

OFF The Road With Jerry



What is thereto do here on a cold Sunday afternoon. Well, go out tobogganing, sledding with kids, and down hill skiing. This is a 1977 picture of a fabulous sled and ski ran south east of Canton about 8 miles southeast above the above the Sioux River. Theses kids are being pulled up this long steep hill by a mechanized rope bringing them up to the top. This rope lift back then is comparable to the Great Bear and Tut-Hill parks in Sioux Falls. It was operated by a large old stationary Truck up on top. The truck was set up on blocks on the rear end with the rear wheels removed. A large pulley was welded on the bare wheel rim on left rear side. The track engine would be started and shifted into low or 2nd gear and left running continuously.

The white building in upper left-hand corner was a warming house. This old warmer shed is still there and the assistant manager of Bomgaar's now owns part of this property. He showed new photos of this being completely rebuilt into a nice insulated building. We will show pictures of this rebuilt warmer house soon.

This big ski and sled hill was part of Canton Ski Club with Jim Deinema of Canton being very instrumental in developing this complex.

Looking for part time work. Here it was in 1977 working at Mid West Fur Co. at 6th and Main in Canton. This was not work everyone would put up with. It was disdainful and considered nasty by some, because the job was skinning out hundreds of all of our local fur-bearing animals that were brought in and sold to this company. But many young Canton men and a few women did work here and earned extra wages.

This a completely automated radio controlled Caterpillar excavator digging out a basement on North

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(TO START AROUND NOVEMBER 1, 1976)

ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1976
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Brothers of Marion SD and used in dangerous jobs where an operator might be in extreme danger on current job.

Nugget of Interest: More 1915 America every day living facts:

1. 90% of doctors in 1915 did not have degrees.
2. Sugar was 4 cents a pound and coffee was 15 cent a pound.
3. Women only washed their clothes once a week and when they did they used borax and crushed egg shells.
- 4 Las Vegas Nevada was dull, with only 30 people.
5. Drug stores sold cocaine, morphine and Marijuana

Bridge Street for a new house. Now, while this might not be much news these days with all the New Tractors and construction equipment running without an operator. But this photo is 39 years old, back in 1977, which show us the beginning of this technology. Started a long time ago. How many remember all the radio controlled toys we all got to enjoy all through the past years.

This machine was owned by Becker