

Lucy Damiani February 24,1972

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1. Joseph Rudolph Morin
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 3. Wife's maiden name Mary Monaco
 4. 76 Earl St.
 5. 679-5671
 6. 44 years old
 7. Haileybury
 8. Mother in Haileybury, father in Buckingham
 9. Raised in Cobalt and area
 10. About 43 years ago
 11. horse and buggy
 12. from Haileybury
 13. came with mother, father and brother Donald
 14. Worked as a miner
 15. Stenographer
 16. Machine shop maintenance
 17. Housewife
 - 17a. Was in Canadian Infantry Corps for 2 years.
 18. Don't remember
 19. Remember my father telling me there was plenty of work for everyone - the mines had 3 shifts going steady - they used to haul supplies from here to outlying areas, Silver Centre, Gowganda & Elk Lake etc.
 20. Came here to be with fa~y father had a job as teamster
 21. IJuningwas the main source of employment
 22. When I started it was an 8 hour day for 7 days.
 23. About \$50. per week.
 24. We were renting Parkhills a new 5 room house with furnace and basement
 25. I can remember as a child at Christmas getting a gift or something you wanted all year long for instance skates, air rifles, dolls and carriages etc. In those days you believed in Santa Claus until you were 8 or 10 years old.
 26. Had water in the home
 27. For lighting, electricity
 28. Electric stove for cooking
 29. Gas for heating, space heater and floor furnace.
 30. In the old days they tell us the stores lined both sides of Lang Street. I can remember when it wasn't as busy but we still had a large Woolworth's
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quite a few clothing stores and other shops.
31. Shows, bowling alleys, we used to go up to the Community Hall and put a nickel in the nickelodean to dance.
 32. Skating, skiing, hockey, baseball, swimming and badminton, volleyballs, and gymnastics.
 33. St. Patricks School.

34. Ten years.
35. In my father's day it was horse & buggy - when we grew up there were carsbuse~, street cars.
36. Dr. Schmidt
37. Municipal hospital was quite a fair size - accomodated the community
38. Kapuskasing
39. They are still all school age
40. They are going to school
41. They were better than they are now - there wasn't as much automation and more men were employed. When they built a mill in those days it was well built to withstand years of wear now they are just put up for looks
42. Hand steel drilling contests
43. The prices of meat were so reasonable that we ate better than we do now always plenty of meat and vegetables.
44. When you worked you took a lunch so it was nearly always at suppertime that we had the main meal.
45. We always got toys or clothes for Christmas. We went from house to house to see what our friends had received
46. Dressed in plain workclothes through the week.
47. But on Sunday everybody dressed up.
48. We started the day by all going to Church then we'd take a street car to Haileybury to go downtown for a walk and a favourite pastime was going to the station to meet the train, the station platform was always crowded.
49. Most of our treasures were lost in the fire but we managed to save some photos (family pictures)
50. Its a good quiet town to live in.
51. Good environment, plain and clean looking, you can look out and see trees on the hills.
52. Paved streets, most of the homes have been improved, nice parks, they have beautified the town.
53. Like all the changes
54. Yes, there isn't a proper playground for children
55. Because I would feel more at ease if the children had a safe spot to play
56. Yes.
57. More recreation facilities for every age, floor sports. Right now with our recreation set up it seems to be more for hobbies or hobbicraft
58. I like both summer and fall, summer because its warmer and nice to be outdoors and fall because fall in the north is most beautiful for its natural scenery.
59. Darts, cribbage, bowling
60. Art and gardening, woodcraft.
61. Not enough exploration, develop some other industry and some countries are crying for Cobalt ore, why not extract it for export.
62. Rather than attract people lets do something to keep people here - we need more stores so we won't shop out of town. A necessity is a drug

store, a shoe store, to mention a few although we have a lot to offer .----.,. the tourist. I don't think we benefit too much by all this tourist trade 63. We have many beautiful lakes for fishing, beaches for swimming, mine tours, museums, good hunting grounds and where else can you go a few short miles for even a walk to the hills for berries. I want to add that I do not like the way some stores exploit the tourists.

Highlights

I can further say I am happy to be a Cobalter and f'm glad to be raising my children here. I see an urgent need for good recreational facilities for youth. I can remember the YMCA it gave many youngsters in our day everything we needed - swimming, played basltetball, volleyball, there were pool tables, badminton, bowling alleys and a large floor for dancing. Everyone went there for a good time and it certainly was the place. We had a wonderful caretaker in Sandy Hall, like a father too all the kids and a wonderful instructor Carl Hult. I realize now when my children do not have these facilities how fortunate I was.