Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

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Announcement has been made by the Republic Steel Corporation that limited operations will resume at their Tobin Mine property. Operations at the mine have been suspended since October 1957 due to the economic slowdown idling 185 miners that also affected the Warner and Book mines. It is estimated that a total of 35 men will be employed for restarting the equipment for only development work at the present time in the Genesee section which is almost underground the old Odgers Mine pit. When the mine closed there was 105,000 tons of ore left in the stockpile and very little has been shipped since that date. Mining began on the property back in 1882 with the Shafer & Columbia Mines with the Tobin beginning in 1906.

Runkle Lake Park may have a new playground fixture if efforts by Crystal Falls City officials are successful. A jet plane, the "Real McCoy", not a model or reproduction, but an obsolete or surplus aircraft of the Navy or Air Force are being offered to municipalities through distribution centers in Chicago and Minneapolis.