

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

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The Alpha Fire Department has put into service a newly acquired surplus Army truck for use as a water tanker. The truck chassis was secured from the Michigan Department of Conservation and the used 1,200 gallon tank "scrounged" from a source in the Copper Country. Many hours of work by volunteer department members has produced a vehicle which can be used as a mobile water supply in conjunction with the Village pumper truck, which has a capacity of only 450 gallons, to provide a water supply where there are no water hydrants available. The tanker can be either filled from a hydrant or with a pump and hose from a lake or stream.

The proposed Forest Park High School wrestling program, which would have relied heavily on volunteer coaching and supervision has been shelved. The main reason is lack of funds in acquiring the required regulation-sized mat costing \$2,986. The effort was further complicated by the lack of volunteer coaching help that was earlier expected might now be no longer be available on a regular enough basis to justify the expense of the mat.