

# State Snowmobile Trails

Several snowmobile trails, established last year by the Department of Forests and Waters on State forest lands and adjoining State parks, will again be made available for the winter sports enthusiasts this year.

"Snowmobiling," said Secretary Maurice K. Goddard, Department of Forests and Waters, "continues to climb in popularity and since we in the department are vitally concerned with providing the utmost in outdoor recreational

facilities, for all seasons of the year, it is only natural that we should develop trails where this sport can be enjoyed not only in safety but on a compatible basis with other existing outdoor activities."

As a result four trails, all clearly identified with flags or other form of marking, have been established. They begin at State parks, wander through State forest land, and return to the park.

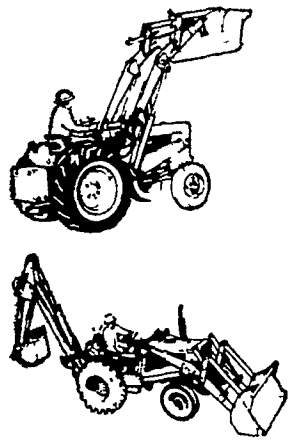
Forest Districts where the

trails have been developed, and the State parks which will mark the beginning and end of the trail, are: Forest District 7, at R. B. Winter SP; Forest District 9, at Black Moshannon SP; Forest District 15, at Denton Hill SP; and Forest District 19, at Promised Land SP.

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## Ida's Notebook



By Ida Risser

Somehow the Christmas season catches up most of us in its hectic pace. We dash to the store, dash to meetings and parties and hurry through our housework.

It is difficult to find a few minutes of quiet and to contemplate the real reason for Christmas.

Sometimes it is necessary to rise early or even to stay up late in order to have a few peaceful moments away from a busy family.

Let us find time for some of the simple things

One recent Sunday morning, I went out into the fresh air and heard the church bells chiming over three miles away

They made me think of how much our senses mean to us

Not only did I hear the bells, but I could see two wild ducks circling overhead and a cardinal in our evergreen

My children often point out an especially beautiful sunset to me

I hope they will always be aware of the world around them

If your family has never had a muskrat trapper, you don't know what you are missing

A few years ago a neighbor boy and my two sons shared a trap line. Even marking all their traps with homemade metal tags was a job They took turns checking them in the cold and dark of winter mornings

One night the neighbor's alarm went off at 3 instead of 5 and he rode down on his bicycle and awakened everyone by throwing pebbles at the windows

Much later, we laughed at the rude awakening

Of course there are also the pleasures of a trip to Red Run to sell the 20 or 30 skins and there's always hopes for a better catch next year.

My college-bound son has a hive of bees which has given us a good supply of honey this year. Last year he even had comb honey for sale. We use honey in baking cakes and sticky buns

Hopefully the 10-year old will take over the care of them.

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