

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

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The new barber shop recently launched with great fanfare just below the track was of brief duration. One partner of the business exited the day following the opening and the other partner shortly thereafter. Two shaves was the gross business for the enterprise.

Diversion of the Michigamme River about the Mansfield Mine site has been preliminarily completed. The newly constructed ditch does not nearly conform to specifications but the contractor hopes to be able to do the remainder of the work by the "flushing" process. The channel is not down to grade, save only a small distance, the remainder being six to eight feet shallower than required. The specifications call for a channel 90' wide while much of the channel is only 30' in width at the present time. The required width will be easily obtained by the flushing process, but the depth is yet something of a conundrum. The water is expected to be routed into the new channel about the middle of next week. Whether the deluged workings of the mine will be pumped out this winter is not known at this time.