

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

October 32, 1949

Iron County residents paused to pay respects to Sheriff Emery King (63) who died in his sleep Sunday morning in the Sheriff's residence adjacent to the Iron County Courthouse. The death of King is the third Iron County Official to die in office since January. King has held the office of Sheriff since January 1, 1937, grew up in Ishpeming before moving to Gaastra with his parents in 1902. An ardent Democrat, during his 13 years in office he established a reputation as an honest, outspoken and efficient administrator while conducting his duties.

A total of 558 able-to-work jobless persons registered in the Iron County tabulation of the unemployed during the month of October. The data along with other Upper Peninsula Counties is relayed to government officials in Washington to determine if Federal Grants could become available for future projects to aid to increased employment possibilities. The unemployed registered with their respective city, village or township clerks.

Workers are literally swarming over the Bicago Shoe Shop Building (40 Superior) where the combined business/residential structure will have a new front along with general overhauling.