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fellow to go away, and see the other leaf of the page. Because here you don't see any line-ups for food. And you can go and buy what you want as long as you've got a buck in your pocket. But over there the people don't have the bucks. And if they do, they've got to stand in line. I used to tell people you'd see them standing in line for bread or--they'd tell me I was crazy, you know. It was terrific for me. I was always learning, you know. You should never--like my fight career. I was in it 10 or 11 years as a pro. And I never stopped learning. Even the last fight, I was learning, you see. Life is the same way. You should never stop learning. You should always be on the lookout to pick up something new, to learn something new. Broaden your mind, you know. And I'm no scholar--don't get me wrong. 'Cause I've got no education! But that's the way I am. That made me a scholar that way, you know, through travelling. And then, my heavens, I got a call. Had a friend down in the unemployment office. He said, "I recommended you for the Coast Guard." So I went down and I applied, and I was taken right away. And I sailed with them for a little over 5 years. And then I developed this disease. (Gordie has ALS--Lou Gehrig's Disease.) Oh, I guess, the last year I sailed with them. I went to the Arctic. I noticed my back was bothering me. Went away in the summer-- went away in July, and my back was bothering me. And then I noticed my leg was flopping. It would give out, me going downstairs and stuff like that. God, by

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sterling Road, GLACE BAY 849-1010 the time I got back, in around the first of
November, the pain in my back, across the bottom of my back, was terrible, and
down my leg. It was almost unbearable. Had to transfer to another ship 'cause mine
was going on drydock. Finally it came December, I said I have to go to the doctor,
see what's going on here. In the meantime, on the ship we had a nurse while we
were in the Arctic. So she was treating me for arthritis. She gave me all these pills
for arthritis. Which weren't helping me at all. And, so he started treating me for
arthritis. So every month I was coming back, I was worse. I was working
Search-and-Rescue-- I was 28 days on a ship and then 28 off. So then we got in
Sydney the end of May. And we were 5 days at sea, fired around, quite choppy
weather. And I had a hard time, you know, when you're keeping your balance. I
worked down below in the engine room. So, we got to Sydney here. Shirley saw me
coming down the gangway one day she came to get me. She thought I was half
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