

Michigan Now Boasts 41—

Three Ski Centers Added Around State

(By Times Lansing Bureau)
LANSING—Addition of three new ski centers brings the state's total to 41 this year, the Michigan Tourist Council announced today.

Improvements have been made in facilities at most of the older winter sports parks, it was pointed out.

The new spots are Udell Hills, 19 miles from Manistee, near M-55, which offers nine slopes and four tows; Sylvan Knob, five and a half miles northeast of Gaylord on Sparr road, with three slopes from 1,600 to 2,200 feet and a lift and two tow ropes; and Crystella Ski Hill at Crystal Falls, with a tow jump, special slopes for novices and night skiing.

Eight of the 41 ski centers are above the Straight of Mackinac, including Crystella. Others range from Kalamazoo and Pontiac in the south, northward through the Lower Peninsula.

The Tourist Council announcement, said the ski season "opens on or about Dec. 1," and a detailed directory is available.

Lower Peninsula centers include:

EAST AND CENTRAL

Clare-Harrison

Snowsake Mountain—Nine miles north of Clare, five miles south of Harrison, ½ mile west of Highway US-27. Eight slopes, 500 to 3,000 ft. Three tows. Special slope for beginners. Night skiing.

Grayling

Grayling Winter Sports Park—Five slopes, 1,000 to 1,300 ft. Special slopes for beginners. Three tows.

Indian River

Griswold Mountain Ski Area—One and one-half miles north of Indian River. Three slopes. Two tows.

Lansing

Lansing Ski Club—East of Walnut Hills golf course on Lake Lansing road. Three slopes. Two electrically driven rope tows; one gas motor driven tow.

Lewiston

Sheridan Valley—Seven miles northeast of Lewiston. Four slopes, 600 to 1,800 ft. Three tows.

Oscoda-Au Sable

Au Sable Ski Bowl—Nine miles west of Oscoda on River road to Lumberman's Monument, seventeen miles northwest of Tawas. Eleven quarter-mile slopes. Five slopes for beginners. Three tows.

Otsego County

Al and Stevie's Ski Village—Ten miles

south of Gaylord on US-27. Three slopes with additional slopes under construction. Three tows. Night skiing.

Otsego Ski Club—Near Gaylord's east city limits. Membership only. Seven tows.

Snow Valley Ski Club—West side of Otsego Lake. Seven slopes. Seven tows. Special slopes for beginners.

Roscommon

Pioneer Hills Sports Park—Three and one-half miles west of Roscommon. Four slopes. Two tows. Night skiing.

Skyline—Ten miles north of Roscommon, one mile east of US-27. Four slopes. Five tows.

The Tawas

Silver Valley—Nine miles northwest of Tawas on Monument road. Slopes for novice skiers. One tow. Cross country ski and snowshoe trails. Two course, 3,100 ft. Toboggan slides. Toboggan tows.

Ogemaw County

Kenson's—At Sages Lake. Slope for novices. One tow.

Ogemaw Hills Ski Park—Five miles northwest of West Branch. Four slopes 900 to 1,000 ft. Special slope for beginners with beginners' tow.

SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN

Pontiac

Tepple Hill Ski Area—Operated by Pontiac Ski Club. In Highland State Recreation Area 14 miles west of Pontiac along M-59. Several slopes. Special slopes for beginners. Five tows. Ski trails.

WEST MICHIGAN

Bozette City

Avananche—Within Bozette City. Main slope more than 1,200 ft. Special slopes for beginners. Two tows.

Bozette Falls

Bozette Mountain Lodge—Four main slopes 1,800 ft. long with 500 ft. vertical drop. Twelve ski runs. Special slope for beginners. Double chair lift. T-bar lift. Seven tows.

Cadillac

Cadillac—Along M-55, 12 miles west of Cadillac. Twenty-seven expert and intermediate ski runs. Special slopes for beginners, in a triple practice area. Twenty-five acre slalom bowl. Two ski jumps. Sixteen tows.

Elberta Mountain—Within village limits. Several runs and tows. Two ski jumps. Tobogganing.

Ionia

Bertha Brock Park—Three miles west of Ionia on M-21. Three slopes for beginners. Tobogganing.

Kalamazoo

Echo Valley—Eight miles east of Kalamazoo, 12 miles west of Battle Creek. Two ski runs. One 1,000 ft. tow. Lunches.

Lake City

Missaukee Mountain—Three miles north of Lake City on M-66. Six slopes, 600 ft. to 2,000 ft. Special slopes for beginners. Three tows, 500 to 600 ft.

Leelanau County

Sugar Loaf—Leelanau peninsula, 22 miles northwest of Traverse City on M-22. Several slopes. Special slopes for beginners. Four tows. Ski trails.

Lowell

Schussaway—One-half mile east of Lowell on M-21. Variety of slopes. Two tows.

Mancelona

Mt. Mancelona—At Mancelona on US-131. Valley run, 2,100 ft. for moderately advanced skiers. Front hill, 1,200 ft. for experts. Special slopes for beginners. Two tows.

Mesick

Briar Hill—Three and one-half miles southeast of Mesick. Eight slopes, 600 to 1,500 ft. Special slopes for beginners. Two motor tows, one electric.

Newaygo

Newaygo County Sports Park—Three miles north of Newaygo on M-37. Ski hills, ski trails, ski jumps. Tobogganing.

North Muskegon

Muskegon State Park—Four miles west of North Muskegon. Several slopes. Special slopes for beginners. One tow.

Petoskey

Petoskey Winter Sports Park—East Lake St. Beaubien Ave., Petoskey. Three slopes. Two skating rinks.

Traverse City

Hickory Hills—Two miles west of Traverse City. Five slopes. Special slopes for beginners. Five tows.

Holiday Hills—Five miles east of Traverse City. Seven slopes, 500 to 1,600 ft. Special slopes for beginners. Three tows.

Cronin Sez So!

(By United Press)

Joe Cronin said it very emphatically, and the majority of other top baseball executives agreed with him in more guarded language — he Yankees got the better of the Orioles in one of history's biggest baseball swaps. "They must have hypnotized Baltimore to pry Bob Turley loose," said Cronin, general manager of the Boston Red Sox.

Minneapolis—Mickey Ziehlke, 138, La-Crosse, Wis., outpointed Ralph Cervantes, 140, Rockford, Ill. (8).