

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

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Dr. E.T. Palm and the rescue parties at the Crystella Ski Hill were kept busy with recent youthful winter sports casualties requiring assistance. The list of injured is headed by Carol Lada who took a spill on one of the back trails at the recreation area while trying out her new ski outfit that she got as a gift for Christmas. She had to be carried from the hill and X-rays at the Crystal Falls Municipal Hospital revealed a leg fracture. Chuck Sandstrom, home on leave from the U.S. Coast Guard, was trying out his jumping legs on the ski jump and after four successful rides became victim #2 falling and suffering a fractured ankle. A bevy of injuries occurred when Bob Westcott, John Kirkpatrick and Richard Stone were on the same day taken to the Hospital for treatment of injuries sustained in falls. Westcott suffered bad twists of both ankles while ski jumping, Kirkpatrick had his ankle fractured caused by a crash after losing one of his skis on the ski jump landing, Stone after helping in the rescue operation of Kirkpatrick, visited his friend still on the X-ray table when he crashed and got off easy with only a twisted wrist.