

Carmen Stubinski Feb. 25, 1972

2 1/4 hours.

1. Frank Richards

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4. 68 Cobalt Street, Cobalt.

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7. Cornwall, England.

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9. England.

10. Labour day 1922 The day the O'Brien Mill burnt.

11. Boat and train

12. came by boat to St. John N. Brunswick to Montreal by train - Montreal North Bay and Cobalt by train.

13. I came with my aunt and uncle Mr. & Mrs. Treblecock who lived in Cobalt they came to England for a holiday I returned with them. I was 20 years old.

14. Underground at Coniagas Mine (Miner)

15. Clerk at Woolworths

16. Retired 1970

17. Housewife

18. Found it rough

19. Very different from where I come from. It was booming then. Lots of mines were working.

20. My aunt and Uncle talked me into coming because there was lots of work and a good future for a young man.

21. Lots of mines operating, foundry, wholesale houses. There were 4 of them. Clerking in stores because there were lots of them here.

22. 9 hours per day.

23. \$22.50 per week.

24. a large duplex frame house.

25. Church - family gatherings.

26. In house.

27. Hydro

28. Wood stove

29. Quebec heater, coal.

0. Drug store, Millinery shop, 2 tailor shops. Ken MacKay one tailor operating a tailor shop, had 2 or 3 tailors working for him. You walked in they measured you for a suit and made it up in their own shop.

They made my wedding suit for me. We had shoe stores. Shows, movies and drug store. Pete McKewen had the largest grocery store in town. Taylor Pipe had a grocery store on the square. Tom Black's Hardware. Taylor Hardware, Rowdon's Hardware. Jack Ough Butcher Shop. Dick Fauteaux Butcher shop. Jim Elkins was the butcher. Graham's had a general store on Cobalt street where the pop factory was across the street Rex Collins had a corner store. There was a grocery store where Mary Kelly's house stands today.

On Lang Street, Coutu Malouin and Dworski had grocery stores. Morin and Frere had a general store.

Sullivan and Shillington had wholesale and retail. Gamble Robinson strictly wholesale before the depression. After depression went into Groceries plus fruit in the 1930's.

W.L.Lowery, Candy and Tobacco wholesaler. Chas. Reckin wholesale. Turkish bath and barber shop .on Lang Street. Bill George and Steve each had barber shops. Shave 250, hair cut 250.

Worked for gamble Robinson starting May 1923 Retired Fall 1955 - 32 years.

31. 2 shows. Lots of dances if you wanted to at the town hall. There were lots of Box socials in Cobalt and North Cobalt - North Cobalt is where I met my wife at Warrens.

32. Go to YMCA, basketball, swimming, and bowling. Sandy Hall ran the YMCA - Carl Hutt helped him.

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34. 9 years.

35. Street cars. Not too many cars. There was no road out of town to North Bay then. We had horses and drays. In winter often shipped stuff to New Liskeard by street car when the roads were impassable.

36. Dr. Schmidt.

37. The miners hospital run by the mines

38. At home on Cobalt St.

39. Everyone went through school in Cobalt. Marjorie & Francis went in training to be nurses. Mildred at bank - at 18, Beverly at Bank at 17, Had six children-on Kenneth went to University.

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41. Not like they are now. They didn't have too much machinery. Everything was done by hand. We had to walk and climb ladders to go to each level

42. Drilling contests at West Cobalt and couching competitions.

43. Ate at bunk house. Bacon was bought by the slab, lots of eggs and porridge.

44. As night came we ate - meat, vegetables, good heavy eaters.

45. suit, skirt, and tie

46. Best suit.

47. going to Church, long walks, nature study.

48. Have a jug from England. 150 years old inscribed St. Dennis Diamond Jubilee 1897.1 went to that Sunday School when I was a child.

49. Its home.

50. Know nearly everyone by their first name. Its friendly.

51. New park, new building of Tressiders, Silver Tavern.

52. I like it.

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55. Yes

56. I'd like to see the mines reopen and the price of silver go up and a steady pay rate again.

57. Summer time when I can get out in the garden I go swimming at Bass Lake.

58. Church, lodges, meetings, watching T.V.

59. Gardening, fishing.

60. Low price in silver has hurt us the most. Would like to see the smelter reopen. Something would have to be subsidized by the government to bring in some industry into Cobalt.

61. Artists are very interested. Rock collectors.

62. Museum, at to Giroux and Kerr Lake to see the open rock cuts. The Drummond Cairn fireplace. To Bass Lake, fishing. Latchford, Montreal area. Sass Lake where our drinking water comes from. Steps and unique hill climbing, good beaches, no pollution, good clean free air

Highlights

Mr. Richards came to Cobalt when he was 19. Worked in a mine for one year started to work at Gamble Robinsons at a young age, 32 years were spent in their employ so knows all the stores we had over the years.

A quiet reserved gentleman.