

PRICE REDUCTION

On July 1, 1921, the price of The Diamond Drill will be reduced from \$3.00 per year to \$2.50. This reduction is due to the fact that the price of print paper has dropped considerably from its high point, although it is still far above what it was in 1914. When we increased the price we promised our subscribers that as soon as paper prices receded we would drop our subscription price and this is the first step in keeping faith with our patrons. This reduction applies only to subscribers on our regular list.

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BELABORING THE EDITOR

Some of our friends of the legal profession are just now applying a verbal gad to the editor of the Iron River-Stambaugh Reporter because of an editorial that appeared in a recent issue of that paper telling of the unsavory reputation which Iron county has, or is supposed to have, because of the leniency displayed by juries in this county, especially in murder cases.

The Reporter scribe took the recent acquittal as an example of what is being done in the county. Irrespective of the merits of the case at issue, one cannot well understand the attitude of the attorneys in getting after the press of the county unless it has come to a point where it is a case of lesser majesty for a newspaper to criticize anything that occurs in court.

It is probably true that newspapers are unjust in their criticisms at times; it is also probably true that courts err at times and it is also probable that the bar isn't always arrayed in immaculate linen. The frailties of the human or the creation of the human are too numerous and too thoroughly diffused to warrant the assumption that one human agency or profession is more holy than the other.

One thing is certain and it is without a healthy public sentiment no county or no community is a good place to live in. Likewise, the newspaper that honestly strives to arouse or to maintain such a sentiment ought not be indicted because of its effort. We think that the major portion of the thinking people of the county will agree that Iron county is not overburdened with an upstanding, healthy public sentiment. It looks, then, that the censure in this case is not deserved.

Charles E. Lawrence has on many occasions proved that he has the interest of all of Iron County at heart but never did he prove it more so than during the past week, when upon learning that the committee working on the new hotel and ex-service men's home lacked a few thousand dollars of making the grade, he voluntarily came to the committee with a subscription of \$1,000. It isn't because it's Crystal Falls or a pet project that is favored that we mention this but simply to reiterate the statement that we have made several times that Mr. Lawrence is heart and soul for Iron County—all of it.

By the way you don't notice any Chicago mail order houses or Marquette printing establishments on the subscription list of the new hotel or the Fourth-of-July or base ball subscription paper, do you? The local merchant or printer is all right when you want something for nothing but when it comes to paying him for his services it's different. You don't notice the outside printing concerns telling about the school commencement, the art exhibit, do you? O, no. They're too busy for that work. It's the local merchant or the local printer that is the pack-horse to carry the burdens of the community free.

An Alpha gentleman is congratulating the Diamond Drill on its expose of charging for mine waste told how in the early days of the village some waste rock was taken from an abandoned mine rock pile and the owners presented a bill to the council. The council replied that the rock would be cheerfully paid for if the property owner really insisted but added that the village would in turn insist that the rock in the waste pile be placed on the tax roll at the same rate that it was charged for to the village. The property owner relented quickly.

FINISH WAS A THRILLER

Local Ball Players Puled Game Out In Last Half of the Ninth Inning

A baseball game is never won until the last man is out in the last half of the ninth inning. That's a law of baseball that was driven home to the spectators at Athletic Park with a vengeance last Monday when the Alpha-Crystal Falls team hooked up with their ancient rivals from Iron River.

In fact, the spectators had it impressed upon their minds twice in that game, for the way that the locals started out in the first inning it looked as if the game was over then. Three runs were scored in the first inning and one in the third while Iron River just couldn't put anything across. It was not until along in the sixth inning that the west side fellows got to Thibert, who was on the mound for Crystal Falls. In that inning they shoved across four runs and in the first half of the ninth they put another across making the score stand 5 to 4 with Crystal Falls getting another turn at bat.

When the first man was out on an easy infield hit, it looked like a cinch the other way and the fans started to leave the field. Then came a revelation. William Johnson singled. Spiny Pultz followed with a double that landed "Bill" on third and Spiny on second.

Annear came up. Al hadn't delivered all through the game. It was a grand opportunity and he proved himself equal to it by doubling through the right fields scoring Dave and Spiny and winning the game.

A man named Milbreath from Milwaukee was in the pitcher's box for Iron River. He was hit hard the first three innings but steadied after that and pitched air tight ball until the fusillade was let loose in the last half on the ninth. He was not as well supported as was Thibert otherwise he would have registered a win.

Dennis played left field for the locals in place of John Kinney, who had a sore leg. He is a capable substitute but "Jack" was missed just the same.

The game was a slow one but the locals played a much keener brand of ball than on the opening day. If they continue to show improvement as they have done they will be in tip-top form by July when we may expect to see some classy ball.

The crowd was one of the largest of the regular game days and the boys feel very much encouraged thereat.

The next game will be with our old adversary, Iron Mountain, on Sunday and it is expected to be a hair raiser.

The box score of Monday's game is as follows:

Crystal Falls—	
abr hpoa e sbsh bb	
Dennis, lf	4 1 1 2 0 0 0 0
H. Johnson, ss	2 1 1 0 2 0 0 1
Demrosky, 2b	4 1 1 2 2 0 0 0
D. Kinney, 3b	4 1 1 2 2 0 0 0
Williams, c	4 0 0 10 0 1 0 0
W. Johnson, rf	4 1 0 1 0 0 0 0
Pultz, lb	3 1 1 9 0 0 0 1
Annear, cf	3 0 0 2 1 0 0 0
Thibert, p	3 0 0 2 1 0 0 0
	33 6 6 27 9 3 1 2
Struck out by Thibert, 8.	
Struck out by Milbreath, 6.	
2b Hits—Peebles.	
2b Hits—Williams.	
2b Hits—Milbreath.	
2b Hits—Dennis.	
2b Hits—Demrosky.	
2b Hits—H. Johnson.	
Iron River—	
abr hpoa e sbsh bb	
Purcell, lb	5 0 0 13 1 0 0 0
Heggelin, rf	5 0 0 9 0 0 1 0

Smith, 2b	5 1 1 1 3 0 0 0
Williams, lf	5 1 1 1 3 0 0 0
James, 3b	5 0 1 0 2 1 0 0
Peebles, cf	4 1 3 1 0 0 0 0
Dahl, c	4 1 1 6 0 0 0 0
Horan, ss	3 0 0 1 3 1 0 0
Milbreath, p	4 1 3 0 4 0 1 0
	40 5 11 25 13 2 2 0
Innings 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9—Total Hits	
I. River	0 0 0 0 4 1—5
C. Falls	3 0 1 0 0 0 0 2—6

Box Score

The box score for Sunday's game, played at Iron River is as follows:

Crystal Falls—	
J. Kinney, lf	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Thibert, lf	2 0 0 0 0 0 0 1
Dennis, lf	2 1 1 1 0 0 0 0
H. Johnson, ss	4 2 4 4 1 0 0 1
Demrosky, 2b	5 1 1 1 4 0 0 0
Kinder, p	4 1 1 0 0 0 0 1
D. Kinney, 3b	5 1 2 0 4 0 0 0
Williams, c	5 0 1 6 0 0 2 0
W. Johnson, rf	5 1 2 1 1 0 1 0
Pultz, lb	3 1 1 1 1 0 2 0
Annear, cf	4 3 2 3 0 0 0 1
Kinder, p	4 1 1 0 0 0 0 1
Base on ball—Pultz.	
Hit by Pitcher—Heggelin.	
2 b hits—Pultz-S. Kinney.	
3 b hits—H. Johnson.	
Home Run—H. Johnson.	
Struck out by Kinder, 5.	
Struck out by Marfield, 3.	
Struck out by Clements, 1.	
Iron River—	
abr h po a e sb sh	
Purcell, lb	4 0 1 8 0 0 0 0
Heggelin, rf	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1
Gregg, rf	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Smith, 2b	3 0 0 0 5 1 0 1
Horan, ss	4 0 1 4 4 2 1 0
James, 3b	4 0 1 3 2 1 0 0
Dahl, c	4 0 0 4 1 0 0 0
Peebles, cf	3 0 2 5 1 0 0 0
Tegge, lf	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Williams, lf	2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0
Clements, p	1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0
Innings 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	
I. River	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
C. Falls	0 0 2 0 3 2 0 3—11

OBITUARY

WILLIAM A. RICHARDS

The subject of these few lines met an untimely death in the Monongahela shaft last week Friday night and was buried on Sunday afternoon in the Crystal Falls Cemetery.

He was the second oldest son of the late Captain W. J. Richards, for many years in charge of the McKinney Steel operations in Michigan and one of the best known men in the state.

The deceased was born at Sondan, Minn., in 1888 and was 33 years of age at death. He came to Crystal Falls with his parents when he was 13 years of age so that his late boyhood and early manhood days were spent right here with us. He attended the Crystal Falls schools and after finishing here was sent to the Michigan College of Mines where he completed the full course and upon graduation took up the calling of a mining engineer.

Will's bent was actual mining operations rather than the engineering or office end, and he immediately commenced practical mining and was rising rapidly in his chosen work when cut off.

He worked at first under his father and later with the Judson mining company. For a short time he was in charge of the Tully mine at Stambaugh and left there to go with Captain Martin as mining captain at the Monongahela mine.

The closing of the property about a month ago led to his being put in charge of the completion of the new

lift to the main shaft which was left uncompleted when the mine closed. It was while in prosecution of this work he lost his life.

He was married in 1913 to Hazel Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Brown of this city, a Crystal Falls girl born and reared. Three children were born of the union and they with his wife survive him. They are Helen, 7 years; Merle 6; and Wilma 4.

In addition he is survived by a mother, Mrs. W. J. Richards, a sister, Miss Easter and a brother, Clarence of Battle Creek and a brother, Harold Richards of Mishawaka, Ind., a brother, Alvin Richards of Iron Mountain and a brother Russell Richards of Stambaugh.

William A. Richards was a model man in every way, one of the best and most promising citizens Crystal Falls had. He was modest and lovable. He had no enemies. Everyone liked Will Richards; no one could say too much in his praise. By his untimely death Crystal Falls loses another of her coming young men, who if spared, would be a great help to her in after years just as he has been the admiration of all during his short exemplary life amongst us.

JAMES KINSMAN

This young man lost his life in the accident at the Monongahela mine Friday. He was not as generally known as the other victim of this accident but everyone who was favored with his acquaintance had a good word to say for jovial, good natured "Jimmie" Kinsman. As a miner he had no superior. He was 39 years of age at death and was born at Cliff mine, Keweenaw county. His father was for many years the head machinist at the Chapin mine.

From there he came to Crystal Falls about seven years ago and being a miner above the average, he had little difficulty in finding steady employment.

When the call to arms came "Jimmie" volunteered and served faithfully until mustered out after the war was over. He was with the 20th Infantry and his army record was a good one. He was a keen observer and everyone enjoyed listening to "Jimmie" tell of his army experiences.

Immediately upon being mustered out he resumed his work at the Carpenter mine, where he continued in the capacity of shift boss until the mine closed and he was chosen as the few men to be kept at work in the Monongahela shaft.

He is survived by a mother, Mrs. James Kinsman, who resides at Iron Mountain, a brother, Jake Kinsman, now in Crystal Falls and seven sisters: Mrs. Chester Thomas, Mrs. Thomas Nash, and Miss Nettie Kinsman of Crystal Falls, Mrs. Krimmer of Detroit, Mrs. George Jayne, Iron River, Mrs. Fred Concertina and Miss Phyllis of Iron Mountain.

ACCIDENT CAST FALL OVER CITY

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A Spanish-American war veteran, whose eloquent words were listened to attentively by the very large number of citizens present. Those who have been in attendance at affairs of the kind for the past ten years say that last Monday's crowd was the largest that ever was address in the Crystal Falls cemetery at one time.

Following the memorial services the laying away of the remains of Louis A. Bowman was conducted after the military regulations, Rev. Wm. Bickford having the religious services, Will Eldred as post chaplain

and the firing squad under the direction of John Shemky.

Richards' Funeral In Afternoon

The funeral of William A. Richards was held promptly at 2:00 o'clock P. M., the funeral being under the auspices of the Masons. The great popularity of the deceased was amply testified to by the very large number of people who assembled at the residence to pay their last sad tribute to the deceased.

The funeral procession, headed by a very large number of the Crystal Falls' Masonic lodge, moved from the home to the cemetery and stretched the entire length of Superior Ave.

The religious services were conducted at the home by Rev. Bickford and followed by the Masonic services both at the home and at the grave. Many of the workmen who had been under the direction of the deceased were present to pay their silent tribute to the departed and the floral offerings was very great.

CHINA FAMINE FUND

Contributions to date, June 2	\$1,085.40
Farren Post	3.00
Shushan Class, Amasa Sunday School	20.00
Presbyterian Sunday School, Iron River	6.00
Eastern Star, Iron River	20.25
Collected and given by Jex-yay and Partner	7.00
Alpha School	9.00

Total\$1,150.65

This will close the collection for Iron County.

Mrs. Scadden, on behalf of the State Committee, wishes to thank all those who aided in raising this fund. Special thanks are due to the Diamond Drill for its advertising; Mr. Bregger of the Gem Theatre. We wish also to thank the several posts for the dances given, and the Woman's Club of Iron River for its co-operation.

MRS. FRANK SCADDEN, County Organizer.

—Read the Ads—

NOTICE TO CHAUFFEURS AND DRIVERS OF AUTOMOBILES IN IRON COUNTY

The law requiring chauffeurs and drivers of all vehicles equipped with and using electric lights upon the public highways of this state, to effectually apply dimmers to forward lights so as to dim and lessen the same so as not to interfere with the sight or temporarily blinding the vision of the drivers of any approaching vehicle, will be strictly enforced. Any person found violating this, as well as any other of the provisions of Chapter 89 of the Compiled Laws of the State of Michigan for the year 1915, as amended, will be arrested and prosecuted. Motor policemen have been stationed on the county roads and are instructed to strictly enforce the motor vehicle laws of the state.

Dated this 3rd day of June, A. D. 1921.

THAD R. WAITE, Sheriff of Iron County. (21-24)

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