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Iron County is being outfitted with new communications equipment which gives law enforcement and emergency vehicle operations a new degree of effectiveness. According to Sheriff Harold Gill, the new system involves miniaturized hardware installed in patrol cars and ambulances with portable transceivers which can be carried in the field. The backbone of the new system is a network of towers, one at the Sheriff's department, one at the State Highway Department tower in the Tobin Location and one at a tower owned by the U.S. Forest Service in the Gibbs City area. Gill noted that the system has car to car capabilities and allows multiple simultaneous transmissions.

Raw furs offered at the recent Amasa Fur & Sport Rendezvous brought a total of \$31,493. According to organizers of event 88% of the 293 fur lots offered by trappers were sold. Fox pelts were sold for \$27-\$28, coyotes were drawing \$15-\$18, minks \$10 and better grade skunks \$6.