Copper Guards Promote Campus Activities

The Copper Guard, a sophomore honorary service society, consists of members who are chosen by the American Chemical Society on the basis of outstanding academic achievement. The Copper Guard promotes the spirit of cooperation and service among the members and encourages the development of leadership skills. The Copper Guard has been active in various campus activities, including promoting participation in intramural sports, organizing community service projects, and providing assistance to students in need. The Copper Guard's activities are designed to foster a sense of community and responsibility, and to prepare students for leadership roles in their future careers.

Funds are obtained mainly from the Student Government Association, and the Copper Guards provide various services, such as checking the bulletin board in the gym, distributing information about events, and providing transportation to and from the stadium. The Copper Guards are an integral part of the Montana School of Mines community, and their activities contribute to the overall vitality and sense of belonging at the school.
EDITORIAL
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**Technique on Skiing**

**Constrasted the fundamentals in the skiing technique.** Fred Iselin, a former Sun Valley ski instructor, demonstrated the fundamentals in the movie.

In his talk, the Captain started with tips, among his favorite was to make skis to show necessary qualities.

"Length is extremely important," he stressed.

Skis are of proper length if their tips come to the base of your thumb or middle of your palm when your arm is extended over your head (without any stretching)—heels flat on the floor.

When this group noted that his skis were too long, he recommended, "A long ski is like a long automobile—at the better ride. A short ski has a tendency to go in a direction you do not wish.

He warned Ski Club members to test for a warp when buying skis. Lay the skis on a flat surface, pressing your finger on each end (near the shovel and the heel). If your skis do not jiggie, it’s not warped.

Also, the person investing in skiing equipment should test the balance of the skis, and be sure that there is pressure on one hand on both skis. If one ski feels heavier, then the balance is off.

"If you want a ski with a steel edge," advised the Captain. This is essential for control and protection of the ski itself. For the material of the ski he recommended any hardwood, especially hickory. Laminated skis are desirable because, in addition to being stronger, the center is permanently bonded, and they are more resistant to warping. Some tips he added in purchasing skis were to buy skis of a longer length, then be sure that the steel edge runs the full length of the heel and far enough between the foot and ski binding.

He added a tip for their care.

"Piece skis show down after skiing rather than bend down in order to prevent rotting of the wood."

Next, Captain Carrier commented briefly on bindings. Although he has never used them, he assured his audience that bindings come to the base of your thumb or middle of your palm when your arm is extended over your head (without any stretching)—heels flat on the floor.

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Captain Carrier brought a new method of ski instruction to the attention of the group. It is called the Weden Method and is based on the side slip and traverse. Present methods in use are the Alberg Method and the Parallel Technique.

Before the talk and the movie, Gary Alexander, Ski Club president, conducted a business meeting. Reinvestments were served. Milt Barnett was appointed chairman to find a design for the Mines ski patch. His committee members are Lilley, Doug Fairchild, and Dick Willey. They will present a report at the meeting of December 1.

The club plans to investigate the skis in the dormitory attic. Members are urged to give their dues to Treasurer Jim Connell before the next meeting.

**NOTE OF THANKS**

At the end of the Ski Club session, the Associated Students would like to extend special thanks to Joe Kilminster and Dan McCarthy. Kilminster helped with the line and McCarthy acted as ladelhead coach for the 1952 grid season. Both served voluntarily.

Joe Kilminster, who attended the School of Mines and later transferred to the Montana State University, is at present employed at the Junior High School as a mathematics teacher and coach. He will also assist Coach Simovich with the basketball team.

Dan McCarthy, who graduated from Portland University, works in the time office for the Montana Company. He loves the game of football and has also helped Simovich in Boys Central for several years.

When a real frat party, a prominent guest stepped onto the stage for a bit of fresh air and discovered to his amazement and horror his girl in the arms of another man. "What does this mean?"

Coach Simovich has been trying to work things out, but Fairchild Air Force Base, the Soup Kitchen, and the Salt Lake City team in addition, the team will be entered in the Butte City League. Matches are held each Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, at the Civic Center.

If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost; but hope to build them should be. Now put the foundations under them.
PRACTICE DEBATE TOURNAMENT AT MSM

On November 19, the School of Mines was the scene of a practice debate tournament. The participants in the tournament were debaters from MSC in Rosseau, Western in Dillon, and MSM in Butte. The tournament was held in two rounds, with three sets of teams serving simultaneously in different rooms during each round. During the first round, Western and MSM on the affirmative side connected with the question. In the second round, MSM, Western, and MSC on the affirmative side debated with the question. In both rounds, all schools on the affirmative side of the question got a win. The third round was held in Butte with Western, MSC, and on the affirmative side of the question. In this round, all schools on the affirmative side got the win.

After all the debate sessions were over, a critique was given by each of the judges. The judges were Professor W. C. Laity, Professor J. H. Albertson, and Professor Emeritus W. T. Scott of Butte; Professor Lawrence of MSC and Professor Emeritus of Western.

Country Girl: "My paw’s the best rifle shot in the country.

Country Man: "My fiancé is the best."