

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

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A \$265,000 project has begun by Bell Telephone crews to install an underground phone cable originating in Iron Mountain to Sagola thru Crystal Falls and terminating in Iron River. A caterpillar tractor with attached cable laying plowing device is designed to break the earth to the required depth and the cable is fed into the ditch from a huge reel and automatically covered. The cable will replace one that travels from Iron Mountain to Crystal Falls through part of Wisconsin and reentering Michigan at the Brule River Bridge on Hwy US-2 south of the city. When completed toll free calls will be possible to any point in Iron County.

The only victim of the severe wind storms that have plagued the area for the past week is apparently an ill-fated Holstein cow that was pastured at the Malkin farm; the former Fauri farm located a mile and a half south of Crystal Falls on US-2. Tom Bucek, who manages the farm for the Malkin's, stated that a structure near which the cow had sought shelter collapsed killing the animal.