

Clifford Galusha Hanks

Clifford G. Hanks suffered a heart attack and passed away on August 23 at the Tuxedo Memorial hospital. He was a veteran of World War I, and was United States postmaster at West Englewood, New Jersey, from January, 1920, to June, 1933. Mr. Hanks was born at Salem August 27, 1887. He was the son of Carson and Nettie Nelson Hanks. His father was a well known retired merchant of Salem, N. Y., and had held several local offices.

Mr. Hanks received his education in the public schools of Salem. Like many another boy he was early captivated by the romance of travel and the fascination of railroad work when he decided to enter the railroading business and accepted a position with the Delaware Hudson Railroad. He began as an office boy and while in that capacity, devoted himself to the study of every phase of railroad work that could come under his observation. After a thorough preliminary training with the Delaware & Hudson, he entered the service of West Shore Railroads a telegraph operator, having learned the principles of telegraphic communication while he held the position of office boy. His ability soon became manifest and for the next forty years he held this position with the West Shore R. R. In 1914 he was appointed Station agent for the railroad at West Englewood, N. J., and in 1938 he was appointed agent at Teaneck where he has ever since made his home.

During the first World War, Mr. Hanks enlisted for service overseas in the U. S. army. He was assigned to 303rd Co., Field Corps, 78th Division and attached to headquarters. He served overseas for one year, acting as a member of one of the most important and hazardous sections of a modern army, that of communications, where the safety of thousands and the fate of armies so often depended on the slightest message that passed along the lines.

Mr. Hanks was a Republican in politics, but had strong independent tendencies, looking for genuine worth rather than party fidelity in the can-

didates for office. In February 1921 he was confirmed as Postmaster at West Englewood by Postmaster General Hayes, having served as acting Postmaster during 1920. Mr. Hanks was a member of the Presbyterian church of Salem where he was born. He was a member of Teaneck Lodge, No. 274, Free and Accepted Masons of Teaneck, N. J., Henry S. Haines, Chapter No. 5, Dumont, N. J., New Jersey Consistory S. P. S. 32, Valley of Jersey City, N. J. and Masonic club of Havestraw, N. Y.

Mr. Hanks married on Nov. 23, 1911, in Albany N. Y., Verna M. Shaw. They have no children. His wife survives, also two sisters, Miss Claribel Hanks of Albany, and Mrs. Marjorie H. O'Neil, of Troy.

Masonic services will be held Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock, at the Peinecke funeral home, West Englewood, N. J., and church service in the First Presbyterian church, Salem, N. Y., Thursday, August 26. Interment was in Evergreen cemetery, Salem.

Church News

Holy Cross Church

Rev. W. V. Donnelly,
Services every Sunday this
Sunday masses at Holy C
and 11 a.m.
Sunday mass at 10 a.m.
Oaks, Lake Cossayuna.
Miraculous medal devo
Holy Cross Tuesday evening

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Rev. R. T. Bliss, Re
Sunday, August 29:
Morning prayer and sermo
Saturday, August 28:
Food sale at Toleman's at
Tuesday:
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Church school teachers' m
5 p.m.

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by a Cornell agronomist.

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