Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

December 2, 1948

The community Christmas tree located on the Courthouse lawn at the top of Superior Avenue is being decorated with dozens of colored electric lights as the Crystal Falls City workmen launched their annual task of putting Main Street in a festive dress in preparation for the yuletide season. City officials are fearful the power shortage will prohibit the use of extra lighting during the holiday season. Residential customers are urged not to use outside Christmas decorations which require the use of electricity for effectiveness.

Three freshmen, three sophomores, one junior and one senior will comprise the Amasa High School basketball team this year. Howard Flancher, graduate of Lake Forest College in 1928 and who has coached and instructed in Illinois for 17 years is the new Amasa head coach.

The new High School basketball rule permitting coaches to go on the floor to talk to their players during time outs isn't proving too popular with most coaches and fans. Everyone agreed that it tends to take the game away from the players.