

Reel 211A

1. Rocky Brook, sung by Stanley MacDonald; 9 vs. well sung; tragedy in lumber woods; for words see Songs of Miramichi p.166
2. The Jones Boys, sung by Nicholas Underhill; this is an extension of the chorus so favoured by Lord Beaverbrook and a very good local song; humorous and well sung ; 6 vs. & cho.; for words see Songs of Miramichi p.126. song of illicit still.
3. Jenny Dear, sung by Mrs. Perley Hare; 6 vs. well sung; this is also on Mrs. Hare's Folk Legacy record; Is in TSNS under title Nancy; love rejected .
4. Fiddle, Over the Waves, played quite well by George Duplessis; short item; Mr. Duplessis is also one of Dr. Manny's singers.

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Ken Homer, M.C., referring to Lord Beaverbrook: ...which incidentally as I think I told you last year is considered by many to be Lord Beaverbrook's best beloved folk songs. The ~~xx~~ story goes, and this may be altogether wrong, that at one of his big banquets in London when he was going to have many of the crowned heads and famous people of many nations at his tables, he imported a famous quartet all the way over from Paris, and spent a whole afternoon teaching them this song (The Jones Boys) which he introduced at the banquet as The New Brunswick National Anthem. Now Here's Nick Underhill to sing it for us to-night, "The Jones Boys."

For words see Songs of Miramichi p.126. This is a longer version than the one Lord Beaverbrook knew, and as far as I could see, Mr. Underhill was the only one who knew it. He sings it well. In vs.1 he sings on tape ~~in yonder hill~~ on yonder hill, not in as in book.

Ken Homer, M.C.: One of the reasons I find these festivals exciting is the fact that all of a sudden one of our singers will get up here and be singing along, perhaps a song that he hasn't sung for awhile, and all of a sudden a little look will come into his eye like the one that came into Nick's a while ago and out will come a verse that he hasn't sung before. Now I don't think that Nick sang the verse before the end when he sang the Jones Boys last year, so now we have another verse of the song saved for posterity that might have been lost if we hadn't had him up on this stage to-night. He did an excellent job on it.