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clothed at all. The ones that died just really froze to death, with the wet and the cold. Boat Twice Overturns A furious storm that caused the Hurry On to founder after she had developed a'? 35-degree list beat about them all night. Twice their life-boat was overturned, twice they climbed back into a boat filled with chilling water and saw their mates die one by one. Somewhere off the rocky Cape Breton coast four bodies drift tonight. The Hurry On was bound from Halifax to Montreal with a cargo of corn and cleared from Halifax Sunday morning. Twenty-three miles off this port, as she emerged from the Strait of Canso into the lower Gulf of St. Lawrence, she was caught in a roaring gale, made worse by the shal? low waters off that section of the coast. As she pitched and rolled in great seas, every available sailor of her crew of 12 was put to work pouring oil on the waters but to no avail. Washed From Tiring Arms Of Their Mates Battered far over to starboard until the tip of her funnel almost touched the wild seas, the one life-boat left that could be launched was equipped and lowered. For ten minutes they stood by and then the Hurry On sank at seven o'clock. Twenty-five minutes later a huge comber rolled over the boat as they battled to reach shore and safety--and overturned it. When they climbed back provisions and oars were gone. Again the battering waves over? turned their craft and while they were righting it Mate Alexander MacKenzie, North Sydney, cried: "I'm all in," and Judique residents were praised by survivors of the Hurry On for the care they were given when they reached shore. Above: four of those who assisted the men. From left to right: Duncan L. MacDonald, first man to the res? cue, Mrs. John B. MacDonald, who cared for the exhausted men, and Mrs. W. J. MacDonald and her husband, who went to the rescue and brought the sur? vivors to their home in a truck. Photo at right: in later years, Annie (Mrs. John B.) MacDonald and another of the rescuers, Dougald F. MacDonald. sank directly. Huddled on the bare seats with chilling water swirling around them, rain and hail beating into their faces and the boat lurching drunkenly beneath them as wave after wave beat against it, they sat and waited for death.... Eighteen-year-old donkeyman Alex Wait of Sceptre, Sask., died from injuries and ex? posure a few hours later. He went without a word, the survivors said. Captain Gardner was the next to go. Weak- FEET HURT? 1' ARTHRITIS a HAMMER TOES ' ENLARGED JOINTS P DIABETES 'GOUT' SENSITIVE FEET P BUNIONS ' HIGH INSTEPS ' DEFORMED Ed SWOLLEN FEET E'I NARROW/WIDE FEET| THEN STEP INTO FEET P EDEMA COMFORT! The ('=::''ij EXTRA DEPTH"' ''' Shoe Cfe'fetjite. p. W. MINOR & SON, INC. ulable in a full range of Colours, Sizes, & Widths for Men & Women CAPE BRETON BRACE 66 Cornwallis Street, Sydney, N.S. • 539-5100 539-5100 • JAKE GALE rxcsot.naot. Custom made to fit you personally: • Ankle Supports • Wrist Supports • Custom Fit Slices • Knee Supports • Insoles • Back Braces & Supports