

Carmen Stubinski

Interview

April 21

2 1/2 hrs.

1. Elizabeth McAskill
2. Liz
3. Elisabeth Beatty
4. 39 Prospect St. Cobalt
5. 679-5523
6. Age 60
- 7, Nipissing, Ontario
8. Mother Simcoe, Father Nipissing
9. Powasson, Ontario
10. In 1919 I was 6 yrs. old
11. trian
13. there were 5 children
14. O'Brien Mill. He came to Cobalt 1927. From Cape Breton. Went to Windsor to work for Chrysler in 1928. He was a mechanic
15. Domestic. I worked for Mrs. Fillinson who ran a boarding house on Galena St
16. Died Oct 2, 1970
17. retired, can't get a job
18. After Welland I enjoyed the small town of Mileage 104. After a big school a little one was so nice to know everyone. I made many many life long friends.
19. It was busy lots of stores
21. Mining, mill work mainly
22. 7 to 7 12 hrs. a day
23. 6 1/2 days per week, \$25.00 per month
24. Mothers house, normal living 2 story frame house of wood
25. Big Christmas always a goose and all the trimmings. Always hung our stockings it was hard candy mixture nuts in shells. A doll Eatons beauty. Always a 3 storey xmas ice t:rimmed with red. The best fruit cake. Maybe a book fruit mainly oranges. They were rare.
27. Well at back door, rain barrels at corner of house. Carried it in with one pail and with another pail carried it out. The slop pail. We bathed in a wash tub every saturday night. Our outdoor always had Eatons and Simpsons old catalogues for toilet tissues
- Ordinary coal oil lamps
- 2S. wood stove reservoir to heat water
29. High Quebec heater where we always burnt hard wood
30. We bought all our groceries at Bucklers General store. Went to the Farmers market underneath where the T.T.L. is today every saturday. There were stores solid on both sides of Lang St. Vellis, Woolworths, McDiarmid ladies wear Rossiski mens wear. Phil Cains furniture Barrie's Bake shop. Tom Black and Rowdons hardware were the leading hardware stores.

31. Bijou theatre on Lang st. and the show was where it is today
32. snowshoeing, sleigh riding
33. I passed grade 7 at Mileage 104 school we had to come to Cobalt to try our entrance exams. Mr. eskins was principal of Cobalt 'public school then I passed my entrance exams.
35. Street cars. It used to cost 5¢ to ride to Cobalt
36. Dr , Taylor
37. Had an operation in the old Cobalt hospital. Dr Lyons did it. Dr. Kase was here in 1931.
38. Toronto
41. the mines were all going. I remember the overhead buckets from the Nipissing mines everyone was working
42. Jack always went to the contests. We were married in 1929 the crash came that month Dec 1929
43. lunch pail, my husband was a light eater.
44. We always had a big meal after shift
45. Gingham dresses, petticoats with lots of lace, pinafors lots of starch, cotton bloomers made out of flour bags and sugar bags, oxfords and roman sandals for good. Pleated skirts and middies always pongee my clothes. Knit everything wore pure wool. Mother made lots of quilts and mats
47. Sunday school. We walked a board sidewalk. There was a board sidewalk from Mileage 104 to Cobalt and we had to walk to save money. I had to walk 2 miles to work sometimes it was 50 below zero. Froze my legs many times
48. Old pictures
49. Simplicity of living
50. Friendliness. Its home
51. The town has had some of a face lifting there has been a lot of home improvements Don't like what hasn't been done on Lang street it shoud be cleaned up
53. No i like cobalt
55. yes
56. I would iike to see small industry I could be working if there was work appropriate for me to do. No way could I maintain my own home if mother wasn't living with me. No way would I rent an apartment and pay rent. I am healthy and willing to work and need it If jobs weremade available. No way do I want to apply for welfare and assistant pension
59. Winter most
59. Sewing for my family, redecorating painting and gardening
60. Exploration on new properties, new properties, and Industry where men can get work
61. tourists
62. tourism, good fishing, boating, mining tours, museum outdoor camping of all kinds
The people here are very hospitable

We should have a coffee shop open day and night for tourists or anyone wanting light refreshments.

Jack worked for Ralph Benner at the Cobalt Lode in 1949. Mario De Bastini was the mine manager. He was there in 1970 when he died. Jack was really broken up when the shop burnt. He took sick and Cobalt Lode kept him till he died.