93.3% Of Employees Buying War Bonds



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100%

"What C. & H. Folks Are Doing"

## CENTENNIAL SHAFT WILL BE REOPENED SOON

### IDLE PROPERTY TO RESUME WHEN IT IS DEWATERED

Plans are nearly perfected for the reopening of the Centennial mine which has been closed since 1931. Under a proposed arrangement with Metals Reserve Company for the purchase of copper produced from this mine. Calumet and Hecla will undertake to finance the unwatering and rehabilitating of the shaft and surface plant. The present pumping rate will be doubled which should complete unwatering in about ten to twelve months. In eight months after receipt of additional pumping equipment mining will commence.

Mining in the upper, producing levels of the mine will be started before all of the water is removed from the lower levels.

Captain Sam Richards will be in charge. Approximately 125 men will be required when production starts. Rock will be stamped at the Ahmeek

#### First Opened in 1903.

The Centennial, operating on the Kearsarge Lode, was first opened by the Centennial Mining Company, in 1903 and went into production the following year, continuing to operate as a producer until 1920, when operations were suspended. The mine was reopened in 1930 and work continued for two years, suspending in 1931. It has not produced since that

Centennial was acquired by the Calumet and Hecla in the consolidation in 1923. It has been the scene of pumping operations each year, raising water to the surface, keeping the Kearsarge Lode dry. Pumping, which was started in May of last year has been continuous in anticipation of resumption of operations.

Centennial is bottomed at the 42nd level and 4748 feet below the collar of the shaft at an inclined depth.

The late F. W. Ridley was superintendent of the mine for a number of years up to the time is was consolidated with the Calumet and Hecla. Captain Sam Richards was placed in charge when work was resumed during 1920 and 1931. Since then the property has been continued in good repair in anticipation of that time when conditions would warrant resumption of mining there.

## Work is Begun at New Allouez Shaft MAY EXPAND LAKE

Ground was broken early this month at the site of the new No. 3 Allouez shaft, a short distance west of the New Allouez Location in Keweenaw County. Under the direction of William V. Cornish, superintendent of construction, plows cleared away the snow and a crew of men began the task of preparing the site for operations.

The weather has been a severa handicap to the crew, as February brought constant storms and snow

removal was an almost daily job. In spite of this, work is progressing rapidly. Temporary equipment is at the site and the department is assembling material and machinery which will be installed as soon as the development reaches the desired

More than a little interest is being evidenced in the operations at No. 3. One of the unusual pieces of equipment in use there, is a tractor equipped with an automatic loader which scoops up the ground and loads it into trucks.



Picture of Ground Breaking at the New Allouez No. 3

### C. & H. EMPLOYEES HELP COUNTY'S BOND RECORD

The sale of War Bonds in Houghton and Keweenaw counties has surpassed the quota set up for these districts and a considerable measure of the success of the bond drive goes

to the people who make up the Calumet and Hecla employee group. We are not only producing copper to help America defeat the Axis, we are investing part of our earnings in the future of our country.

### The Still House Gang



The employees of the Still House of the Lake Linden Reclamation Plant on February 9th, had completed 4,486 days without a compensable accident. The last compensable accident in this department occurred Oct. 29, 1930.

# WAR WORK PLANT

Treatment of steel clad with brass is now being successfully carried on at the Lake Linden Reclamation Plant. This material is the scrap which results from operations in the manufacturer of small calibre jacketed bullets. Scrap is rolling into Lake Linden from all parts of the United States, from steel mills, ammunition makers and from Government ordnance plants. After the copper and zinc are leached off, the resulting steel is sold to steel makers. The zinc is lost but the copper is refined at the Calumet and Hecla smelter and soon finds its way back to war

At the request of the Government, plans are being made to expand the Lake Linden plant in order to treat a much larger tonnage. Financing will be done by Calumet and Hecla. This Company has the only plant in the United States capable of decopperizing clad steel scrap.

### HAS FOUR SONS AND A SON-IN-LAW IN SERVICE

Dominic Spagnotti. Sr., of No. 2 Shaft Ahmeek, is on the job to get out the copper for his four sons and a son-in-law. James, who before entering the service, was employed at North Ahmeek, is now a second class seaman in the Navy. Anton and Dominic. Jr., are in the Coast Guards and Peter is in the Army. The son-in-law, Bernard Neigbauer, is in the Army.

### **Income Tax Must Be** Filed By March 15th

MARCH 15 MARKS THE DEAD-LINE for filing income tax reports. Every single person whose income for the year ending December 31, 1942, has been \$500 or more, and married persons who have received \$1,200 or more, must file a report of his income. If you have not already done so, secure an Income Tax Blank at once and perform your duty as a citizen of the United States. Those who fail to file a report by March 15, face a penalty. Don't Delay-Do it Today!

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### C. & H. News-Views



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### HELPING TO WIN THE WAR

Calumet and Hecla employees are doing a most commendable job in their war effort. In spite of the fact that the Victory Tax deductions went into effect last month, the percentage of employees participating in War Bond Purchases shows a splendid increase. The percent age of Payroll in War Bond purchases likewise has increased during the same period. We ven-

ture the remark that few other employee groups in the country are doing much better than Calumet and Hecla folks. It is our aim to improve the record steadily until we have reached the 100% goal.

The box score in the title frame of our front page shows an increase since last month from 93% to 93.3% indicating that departmental records show a step-up in total bond purchases. While the Calumet Blacksmith force still tops the list with 100% of the force participating to the extent of at least 10% of their wages each month, other departments are approaching the same mark. The Smelter Plant record has reached the 99% mark and is hopeful of a perfect score during February. The Central Mine force has moved up to 97%; the Calumet Branch (all departments) has reached 96%; Kearsarge totals 95%; the Lake Linden Reclamation has hit 94%; the Iroquois Shaft group covers 93% and the Ahmeek Mine records 91%. Certainly these are marks about which the people concerned have every reason to feel proud.

Other departments, not shown in this summation are crowding toward the 90% mark and

will be added to the champion group as their percentage reaches the 90% mark.

#### BE IT EVER SO HUMBLE

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Some of our former employees writing home from North Africa, the Solomons and Australia have expressed a wish that they had some of our snow in those torrid places where duty has stationed them. As a matter of fact, we too, wish they had some of our snow down there,—or any other place, as we have plenty to spare.

If the present rate of snow fall continues, this winter may go down in the book as the super-duper of them all—"The Year of the Big Snow."

Already the total fall is approximately 14 feet, recorded officially at the C. & H. Weather Bureau, located at the General Office building, in Calumet.

The greatest recorded snowfall in Calumet reached a total of 18 feet and 10 inches, during the winter of 1938-39. The previous record was 15 feet and 11 inches during the winter of 1936-37. With March and April still ahead of us and the groundhog holed up for an extra session, this season may be the "grand daddy" of them all. It is a cinch that 1942-43 will at least be a second best.

While we get about all the snow records, our temperature mark rarely goes very low, and we are usually warmer in the winter than many districts much farther south. The lowest on record here is -28 degrees in February, 1888. The next lowest was -22 degrees in January 1922. The low mark for recent years was -15 degrees in January of this year.

Those who gasp the most about our snowfall, usually do so while they are "up here" in mid-summer, enjoying escape from the heat of more southerly localities. We do have snow, but do not have sandstorms, cyclones or floods. Our snowfall has been heavy, but not nearly as heavy as those blockbusters that fall daily over Europe's great cities. No one was ever killed by snow flakes. All in all the Copper Country is a pretty good spot in which to live—and to work. Those who have left here still call it HOME.

## A VERY VALUABLE SAFETY SUGGESTION

Charles Brinkman, Boiler Plant, Lake Linden Reclamation, showing platform he suggested and which he



installed for the convenience and safety of regulating the valves as shown in the picture.

### CENTRAL SHAFT CREW CONFINED TO QUARTERS

For the second time this winter the men at the Central Shaft were marooned by a snowstorm recently. The experience was not uncomfortable, however, as Captain Harry Hicks left the key to the "pantry" at the mine and the men had plenty to eat until the road to the mine could be opened again.

When the supply of food was replenished, it was not necessary to order any more canned fish, as the "boys" had not opened those cans which were in the original cache of groceries stored at the mine. Harry says, "No more turkey until we have cleaned up the fish." If the weather for March is anything like it has been for the past several weeks there will be no fish on hand when spring comes.

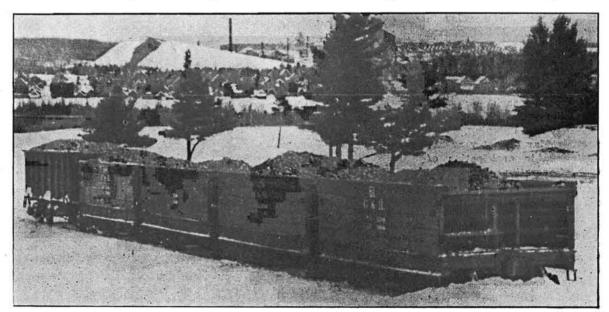
Better Safety Depends On You

#### RUDY'S AN "ASTAIRE"



Private Rudolph J. (Joe Brown) Ucman, former truck driver for the company, is now at Fort Sheridan. He formerly lived with his mother on Elm Street in Calumet. "Ruddy" still throws a graceful terpis-swamper, as he was selected by his area to compete in a dancing contest recently.

### First Shipment of Rock From Iroquois No. 1 Shaft



The picture above shows the first shipment of copper trom the Iroquois Shaft. The cars were loaded at the Allouez siding from trucks which hauled the rock from the shaft to a newly constructed ramp, built to the height of the railroad car. It is hoped that this train of five cars is the beginning of many more to follow.

### AID FUND ELECTION

Election report for three members of Aid Fund Committee for ensuing year.

Total ballots cast 538.

Votes by precincts were as follows: PRECINCT NO. 1. Employees working at Calumet.

James A. MacDonald	99
Eldred C. Mugford	6
Leslie Chapman	5
Gervin Fraser	4
Scattered	

 John Sitar
 29

 Wesley Williams
 7

 John A. Sullivan
 6

 Void ballots cast for person
 not working in Precinct
 66

 Scattered
 18

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George I. Lizenby1	17
Clarence J. Bastian	23
Frank Lockwood	20
Charles Jilbert	13
Frank Smith	13
Daniel A. Sullivan	11
Scattered	85
9 <del></del>	_
Total ballots cast2	82

The following employees, having received the largest number of votes in the respective districts, were declared elected as members of the Aid Fund Committee for the ensuing

Precinct No. 1-James A. Mac-Donald.

Precinct No. 2.—John Sitar. Precinct No. 3—George I. Lizenby AID FUND COMMITTEE:

James A. MacDonald, Chairman W. T. S. Gregg, Secretary Andrew Benrick Eldred C. Mugford

### George I. Lizenby

A. R. "Dick" McCormick, formerly foreman of the car shop, who is spending the winter in Detroit, recently wrote his pleasure in reading the NEWS-VIEWS. He is in good health and sends his regards to his former associates here.

Dick Is In Detroit

### THE MOHAWK TRAIL

No. 3: "What is the difference between vision and sight?"

No. 4: "Remember those two goils we had out last night?"

No. 3: "Yes?"

No. 4: "Well, the one I was with was a vision, but the one you was with was a sight."

#### BOYS AND GALS

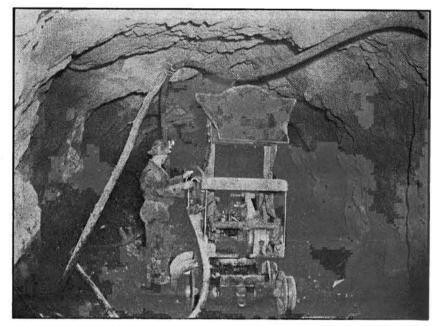
An elderly lady chided her huband for his failure to assist her up the steps to the railway coach:

"Henry, you ain't as gallant as when I was a gal."

The husband replied: "No, Lettie, and you ain't as buoyant as when I was a boy."

SAFETY FIRST! BUY WAR BONDS

### Modern Mining Methods



This mechanical loader is one of the new pieces of equipment being used in a drift at the Iroquois No. 1 Shaft.

## Pour Son....

He has just turned eighteen. Shaves twice a week and maybe a hair or two is sprouting on his chest. He shies away now when his dad tries to be affectionate and we noticed some lipstick on one of his handkerchiefs after a country club junior dance not so long ago. But it seems only yesterday, perhaps it was the day before, that he was a chubby legged kid swinging from the arch of the doorway, leading to the dining room, in a gadget that was something like a breeches buoy and he was sucking at the end of a turkey bone.

He went back to school this Fall, a tall, athletic lad, budding into manhood, but there was something else on his mind beside the football and hockey teams or the little blonde girl with whom he had "palled" around during the Summer. It seems as though he was listening for a certain call—the Clarion call that poets sing about—and, perhaps we just imagined it, but we thought we saw an upward jutting of his chin, a certain light in his eyes, and a sort of rearing-to-go expression in his face.

It chilled us a bit in the region of our heart, when we thought of his discarding the sports coat for the "O.D." of the Army or the blue of the Navy. There was a bit of a catch in our throat as we thought of his putting aside his football helmet for one of steel; of his hanging up his hockey stick and reaching for a gun. After all we still regard him as just a little boy.

They tell us that the eighteen and nineteen year old lads are to be called to the service. When that day comes to us there will be prayers, but no tears. We shall not mourn nor shall we be fearful. Rather there will come welling up from our hearts that warm feeling of pride that millions of other parents will sense when their beloved lads marched away. Our lad is no different than the others. We are no different than other loving parents, nor is our sacrifice any greater. They are going to make great soldiers, sailors, marines and fliers out of these youngsters. And they will become a mighty force when they take their places beside their brothers in arms. They too know what they fight for. They too know full well of the sacrifices that must be made before the evil powers that threaten the world can be overcome.

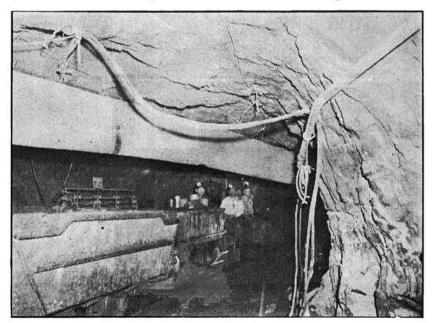
And let us not forget that they are counting on us.

They know that we shall not fail them.

God be with them and their brothers.

-Courtesy of the Carborundum Co., New York

### Underground Railroading



Storage battery locomotive are being used in the mine for hauling trains of rock to the shaft where it is loaded into the skip and brought to surface

### **NEWS FROM THE ARMY**

The following letter was received by William Cornish, superintendent of construction, from Corporal John Regis.

Dear Mr. Cornish:

I want to thank you for your letter received today. It is letters such as yours that make a person keep his chin up and resolve to make the best of the present situation. I sincerely hope to return to Calumet as soon as the war is over, Mr. Cornish. I've travelled somewhere in the neighborhood of 4,800 miles since I left Calumet and of all the places I've seen, even here at Springfield, give me Calumet anytime. I've seen a lot of scenery, the Wasatch Mountains, in Utah and the Rockies in Colorado, and we of Calumet don't have to take a back seat for anyone, when it comes to scenery. Our Mountain Drive, at the Harbor, compares highly with anything I've seen. The view from "Brockaway's Nose" is far prettier than anything I've come across yet. I was inducted at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, on Nov. 28, 1942. From there I was assigned to the Army Air Corps at Kearns, Utah, 15 miles from Salt Lake City. We received our basic training there, which is a breaking in process for about four weeks. We were then picked out to be trained in different trades. I was selected to be an X-Ray Technician and sent here to O'Reilly General Hospial for a 12-weeks course with the rank of Corporal.

For my part, I'm waiting for the whole war to end and come back home and resume a normal life. However, may I state, I say this from a standpoint of my personal feelings, the treatment we receive here is swell and the officers are the best there is as I assure you also, so is the entire Army.

Hoping to here from you again soon, I remain,

JOHNNY

#### Hello Denny

Captain "Denny" Harrington, who is making shells to defeat the Axis, at the Vicker's Plant in Detroit, sends his regards to his friends here.

"When I was able to get a copy of the NEWS-VIEWS," he says, "It was like spending the evening back home in Calumet."

#### BOLD CLIMATE

A club member bidding farewell to one who was leaving for India, said: "It gets pretty hot in India at times. Aren't you afraid the climate might disagree with your wife?"

The man looked at him reproachfully. "It wouldn't dare."

#### TIME TO MOVE

Husband: "I wonder why it is we can't save anything."

Wife: "It's the neighbors, dear; they are always doing something we can't afford."

#### TIME TO GO

Guest: "Well, good-night. I hope I haven't kept you up too late."

Host (yawning): "Not at all, we should have been getting up soon in

### **WEAR YOUR BADGE** WHERE IT SHOWS

When identification badges were first distributed to employees, rules were made governing their use. These rules are, of course, still in effect and must be followed if we are to comply with Army orders. They are as follows:

- 1. Each employee must wear his badge on the outer clothing, in full view, so that identification can be established at a glance.
- 2. Underground Employees are required to wear the badge upon entering the dry at the beginning of the shift and on leaving the dry at the end of the shift. Badges do not have to be worn underground.
- 3. Surface Employees are required to display the badge at all times while working and upon entering and leaving their place of work.

The loss of a badge should be reported immediately to the Employment Office. A charge of \$1.00 will be made for the issuance of a duplicate badge.

Upon leaving the employ of this Company, the badge must be turned in. Failure to do so will result in the sum of \$1.00 being deducted from the last payment of wages.

Official passes for non-employees are issued only to persons having legitimate business to transact at any of the plants or properties. Strict control of both passes and badges is maintained in accordance with Army regulations.

All members of our plant protection force have been sworn in as members of the Auxiliary Military Police. Anyone found in the plants or on the properties of this Company, who is not properly indentified, is liable to prosecution for trespassing.

### Wise and Otherwise

Land mines are blasting the Axis in Russia. Copper Mines are blasting the Axis right here at home.

If you would keep your tongue clean, keep your mouth closed.

If a girl does not watch her figure, neither do the boys.

It is as far from here to Detroit as it is from Detroit to New York.

Michigan is larger than England. yet England has 7 times more people. Experience is the name we some-

times call our mistakes. 1940-No running boards; 1941-No gear shift; 1942—No tires; 1943

You won't be a howling success by simply howling. Do something.

There never was a billboard as lovely as a tree.

You don't vacation in a hospital. You recover there.

Backbones decide the future, not wishbones.

Do your best with what you have. where you are. Be careful. Big Boy, one accident

can make a cripple. Remember Cocoanut Grove; don't

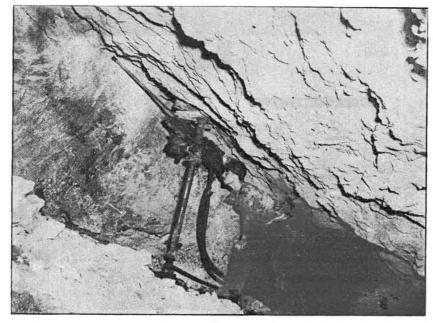
fool with matches. It takes only two seconds to ar-

range a duel. Why do some men work only when

someone is looking? Business demands a flow of cre-

ative ideas.

### Mining in a Stope



The miner shown above is operating a drilling machine, lining up a hole in a stope of the Ahmeek Mine.

### Selecting Scrap Requires **Expert Knowledge of Metal**

Perhaps you thought the billet casting crew were commandos; the scrap gang looks even worse. You have read in the newspapers all about saving scrap, but did you ever wonder what becomes of it? Well, it is picked over and sorted out by scrap gangs all over the country. Sorting scrap requires careful men with experience and most of all a good nose for distinguishing metals. It isn't easy to tell what you are going to find in a car of scrap until you pick it over piece by piece.

Scrap can save the country-so they say. It can also make money for the company or it can lose money if not properly handled. You may not have realized that fifteen pounds of lead would be enough to spoil a whole furnace charge of copper. Almost every car of scrap has a lot more lead than that and it is up to the scrap gang to go after it and get it. They may have a carload or truckload or a box full of wash boilers, automobile radiators, broken radio sets or cigarette lighters; some can be melted and some must be leached. Nice clean scrap isn't often seen.

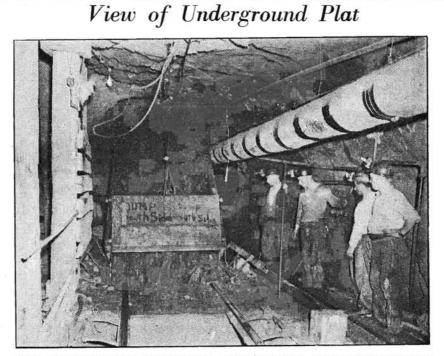
The Calumet & Hecla scrap gang has worked together for years. They are building up a new line of business for the company and one that may keep it alive some day, if there is a depression after the war is over. It is a dirty job but there is something interesting about it; something different is always happening.

To mention a few names: George Tornuff, Clifford Sibilsky, Albert Anderson, Leo Jolly, Henry DeRoche and Tony Brinkman would make good super sleuths for finding gold in any dirty mess you may have in the cellar. Tony Brinkman is in the scrap business for Uncle Sam just at present and doing all right.

See picture of Tony on page 6.

#### HAPPY LANDINGS

I crept upstairs, shoes in hand Just as night took wing-There was my wife, four steps ahead, Doing the same darned thing.



This group of miners is engaged in emptying and 8-ton tram car into the skip at one of the levels down in the Ahmeek Mine.

### VICTORY TAX WILL PAY COST OF WAR

Congress has enacted a law that requires employers to deduct a new tax on all earnings after December 31, 1942. This tax is known as "The Victory Tax" and amounts to 5% of earnings after an allowance of \$12 per week.

In order to make such collections less cumbersome the Government has authorized deductions of certain definite amounts which will closely approximate 5%.

Any over or under collections must be accounted for on the individual income tax returns to be filed prior to March 15, 1944. Your income tax form will give the information required in making such annual adjust-

Soon after the end of the year you will be given a statement showing the total "Victory Tax" which has been deducted from your earnings for the current year.

The Victory Tax is in addition to all other taxes and cannot be deducted from income tax except for certain specified payments, including purchase of Government Bonds, and only to a maximum of 25% of the amount of the Victory Tax for single persons and a maximum of 40% for married persons. No such credits can be taken on the income return to be made prior to March 15, 1943, as the Victory Tax applies to 1943 and later years. If no credit is claimed on the income tax blank there will be a refund made by the Government after the war is won.

The Victory Tax is one more way for all of us to help insure victory in the World conflict.

### A LITTLE MINNIE

Mrs. Thursday (sarcastically): "I suppose you've been to see a sick friend-holding his hand all even-

Mr. Thursday (absently): "If I'd been holding his hand, I'd have made money."

### Copper For The Axis

America is turning out enough rifle and machine gun ammunition each month to fire 83 rounds at every individual soldier in the Axis armies, the War Department disclosed recently. In the first year of war, production of small arms ammunition has increased more than 550 per cent and is still rising rapidly. Copper plays an important part in this

### Copper From Wrecks

Over seven million pounds of metal has been contributed to the war effort in the Navy's current program of salvaging Naval relics, commemorative pieces and discarded equipment throughout the country. Additional quantities of metal are being turned in as the drive continues. C. & H. has provided a large tonnage.

The road to success is filled with women pushing their husbands along

SAFETY IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS

### We Wish

That Norman Kendall would light up that cigar once in a while.

That Vladimir Floriani, the New Allouez warbler, could be heard singing more often.

That Wesley Williams, the Ahmeek poet, composer, and musician, would get the band together to really play that Safety March.

That somebody would play Jacob "Jake" Gipp for the pool champoinship of the C. & H.

That Albert Stimac continues and completes his engineering drawing course at the Michigan Tech.

That George "Pop" Werner when hunting would learn the difference between skunks and rabbits.

That Ned Gardner would tell his friends why at 3:30 A. M. he was trying to thaw out empty water pipes.

That John Salata would tell us about his dog.

That Arthur Koivu who we understand is quite a cartoonist would do some cartoons for our paper.

That Andrew Benrick would write up an article on early day Ahmeek speed drifting.

That G. Pinch would write an article on of what a good pasty should consist.

#### "B" SHAFT NAME IS CHANGED TO IROQUOIS

When the "B" amygdaloid was explored by diamond drilling, the name "B" was temporarily applied to it and to the subsequent exploration. Later it was deemed advisable to give the lode and Indian name in keeping with the traditional Copper Country custom "B" shaft has been renamed Iroquois No. 1.

### C. & H. Men Among Overseas Forces



Walter Yalmer Korri (Ike to most of us) is somewhere overseas and has been in the thick of the fighting. He was drafted last May and arrived overseas in October.

Private Albert Hocking, formerly of No. 2 Ahmeek, is somewhere among our fighting men with the 40th Engineers. His address is in care of the Postmaster, Los Angeles, California.

### WINTER IS SEVERE ON RAILROAD CREW

PRESENT SEASON BRINGS
MORE SNOW THAN USUAL

To keep 14½ miles of main line and 20 miles of branch railroad track cleared for action during the winter months in a climate where the average snowfall is more than ten feet per season, is quite a task in itself. With over 160 inches already recorded by February 15th, it looks like a real battle this winter.

The small wing plows do a fine job after a light fail of snow, but it takes the No. 2 Russell plow with wing elevators, a crew without "nerves" and full speed on the throttle to clear the main line after a real storm.

The train crews under conductors

"Cap" Hodges. Louis Orth, Charles Bastien, and O. T. Symons, showed how they could "take it" by plugging away during the several severe snow storms we have had this winter—keeping the copper moving from the mines to mills and smelter.

After every storm, cranes operated by Chris Brill and Edward Leveque and the snow-spreader built by the foreman of the car-repair shop, Edmund Leveque, are indispensable in moving the snow as far as 40 feet from the track.

About twenty-five men in three crews under the direction of Jacob Ylinen, Peter Pasquinelli and John Raudio, earn their salt repairing and cleaning switches and crossings. They use seven tons of it (rock-salt) every winter.

No task is so humble that it does not offer an outlet for individuality.

#### COMPENSABLE ACCIDENTS January, 1943

2nd William Wolfe—Trammer— No. 4 Kearsarge—Running rock in stope, slipped and fell. hurting back. Sprained back. ? days lost.

6th Gilbert Gipp—Steel Worker—Calumet Construction— Splice plate slid down timber and struck his leg. Abrasion and contusion of right leg. 9 days lost.

13th Frank Shaltz—Shift Boss—No. 4 Kearsarge—Passing chute, rock came through chute and struck his ankle. Fracture of tip of fibula. ? days lost.

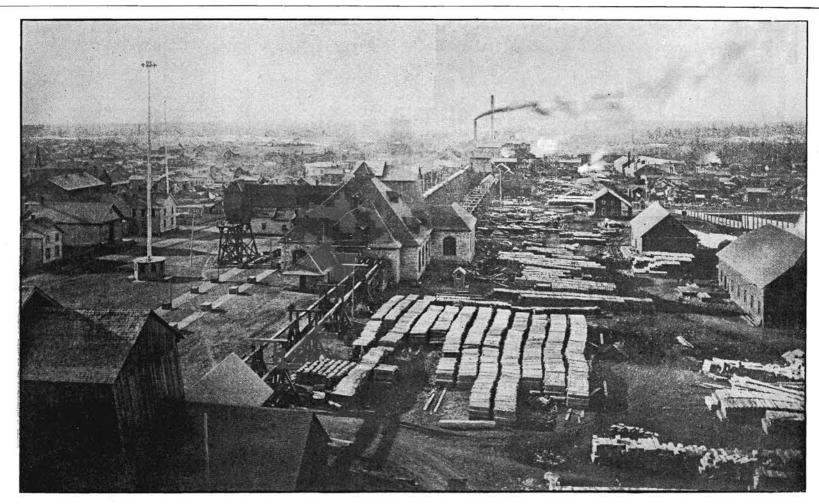
18th Thomas Bowden—Miner—No. 3 Ahmeek—Barring loose, rock sid down his bar and struck his hand. Two wounds of right hand. 12 days lost.

28th Harold Herman— Mineral Loader—Ahmeek Mill—Riding elevator with empty mineral car, counter weight rope broke and elevator fell to bottom. Fracture of both jaws and nose. ? days lost.

#### SAFETY PARTIES

On Saturday evening, January 23, the employees of W. Paull's shift, No. 2 Ahmeek, Calumet Electrical Department, Calumet Blacksmith Shop and the Ahmeek Drill Shops, attended a dinner at the Hecla Fire Hall. This dinner was given in recognition of good safety records. M. L. Jones of the Legal Department, gave an interesting talk on the conservation of gasoline and tires.

The employees of No. 2 Ahmeek. on Sunday afternoon, February 6th, attended a dinner at the Hecla Fire Hall. This dinner was given for all of the employees of the shaft in recognition of a safety record for having completed a year without an avoidable compensable accident. A. E. Petermann, President and E. R. Lovell, Vice President, gave very inspiring talks.



View of Calumet and Hecla in the early 90's, looking south from the old Water Tower, near Superior Engine House

# News Around the Mine

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lukonich. Jr., are the parents of a baby girl, born recently. "Pete" is employed at Peninsula underground.

Mr and Mrs. William Mukavetz are the parents of a baby girl born January 27th. "Billy" works as a trammer at Peninsula underground.

Ernest Frisk, who is an Ahmeek Mine drill sharpener, is showing the Kewecnaw bowiers some fancy tricks in bowling. He is leading the White House League, with an average of 183 for 42 games. Nice going "Ernie"

Our apologies to Theodore Rogers for our failure at the safety party to supply him a black crow. "Ted", we'll try to do better next time.

Frear "Billy" Watt is doing some big shooting in the Superior Rifle Club. He has the high average for this season.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Maatta are the parents of a baby girl born recently. "Walt" is employed at No. 3 Ahmeek.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Stukel are the parents of a baby girl, born in January. "Tony" works at No. 2 Ahmeek

Mr. John Bray and family have moved from Norway, Michigan to Calumet. John is employed at No. 2 Ahmeek and was released from the Army to work in the copper mines.

Mr. Frank J. Miller of the Reclamation Plant has three sons in the Armed Forces. They are all in the Army. Clement Miller, who worked as a still operator at the Plant, is in the Signal Corps Division, stationed at New Jersey. The other two sons are in the Coast Artillery.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Sakkinen are the parents of a baby boy, born December 23, 1942. Irving is employed at Iroquois No. 1.

Mr. Edwin Meneghini and family have moved from Norway, Michigan to Calumet. Ed, now working at No. 2 Ahmeek, was released from the Army to work in the copper mines.

Our congratulations and best wishess to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Guy, who were married on January 30. Harold, an employee in the Calumet Electrical Department, took as his bride Miss Eunice Huuki. They are making their home in Calumet.

George "Pop" Werner is anxiously waiting for his contract from the Detroit Tiger baseball team. In fact he would like to sign up with any big league ball team.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Torikka are the parents of a baby boy born January 3rd. "Art" is employed at North Ahmeek Engine and Compressor House.

The Ahmeek Shops bowling team, under the leadership of C. Bickle, won the second leg in the White House League. The team is composed of J. Mugford, M. Radosevich, J. Belobradich, T. Knight, C. Bickle and E. Frisk.

Mr. Joe Rowe of the Tamarack Reclamation Plant has three sons in Uncle Sam's service. They are all serving in the Navy. The oldest son, Joseph, has been in the Navy for several years.

How to win friends—that smile of Fred "Swede" Mattson.

Mr. Hubert Vollmer, formerly of

the Reclamation Plant laboratory and sample room force is still following his trade. He is now stationed at the Army's Chemical Laboratory Division, California.

Alex Nordstrom and Victor Nordstrom showed real brotherly love by giving blood transfusions to their brother Art who was seriously ill.

Margaret Rosskelly of the Calumet office force is hitting the high spots at the Superior Bowling Alleys. Margaret took the prize for the month with a score of 197. She is a member of the Calumet Woman's bowling league.

The employees of the Calumet Machine Shop are wondering what is delaying "Billy" Harris from giving them that pasty supper. How about it "Bill"?

Azarie Versaille who is employed in the Shore Plant of the Lake Linden Reclamation, claims the distinction of being the shortest C. & H. employee. Height 4 feet 10 ½ inches.

Our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rozich, who were married on February 6th. "Mike", Ahmeek No. 2 trammer, took as his bride, Miss Mary Kroll. They are making their home in Mohawk.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Michel, of Hubbell, are the parents of a girl, born February 4th at the Memorial Hospital. Lawrence is foreman of the Tamarack No. 1 Dredge. Better known as "Cap" to his men.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred "Dick" Pini are the parents of a girl, born at the Memorial Hospital on January 21, 1943. Alfred is a car dumper at the Ahmeek Mill.

The boys of the Tamarack Mills are taking their bowling very seriously. Bowling Bill Warn and Knock 'Em Down Allen have hit the groove and are open to challenge from all corners. It is rumored they are practicing at both the Houghton and Calumet alleys.

Private Alex Butkovich, an employee at the Central Mine until his induction in the Army, visited his father, Louis Butkovich recently while on furlough.

Arnold Murphy, formerly of Detroit, is among the latest miners to be employed by the Company. He worked in some Canadian mines prior to locating in Detroit a few years ago. His family is expected to arrive here soon.

#### LOUIS IN THE NAVY



Louis E. Kosovac, now of the Great Lakes Training Station, formerly worked at the roundhouse in Calumet, as a hostler. He entered the service last November.

### Power Plant Crane Is Moved To Leaching Plant

This is the crew that lowered a 17 ton crane to the floor of the Lake Linden Power Plant. The thrust beams had to be reinforced with 14-inch timbers to carry the weight. It also had to be tied with 7-8-inch cables when it was down half way, the chain blocks not being long enough to let it all the way down. The chain blocks that were used were of 20 ton capacity. This crane is to be used at the Leaching Plant to unload scrap copper. Also this crane is 60 feet in length, and the height from the floor to tracks is 40 feet. O. Baril supervised the job.



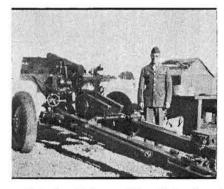
Left to Right: Oliver Baril, Richard Aittama, Frank Lockwood, Raymond Monette, E. R. Lamotte, and Joseph LePage.

#### TONY'S IN AFRICA



Staff Sergeant Anthony J. Kowacic formerly of the General Office, is now attached to the Adjutant General's Section at Allied Headquarters in Africa. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kowacic of Calumet Avenue. He keeps in constant communication with "someone" at the General Office here

#### AL'S WITH THE BIG GUNS



Private Alphonse Beaudoin, formerly employed at the Ahmeek No. 3-4 rockhouse, is now with the Field Artllery, training in California. Alphonse is learning how to operate another kind of "crusher."

#### ATTENTION BOWLERS

On March 7th the elimination bowling contest will start. The teams that have entered this contest to date are: Calumet Foundry, Lake Linden Reclamation, Smelters, Tamarack Reclamation and Ahmeek Mill, Calumet Office and Supply Department. No. 4 Kearsarge, Calumet Construction with Machine Shop and Blacksmith Shop, Ahmeek Mine No. 3 Shaft, Ahmeek Mine Peninsula Shaft, Ahmeek Mine No. 2 Shaft, and Ahmeek Surface.

Prizes will be awarded to the team winning the championship, the team having the highest team score, and to the individual having the highest score for three games. Team managers will be notified in regard to drawing for places and all other details pertaining to this tournament.

#### SCRAPPING SCRAPPER



Private Anthony J. Brinkman, of the Military Police, is located at Florence, Arizona. "Tony" formerly was employed at the Smelting Plant at Hubbell.