

Carmen Stubinski April 22, 1972

Interview 2 hrs.

1. Nina Beatty (Mrs. Jack)
3. Nina Austin
4. 39 Prospect Ave, Cobalt Ontario
6. 83 yrs. old 679-5523
7. Simcoe, County
8. Powassan, mother and dad cooked in the Lumber camps in that area. I was raised in Powassan
10. I was in Cobalt in 1908 and want back to Powassan. Got married there 1909. I went to school with my husband at Nipissing Village Hugh Armstrong went to school at the same time we are the name age. We came back to Cobalt to live in 1919.
13. We had 3 children by that time
14. A carpenter in Cobalt and at the O'Brien Mill at 104
15. Keep house, was a domestic I worked for Mr. Jones who was captain of the Buffalo Mine. The house is on Galena St. where Mrs. J. Sutherland lives today. Then I worked for Mr. Donaldson who lived close to the United Church where Elomaa lived today
16. died in 1941
17. retired
18. I was afraid to go out in the streets there were masses and masses of men on the square. There was all kinds of mud it was unbelievable. It use to stick to your feet in clods.
19. Oh busy I'll say it was busy, everybody was happy it seemed like that. On the hill was all buildings where Peter Armstrong lives today was the Methodist church manse. The Methodist church was on the corner,
20. I had my aunt living here. Mrs. Findley Munro I wanted to work she said come to Cobalt and make your home with me. Mrs. Munro was also my boy friend's aunt.
22. I'd get up at 6 and work till the dinner dishes were done at night.
23. Got 8 per month. Cobalt paid better 20. per month
24. we settled in Mileage 104 in a 2 storey frame house. When the war was on my husband went to Welland to work in an ammunication factory. Don't know how he got such a good job on the start.
26. Water outside in a well, we were lucky to have a well. We used rain barrels wash tubs to catch rain water in the summer for washing. In the winter we melted snow lots of it. We had outdoor plumbing and used a chamber pail inside
27. We had coal oil lamps
28. Wood stove remember buying dry and green birch wood
29. Round Quebec heater high one
30. Bucklers grocery and general store. Ice cream parlour. Hardings owned a poolroom and candy store. They had one girl Ella Harding both ends of Mileage 104 burnt in the 1922 fire. The original centre of the town is still there.
31. What you made for yourself. House dances and parties
35. Street cars. Horse and buggy there were very few cars in those days.
36. Dr. Taylor
37. I was sick in the Cobalt Miners Hospital in 1940

38. In 1910 at home in Nipissing Had all my 5 children in my own home.
45. Cotton house dresses, long, high block buttoned boots. Long shirts trailing through the mud.
46. Pure silk dresses. My new black buttoned boots and button hook. Didn't go bare headed to Church always wore hat and doves. You didn't feel dressed without a hat and corset's laced in tight. I still wear corset's can't go without them.
47. Always done all the baking on Saturday did as little as possible on Sunday. Just cooked the big dinner. We always had dinner in the dining room. The kitchen was too small. We'd go for long walks. The kids always went to Sunday school. It was held in the 104 Public school.
48. We lost everything in the 1922 fire. We lived in three different houses at 104.
49. Its home
50. My children live all around me here. I spend 2 months of the yr with each one and its home
51. The moved our store away from the corner and I miss our store. I miss the salvation army and Baptist churches that they tore down.
57. Sew knit and crochet. Have 80 pair of pot holders made since xmas, pillow cases since Christmas. I crochet 20 pair of coasters for under creams and sugars. Also 12 pairs of Bonnet shaped holders with lace. I keep myself busy. I've been living with my family the last 31 yrs. since my husband died. The art of sewing Mrs. Beatty is an artist a sample of home craft in Cobalt.