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## On the cover



*This illustration depicts Inco pensioner Gene Liciotti surrounded by his sisters. The family was separated when they were very young and they were reunited this year after a 50-year interval. Gene's sisters are, clockwise from right, Irene Gibson, Yvonne Briden, Theresa Krauer and Dorie Currier. See story on this page for more details.*

Somewhere along Highway 400, Gene Liciotti asked his wife to pinch him — just to make sure he wasn't dreaming.

The former Inco electrical maintenance supervisor couldn't believe he had just been reunited with his four sisters after the family had been separated for 50 years. "I'm still in awe — a state of shock. I still think it all might have been a dream," says Gene, who spent 31 years at Inco's Copper Cliff, Levack, Frood Stobie and Creighton operations before retiring June 27, 1984.

But on Thanksgiving weekend, in the Katsura Room of the Prince

# "I THINK IT ALL MIGHT HAVE BEEN A DREAM"

Hotel in Toronto, Gene sat down to dinner with his four sisters, all separated in 1936 when they were placed in the Pine Street orphanage, an old part of St. Charles College.

Gene remembers those days in the orphanage as "hard times" where strict discipline was the rule. He recalls once finding an apple core in the schoolyard, brushing it off and eating it, considering it to be a treat.

While a lot of water passed under the bridge since they were adopted by different families, Gene — adopted at age five — always hoped he would be reunited with sisters Dorrie, Irene, Yvonne and Theresa.

It was Dorrie, living in Val D'Or, Quebec, who put the wheels in motion which would eventually allow Gene to fulfill a lifelong dream.

In 1966 she began tracking down her natural relatives, which led her to an aunt in Chelmsford. The aunt put her in touch with Theresa, the eldest sister who was also living in Chelmsford.

Through Theresa, Dorrie found she had a brother named Gene living in Sudbury. Gene and Dorrie later kept in contact by mail or telephone, although there was never any mention of a reunion.

Then Gene spent four days visiting Dorrie in Val D'Or. "I found her to be an extremely warm person," he says. While reminiscing, he now recalls going with his foster parents to Espanola in search of Yvonne and Irene who were adopted by the same

family. "For years I knew they lived in Espanola but I never got a chance to get in touch with them. It seemed they were always away when we went there," he adds.

Ironically, Gene and Theresa both attended St. Aloysius Elementary School on MacKenzie Street where he was in the second grade and she was in grade Six. "We might have even met but I didn't know it. We even went to the same church, Christ The King."

Their quest for family ties took Gene and Theresa to Toronto where they became reacquainted with Irene and Yvonne, who were both married and raising families of their own. "I had it in the back of my mind all the time but I never believed it would happen," laughs Gene.

Then the 50-year dream of a reunion. "It was really something," says Gene. "Yvonne gave us a big welcome. She even had a big banner up saying 'Welcome The Big 50'."

Gene, now 53 and living with his wife and 13 year old daughter on Copper Street, says he is "still completely in awe" after the one-day affair. "It's still hard to believe right now." The family now stays in constant contact while Dorrie researches the family tree in hopes of a book.

The sisters even wanted to contact the producers of the show "Thrill of a Lifetime"; but, as Gene puts it... "We made our own thrill of a lifetime."

*On behalf of our Company I am pleased to extend Season's Greetings and Best Wishes to all our employees, pensioners and your families. May you have a safe and happy Christmas and may the joy that is part of this special season remain with you throughout the New Year.*

*Sincerely,*



Mike Sopko  
President  
Ontario Division



*This group of South mine employees represents some of the 350 employees who have gone more than three months without a medical aid injury.*

Congratulations to all employees at Copper Cliff South Mine. As of press time they had successfully worked for more than three months without a medical injury.

The 350 employees at the mine have made it one of the few Inco mines to ever reach that milestone. "It was a long term commitment and I'm very proud of everyone

involved," said Aurelio Petracchi, South mine superintendent. "We tried to involve every person at the mine and I think the statistics speak for themselves."



## THE GREAT



# Triangle Trivia Contest

This is edition number three of the Great Triangle Trivia contest. Choosing the winner for contest number two turned out to be the easiest so far because only one person had all the correct answers. Congratulations to Terry Little, from the Creighton mine exploration department, who wins a Science North Medallion for correctly answering all the questions.

For those of you who are keeping track, the answers for contest number two are as follows: 1.b, 2.a, 3.b, 4.c, 5.b, 6.c, 7.a, 8.c, 9.a, 10.c.

On to contest number three. Please circle the answers you think are correct and send in this page or simply list your guesses on a separate sheet of paper. Mail your entry to the address that is printed on the inside front cover of this magazine and mark your envelope "Triangle Trivia Contest". Be sure to include your name and address so we can notify you if you're a winner.

The winner will be selected on the basis of most correct answers and any ties that result will be broken by a draw. The winner will receive a Science North Medallion made by Inco's patented Nigold process. Contest deadline is January 31, 1987.

**1. What French saint is associated with the shrine at Lourdes France?**

- a. St. Francis
- b. St. Stephen
- c. St. Bernadette

**2. A great astronomer spent the last eight years of his life under house arrest for expounding the idea that the sun, not the earth was the centre of the universe. Who was he?**

- a. Copernicus
- b. Galileo
- c. Kepler

**3. Who was the second man to score 50 goals in an NHL season?**

- a. Bernie Geoffrion
- b. Bobby Hull
- c. Maurice Richard

**4. In which months do the two equinoxes fall?**

- a. March and September
- b. June and December
- c. April and October

**5. In what year was the first meeting of the Inco Quarter Century Club held?**

- a. 1921
- b. 1930
- c. 1950

**6. Inco teams have won the All-Ontario mine rescue competition a total of how many times?**

- a. once
- b. twice
- c. four times

**7. A new semi-portable crusher adopted for use in Inco mines and promises significant productivity gains has an avian name. What is it called?**

- a. the Eagle
- b. the Hawk
- c. the Falcon

**8. The metal, numbered badge was replaced by the present system of personalized identification cards in which year?**

- a. 1969
- b. 1972
- c. 1975

**9. Inco's transportation department maintains approximately how many miles of vital railway tracks?**

- a. 60
- b. 90
- c. 120

**10. Which Inco mine recently became the first mine in North America to earn Five Stars in the Five Star Program of the International Safety Rating System.**

- a. Little Stobie
- b. Creighton
- c. Levack

# Attention Curling Pensioners

The 12th annual IN Touch  
Curling Bonspiel for retirees  
will be held at the  
Copper Cliff Curling Club

Thursday, March 12, 1987  
7:00 a.m.  
and  
Friday, March 13, 1987

## All Pensioners Welcome



The registration fee of \$15.00 must  
accompany the application and  
includes prizes and lunch. Out of  
town pensioners who wish to enter  
can mail their entry to:

**Jim Bryson**  
630 Pine Street  
Sudbury, Ontario  
P3C 1Y8

### Curling Committee

**Gino Gobbo** at Coniston, **Hilton Fowler** at  
Copper Cliff, **Rusty Duberry** at Walden,  
**Wes Hart** at Sudbury, **Fred Spencer** at  
Levack and **Ralph Brown** at Idylwyld.

### IN Touch Curling Bonspiel

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Please circle preferred position: Skip Vice-Skip Second Lead

Entries must be received by February 28, 1987 in order that the draw may be made. Draw times will be published  
in local newspapers on March 6, 1987



# NICKEL REFINERY COMPLEX

## CHANGES IN ORGANIZATION



Part of Sulphur Products Division.

*The last issue of the Triangle contained a report on the recent Family Day at the Copper Cliff Nickel Refinery Complex. The Family Day was hosted by the Sulphur Products Department, which is part of the Nickel Refinery Complex, but that fact was not clearly stated in the article.*

*Because of this, and because there seems to be some confusion over just what areas are part of the Nickel Refinery Complex, we thought our readers from other parts of the company would benefit from a brief overview on the significant changes that have taken place in the last few years.*

The Nickel Refinery Complex is a managerial area consisting of the Copper Cliff Nickel Refinery, the Sulphur Products Division and the Canadian Alloys Rolling Mill. Approximately 560 people are employed at this complex.

The nickel refinery came on stream in 1973 and produces high purity nickel pellets and nickel powders. Its main feed source comes from the matte processing

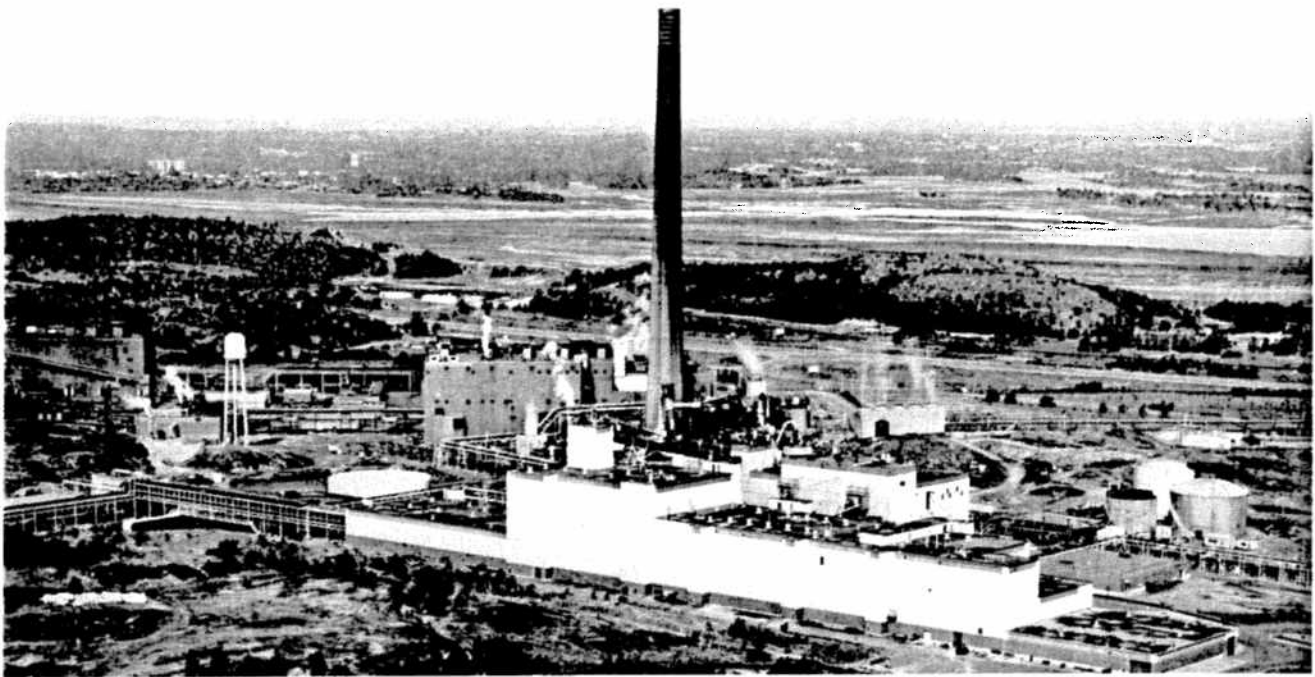
department at the Copper Cliff smelter.

The Sulphur Products Division was originally part of CIL and the products produced are still marketed by that company. It consists of three main areas: a roaster section, in what was formerly the Iron Ore Recovery Plant; an acid plant which is in close proximity to the roasters; and a liquid sulphur dioxide plant

located in the Copper Cliff Smelter Complex.

The acid plant produces various concentrations of sulphuric acid for use in the industrial market and is produced from roasting various metal concentrates which are sulphur-bearing products of the milling process. The concentrate is roasted to produce sulphur dioxide which is piped to the acid plant for processing into sulphuric acid.

The liquid sulphur dioxide plant, located in the Copper Cliff Smelter, takes the highly concentrated sulphur dioxide gas which is produced at the copper flash furnace and converts it into liquid sulphur dioxide, a product used primarily in the pulp and



*Nickel Refinery*



*Rolling Mill*

paper industry.

The final plant that is part of the Nickel Refinery Complex is the rolling mill. This highly automated plant is the newest member of the

complex. It produces coinage strip and blanks from nickel feedstock which comes from the Copper Cliff nickel refinery.

This brief description of the

Nickel Refinery Complex will be followed by more detailed articles on the individual plants in subsequent issues of the Triangle.

# FIRST AID TRAINING

## IT'S COME A LONG WAY



*If a choking victim becomes unconscious due to a throat obstruction the treatment is modified. Here instructor Rick Cholette demonstrates the proper procedure on "victim" Ekrem Abdullah. Looking on are, kneeling from left, Wayne Tonelli, Yvan Beauchamp, Chris Depatie and Dave Derochie. Standing in background are, from left, Brian Bommar, Gibby Gibson and Aime Lefebvre.*

First aid training in the Ontario Division has come a long way in the last 10 years. In years past, first aid training was conducted at the Inco Club on Froid Road where hundreds of employees were trained as a group. Under this type of system it was difficult to get a hands-on, personal type of training.

Improvements in training needed to be made and the first step in that direction was the establishment first aid training centre at the Murray mine town site. New hands-on programs were developed, which opened up a whole new dimension in first aid training.

This site has been recently replaced with a new training centre on the second floor of the administration building at Copper Cliff North mine.

A variety of courses are taught on a daily basis by highly qualified first aid specialists. Courses include a two-day standard first aid course, a one-day refresher course for supervision, and a five-day advanced course for Plant Protection officers and first response groups.

New programs were developed in the areas of surface rescue, involving the safe removal of sick and injured. Cardio pulmonary

resuscitation (CPR) is also available as well as first aid talks and demonstrations on a request basis. These talks cover a variety of subjects such as heart attacks, artificial resuscitation, choking, and the control of hemorrhage. They are especially valuable to employees as a refresher prior to going on vacation.

The employees in the first aid training centre are also responsible for organizing the annual first aid competitions which culminate with the Parker Shield competition.

Courses in first aid training can be scheduled by contacting your foreman or safety foreman in your area.





*If you see a person choking on something what do you do? This class demonstrates the first step in assisting the victim, assuming the person is still conscious. "Victims" are, from left, Yvan Beauchamp, Gibby Gibson, Aime Lefebvre and Ekrem Abdullah. Helpers are, back, from left, Brian Bonnar, Dave Derochie (instructor), Chris Depatie, Ron Vaudry, Wayne Tonelli (instructor) and Rick Cholette (instructor).*



*Instructor Wayne Tonelli gives Chris Depatie instructions on how to give artificial resuscitation to an infant.*



*First aid instructor Dave Derochie, watches as Yvan Beauchamp and Ekrem Abdullah practice CPR.*

# SUDBURY MAY PLAY ROLE IN UNDERSTANDING NATURE OF UNIVERSE

What is the nature and origin of the sun? Is the universe expanding or contracting? How do stars evolve? These are not questions the average person is usually concerned with, but they are questions which could be answered in Sudbury, and Inco's Creighton mine may play a part in helping to answer some of them.

The reason is that Creighton mine is one of the deepest mines in the Western Hemisphere and is situated in a type of rock which has a low level of naturally occurring background radiation. These factors make it one of the best locations to study neutrinos.

Neutrinos?

Even scientists are left scratching their heads over the presence of neutrinos in our atmosphere, and some are consistently baffled by their "magical" qualities.

Neutrinos have no mass, so they travel at the speed of light. They carry no electric charge, they have no size and they hardly interact with matter at all. Because of these properties they are extremely hard to detect and pass harmlessly through everything in their path. (In fact, thousands of neutrinos are passing, without harm, through your body at this very moment!)

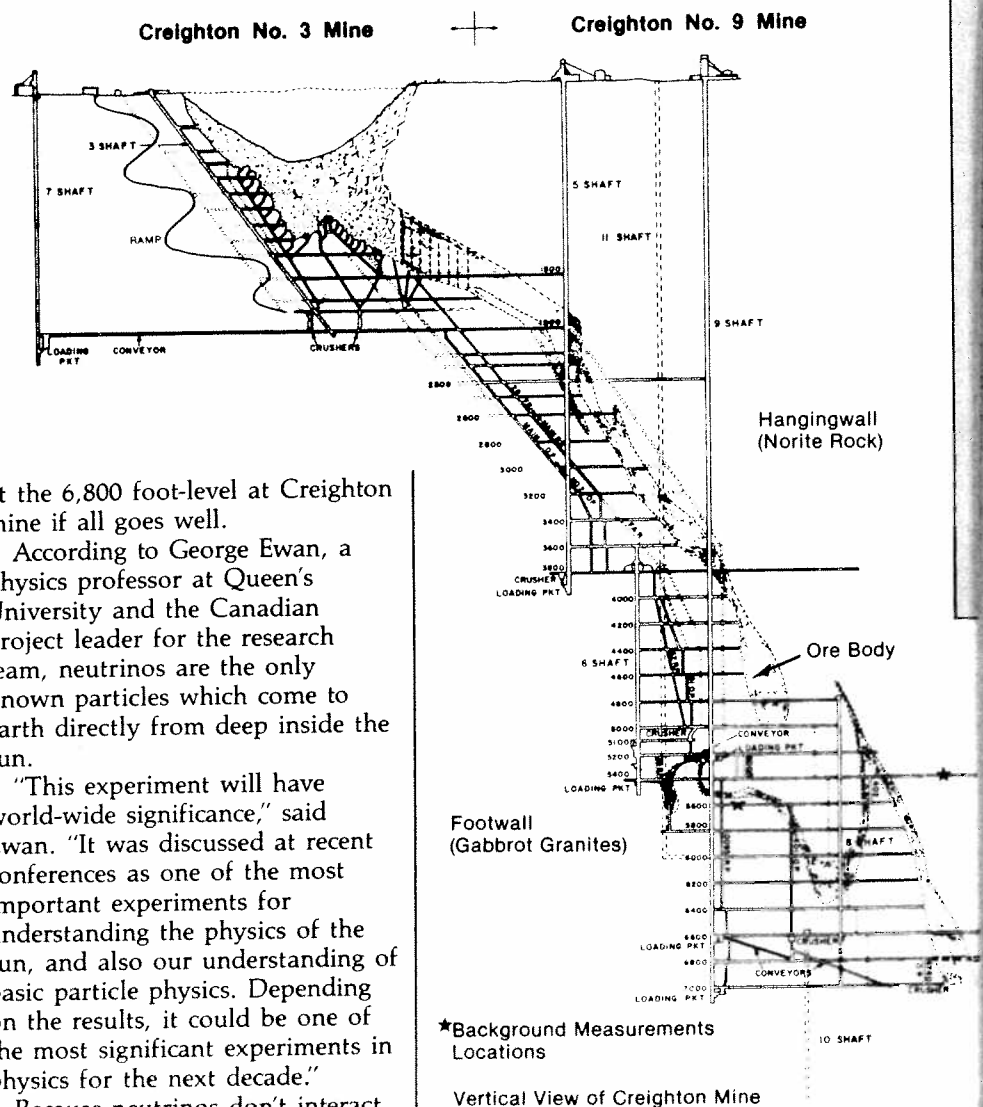
The idea to study these particles in Sudbury was spearheaded by Queen's University and the National Research Council. As a result an international research team from three countries has been formed and they are designing an experiment which will be located

at the 6,800 foot-level at Creighton mine if all goes well.

According to George Ewan, a physics professor at Queen's University and the Canadian project leader for the research team, neutrinos are the only known particles which come to earth directly from deep inside the sun.

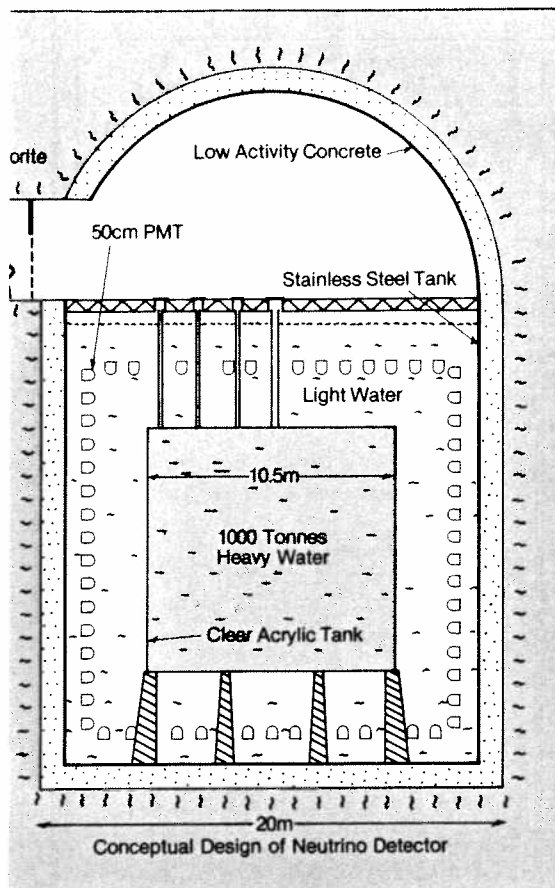
"This experiment will have world-wide significance," said Ewan. "It was discussed at recent conferences as one of the most important experiments for understanding the physics of the sun, and also our understanding of basic particle physics. Depending on the results, it could be one of the most significant experiments in physics for the next decade."

Because neutrinos don't interact with matter very often, any device that would detect them needs to be very sensitive and must be shielded from naturally occurring background radiation that is present in the environment. That's one of the reasons that Creighton mine was picked as a possible site to establish a neutrino observatory.



Vertical View of Creighton Mine

At the 6,800-foot level, the overburden of rock acts as a shield against cosmic rays, reducing their affect by about a million times compared to the surface of the earth. This fact, and the fact that



Proposed Site for  
Underground Laboratory

Granite rock at Creighton has a very low level of background radiation making the Creighton site an ideal location for a neutrino observatory. Even taking advantage

of this natural situation isn't enough to reduce outside interference.

Intense efforts must still be made to shield the detector against the natural radioactivity of the surrounding granite. Special concrete and water shields are necessary to further reduce background radiation.

Laurentian University physics instructor Dr. Doug Hallman, says Creighton was deemed "one of the two or three best spots in North America ... the eventual conclusion was that Sudbury was an outstanding site."

Work currently underway at Creighton is aimed at determining whether it is feasible to construct a chamber 20 metres square, containing 1,000 tonnes of heavy water and 2,400 light sensors. Scientists must decide if the highly-computerized system they are considering will be adversely affected by the daily mining activities, Dr. Hallman said.

"This is certainly a world-class experiment," Dr. Hallman added. "What we're trying to do is expand our knowledge of basic physics and basic science. It's a cause that certainly should be supported."

The experiment - which will cost an estimated \$15 million - will be largely financed by the Natural Science and Engineering Council.

Yet, this proposed experiment would not be the first of its kind. In 1968, researchers in the United States launched an experiment in neutrino detection at the Homestake gold mine in South Dakota, using a massive vat of chlorinated cleaning fluid located 1,500 metres underground.

Unfortunately the experiment at Homestake was only successful in measuring a third of the predicted number of neutrinos, a fact which left physicists puzzled over the qualities of neutrino particles.

But now, scientists say they have found a location where the natural geology of the Canadian Shield

will filter out cosmic rays, which have been interfering with prior experiments.

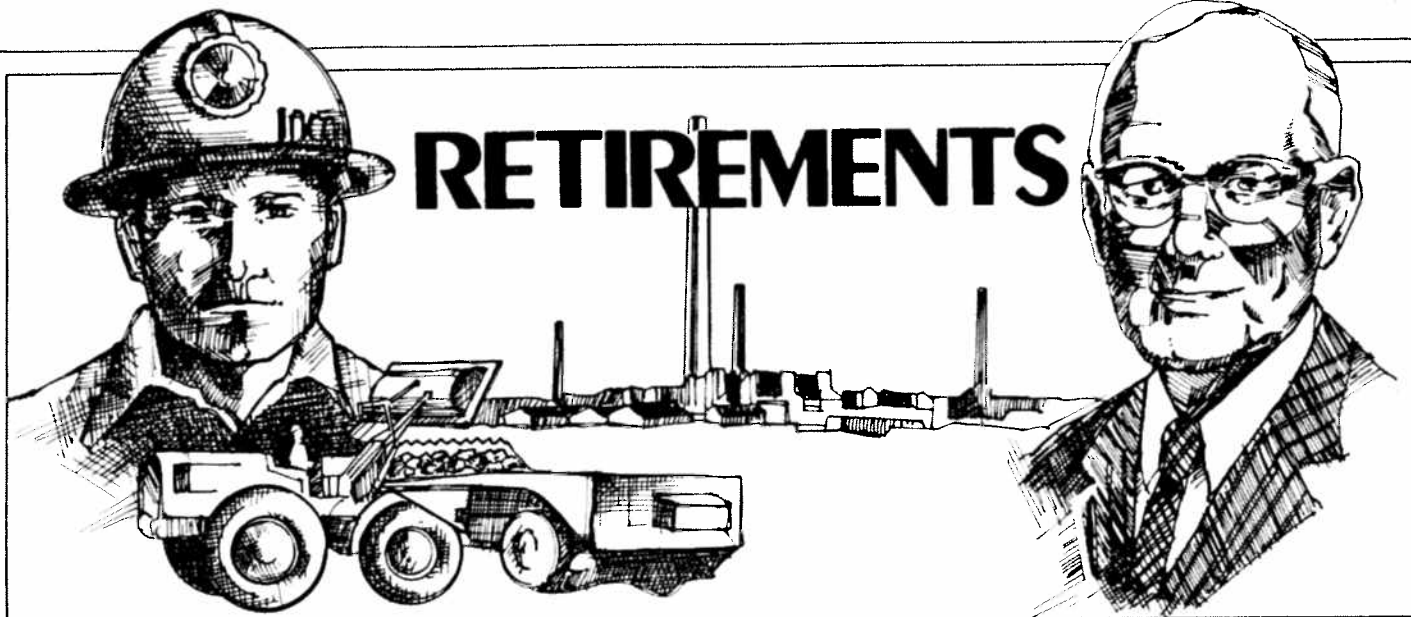
According to Queen's University professor Dr. George Ewan, their dream is to use neutrinos to probe mysteries surrounding the sun. The sensitive light detectors would separate the neutrinos into two basic categories - high and low energy.

Scientists hasten to add that the proposed experiment would not involve the use of any radioactive materials. For example, the heavy water used in the experiment must be pure - void of any radioactivity - if the experiment is to succeed. The heavy water itself would be borrowed from the federal government. It's a unique Canadian resource that is worth \$200 million and would be supplied by Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd.

Sudbury's "neutrino observatory" - buried deep within the earth's crust - would not be the only one in operation. In the Soviet Union, scientists are scheduled to commence a similar experiment in 1989, a year ahead of their Canadian and British counterparts, this time in the Caucasus Mountains. Other experiments are ongoing in an Italian roadway tunnel in the Appennine Mountains near Rome. Both experiments - instead of using heavy water - use liquid gallium.

Yet scientists claim the results coming out of Sudbury will be more beneficial than the results which come out of other experiments because the container design used in Sudbury provides protection from the Earth's natural radiation.

According to Gerhart Friedlander, a consultant with the United States-based Brookhaven National Laboratory and co-author of a recent study on current neutrino experiments, the Sudbury experiment could be the best ever proposed, in terms of qualitative results.



## GERALD FOREST

Gerry Forest is a local boy who was born and raised in the Donovan section of Sudbury. After graduating from Sudbury Mining and Technical School, he worked at Laberge Lumber until the age of 18 when he joined Inco at the Coniston smelter.

From there he had an interesting and varied career and worked at many Inco locations including Garson, Creighton and the Copper Cliff smelter.

After about nine years with the bricklayers he won a job as garage mechanic at Frood-Stobie and from 1971 until retirement his job was the ordering of all parts required for repairs, work he enjoyed. He has taken an early service pension.

Gerry married a local girl, Marie-Ange Dupuis at Sudbury in 1954. Oldtimers from Frood will remember her dad Omer who was bus driver

on that route for many years.

The Forests have four children. Son Mark is at Carleton University, and Claude is in Sudbury, Monique, Mrs. Grant Duncan, is in Coniston, and Colette, Mrs. Ivan Duchesne, is in Montreal. There are three grandchildren.

Gerry and his wife have lived in the New Sudbury area for some 20 years. They also have a summer place at Frenchman's Lake where they spend much of their time and have a fine garden there.

Gerry sings in two choirs and both he and his wife are active in their parish and the community. Marie-Ange is president of the Laurentian Hospital Auxiliary. Gerry played junior hockey when he was younger and still enjoys sports on TV.

They are in fine health and are enjoying retirement together. Travel plans include a trip to the west coast and a possible trip to Florida if the exchange rate is right.

## ROY GORDON

Roy Gordon was born at Little Current on Manitoulin Island in 1927 but was raised in several communities throughout Northern Ontario.

His family came to Sudbury in 1941 and that is when he started working. His first job was delivering groceries for a grocery store and later for Seguin's bakery. He also worked for a time for the Norris Shoe Repair and then spent about three years in the yard and freight office of the CPR.

In 1945 he was hired by Inco and started at the copper refinery, where



he worked in the precious metals end then went to the tankhouse. Next move was to the plate shop then the mechanics and the last several years he worked mainly at repairing narrow gauge cars.

Roy has never married and doubts he will now. "I like women alright," he said. "In fact I consider them angels, but I do enjoy being a bachelor." He has lived with a married couple of friends in Garson for many years.

Roy is a member of the local militia and is also a member of the Lockerby Legion. His hobbies include fishing, walking and reading. He would like to take a trip to the west coast by train. He has no desire to go south in winter. When asked what he does in winter Roy said, with a smile; "I watch out my window at my friends trying to start their cars."

In reasonably good health he is enjoying retirement.



## RENE MARLEAU

One of the happiest, healthiest and busiest of recent pensioners has to be Rene Marleau who worked at the cottrells in Copper Cliff for many years. He originally worked at the roasters and in 1960 joined Aubrey Wright at the cottrells.

He was born in Montreal in 1942 and worked for an aircraft company before coming to Sudbury on the advice of a cousin working there. He was laid off at Inco for about a year in 1945 so he hustled up north and worked in the gold mines.

He is not a man who enjoys being idle and for several years operated a snack bar and post office at the corner of Lasalle and Falconbridge Rd., and never missed a shift from work while doing it.

It was in 1951 that Rene and Claire Brideau were married. They have two sons; Mike at Mississauga, and Claude in Sudbury. Claire admits she would have liked a daughter and hopes now to have a daughter-in-law instead.

Rene and Claire are very active people who have been top flight bowlers for the past 20 years. Their sons gave them golf clubs when Rene retired and they have now taken up that sport. Rene also curls and loves to fish and this winter they plan to cross country ski.

They usually spend their summers at Lake Nipissing and are planning on buying a more modern motor home for their future travels. They have been to Florida, Texas, Mexico and California as well as Hawaii and have seen both coasts of Canada.

An avid gardener, Rene puts in a

good deal of time and effort at their large lot in the New Sudbury area and his wife claims that he has one of the best gardens in the neighborhood. Claire also works part time at the nearby shopping centre and is also on the ladies executive at Club Alouette.

They are a very happy couple who obviously enjoy life and each other.

## KAROL KRAKOVSKY

Karol Krakovsky was born in Czechoslovakia in 1925, but was raised in Sudbury, coming here in 1932. "My dad John was working at the copper refinery," Karol said.

Karol was raised in Sudbury's west end and attended Sudbury Mining and Technical school before joining the RAF in 1943. He was a wireless operator and spent most of his time in England.

Karol had worked for Inco for a few months prior to joining the RAF and when he returned to Sudbury in 1947, after the war, he rejoined the company. Most of his Inco service was spent doing carpentry work both in the carpenter shop and out in the field.

It was at Sudbury in 1957 that Karol and Lily Michelutti were married. She was born in Sudbury. Their son David, an Inco scholar, is a graduate in pharmacy from the University of Toronto; daughter Linda, a Laurentian graduate, is at the Taxation Data Centre, and Donna, also an Inco scholar, is taking business administration at Sir Wilfred Laurier. So Karol and his wife are justifiably proud of their



children's achievements.

They have lived in the west end all their married life and will remain there. Karol played soccer in his younger years and was with Frood, Garson and the old Ryan Club. He bowls and enjoys most sports on TV.

Lily is very active in her church and is currently president of the Catholic Women's League of St. Clement's Church. But her first priority is her family and she has put off any long range plans until they are all safely settled.

Karol is a member of Branch 76 of the Legion and is happy right now adjusting to this new way of life. They are both in good health and have sufficient interests to keep them busy.



## NOEL BOULANGER

Noel Boulanger is a happy, smiling new pensioner who is already enjoying his new life to the fullest. Noel worked at Levack all his Inco years, 18 of them as a pipefitter underground and 10 years as cagetender at No. 3 shaft. "That was a good place to work and I worked with good guys," declared Noel.

Noel was born in Welland in 1928. His dad was working on the construction of the Welland canal at that time. A couple of years later his family moved to Mattawa where Noel joined his father in his shoe repair shop. Noel also was cookee in a lumber camp, worked on the section gang with the railways and was at the roundhouse in Cartier for about six years until it closed down, with the advent of the diesel locomotives.

In 1949 he and Laura Therrien



were married in Mattawa. They had grown up together. Their son Maurice is at Cartier and the five daughters are: Linda at Sudbury; Gail at home in Cartier; Noella, Mrs. Darrel Crane of Levack; Madelaine, Mrs. Peter Dumont of Cartier, and Alice in Chapleau. According to Laura, their eight grandchildren are thoroughly spoiled by their doting grandpa.

Noel has lived at Cartier since 1950 and enjoys that little community. "I can ride my bike all over and there are plenty of Inco pensioners there," he said. And there are many places for him to try his skills for speckled trout.

Laura has been in ill health for some time so Noel is turning out to be pretty handy around the house. He is busy most of the time and that is the way he likes it. They hope to do some travelling when Laura's health improves.

Noel plays cribbage with the boys, gets all the latest news at the local cafe each day and generally enjoys life.

## ADELMO MARCHIONI

Danny Marchioni was born in a small town near Rome, Italy in 1927 and vividly recalls working in a huge factory during the war. After the war, when most of the town and industry had been destroyed, he and two partners started a small shop. "We made almost anything from simple tools to pots made from the old shell casings."

Danny came to Sudbury in 1951 on the advice of one of his local partners, Mario Scarsellone, who was



already working there. Mario is also an Inco pensioner.

Unable to speak any English, Danny went to night school and that was where he met Nasima Mahfood who was also there learning English. They were married in Sudbury in 1956 and have four children. The three boys are Peter at Guelph; David in Toronto, and John at Laurentian University. Daughter Diana is at Cambrian College. There is one very young, and much adored grandson.

Danny built his home on Elm Street West, the year after they were married and he cultivates an extensive garden there. Nasima freezes or preserves most of their produce.

Hunting and fishing are among Danny's pleasures and also working around his home where he is able to fix or make most anything he needs. He has made one trip back to Italy and would like to travel to Florida.

Danny watches most sports on TV, although he is partial to hockey, football and soccer.

His Inco service dates from 1952. He has worked at the sand bins, in the old Orford building, the plate shop and as a mechanic in the machine shop. He also worked at the flash furnaces for 14 years as a maintenance mechanic.

## BERNARD GREUEL

Big Ben Greuel, all six feet, four inches of him, has taken an early service pension from the mills where he spent all his Inco years. Ben says that his dad and six brothers were all over six feet in height so he comes by his height honestly.

Born on a farm in Saskatchewan in 1925, he grew up there and his first job away was in the bush in Northern Ontario. In 1944 he joined Inco at the Copper Cliff mill but it took him four passes before he finally decided that this was a better place to work than the farm.

For the most part he had worked at the old receiving bins at the crushing plant. He liked his work and was good at it. "And no one ever bothered me," he added with a smile.

When the crushing plant closed he went to operate the tippie at Clarabelle mill and the last few years



was at the Frood-Stobie mill, driving the service truck.

It was in 1956, at Ethelbert, Manitoba that Ben and Elsie Domaratzki were married. Their family includes Jeffrey who works for the Ministry of Agriculture at Guelph; Jamie on staff at the University of Saskatchewan, and John, an Inco scholar in his final year of engineering at Waterloo. Daughter Catherine is a laboratory technician at the University of Saskatchewan, and Jessica is in her final year of nursing at Canadore College.

They built their home at Naughton in 1957, one of the early ones, and in addition to their garden have a small tree nursery there. They also have a summer place at Lake Penage.

This past year they took a most enjoyable Caribbean cruise and next year they hope to see the east coast.

They are active in their church and the community. Elsie readily admits that she just loves having big Ben at home now.

## DON BUTLER

A native of St. John's, Newfoundland, Don Butler still visits home but much prefers to be living right where he is on North Shore Dr. on beautiful Lake Ramsey in Sudbury.

Don was born in 1927 and after leaving school worked at a brewery for five years before coming to Sudbury. "I was in Toronto in 1950 and met a friend who was at Levack and he told me this was the place to be," Don related. So he came here that year, worked for a short time on

construction then hired with Inco at the smelter. A few months later he went to Murray mine and worked on production and development there for several years. He was also a member of supervision from 1969 to 1972.

From Murray he went to Little Stobie as raise driller then to South mine. Later he came to surface and joined the warehouse crew, first at Levack, then Copper Cliff, Garson and finally Stobie. He spent the last 11 years at that work, and has now taken an early service pension.

In 1947, Don married Bell Robson in St. John's. They have six children. Son Jim is in Sudbury; Gerry is with



the OPP at Chapleau; Marvin is in Toronto and Michael attends school. The girls are: Pat, Mrs. Tony D'Angelo, and Cathy, both of Sudbury. There are six grandchildren.

Don has done quite a bit of sailing on Lake Ramsey. He also enjoys swimming.

He and Bell have been to Florida several times and will likely spend some of their winters there now. They also hope to travel more.

The Butlers are a devoted couple who are in good health and are sure to enjoy many happy years in retirement. And as Mrs. Butler says; "We are a close family and enjoy our children very much."

## RALPH GINSON

Ralph Ginson has retired from Frood mine where he had worked for most of his Inco years. He joined the company in 1960, working for about a year at the Orford building before



getting a transfer to Frood. He liked mining and was a stope boss and pillar leader for many years. The last year he had worked at the tipple on 1000 level.

Ralph came to Sudbury in 1949 but was too light to get on with Inco so he worked for some four years with Fraser Brace and another six years as a letter carrier before hiring with Inco in 1960.

Ralph was born in the small town of Somerville, N.B. in 1929, right across the river from Hartland which boasts the longest covered bridge in the world.

In 1957, at Sudbury, Ralph and Mrs. Beauchamp, a widow, were married. She had two sons; Denis of Ottawa and Richard of Hanmer. There are also two sons by the second marriage, Gerard in Prince Edward Island, and Robert, who was an Inco scholar, in Toronto. There are six grandchildren.

The Ginsons have lived in a comfortable home at Val Therese since 1959 and have no plans to move. They have a large garden that produces much of their vegetable needs and Mrs. Ginson always makes plenty of jams, jellies, pickles and preserves that the family looks forward to enjoying.

For exercise they both like to walk and Ralph also enjoys cross-country skiing. They enjoy travel and have been most everywhere in Canada except Newfoundland.

Mrs. Ginson works part time at a local department store and Ralph is toying with the idea of doing something himself although he is quick to admit that he is never bored.

## GINO CACCIOTTI

A back injury suffered in 1983 has made it necessary for Gino Cacciotti to take a disability pension from Creighton 9 shaft which was the last of several locations he had worked at.

Gino was born in Italy in 1931. His family had a small farm where they raised livestock before his dad came to Canada in 1949. He brought Gino over in 1951. His first job was with Fraser Brace.

Gino wasn't able to meet the weight requirements at Inco so he next worked at the CPR for a couple of years then went to Ottawa and worked for that city for about four years. He returned to Sudbury in 1957 and was able to hire on at the then Iron Ore Recovery Plant.

After five years at the pellet plant, Gino moved to Frood mine and later went with the maintenance mechanics at the Clarabelle open pit. In 1981 he went to Garson on construction work



and finished up at Creighton 9 shaft.

While in Ottawa, Gino was lucky enough to meet up with Jeannine Beaulieu and they were married in 1953. They have four children: Marcello is in college at St. Catharines, and Gino Jr. attends a local high school. Daughter Nina is Mrs. Len Senecal of Sudbury. Daughter Teresa is a nurse in Ottawa. They have one grandchild.

Both Gino and Jeannine are very active with the Caruso Club where he is membership chairman and she is involved with the ladies' groups.

Gino likes to hunt and fish and at one time had a garden at their home in New Sudbury, but a few years

back they took out the garden and put in a pool that Jeannine and the children enjoy very much.

Gino makes his own wine and they are both involved with the annual Italian Festival. They love to travel and next year they plan to visit Italy. They have toured Florida, Texas and Mexico and they may scout around now for a warmer place further south, but for now they are enjoying retirement.

## VERNER KAPPLER

Vern Kappler has taken a disability pension due to a back problem.

His last place of work was at Copper Cliff with Central Utilities. Prior to that he was a stationery



engineer at the Iron Ore Recovery Plant for 13 years. He joined Inco in 1952 at the nickel reverbs.

He was born in Germany in 1925 and after finishing grade eight he apprenticed as a plumber but was drafted to the navy in 1942. After the war he spent two years on a farm in West Germany then went to visit his parents who had ended up in East Germany, and couldn't get out. However one good thing happened there; he met Ella Pintaske and they were married in 1948. They have one daughter, Annalies, Mrs. Bill Flynn of Naughton. There are two grandchildren.

Vern has lived in Naughton since 1954 and were one of the first families who settled there. Their property borders on Simon Lake which is fine with Vern who says there are fish appearing in that lake again.

Both he and Ella like to fish and have a camper which takes them to many locations. Vern is also a moose hunter but admits that with his back problem he can't do much in the bush. "I catch fish for the gang," he said.

Vern's hobby is photography and he does all his own processing. At one time he used to fix refrigerators but can't handle that heavy work any more.

The Kapplers have travelled to Texas, Florida and British Columbia but have never been back to Germany. Vern used to bowl and they both attend the local fitness centre. Apart from his back he is in good health.

## JOHN DEVEAU

John Deveau has retired on early service from Levack where he had worked since joining the company in 1948. "I started underground and worked almost all the time there," he said. "The last nine years I was on the cage and was operating shaft boss."

He was born at Yarmouth, N.S. in 1927 and worked for a time at home before going to Arvida, Quebec with an aluminum company. He was later recruited by Inco and came to Sudbury in 1948. "I was only planning on staying for maybe a year till I got a little stake," John said with a smile. "But I liked it here and am glad I stayed."

When his wife first arrived at Levack she thought it was one of the worst places she had seen but soon grew to like it and now would be



hard pressed to leave. They were married in 1946, she was Anne Saulnier before their marriage. Their six children are: Bernard at Falconbridge; Walter at Elliot Lake; Vernon in Sudbury, David and Joanne at Smith Falls, and Mary, Mrs. Kenneth Watson, is at Deep River. To date there are three granddaughters.

John's wife tends their small garden at home and he is busy at the seniors' club. They have a camper and like to travel, having been to both coasts.

Anne is busy knitting and doing craft work and also is involved with retarded children. John likes to visit the shopping malls where he meets some of his old buddies. He is a diabetic so doesn't like to be away from home for long. Otherwise he is in fair health and enjoying retirement.



## JOSEPH VALIUKAS

Except for a couple of years at the sinter plant when he started with the company, Joe Valiukas has worked at Frood-Stobie since 1950 and he is very proud of his safety record. "I've not had a dressing for 21 years," he said. "And never had a real accident."

While at Frood-Stobie Joe was a longhole driller for several years then went as blaster boss for 17 years until his retirement on early service pension. He liked mining and readily admits he would choose mining again if he were to start all over.

Born on a farm in Lithuania in 1925, Joe saw the Russians, then the Germans and again the Russians take over his country. In 1941 he was taken to Germany to work digging

trenches and after the war stayed there until 1948.

He came to Canada that same year and was under contract for the CPR at Winnipeg. When that job ended in the fall he went first to Blind River but soon came to Sudbury and a job with Inco.

It was while he was in Sudbury that Joe met Mary Sernowski who was born in Saskatchewan. They were married in 1953 and have four children. Son Edgar is a teacher, Emily, Mrs. Fred Cameletti is in Sudbury; Janet is in Windsor, and Diane, Mrs. Speedy Visentin, is in Copper Cliff. There are 13 grandchildren.

Joe and Mary have lived in New Sudbury for 25 years and have a productive garden which gives all their children fresh produce.

Joe makes stained glass decorations and is also a handy carpenter. Mary does volunteer work at the General Hospital and has other interests to keep busy.

They enjoy travel and hope to do more now. A trip to Europe is in the planning stage.

## FELIX MALLAIS

Felix Mallais has already made plans as to how he and his wife will be spending their retirement years. Their summer home at Lake Nepawassi will be their home in the good weather and in winter they will be basking in the Florida sunshine.

Felix has taken an early service pension from Stobie mine where he had worked as a boom truck operator the last eight years. He had



previously spent about 25 years at Creighton mine.

He was born at Burnsville, New Brunswick and raised at Bathurst and Allardville. His first job was as a stevedore at Halifax. He served on a hospital ship with the Merchant Marine for two years and spent a few winters in the bush at Kapuskasing. He came to Sudbury in 1950 and was soon hired at Inco.

In 1952 Felix married Eva Lebreton in Sudbury. Her dad, Edmond, is retired from Froid mine and she also has a brother Arthur who works at the copper refinery. Eva is from Tracadie, N.B. but she and Felix met in Sudbury. Their five children are: Gilles, Rheal, Marc, and Robert, all in Toronto; daughter Colette, is in Sudbury. Another son, Daniel, was killed in a car accident when he was just nine years of age. Four grandchildren round out the family.

Felix and his family have lived at Minnow Lake area for 27 years. Felix does some fishing but moose hunting is his specialty. He is also a golfer and curls occasionally.

## ERIC DUNN

Eric Dunn is a happy man who attributes part of his happiness to the fact that he is always busy. He likes doing things himself and over the course of the last few years has built three houses and is presently building a garage at his home in Copper Cliff, where they have lived the last three years. Earlier they had resided in Azilda.

Eric has retired from the Copper Cliff mill and over the years has worked at all mills in the area except Creighton. He was hired at the old crushing plant in 1956 and worked on the receiving bins. Later he moved to Copper Cliff mill and worked on the pump floor until his retirement.

He was born in England, in 1928, and had been a textile worker before the war. He and his brother came to Canada in 1949 and went to Toronto but ended up at a wool mill in Hespeler. Then he and his brother took Horace Greeley's advice and went west to Vancouver but couldn't find much in the way of jobs. Their next stop was farming near Calgary, then it was a trip back home to England.

Eric returned alone in 1952 and

worked at Galt and as a plumber at Brantford before ending up at Elliot Lake.

In 1959 Eric and Germaine Deroy were married at Azilda. Their five children are: Donald, in Windsor;



Edgar, in Ottawa; Dennis in Kitchener; Irene, in Chelmsford and Barbara, Mrs. Donald Rouleau in Elliot Lake. There are four grandchildren.

Eric is a member of the Copper Cliff Legion. He enjoys hockey and wrestling, and likes best to watch the kids play hockey at the local arena. They made a trip back to England three years ago and will probably go again.

Eric hopes now to do some fishing and visit their children.

## FRANK SPADA

Frank Spada, a 27-year veteran of the Port Colborne refinery, left a six-year stint as a policeman in northern Italy to immigrate to this country in 1957.

Born in Mangone, Italy, April 8, 1932, Frank said though he enjoyed the police work, a transfer to a distant town made him decide the time was right to try his luck in Canada where his sister had already made her home. He still has one brother, a retired policeman, in Italy.

He started with the company soon after he arrived in Canada in May 1957. He held a variety of production jobs, but injuries sustained on the job forced him into light duty positions for the final 15 years of his employment.

In 1959, he and Lina Segreto, old acquaintances from the same home town, were married. Two of their three children, Gino and Maria, recently opened up a fitness centre in Port Colborne. Their second daughter, Nancy, 19, is studying business administration at Brock University.

Since Lina is still working full time at the Port Colborne Poultry, where she has been employed for the past 10 years, Frank has taken over the bulk of the household chores. Lina boasts that he has become an accomplished cook. Racks of wine, slabs of curing meat and jars of home preserved sauces in the root cellar of their Bell Street, Port Colborne, home attest to his skill.

Although admitting that sometimes the days can be long, Frank says gardening, fishing, bicycling and meeting with his friends, keep his days busy. The Spadas have also made numerous short trips to visit relatives in Timmins, Toronto, Ottawa and Quebec City.



## DONALD DEMERS

Arthritis has finally caught up with Don Demers and has required him to take things easy so he is now on disability pension.

A relatively young man, he was born near Buckingham, Quebec in 1936. He is still very active and has a lifetime love of the outdoors. He has a travel trailer parked at Camp Louise on Emerald Lake that is in use from April to November. "We can reach about 40 lakes from there with



a four wheel drive," he said. He is an avid fisherman and hunter.

He came to Sudbury in 1956 after working on the farm and in the bush and started at the Copper Cliff smelter. In 1959 went to Creighton. After 14 years he moved to Garson where he worked on the raise borer. The last couple of years he was on diamond drilling.

Don met his wife through his church and they were married at Verner in 1961. She was Rachel Laurin before their marriage. They have two sons: Gaston at home, and Denis at school. Young Alain was killed by a motorbike when he was only two. Daughter Gisele is in Ottawa, and Francine and Diane are in school.

Don built his own home in Garson, one of many he has built over the years. He enjoys dancing and is also active in his local parish.

He is in good health except for his arthritis and plans to try one winter in Arizona to see if the dry climate helps. He is also planning a trip to the Holy Land sometime in the future.

Don admits he misses the boys from work but does see them occasionally downtown. At a party for pensioners he received a fine watch from the Frood-Stobie Athletic Association which he treasures.

## MARCEL VAILLANCOURT

Marcel Vaillancourt has been troubled with a bad back for a couple of years now and decided to take advantage of the incentive plan

and has taken a disability pension.

He worked for most of his Inco years at Levack but was originally hired at the old crushing plant in Copper Cliff. After a couple of years he transferred to Stobie and then to Frood. In 1954, as the result of a force adjustment, he was sent to Levack and stayed there. He had been a stope leader most of the time and liked mining.

Born at Calumet Island, Quebec in 1929, he was raised on the family farm and worked there in summer and the bush in winter. His brother was working as a barber in Sudbury and told him to come there which he did in 1950 and hired on that same year.

Denise Baronette and Marcel were married in Minnow Lake in 1955 and they have four children. Robert is at Thunder Bay, Clement attends college at Pembroke, Helen is Mrs. Sean O'Connor of Prince Albert, Sask., and Angele is in Toronto. There are three grandsons to date.

Denise was born at Cache Bay but raised in Sudbury and her dad Victor is a pensioner from Garson. She was the only girl among nine brothers and three of them are with the company. Rene and Andre are at Frood, and Oscar is at Garson.

The Vaillancourts have lived at Levack since their marriage and they also have a summer place back home at Calumet Island, where they spend



as much time as possible in summer. Marcel likes to fish when at camp and he is a real hockey buff and a supporter of the local Levack Huskies.

He and Denise are a happy couple



together and enjoy each others company. And she admits that Marcel is pretty good at helping out around the house. They are enjoying retirement.



## MIKE LUCIW

Born and raised on a farm in Blezard Valley, Mike Luciw still lives in that area and has no intention or desire to leave, even to come to Sudbury, his wife claims.

It was during the war in 1944, when Mike was just 17, that he was able to hire on at the copper refinery. He worked for Jack Duncan in the silver building for a couple of years then quit to try his hand at other endeavours.

He was with Falconbridge for a time, then Smith-Travers diamond drilling and then to Fraser Brace where he helped build the No. 3 dry at Copper Cliff and the sinter plant. He rehired at Inco in 1950, starting at Froid.

He worked in all areas at Froid and finished up the last 12 years as a shaft inspector and later as cagetender.

A well known local girl, Irene Croteau, and Mike were married at Sudbury in 1958. Her dad Ronald was a painter with Inco before his retirement and she also has a brother Lawrence retired from South mine. Two other brothers are still with Inco. Robert is at North mine and Raymond is at Garson.

Mike and Irene have a family of four. Danny is in Windsor; Albert is in Hanmer, Alan is in Toronto and Suzanne is in Sudbury. There are four grandchildren.

Mike cultivates a large garden at

their home in Val Caron and Irene freezes and preserves much of their garden produce. Mike enjoys working with wood and has a work bench in his basement where he spends many happy hours.

One of the best things they have done, they both agree, was to install an inground pool some years back. They and their family have had much enjoyment from it.

They have made a trip to the east coast and hope to go west this year. They have been to Florida a couple of times but have no plans to go again.

## JEAN MANTLE

A happy and rewarding retirement is in store for John Mantle who retired recently from Stobie where he had spent a good number of his Inco years. John is a true fisherman and has wet a line in more lakes and streams in the north than most men. Speckles and lake trout are his favorite and he has, for years, provided all the fresh fish for his family.

"During the eight months strike I used to go fishing at least five times a week," he recalled. His wife is the one who fillets most of his catch and cooks it to everyone's taste.

John was born on a farm at St. Andre Avellin, Quebec but the family moved to Hagar when he was about eight. John later worked on the farm and in the bush before coming to Sudbury. He worked for both of the two major lumber companies in town for about six years before he was able to get hired



to Inco. "I used to go to the office about once a week for years," he said. "But they always told me they weren't hiring."

He started at Froid in 1957 and worked on production and with the motor crews. In 1964 he transferred to Stobie and was a slusherman and on motor crews there until his retirement.

In 1955, at Warren, he married Georgette Tetreault. Their four children are: Ronald, at Sault Ste. Marie, Marcel in Mississauga, Ghislaine, Mrs. Laurent Mallette of Val Caron, and Francine, Mrs. Paul Roberts of Mississauga. There are five grandchildren.

The Mantles live in Blezard and have a large garden there. "One year I had over 20 bags of potatoes," John said. Georgette preserves and pickles many of their vegetables and the children all come in for their share. She also likes to knit and sew for her grandchildren.

John has a boat and trailer, a four wheel vehicle and a snowmobile so he is prepared to travel most anywhere to fish. He is also a handy man with tools and likes to make things from wood.

He is in good health and is a very happy man who enjoys his family, friends, the Quebec Nordiques and the odd dance at the local seniors' club which is only a short distance from their home.

## JEAN DUMONT

Jean Dumont was born in 1931 and was one of 12 children born on the family farm in Quebec. When he was 17, he and his brother went to Montreal and after about a year there, headed back to the bush and found work in many of the lumber camps throughout northern Quebec and Ontario. Jean finally ended up in Chapeau working for the CPR.

He came to Sudbury in 1951 and was able to get hired at Inco about a year later. He started in the old sinter plant and later went with the maintenance mechanics where he worked at many of the local mines. Jean retired from the Froid-Stobie mill.

Jean met Eugene Dumont at his brother's wedding and after corresponding with her for some time



they were married at her home town, Trois Pistoles. Their three children are: Rheel in Ottawa, Jean Pierre in the army, and Joanne at home. There is also one grandson.

The Dumonts have lived in New Sudbury for some 30 years and are in the process of buying a new home there. Jean also has a place in the Flour Mill area that he rents.

He likes hunting and fishing and at one time did bowl but now he gets his exercise from brisk walks and jogging. Eugene works part time so Jean does some of the cooking and is reputed to be a pretty good chef.

They have made a trip to Florida and may go again. They also visit back home in Quebec each year and they are generally enjoying their life together.

## RAYMOND LAPOINTE

Ray Lapointe and his wife are continuing the tradition of past years when large families were the norm and are very happy and proud of their brood of 11 children. Ray is from a family of 15 and his wife from a family of nine.

They were married in Coniston in 1952, she was Stella Lalonde, and her dad Xavier retired from Coniston. She also had four uncles working there at one time. Their six sons are: Gilles in Toronto; Camille at the smelter; Andre in Sudbury; Eloi in Halifax; Gaetan in Ottawa and Roger

at college in Tennessee. The girls are: Denise at Laurentian Hospital; Lise, Mrs. Frank Dollemont, Suzanne, Mrs. Roger Chartrand of Sudbury; Jocelyne, engaged to be married, and Guylaine at school. To date there are eight grandchildren.

At one time they had all 11 children home and Ray realizes that at today's prices he couldn't afford to feed them all. But they like to have lots of family around and at Easter had 22 for dinner. They raised their family for the most part in a home in the Minnow Lake area with bunk beds being the fashion.

Ray was born near Granby, Quebec and was raised on the family farm. He had a brother at Inco who told him to come to Sudbury which he did in 1950 and after working the winter cutting ice on Lake Ramsey, joined Inco at the Coniston smelter. He was there for 13 years and spent a short time at the Copper Cliff smelter before going to the Iron Ore plant where he worked until his retirement on early pension.

Ray admits his hobby is work. "I've always had two jobs and I am still working for the Electrolux people. We have a garden at our home and also at our camp on the French River. I like being busy," he added. And he certainly is.

They are active in their church and enjoy their family. Ray is a hockey fan and they both enjoy good health.



They have done some travelling and hope to do more. Ray is a shining example of that old adage about hard work not hurting anyone. He thrives on it.



## JOHN CHARLES BOUDREAU

J.C. Boudreau, as he is fondly known by most, has taken a disability pension brought on by a tendon problem in one shoulder.

He was born at Sudbury in 1931, but was raised at Carleton Place in the Gaspé area where his family moved while he was a baby. He attended St. Joseph's College at Moncton for two years before joining his dad and two brothers in Sudbury. They were with Fraser Brace, and J.C. worked with them until hiring on with Inco in 1951.

He started at Stobie and moved to Frood three years later and he worked the next 20 years on production. He joined the mechanics in 1976, first at Copper Cliff then with the car repair crews at Frood. "I worked on the big locos and trains on 1,400," he said.

Jeannine Tessier became his wife in 1955 when they were married in Hanmer. Their seven children are: George, Richard, and Andre, all living at home; Robert in Hanmer, and Gaetan in Sudbury, Suzanne, Mrs. Adolphe Charbonneau in Sudbury and Colette, Mrs. Mike Bechamp of Toronto. There are three grandchildren to date.

J.C. is from a large family of 13 children, and three of his brothers are with Inco: Gaston at Garson; Roger at Creighton, and Clement at Frood. Jeannine has one brother, Lucien, at Stobie.

The Boudreaus have lived at Hanmer since their marriage and like it there. They are very active in their

local parish and J.C. admits he will have to ease up a bit now in order to do some of the other things he wants. They have been to Florida on a couple of occasions and hope to go again in the future.

They have a trailer parked year round at Fairbanks Lake and they spend a good deal of the summer there. Mrs. Boudreau works at a local store in Hanmer but plans to retire also soon. J.C. has turned his hand to more cooking now and he has quite a good reputation in that field.

## EARL MELCHER

Earl Melcher has taken advantage of the early retirement plan and is fully enjoying his new leisure. His 34 years in the mining industry were years well spent he admits. He enjoyed them all, especially while on mine development work.

He was born and raised in Pembroke and at age 16 was able to



land his first job which was working for the Department of Mines and Resources at Chalk River. He was there about four years before following a brother to Sudbury and a job with Inco in 1951.

He started at Creighton five-shaft working for Jack Treasure and later moved to Froid-Stobie on development, mostly driving drifts. Some 17 years later he went as blaster boss in the upper levels at Froid and spent his last six years of service as an instructor in the school stop at Stobie.

Earl met and married the former

Viola Wohlgemuth in 1960. Their three daughters are: Nancy, Mrs. Andrew Mitchell of Ottawa; Brenda, also in Ottawa and Heather at home. There are no grandchildren.

The Melchers have lived in the Wellington Heights area of Sudbury for the last 26 years and have no plans to move. Viola works part-time for the Regional Municipality of Sudbury and Earl is a dedicated gardener with a basement greenhouse, an outdoor greenhouse and a fine garden with a mixture of flowers and vegetables. "Geraniums are my specialty," he said. "I have grown over 100 of them every year and they give a wonderful show."

Earl and Viola have done a considerable amount of travelling over the years and in addition to visiting Florida on a regular basis, they have been to Hawaii and the Caribbean.

Earl keeps active by swimming and cross-country skiing and admits that he is enjoying his retirement.

## LEO ROININEN

From junior draftsman to chief engineer is the short version of Leo Roininen's service with Inco. But the real tale is the number of big projects he has been involved with over the years.

He recalled going to the general engineering office to work for Norm Kearns when there were 23 men in the office. Then along came Thompson and to handle that mega project the staff was increased to 60 men. But they did the job, Leo said, and claims that an outside contractor would have used at least three times as many engineers. "We had good men who knew their business," he said.

At one time, when the rush was on to get material to the mine site in winter, Leo said that the whole staff spent several days just writing out requisitions for material.

Leo graduated from Washington State University in mechanical engineering, (he was there on an athletic scholarship). In 1952 he joined General Electric for a short time and in 1954 he joined Inco. "I worked for a couple of years in the old shops' office for Bill Ripley," Leo

said. "Then went to the general office."

For some 20 years Leo was in charge of all mine shaft construction which included Creighton 9 shaft and Froid 9 shaft among others. He was also involved in the design and construction of Clarabelle mill. Leo is very enthusiastic about his work, in



fact he revelled in it, and claims that he has probably been involved in more large design and construction projects than any engineer on this continent. The last 10 years he was with the conceptual engineering group.

He was born at Toronto in 1928 and came to Sudbury in 1928 where his dad John, had been working at Froid mine. Leo was quite an athlete in his day with a long list of wins: Canadian javelin champion for three years; the 1948 Olympics at London and the British Empire Games at Auckland, New Zealand in 1950. There he won a gold in the javelin and a bronze in the shot put.

He vividly recalls the flight from Vancouver to New Zealand, an inaugural flight which went to San Francisco and waited there six days until the wind was favorable. Then it was 16 hours to Hawaii where he said there were only two hotels and one motel then. Next stop was the Fiji Islands, some 14 more flying hours, then on to New Zealand. And he practically circled the earth by coming home the other way.

Leo and Irma Maki were married in Sudbury in 1953. She had been a medical secretary at the Copper Cliff hospital. Their son John is working in Toronto as is daughter Linda;

Deborah is in Sudbury.

The Roininens enjoyed a three month tour of Europe this spring and plan to do more travelling now. They plan to buy a camper and use that on their trips.

Leo has lived on Trout Lake in Sudbury for 50 years and will remain there. Walking is his favorite exercise and it is part of his therapy in recovering from a recent heart attack.

They are a happy couple who are looking forward to many happy years ahead.

## JIM CRAWFORD

After 35 years in the labor force, Jim Crawford is finally doing what he likes, and it took Inco's retirement package to give him that chance.

During any given evening or matinee performance of the play "Holiday" at Niagara-on-the-Lake's famed Shaw Festival Theatre, Jim is working behind the scenes as a stage hand. It is a stepping stone to a position in the scenic arts department, he said. It is hard to imagine anything more different than his hourly rated job in the shipping department at the Port Colborne refinery.

Art has been one of the great loves of Jim's life since he was a lad, and throughout his Port Colborne home are charcoal sketches, oil paintings



and portraits which he has completed over the years.

"I'm not really retired, you know," Jim explains at the onset of the interview. His work at the Shaw

Festival is a full-time one and he hopes to begin soon in the scenic arts department of one of next year's productions.

Jim is well known in Port Colborne for the excellent sets he has produced for the Port Colborne Operatic Society's annual Broadway play. It was a service he performed for 22 consecutive productions, but his work at Shaw forced him to give it up.

Even though he is working as hard now as when he worked at the plant, semi-retirement "feels very, very good," Jim said. "I'm finally doing what I like to do. Fifteen years ago I couldn't just quit and try this."

Jim started with Inco when he was 20 years old as an office boy, taking letters and doing odd jobs in the office. Later he worked as the time keeper and as an office accounting clerk before moving to the shipping department for the last seven years of his employment.

He married Jackie Chapdelaine in 1961. Jackie works full-time as a secretary at a local elementary school. The couple have three children: Jim, 24, a computer programmer in Mississauga; Cheryl, 23, a registered nurse with the Niagara Regional Health Unit, and Jeff, 21, a student at Guelph University.

## LOUIS KOZMA

Almost everyone hopes to travel during their retirement years and the Kozmas are doing just that. They have already seen the west coast, the east coast, California, Florida and more, and plan to continue their travels now that Lou has taken an early retirement from the Port Colborne refinery after 30 years service.

Lou Kozma was born August 2, 1926 in Yugoslavia, and moved to Canada in 1947 where he ended up working in the bush near Lake Nipigon. For his first eight months in this country he worked in a logging camp with about 150 other men cutting lumber for a pulp and paper mill.

"It was nothing but cutting, working, sleeping and doing the

same thing over and over again," he said.

You name the job, Lou has probably done it... everything from working on a tobacco farm, in sugar beets, for a telephone company, the Ford Motor Company, Union Carbide, as well as a six month stint in the Croatian Army during the Second World War.

After leaving the logging camp, he worked at Stelco in Hamilton for



about six months and later worked for Union Carbide in Welland for five years. A major layoff there encouraged him to seek employment at Inco where he was hired June 6, 1954.

He started in the sinter plant and then moved to the machine shop after a year where he became a second class iron worker.

In July, 1954 he married Betty Szokoly, a Port Colborne native. The couple lived in Port Colborne until 1983 when they decided to move to Welland. They have one son, Louis Jr., 24, a business administration graduate.

In addition to travelling, Lou enjoys walking, bicycling, gardening and cutting wood for his wood stove.

## KINAHAN HILL

Ken Hill, as he is generally known, got his rather unusual Christian name from his mother — it was her maiden name. She was from Irish stock and Ken says that his great-grandfather fled the potato famine in Ireland and settled near Goderich.



Ken's grandad came by boat from Goderich to Bruce Mines and homesteaded north of that town.

Ken was born about six miles north of Bruce Mines at a little village on the Thessalon River called Rydal Bank in 1926. After attending teachers' college in North Bay he

taught in the north for three years. While at a convention in Kirkland Lake, a group of teachers went underground at Macassa mine and didn't think too much of that work. Little did he know that he would make that occupation his career.

While in Sudbury in 1950, and in need of money, he was able to get hired with Inco and was sent to Garson mine where he worked until his recent retirement on disability pension. He had a bypass heart operation three years back and that has restricted his physical activities.

At Garson, he had worked on production and development work and for a time was a shift boss. The last eight years he worked as an operating shaft boss. In retrospect, Ken readily admits that he liked mining and the best move he ever made was to come to Garson.

Ken was married at Sudbury in 1950 and has one son, Donald, a TV and radio producer in Edmonton, and a daughter, Cynthia, in Toronto. There are also two grandchildren.

He has been a member of the local militia for some 30 years and is still on the reserve. He was also an executive officer with the Navy League for five years and is a member of Branch 76 of the Legion.

He has a home in New Sudbury but hopes now to spend more time in winter in Texas. He used to go to Mexico but finds Texas more to his taste. He has a great summer retreat back at Rydal Bank where he has six waterfront lots and claims the fishing is great. "Caught a 15 pound salmon there last year," he said.

He also has 160 acres of woodland where he says that game is plentiful but he doesn't hunt anymore. He likes to admire the animals, birds and the bush. He has a four wheel drive Bronco for getting around his property.

The Athletic Association at Garson gave him a fine pocket watch as a memento of his service when he retired.

## Golden Wedding Anniversaries



**CHARLIE AND RITA MARSHALL**

A well known and popular sports figure in Sudbury, Charlie Marshall, and his wife Rita recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They

were both originally from Ottawa so it was in that city that the celebration was held.

A dinner, dance and friendly 'roast' was arranged by their family at the Armed Forces Mall at Uplands Field. Many friends and relatives were present and one of the evening's highlights was a slide show going back almost the full 50 years.

A smaller gathering of many local friends was held in Sudbury.

In addition to the usual congratulatory messages from the various political figures and also the Pope, they received many cards and messages of goodwill along with a number of gifts.

Charlie was born at Ottawa in 1912 and through a friend, was fortunate to meet Rita Lavigne in 1933. They were married in Ottawa on August 24, 1936. Their three sons are: Claude, a machinist at Copper Cliff; Richard with Quebec Hydro,

and Dennis with Big Steel in Toronto. There are five grandchildren.

Charlie joined Inco at the copper refinery in October 1935 and retired in 1972. He had worked in the silver building and was a shift boss for many years.

He was active in many sports areas including, softball, bowling, curling, golf and of course hockey. In 1935-36 he was with Falconbridge when they lost out to the Kimberley Dynamiters for the Allan cup and the following year was a member of the Frood Tigers when they won the Allan cup, senior hockey's highest award. Charlie had also played for the Moncton Hawks and in 1932-33 was in Europe playing with the Ottawa Shamrocks.

In 1972, when he retired, Charlie and Rita went to Florida for the winter and have been doing that every year since. They have a home at North Fort Myers and have made many friends there over the years. In



summer their cottage at Lake Penage is where you will find them. About a year ago they also took an apartment in town where they live part of the time.

In reasonably good health, Charlie and Rita are looking forward to many more years together.

## BILL AND ANNA KURYLIW

A well known figure at Inco and also around town, Bill and Anna Kuryliw celebrated their golden anniversary this past summer. They were married at Sudbury on July 5, 1936 and continue to be a very active and compatible couple.

Bill was born in the Ukraine in 1910, and came to Canada in 1928. His Inco service started when he was hired at Creighton mine. His first job



was at old No. 3 shaft working for Charlie Lively. Later he went to Froid-Stobie, became a welder and worked at that operation until his retirement in 1972.

Bill and the former Anna Zobolotna met and were married in Sudbury. She has been active in many areas of the community and was a president of the Ukrainian Women's Organization of Canada and is also involved with the local Ukrainian Federation.

Bill, of course, is probably one of the best known downtown entrepreneurs and his involvement with the local Chamber of Commerce has brought that organization many new members. Bill is still active there and also with the Ukrainian

Federation which arranged a party for the couple that was attended by many of their friends.

They actually had two celebrations, the first in Toronto which was arranged by their three children who reside there. At that time they renewed their vows and the mass was conducted by a priest who was an old classmate of Mrs. Kuryliw.

Their three children are: Ihor; Sonia, wife of Dr. Payne, and Oksana, Mrs. Leeson, all of Toronto. There are two grandchildren.

Bill is pleased with his many community activities over the years. He has taught Ukrainian to youngsters in Creighton and Sudbury and has also taught music. The cello, guitar and mandolin are among the instruments Bill plays.

He is also the local correspondent for a Ukrainian newspaper published in Toronto.

## BILL AND FLORENCE GAYLOR

Bill Gaylor and Florence Wheeler both came to Canada at an early age, she from near London, England, and Bill from Glasgow, Scotland. They met in Montreal where their families first settled but were married at Sudbury on October 3, 1936.

They recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a party arranged by their three sons at the Senator Hotel in Sudbury. The party was a complete surprise to both Bill and Florence and they were happy to



see a large gathering of their many friends in attendance. They also received many cards and letters from those unable to attend.

Bill and Florence have had a happy life together and have made, and are still making a major volunteer contribution to the Sudbury area as they are both very active in the local Telecare program. In fact, Bill has been one of the leading lights in that group for many years and is still very active. Florence is involved in the administrative end.

The Gaylors' three children are: Bill in Edmonton; Jim, a teacher near Stratford, and David with CIL in Toronto. There are eight grandchildren and two very special great-grandchildren.

Bill came to Sudbury from Verdun in 1935, ostensibly to play soccer. "I started with Jock Jardine's Donovan Dusters," Bill recalled. Bill was hired at Inco that same year. He worked underground for a few years and in 1941 became a first aid man at the Froid Open Pit.

He was active with first aid teams and was coach of the Parker Shield winner. In 1944 Bill joined the ventilation department and worked in that field until his retirement in 1972.

The Gaylors have lived in their comfortable home in New Sudbury since 1952 and are both enjoying relatively good health.

## LOLO AND JOSEPHINE TALEVI

It was on August 2, 1936, at St. Stanislaus church in Copper Cliff, that Lolo Talevi and Josephine Antonioni were married.

Lolo was born in Ottawa in 1911 but was raised in Windsor before coming to Sudbury in 1929. He joined Inco at the smelter in 1932 and 11 years later went with the transportation department as a truck and jitney driver until his retirement in 1972. Josephine is from a well-known local family and her brother, Tom, is superintendent of operations at the Copper Cliff smelter.

To celebrate their anniversary, the family arranged a dinner at the Italian Club in Copper Cliff which was attended by 175 people, many



from out of town. They received congratulatory messages from prominent political figures and among the many gifts received they cherish the fine framed portrait of themselves presented by their five sons.

The boys are: Lawrence, a mechanic at Clarabelle mill; Roy who has a local welding business; Robert, a city fireman; Joseph, with the local gas company; and Kenneth with Inco's transportation department. To date there are 13 grandchildren and one very precious great-grandson.

After their marriage in 1936 they lived with Josephine's parents for a short time. But from 1945 to the present they have lived very comfortably in their home in the Gatchell area. They have made a couple of trips to Florida but are quite happy in the Sudbury area where they have many friends and a very close family.

They are members of the Italian Club where Josephine is a founding member. She likes to knit and has been a chef at several locations in Sudbury and has also catered to weddings and other events.

It is interesting to note how many older couples first met, and the Talevis are no exception. Lolo was working with Josephine's dad and he talked very proudly of his daughter so Lolo asked if he might meet her. That was arranged and it wasn't long until they were married.

## EUGENIO AND EMILIA DONATO

Eugenio Donato and Emilia Micelli were raised in the same village in

Italy and were married there on September 13, 1936. Both were orphaned during the first world war.

He had a sister in Sudbury so came here in 1949, unable to speak any English but willing to work. He got on with Inco in 1951, worked in the mill, with the bricklayers and finally as a welder. He retired on early service in 1976.

Emilia came to Sudbury in 1950 and they have had a good life together. They are very proud of their three sons. Joseph is a technician at Laurentian University; Frank teaches at Cambrian College, and Paul is with the Central Process Technology Department in Copper Cliff. There are eight grandchildren.

Eugenio and Emilia repeated their vows at St. Anthony's church on September 12, then attended a big



party at the Caruso Club where all their family and many friends were present. Close to 200 were in attendance and came from places as far away as Kelowna, BC.

In addition to cards from those unable to attend, the couple also received congratulatory messages from the Pope and also from all leading political figures.

They are in good health and enjoy their home in the Gatchell area of Sudbury where they have lived comfortably for many years. Eugenio spends a good deal of his time tinkering around in his garage where he keeps his car in tip top shape. He also has a nice garden and he and his wife enjoy visiting the various malls and shopping centres where they meet many friends.

They have made two trips back to Italy and may possibly go again for a trip, but as they admit, they have few relatives there now.

## EINO AND SYLVIA MAKI

Eino Maki was born at Frood Village in 1913 and Sylvia Laamanen was born at Copper Cliff. They were married at home in Copper Cliff on May 30, 1936 and have enjoyed an interesting and fruitful 50 years together.

Eino grew up in Creighton where the old family homestead was located on the present mine site. A brother still operates a small farm in that area. Eino joined Inco at Frood in 1934 but quit in 1940. For a time he tried farming in the Beaver Lake area but quit because as he said, the only thing he could grow was a beard and a mortgage. He returned to Inco and had worked at many mines including Crean Hill, Frood Open Pit, Levack and South Mine. He retired in 1973.

Eino and Sylvia have lived on a farm at Beaver Lake since the 1940s and their place includes a big red barn with a minnow sign, which is clearly visible from highway 17. They raise minnows and Eino also has a small Christmas tree farm which he and his wife have cultivated for a number of years. He is an independent man who enjoys living where he is and has no desire to be in town.

To celebrate their anniversary, Eino insisted that he take the family out to dinner, which he did. The following



day, unknown to him, the children arranged an open house at the farm and close to 100 friends and relatives were there.

The Maki family includes son Arthur, with Inco's mine engineering department; daughter Diana, Mrs. Bert Meester of Whitefish, and Linda, Mrs. Paul Villgram of Wanup. Son Charles died when he was quite young. There are six grandchildren.

During their lifetime they have done considerable travelling and have seen Canada from coast to coast. They have also visited Alaska, Florida, Cuba and Mexico. However they are quite happy now to stay closer to home.

In good health and still very active with their minnows and Christmas trees, Eino and Sylvia are looking forward to many more years together.



### TONY AND ROSE ROBERTI

Rose Costanza and Gotardo (Tony) Roberti were married on October 24, 1936, at Christ the King Church in Sudbury. Fifty years have passed since that occasion and the couple celebrated this milestone with a special ceremony at their church.

They repeated their vows at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church and afterwards attended an anniversary reception at the Caruso Club which was arranged for them by their children. In addition to the many gifts they received there were also congratulatory messages from leading political figures as well as a scroll from the Pope.

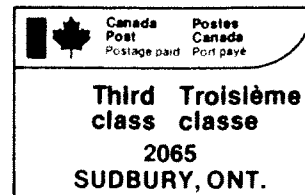
Fifty years ago they started with practically nothing. At that time Tony was only working three days a week but by sacrifice and hard work they have successfully raised a family and built a house. Their children are: Robert, a mason a Inco; Mary, Mrs. Dave Wilton, of Sudbury; and Roxana, in Mississauga. There are four grandchildren.

The Robertis have lived on Whittaker Street in Sudbury for the past 40 years and also have a summer place at the French River where they spend a good deal of their summer.



# PENSIONERS AND EMPLOYEES IN MEMORIAM

NAME	DIED	AGE	NAME	DIED	AGE
ARMIENTO, Berardino	Nov. 12	77	MAKI, Taisto J.	Nov. 8	63
ARSENI, Michael	Nov. 22	62	MALONEY, Henry	Oct. 21	66
BALDASSI, Benigno	Nov. 2	78	MARGETICH, Thomas	Oct. 16	84
BASSO, Valentino	Oct. 18	74	MARTISIUS, Juozas	Oct. 31	59
BENNETT, J.C. Arnold	Oct. 31	71	McCORMICK, Robert J.	Nov. 22	83
BLANCHARD, Marcel	Oct. 23	65	MENGONI, Italo	Oct. 31	65
BLONDIN, Lucien	Nov. 9	68	MEWBURN, J. Stewart	Nov. 18	91
BOUCHER, Denis	Nov. 18	36	NELAN, William	Nov. 13	81
BROWNE, Alton	Oct. 22	81	O'MALLEY, John M.	Nov. 19	66
BURWASH, George S.	Nov. 19	81	OLIVER, James	Dec. 1	72
CASAGRANDE, Francesco	Nov. 30	78	PAMSER, Erich	Dec. 1	56
CAYEN, Morris	Oct. 31	65	PARRI, Vincent	Oct. 18	66
CHENIER, Romuald	Nov. 3	67	PERING, Harry	Nov. 24	80
CHOPEE, Nick	Nov. 12	71	PERRIN, Joseph	Oct. 20	81
CLEMENT, Stanley	Oct. 31	73	PINYLO, John	Nov. 25	69
COLLIN, Denis	Nov. 13	82	PITURA, Stanley	Nov. 16	66
COVRE, Attilio	Oct. 24	69	PUNYI, Bill	Oct. 16	83
CUNNING, Robert	Oct. 20	57	RAATIKAINEN, Toivo	Oct. 24	64
DESJARDINS, Peter	Nov. 25	71	RAUTENBERG, Gerhard	Nov. 3	61
DIDUR, Alexander	Nov. 12	69	RUSSELL, Herbert	Oct. 24	71
DRYSDALE, Gordon	Nov. 1	69	SAGLE, H. Ronald	Nov. 23	53
GODIN, Armand	Nov. 25	60	SARAZIN, Vital	Oct. 20	54
HARJU, Harry	Nov. 29	59	SAUVE, Adelard	Nov. 22	92
HORULA, Mykola	Oct. 23	72	SEDORE, Guy R.	Oct. 16	57
JOHNSON, Elmer	Nov. 1	62	SHELLEY, Albert	Oct. 26	81
KONTTURRI, Arni	Nov. 25	58	SLOBODIAN, Fred	Oct. 16	71
KOSZTYO, John	Oct. 18	86	SMITH, W. Gordon	Nov. 25	52
LAUZON, Roger	Nov. 4	58	SPIERS, James W.	Nov. 6	75
LEISHMAN, Russell	Nov. 3	82	ST. LOUIS, Rheume	Oct. 30	46
LONGUL, Fred	Oct. 17	80	TRAMONTINI, Bruno	Oct. 27	64
			VALENTINI, Attilio	Oct. 17	66
			ZELONKA, Alex	Oct. 31	73



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