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she went. She was only 59 when she died. She was working too hard, you know, working the field and work? ing home. Got too much for her. (But didn't you have neighbours come and just move in and help your mother through that winter?) Oh no, no. They just had their own problems. Because everybody was, you know--it was a hard-pressed area an57ways. The nearest family was MacLean's. They had no children. They were middle-aged at that time. He was active enough. Of course, if you went for him, you see, for any emer? gency- -which my mother did. She used to do the washing outside in big pots, in the siramertime. And the house was shingled with wooden shingles. The heat of the sun, probably, on the shingles, and a spark from the fire that she had under the big pot lit in the centre of the roof. She was washing quilts. And she told the oldest boy to jump up on the horse and run for Neil MacLean, a mile away. And there was an upstairso The roof wasn't sealed inside, just the rafters. She put the ladder up • She took the quilt--she'd soaked the quilt--and she crawled up the ladder, got on the roof. And she fired the quilt over where the fire was. Then she took a bucket, and she went upstairs and she started fir? ing the water. She put the fire out. Mac- Lean came right away--he came as fast as he could, but the fire was out when he got there. She saved the house at that time, anyway. (I'm just trying to think of how much was on your mother and how much was on small children--not just the winter of the big We Buy and We Sell and We're as Near as Your Telephone Sid s Used Furniture Phone 564-6123 436 Charlotte Street, Sydney First, the Pony. Then, the Stellar. Now, front-wheel drive Excel. (62) HYUnOPII EXCEL TODAY'S WORD FOR VALUE 34 State St 539-4711