

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

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Some Crystal Falls neighborhood kids were airborne on their hardwood slats last Sunday in the "First Annual Hammerberg Invitational Ski Meet". The event took place at the Rollin Hammerberg residence at 208 S. Fifth Street. Five youthful riders in the pre-teen bracket tested their jumping legs on a homemade scaffold and jump erected by the host on the west border of his property. Participants in the impromptu competition included, David Dahl, Richard Hammerberg, David Palm, Garry Stockero and Bobby Williams with Bob Groop serving as judge. Nine year old Stockero took home top honors with a 63 point total earning him a prize of a box of chocolates donated by the host. The longest jump of the day was made by Dahl who set the hill record of 53 inches. As a footnote, the young Stockero had just returned from his victorious effort at the Hammerberg meet and while polishing his form on a small jump located at home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stockero, 712 Wisconsin Avenue, crashed into a snow bank breaking his right leg below the knee.