Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

March 21, 1924

A banquet and dance on Saturday March 14th brought many guests to the formal grand opening of the new Crystal Inn (400 Superior). The affair will be long remembered in Crystal Falls as a social event of the first magnitude. A total of nearly 200 guests, including many people from out of town, were treated to meal fit for royalty and entertainers brought in from Chicago to provide music for the dance that extended till after midnight. A surprise uninvited guest in the form of a man dressed in typical lumberjack garb intruded on the activities causing a disturbance and the local authorities were called and unceremoniously tossed him out the front door onto the street. Toastmaster Thomas Conlin retrieved the outcast lumberjack and introduced him as "Bun" Goodman, the well-known entertainer from Ishpeming, who proceeded to entertain the crowd with his French dialect stories and witty sayings.

A plan will be tried at the Warner and Porter Mines near Amasa to do away with the Saturday night shift. The men on night shift will work an extra hour each day during the week.