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Bill Sidney So, we decide to play a 9-game series with Sydney (for the championship. North Sydney has been eliminated.) And the fans come out--you can't get in the Sydney Forum. Can't get in the Glace Bay Forum. Just un? believable. To make a long story short, it goes down to the last game. (You don't have to make a long story short!) Got down to the last--you talk about--I mean, you talk about drama! If you and I sat here and tried to write a script, we couldn't have written one like this. It goes down to the last game in Sydney. Glace Bay is leading with 20 seconds or 40 seconds to go--less than a minute. We're leading by one goal. And they pump one in and tie it. Now here we are in the final game, the 9th game. in Sydney, score tied in the last minute. I remember I was hanging from the rafter--I couldn't get a seat. I remember I was hanging by one arm up on a pillar. 'Cause there were no seats--you couldn't move! As a matter of fact, it was so bad that the police had to come, because they stormed the front door of the Sydney Forum and tried to rip the doors off. Here we are with 40 seconds to go or 30 seconds to go--it'11 be in the write-ups-- and a guy comes down and scores. Poor Mur? ray Matheson was in that. He almost start? ed to cry. I think he did start to cry. We go into overtime,...and Bang! Bang! and we win the game! (Bang! Bang! means...?) We scored two. Scored two. Well--it was unbe? lievable, the drama. Manning McIntyre And then, I don't know if anybody-- including yourself--I don't know if anybody would be able to recapture where that team had come from, really, from nothing, to.... And almost the complete absolute underdogs. That's where the name "Cinderella" came from. They were never supposed to beat North Sydney. When they got North Sydney out of there--well, you couldn't get a ticket at the Glace Bay Forum. They were lined up there for hours before the games ever started, and for days, when the tick? ets would go on sale, I think half of them took days off work to get down there to try to get a ticket. That type of thing. And then, everybody figured, well, knock? ing off North Sydney was maybe a bit of a fluke, and that's as far as they're going. And then to get in with Sydney, and to beat Sydney. And then the last game, in Sydney's own rink--and for our team to be leading 2-1 with 21 seconds to go. And (Sydney tied) it up. Then you figure, it's over--a team in another-team's rink--can't come back from that. Then they went into overtime and (the Miners) scored two goals, and won the thing. So those things, I don't know--it's pretty difficult to recapture the feeling. It was the complete atmosphere of the situation. Scenic Access to the Cabot Trail! Englishtown Ridge R. V. Park CAPE BRETON HIGHLANDS ENGLISHTOWN, N. S. BOC 1H0 Exit 12 from Route 105 to Route 312-6 Wm. from Exit Tel. 1-902-929-2598 REASONABLE RATES PREMISES Full Hook-Ups • 30-Amp Service • Heated Pool Sauna & Whirlpools • Showers & Bath • Laundry Arcade • Satellite T.V. & Fireplace in Lounge Boat Tours • Water Skiing • Para Sailing Handicap Access Security Patrolled Selected Cape Breton's Best Campground of 1988 by Cape Breton Tourist Association Environment Canada Canadian Parks Environnement Canada Sen/ice canadien 1" ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK No



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