Springhill Miners' Poet Dies Suddenly In Studio

By DAL WARRINGTON
Canadian Press Staff Writer

HALIFAX (CP)—Danny Boutilier of Springhill, the Nova Scotia "miners' poet", died here Tuesday, talking about the homely verses he wrote that touched Maritimers' hearts. He was 59.

His heart stopped in a studio at radio station CJCH. News editor Hugh Dunlop had just interviewed him about his verses and they were listening to a playback of the recorded interview when Danny slumped in his chair.

His homespun philosophy in verse appeared regularly in the Halifax Chronicle - Herald, the Springhill Record and other newspapers. Some called him the Edgar A. Guest of Nova Scotia.

In the interview, Danny told the story of his life. He wrote his first poem in 1912 when he was only 14. Its title: When Danny Cleaned the Henhouse.

"I had just finished cleaning the henhouse," he said, "and it looked nice and clean and the hens came in and I thought I would write a piece about it."

THOUSANDS MORE

He wrote thousands more in the next 45 years, all of them about ordinary people, especially children.

"I like to write about things that everyone knows about. I especially like to write about children. They're my great love."

He had seven children of his own.

Danny said he often hit on some verses walking along the street. He put them down when he got home.

In his words: "To jot down the poems I write now and then I sit at a table with paper and pen. And though on my back little rascals may crawl, it's seldom I have any trouble at all. . . ."

However, at certain seasons things were a little difficult: ". . . To finish this thing on a ladder I'll climb. It's hard writing poems at house-cleanin' time."

Most of his verse was in couplet form; but the lines ran on without paragraphing.

Danny Boutilier was quiet spoken and humble. He was born and lived all his life in Springhill, the Colliery town where 39 died in a mine explosion last November. He worked in the mines himself from the time he was 16 until he was 49. A bad heart forced him to quit in 1947.

GREATEST MISTAKE

Danny did not finish high school. He often said that was his greatest mistake. Some of his verses were about the value of a good education.

He got lots of mail from his thousands of readers, especially at Christmas.

"They tell me it's the simplicity of my poems they like."

He published a collection of 51 three years ago. He hoped to get out another book of 125 next month.

His last published verse in Tuesday's paper was title "Use Caution." It was about forest fires caued by human carlessness.

"When you within our forests tread make sure no blaze your light will spread. . . ."

Danny wrote on many subjects:

On keeping busy: ". . . If you wish to be successful don't indulge in idle talk. Be a really busy person and forget about the clock."

On a storekeeper longing to go fishing: ". . . By the fishin' bug he's bitten, one can tell by just a glance, for he's waitin' on each patron as though he is in a trance."

NOT EASY

On politicians: ". . . With making speeches, shaking hands, when all is said and one, a politician's role is not a very easy one."

On elections: "Now normally together, work side-by-side to face the world in any kind of weather. But now in this election year, they're found in different dories. Big Jim is working for the Grits while Jane is for the Tories. . . ."

O hymn - singing: "When the world seems dark and dreary, and my view of life is dim, I can find great consolation in the singng of a hymn."

At St. Andrew's United Church in Springhill Friday they'll be singing hymns for Danny.

BOWLING LEAGUE TROPHY WINNERS

WINNERS of the individual trophies that were presented at the Charlottetown Commercial League Banquet held last night at Spring Park Hall. They are: Lorne Dorion, Apps Arsenault, Ralph Pineau, Harry Poulton, Frank Acorn Jr., Billy Acorn, Sterling Roberts, Vic Williams, Gordon Cudmore.

Guardian Photo

ABOVE are members of the winning team in the Charlottetown Commercial League. Vic Williams is seen presenting the trophy to Sterling Roberts. The members are Apps Arsenault, Frank Acorn, Jr., Bill Acorn, Ralph Pineau, Kevin Handregan, Sterling Roberts and Harry Poulton.

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THERE WILL BE A MEETING of the session, managers, and manse committee. In Brookfield Church, Wednesday, June 5. 8 p.m.

CALLING all square dancers, to the Community Centre, Charlottetown Wednesday, June 5, at 8.30 p.m.

ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL — A beautiful string of pearls is our gift to you with each Diamond ring purchased at Pattersons, Jewellers Kent St. (near Queen)

THE following was omitted from the list of tributes to the late Mrs. Flora Trainor of Tarantum: Mass Card Mr. John P. MacNally of Charlottetown.

TANKER IN PORT— The Imperial Sarnia arrived in Charlottetown Harbour at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday from Halifax, and began discharging a cargo of fuel oil and gasoline. The ship was scheduled to leave for Campbellton, N.B. at 2:00 a.m. Wednesday.

FUNERAL AT MORELL— The funeral of Ernest Tobin was held yesterday morning from his home, Morell East, to the Church of the Little Flower, Morell, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Eric Robin, the pastor, who also conducted the service at the grave. The pall-bearers were: Patrick Mullin, Arthur MacMillan, Gordon Hooper, Sterling Mac Swain, Stanley Brown and Russell Webster. The funeral was largely attended.

FUNERAL TUESDAY — The funeral of Roderick MacDonald was held on Tuesday morning from his home in Blooming Point to St. Bonaventure Church, Tracadie, where Solemn Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Kenneth MacMillan, P.P. assisted by Rev. George MacDonald as Deacon and Rev. George McCormac as Sub - Deacon. Rev. William Simpson acted as Master of Ceremonies. Occupying seats in the Sanctuary were Very Rev. P. F. MacDonald, Rev. Leo Herrell, Rev. Dr. Bernard Gillis, Rev. Reginald Phalen, Rev. O.P. Wood, Rev. Harold Croken, Rev. Basil Croken, Rev. T.P. Butler, Rev. Vincent Murnaghan. Pall bearers were J. J. MacDougall, R.J. MacDonald, Ellis Lacey, Peter MacDonald, John D. MacDonald, James Kelly. Services at the grave were conducted by Rev. George MacDonald. Interment took place in the church cemetery. The funeral was very largely attended.

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SERIOUS ACCIDENT —Word has been received by Mrs. J. H. Bishop, that her father, George Barclay, Winnipeg, Manitoba, is a patient in the Winnipeg General Hospital, as a result of a serious car accident.

U.N.T.D. — Taking part in amphibious exercises for two weeks in June in Virginia with U.S. Naval Forces will be 50 U.N.T.D. cadets including J. M. MacGuigan, Charlottetown, S..D.U., and E. J. Wynne Clarlottetown. P.W.C.

P.E.I. DRAMA FESTIVAL Association ask all members and delegates from membership group to attend the annual meeting at 8.30 p.m. June 11th, in the Prince of Wales College, Room 66. Executive meeting at 8 p.m.

POLICE COURT— Three drunk and incapables were on the City Police Court docket Tuesday morning. Magistrate K.M. Martin dealt with them as follows: one was fined $5.00 and costs or 2 days, one sentenced to 20 days, and the third remanded to Wednesday.

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PRIZE WINNERS — Results of the card party held in St. Pius X Hall Monday were: Ladies first, Mrs. Eugene Coady; second, Mrs. J. J. Paquet; consolation, Mrs. Vincent Shea; Men's first Kenneth Lakey; second, Joseph Gaudet; consolation, Stanley Gallant. Door prize, Mrs. Frank Burke. Freezeout, Dan Chipman and Kenneth Lakey. Tournament prize, Men's grand high, Joseph Burke; Ladies high, Reta Gaudet, second, Mrs. Robert Gallant; third, Mrs. Percy MacDonald; Men's high, Kenneth Lakey; second Jerome Doiron; third, Eugene McCouley.

FUNERAL AT SOUTH RUSTICO— The funeral of Wilfred C. Martin was held yesterday morning from the residence of Andrew Gallant, Hunter River, to St. Augustine's Church, South Rustico, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. John Buote. Present in the sanctuaryy were Rev. Joseph LeClair and Rev. Earl Dalton. Interment was in the Church Cemetery where service was conducted by Father Dalton. Pall bearers were: Leonard Ling, Frederick MacRae, Frederick Ford, James MacDonald, Gavin MacAleer and James McKenna The funeral was very largely attended.

IMMUNIZATION Clinics Charlottetown Suburbs—Parkdale Hall (no clinics in new school) Monday, June 3rd, 9—11 a.m. Spring Park Hall, Tuesday, June 4th 9—11 a.m. Central Royalty Hall, Wednesday, June 5th, 9—11 a.m. Winsloe School, Thursday, June 6th, 9—10 a.m. West Royalty School, Thursday, June 6th, 10.30—11.30 a.m. East Royalty School, Friday, June 7th, 10—11 a.m. Immunization against Diptheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus, Smallpox and Polio. Even if first inoculation for polio was given in 1955, the second or third can be given now.

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MORE TRAFFIC

LONDON (CP) — United Kingdom airports in February handled 279,500 passengers, an 18-per-cent increase over the same month last year.

BIRTHS

MORESIDE — At the P.E.I. Hospital June 3rd, to Dr. and Mrs. J.W. Moreside, a daughter, Pamela Adele.

DEATHS

EASTER — At North Wiltshire on June 4, 1957, Edison N. Easter, in his 79th year. The funeral will take place from his late residence on Friday, June 7, at 2 o'clock. Interment in the North Wiltshire Cemetery.

MacNEILL—At the Prince County Hospital on June 3, 1957, Joseph Frederick MacNeill in his 69th year. Forwarded yesterday afternoon from the Compton Funeral Home to his late residence in Miscouche, from where the funeral will be held Wednesday morning to St. John the Baptist Church, in Miscouche, where Requiem Mass will be held at 8 a.m.

HILTZ — At the Prince County Hospital, June 2nd, 1957, Roy Hiltz of Sea View, aged 40 years. His remains resting at Davison's Funeral Home until Wednesday noon, thence to St. Stephen's Church, Burlington where funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Interment in the Church Cemetery.

SHETLER—At Montreal on Monday, June 3, 1957, Persis Winnifred, beloved wife of Leonard M. Shetler and mother of James and Jane Shetler. Her remains will arrive on Thursday evening at the MacLean Funeral Home from where the funeral will be held on Friday, service commencing at 2 o'clock. Interment in Meadowbank Cemetery.

TRAINOR — At the Charlottetown Hospital on June 4, Arthur Trainor, 169 Sydney St., age 79 years. His remains are resting at the Hennessey Funeral Home from where the funeral will be held on Thursday morning to St. Dunstan's Basilica for Requiem High Mass at 10 o'clock. Interment in the Catholic Cemetery.

MILLS — At the Prince County Hospital on Tuesday, June 4th, Ernest Mills, 189 Milton Ave., Summerside in his 76th year. Forwarded today (Wednesday) from the Compton Funeral Home to his late residence. The funeral will be held from St. Mary's Anglican Church Thursday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. Interment will be in St. John's Anglican Cemetery, St. Eleanors.

CALLAGHAN — At her home, 280 Sydney St., on Tuesday, June 4, 1957, Mrs. John Callaghan, (nee Ada Susanna Acorn) formerly of Vernon River in her 94th year. Her remains are resting at the Charlottetown Funeral Home from where the funeral will be held Thursday morning leaving the funeral home at 8:45 for Requiem High Mass at St. Dunstan's Basilica at 9 o'clock. Interment in the Catholic Cemetery.

Britain Relaxes Travel Restrictions To Canada

By KEN METHERAL
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON (CP) — For the first time in 10 years British tourists can go to Canada with some dollars in their pockets.

In a move that meets the oft-expressed Canadian wish that British tourists could visit their country, the chancellor of the exchequer, Peter Thorneycroft, Tuesday announced in the House of Commons that each tourist will be allowed an annual travel allowance of £100 for visits to the dollar area.

Thorneycroft said the ban on travel in North America, which went into effect during the convertibility crisis of 1947, "has erected an unnatural barrier between the English-speaking peoples which should not be allowed to continue any longer than necessary."

The announcement made no distinction between visits to Canada ad the United States, but spokesmen for two government departments — Commonwealth relations and the treasury—said the concession was "meant particularly for Canada."

GREETED WITH CHEERS

The announcement was greeted with cheers from both sides of the House.

Later a spokesman for the Commonwealth relations department said the minister, the Earl of Home, was "overjoyed." Lord Home, who visited Canada last year, has been a firm advocate of the need to ease travel restrictions to Canada.

Canadians have been urging the lifting of the travel ban for several years at both official and unofficial levels. Prime Minister St. Laurent brought the question up in his recent Bermuda talks with British Prime Minister Macmillan.

The Canadian argument has been that freedom of travel would allow people on both sides of the Atlantic to get to know each other better and to appreciate mutual problems.

TEMPORARY BAN

When Britain's gold and dollar reserves fell to a dangerous level in 1947, a temporary ban was placed on all travel for non-business purposes. The following year Britain authorized a £100 travel allowance to soft currency countries, but specifically excluded North America to build up her dollar resources.

Since that time the only non-business travel concession to dollar areas was a compassionate allowance of £35 annually for Britons wishing to visit relatives living in Canada and the United States.

The allowance goes into effect immediately and Britons will be able to claim the full amount for the present travel year which ends at the beginning of November. In addition to the allowance, tourists will be able to pay their fare in sterling from Britain to their point of destination in North America.

Thorneycroft said it is "impossible" to estimate what the concession will cost the treasury in dollars "but I am assured that it will be very small indeed."

ENGAGEMENTS

MR. AND MRS. RALPH MONKLEY announce the engagement of their daughter Marian Arlene to John Bannerman Craig, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Craig, Poplar Grove, P.E.I. Marriage to take place in the Central Lot 16, United Church, June 19th at 3 p.m.

MR. AND MRS. PERCY MACRAE, Charlottetown, announce the engagement of their daughter June Caroll to John L, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Phillippe of Frankfort, Indiana. Marriage to take place June 29th, 1957 at Trinity United Church, Charlottetown.

MR. AND MRS. GUY BOSS, Nappan, N.S. announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Phyllis Elizabeth to William Leigh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lewis, Cascumpec, P.E.I. marriage to take place June 27th, United Church, Nappan, N.S.

PERSONALS

Mrs. W. K. Rogers is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital, having had the accident Tuesday of breaking her wrist.

His many friends will regret to hear that Mr. Archie MacEachern is a patient in the P.E.I. Hospital.

Miss Madeline Gamester and Miss Mary Thomas were weekend visitors recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hartlen, South East Passage, Halifax County, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thomas were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Taylor on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Chester Bernard, and daughter Mary, of Charlottetown, were visitors to Bradalbane recently, the guests of Mr. Bernards parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bernard.

Notice

Due to the death of the late W. C. Smith, Millview, Worth's Drug Store will be closed from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. today.

Notice

Due to the death of the late W. C. Smith Millview, the Queen Street Meat market will be closed from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. today.

Civic Employees Hold Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of Civic Employees Union, Local 501 was held at the Union committee rooms, Queen St., on Monday night, with the president, A. J. Dowling, in the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as read, and one new member was sworn in.

The largely attended meeting was addressed by two special guests, Henry Haram, Regional Director of the Trades and Labour Council, and Jack Brown, president of Electrical Workers Local 1432, who gave very interesting and instructive talks on organized labour and labour laws.

One-Vote Poll Is Wiped Out

EDMONTON (CP)—Edmonton's "one-vote" poll has leased to exist with the issuing of a proclamation setting out polling divisions for the June 10 federal election.

J. L. Chapman, returning officer for Edmonton - Strathcona, said Tuesday poll 227 in the riding has been consolidated with adjacent poll No. 78.

The only voter listed in the poll was Sandy MacTaggart, now visiting Britain and not expected to return for several months.

Mr. Chapman said the election act permits consolidation in cases where only one voter is listed in a poll.

Planning New Atlantic Cable

VICTORIA ZCP)—A new transatlantic telephone cable is being planned to meet the increasing traffic needs between Canada and the United Kingdom, Douglas F. Bowier of Montreal, president of Canadian Overseas Telecommunication corporation, said Tuesday.

Mr. Bowie, addressing the 28th annual meeting of the Telephone Association of Canada, said plans for the cable—to supplement the recently completed transatlantic cable—now are under way.

"The quality of voice transmission is so good and the public need so great that the six circuits assigned to Canada in the original cable filled up immediately," said Mr. Bowie.

"It quickly became clear that we must give early consideration to providing more transatlantic telephone facilities of the same high quality in order to meet the demand which will undoubtely increase with the continuing growth of the country."

LONDON (Reuters) — British servicemen who took part in the Anglo-French invasion of Egypt last fall will be awarded General Service Medals, the government anniunced Tuesday.

Rochford Sq. Home, School Meeting Held

The closing meeting of Rochford Square Home and School Association was held in the school auditorium, Thursday, May 30th at 8.15. Mr. John Danton, president, presided. After the opening prayer the secretary read the minutes and the financial statement.

The president read the annual report and thanked the members of the executive for their splendid co-operation, he also reported on the activities of the Provincial Home and School.

The chairman of the entertainment committee read her report.

Mr. Reginald MacDonald read the following slate of officers presented by the nominating committee as the new executive: president, Mrs. Eugene Cullen; vice-president, Mr. John T. Place; secretary-treasurer, Sister Saint Alexander; chairman of membership committee, Mr. J. Reginald MacDonald; chairman of entertainment committee, Mrs. Loius Doyle.

Mrs. Eugene Cullen thanked the parents for the confidence they placed in her and promised to do her utmost to keep Rochford Square Home and School up to its high standing.

A very delightful program was presented by the pupils of the school including: Two choral selections; a Scottish dance; current events by four Grade VIfI pupils; the Whirlpool Square Dance.

The guest speaker for the evening was Mr. Charles Boudreau, representing the Knights of Columbus. He spoke on the value of good reading. A hearty vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Boudreau for his interesting talk.

The meeting closed with "The Queen".

NAMED CHURCH LEADER

BOSTON (AP)—The board of directors of The Mother Church, the First Church of Christ, Scientists, Monday announced the election of Miss Mabel Ellen Lucas of Brookline, Mass., as president for the forthcoming year.

MEETING
Of electrical workers Local 1979 tonight at 8 o'clock, 202 Queen Street.

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WEATHER

TORONTO (CP) — Temperatures issued by the Toronto public weather office:

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Vancouver	53	72
Victoria	51	67
Edmonton	54	81
Calgary	48	82
Regina	46	—
Winnipeg	48	72
Toronto	51	—
Ottawa	49	70
Montreal	55	71
Quebec	41	73
Fredericton	39	67
Saint John	38	62
Moncton	39	67
Halifax	45	62
Charlottetown	46	64
Sydney	36	67
Yarmouth	42	60
St. John's	43	55

HALIFAX (CP) —The weather office says a band of showers will move across the district today followed by clearing later in the day. Temperatures will be somewhat cooler in the northern regions, but will remain much the same in the south.

Forecasts:

Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick: Cloudy, clearing in the afternoon; cooler; south winds 15 shifting in afternoon to northwest 20. Low - high at Charlottetown 45 and 60, Moncton 45 and 65, Fredericton and Saint John 40 and 65, Edmundston 35 and 55, Campbellton 35 and 50.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 3.57 a.m. and 3.56 p.m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 4.28 a.m. and 7.56 p.m.

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