

FALSTAD APPROVES NORTH SPORT SITE

Terms Tomahawk Lake Locality
"First Class" For Winter
Sports Events.

Deadwood, Jan. 27—Possibilities of the Tomahawk Lake Country Club as a winter sports center were termed "first class" by Peder Falstad, Olympic ski jumper and designer of many jumps as he went over the site Thursday afternoon with Ray L. Ewing, architect, and Lawrence Hughes, who is laying out the Tomahawk Lake golf course.

A ski jump capable of producing 200 foot leaps, just across the road from the lake, and directly opposite the site of the club house, sloping northeast, was advised by Mr. Falstad. He pointed out that such a jump would be on ground that would hold snow, and at the same time be sheltered from prevailing northwest winds. Even a slight wind is a serious menace to a jumper, Mr. Falstad pointed out.

Clearing in that spot would not be a heavy task, as trees are not dense, Mr. Falstad said. A complete winter sport site should have one or two small jumps for children and beginners, a good ski slide and a toboggan slide. All could be centered on the one mountain. The whole cost would probably be under \$5,000 and ski jumping exhibitions would produce revenue, if necessary, for improvements to the golf course, and other expenses, it is believed.

There is plenty of natural parking space about the Tomahawk lake site, and it is in the Limestone heavy snow belt, with an average of three and one-half times as much snow as the outlying portions of the Black Hills, Mr. Ewing said.

Plans are under way for the building of a lake and it is expected that it may be done next summer so that by another winter sports season there will be ice available for hockey and skating.

Tomahawk lake is about seven miles south of Deadwood on Highway No. 85, with all-weather highways leading to it from two directions.