

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

January 21, 1960

Services held for Novenio Pivatto, 71, pioneer area resident, prominent citizen and respected businessman, who passed away unexpectedly Friday. Pivatto had been a resident of the area for the past 55 years. Born in Venice, Italy on August 5, 1888 and came to the United States in 1905 and found his first employment at the Porter Mine at Amasa and was elevated to captain of the mine until establishing a grocery store in the village. Pivatto married the former Maria Simeoni on January 5, 1908. In 1923 he opened a grocery store in Crystal Falls (137 Superior) with partner Dominic Selmo and took over complete ownership of the business in 1925 until turning over the business to his son Tony in 1946 who died in 1954. Mr. Pivatto has been involved in a long list of community affairs, including but not limited to Crystal Falls Mayor, Board of Education, First National Bank of directors and Lion's Club. Surviving, in addition to his wife are one son Etalo, daughters Mrs. Bertina DeMuri, Mrs. Italia Anesi, Mrs. Jeana Flood and Mrs. Olga Nettell in addition to 19 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.