

DEATHS IN THE ERIE FAMILY



T. F. Gorman

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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, Allegany, 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 Allegany 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 Wellsville and Lester Regan at home, and two brothers, Daniel, Wellsville, and Timothy.



Lee A. Dwelle

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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, Jeane, 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

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of Railroad Trainmen, Hornell lodge, and the B. A. R. E. Besides his widow, he is survived by five sons, Thomas, Salamanca, Richard, Buffalo, Loren, Myron and Wayne, at home; one daughter, Miss Fay Painter, at home; his mother, two brothers and several nieces and nephews.

Daniel J. Broderick

Daniel J. Broderick, 72, retired Susquehanna division brakeman, died at Hornell March 16. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Erie Veterans Association. He is survived by a brother, Patrick, of Denver, and several nieces and nephews.

Joseph H. Koning

Joseph H. Koning, 59, sergeant of Erie police at Jersey City, was fatally injured last February. He joined the Erie April 3, 1919, and was employed on the New York and New York Terminal divisions. His widow, Mary, and five children survive.

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Edward Cavanaugh

Edward Cavanaugh, retired Delaware division engineer, died at Port Jervis Feb. 27. He had served as fireman and engineer for 45 years

Hugh Mack

Hugh Mack, 75, retired Erie bridge foreman of Athens, Pa., died March 12. He joined the Erie in 1903 and was for many years bridge foreman under F. A. Howard, engineer of structures, before his retirement in 1936. He is survived by his widow, Ella; two daughters, Miss Janice, at home, Mrs. Earl Huff of Athens, and a grandson, Richard Huff.

Levi Hendricks

Levi Hendricks, 75, retired Erie shop employee, died at his home, 241 East Taylor street, Huntington, March 30, after a brief illness. He had been in Erie service for 46 years when he retired in 1935. He was a member of the Congregational Christian church, the B. A. R. E., Carmen's association and the Erie Veterans. Besides his widow, he is survived by a son, Milo Hendricks, a granddaughter, Joan Hendricks, Huntington, and

a sister, Mrs. Lucinda Welker, Delphi.

James A. Skillcorn

James Abner Skillcorn, 66, retired Mahoning division engineer, died from a heart attack March 12. He lived at 2721 Idlewood avenue, Youngstown. He retired four years ago after 35 years and nine months of active service. Mr. Skillcorn was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, Al Koran Shrine, Western Star Blue lodge, Aut-Mori Grotto and the Episcopalian church.

William Tighe

William Tighe, 81, for over 50 years a locomotive fireman and engineer on the Erie's Delaware division, died at his home, 149 East Main street, Port Jervis, March 22, after a long illness. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, Lodge No. 700, and St. Mary's church. Surviving are two sons, John J., Newark, and William B., Detroit; four brothers, James, Susquehanna; Joseph and Frank, Port Jervis, and Edward, Rochester.