski area, some 5 miles past Middleton on the road to Cross Plains. The area was developed by the Hoofers, and many of their ski events are still held there.