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Museum is now was a place called MacPher? son's Pond. You could see it from McKeen Street. Because Mr. MacPherson over there, John N. MacPherson, he put a string of lights around it, and he kept it watered. And any time the ice was good, he turned the lights on, so that everybody over town (would know and come).... When we were com? ing home from work at 6 o'clock, if those lights were on, we trekked from here to the museum in the cold. Can you imagine? Over to Holy Cross Rink, or over to Frog Pond. There was a streetcar, but it didn't take you skating. When they finally got the sidewalks out as far as St. Joseph's Hospi? tal and out to the General, that was a pop? ular walk on a fine night. You know, you'd walk out as far as the hospital and turn around and come back. And sure as shooting --there were always two girls together. You never went walking alone. Two girls togeth? er. And sooner or later, there'd be two boys walking along behind. And when you turned, the couples would form, and then walk back home. Nowhere to go. You stood at the gate and froze, you know. You'd never think of taking anybody in. But we had fun. We really enjoyed our? selves, you know. Everybody was in the Above: "The girls" at Big Giace Bay Beach in the 1930's: front to back, Jean Roy Lind (Edie's sister), Irene Palmer Lewis, Katy MacFie l1acDonald, Jean I/lacPherson. Right: Edie at Big Glace Bay, 1935. 'Opposite page, left: Trip to 'Mira--(top) Edie, Florence Tra? vis, IVIary Turner; (middle) Bob Adams, Gordon MacLeod, Freddie Wildsmith; (bottom) Gordon IMac-Innes, Mary Turner, Girlie Morrison. Upper right: Early married days for Fennie and Edie, Big Glace Bay Beach, 1940's. Bottom right: Edie with Bobby Adams and Harry Peters. same box. They didn't have anything. No? body had any extra money. And they didn't have any extra clothes. But at the same time, because everybody was the same, eve? rybody was happy. We had a really nice 'sjportdirtg Tb JN[• >DCL Scotians The Nova Scotia Department of Community Services provides a number of programs and services to improve the quality of life for our seniors. • CO-ORDINATED HOMECARE SERVICES • SENIORS' SPECIAL ASSISTANCE • PROPERTY TAX REBATE • RENTAL ASSISTANCE • HOMES FOR SPECIAL CARE If you would like further details or more information, please contact the Community Services office in your area or write: Nova Scotia Department of Community Services P.O. Box 696, HaHfax, N.S., B3J 2T7 Department of Community Services txme.... (It sounds like a simpler time.) It was. The wages--mow even in 1936 and '37 when I went to work in that icy cold Samuels Meat Market, you wouldn't think of turning down a job. But it was icy cold. Do you know how much I made a week? Seven dollars, Seven dollars a week. And we went to work at 8 o'clock in the morning. We worked till 9 o'clock Monday night, till 6 o'clock Tuesday night, till 1 o'clock Wednesday, 6 o'clock Thursday, until 11 o'clock on Saturday night. And it would be half 'Gve??' V'o-'''a's' 181 Charlotte St. 539-4800 'Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. J. A. Young & Son Maritime Mariin T. OR TOLL FREE 1-800-565-1538 f Mayflower Mall 564-0600 Monday-Friday 9 a.m.- 9 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.