

1. Florence Malick May 5, 1972 2 3/4 hrs
Mrs. Steve
3. Florence Pirie
4. 63 1/2 Cobalt St., Cobalt
5. 679-8719
6. 60 years old
7. North Cobalt, R.Rol
8. Mother Ottawa Valley, dad in Scotland
9. Quyon Quebec
10. 1938
13. 7 children, 9 of us
14. mining engineer
15. store clerk
16. Recovering from accident car. two years ago and left disabled
17. owner of Florence's Ladies Wear
18. Nice little town. Many places of bU\$iness operating
19. busy
20. being born here and there was work.
21. All types, mines, mills, stores, restaurants, telephone offices
- 22 Worked at Buckovetsky's 8:30 to 6:40 daily Sat. 8:30 to 11 p.m.
two weeks before X-mas worked till 10:40 watch night X-mas eve to 11:30 p.m.
23. \$12. per week. I remember my first X-mas bonus of \$5. till the war broke out.
Then the manager gave us 2% of our years wages. I worked and saved one yea
to have the first telephone installed on the farm. There was a scarcity of wire
because of the war. With my two brothers being overseas in the war, we finally
got the phone in ahead of the others.
24. It was a log house. Plaster between the logs. It was located in Lorraine
Valley near the Old Mission. It had a living room, dining room and kitchen
downstairs, a cellar with stairs and 3 bedrooms upstairs
25. Yes. I remember excitement of our school X-mas tree and concert. I always led
in the singing and had my own solo (ha). To this day I can't stand jumpers and
hair ribbons, mother always had a goose and hard candy. Dad always had a
barrel of apples every fall. (we sorted in our cellar). My older brother
would always come home for X-mas and bring the gifts, He'll bring home the
toys and games. He was Santa himself
26. We had to get our water about 500 ft. from the house at a spring. We always
carried a yoke my dad made with a pail on each end of the yolk.
27. Coal oil lamps
28. Wood cook stove. We burnt wood
29. Square box stove in the front room. We always had lots of wood piled up
outside as we lived in thebush.
30. Armstrong the Blacksmith, stores, restaurants, 3 banks, Woolworth's,
Herbert Fuels. A very large farmers market under the old town hall where
the TTL is today
31. In Lorraine every second week, we had formed a social club, we would
alternate and have our parties in different homes. We played games and had

lunch. We found our own entertainment. I can remember a trip on the Meteor We went to Haileybury Ville Marie then home to the Old Mission. I also remember when the Old Meteor was grounded in the narrows at the Old Mission It was there a year or so. Dad met us at the old Mission when we came back from our boat trip. I remember the Girl Guides coming from New Liskeard to Camp at the Old Mission (before Camp Lorraine) One Sunday they took my sister Ida and I on a pilgrimmage to the Grotto in Ville Marie

32. sleigh riding, skiing

33. The only school in South Lorraine when I tried my entrance I tried them in the school at Silver Centre.

35. We walked 3 miles to school night and morning. If there was a snow storm in the winter. One of the farmers would hitch up a sleight and team of horses and come and get us to take us home.

36.. Dr. Jackson

37. Mines Hospital on the hill, and Nurses residence behind it.

41. Farming, mining. My dad had a fann. He would plant fields of potatoes. We kids had to help plant and pick them in the fall. He sold them to the mines in Silver Centre.

43. I can tell you about farmers meals. In winter we had beef and pork and we had our own chickens

44. In summer we had salt pork only that mother had put down in salt, brine, in barrels in early spring. Dad had a killing and mother salted the pork. Our only fresh meat was when mother and dad came to town with horses and wagon to shop. They would come back bologna and sausages and believe me that was a treat. Mother used to put the eggs in a crock with course salt for the winter use. Mother made home-made bread and soon as we were old enough we did too. Mother made all her own pickles in summer. We picked blue berries, wild strawberries and raspberries. Mother preserved enough for the winters use. Plus lots of rhubarb.

45. Little cotton dresses, mostly hand me downs. We bleached fine sugarbags which took weeks to take the print off them. Dyes then to make bloomers, dresses and slips. We sold blueberries an 11 qt. basket at 50¢ to buy shoes and trimmings extra.

48. An orange Carival glass fruit bowl of mother's that she made me clean all the time when I was a youngster.

49. The people

50. Friendliness. The atmosphere of Cobalt

51. New streets, new subdivisions, example the Lions Club making a park out of Cobalt Lake. They way the town is kept clean people restoring the homes and buildings.

52. First, since I opened my store I have seen in the past 11 years one Bucks leave town of Cobalt, 2nd ONR telephone exchange taken away then the hydro. Then the express office then northern telephone lastly closed the station and freight shed. TBS went later. I had a good busiess from employees locally employed. That gradually were replaced by help outside of Cobalt. The service from the Express today is terrible. Before this centralization I could phone

Montreal for merchandise and I could get it the next day. Not no, it takes a matter of 4 days or more. Our mail system is suffering. Going back to express again I can't understand why we should be penalized by high freight express and gasoline rates in the north. In this effort of trying to take away grade 13 in Cobalt I see the difference now that they are bussing pupils from Temagami and Latchford to New Liskeard High School. They are by-passing our stores as it is. I had fair business from these students. I'm glad the citizens of Cobalt took their stand on removing grade 13. It would have been the first moved of all our school to be taken away from us, and our business would suffer. We had a good payroll from the people of Upper Notch, Ragged Chutes. Since the project has been finished it had to be centralized at New Liskeard. Instead of leaving hydro headquarters in Cobalt which means these families have taken up residence in New Liskeard another large payroll gone.

55. yes

56. The new hospital to be buuilt why not in near by Coleman Township. Central to Temagami where there is no hospital. 39 miles north of Temagami and 60 miles south where water is rated the best, Coleman would be the more suitable area. We have no drug store 2 or 3 secondary industries to use our own raw materials. I would like to see the natural hills for skiing and ski-doo trails, made available for unorganized sports.

57. summer

58. my store

60. More jobs made available for our young people. Holiday and part-time. Industry to give them independance. Young people are willing to work and asking for work of this town. They are not afraid to work. They need their -in dependence

.61. tourists, financers

62. museum, historical background open rock cuts with ice. Near by Ragged Chutes the only one of its kind in the world. Hydraulic air blow off. Dr. Drummond's Cairn, Highway Book Stotre largest in Ontario. Unique scenery, could be and is an artists paramide with our winding streets an art narrow lanes and the homes built on the side of the hills.

Highlights

My brother Charlie worked for the Cobalt Nugget in the early days went overseas 1914 to 1919 Vfuenhe came back he went to work for the Porcupine Advancer