

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

August 2, 1951

One of the most tragic accidents ever recorded in the area was the accidental drowning of the 2 ½ month old twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pangrazzi of Caspian. The infants drown when their baby buggy their mother Helen was pushing across a rustic bridge crossing Buck Lake Creek southwest of Alpha at 7:45PM tipped over into the swift moving water with the rain swollen current carrying the helpless babies downstream. Mrs. Pangrazzi and her son Gary (8) frantically jumped into the water and recovered the buggy but the two small children were gone. A large group of local residents plus many Iron County authorities searched the stream and finally recovered the last body at 9:45 PM under a log some 100 feet downstream from the bridge. Mrs. Pangrazzi along with her other children Richard (7) and Shirley (2) were visiting her mother, Mrs. Viena Yoki who resides in the Buck Lake District while her husband was at work at the Buck Mine in Gaastra.