

Carmen Stubinski Name of Interviewer:

Interview: Date Feb. 22, 1972 Length of Interview 1 1/2 hrs

1. Charles Hutt
2. Charlie
- 3.
4. 64 Cobalt Street, Cobalt
5. 679-8230
6. 60
7. Halifax
8. Nova Scotia
9. Nova Scotia
10. 1917, 11 sleigh and horses to Elk Lake, by
12. train to Cobalt
13. 6
14. miner
- 15.
16. merchant
- 17.
18. I was in the navy I was only 6 when II arrived
19. Boom town, 20 death of my father
21. Mining
- 22.
- 23.
24. Duplex apartment house
25. excited as hell
- 26 in the house, taps
- 27.electric
28. Wood stove
- 29.Quebec heater
- 30.All kinds
31. Theatres, Bootleggers
- 32.hockey, ball, running, We had Y.M.C.A.--then and a swimming pool
- 33.Public and High School
- 34.11 years
35. Banks more, street cars
36. Dr. G. Taylor
- 37.Cobalt mines hospital
- 38.
- 39.
- 40.
41. small and rich with silver
42. Hand steeling
43. Beefsteak stews, molasses and Beans
44. Supper

45. miners clocks all day
46. suit if you owned one
47. play ball or hockey
48. no
49. sociability
50. because I like them
51. Parks, cement sidewalks, paved roads, good water, new electric street lights. The quietness of the town
- 52.
53. drop in population
54. Working conditions, unemployment
55. yes
56. Would like to see some mines working and a better line of prosperity
57. Summer, weather open water
58. Photography, coin collecting and collecting junk
- 59
60. Restoration, tourism, more mining principally small mfg. plant and mining Cobalt proper
61. Bay Street, mine promotion, Mining Cobalt proper with the raise in silver. Exploration mines of large tonage
62. Beautiful scenery and landscape. Large open cuts of previous old mines. Good fishing, lots of waterways, Sociability. The area in general covering 100 square miles or more. Cobalt mining. New Liskeard Clay belt. 12 mines North Gowganda mining, fishing, timber, Matachewan mining. Quebec side 5 miles away farming, tourism, Matabitchewan power supply, Montreal River power supply. The only operating Hydrolic air supply in the world from the Montreal River 8miles from the Cobalt Camp.

Mr. Hutt is a town Councillor, and operates a Men's Wear store in Cobalt. He is Also a bachelor. Every winter takes a trip to the sunny south.

Hi there. I'm going to send in a cheque for a membership along with some extra money for the Right of Way headframe rehabilitation. Can i put both amounts on the same cheque? or should i send 2 cheques? Either works for me, i'll do whatever is easier for your accounting purposes. Also, do you have any information on the rehabilitation of the Nipissing Mill lookout side? We were there in september and noticed that a lot of trees had been cut down. Are the long-term plans known yet? That spot is a bit special for our family as the askes of 4 members were scattered around there. Thanks

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Hello Michael. Thank you so much for thinking of us! I very much appreciate your concern regarding the lookout on Nipissing Hill. First things first - it will make bookkeeping easier for us if you send two cheques. Thanks for your consideration. Secondly, my husband Reiner is the trail manager for the Heritage Silver Trail. It was he who cut down the trees - the roots will wrangle their way into the foundations

and weaken them if they are let alone to grow. Agnico Eagle has expressed some concern regarding the safety hazards posed by the height of the lookout and the potential temptation for people to walk out along the top of the walls. To forestall any reclamation on the part of the mining company, we have been in talks with the Township of Coleman to designate the site under the provincial Heritage Designation legislation. This gives the township a voice regarding proposed work at the site. I am touched by your story, why the place holds such significance for you. Now it holds even more significance for me. Thank you. Maggie



Thanks Maggie. I'll put 2 cheques in the mail in the next few days. In case you were wondering, the family members that were "scattered" on the hill are my father (Raymond Deraiche), Aunt Lynn Moffatt (nee Mosher), and Grandparents Carl and Veronica Mosher (nee Hutt). You may or may not recognize some of the names. It was my grandfather who was the first to die and wanted his ashes scattered over Cobalt somehow. My uncle thought the hill was the best place since it overlooks the town so spectacularly.

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Wow. I was wondering, but didn't know how to ask. Thank you. 😊
I have been digitizing photos and postcards and other ephemera for the Cobalt Library - I believe I came across the name Deraiche in there somewhere - is your grandfather Carl related to the 'famous' mining Mosher's? Alex and Murdoch.



Yes! Carl was the non "famous" brother!
And you may have come across the Deraiche names as my other grandmother, Leona Deraiche, lived there for years. First on Baker Street, then in the seniors apartments on Felandr.

*Ferland

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I'll share any images I come across of your Grandmother.



Thanks! I've also just digitized a lot of her old photos. Do you have any interest/use for any old Cobalt pics? I think there might be a few that aren't just of relatives that may be of some interest.

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Oh yes, please! The timing is perfect - along with the digitizing project at the library, I am also working on a follow-up to the 1972 Interviews that were conducted in the area. We'll gladly accept any that you have to offer. Thank you!



OK. i'll go through them and see what i have

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Maggie. I just got your email. so let me know if the rest of the chat re-appears. I have it all here, so, if it doesn't, just let me know and and i can copy it into an email.

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IT WORKED!! Thank you!

Did you know that Charlie Hutt was a town councillor? From the Cobalt Interviews of 1972, this is a post-script from his talk: "Mr. Hutt is a town Councillor, and operates a Men's Wear store in Cobalt. He is also a bachelor. Every winter takes a trip to the sunny south."



lol... yes, i only found out last week that he was a councillor when my mother told me

He dated woman named Lucy (unfortunately, i forget her last name) for a long time. He died shortly after they broke up. My grandmother didnt like her and had a terrible name for her. I won't share it here, but its the reason i dont remember her last name! lol

Lucy Gabani (i just texted my mother)

If my grandmother Veronica didnt like you...watch out! lol

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LOL - oh those mothers-in-law!

it's interesting to note that one of the interviewers from 1972 was a Lucy Damiani - the Damiani name is big in this town - they renamed the first leg of highway 11 from the south after Mr. D

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There are 4 photos attached here from the Mosher family (a familiar name!)

IsaacAndAlexMosher - My great grandfather and great uncle Alex Mosher. Not sure where this was taken, but my grandfather thought it was "up north"....now, for someone from Cobalt, that usually means way up north. I know that Alex worked in the Northwest Territories, so it may be from there.

MaudeMosherAndErnestRhude - This is of my great grandmother Maude Mosher (nee MacKay) and her second husband, Ernest (Ern) Rhude. She remarried after Isaac died. This pic looks like it was taken at the house that Isaac built at the corner of Martin Drive and Coleman Rd, barely outside of town. Its still standing today.

Moshers - These are Isaac and Maude's 4 children. Murdock, Myrtle, Carl, and Alex. Carl was my grandfather (he married Veronica Hutt from the other photos). and the lesser known of the Mosher boys. His 2 bothers were obviously more successful and were both filthy rich. He didnt care about that and was just happy being out prospecting in the

bush. He used to joke that he wasn't as successful as his brothers because he wasn't a crook, and had no interest in getting into the business side of things. He often worked for his brothers, out in the bush staking claims. When something was found, he'd let them take over and he'd move on. This photo was also taken at the house on Martin Drive. I have so many amazing memories of that house. I'd say this is from the early to mid 1980s. Murdock died in 1988 i think. I have no memories of Murdock or Myrtle. I only met Alex once when he was in his 80s. I had about 20 good years with my grandfather before he died.

TomArkellAndCarlMosher1945 - This is my grandfather in his element - doing what he loved best. This photo is iconic in the family. Nobody seems to know anything about Tom...if you can help get info on him, that would be great.

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CharlieHutt - A photo of my great uncle Charlie Hutt in his store, Charles Hutt Men's Wear, in Cobalt. I'm not sure where in town it was (and if the building is even still standing after all the fires!). He was one of the children in the pic i sent last week that was taken around 1920. Not sure when this photo was taken

HarrisHutt - This is the only photo we have of my great grandfather Harris Hutt. He and my great grandmother moved from Nova Scotia to Cobalt so he could work in the mines. He died when my grandmother was 18 months old in a mining accident. I think i told you about this last week!

VeronicaAndMaryHutt - this is another photo taken around 1920. My grandmother Veronica Mosher (Hutt at the time) and her mother Mary Elizabeth Hutt (nee Bambrick)