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*Message to
the stars...*

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On the cover

Our cover this month features a graphic translation of a radio message sent into outer space by visitors to Science North recently (see page 18). The top line, in binary code, gives the numbers 1 to 10. The next line shows the atomic numbers of hydrogen, carbon, nitrogen, oxygen and phosphorous which make up the formulae of components of the DNA molecule (line three). The double helix

Note to pensioners

If you retired in the fall of 1984 you will be contacted for a photo and write-up in the Triangle. However, due to the large number of retirements it is taking us a little longer than usual to contact everyone. Please be patient, you will all be contacted over the next few months.



The Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario (formerly the Ontario Heart Foundation) has designated February as Heart and Stroke month. Which means you can expect a canvasser to call on you sometime during the month.

Since heart attacks and strokes are still the major cause of death and disability in Canada your donation will be used to fund research and educational programs into these diseases.

In Sudbury the new office for the foundation is located at 118 Paris Street. Dolores Dini, co-ordinator for Sudbury and Manitoulin districts, would like to hear from anyone who would be willing to be a canvasser. There are still a few areas that need help. Please give her a call if you can be of assistance. Her phone number is 673-2228.

form of the DNA molecule, the molecule that determines the nature of terrestrial life, along with its genetic code are featured on the fourth line. This is followed by a human form and figures expressing human size and population. The next line carries a depiction of our solar system with the third planet, Earth, offset. The message concludes with the size and shape of Arecibo radio telescope where the original message was sent.

Recent



Allan Bale

Allan Bale has been appointed manager of the Copper Cliff nickel refinery and will report to Bob Browne, assistant vice-president, milling, smelting and refining.

Allan joined Inco in 1966 at the Clydach refinery in Wales. In 1971 he transferred to the Copper Cliff nickel refinery where he has held positions of increasing responsibility. Prior to his new appointment, Allan was superintendent of the NRC department at the nickel refinery.



Peter Garritsen

Peter Garritsen succeeds Bill Buchanan as manager of the Copper Cliff copper refinery. Bill is retiring after 30 years of service with Inco.

Peter Garritsen graduated from Dordrecht University in Holland with a

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chemical engineering degree. In 1968 he joined Inco at the Port Colborne research stations, becoming superintendent of the hydrometallurgical research station in 1975. In 1979 he was appointed assistant to the manager of the Port Colborne nickel refinery. Prior to his new appointment he was assistant manager, refining operations of the Manitoba division.

He will report to Bob Browne, assistant vice-president, milling, smelting and refining.



Frank Jay

Frank Jay has been appointed manager, mines engineering and will report to Eric Kossatz, vice-president, mining.

Frank graduated from Nova Scotia Tech in 1959 and joined Inco that year as a surveyor at Levack. He has held positions of increasing responsibility, including those of mine superintendent and area engineer. Prior to his new appointment, Frank was assistant manager, mines engineering.

He succeeds Merv Dickhout, who has retired after 37 years of service with Inco.



Stewart Gendron

Dr. Stewart Gendron has been appointed manager, central process technology. He will report to Malcolm Bell, vice-president milling, smelting and refining.

Stewart joined Inco in 1971 as a research engineer at Sheridan Park and has since held technical and operating positions in the milling, smelting and refining departments of the Ontario division and Exmibal (Guatemala). Prior to this new appointment he was superintendent of safety - milling, smelting and refining.

Stewart Gendron succeeds David Huggins, who left Inco to accept a position with a US mining company.



Fred Johannes

Fred Johannes has been appointed to the position of assistant to the vice-

president, engineering, maintenance, utilities and administration. He will be responsible for the review of administrative procedures, controls and major capital projects.

Fred joined Inco in 1969 in the maintenance department at Copper Cliff. He was appointed superintendent of construction in 1974, manager of divisional shops in 1977 and manager of central maintenance in 1978. Fred transferred to PT Inco Indonesia in 1980 where he held the position of assistant vice-president, production.



Peter Ryan

Dr. Peter Ryan, previously manager of the Copper Cliff nickel refinery, has been appointed manager, central mills. He will continue to report to Bob Browne, assistant vice-president, milling, smelting and refining.

Peter joined Inco in 1965 after obtaining his PhD in Physical Chemistry from the University of Toronto. In 1973 he was appointed general superintendent of the Port Colborne research stations and in 1976 was promoted to the position of manager of central process technology in Copper Cliff. He succeeds Hugh Judges who has resigned from Inco to pursue other career interests.

Iron Pumping Pensioner

At a time of life when many pensioners are considering a life of leisure, Lucien Chevrier continues the bodybuilding and weightlifting "workouts" that have been part of his life for well over four decades.

Long before Arnold Schwarzenegger and Lisa Lyons impressed the world with their muscular forms and fuelled the rise of a health and fitness wave across North America, Lucien Chevrier was

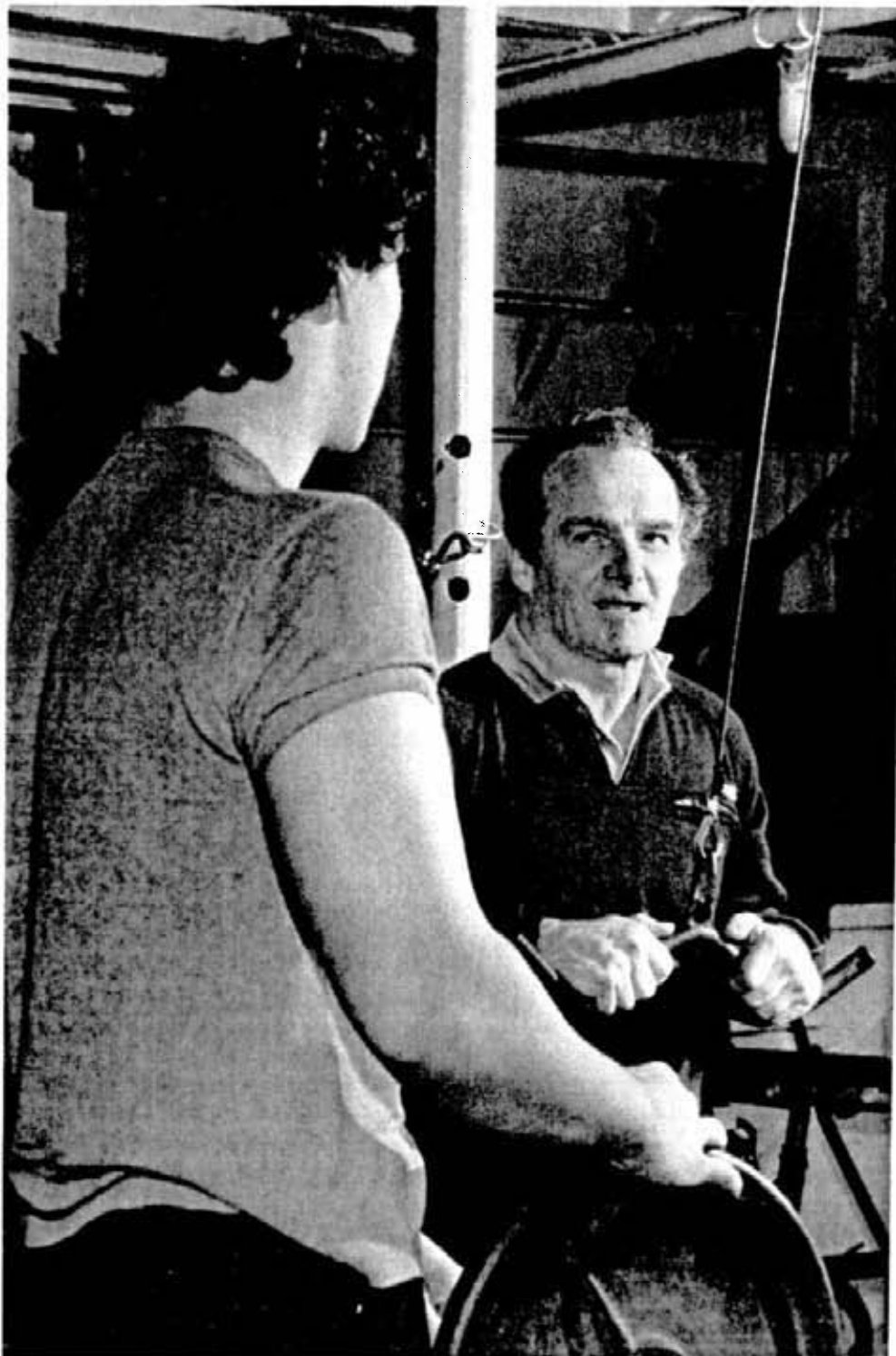
pumping iron and competing and winning bodybuilding competitions like Mr. Universe and Mr. Canada. In September, 1954, the *Triangle* published a story on the champion bodybuilder as he prepared for a big competition.

Today, Lucien, at the age of 60, continues doing his thrice weekly, three hour workouts that tone nearly every muscle in his body. Everyday you will find him in the gym he operates in the basement of his Val Caron home helping a clientele of about 50 men and women get into and stay in shape; something he has been doing for the last 25 years.

"I don't want to stop now," Lucien comments. "It's my life. When you are good at something you don't want to stop it. I do some exercises better than the kids around here."

Lucien weighs 155 pounds these days, nine more than he weighed when he was competing. At that time he could "squat" (lift from a crouch position) 450 pounds. Today, he claims he can "squat" 380 pounds. "I can do over 2,000 knee to chest raises without stopping," he states.

According to Lucien it is never too late to start getting in shape through proper exercise and dieting. He recommends that older entrants to the fitness game begin with simple exercises with light weights progressing gradually to heavier weights.



Pensioner Lucien Chevrier demonstrates an exercise for one of his young clients.

Boosters improve productivity

Over the last year the productivity of in-the-hole drills has been greatly enhanced by the installation of booster compressors at Inco mines in the Sudbury district. As in-the-hole drilling is an integral part of vertical retreat mining, booster compressors serve to improve even more the effectiveness of this efficient, safe bulk mining method.

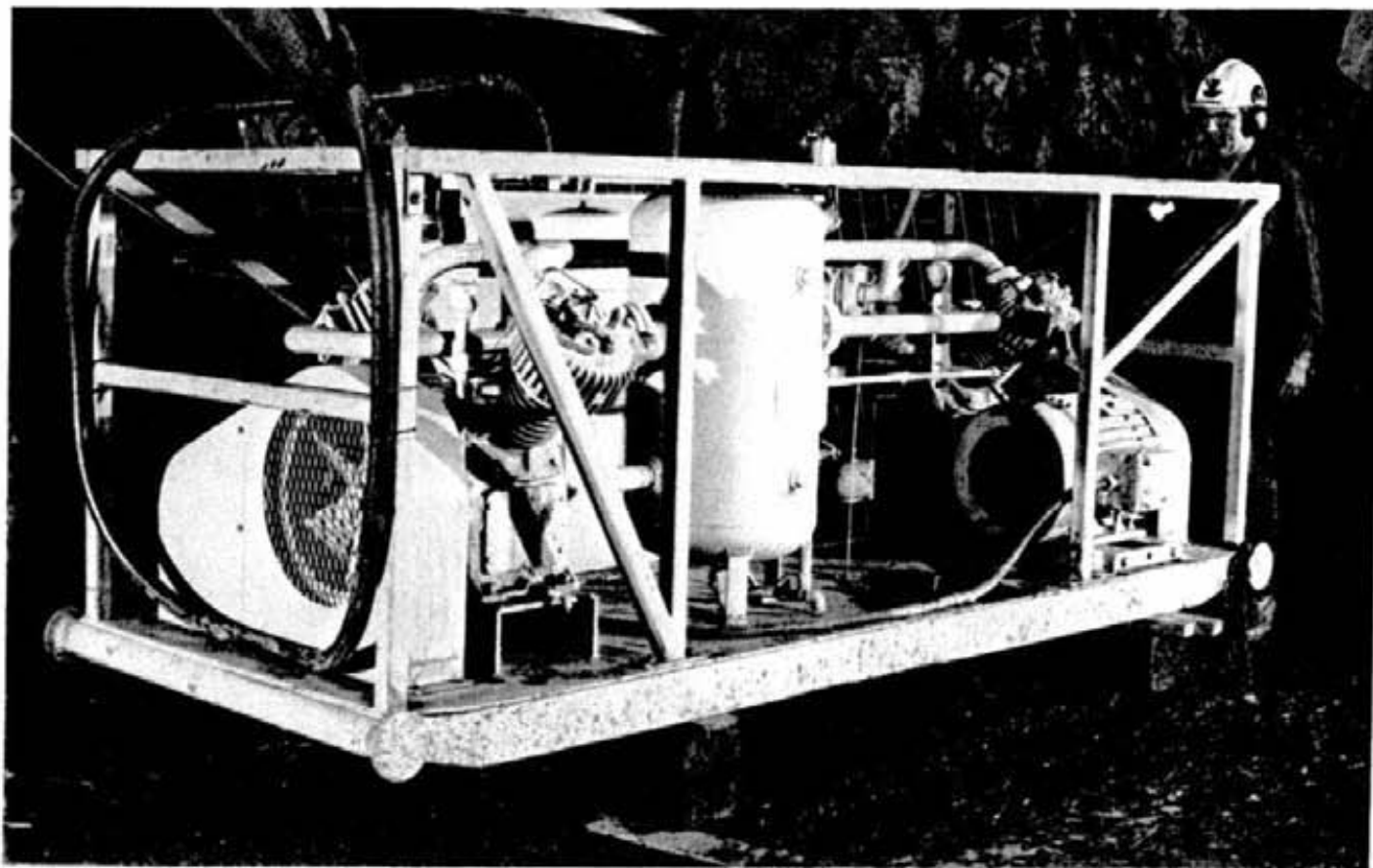
The first booster compressor at Inco was installed on an experimental basis in early 1983 at Copper Cliff South mine. Results have been so positive as to warrant their commission at Inco's other active mines in the Ontario division.

Air piped through a mine by surface compressors has been powering machinery such as drills and slushers for decades. Traditionally conventional mine air pressure coming off the line is measured at between 90 and 100 pounds per square inch.

The booster compressor is an electrical compressor about nine feet long and six feet high that takes mine air from the line and recompresses it to increase pressure. In-line booster compressors now in service can effectively more than double the pressure. In some areas mine air has been increased to as high as 250 psi.

With more air pressure, drill operators can achieve better penetration rates. Calculations made in September reveal that drills using boosted air drilled an average of 100 feet per shift versus 60 feet for drills using regular mine air.

Improving the footage drilled per shift means that the unit costs of drilling a hole have been lowered. An integral part of the mining process has been made more productive. It is another development that will help the Company maintain its goal of remaining a low cost producer of nickel, copper and other metals.



Drillfitter Gaetan Laforge inspects a booster compressor on the 2,000 foot level of Copper Cliff South mine.

Gift For The Pope

No greater honor, Peter and Fred Ellero admit, could have been accorded them. Last summer the father and son stone artisans were asked by officials from the Committee for the Papal Tour to make an altar from Inco-donated ore to commemorate the visit of Pope John Paul II to Ottawa.

"The culmination of one man's dream," as Fred Ellero defines his recent experience, began with a telephone call from Senator Rheal Belisle and Archbishop Plourde of Ottawa a few weeks before the arrival of the Pope to Canada. Could they fashion an altar out of Sudbury ore that would sit in Notre Dame Cathedral in the nation's capital where

the Pontiff was to celebrate a mass? "Certainly," was the eager reply.

The committee decided that the use of nickel ore mined in Sudbury was appropriate in that it kept with the theme of the Pope's visit to Canada; meeting the grassroots of the country, the common people. Nickel ore, as a mineral, was, they felt, representative of Canada and its people.

Senator Belisle approached then president Wint Newman who agreed to provide the desired ore.

The Company donated several tons of ore, in large chunks, from its mines throughout the Sudbury Basin to the cause. The use of ore from different locations, it was felt, would give a broad geological perspective of

Sudbury.

For a solid month, the Elleros devoted their energies almost entirely to carving the altar. Due to the fact that the nickel ore was fractured from the blasting process, Fred says, it was impossible to cut out large sheets of the material for use on the altar. They resorted to carving out hundreds of small squares of various dimensions.

The square sections of ore were glued to sheets of slate in almost mosaic fashion. The sheets bearing the nickel ore facade were fixed to an angle iron skeleton of the altar. The surface was polished to a high gloss, something that not only highlighted the natural beauty of the ore but also made it appear as though the altar



"Are you the one's who carved the altar?" Pope John Paul asked Fred and Peter Ellero.

was made out of one solid piece of ore. "It would take an expert to know that it wasn't a solid block of nickel," asserts Fred.

Inlaid on the front of the altar is a large crucifix made from sections of a piece of highgrade copper. The quality of copper was so good, Fred says, that it resembled pure gold once polished. The letters on the bilingual message were also hand carved and painted with 24 karat gold leaf plate. The finishing touch was the mounting of a silver replica of the cross the Pope carries on his miter.

The completed altar stands six feet high by five feet wide and weighs about 2 1/2 tons. The Elleros transported it to the Ottawa church a few days prior to the Pope's arrival to that city. Mounted on heavy industrial rollers, the altar was easily moved to the front of the church though at times they weren't sure whether or not its floor could handle the great weight.

Just as they were wondering if presenting John Paul with a personal memento would be appropriate, the Elleros received a call from the Committee requesting them to make a replica of the altar for John Paul. Out of a solid piece of Inco ore, an identical scale replica of the altar was made in short order.

The climax to a hectic four weeks came when the Elleros attended the mass conducted by the Pope at Notre Dame. Archbishop Plourde, on dedicating the altar, gave a detailed explanation of the altar, the significance of the material and the people involved in its construction.

The Pope granted the Elleros a private audience. "Are you the ones who carved the altar?" he commenced in Italian. The initial touch of his hand is what impressed Fred most. "It was as if I had five burning embers in my hand," he recalls. For a moment he thought that perhaps the head of the Roman Catholic Church was feverish but there he stood, "smiling, cool and calm."

"You didn't want to let go," he says of the handshake. "It was like you had captured a moment's peace in your life."

The Pope was most intrigued with the replica of the altar and he spent a long time examining it. A week after the Pope's visit they got an explanation of his fascination for their craft from a

television documentary. Before he became a priest in his native Poland, John Paul II had worked for years as a stone cutter.



Peter Ellero inspects the Inco ore used to make the special altar.



The completed altar prior to shipment to Notre Dame Cathedral in Ottawa.

Kids' Christmas At Inco

Throughout the early part of December employees and their children attended the many Christmas parties held by various departments.

The kids had an opportunity to talk to Santa, munch on all kinds of goodies and open the gifts that were waiting

for them. The following photographs captured a little of a kids' Christmas at Inco.







FROOD - STOBIE



PORT COLBORNE



COPPER REFINERY



COPPER CLIFF SMELTER

DIVISIONAL SHOPS



COPPER CLIFF NICKEL REFINERY



Great Balloon Race

Early last summer Jerry Gorman, a foreman at the Copper Cliff copper refinery, was checking the acid plant cooling pond sludge drying bin on the property when he noticed a foreign object lying there. Using a long stick he fished out what turned out to be a deflated, green balloon with a soggy, self-addressed postcard attached to it.

"It was kind of an appealing little card," Jerry remembers. It asked the finder to return it to the Milwaukee Children's Hospital on behalf of Juan Rodriguez. "I thought, why not?"

Jerry posted the card and became a participant in the Milwaukee Children's Hospital "Great Balloon Race." Earlier, during a Children's Day party at the hospital, 1,200 helium filled balloons were released. The postcard mailed from the greatest



In addition to the satisfaction of learning that his participation in "The Great Balloon Race" had won a savings bond for a youngster, Jerry was awarded a tie and this T-shirt by the Milwaukee Children's Hospital.

distance during the three weeks following the launching won the contest for the child named on it.

The prize for the winning child was a \$500 savings bond. Second place winners received box seats for the entire family at a Milwaukee Brewers' baseball game.

As it turned out, Jerry's find happened to be the most distant from the point of launch. The second farthest card was returned from Dobbington, Ontario. For his part in the "Great Balloon Race", Jerry was awarded a Children's Hospital T-Shirt and necktie.

When informed that he helped a youngster win \$500, he reacted by exclaiming, "fantastic." He added: "I felt good for the little guy, I kind of wished that I could meet him."



Jerry Gorman used a long stick to fetch the downed balloon with its attached message from a sludge drying bin adjacent to the Copper Cliff copper refinery.

Family Album



Leo Boulay is part of the labor bull gang at the Copper Cliff mill. A veteran of 20 years, he and his wife Lucille live on Walter St. in Coniston. Their children are Gordon, 17, and Francine, 13. Their summer activities include gardening, camping and fishing while winter sees them cross-country skiing and ice fishing.

Family Album Photos

If you are an Inco employee and would like your family to appear in the Family Album section of the Triangle please let us know by calling 682-5425, or send in your name to the address on the masthead.



Richard and Rollande Voz live on Levesque St. in Sudbury. He is a surface worker at Stobie mine while she is a hairdresser at Sear's Hair Bazaar. The youngsters are Crystal, 4, and Jason, 18 months. Richard's hobbies include bowling and squash. Rollande enjoys knitting and crocheting.



Richard and Nicole Gareau make their home on St. Jean Baptiste St. in Verner, east of Sudbury. He is a driller at Garson mine with 18 years of service with the Company. Sons Joey, 15, and Guy, 16, are both grade 10 students at Ecole Franco-Cite in Sturgeon Falls. Their involvement in minor hockey keeps both parents busy. Daughter France, 17, a grade 12 student at the same school, was featured in a recent edition of the Triangle for her silver medal performance in the 4 x 100 relay at the Los Angeles Olympics last summer. Cross-country skiing, fishing and camping are activities in which this family partakes.

Sudbury suggestion plan awards

Due to space limitations we are not able to publish all the names of suggestion plan award winners. This edition of the suggestion plan saw 152 suggestions earn a total of \$36,030.



*Yoland Blais, Claude Joly, Robert Godin
\$2,400*

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| \$2,400 | Robert Godin, Yoland Blais and Claude Joly , all of the Copper Cliff smelter collaborated on a scheme to simplify the task of raising a five ton rack in order to replace large, high tension support insulators. It involved using slings and come-a-longs suspended from a beam located over the rack. This was found to be a less labour intensive way of dealing with an awkward procedure. |
| \$2,230 | At Frood mine , Bernie Jones suggested that the buzzer, light, relay and a cable used for underground telephones be replaced with an Esco flash warning amber light fitted with a #NE 51 lamp, special resistor and a minor wiring change. He cut installation and maintenance costs with this idea. |
| \$2,065 | Onesime Laurin and Rheal Prevost of Little Stobie mine advocated the replacement of a throttle valve for Gardner Denver fan drills with a different, less expensive type of valve. |
| \$1,985 | Two employees at the Frood-Stobie crushing plant , Gerard Dupuis and Desmond Campbell , proposed that Ni-Hard mill billet liners be used for the hammers in the primary discharge chute. Their idea reduced material costs. |
| \$1,320 | Jack Graham and Steve Arbeau of the Copper Cliff smelter , recommended that a pipe be installed past #30 hopper down to #5 furnace east drop pipe. Their suggestion substantially decreased the amount of flue dust spilling out of #6 east pipe and the vacuuming costs it incurred. |
| \$1,285 | Finding that the existing probe on conveyors at the Clarabelle mill crushing plant allowed transfer chutes to overload and require the services of a crane to help clear the bogged conveyors, Albert Garon proposed that a second probe be installed. This simple solution significantly reduced downtime. |
| \$925 | At Frood mine , Albert Chartrand and Leo Lafond came up with modifications to Wolf air lights that resulted in material savings. |
| \$900 | Hans Bartsch, Lou Durmeier and Allan Janke , a trio from Little Stobie mine , recommended that crusher hooks be manufactured on the premises rather than be purchased from outside suppliers. This cost saving measure also resulted in the elimination of lead time as the required steel plate is readily available. |



Onesime Laurin & Rheal Prevost
\$2,065



Bernie Jones
\$2,230

- \$785 At the **Frood Stobie mill**, **Don White** found that the worn gland on the casing of SRL pumps could be salvaged if it were bored and fitted with a sleeve. Evaluations proved this to be a money saving idea.
- \$665 **Tom Whiteside** of **Stobie mine** suggested that seal repair kits for hydraulic pumps on scissor trucks and jumbo drills be stocked at the Stobie warehouse and that the pump be stocked at central shops as a repairable item. Once implemented, this action reduced downtime.
- \$580 **Desmond Campbell** and **Gerard Richard** of the **Frood-Stobie Mill** received an award for a suggestion concerning the re-chroming of crusher bowl cylinders and rods.
- \$380 **Carino Natale** of the **Copper Cliff car shop** designed a spiral lock made of wire to secure drawbar knuckle pins on tippie cars. His inexpensive, easy-to-install device proved to be a material and cost saver.
- \$370 At the **Copper Cliff smelter**, **Elmer Lahti** suggested that sump pumps in an area of the matte processing department be made out of stainless steel and teflon. This was found to extend the lives of sump pumps.
- \$345 **Mike Cats** of **Shebandowan mine** came up with a method of reinforcing jack leg extensions that increased the safety factor.
- \$280 At the **Copper Cliff smelter**, **Louis Prete** came up with a labour saving idea when he recommended that the "bird cage", a device used for cleaning converter dampers, be made self-baling.
- \$245 **Murray Veno** of the **Copper Cliff smelter** suggested that a small spring be installed on the front of 4A contactor on cranes to pull its tips apart faster thereby preventing them from welding together.
- \$215 A pair of employees at **Little Stobie mine**, **Robert Valade** and **Bruno Rivet**, collaborated to put forward the idea of installing a warning light on the brake system of muck or box hole conditioners. The award was based on both cost saving and safety considerations.

Tailings Survey

In early December a helicopter hovered over the 600 acre expanse formed by the "P" area pond in the tailings disposal site behind Copper Cliff. Equipped with special electronic gear, it was taking part in a novel survey that will help determine the

pond's development and the needs for expanding tailings areas in the future.

It was the first time that a helicopter was used for distance measuring in the tailings area, Bert Jackson, supervisor of surveys in the central utilities department, reports. Operated

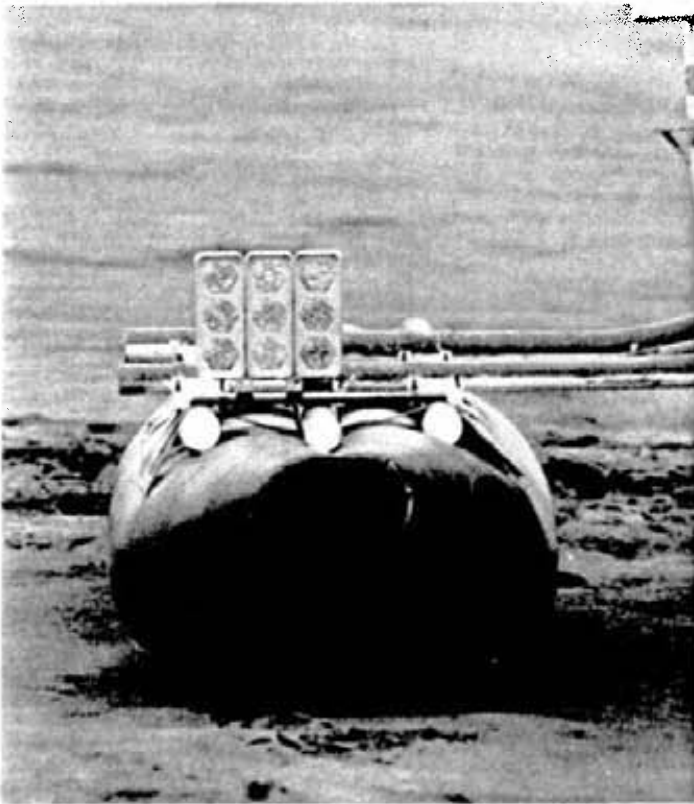
by Lakeland Helicopter pilot Gary Gorgichuk, it carried on its landing gear special reflector prisms. As the pilot followed a designated grid pattern with the assistance of Bob Mei, a survey assistant, the prisms reflected an infrared beam from a total survey station on shore manned by Real Boucher, survey party leader. Gary Miller, a technician, supplied radio communication and coordinated the station and the helicopter operation.

The infrared beam acts as a light version of sonar, mapping the contours of the pond. Bert says it is accurate to within five millimetres. The total survey station accepts the beam and records all the measurements which are then fed into a micro-computer. It is up to Jan Van Cruyningen of concepts engineering to evaluate the data.

The data gives Jan an idea of how the beach is developing on the pond as it accepts tailings from milling operations. It will give a good indication of the future capacities of the area.

Gary Miller, left, and Real Boucher await the arrival of a specially outfitted helicopter to begin a novel survey of a tailings pond.





The helicopter carried these special reflector prisms during a recent survey of the "P" area tailing disposal pond at Copper Cliff.



Real Boucher, right, operated the total survey station on shore while Gary Miller maintained radio contact with the helicopter.



Prisms carried by the helicopter reflected an infrared beam from the station on the shore to map the contours of the pond.



Lakeland Helicopters pilot Gary Gorgichuk guided the aircraft over a designated grid pattern with the assistance of Bob Mei, a survey assistant.

Message To The Stars

Science North took the slogan "reach out and touch someone" and applied it in an astronomical fashion.

Recently visitors to Science North were invited to send a message into interstellar space towards Barnard's Star, the nearest star to the Earth believed to be orbited by a planet and one of thousands of stars in our galaxy that scientists surmise is able to sustain intelligent life.

The star is named for its discoverer, astronomer E. Barnard, who first noticed it in 1916. Located six light years from Earth, it is the second closest star to us after the Alpha Centauri system. Recent evidence indicates the presence of a planet 1.5 times as heavy as Jupiter displacing the star as it swings around it in a 24 year, 300 million mile diameter orbit.

The message was based on one sent into space in 1974 by scientists using the 300 metre radio telescope in Puerto Rico. It consisted of 1,728 short bursts differing in tone or intensity divided into 72 groups of 24 pulses. Decoding involves using these pulses to create an array of tiny square picture elements 24 square inches wide and 72 square inches long. This will create patterns representing, among other things, a human figure, a DNA molecule and a sketch of the world's largest radio telescope. Alien scientists decoding the message would have a picture of life on Earth and an idea of from where the message was sent.

The main focus of attempts at interstellar communication has been to listen for possible transmissions from other stars. Using large telescopes as giant "ears", scientists have been eavesdropping on outer space hoping to detect artificial radio signals from throughout the galaxy.

A two kilowatt radio transmitter and antenna set up at Science North by John Moon of Cambrian College and two students, Dave Dobson and Dan Robitaille, was programmed with the digitized message. As visitors pressed the button to send the message, the sound of the transmission was audible to them.

Six years from now, when the signal has travelled the 70 trillion kilometres to Barnard's Star, it may happen that someone in Science North may have indeed reached out and touched someone.



J. Edwin Carter, former Inco chairman of the board, sent the first message from Science North to outer space. Here Dr. David Pearson, director of Science North, left, gives Mr. and Mrs. Carter an explanation of the radio message.



Cross-Country Ski Tips

The Nordic Division of the Canadian Ski Patrol offers the following tips for safe and enjoyable cross-country skiing this winter.

1. Ski in control at all times. Keep a safe distance from skiers ahead of you. Let faster skiers pass.
2. Watch your speed. Suit your speed to your own ability, the terrain, the visibility and the number of skiers in the vicinity.
3. When there is more than one track, ski on the right hand side. Keep to the right when meeting other skiers. Keep poles close to your body whenever nearing another skier.
4. If you must stop, get off the track. If you fall, get up and clear the track as quickly as possible.
5. If a collision with another skier is inevitable, fall intentionally to avoid it.
6. Dress properly. This means dressing in layers in order to ensure layers of insulating air will exist. Always wear a hat or a toque as 40 to 50 per cent of body heat is lost through a bared head. Carry extra clothing in case of emergency.
7. Get into good physical condition

before going out on the trails each winter. Never ski when feeling tired or fatigued.

8. Use the buddy system. Watch for signs of frostbite on your partner's ears, nose and cheeks.
9. Always obey trail marking signs. Don't ski the wrong way on one way trails. Don't ski closed trails.
10. Respect other people's property. Ask permission before skiing on private property.
11. Respect the land. Don't litter - what you carry in, you can carry out.

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OMA Bonspiel

Medical professionals from throughout the province gathered in Sudbury in December to take part in the Ontario Medical Bonspiel.

One of the trophies competed for at this popular event is one donated by the Company. On hand to present the Inco Trophy to the rink from Hanover, Ontario was Company medical director Dr. Wally Woychuk.



A rink representing Hanover won the Inco Trophy at the recent Ontario Medical Association Bonspiel held recently in Sudbury. Dr. Wally Woychuk, right, medical director of the Company's occupational health department, presented the trophy to, from left, Dr. Bill Swan, Dr. Don Mercer, Dr. Tom Staples, and Dr. Doug Hamilton.

Little Stobie safety record

Blaine Parrington's crew at Little Stobie mine was given the objective of trying to go three months with no medical aid injuries. If they accomplished this, one lucky person would win an original oil painting donated by Yolande Menard, wife of Paul Menard who was on the crew.

Three months later the crew achieved this objective and the draw for the painting was won by Moe Pilon. An additional bonus was that there were no reported injuries of any kind.

At that time the crew was offered an additional incentive. If they could go another three months, Paul Menard and his wife would donate a hand made wooden clock.

The crew was again successful in accomplishing this goal and Little Stobie safety supervisor Jake Jacobson feels these generous gifts from the Menard's play a small part in helping to keep safety on everyone's minds.

Members of the crew are: Rick Pilon, Gary Krumpschmid, Alex Brethour, Ted Vandeligt, Berean

O'Connor, Jim Campbell, Gordon Webb, Butch Laderoute, Norm Charbonneau, George Murphy, Doris Godin, John Valade, Frank Quesnel,

Johnny Desrochers, Allan Steele, Blaine Parrington, Ron Young, Richard Belzile, Moe Pilon, Richard Corriveau, Andy Denomme and Paul Menard.



Yolande Menard draws the name of the lucky winner from the hard hat held by Little Stobie safety supervisor Jake Jacobson. Blaine Parrington's crew, background, have now gone six months with no reported injuries.

Tournament results

The annual office services and accounting bowling tournament was held in October at the Pine Hill Plaza Bowl. This very successful event saw 72 employees take to the lanes for numerous prizes and the team trophy. A sit down meal followed the tournament. The top team after all the pins had settled was the Keegan squad consisting of Don Keegan, Gloria Huntington, Bill Muraska, Jeannette Ayotte, Patti Newman and Frank Grieve. In the men's triple event Don Keegan finished ahead of the field with 663. Since he had already won in the team category the prize went to runner-up Earle Patterson who rolled a 624. Lois Laine took the ladies triple contest with a score of 714. She went on to win the singles title with a 280. The prize in the singles event went to number two finisher Fern Lafleur who finished with a 242.

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Bruce Taylor, right, president of the MAPAO presented a five star award to Garson mine. Accepting the award on behalf of the men at Garson is **Ron Morin**, a rigger at Garson and co-chairman of the local area safety and health committee. Looking on is Garson mine superintendent **Velkko Jarvi**.

Garson five star

The people at Garson mine were recently presented with a five star

award by the International Mine Safety System which is a program administered by the Mines Accident Prevention Association. Garson is the first Inco mine to qualify for a five star rating in the standard category.

Bruce Taylor, president of the MAPAO, congratulated the people at Garson mine for their fine safety record during a brief ceremony held in the mine's warm room.

The five star rating is determined after the MAPAO perform a rigorous safety audit at the mine. The determining factor is the lost time accident frequency measured over the course of a year. It has to be 25% below the industry average before any rating is given. Garson's lost-time-accident frequency was 1.8% - the lowest of all Inco mines.



Edgar Dore, an Inco pensioner, and his wife **Rita**, brightened up their Christmas with a colorful tree filled with ornaments handmade by them.

Bright Christmas

Few Christmas trees anywhere could match the brilliance and color of that put up by Inco pensioner Edgar Dore and his wife Rita, this past season.

Ninety-five lights glowed on the limbs of the evergreen. Adding to its beauty were literally hundreds of decorations made by this Coniston

couple. Santa Clauses, angels, icicles, snowmen, stars, bells and reindeer were fashioned out of pearls, beads, cloth and other material in countless hours of painstaking work throughout the year.

The hours invested in hand craft resulted in a beautiful Christmas tree with its own special magic gracing the Dore household.

Draw winners

The Copper Cliff Maintenance Pension Club held its annual draw on December 14. The winner of the first prize, a 20 inch television with a video cassette recorder, was ticket number 2478 belonging to G.

McCooye of Lively. Other winners were: second prize, Donat Crosier, 0924; third prize, Mr. and Mrs. C. Quarrell, 681; fourth prize, Mario Joannette, 622; fifth prize, G. Heffern, 186.

PEOPLE



Inco cup

Sixty youngsters from throughout Northern Ontario took to the slopes at Searchmount Valley Resorts near Sault Ste. Marie on January 10, 11, and 12 in pursuit of team and individual awards in the 1985 Inco Cup.

The Soo race was the first of four races. The second leg was held in Sudbury on January 24 and 25. Due to deadlines, results could not be published in this edition of

the Triangle. Mattawa will be the site of the third set of races on February 14, 15, and 16. The final race followed by the awards banquet will be held in Sudbury on March 8 and 9.

Now in its 12th season, the Inco Cup remains as one of the longest running corporate sponsorships in the history of Canadian skiing. It stands as an important part of the development of young skiers in Northern Ontario.

Super spud

While digging up the potatoes out of the garden behind his Soloy St. residence, Steve Despot, a washer in the tankhouse of the Copper Cliff copper refinery, couldn't quite believe his eyes when he unearthed a spud of veritably huge proportions. As a matter of fact he admits that he wasn't quite sure what it was until he had completely removed the prized potato.

"I was very surprised," Steve exclaims. "I've never seen anything like that before." Though all his potatoes this year were big, none matched this one. When placed on a scale it weighed all of four and a half pounds. He cannot attribute the growth of this one giant to anything special. All he did, he explains, was add fertilizer like he does every spring. Eventually, after having



Steve Despot with the super spud he grew in his garden this past summer.

showed off the potato to fellow employees, the terrific tuber was returned to the Despot household where it became part of a good meal.

Distinguished cadets

The 200 Squadron of the Sudbury air cadets had seven cadets that were successful in winning Department of National Defence scholarships.

The six-week scholarships consist of specialized training during the summer months at selected Canadian Forces Bases. The cadets in question were all successful in completing their training courses.

In order to be awarded a scholarship a cadet has to apply for a course in his field

of interest and must demonstrate a knowledge of cadet related activities and have a high level of excellence in his school work as well.

Cadets Pierce, Babos and England are children of Inco employees. Many of the other cadets are sons or daughters of Inco employees and two Inco employees also take an active part in the cadet corps. Dick England from the mines research department is range safety officer and Murray Pierce, from the field exploration department is administration officer.



Commanding officer of the Sudbury Air Cadet 200 Squadron, **Major M. Bromley**, is surrounded by seven cadets who were awarded Defence Department scholarships. The winners are, clockwise, from left, **Marcel Rochat, Chris England, Michael Saville, Michael Bolander, Robert Pierce, Doug Levstek** and **Tanya Babos**.

PEOPLE

Chief Scout Awards

Three local scouts were honoured with the presentation of chief scouts awards at ceremonies held at Laurentian University recently.

Errol Taggart, son of John Taggart of the training and development department, Sean Bolger, son of Jim Bolger of the Copper Cliff copper refinery and Ian Chevette, son of plant protection officer Jim Chevette were among nine local scouts who were awarded the honor. Errol and Sean, both of the 1st Waters Scouts, become the first members of that aggregation to claim such an honor in over 25 years.

The chief scouting awards are conferred annually by the office of the Governor-General. Scouts must meet achievement and community service requirements in order to earn this distinction.



Jim Bolger, left, of the Copper Cliff copper refinery and assistant scout leader of 1st Waters Scouts, and **Jim Chevette**, right, a plant protection officer and assistant district commissioner, look on as **Dave Huggins**, former manager of the process technology, presents three local scouts, **Errol Taggart**, **Sean Bolger** and **Ian Chevette** with their chief scouting awards.



First Aid Competitions

The annual quest for the Parker Shield and first aid supremacy in the Ontario division begins later this month when teams representing various mines and surface operations take to the floor. The winners of the Mutz

Trophy, the mines section championship, will take on the Finlayson Trophy holders, the top surface squad for divisional honors. Employees and the general public are invited to attend these always interesting and usually dramatic contests.

Date	Place	Event	Comments
Feb. 15	CC Community Hall	Finlayson	3 teams, starts at 9:00 a.m.
Feb. 22	CC Community Hall	Mutz	3 teams, starts at 9:00 a.m.
March 8	Inco Club Froid Rd.	Parker	2 teams, starts at 7:30 p.m.





Bronislav "Eddy" Stepin

Eddy Stepin has retired on early service pension from the mechanical department at Frood. "I liked working there. Inco was a real good place to work," he said.

Eddy was born in Poland and still vividly recalls when the Germans invaded his country in September of 1939. Many people were killed and he and his brother were forced to collect bodies and bury them. They escaped and were in hiding for six months. They were arrested and sent to jail and later to the infamous Belsen camp.



"There were 360 men in one large room and only three of us survived," Eddy recalled. "Sometimes we went for days with no food." Later, they were used to defuse enemy bombs. Then he was sent to work on a farm in Germany where the work was hard and long and food was scarce.

Eddy stayed in Germany after the war because his own country had been left in shambles. He applied to

go to Australia but his wife was afraid of the long boat journey, so he applied to come to Canada. They arrived in this country in 1951.

Eddy married Janina Swierczek in Germany in 1947. They have one son, Richard, who is at home.

Eddy has two summer places, one at Boland's Bay and the other at West Bay. He rents one and spends much of his time at the other. He would like to move into his winterized camp. He likes to fish both summer and winter.

The Stepins are members of the local Polish church and have lived in the lake section of Sudbury for 15 years. Eddy enjoys sports having at one time been a good soccer player. He would like at some point to travel to the West Coast. They made a trip back to Poland three years ago and may go again soon.

Eddy is enjoying good health and this new leisure. His only regret is that he misses the gang from work.

James Armstrong

Jim Armstrong has retired from Garson on an early service pension and says he is the last of the Armstrong clan working at Garson. "My grandfather Ned was hauling machinery by horse to the mine in 1905," Jim said. "And there has been an Armstrong there ever since."

Jim was born in 1921 in the community of Bruce Mines where his dad worked. His family came to Garson in 1929 and Jim has been in this area since that time.

Jim's first job was working in the rockhouse at Garson. In 1942 he quit



to join the RCAF and ended up serving in Canada, England and Italy.

After he was discharged he returned to Garson, this time with the mechanical department. "I was a hoistman for about 25 years and spent some time at Kirkwood as a maintenance mechanic as well."

It was in 1947 that he and Marion Warford were married in Sudbury. They have two daughters: Karen at home, and Lynne, Mrs. Ed Desbiens.

The Armstrongs spend most of their summers in their trailer located on the West Arm. Now that Jim is retired they hope to travel more and would like to see both coasts of Canada. Jim's ambition is to see the Yukon, and as he puts it: "Put both feet in the Arctic ocean."

Although he finds his spare time is at a premium he still manages to devote some of it to reading and is a firm believer in using the local library.

In good health, this happy couple is obviously enjoying the fruits of their many working years together.



Rene Desloges

Rene Desloges, with better than 41 years of service, has now taken advantage of the early pension plan. He's happy in retirement but does miss his old buddies and makes an effort to see them occasionally.

Born on the family farm at McFarlane Lake, Rene has lived in that area all his life. "My dad had two farms," he said. "And I worked on the farm until I went with Smith and Travers diamond drilling when I was 18." In 1943, having been directed to Inco, he started working in the reverbs. After a few months he moved to Frood mine.

Rene worked underground for a time then came to surface and worked in the yard, running the motor. Eventually he arranged for a transfer to the mechanical department and worked with the drill fitters for the rest of his service.

In 1947 Rene married a Sudbury girl, Berthe Daoust. They have one son, Donald, at school, and five daughters: Cecille's husband Ken Gervais is at the Sulphur products department; Lorraine, Mrs. Dave Laamanen and Paulette, are both in Ottawa; Helen is Mrs. Mike Basso and Gloria is Mrs. Michael Prevost, both living in the Richard Lake area. The grandchildren number six.

Rene and Berthe live on Desloges Rd. which divided their two farms at one time. "We have a great location," she said, "not on the lake, but only a short distance away." They have a large garden and raise their own vegetables.

Rene has been an amateur motor mechanic all his life and still keeps his own vehicle in good shape and

also helps his family with theirs. They are a very close family. Both parents enjoy their children and grandchildren so they visit regularly.

Rene enjoys fishing and watching sports on television, he says. For the moment, he and his wife have no desire to travel abroad. They are quite happy right where they are, among family and friends.



John Holunga

John Holunga was born and raised in Coniston and has lived there all his life. His father, William, started at the Coniston smelter in 1925 and retired in 1950.

John started work at the age of 15 when he was able to find a job in the construction industry in Sudbury. When he was 18 he hired on at the Coniston smelter and worked between there and Copper Cliff. In 1964 he finally ended up at the carpenter shop in Copper Cliff and recalls that there were almost 100 carpenters there at that time.

Florence Strilzuk became his wife when they were married in Coniston in 1959. She was originally from Montreal and still has relatives living there. They have two married children, Dan and Donna (Mrs. Mike Babiuk), also living in Coniston. To date there are two granddaughters.

John enjoys looking after his good sized garden and plans to take up cross country skiing. He still manages to do a bit of carpentry but admits he doesn't overdo it.

The Holungas are active in the local Ukrainian church and have a host of friends in Coniston. "We know almost everyone there," he said with a smile.

John and Florence are in good health and may possibly go to Florida sometime in the future but right now they are content to take things easy. They enjoy each other's company and are thoroughly enjoying their retirement.

Fernando Castagna

Port Colborne's new bocce courts couldn't have been built at a better time than this year for Fernando Castagna. After 31 years at the Port Colborne nickel refinery, Fernando has taken an early retirement. Now he plans to spend plenty of time playing bocce, his favourite sport. The new courts provide many hours of pleasure for Fernando and his friends at the city's east side complex. "Next year we hope to get some competition going with Welland," he says.



Fernando was born in Italy on July 15, 1928. He worked in the mines in Belgium for a little more than a year before coming to Port Colborne with his wife Anita in 1953. He started work at the refinery that same year in the sinter building. He worked in the old No. 5 building for five years before moving on to the warehouse for nine years. Over the last 21 years, Fernando worked in the new No. 5 building before retiring.

Fernando and Anita were married on September 20, 1952 in Italy. They have a daughter, Clara, who resides in Fort Erie and a son, Gino who is a machinist and lives in Welland. They have two grandchildren.

Fernando does a lot of gardening and handy work around his Clark Street home. He and his wife also enjoy visiting relatives in Sault Ste. Marie and doing some travelling throughout the United States. In 1969 Fernando returned to his homeland to visit his mother and two brothers.

Eric Blais

Even though he is suffering considerable physical problems, Eric Blais maintains a very cheerful outlook and attitude.

He has retired on a disability pension with severe hip and back problems. And if that is not enough trouble, he also had a triple heart bypass five years ago.

Eric keeps smiling and walks as much each day as he is able. "The only thing that bothers me," he said "is that I've been healthy all my life and then all of a sudden everything went wrong."

Born at Chapeau, Quebec in 1926, he came to Sudbury at the age of 16 during the war and was hired by Inco. He had three brothers here at the time, Joe and Herbie, both retired, and Harold, who was also retired but who died some time back.

Eric started in the reverbs and worked on the flash furnace almost all his Inco years. He says he enjoyed being in that department.

In 1951 he and Beatrice Gaten were married at Copper Cliff. She is a native of Copper Cliff and they live in her family home situated next to the dairy. "My grandfather lived there and my father and now we are the third



generation in it," she said. Her father, Omer, was a chemist with Inco. Her brother Edward is with the geological department.

Both Eric and Beatrice are active members of St. Stanislaus Church. She is a bingo player of some note.

The Blais have two children: Kevin, presently living at home and Catherine, living in Sudbury. There are two grandchildren.

Eric used to hunt and fish and spend time at his brother's camp on Vermillion Lake. He reads, walks as much as he can, watches sports on television and attends hockey games at the nearby arena.

Carmel Dicaire

Carm Dicaire was born on a farm near Ottawa in 1925. Four years later his family moved to Gogama where he was raised. One of his first jobs was in a sawmill there. "There were two big mills at that time," he recalled. In 1942 he went to work at CIL in Nobel for a time. Then he went to Skead and was employed in the the sawmill there. Later he worked in the bush and with Falconbridge before joining Inco in 1947.



Carm left after a few months only to return in 1948. For the next dozen years he was in the old sinter plant. From there he went to matte processing where he stayed until he took his early retirement. He was a process foreman the last 18 years.

Carm served in the Highland Light Infantry during the war. He was discharged in 1945.

In 1953, Carm and Alice Lajeunesse were married in Sudbury. They have three children. Gilles and Pauline in Ottawa, and Michel in Edmonton.

The Dicaire have lived in the New Sudbury area for the last 30 years. They have a fine, big garden in which they grow their own vegetables. They enjoy travelling with their trailer and have visited most of the parks in Ontario and both Canadian coasts. They plan to visit the West Coast again. A trip to Europe is currently in

the planning stages.

Carm built his own home which he keeps in good repair. Something he enjoys doing. He likes to curl and watches most televised sports. Both he and Alice are taking night courses. They are active in many ways and enjoying good health.

During the war, Alice worked for a time at the smelter. Her brother, Leo Lajeunesse, is an Inco pensioner.

Carm admits he misses work and the men with whom he worked. He and his wife are happy in their new life and are putting the extra time to good use. "I'm too busy to be bored," smiles Carm.

Michael Beskorowany

Mike Beskorowany has retired on an early service pension from Frood-Stobie mine where he had worked most of his Inco years. "I did work at Levack a couple of times during some cutbacks," he recalled. Mike worked for the most part in stopes and pillars. He spent his last three years with the tramming crews.

Born in 1925 on a large farm in Manitoba near the American border, he remembers the days when horses were the main means of power and threshing machines rather than combines harvested the grain.

After leaving the farm he worked on construction, helping to build the hydro dam at Thessalon and, later, the radar station at Sudbury. He then joined Inco in 1953. He liked mining and while he enjoys a visit back to the farm, he is not sorry that he left the pastures for the pillars.



It was during his stay in Thessalon that he met Jeannine Brisette. They were married there in 1950. They have a family of eight children ranging from 33 to 19 years of age. Both wonder now, with a smile, how they managed when most of the kids were at home. Their four sons are: Denis at Val Caron, Michael Jr. at Ottawa; Robert in Hanmer, and Mark at home. The four daughters are all married: Linda's husband, Raymond Ranger, works at Frood; Pauline is Mrs. Marcel Beauchesne, and, Carole is Mrs. Denis Servant, both of Hanmer, and Doreen is Mrs. Henry Lafleur of Val Caron. There are four grandchildren to date. They are happy to have so many of their family near at hand.

Mike and Jeannine have lived in Hanmer for 35 years. He built his own home there in 1958. They have a summer place at nearby Ella Lake and both enjoy fishing. They attend dances and like to travel by car. They've seen the West Coast and hope to visit the East Coast soon.

Mike likes to watch sports on TV. He is a handy man around his home. He also tends a large garden at the camp. Since both he and Jeannine are in good health, they are enjoying their new life of leisure.

Adrian VanDruenen

Gregarious and effervescent are two words that might describe "Van" VanDruenen who recently retired from Inco's electrical department on an early service pension. As full of life as ever, he is just as busy now as when he worked, and that's the way he likes it.

Born on a prosperous farm in Holland in 1924, Van wanted to continue farming. With little land available there, and he being the second son who would not inherit the farm, he came to Canada in 1949. Unable to speak English he worked for a time on a farm near Montreal. He then headed for Vancouver but ran out of money in Sudbury and, in short order, was working for Inco.

Starting underground at Creighton 5 Shaft, Van eventually joined the electrical department where he stayed until retirement. "I worked in many locations," he recalled with a grin. "At Coniston, Garson, Copper Cliff Smelter, Iron Ore Plant, oxygen plant and Clarabelle mill. And I enjoyed my work," he added. "Maybe I talked too

much; that's why they kept moving me," he said with a twinkle in his eye.

When Van first went to Coniston, he stayed in the big boarding house where Katherine Freeland worked. Before long they were man and wife. Married at Coniston in 1954 they have three sons, all living in Wahnapiatae; John and Gordon with Ventures Construction, and Allan with Cashway Lumber. Daughter Brenda is married to Jim Ralph an Inco employee in Thompson, Manitoba. There are four grandchildren.



Van and Katherine have lived in Wahnapiatae for over 30 years and they plan to stay there. They love to travel and have seen Canada coast to coast and may soon make a trip to Florida. They have both been to Holland several times and will probably go again.

For three months of the year Katherine works for Markstay Nurseries setting out seedlings and she has a fine flower garden at their home.

Handy around the house, Van can repair most anything and is happiest when working at some project.

Van is a great reader, particularly of history. He and Katherine bowl together in a league, attend local dances and enjoy their family and friends.

Ted Schryer

Paddling his canoe through the remote lakes and streams of Northern Ontario is what Ted Schryer calls relaxation. Ted is not just enjoying the scenery, he usually lands plenty of speckled trout or bass.

When winter comes and snow is on the ground, Ted can be found 3,000 miles away in sunny Mexico, visiting his brother.

After 36 years of service at the Port Colborne nickel refinery, Ted has retired and will have plenty of time to both fish and vacation.

Born in the North Bay area in 1933, Ted moved to the Port Colborne area and started with Inco in 1948 in the anode department. He worked as floorman, furnaceman, and for 17 years, as an overhead crane man. Before retiring, Ted was foreman in the foundry additives plant for 16 years.

Ted's wife, Jeanne, passed away five years ago. He has two sons: Paul, who works at Welland Forge, and Roger, who just finished school. He also has three grandchildren.

Ted's overnight fishing expeditions take him into the familiar territories of North Bay, Timmins and Sault Ste. Marie. "There are lots of fish in the back lakes and streams. I was raised in the North Bay area and know plenty of good spots. I just go where the other anglers don't."

For many years Ted was involved in hockey and softball through Club Champlain of Welland. He also enjoys playing cards at Club Sociale and the Temple Club. He has lived in Welland for more than 36 years.



For 20 years, his brother was chief food purchaser at the elegant and famous Princess Hotel in Acapulco. Ted has driven and flown to the Mexican resort many times. "I like to get out in the mountains and see how the Mexicans really live", states Ted.

His brother is now at another hotel in Mexico, and Ted plans to continue his annual visits to Mexico.



Michael 'Lefty' Stelmakowich

Lefty Stelmakowich is remembered by local baseball fans of the late 40s when he was the ace left hander for Sudbury, Creighton, and Copper Cliff in the old Nickel Belt Baseball League. "Norm Flowerday and I did the pitching for the Shamrocks when Henry Dunn started the team back in 1945," Lefty recalled.

Born into a family of 15 on a farm in Manitoba, Lefty grew up in the West and played junior baseball there. He had worked for a time at Flin Flon before joining his brother, Matti, in Sudbury. "I worked a year for Edward Grain before getting on with Inco in 1945," he said.

Lefty started his Inco career at Frood when Harry Smith was the superintendent and finished his service at Levack with Harry's son, John, who was the manager there. Lefty had worked for a time at the copper refinery with the mechanical department before going to Levack to the electrical department and stayed with that group until his recent retirement.

In 1949, at Levack, Lefty and Nellie Einoff were married. Her father, Sam, had worked with the Mond there and retired in 1954. They have four daughters: Linda, Mrs. Stanley Bouffard of Falconbridge; Wendy, Mrs. Danny Hull of Levack; Dale, also of Levack and Lori, who lives in Sudbury. There are five grandchildren.

Since moving to Levack in 1949, Lefty has been involved in sports with the young people of that fine community. He was the first manager of the Levack Huskies hockey team.

The other interest that has given him much satisfaction is the local Elks Club. He has been Exalted Ruler and his proudest moment came when he was named District Deputy Governor of the organization.

Lefty enjoys hunting and fishing. The Stelmakowichs have a summer place on Onaping Lake. They drove to the West Coast last year and hope to go to the East Coast in the future. They both like country music and plan to join the Country Music Travelers Association. They have also recently joined the local Golden Age Club.

They are in good health and happy with their many friends and family and are both looking forward to enjoying the ensuing years.

Leonard Somers

Len Somers has retired on early service from Frood where he had worked the last half dozen years. Earlier he had been at Creighton since joining the company in 1952.

"I was a stope boss in No. 6 shaft at Creighton for many years," he said, "and I liked mining. Made pretty good money, too. I moved to Frood because it was closer to travel and I worked the pillars there."

Born in Jamaica in 1925, Len grew up on the family plantation and ranch where they grew tropical fruit and raised cattle. For a time also he ran a small store. Before coming to Canada in 1951, he worked for four years in the United States.

Len first went to Delhi where he had a brother. They both left to work the bush near Schumacher. Coming to Sudbury early in 1952, he worked



nine months with Falconbridge before joining Inco.

In 1946 he and Josephine Ulett were married in Jamaica. They were raised on neighbouring plantations. She recalled that her father grew sugar and all types of fruit.

They have two sons; Harold, a school principal near Ottawa, Michael, a law student at Western. Daughter Carol is married to Brad Reddick, an executive in Toronto. To date there are four grandchildren.

The Somers have lived in New Sudbury for about 20 years. Both have relatives in Sudbury; she a sister and he has three brothers, Bert, Maurice and Noel, who works at the smelter. They also have relatives in Toronto and are considering moving to that city. They would not go back to live in Jamaica because their family and many of their friends are in this country. They do visit that sunny island each year. Len intends to spend his winters there, but his wife doubts that he will stay that long. Josephine liked Canada from her first day here.

Len does a bit of carpentry and keeps his home in good repair. He likes to garden and is a sports buff on TV with hockey and football his favourite sports. Josephine, a music lover, still plays the piano.

They are a happy couple who obviously understand and appreciate each other very much and who will enjoy their new leisure time.

Gabriel Prevost

Gabe Prevost worked at the Copper Cliff copper refinery throughout all his years with Inco. Though he was born on a farm, he is glad that he went to work in the mining industry. "Inco has been a real good place to work," he declared.

Born and raised on a farm near Noelville, Gabe worked for Crawley-McCracken at Nobel for a time and then with Atlas Steel at Welland. He returned to Noelville where he ran the co-op store and later worked at a local bakery.

"I was getting \$2 a day at the bakery, working about 10 hours, so when I heard about Inco paying over \$1 an hour I came here," Gabe related. Starting in the casting area of

the copper refinery in 1948, he worked there until his recent retirement. The last few years he served as a sampler in the drill shop.

Gabe and Germaine Whissel had attended school together and later 'went steady'. In 1944 they were married in Noelville. One son, Ray, works at Frood-Stobie and son Michel, is in Ottawa. There are two daughters: Yolande is Mrs. Lionel Couture of Dowling, and Diane is married to Ron Tessier of Hanmer. There are seven grandchildren.

The Prevosts have a summer place at Bear Lake near Noelville where Gabe enjoys fishing. "We get the odd muskie," he said. "But it is mostly bass, pickerel and pike."



The Prevosts have lived in New Sudbury for 35 years. They were one of the first families to move into that area and recall that much of it was still rural land then. Having been to the West Coast, they hope to visit the East Coast soon.

Gabe likes to play golf and watches most sports on television. He also has started curling. He likes to work around his camp and home and is in demand by his daughters to do odd jobs. Their children and grandchildren visit often, one of the attractions being Germaine's facility with Chinese cuisine.

Enjoying both good health and their retirement, they plan to join the local seniors' club soon.

Elphege Dion

Elphege Dion will be spending more time at his country music song



writing now that he has retired after 36 years at the Port Colborne nickel refinery.

A guitarist for the past 10 years, Elphege has been sending his French country songs to a friend in Sherbrooke, Quebec and hopes eventually to have a few recorded. He has always followed the country music scene and began writing songs strictly as a hobby. "I will probably be writing a lot more now with my extra spare time," he said.

Elphege was born in Magog, Quebec on September 8, 1928. He came to Welland in 1947 and worked for 10 months at Dominion Yarns. In June of 1948, Elphege started in the anode department at the Port refinery. After three years, he moved into the electro nickel refining area and for the past six years was in the instrumentation department as a meter checker.

Elphege and the former Jeannine Nolet were married on June 23, 1951 in Welland. They have two children: Richard, who lives in Welland, and Gille who is at home. Gille is a member of the Vive-La-Joie dancing group. They also have three grandsons.

Elphege and his wife have travelled throughout the country from Vancouver to Nova Scotia. "Canada has the best places to visit," states Elphege.

On Saturdays, Elphege and his wife enjoy shopping in Toronto. We usually go to the Eaton Centre, or one of the big plazas and spend the day. At night, we take in a hockey game at the Gardens when we can get tickets."

Carmine Belvedere

Carmine Belvedere says he is proud to have worked for Inco at the Port Colborne Nickel Refinery over 27 years.

He has retired from the company on a disability pension. Despite an operation on his right arm, he still plans to keep active in community work.

Born in Italy on March 22, 1927, Carmine moved to Port Colborne in 1952 and worked for three months at Sunbeam Shoes. He was employed with Maple Leaf Mills for two years before being hired on with the yard gang at the nickel refinery in 1955. Carmine spent a few years in the Shearing Department and eventually moved to janitorial and maintenance.

Carmine and his wife, Clementina, just celebrated 39 years of marriage on October 27. They were married in Italy and have five children: Marie, employed at Port Colborne Poultry; Lucy, a teacher in Fonthill; Lena, a Regional Day Care teacher; Ralph, who lives in British Columbia, and John, who is a student at Port Colborne High School. They also have ten grandchildren.

Carmine is well known for his community work as a member of the Knights of Columbus, Port Colborne Italian Mutual Benefit Society, Port Colborne International Committee, and the Mount Carmel Society.

"I used to like to do lots of carpentry and gardening before my operation", he said. Carmine and his wife plan to take a trip next year to Italy. "We went back there in 1972 to visit my brother".



Ernest Giguere

Ernie Giguere was born in Sudbury in 1929. When he was four the family moved to a farm at Wahnapiatae where he was raised. Later he attended Sudbury Mining and Technical School. After graduation, he was employed for a couple of years with United Auto Parts on Old Borgia St.

In 1959 Ernie joined Inco and started at the Coniston smelter. A year later he was with the mechanics at Copper Cliff. He returned to Coniston and its mechanical department in 1955. Then he moved to the sinter plant at Copper Cliff, the reverbs, Iron Ore Plant, Garson and, in 1972, to the nickel refinery, where he stayed until his recent retirement on disability pension.

It was in 1952, at Coniston that Ernie and Lucille Lamothe were married. They have three sons; Brian who works at matte processing; Barry, working in Sudbury, and David in Toronto. There are four grandchildren that they enjoy.



The Giguere's have lived in Wahnapiatae since they were married. They have a comfortable home and a garden in which they raise most of their vegetables. They also have a mobile home on the West Arm where they spend a good part of the summer. In winter they usually take a trip to Florida. Being as fond as they are of country music, Nashville is another favourite destination. They have travelled to both coasts of Canada.

Fishing is something they enjoy doing together. Ernie is fond of reading. He is handy around the house and can fix just about anything. He is happy to be home and Lucille is happy to have him there.



Bela Lang

Bela Lang has had to curtail many of his activities after part of his leg was amputated last year. However, Bela is coping with his unexpected disability and trying to adjust to an artificial limb at his picturesque Cedar Bay lakefront home.

Bela started at the Port Colborne nickel refinery in 1960 in the stripping department of No. 5 Building. He did various jobs before becoming a first class iron worker. The past 11 years Bela worked in No. 3 Research Station.

Born in Hungary in 1925, Bela left his homeland in 1944 for Austria and later went to England. He came to Canada in 1951 and worked as a truck driver and bricklayer in Toronto and Bradford.

Bela has three children: Gabriella, a lawyer in Yellowknife; Raymond, an orderly at Welland County General Hospital and Valerie who is attending university near Boston.

"I love to swim, skate and play tennis," Bela said. "The lake and surrounding area where I live provides a natural recreational facility". At one time, he played professional soccer in Hungary, Austria and England. In the early 1970's when Port Colborne's indoor swimming pool was built, he taught swimming and water polo to high school students. He was also a very competitive bowler. Bela says he also enjoys travelling. "I have gone all through the United States and Hawaii".

He moved to his lakefront home in 1966. "I really enjoy the company of my neighbors".

Had it not been for his leg problem, Bela said he would have worked at

the refinery for another couple of years. "I liked my job and the men I worked with."

Ray Charron

If you don't find Ray Charron and his wife Gwen at home, then likely they are basking in the sun at Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

Ray has retired from the Port Colborne nickel refinery as Chief of Security after 32 years with the company. Born in Sudbury in 1927, he joined the Copper Cliff police force in 1952. He graduated to sergeant in 1962 and became detective sergeant in 1963. Ray was transferred to the Port Colborne refinery in 1969 as Chief of Security.

Travelling is a big part of Ray and Gwen's lives and their favourite spot is a beach in Puerto Vallarta. The couple, who have been married for five years, fell in love with the Mexican coastal resort on their first trip. "In fact we went back twice in one year", admits Gwen.

Of course they could not show their friends the scenery without taking plenty of pictures. Their photograph album is bulging with snapshots of past trips. To brush up on their picture taking both Ray and Gwen are taking a photography course at Port Colborne High School.

While Gwen keeps busy by working part time and around the garden, Ray fills his days renovating their Fielden Avenue home. "We bought the place three years ago and it needed plenty of work," Ray admits. However, Ray takes great pleasure in remodelling both the house and garage. Ray and Gwen also enjoy taking nightly strolls through nearby Lakeview Park.





Joseph Maurice Charlebois

Maurice Charlebois found himself out in the working world at a very young age. "My step-mother died when I was only 14 years old," he said. "It was then that I had to head for the bush and work in the lumber camps."

Maurice was born in Maniwaki, Quebec, on August 25, 1933. In 1950, he moved to Port Colborne and found himself a job at the National Harbour Board. He worked there for a few years then became a driller for the Canadian Dredging and Dock Company. It was in 1964 that Maurice began with the labor pool at the Port Colborne nickel refinery. He moved into the number five building and became an operator and later a tube fitter and liquor chaser before taking a disability pension after 20 years with Inco.

Maurice has five children: Carmel and Carol, who both live in Port Colborne; Roland, who is employed at Fred's Collision, Ronald, who lives in Welland and works at the Square D plant, and Jack, who also lives in Welland and is employed at a steel plant in Port Robinson. He also has five grandchildren.

Maurice, who lives in Welland, is now spending most of his time in his carpenter shop making wind propelled lawn ornaments, bird houses and bird feeders. He says the Road Runner and Coyote lawn ornaments are the best sellers.

Maurice also enjoys travelling and says he has seen most of Canada. He also drives back to Quebec for holidays.

Fred O'Neill

Fred O'Neill has retired from the Frood-Stobie area on an early service pension. He joined Inco in 1948 at the old Orford building in Copper Cliff but transferred to Garson in 1951.

He had also worked at Kirkwood mine from the time it started until it closed down. The rest of his time was spent underground at Frood-Stobie. "I worked in stopes and pillars but the last six years I was on a scooptram," he said.

Born in Ireland in 1927, Fred was only a baby when his family came to Canada and a farm near McGregor, Manitoba, where Fred was raised. He had worked on the section gang for Manitoba Hydro and on construction and at a feed mill in Portage La Prairie before a friend told him about the mines at Sudbury. In 1948 he came East and has never regretted the move.

Fred and Verla Hodgins were practically neighbours (only 10 miles between farms) and they were married at McGregor in 1945. They have three sons; Dwayne in Calgary; Lyle in Edmonton, and Eric in Sudbury. Rounding out the family there are three granddaughters.

The O'Neills have a summer place on Onaping Lake where they spend a lot of time. He also goes there in winter to ice fish. "And I like snowmobiling," he added.

Fred and Verla have lived on the Kingsway in Sudbury for 34 years. They now would like to move away from that heavy traffic area. Fred watches a little television, is an ardent hunter and fisherman and grows a fine large garden at their summer place.



Amilcare Cioffi

After almost 27 years with the Port Colborne nickel refinery, Amilcare Cioffi has taken an early service pension.

Born in Italy on January 15, 1924, Amilcare spent four years in the Italian Army and worked on farms and construction before coming to Canada in 1953. He found a job as a pipefitter in Toronto. In 1955 he arrived in Port Colborne and started working in the number three building on the furnaces at the refinery. He moved to the furnace department in the number four building and also worked on the units in number five building, and for a short time in the warehouse. In 1964, Amilcare started in the shops as a pipefitter, a position he held until his recent retirement.

Amilcare and his wife, Maria, were married in Italy on January 20, 1949. They have six children. They are: Grace, who is married and lives in Toronto; Peter, owner of a television-electronics business in Ridgeway; Albert, a mechanic at Young's Garage in Port Colborne; Vincent, a transport driver; and Tony and Vince, both living at home. They also have four grandchildren.

Amilcare says he is enjoying retirement. "I could have worked a few more years, but it was best to give the younger men a chance to work."

Working around the garden and maintaining his house keeps Amilcare busy in his spare hours. "I also enjoy visiting my children."

The couple look forward to vacations in Canada, especially around the Montreal area.



Antonio DiLorenzo

Antonio DiLorenzo enjoys a daily walk and talking with friends now that he has taken early retirement from the Port Colborne nickel refinery after 33 years of service.

Six days after Antonio arrived in Port Colborne in 1951 he got a job at the refinery. He started out in the No. 5 building as a pressman and through the years worked in the sinter building, machine shop, warehouse and for 11 years was a fork lift operator. Antonio worked in a factory in Italy for five years before coming to Canada.

Antonio was born in Italy on October 20, 1922. He and his wife Maria were married on October 20, 1949 in Italy. They have three children all of whom live in Port Colborne: Teresa, who is married; Nick, who works at Stelco; and Danny, who is a supply teacher. There are four grandchildren.

Antonio also keeps busy by tending the outdoor chores at his Christmas Street home where he and his family have lived for 22 years. Maria is a cook at the Italian Hall. Both have been members of the Italian Mutual Benefit Society for 25 years. "I like walking every day," Antonio says. "You meet a lot of old friends and fellows from the plant."

The couple enjoy travelling and have vacationed in Mexico, California, Florida, Montreal and Quebec City.

This fall Antonio and Maria celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary. "Our children threw us a big party", Antonio said. The couple also plan more travelling in the future.

Ugo D'Onofrio

Ugo D'Onofrio plans to eventually travel across Canada now that he has taken an early retirement from the

Port Colborne nickel refinery after 24 years of service.

Born in Ofena, Italy, Ugo drove transport trucks in his native country for 14 years before coming to Port Colborne. He arrived in 1957 and found work at the Algoma Steel plant for a short period. In May of 1959, he was taken on at the refinery, in the number three building. He later moved into the warehouse, the strip plant and then to the machine shop. Ugo retired as leaderman on the crane gang.

Ugo and his wife, Nancy, were married in Italy on August 2, 1953. Nancy came to Canada three years later. The couple have two children. Their daughter, Carmelina, is married and teaches in Brampton, and son, John, is employed at General Motors in St. Catharines and lives at home. They also have one granddaughter.

Ugo says he has lots to keep himself busy with these days. In addition to enjoying some small game hunting, he tunes up automobiles for his family and friends. "I like to tinker around with cars," he comments.



Much of his time, however, is spent as president of the Italian Mutual Benefit Society. He has been a member of the Society for 28 years.

"Next year I want to plan something really big and memorable for the Society's 50th anniversary," Ugo says. "We want the city and people to recognize the contribution made by the Society members over the past half century."

Ugo also travelled back to Italy in the past and plans to return again. "But I really want to motor across Canada and really see this country."



John Marshall

John Marshall was born in the former Humberstone Village, (now Port Colborne) on July 31, 1923. He began his long term career with the Company in September, 1941 in the stores department. However, shortly afterwards, John enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force and became a staff pilot for bombardiers at Mountainview R.C.A.F. base near Belleville. He reached the rank of Flight Sergeant before returning home two and a half years later. John then moved into the purchasing department and remained there until his retirement this year.

He married his wife Stephanie on September 18, 1948. They have two children, Gail, who is a nurse at Port Colborne General Hospital and Richard, who is in the security department at Atlas Steels in Welland. They also have three grandchildren.

An avid golfer, John has been a member of the Port Colborne Country Club for 35 years. He was also a well-respected softball player back in the town leagues where games were played at the Athletic Field. John is a member of Branch 56 of the Royal Canadian Legion.

Through the Port Colborne Gyro Club, John and Stephanie have taken many trips. John has been a member of the club for 21 years and Stephanie is a Gyrette.

"We are planning a trip with the club to Europe next fall," John says. The couple have wonderful memories of travelling with Gyro members to the Orient, Mexico, Hawaii and a Caribbean cruise.

John admits that he has plenty to keep himself busy between golfing, gardening and vacationing.

Lino Cruz

Lino Cruz has been a world traveller. However, it always hasn't been by choice. Born in Portugal on October 10, 1927, Lino soon ventured out in the world seeking a job. In 1953 he moved to Venezuela and later Brazil where he worked in a mechanic shop. For six years he did various jobs around Toronto. He also found work in the Northern Ontario bush and on tobacco farms in the south. For two years he sailed the Great Lakes. In 1965 Lino landed a job at the Port Colborne Nickel refinery in the No. 3 building and stayed on as a labourer for 19 years before taking a disability pension this year. "I sure travelled a lot but it was a case of trying to find work," he said.

On February 19, 1966 Lino married the former Denise Cote of Port Colborne in St. Jean de Brebeuf Church. Denise came to Port Colborne in 1947 where her father worked in the refinery.

Lino admits he loves birds. "We had a budgie for 12 years and now have a cockatoo". At one time Lino raised pigeons and was a member of the local pigeon club. "I have had all kinds of birds. I don't like cats or dogs."



While Denise is working at the Canadian Cannery in St. David's during the summer months, Lino can be found with his brother catching perch in Lake Erie. He also enjoys working around his garden.

The couple are keen on travelling especially to California. In 1976 they went to Los Angeles and San Francisco. They also visited Lino's native Portugal in 1974. Lino and Denise are planning another trip to California next year.



Stuart Mutch

Stu Mutch has retired from the mill section where he had worked since joining the company in 1947. He was born on a farm in Saskatchewan, his parents having homesteaded there in 1904. He was raised on the farm and left to join the RCAF in 1942. After service in Canada, England and Africa, he roamed the country for a time, worked in Toronto and farmed in the west.

On the advice of his brother-in-law, Dave Johnston, now an Inco pensioner, Stu came to Sudbury in 1947 and started at the Copper Cliff mill. He worked on various jobs, including some at Creighton mill between 1951 to 1958. He worked on the tailings line until his recent retirement.

"I wanted him to retire," said Lorna with a smile, "He had worked over 37 years and he was 60 last year." Stu had no objections.

They were married in 1965 in Sault Ste. Marie, a second marriage for both. They have one daughter Deborah, married to Gino Milani of Sudbury. There is one grandson.

The Mutchs have lived in Lively all their married life and they intend to stay there. Their favorite pursuit in summer is taking two or three day canoe trips with another couple through the remote areas around Killarney. They take photographs and appreciate the beauties of nature. During winter they enjoy cross-country skiing.

In addition, they have a little hobby going in typewriter repairs, Lorna being the expert.

Peter Rewega

Pete Rewega was born and raised on a farm near Vegreville, Alberta in 1928. He had worked at farming and surface coal mining before following his brother Fred, first to a Southern Ontario farm and then to Sudbury and a job with Inco. Fred is also an Inco pensioner.

Pete started at Frood mine in 1947 and worked underground on most jobs from mucker to level boss, pillar boss and stope boss. In 1973 he transferred to the construction crew where he stayed until 1977 when he injured his back. He worked in the carpenter shop at Copper Cliff over the last six years.

With arthritis giving him a bad time, Pete felt he wasn't able to give a good day's work. He decided to take a disability pension. Apart from his arthritis, he is in good health and is able to do most physical things within reason.

In 1949 at Sudbury, he and Mae Teahen were married. She was born in Creighton. Pete and Mae have five children: Harry, with the navy in Halifax; Glen in Hanmer; Danny in London; Jerry, a milkman with the Copper Cliff dairy; and Rita who is married to Mike Venedam of Elliot Lake. To date there are seven grandchildren.



Pete maintains a small garden outside their home in Sudbury where they have lived the past 30 years. They have a trailer and over the years have travelled to both coasts several times. Wood work, watching his grandson play hockey and reading at the local library keeps Pete occupied. Mae enjoys knitting and sewing. They are now looking forward to the leisure hours brought to them by retirement.

Ella Cachia

Elia Cachia usually isn't at home during the horse racing season. However, it is a good bet that Elia will be among the crowds at either Fort Erie, Woodbine or Mohawk racetracks.

After more than 32 years working at the Port Colborne nickel refinery, Elia has taken an early pension. He plans to spend many more free hours playing the sport of kings.



Born in Malta on March 4, 1922, he came to Port Colborne in 1951 to visit a cousin. Within a month he had landed a job with the labor gang in No. 4 building. Before his career was over with Inco he worked in the sinter plant, No. 2 and No. 3 buildings.

Elia married his second wife Georgina Tabone in October of 1981. He has one daughter, Nancy, and three grandchildren.

Besides going to the races Elia and his wife spent a lot of time with the grandchildren. They have also travelled to Australia to visit relatives. Elia has returned to Malta twice. Georgina also takes in an occasional race and also enjoys staying at home in the couple's apartment on Catharine Street.

Antonio Citrigno

After 29 years at the Port Colborne nickel refinery Antonio Citrigno has retired on early pension.

Born in Italy on March 3, 1927, Antonio worked for a few years on the family farm. He came to Port Colborne in 1953 and one year later started at the refinery. He was laid off for a short time, returning in 1955 to



the shearing department as a laborer. Before retirement, Antonio was a fork lift operator for a number of years.

He married his wife Candida in Italy on October 25, 1953. They have three children: Mike, who works at Fleet Industries in Fort Erie; Sam, an employee with the Canadian National Railways in Beamsville; and Theresa, who is married and lives in Port Colborne. They also have two grandchildren.

Antonio plans to spend a lot of his time at the bocce courts next summer. "I joined the club this year and really had a good time," he said. In addition, Antonio can be found working in his garden or taking walks.

The couple always enjoy visiting their grandchildren and having the family over to their home on Humboldt Parkway.

Allan Valli

Allan Valli has retired on an early service pension at the age of 60. He was born in a village in Finland in 1924 and grew up there working on farms and as a carpenter. During the Finnish-Russian war he was wounded twice and still has a souvenir of one of those wounds inside him. Later he fought with the Germans against the Russians.

His father, Richard, had come to Canada in the late 1920's and worked at Cobalt and Timmins before coming to Sudbury in 1927. He was a shaftman for Inco and retired in 1966. He died in 1968.

Allan came to Canada in 1950 but with little knowledge of English, he

couldn't get a job with Inco. After a year in the construction industry, he was hired by the Company and started at Froot-Stobie with the construction crew. Later, he also worked in stopes and pillars. In 1972 he went to the North Mine. Then he went on to Little Stobie. He spent the last three years at the Copper Cliff mill.

Allan married Ilni Holkko in 1952. She died in 1983. They have four children: Paul in Sudbury; Harold in Kingston; Perry at home; and Helen who is married to Marcel Barriault of Sudbury.



Allan has a summer place on Long Lake and he likes to fish and hunt each year. He has lived in the Donovan section of Sudbury since 1955. He is an active member of the Sampo Hall.

Allan made his first trip back to Finland last year and hopes to visit that country again in the near future. He keeps his home in good repair and does a little extra carpentry. He also enjoys watching hockey and football. He hopes now, with more time, that he can travel to western Canada. In good health he is enjoying retirement but does miss the gang from work.

Note to pensioners

If you retired in the fall of 1984 you will be contacted for a photo and write-up in the Triangle. However, due to the large number of retirements it is taking us a little longer than usual to contact everyone. Please be patient, you will all be contacted over the next few months.

Golden Anniversaries



Archie and Hannah Grassum

"Perch" Grassum and Hannah Munro were married in Toronto on July 18, 1934 and after 50 years show as much affection and respect for each other as they did during their courting years. Both were born in Scotland and still retain their lovely Scottish accent. And while they admit that Canada, and especially Sudbury, has been very good to them, they still have close ties with their homeland and have visited there at least a dozen times.

Perch came to Toronto in 1928 and worked as an iron moulder for five years. Hannah came over in 1929 and they met in Toronto. Perch was a top soccer player and played for Frood when they were in the Dominion finals in Toronto. They had planned to marry in Sudbury but the soccer finals took so long that they wed in Toronto.

Frood mine was where Perch had worked since 1934 until his retirement in 1969 and in those early days soccer rivalry was intense between Frood, Creighton, Garson, Falconbridge and the Donovan Dusters. Perch's brother Sam played for Garson and his other brother Bill had played for Frood.

The Grassums have one son, Archie, who is with General Motors at Whitby. Daughter Christine is Mrs. Raymond Bouillon of Val Caron, and Margaret's husband Jack Kosmerly

works for Inco. There are six grandchildren. The family arranged an anniversary dinner party at Silver Beach with all the family, relatives and close friends, and the following day an open house was held at daughter Christine's home in Val Caron. The couple received the usual congratulations from political figures and among the gifts was a painting of the house in the Donovan section where they had lived for so many years. They now live in an apartment since Perch finds he can't cope with all the work around a home. They had lived in the Donovan section for 47 years and had many friends there.

They are a happy couple who still enjoy dancing, (that was how they met), and are both in good health and looking forward to many more devoted years together.

Steve and Sally St. Marseille

Steve St. Marseille and his wife, the former Sally Kujala, have enjoyed a very happy and fruitful marriage that has flourished for more than 50 years. The affection and respect they have for each other is still strongly evident today.

The St. Marseilles are very proud of their fine, large family which consists of four sons, six daughters, 29 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Unfortunately one son Paul, died late last year in California. Fred, a talented singer who has appeared with the Sudbury Symphony, is also in California. Frank and Leon live locally. Anne is married to Gerry Ross an Inco employee at Frood Mine; Helen, Mrs. Edward Boyd Jr. and Linda, Mrs. Dalton Shirley are in Blezard; Betty; Mrs. Larry Cowell in London; Louise, Mrs. Paul Simard in Brantford, and Lillian, Mrs. Wayne Davis in Markham.

Steve and Sally were married on



November 19, 1934 at St. Anne's Church in Sudbury. They have lived almost all their lives in Blezard. Steve was born in 1906. It was while he was working at Cartier that he met Sally. With Steve having been laid off in 1932, they had to wait until he was hired at Creighton, two years later, before they married.

Later he worked at a number of locations including Frood-Stobie, the Frood open pit, Levack and at the Clarabelle open pit where he finished his career. He retired in 1965.

Steve has been a trapper since he was a boy and his interest in that area has been featured in the Triangle. He still has his own trapline and does some trapping for the township when they have trouble with nuisance beavers.

Steve and Sally celebrated their anniversary on Thanksgiving weekend when it was more convenient for the family to attend. Many of them were there at a gala affair held at the nearby Blezard Culture Centre. They received congratulations, cards and gifts.

This couple agrees that the reason for a lasting marriage lies in facing adversity together and overcoming it; not walking away from it. Steve and Sally both enjoy good health and the warmth and close friendship of their family.

Golden Anniversaries

Umberto and Zaida Signoretti

Since they grew up living almost next door to each other on "the hill" at Copper Cliff, it seemed only natural that Bert Signoretti and Zaida Bertulli should start going out together. On October 18, 1934, two years after they started dating, they were married at St. Stanislaus Church in Copper Cliff.

Bert is cousin to Boogy Signoretti and Zaida is sister to Ginny Bertulli, both well known baseball players in bygone years. Bert says he was born at the "crow's nest" which was the uppermost part of "the hill" section. He started with Inco in 1925, while still a young man. His father worked at the old no. 2 mine.

Since Bert was working at the time of their marriage they had a very short honeymoon in Toronto from which they returned broke. However, as Mrs. Signoretti points out, the fact they worked, shared and endured together during the rough times is probably the main reason their marriage has enjoyed 50 very successful years.



Shortly after their marriage, Bert was laid off. For almost a year, until he was recalled to Inco, he worked at odd jobs. He had worked in the converters, reverbs and the Orford buildings before his retirement in 1971.

They built their home in Copper Cliff in 1935 across from the Italian Club and still live there today, very

comfortably. They also have a summer place at McFarlane Lake.

Their three sons are: Kenneth in Mississauga, with Larry and John in Sudbury. There are four grandchildren.

Family, relatives and many friends were on hand for the big party at the Italian Club which their sons arranged in honour of their parents' anniversary. Bert and Zaida received congratulatory messages from the leading political figures, telegrams from relatives in Italy and many gifts including a 20 inch colour television set. They also renewed their vows at the same church.

Bert and Zaida have made several trips to Italy in the past. These days they are quite happy living right where they are, among their many friends. It is obvious that this couple knows the meaning of give and take. Each has great respect for the other. They are happy together and would change very little even if they could.

Wilfred and Marie Lacroix

Wilfred Lacroix and Marie Lacourciere, both living in Sturgeon Falls at the time, met through a friend of her brother's. Not long after, on July 19, 1934, they were married in the town.

Since Wilfred was only working part time, they lived with her mother until 1938 when he got steady work at Nobel. He would return home on weekends. In 1941 he came to Sudbury and was hired at Frood Open Pit and worked in the plate shop. In 1950 he transferred to Creighton mill as a craneman. Finally he moved to No. 6 shaft where he acted as hoistman until his retirement in 1976.

On their anniversary date they had a dinner celebration. The big party, however, was held on October 27 at the Elk's Club in Naughton. Almost all their family and many friends attended.

Wilfred and Marie have a large family and when they all come home for Christmas it makes for an



interesting time. The children are: Rodolph in Alberta; Emil and Gaetan with Sudbury Transit staff; and Raymond with Bell Canada in Markham; Jeannine whose husband Henry Brunette is an Inco pensioner; Frances is Mrs. Bill Maki of Sudbury; and Gail who is Mrs. Brent Harris of Calgary. In addition there are 21 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Their family arranged the party which was a huge success. Marie admits she never sat down all night as both she and Wilfred enjoy dancing. In addition to many gifts and cards they also received a plaque from the Pope and messages from the Governor-General and top political figures including Mayor Charlie White of Lively. They have put those in a place of prominence in their recreation room.

This couple enjoys travelling and have been west on several occasions. They have lived comfortably in Lively since 1951. Marie has several hobbies including ceramics and she has several beautiful examples of her crafting on display at home.

Both Wilfred and Marie agree that starting out with next to nothing and having had to work for everything they own has helped cement their marriage which has been, and obviously remains a very happy one.

Golden Anniversaries



Oliver and Beatrice McCoy

Oliver McCoy was born and raised on a small farm in the Fairbanks Lake area. On one of his occasional visits to a Naughton dance he met Beatrice Maisinigijig who was born in that community.

They courted for a short time and on October 18, 1934, they were married in St. Anne's Church in Sudbury. Oliver wasn't working steady then, it was the Depression. They had a small home near his farm and they eked out a living by trapping. They lived off the land to a large extent until 1942 when Oliver hired on at Inco's Creighton mine.

Oliver left the Company after a year only to be rehired five years later. He worked at the copper refinery until his retirement in 1972.

The McCoy's lived at Naughton for many years. Eight years ago they moved to Sudbury. They have twin sons, Clarence in Quebec and Clayton in Sudbury. There are three grandchildren.

To mark the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary they renewed their vows at St. Patrick's Church in Sudbury. They attended a dinner and party arranged by their family. Many friends and relatives were in attendance and the feted couple had a grand time.

In reasonably good health Oliver and Beatrice both admit they have had a good marriage and they find it hard to believe that 50 years have gone by.

The McCoy's recalled that in the early years, the little money they made from trapping all went to buy flour, sugar and other staples. They ate plenty of fish, partridge and game and they grew their own vegetables. They attribute, in part, the success of their marriage to the fact that they shared the hard times together.



Paul and Helen Pilon

It was in Sudbury, on November 5, 1934, at the old St. Jean de Brebeuf church that Paul Pilon and Helen Savard were married. On that date in 1984 they celebrated 50 years of a very happy union.

Paul was born at Sturgeon Falls in 1911 and raised on the family farm at St. Charles. It was during one of his brief jobs in Sudbury as a young man that he met his wife Helen.

They were married in Sudbury with the celebration being held at their

small farm home near St. Charles. The following day, however, was just like any other day on a farm; milk the cows and do the chores. They were happy there and continued farming until 1951 when Paul joined Inco. He worked in the converter department at the smelter until his retirement in 1973.

The Pilon's are very proud of their family which consists of five sons, one daughter, 21 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Three sons are Inco employees. Rene and Gilles work at the smelter and Maurice is at Frood-Stobie. The two other sons are Jean-Marc, who is employed with Gardner's, and Fernand, who resides in Toronto. Their only daughter, Paulette, is married to Joe Pothier, the reeve of St. Charles.

To mark their anniversary Paul and Helen renewed their vows at the church in Coniston. Then they attended a party in their honor which was well attended by family and friends. They received numerous gifts, flowers from Sudbury's mayor, Peter Wong and a plaque from the premier of Ontario.

Enjoying good health, Paul and Helen travel considerably in their trailer in the summer. They have also made several trips to Florida. The negative effect of exchange rate has them thinking in terms of restricting their touring to Canada.

The Pilon's have lived in a comfortable home on Moonlight Beach Ave. for the last 15 years. They enjoy their family who visit them regularly. Having already been to the East Coast, they hope this year to visit the West Coast. They anticipate many more happy years together.

Attention Curling Pensioners

The tenth annual IN Touch
Curling Bonspiel for retirees
will be held at the
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Thursday, March 28, 1985
9:00 a.m.

and
Friday, March 29, 1985
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All Pensioners Welcome



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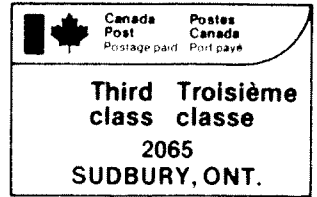
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Pensioners' and Employees'

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Name	Age	Died	Service (Years)
Audler , Jacob	94	January 2	33
Belanger , Alex	75	January 13	20
Brisebois , Fernand	61	January 7	36
Bryszten , Onufry	54	October 13	19
Burrell , Wilbert L.	73	January 2	23
Campbell , Freeman	68	January 1	31
Cica , Sava	89	August 30	25
Ciordas , John	57	November 28	32
Collin , Aurele	42	January 2	20
Davidge , William P.	77	January 10	30
Delyea , Leslie	54	January 3	20
Didone , Angelo	67	December 13	39
Dionne , Andre	52	December 28	15
Ellis , Roy	62	December 9	34
Frappier , Paul E.	70	January 5	29
Gagnon , Jean M.	77	December 19	27
Gibson , Arnold	71	January 15	28
Goulet , Edgar	63	January 13	36
Heikkila , Reino	71	November 24	22
Jacmenovich , John	81	January 6	27
Jones , Angus H.	61	December 27	26
King , George P.	76	January 13	27
Krasnoski , Joseph	76	January 9	32
Labarge , Fernand J.	64	January 8	34
Lukkarila , Felix	76	January 14	33
MacDonald , Robert	68	December 17	28
Motyka , Boleslav	61	January 9	15
Muzzin , Angelo	80	November 27	36
Nasi , Urho	76	January 3	34
Paradis , Adolphe	75	December 15	41
Parker , Clifford A.	79	January 10	45
Peacock , Frederick	74	December 25	39
Pirson , Earl	74	November 16	31
Plecas , Eli	79	November 22	25
Radey , William	82	December 13	30
Samsonow , Aleksander	65	December 8	28
Sauriol , Julien	73	January 12	25
Spak , Andrew	66	January 11	31
Stokes , Neil	52	November 21	27
St. Marseille , Paul	48	November 24	22
Tremblay , Cecil	57	January 6	37
Visentin , Primo	58	December 28	32
Warzecha , Edward	72	January 6	23



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