

PANAMERICAN WINTER GAMES PLAN CANCELLED

An attempt to establish a new international winter sports competition, the Pan American Winter Games, has been abandoned.

Douglas F. Roby, president of the Pan American Sports Organization which organizes the Pan American Summer Games, revealed that an attempt by U. S. winter sports circles to start a new rival to the Winter Olympics has been given up.

The movement got under way when Lake Placid, N. Y., officials made application to organize the first Pan American

Winter Games for 1959. Lake Placid won approval for their proposal with the provision that at least five nations would agree to compete.

Of the 25-member nations of the P.A.S.O., only the U. S., Canada, Argentina, Bolivia, and Chile engage in active skiing, skating and bobsledding competition. None of the three South American countries could agree to send teams to Lake Placid due to unfavorable exchange rates and political unrest.