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July 1940 saw me once again after an absence of many years back to the place of my birth. It was just as beautiful as my childhood memories pictured it. I shall never forget the first night I slept in the room in Grandfather's old home in which I first saw the light of day. I think I cried all night. So many memories. So many loved ones not there.... when the lights are low." "When you and I were young, Maggie." All the old songs. Photographs from a Visit Home • Cape Breton, July 1940 And then Norman's brothers. Ed and Dave, they were very fine singers. And Dave had a little autoharp. So then my father, of course, was involved with building the schoolhouse. And the objective was to have the school finished in time to find a teacher from Calgary. Which they did. My father finished the school. I think, in early January. And they did get a teacher, a very, very nice young lady. And I couldn't start school because we were three miles away and I couldn't ride or drive a horse--my father wouldn't feel safe in letting me. So I couldn't start school until Clockwise from top: Uncle Dan MacKinnon Willi liis mare; he died in a road accident, moving road machinery. Aunt Rachel MacKinnon Campbell; she died in 1941. Archie MacDonald, a neighbour. Mary B. MacLeod • she had been a schoolteacher, and married locally. She was a fund of local information • births, marriages, and deaths. Duncan Campbell, Rachel's husband, and his Guernsey cow. the weather broke and I was able to walk the three miles. So it was about March before I was able to start school. I think there were about eighteen other people. Oceon Jlentals Ltd. Contractors Equipment Compressors Welders Drills, Saws Call: Lawn & Garden Equipment Tillers Sod Cutters Air Eators GLACE BAY General Engine Hoists Jacks Tow Bars 849-1616 & Much More- South (Campbells Comer) - P. O. Box 265 Midway Motors Ltd. Now with Two Locations: HEAD OFFICE 'W. NEW OFFICE Middle River " Port Hastings 295-2290 "" 625-3641 We've Been CHRYSLER Since 1926' LIMITED 110 Reeves St. ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS "Serving Cape Breton Over 35 Years" SPECIALIZING IN: • INDUSTRIAL - COMMERCIAL • INSTITUTIONAL • RESIDENTIAL • WIRING CONTRACTORS • MAINTENANCE SERVICE ELECTRIC HEATING SYSTEMS • FREE ESTIMATES nuKeevest)i. ceo "QO SYDNEY, N. S. OD" I 10??- FAX 526-1699 Beautiful Campus Alumni Gardens Alumni Theatre Historic Displays in Library Open House Program {last Saturday in July) L 1 Agricultural ""7 College Gazebo in Aluiiiii Gardens BOX 550, TRURO, N.S. B2H 5E8 TEL. (902) 893-NSAC