

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

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Lauri Osterberg has returned to Crystal Falls after a trip to the Pacific Coast. On July 29 Osterberg along with Armas (Hop) Hurja started a journey to Tacoma, Washington. Fifteen days later after traveling 2,000 miles, 50 of which were on foot. Sixty different motor vehicles of every description gave them rides. Hurja likening the area remained in Tacoma while it took Ostrberg eleven days of travel to return to the Upper Peninsula.

Iron County farmers are urged to obtain their allotment of war salvaged explosives while the dwindling supply lasts. Available through the County Agricultural Agents the "picric acid" is used in the clearing of land. Since first becoming available in the fall of 1921, 1.9 million pounds of the war department explosives has been used in the Upper Peninsula.

A modern farming community is growing around Mansfield. A total of 27 farms now dot the level landscape that not that many years ago was covered in good hardwood timber.