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METROPOLITAN

1885: A mining settlement, founded in 1880, and also known as Felch Mountain, is the terminus of the F.M. br. of the C. & N.W. Ry., 35 miles from Narenta Junction, and 50 southwest of Marquette, the county seat of Marquette county. It is in Felch township, and ships iron ore very extensively. Population, 400. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U. Mail, daily. L.A. Friederichs, postmaster.

1887-1888: A mining settlement, founded in 1880, and also known as Felch Mountain, Felch township, Iron county. Is the terminus of the F.M. br. of the C. & N.W. Ry., 35 miles from Narenta Junction, and 40 northeast of Iron River, the county seat. Bank at Escanaba. Population, 400. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U. Mail, daily. L.A. Friederichs, postmaster.

1889: A mining settlement, founded in 1880, and also known as Felch Mountain, Felch township, Iron county. It is the terminus of the F.M. br. of the C. & N.W. Ry., 35 miles from Narenta Junction, and 35 southeast of Crystal Falls, the county seat. Bank at Escanaba. Population, 400. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U. Mail, daily. J. McGillan, postmaster.

1891-1892: A mining settlement, founded in 1878, and also known as Felch Mountain, Felch township, Iron county, on the F.M. br. of the C. & N.W. Ry., 35 miles from Narenta Junction, and 35 southeast of Crystal Falls, the county seat. Bank at Escanaba. Population, 400. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U. John Atkinson, postmaster.

1895-1896: A mining settlement founded in 1878, in Felch township, Dickinson county, on the C. & N.W. Ry., 35 miles from Narenta Junction, and 24 from Iron Mountain, the county seat and banking point. Population, 450. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U. M.J. Finnugan *[sic]*, postmaster.

1901: Population, 300. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 35 miles from Narenta Junction, and 24 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the county seat and banking point. Population, 450. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U. Mrs. K. Kandles, postmaster.

1903-1904: Population, 300. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 35 miles from Narenta Junction, and 24 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the county seat and banking point. Population, 450. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U.

1905-1906: Population, 660. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 24 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the county seat and banking point. Population, 450. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U. J.J. Ovist, postmaster.

1907-1908: On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 24 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the county seat and banking point. Exp., Am. Tel. Telephone connection. Carl A. Carlson, postmaster.

1909-1910: Population, 600. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 24 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the county seat and banking point. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U. Telephone connection. Alfred Anderson, postmaster.

1911-1912: Population, 300. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 24 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the county seat and banking point. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U. Telephone connection. Alfred Anderson, postmaster.

1913-1914: Population, 300. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 24 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the county seat and banking point. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U. Telephone connection. Alfred Anderson, postmaster.

1915-1916: Population, 400. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 24 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the county seat and banking point. Has Baptist and Lutheran churches. Exp., Am. Tel., W.U. Telephone connection. Alfred Anderson, postmaster.

1917-1918: Population, 900. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county,

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24 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the county seat and banking point. Has Baptist and Lutheran churches. Exp., Am. Telephone connection. Alfred Anderson, postmaster.

1919-1920: Population, 950. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 24 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the judicial seat and banking point. Has Baptist and Lutheran churches. Express and telephone connection. Alfred Anderson, postmaster.

1921-1922: Population, 950. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 25 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the judicial seat and banking point. Has Baptist and Lutheran churches. Express and telephone connection. Alfred Anderson, postmaster.

1923-1924: Population, 400. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 25 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the judicial seat and banking point. Has Baptist and Lutheran churches. Express and telephone connection. Alfred Anderson, postmaster.

1925-1926: Population, 400. On the C. & N.W. Ry., in Felch township, Dickinson county, 25 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the judicial seat and banking point. Has Baptist and Lutheran churches. Express and telephone connection. Alfred Anderson, postmaster.

1927-1928: Population, 430. Settled in 1880. A village on the C. & N.W. Ry and on highway M-69, in Felch township, Dickinson county, 25 miles northeast of Iron Mountain, the judicial seat and banking point. Has Baptist and Lutheran churches. Express and telephone connection. Alfred Anderson, postmaster.

Barber

Fry, Edward (1889-1891)
Nygard, George (1927)
Omar, George (1927)

Blacksmith

Anderson, Swan (1901)
Felander, Jack (1927)
Nygreen, Daniel (1895)
Omar, George (1927)
Sundstrom, John V. (1917)

Blacksmith and Garage

Sundstrom, John V. (1919-1925)

Carpenter and Contractor

Cook, Wm. (1927)
Omar, John (1927)

Carpenter and Millwright

Connor, D.F. (1895)

City Marshal

German, Matthew (1895)

Clothing

Nygard, George (1927)
Willman, A. (1901)

Confectioner

Anderson, Alfred (1927)
Backlund, Matt (1923-1925)
Blomquist, Jack (1925)

Constable

Nylund, L. (1901)

Druggist

Friedericks, Dr. L.A. (1885-1887)

Druggist, Boots and Shoes

Rian, Andrew (1889-1891)

Engineer

Bourne, N.L. (1895)

Farmers Cooperative Store

Farmers Cooperative Store, Alfred Anderson, mgr (1917-1923)

Fox Farm

Blomquist, Edward (1927)

Gasoline Station

Anderson, Alfred (1927)

General Store

Anderson, Alfred (1909-1915; 1925-1927)
Felch Supply Co. (1917-1927)
Kandels, Mrs. K. (1901)
Metropolitan Lumber Co., M.J. Finnugan, mngr (1895)
Oberg, O. (1903)
Ovist, John J. (1905; 1913-1915)
Parry, Frederick (1887)
Parry, Joseph (1889)
Rian, Andrew (1901-1905; 1913-1925)
Smith & Villman (1895)

Grocer and Meats

Kasper, C. (1887)

Hotel

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Felch, W.W. (1885)
McKinnon, Angus (1895)
Metropolitan Hotel, (H.A. Carlson, propr, 1887; J.B. Fry, propr, 1889-1895) (1887-1895)
Metropolitan House, Wm. Thompson, propr (1885)
Scandinavian House, John Ovist, propr (1895)
Travelers' Home, Angus McDonald, propr (1895)

Iron Mining Company

Metropolitan Iron and Land Co. (1885-1891)
Northwestern Mining Co. (1885)

Justice of the Peace

Anderson, Alfred (1925-1927)
Butler, Charles C. (1891)
Daley, Wm. (1895)
Gaston, Dr. J.B. (1895)
Harper, Marmaduke (1887)
Kettinger, Charles (1889-1891)
Johnson, Matt (1925-1927)
McDougall, Malcom (1895)
McLaughlin, Barney (1885-1891)
Phillips, Thomas A. (1889-1891)
Sutherland, George (1885)

Livery

Anderson, Swan (1887-1895)
Murphy, Patrick (1895)

Live Stock

Skog, Erick (1895-1925)
Wickman, Matt (1919)

Lumber

Bush, Wm. (1891)
Gustafson Bros. (1907-1913)
Nelligan & Flanigan (1891)
Pendleton & Sons (1891)

Lumber Company

Ford River Lumber Co. (1889-1901)
Harmon, A.M. Lumber Co., A.L. Foster, supt (1885)
Metropolitan Lumber Co., M.J. Finnugan, mngr, 1895; Gordon Murray, supt, 1895) (1895)
White & Triant Lumber Co. (1887-1891)

Lumber Inspector

Dauzy, Louis A. (1895)

Meat Market

Duff, John (1885)
Kurll, M. (1887)

Meats

Smith, Frank (1901)

Music Teacher

Fry, Miss C. (1895)

Notary Public

Murray, Gordon (1889-1891)
Rupell, Stevers G. (1885)

Physician

Geston, J.B. (1889-1891)
Reath, S.E. (1901)

Produce

Johnson, Matt (1927)

Railroad and Express Agent

Burkardt, W.R. (1907-1911)
Dunlap, A.W. (1905)
Mahon, Timothy (1885-1891)
Stephan, H.A. (1921)

Railroad, Express and Telegraph Agent

Fish, L. (1923)
Garrigan, R.B. (1925)
Havens, Charles (1901)
Mahon, Timothy (1895)
Vahow, Roger (1927)

Real Estate

McLaughlin, Barney (1895)

Restaurant

Casper, Mrs. L. (1889-1891)

Road Contractor

Blomquist, Mathew (1927)

Saloon

Anderson, Swan (1885-1891)
Blomquist, Andrew (1891)
Brondstram, Charles (1905)
Carey, P.J. (1887-1891)
Hourigan, M. (1887)
Kandles, N. (1885)
Kuril, Frank (1885)
McDonald, A.A. (1901)
McKinnon, Angus (1895)
Peterson & Olsen (1885)
Rian, Martin (1901)
Salberg, Charles (1903-1905)
Salburg, Charles (1901)
Skoge, Frederick (1891)

West, Wm. (1905)

Sawmill

Metropolitan Lumber Co. (1887-1891)
O'Callaghan & McIntyre (1885)

Shoemaker

Burns, A.M. (1887-1891)
Carlson, J.A. (1907)
Rian, Andrew (1885; 1901)

Summer Resort

McKinnon, Alexander (1895-1901)

Supervisor

Daly, W.B. (1901)

Teacher

Braithwaite, Alice (1895)
Jaeck, E.G. (1901)
McKenna, Miss C. (1895)

Ties, Posts and Poles

Blomquist, John (1907-1927)
Blomquist, Jonas (1927)
Blomquist, Matthew (1907-1925)
Carlson, Carl A. (1907-1925)
Isaacson, John (1927)
Johnson, Matt (1907-1911)
Mueller, Wm. Co. (1907)
Rian, A. (1907-1925)

Township Clerk

Willman, M. (1901)