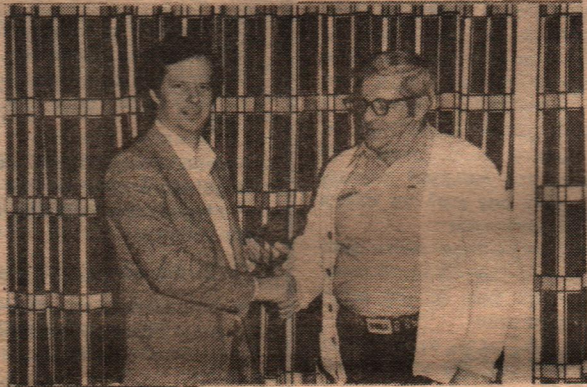


FIRST WABUSH MINES EMPLOYEE WITH TWENTY-FIVE YEARS SERVICE



Resident Manager Tim Eby (left) congratulating Leo Misson.



Maintenance Superintendent Neil Johnson (right) and Leo Misson.



L-R: Don Field, Richard Abercrombie, Yvon Morin, Tim Eby, William Foster, Leo Misson, Ray Flynn, John Malinowski, Neil Johnson and Bill Ross.

Leo Misson started working for Wabush Mines on February 21, 1956 reporting for work at Ross Bay Junction. Leo was born on the North Shore of Quebec in a small Town named Pointe Aux Anglais about seventy miles from Sept-Iles. He worked as an Engineer on a boat between Blanc Sablon and Montreal for eight years and spent one and one-half years as a Mechanic in Sept-Iles before moving to Ross Bay Junction.

Leo was hired as a Mechanic and performed many different jobs such as Welding, Tractor Operator, Truck Drive, etc., and on April 1, 1960 he was promoted to a Foreman in the Mobile Shop. He recalls his first winter when he was sent to Wabush with a load of food on the old snowmobile. The engine went a Mile 18 and he had to walk back to Ross Bay Junction, rebuild another engine, and with some help, pull it on a sled to Mile 18 where he installed in in the snowmobile. He recalls 1958 when he loaded 400 - 200 lb. bags of ore samples on a plane for shipment out and on some return trips they would bring back diesel fuel and gasoline in the tanks of the Canso Plane. He also recalls his part in the construction and operation of the old Pilot Plant and how they went from a six ton per hour operation to finally obtain 33 tons per hour from the same plant with a few modifications.

To recognize Leo's 25 years of service, he was presented with a pouch containing 25 silver dollars - one for each year of service.