Debut on the Slopes
by Marshall Hall
Argonaut Special Ski Writer

If you take an idiot with skis, three confounding teachers and a high degree of tolerance in pain, then you’ve described me in my debut on the slopes of Schweitzer Ski Basin near Sandpoint. Everyone said, “It’s going to be fun, it’s going to be fantastic,” and I took the bait. Well, I probably said, “There’s one born every minute,” and this “one” had hoped there was some hidden ski talent just waiting to reveal itself.

On my particular day of self sacrifice my three friends, all veterans of the slopes, and I arrived at Schweitzer during Christmas vacation when the sun was shining down on the blank white slopes and, because of early morning hour the crowds were small, I suppose everyone was at home in a nice warm bed sleeping, just where I thought I should be.

Upon arriving at Schweitzer’s parking lot we unloaded the equipment and proceeded over to the lodge carrying the poles and skis across our shoulders. My friends explained that even though I didn’t know what I was doing, this posture made people think otherwise. With this in mind I tried to act like John Claude Kilty out for a routine day on the slopes.

Once at the lodge area I purchased a chair lift ticket for the day. There was some question among my friends as to whether I should sit on the chair or the T-bar, I myself didn’t know the difference but the T-bar sounded deadly and my friends were taking chair tickets, so I settled the matter myself and went the chair route. I thought if I were to get up that day I should have a better chance with my friends near enough to save me.

We were all set and ready for a day of fun at the ski jump and yahoo. After a short trek up a small slope to the chair lift called “Baby Bear” there was no backing out. The time had come to place the skis upon the feet, the mind in a state of insanity and my dignity and peace somewhere out of the way. You must remember that this was so exhilarating while trying to look like a pro.

Well, the skis were on my feet and everyone else was ready so we approached the chair lift. Unbelievably I had maintained my balance and posture so I doubt anyone thought I was anything more than a veteran of the slopes. It was at this time that things started going downhill in a manner of speaking. As I approached the chair I was truly ready to place my body on it without any hassle, but unfortunately I forgot to inform my friend riding up with me and she let out a scream. “He’s never been on a chair before!” The malfunction of the lift immediately began barking out instructions as the chair approached. I simply plopped myself bottom into the chair as if it were second nature. But it was too late, rather than going to court for manslaughter I professed at their feet. I had sacrificed my body for theirs.

After regaining my composure or what was left of it, my friends helped me up and began teaching me how to stop it all. It was accomplished in many ways while skiing, but the right way was called snow-plowing. This is when you place your skis with the forward points close together and the rear portion far apart. I also, simply dropped the bottom into the air as if it were second nature. But it was too late, rather than going to court for manslaughter I professed at their feet. I had sacrificed my body for theirs.

Because neither was going to occur, I just couldn’t get up from where I had come to rest. The situation wasn’t serious enough, but I was at the edge of the slope, but they weren’t where I was either. I had no intention of taking up residence at the foot of a mountain, and had asked for help. Help was on the way as one of my great friends had snow-plowed his way to get up to help me, and for a second I thought we were nearing the climax, instead we were on to the next slope. We had worked this up to a small degree and it was time to start down the slope.

It’s strange how you forget what you’ve been taught when terror takes the place of experience. However had I started down the hill in the snow-plow position than I started to pick up speed. The more I wanted to stop the faster I went. I was heading for the side of the slope at an angle with one friend behind me yelling. “Don’t go into the deep snow.” His warning was futile, I knew I was going to deep snow like a horse goes to water. There was just nothing he nor I could do to prevent the inevitable.

Slow to a Stop
Once I was in the deep snow I slowed down and fell to the ground. I thought God had taken mercy on my soul and I had been saved from sure destruction. After lying there for a few seconds I decided to get up and leave the deep snow and join my friends standing mere yards away. I could have decided to be dictator of America in the same thought.

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Calling It Quits
After my second run I decided to call it quits for the day, mainly because of self-exhausted. It’s something I based on sound judgment. I did enjoy the experience of skiing and I think I will probably try it again sometime. As far as I’m concerned, I don’t think the ski area will ever see me again. If I do I will be a far better skier.
Silverhorn—More than a New Name

Silverhorn is served by a mile-long double chairlift which carries 750 skiers per hour up the mountain. The complete day lodge serves skiers and non-skiers alike with a cafeteria, cocktail lounge, ski shop and brown bag lounge.

by Kenton Bird
Argonaut Special Ski Writer

"Acres of powder on a mountain of silver."

That’s the motto of a northern Idaho ski area that’s been around for six years but opened this season with a new name—a new owner and some new features. The ski area is the former Jackass Ski Bowl at Kellogg, now called "Silverhorn," which, naturally enough, means "mountain of silver" (a la Matterhorn, etc.).

The new owner is the Bunker Hill mining company of Kellogg, which bought the resort last August when the Small Business Administration foreclosed on Jackass Ski Bowl’s mortgage. A Bunker Hill subsidiary, Shoshone Recreation Inc., is operating the ski area.

The new features: first and foremost is the placement of over 2,000 feet of guard rail on the lower one-third of the road from Kellogg to the ski bowl. The lack of guard rail on this section of the road had been a major criticism of Jackass ever since it opened.

Other improvements included widening corners on the road, a re-vamped water system, carpeting, painting and lighting work in the lodge facilities, slope grooming and work on the beginner’s area.

Silverhorn itself is the closest major ski area to Moscow. It’s just a little over two hours from Moscow to Kellogg via U.S. 95, then Interstate 90; then about an hour to go the 10 miles from Kellogg up the hill. You take the Division St. exit in Kellogg, then follow the blue and silver signs that take you through Kellogg and the historic mining town of Wardner to the base of the mountain.

Because of its north-facing slopes, Silverhorn gets snow the earliest and keeps it the longest. The slopes are classified as "medium." Most years, they have a six-month season—from mid-November to mid-May.

Silverhorn still onl has the one one-mile double chairlift it had when the area first opened, though the resort’s master plan calls for the addition of several more as soon as the skiing traffic increases. But that one chairlift has two boarding points—one near the lodge at "midway," the other at the bottom of the hill—so the skiers are spread out so that congestion is avoided. And therein lies one of Silverhorn’s strongest points — its lack of lines. The public at large hasn’t discovered this place and on most days, you can ski right on to the lift at either boarding terminal without a wait. At Silverhorn, you spend your time skiing, not standing in a line.

From the top, you have a choice of nine major runs, providing deep powder as well as packed powder skiing through both wooded and open terrain. Runs range from the hot-dogger’s favorite—"mogul alley" (and the description is accurate)—to the two-mile tour of "World’s Boulevard" (often simply called the "backside") to "free-fall skiing" down "The Shaft"—a run with a 46-degree angle (that means the slope is more vertical than it is horizontal!)

All the runs at the area were renamed this year as part of the new "Silverhorn" image, but most longtime Kellogg skiers, this writer included, will probably always refer to them by their original names. Among the beginners aren’t neglected either. There’s a gentle open beginner’s area to the right of the lodge with a free rope tow. For intermediate skiers, two new ski lanes were cut last fall to permit beginners and intermediates to navigate the 1,000-foot vertical drop between the top of the mountain and the lodge. (Total vertical drop for the mountain is just under 2,000 feet.)

The mountain is served by a day lodge which caters to both the skier and non-skiier alike. A spacious cafeteria, newly-carpeted, offers breakfast, lunch and snack menus.

Upstairs is the cocktail lounge, which features hot spiced wine and Rainier on tap and serves up a mean martini. A ski shop, offering complete rental and repair service, and a brown bag lounge are also located in the lodge.

For after ski pleasures, Kellogg and environs still leave much to be desired. (Yes, guys, the famed houses of ill repute in nearby Wallace are stillled closed.)

Most of the college-age skiing crowd usually migrates down the hill to the Kopper Keg in Kellogg on Division St., right near the freeway exit. The "KK" features pizza, chicken and prawns, as well as some of the coolest beer in town.

And the famed Colonial Inn in Wardner, right at the base of the mountain road has re-opened under new management. They’ve also been known to serve up some good food, and in years gone by, they reportedly gave a free beer to all skiers who could present that day’s lift ticket.

One last question: Why the name change from Jackass to Silverhorn? We asked Bunker Hill President Jim Halley.

"Explained Halley: "Here in Kellogg, the significance of the Jackass is well understood.” Legend has it that prospectors Noah Kellogg discovered the big Bunker Hill mine when he found his jackass unceremoniously standing atop a big outcropping of galena (lead-silver ore)."

"But outside the community," Halley continued, "the name ‘Jackass’ was often frowned upon. He mentioned instances of families in Spokane who wouldn’t let their children even say the name ‘Jackass.’"

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Want to Get Away? Try Cross-Country

by Peggy Kellogg
Argonaut Special Ski Writer

Floating through the trees in a wonderland of quiet snow...trees hang heavy with white frosting...stillness ahead...a feeling of peacelessness and contentment, as well as accomplishment. All things and many other feelings are being experienced by a growing number of people across the country through a sport of ski touring...called cross-country skiing. The sport has grown tremendously in popularity in the last few years. Before World War II cross-country equipment was generally not available in this country, but now many ski manufactur- ers are producing good quality skis at reasonable prices.

Ski touring is a sport that can be enjoyed by whole families at once, and by people differing proficiencies in one group. It can also be a terrific experience to try alone, providing the skier is prepared for possible emergencies.

Cross-country skiing can be practiced on almost any terrain—flat, open areas or rougher hills. Cross-country skiing is not generally as fast as alpine or downhill skiing, but surprising speeds can be gained on many mountain trails and on flat terrain. Many techniques such as turns to increase speed. Ski touring is also easy to learn. The basics can be learned in one day or less. More skill and proficiency will come with time and practice, but after learning the fundamentals anyone can do as little or as much as they desire.

Equipment for cross-country skiing is becoming more and more available in most places in the nation, and many cross-country clubs provide lessons at a lower price than that equipment for alpine skiing. A good quality set of equipment can be purchased usually for $100 or less. Clothing is not really a big concern in ski touring—about the only thing that is really important to remember when dressing for skiing is to dress in layers. This permits shedding of the outer layers of clothing as heat is built up from the exercise involved in skiing. A small knapsack is a good item to have along on a touring trip, to carry extra clothing in, leaving the hands free. Many times on a sunny spring day a person can get warm enough to ski only in short sleeves or even with no shirt. The actual skis used in cross-country skiing are narrower than alpine skis. Most are made of wood, although some are being made now of plastic or other synthetic materials. The wood in the skis is layered and laminated to prevent twisting or warping. Some manufacturers are also beginning to add layers of fiberglass between the wood to add strength. Skis come in different lengths from about 160 to 220 centimeters. They are lighter than alpine skis, and usually weigh less than 7 lbs. a pair.

Bindings are added to the skis after the ski is decided on. There are two types of bindings: pin bindings and cable bindings. Both types fasten the foot to the ski only at the toe, leaving the heel free to move. This is extremely important in touring, because the foot must be free to give a "kick" to the skier and cannot be bound tightly to the ski. Pin bindings fasten the boot to the ski by a clamping device to hold the toe of the boot. Cable bindings consist of a cable running around the heel and fastened at the toe.

Boots used in touring are very lightweight and flexible. They are surprisingly thin compared to an alpine boot. Many people think that their toes would freeze completely in cross-country skiing because of the thin boots, but the feet are exercised enough to keep them quite warm. Snow is not usually a problem because the skier keeps moving and the snow is not on the skis. If stopped for any length of time, the skier should take a few steps to brush off excess snow, or they will end up with wet feet. Sometimes snow tends to stick to the ankles where the seams meet pants. This can be solved with an ankle covering called a gaitor. Poles are usually made of a brownish colored plastic, called tomkin cane. They are also found in fiberglass or aluminum alloy, but are costing the more expensive. The aluminum poles also have the disadvantage of getting extremely cold and are often hard to handle if gloves are removed. The poles all have padded handles with wrist straps and have pointed bent tips to allow them to be withdrawn easily from the snow. They also have round baskets towards the end to prevent them from sinking in the snow too deep.

Waxing of cross-country skis is an art in itself. Skis must be prepared when bought or taken from storage by applying wax. There are many types of waxes, but basically they are either hard or soft. The waxes are made for use with snow at different temperatures—there is a different wax for almost every snow temperature. Waxes are made to prevent back-skiing of the skis, to protect them, and to provide a smooth running surface. The wax interlocks with the snow crystals, and provides a good "bite" between the two surfaces. As the snow surface gets harder, a softer wax must be used. Waxes are most easily applied indoors at room temperature, but often must be put on in the field when worn off the skis.

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For those who have yet to discover the beauty, serenity and enjoyment offered by cross-country skiing: get out and try it! A whole new world of winter will be opened up for you.

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A Great Day for Bogus Basin

Stacie Quinn
Argonaut Special Ski Writer

A perfect day...clear skies, warm weather, and fresh snow. No to go skiing seemed almost a crime.

I have always been thankful for the nearness of Bogus Basin, only 16 miles from Boise. No so this morning, because I couldn't wait to get started. Downing light but warm clothes, we began our short journey in order to be on the hill by 10:30.

Fortunately, parking was no problem once we arrived at the ski area. After all, we had our choice of three lots. Full day ski passes are reasonably priced—well under $10. So we got under way after purchasing ours. Rejoicing we needed to warm up a bit before really "boogying the bumps," we boarded the Number 1 chair, the oldest in the area which leads back down to the main lodge and the base of the activities. Our first two runs were great. Fresh air, whipping past our ears put us right into the spirit of a day of hard, fast skiing. Having heard a lot about it, we decided to head over to the new Number 5 chair lift and see how the runs were there.

That most recent addition, along with the new Pioneer Lodge, adorn the top of the Number 2 chair lift and lead directly to Number 3, the most challenging area within Bogus. Oh yes, the chair has definite possibilities. It is still a little undeveloped, but in a few years, it will have some beautiful skiing.

But we were oblivious to the immaturity of the runs, because the other conditions were so ideal. Fresh, light snow can make such a difference!

After having worked ourselves all morning, we were ready to check out the new lodge atop Number 2.

And what an addition! Besides serving lunches, we had our choice of pop, beer, or hot spiced wine. (Beers, naturally—after all, we live in Moscow!) The new lodge also features a game room on the third level—pinball, foosball, pool and electric pong.

It was difficult to get motivated after a hearty lunch, a pitcher of beer, and a couple of games of pool. Amid skiers that we are, however, we were just able to drag ourselves away for a little slope action.

We had had a good day, so we further pressed our luck by going over to Number 3, where the snow was always good, and there are seldom any classes. Needless to say, after that pitcher of beer, we didn't quite have it all together, resulting in a fall or two.

But Number 3 is a good chair to ski. If you are not a really good skier, that side of the mountain will make you prove your capabilities.

Knowing that we couldn't depart for the day until we had skied the entire area, we headed up and over the mountain to board the Number 4 chair lift. This chair, adjacent to Number 1, is an intermediate area, good for class instruction and regional cup skiing races. It was fun, but not truly challenging.

We had to make some other runs on Number 1 to feel completely fulfilled. After a long day, we were ready to head back down to Boise and a hot dinner.

Ski Club Tries Banff

Idaho Ski Club Report

During Christmas break, the New Vanish Ski Club went to Banff, Alberta for its second and most extensive ski trip of the school year.

Thirty-four persons departed from the SUB at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 6 for an all night bus ride into what is generally considered to be the finest skiing in the Canadian Rockies, the three areas lying in the Banff-Lake Louise area. The Mt. Norquay Ski Area, which is located just above the outskirts of Banff, is probably the most prestigious of the three. Mt. Norquay is noted for its steep terrain and it has been the site of previous World Cup Races.

If one continues to head west on the Trans Canada Highway for about eight miles, one encounters the second of the three big areas, Sunshine Village. Although this area is lacking in difficult terrain, it has a connection with the Lake Louise Banff area, and it is popular for its powder snow and excellent overnight lodging. Lake Louise Ski area is located 35 miles west of Banff and is by far the largest of the three areas. The area was built specifically for a bid to hold the Winter Olympics and it offers a wide variety of skiing on two mountains, Whiteman and Temple.

Access to the area is via a gondola lift from the highway or from the Little Horn parking lot and the Olympic Chair. The Ski Club arrived early Wednesday morning on a chartered Greyhound bus and, following a short rest, departed from our lodging at the Banff School of Fine Arts for Sunshine Village. The weather through Friday was very clear but also very cold. Both Wednesday and Thursday, the temperature stayed between thirty and forty degrees below zero. Because of the temperature and a fairly adequate snowfall, skiing would have to be rated as poor. However, reports from Mt. Norquay gave indications of very poor skiing so we spent the first two days at Sunshine Village instead of the anticipated one day of skiing there. Despite the adverse weather conditions and an abnormal amount of equipment breakdown among the members of the club, everyone appeared to have an enjoyable vacation. Part of this may be due to the aprés ski activity in Banff which consisted of swimming in the hot springs, ice skating and of course, going to the bars and partaking of some good Canadian beer.

Friday and Saturday were spent skiing at Lake Louise. Although the temperature remained cold on Friday, they refused to start the lifts until it warmed up to 25 or 32 degrees below zero, on Saturday we had a heat wave of five above and it even began to snow. Thus on the final day of skiing, we had a taste of what conditions could be like in Banff. The trip then ended with another all night bus ride back to Moscow Saturday night.

Future trips for the Ski Club include a weekend trip to 49 degrees North on Feb. 9 and 10, a trip to Red Mountain British Columbia and a possible trip to Whitefish Montana to ski the Big Mountain. Anyone who may be interested in either joining the club or obtaining information should call David Gittins at 882-2430 or Carrol Councilman at 882-0096.

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Students Count at Mission Ridge

by Barbara Baldus
Argonaut Special Ski Writer

For students of ski, Wenatchee Valley College is definitely try-a-League. Where else can you earn a degree in ski instruction or Ski Area Management and join ski academy to train for the U.S. Ski Team or possibly an Olympic medal?

And where else can you ski Mission Ridge, a ski area just four hours from Moscow with the best powder snow this side of Utah, one of the longest skiing seasons in the whole Northwest, and a view from the 6700 foot level that stretches from Oregon to Canada, from Mt. Rainier rising out of the west to Idaho lying to the east.

Wenatchee Valley College is a two-year school just 20 minutes from the slopes. The ski program there under Physical Education Chairman William Penhallegon offers beginning to advanced skiing (just 24 for 10 weeks of lift tickets and instruction) and more. Two ski instructor programs certified by the Ski Instructor's Association and the Veterans Administration provide training for weekend teachers or a two-year recreation program designed to turn out professional ski instructors. As part of their "classroom" work, the students manage weekend races as well as ski schools in the Wenatchee Valley area. And Penhallegon says his graduates are now working in 35 different ski areas, slopes from Heavenly Valley to Whitefish.

A career in Ski Area Management is also available at Wenatchee with students going to school at Mission Ridge in such subjects as lift operation, professional ski patrol, lift repair and maintenance and public relations. A third alternative is the Mission Ridge Ski Academy where young skiers between 16 and 20 train for national and world competition while earning college credits.

An annual spring seminar at the college doesn't mean long sessions over books but a week-long symposium on the slopes devoted to individual interests, whether it's dogging ski, slalom, or certification training for prospective instructors. Penhallegon gives credit to two Mission Ridge men, Gordon Weist and Walt Hampton, for the college program. He says he never would have gotten off the ground without Mission Ridge and its board of directors.

Maybe it's the board of directors that make Mission Ridge such a great place to ski—it boasts a smooth-running slope operation with 24-hour mountain crews and ski patrol. It also offers untracked skiing in the backwoods, 22 miles of trails, two jumping hills, a rental shop, a lodge, and four chairlifts (7.250 adult, $5.50 mid-week) and rope tow.

Or maybe it's the snow at Mission Ridge—people were skiing there last winter when they couldn't at any other Washington ski area. Or maybe it's the sunshine, "cause even when the valley down below is overcast, the sun can be shining brightly up on the ridge and there's no experience in the world like skiing down through the clouds.

Location plays an important part in the popularity of Mission Ridge. Wenatchee is only four hours from here over good roads and the ski area is only 20 miles outside of Wenatchee. It's an easy weekend trip to make, no mountain passes, not much traffic, Wenatchee itself is a town of 20,000 offering plenty of overnight accommodations and nightspots to rival Moscow's—if not in number, at least in local color.

One thing is certain Mission Ridge cares about the student, just look at the course classes being conducted right there on the slopes. Add any place that offers skiing and cares about students, too, that's got to be a pretty good place to be.

"It's going to be a Fort Lauderdale in the snow, and we want you to come," William Penhallegon said in extending an open invitation to Idaho students to participate in a college weekend of skiing Feb. 22, 23, and 24 at Mission Ridge.

Penhallegon, P.E. chairman at nearby Wenatchee Valley College, is organizing the three-day National Standard Race event culminating in a giant slalom competition to establish racing handicaps. The emphasis will be on efficiency and skill, Penhallegon notes, with gold, silver and bronze medals awarded. But a skier can compete as many times as he wishes to try and better his score and even those with no racing experience can attend to learn how to run the slalom, he added.

Lift tickets and registration for the three days at Mission Ridge will cost $12. Penhallegon expects the nights to be full of parties and dances since the town will be full of college kids. In previous years, as many as 150 skiers from different area colleges have attended the weekends, and he hopes Idaho students will be among them.

For further information and registration, write to:
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Wenatchee Valley College
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Anthony Lakes Alternative

by Don Shellen
Argonaut Special Ski Writer

Two to three hours from the Boise Valley, Anthony Lakes ski area near Baker, Ore., offers all the facilities of larger areas, without the crowded slopes.

Anthony Lakes services eastern Oregon and much of the Payette-Ontario region of the Boise Valley. Located 30 miles Northwest of Hauser, near Baker, Ore., Anthony is set high in the scenic Blue Mountains of Oregon.

Boasting the highest chairlift in the Pacific Northwest, Anthony offers excellent skiing for the expert, intermediate and beginner skier. In addition to its modern chairlift, Anthony Lakes maintains a modest poma lift for the beginner, and the expert, who needs a test run.

The ski area is spacious and complete with snack bar, restaurant and two cozy fireplaces, dominates the Anthony ski area. A modern rental shop offers all types of skiing equipment.

Bus transportation coincides with numerous lesson sessions offered Saturdays beginning in January. But the best feature of Anthony is its uncrowded slopes.

Anthony Lakes provides an ideal setting for both weekend ski enthusiasts and weekend student skiers. The area is open all skiing season, from past and snowshoeing to snowmobiling in the weeks of May. Anthony Lakes provides ample elbow room for the girl who came to ski, not to buck traffic.

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Be Part of the Gang! It Won't Hurt

by Bruce Spolleson
Argonaut Special Ski Writer

This was originally intended to be a story on hip fashions being worn in the ski world. Unfortunately, it seems as though "the eyes are on sufferers" in '74.

I like snow. It always seems so clean and soft, almost like you could jump off a water tower into a pile of the white stuff and know you wouldn't get hurt, just because it's so soft.

But so, Snow's awfully deceptive, folks. Don't forget that one of the major forms of erosion comes from glacial activity, and glaciologists are just snow drifts that got too big for their britches.

But I didn't hesitate when they tried to teach me how to ski. It was fun, sort of, even though I felt like a fool when scores of arrogant little kids zipped laughingly past me.

It was almost fun. Didn't really hurt to fall down, either. Now I was part of "the gang," which included being able to talk about how nice things were "up on the hill" for any particular day. Now I could sit around and sip hot chocolate (or whatever) and act nonchalant about the whole thing in between runs on the slopes.

In short, a whole new world had opened up for me. I hadn't been in snow country for the better part of my life, and I was really going to make up for it now. I even began watching ski events on the tube, planning trick turns and jumps and the whole works.

All after one day of actual skiing, mind you.

It really came as no surprise that I had the most fun when I was going fast. That seemed to be what this whole sport was about. Oh sure, it took a while to negotiate turns, but I was really improving. And you know, it felt good. Well, it felt good for a while. It seems as though on my second day I started doing a Jean Claude Killy imitation. Not intentionally, either.

While compromising a right turn, I passed through what we in the know call "fast snow." I started to pick up speed, and laughed at the thrill of the increasing pace. Yes, this certainly was fun.

Until I got going and we in the know call a "little too fast." What used to be fun quickly became a nightmare. Huh-uh, this sure wasn't my idea of a good time.

Because in all the lessons I had learned about skiing, the most elusive facet to grasp was the talent to stop. I couldn't.

Thus, my pre-New Years afternoon ended with a forward dive on a somewhat steep hill. The slopes resounded with tearing ligaments and breakaway bones. Quite a spectacular event.

Chicken-heartedly, I tried to go into shock. But those forces that permit such luxuries had decided that I needed to experience real pain for the first time in my life, and that's exactly what I did. I was what we in the know call "out of it." And you know what? I wasn't alone in that emergency room. There were other skiers. I felt a certain kind of kinship.

So rather than a fashion story on the latest ski-wear, I feel much more at home discussing the "pain-killers" of the day.

To this day, I have eaten a cartridge belt full of Darvon. I am quite miserable in this cumbersome cast, thank you, and thanks to the pills, overwhelmingly nauseated.

There was a good program on the tube the other day. Some kind of a daredevil event, with contestants skiing in the zaniest maneuvers imaginable.

Maybe next winter I'll be able to do a few of those things. I know I've got a lot to learn, but maybe I'll try flips and jumps and all those fancy turns.

Why not? I've got insurance now.
Brundage Mountain- A Tourist Mecca

by Bruce Spilfeson
Argonaut Special Ski Writer

McCall is the pride of Southern Idaho. Located just under a two hours' drive from Boise and some four hours from Moscow, the town sits at the banks of Payette Lake. Highway 55 trickles through the downtown area, serving as Main Street before it opens up into a fast thoroughfare which offers Long Valley to the south and the Little Salmon River to the north. Because of its ready availability, McCall has long been a tourist mecca, but not exclusively to Idahoans. But when you're standing atop one of the peaks that dot the area, it's pretty hard to believe just how many folks frequent the town during the height of its vacation season.

You can usually pick out two crowds. There are the summer people, which often use the town primarily as a base of operations from which to branch off into the neighboring mountains for hiking, camping or fishing. They're usually on hand for the two months following the Fourth of July holiday. Many stay right in town for their vacations, relaxing in atmospheres which make their existence in cities the rest of the year somewhat more bearable.

But the crowd which flocks to McCall in the winter comes for one thing primarily, and that's the magnificent skiing which is offered. Brundage Mountain's Ski Area, west of town, has become almost legendary for its absence of long lines at its lifts. McCall is renowned for its powder snow, considered a treat by most enthusiasts, and Brundage is the best place to find it.

For the kids and neophytes, there is the Little Ski Hill, sitting off the road between town and Brundage. It has probably had its share of the responsibility of cultivating some of the great skiers who have come from McCall and its vicinity.

A night life? Well, if you're going to be in town for a weekend, you can catch live rock music, beer and games at the Lardo Saloon. Located in an area that was once the town of Lardo many moons ago, the pace is fast-moving in the restored saloon, to say the least.

For the best in country and western music, drop in at the Yacht Club. Lots of dancing, drinks, and live music from bands which never tire. And don't forget the Cellar and Forester's Club when you're making your rounds. You'll definitely get the feel of the area.

Sun Valley Experience

by Sue Schou
Argonaut Special Ski Writer

Experiencing perhaps its best season yet, Sun Valley, Idaho is a colorful combination of superstars, super snow and more than ever, super snow!

Just $10 affords the skier a full day lift ticket on Baldy and $8 covers both Elkhorn and Dollar. Half day lift tickets for all three complexes are $7. All the ski areas have great lodges with warm, atmosphere, and for the hungry skier, food. The Round House near the top of Baldy has got to be a lodge-skier's delight. The central fireplace is huge, the view is fantastic, the food is good, and beer and hot spiced wine are available to help everyone down the mountain.

It really doesn't matter if you can do a 360 degree into an out-rigger or are just trying to perfect that left snowplow turn. Sun Valley has a slope to accommodate you. Elkhorn and Dollar Mountain are both beginner slopes with groomed powder. Group and private lessons are available, as well as three day skiing discounts. The lift lines tend to be a little long during the busy season as there is only one lift to the top of each separate hill. Both Elkhorn and Dollar are great for catching the rays since both face toward the south, and neither have trees.

Ski Bald Mountain
They say you haven't skied until you've skied Bald Mountain. The innumerable runs offer everything from novice River Run to the famous Exhibition. The chair lifts are almost too many to count, and the lines are seldom longer than 10 minutes. The variety of runs is incredible, as there are groomed runs, untouched powder, canyons, bowls, and for the sun lovers, the faces at the top. Even lazy skiers can't stay away from Baldy. Moderate lift lines, powder, sun, if you want to ski—really ski—Sun Valley is the place.

Après skiing in the Valley has its merits also. The Mall has great shops like the Avantura for original feminine styles, and Pete Lanes offers everything for the skier beginning or ending his day and ending the boards under his feet. Browsing is great in the Sun Valley Mall and the various nearby stores. Ketchum also has some fun places to shop beginning with Glaciobol Square and ending the DeCosta's. And after you've tired yourself out skiing and shopping, there's that night life!

In the Valley the whole crowd usually bounces the Ore House and the Boiler Room. Both places have live music, and the dance floor in the Boiler room is something else. But for UI of roundness, the Mills of central Idaho, Ketchum is the place. The Crazy Horse, Slavey's (what's a night without Slavey's) and the Alpine Club all have terrific bands and dancing. For a little calmer atmosphere for the pooped skier there's the Wood River Yacht Club and Mulvaney's. If you're trying to avoid the same old crowd you probably won't, because over the holidays Idaho students invade by the hundreds. That just adds to the fun though, and that night life is definitely fun!

Sun Valley has always been known for hiring college students, and various benefits come with employment in the Valley. Summer jobs should be applied for now, and winter jobs should be grabbed in the spring.

As always, if you're planning to spend spring break in Sun Valley, get reservations early. Whether you're in the Lodge, a condominium, a hotel, or have 15 people crammed into somebody's camper, you're bound to have fun. The tiny little resort is one of the most famous in the world, and its right here in Idaho. Try it out, you'll like it.
**Tenure Casualties:**

**Is Rees the Next One?**

by Bruce Specklen

**Argonaut Feature Writer**

"Human Beauty," a very popular seminar with Professor Roy Ress, stopped yet another one of "tenure-tis" by Bill Ress.

The institution of the course, Dr. Wiita "Bill" Ress has come into line with an issue that has agitated a multitude of professors before him: the result of a premature vote in the department of psychology. Ress, in the last year of his fifteenth year of teaching, and the year he will be up for tenure, is another one of the many who make the decision of the present system of tenure so necessary.

The American College Dictionary defines tenure as "an academic position that is made 'tenured.' The issue is not that it is a position not tied to any amount of weight, but that it is a position tied to a certain amount of weight. The position of tenure is not the one that has been voted by the faculty, but it is the one that has been voted by the students, and the one that has been voted by the students.

Ress disagrees. "I cannot believe that a student's vote is more important than a professor's vote," he said. "I know that it is a decision that has been made by the students, but I do not think that it is a decision that has been made by the students."

Upon coming into the president's office, the president asked for the news. "I have never been involved in politics," he said. "I have never been involved in anything that has to do with politics, but I think that it is a very important decision, and I think that it is a decision that should be made by the students."
The Bureaucracy to Beat All Bureaucracies

A strange new movement called IAS-PBIG invaded the campus this week but just months ago it was only a glimmer in the mind of a dozen Stanford students. You can picture him now, pen in hand behind his 10 foot mahogany desk in offices overlooking great Washington D.C. .

Nader: I'm tired of automobiles, I'm sick of death to higher education, I'm pushing 40 and I feel tired. Bureaucrats: What you need is a new mission in life, a new challenge, sir! Nader: I think I need a new mission in life, a new challenge. I think maybe I'll organize a new group, something to fight all the bureaucrats, save the environment, price increases, demand more consumer protection. Bureaucrats: A minority to fight the crimes of the majority! Nader: Yeah, you're right, I'm glad I brought some pretty gallant people. Hey, let's fill up a site, add the words to college students, they'll take it. If it looks like a cause, Bureaucrats: (jokingly) What about consumer protection? Nader: (Continuing excitedly) And it can be a big national thing with executive boards and state boards of representatives of all the states, Bureaucrats: We want to be able to do that. Nader: Let me tell you this has the potential to take off and never quit. Bureaucrats: That's what I'm afraid of. Nader: Just draw it as a resolution in irreplaceable, Then sign it over to our Idaho testing grounds and see if the I. O. D. can sign up. BALDUS

Trouble With Being Students - Not Professionals

A Problem With Semantics

"To Wit: Submit..."

"To Wit: A complaint against Roger Sproul's article, "Endomorphs: Why the Human Race is Showing Up As a Sausage?" which appeared in the Jan. 29, 1974 issue of THE ARGONAUT. The article was taken as an uneditorialized treatment of the human race during an exhibit in the University Museum of California. The exhibit was an attempt to show that the characteristics of the human race were not necessarily genetic but could be learned or changed through environmental means. We, the writers of this letter, do not have proficient attitudes toward Mr. Sproul's article. The article is a reflection of the thinking of the present generation about the human race. We are not afraid to make a statement, but we feel the article has been presented by Mr. Sproul in a manner which is not professional. We have no quarrel with the ideas presented, but do have a quarrel with the manner of their presentation. We feel that the article is not well written and is not a professional article."

Editor's Note: The complaint is from a student who has not read the article that was quoted. The complaint is based on the idea that the article is not well written and is not a professional article. The complaint is not valid because the article has been written by a professional and is a professional article.

A Question of "Gala" Grand Openings

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Twenty-two Weeks Back: A Spectator at the Stewart Show

By Greg Simmons, Argonaut Staff Writer

John Stewart came to sing us to last night's twenty-two-week encore of the now-defunct "Stewart Show." I had abandoned him, he had gone on to bigger things and so had I. I just couldn't break away. He had been a fixture of my life, a friend, a confidant, and most of all, a source of comfort. He had been there for me in my darkest moments, and I couldn't bear to see him go.

I arrived at the club in time to see the last few minutes of the show. John was on stage, his voice strong and clear, his words witty and wise. The crowd was cheering, dancing, and shouting for more. I couldn't help but feel a sense of nostalgia as I watched him perform. I knew that this was the last time I would see him on stage, and it was a bittersweet feeling.

As the show came to an end, John took a bow and walked off stage. I was left standing there, feeling like I had lost a part of myself. I knew that I would never be able to forget him or the memories we shared. But I also knew that I would find a way to move on, to keep his memory alive in my heart and in my mind. I knew that I would always cherish the time we spent together, and that he would always be a part of me.


Night at the Sud Had Some Problems
The new experiment, almost un- thoughtfully of a coordinated effort between the ASD and Sud known as "Night On The Sud" may have been more problems than it was free- ening to the two student organizations involved. Suvik

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"Well in his day he was a great..." Suvik continued, "but he was a great..."

The Sud and the ASD definitely had some problems with Night On The Sud, but it can still be termed a success. We broke even and possibly made a slight profit, but it wasn't designed to make profits or turn the Sud into a money-making machine. We did it because we believed in it, and we think it was a success.

During the course of the evening, some problems arose. One was the lack of coordination between the two organizations. The Sud had promised to provide the bands and the ASD had promised to provide the audience. The result was a disjointed event that left many people feeling disappointed.

Another problem was the lack of communication. The ASD and the Sud had not kept in constant contact with each other, which led to a few mishaps. However, the two organizations were able to work out their differences and come up with a plan for future events.

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As for the ASD, they were happy with the turnout and the overall success of the event. They were pleased with the idea of coordinating future events with the Sud and look forward to working with them again.
An assessment of the creek by the Latah County Health Department, the Department of Environmental and Community Services (DECS), the 1975 OSU Project, and other recent studies, reveals a need for immediate action to reduce pollution. These studies have shown that the discharge of sewage and other materials into the creek has increased both the biological oxygen demand (BOD) and the phosphate content of the water. This has resulted in the population of algae which is known to be a health hazard.

The pollution of the creek is caused by the discharge of sewage from the town of Moscow, the city of Moscow, and the Moscow State College. This sewage contains a variety of pollutants, including ammonia, phosphates, and other substances. The pollution of the creek is a serious problem and requires immediate attention.

The DECS advises that measures be taken to reduce the pollution of the creek. This includes the installation of adequate treatment facilities to reduce the discharge of pollutants into the creek. These facilities should include sedimentation basins, trickling filters, and other similar devices.

In addition to these measures, the DECS recommends that the Moscow State College and the city of Moscow work together to develop a comprehensive plan for the control of pollution in the Moscow area. This plan should include measures to reduce the discharge of sewage and other pollutants into the creek. The DECS also recommends that the Moscow State College and the city of Moscow work together to promote public awareness of the pollution problem and the need for immediate action to reduce it.

The DECS is working with the Moscow State College and the city of Moscow to develop a comprehensive plan for the control of pollution in the Moscow area. This plan will include measures to reduce the discharge of sewage and other pollutants into the creek. The DECS will work with the Moscow State College and the city of Moscow to ensure that the plan is implemented and that the pollution problem is resolved.
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"Excess Fat!"

Williams Fired: Organization Move

by Don Shelton
Argus Reporter Sports Writer

Jeff Williams, University of Idaho tennis coach and director of the latter position's ad-
nomination/recruitment last week.

Athletic Director Dr. Leon Groves, who made the
prise announcement, said the move will be effec-

The team's remaining conference contests will be
againstWashington State and Oregon, and then
Washington State at home.

Johnson Defeats Pull for Title

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Intramural Results

Intramural "A" Basketball

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LEAGUE I

W-L

1. DC 3-0 1. ATO 3-0
2. SC 2-1 2. BPO 2-1
3. DFT 2-1 3. PDI 2-1
4. ATN 2-1 4. TC 2-1
5. ETP 1-1 5. ETP 1-1
6. NFA 1-1 6. NFA 1-1
7. FHP 0-2 7. SME 0-2
8. PKT 0-2 8. KR 0-2

MEN'S BOWLING FINALS

LEAGUE I

LEAGUE II

DC 26-2 ATO 23-5
LO 22-4 BFT 20-3
MC 20-4 BV 19-3
RS 20-5 TK 17-11
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**Snow Scene**

A lively weekend Wednesday caused readers around campus. Some people who were hoping for a snow day were left disappointed. The main problem with the snow is its timing. As Kress was opened to the public, Physical Plant said, "It's not a big problem, just a lot of work. The students probably think less."

The weather conditions were more than just a minor inconvenience. A student account of the activities around campus.

**Women Out of Business Organization**

Alpha Kappa Pi, local chapter of a national business fraternity, has been meeting on Wednesday nights. The group was founded by Larry Weis, who said that the group was organized to introduce women into the business world. The group is open to anyone interested in business.

**Gamepicks Playing “King of the Mount”**

When you’re trying to select the best team for your fantasy football league, it can be a daunting task. Here are some tips on how to pick the right team.

1. **Know your league rules.**
   - Understand the scoring system, including how points are awarded for rushing yards, passing yards, and touchdowns.

2. **Research your opponents.**
   - Look at their schedules and identify potential matchups that could benefit your team.

3. **Consider roster depth.**
   - Focus on teams that have strong depth at key positions, such as running backs and wide receivers.

4. **Identify emerging stars.**
   - Look for young players showing promise in training camp or pre-season games.

5. **Diversify your team.**
   - Avoid having a team that is too heavily dependent on one player or position.

By following these tips, you can increase your chances of picking a successful fantasy football team. Good luck and have fun!