



**JUST A PART OF THE CROWD** of newspaper, radio and electronics people that jammed the new Mt. Shasta Ski Bowl for the press opening last month are shown in this candid shot of the vast lounge area in the new lodge. The chap in the foreground is Don Starling Jr., of the Portland Journal, all dolled up in a colorful ski sweater. Standing against the window in the background is Eric Allen of the Medford Mail Tribune. —Photo, believe it or not, by Jenkins



**WORLD'S GREATEST** is the term used by some in describing the new ski bowl at Mt. Shasta. Here a couple of sports lovers make with the sports equipment to show the diversification to be found at the new center. If you like baseball in the snow, Mt. Shasta is the place. — Photo by Palmer



**NEW SNOW FELL BEFORE THANKSGIVING**, but not enough for full operations at the new Mt. Shasta Ski Bowl. This picture shows the mile wide, mile-and-a-half long sweep of the biggest ski bowl in the U.S. The picture was taken from the roof of the \$300,000 lodge. — Photo by Palmer

## Travel Under The Pole Said Easier Than Over

**Editor's Note:** The rigors of polar travel above and under the ice are compared in this dispatch by a correspondent who did it the hard way — on top — while covering "Operation Deep Freeze" in the Antarctic.

By **CHARLES R. MOORE**  
SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — It's a lot easier to go under the polar ice than through it.

This was obvious from accounts of the men who sailed the atomic submarines Nautilus and Skate under the North Pole.

They lived in air-conditioned comfort and neither rocked nor rolled as the subs glided beneath the ice cap.

In addition to their military significance, the trips opened up interesting possibilities of year-round contact with scientific bases on the

edge of the vast Antarctic continent. These now are isolated during the long months of winter darkness.

I've never gone under the ice in a sub, but I made two trips through it, to and from the Antarctic aboard the icebreaker USS Glacier, and made many flights above it.

The Glacier does it the hard way. South from New Zealand through turbulent seas, then battering through the ice.

The passage of the Glacier through the ice has been described accurately as "like riding a hay wagon over a frozen cornfield." Rough, hard going for ship and crew.

Last season the Glacier lost a propeller blade to the ice. The resulting vibration brought part of a

mast, loaded with electronic gear, crashing to the deck.

Later a tough ice jabbard a hole in her bow. It was necessary to "beach" her on the 15-foot ice of McMurdo Sound for repairs.

The open areas in the ice reported by the Nautilus and Skate exist also in the Antarctic during the summer season. Some are many miles wide.

Whether means can be found for a sub to break through the solid ice sheet in winter is a question. But in most places it is only a few feet thick and it seems likely this problem can be solved.

Killer whales already have suggested a possible method. Where the ice is not too thick, these submarines of nature sometimes smash it from below to reach a tasty seal or penguin.

The submarine voyages under the ice are only the beginning of polar atomics — but a comfortable beginning for those who have done it the hard way.

### TIME IS UP FOR COIN-BOXES

CHICAGO (UPI)—By the end of the year some 1,200 Chicagoans who have clung to old private coin-box telephones (circa 1900) will be mourning their mechanical relics. Illinois Bell is replacing all the old nickel-operated box phones in homes and business places. The antiquies require users to drop a nickel in the slot for each call and in recent years owners have had to pay an additional monthly bill. Chicago is the last major city in the U.S. to replace the old phones.

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