DEATHS IN THE ERIE FAMILY

T. F. Gorman

Timothy F. Gorman, veteran master mechanic at Meadville, was killed accidentally by an eastbound freight train Easter Sunday afternoon near his office. He had been on duty a few hours that afternoon in the roundhouse and was going home to a family dinner when he tripped on the westbound tracks and fell on the eastbound tracks directly in front of the approaching train. A fellow worker was nearby but could not aid him before the accident occurred. Fellow Erie workers regret this holiday misfortune, for he was well known by hundreds of railroaders in the Meadville and Youngstown areas, among whom he had many fast friendships. He was known as "Tim" all along the line by officials and workers and by his many Meadville friends. Throughout the years he had been a member of the Erie Railroad Veterans Association, the Buffalo Railway and Rotary clubs and St. Brigid’s R. C. church. Mr. Gorman was a railroader all his life. He was born in Newark, O., the son of J. D. Gorman who came from Ireland to work on American railroads. At 14 he began working for the B. & O. at Newark and worked up to shop foreman by 1903, when he joined the Erie as general roundhouse foreman in Cleveland. He went to Meadville as shop demonstrator in 1916 because of his mechanical ability, became master mechanic there in 1918 and shop superintendent in 1928. This position he held until 1932 when he became master mechanic again and held that job at his death. Since 1933 he was master mechanic for the terminals of the Meadville, Allegheny, Bradford, Buffalo & Southwestern, and Mahoning divisions. Mr. Gorman is survived by his widow, the former Margaret Clancy, and a son, William F. Gorman, a student at Notre Dame University.

William J. Newsom

William J. Newsom, 73, who retired in 1939 after service of 43 years, died March 30. He started with the Erie in 1896 and held various positions in the offices of the comptroller, general auditor and auditor of disbursements. He is survived by his son, William, with whom he lived at Madison, N. J.

Peter J. Keenan

Peter J. Keenan, 67, track supervisor on the Erie’s Allegheny division, was stricken with a heart attack while on an inspection trip near Hornell March 19 and died a few minutes later. Mr. Keenan started his career with the Erie as a water boy in 1890, worked as trackman, became foreman in 1897 and supervisor in 1910. He lived in Cuba, N. Y., where he was a leader in community affairs and was a member of Our Lady of Angels church. He was also a member of Olean Council, Knights of Columbus. He is survived by his widow and a daughter, Mrs. Neal K. Wilson, Cuba, and a sister, Mrs. Agnes Duffy, Friendship.

Thomas K. Regan

Thomas K. Regan, 74, retired Erie telegrapher and agent, died suddenly at his home in Andover, N. Y., March 29. He retired in 1939 and had been in Erie service 49 years. Survivors are his widow, Elizabeth; two sons, Jack of Wells ville and Lester Regan at home, and two brothers, Daniel, Wells ville, and Timothy.

Lee A. Dwelle

Lee Allen Dwelle, 69, retired general agent at Los Angeles, died there March 19, after a stroke. He entered Erie service as general agent at Oklahoma City, Okla., Nov. 10, 1920, and later served in the same capacity at Kansas City. He was transferred to Los Angeles in 1924 and served there until he retired Aug. 31, 1939. He is survived by his widow, Jean, and a sister. Burial was at Glendale, Calif.

Jeremiah McCarthy

Jeremiah McCarthy, 84, conductor on the Erie Limited between Buffalo and New York before his retirement in 1936, died April 6 at his home, 39 Kenefick avenue, Buffalo. He was a veteran of more than 50 years’ service. For many years he was on the Buffalo-Hornell run before he was assigned to the Erie Limited. He was a member of the Erie Veterans Association and Div. 2, Order of Railway Conductors. Surviving are his widow, Mary, and two sons, Francis J. and Jeremiah B.

Thomas F. Painter

Thomas F. Painter, Erie conductor of Salamanca, died March 17, after a year’s illness. He had been in Erie service 29 years. He was a member of the Brotherhood (Continued on page 33)

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March 30, after a brief illness, Mrs. F. T. E. Carman, of the Erie Division, died at his home, 241 East Taylor Street, Huntington, Indiana, age 75 years. He had been in the service for 47 years when he retired in 1935.

Joseph H. Komine

Joseph H. Komine, of New York, was employed on the New York Central line, and joined the Erie April 3, 1919. He was a member of the Congregational Church, and was a locomotive engineer for over 50 years.

Levi Hendricks

Levi Hendricks, a locomotive engineer, was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway trainmen.

Hugh Mack

Hugh Mack, 72, retired from the railroad service.

James A. Skillicorn

James A. Skillicorn died from a heart attack.

Edward Cavenagh

Edward Cavenagh, a railroad employee, died at home.

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