

that the end had come. A stroke of apoplexy was the cause of his death. Within a few moments all of the President's official party had been summoned. This was followed immediately by this notice. "The President died instantaneously without warning and while conversing with members of his family at 7.30 p. m. Death was due to some brain evolvment, probably an apoplexy. During the day he had been free from discomfort and there was every justification for anticipating a prompt recovery". Signed: C. E. Sawyer, M. D., Raylman Wilbur, M. D., C. M. Cooper, M. D., Hubert Work, M. D.

Hulyah V. Moore Leaves Postal Service.

IMPRESSIVE SCENE IN TAKING OFFICIAL ADIEU.

By R. H. AMPHLETT LEADER.

The Postal Service is poorer today than it was yesterday because Miss Hulyah V. Moore left it yesterday. After a period of upwards of four years as Clerk in the Post Office at Christiansted, Miss Moore resigned effective July 31, 1923, for the purpose of studying practical nursing in Ponce, P. R. She will be missed by her superiors and inferiors in the Service and she will be missed by the general public of Christiansted town and Country District.

Miss Moore's position will NOT be filled; as a matter of plain unvarnished truth, the VERY PLACE she occupied really CANNOT be filled; but, it is some consolation to the Service that Mr. Olaf Larsen who for months has been gratuitously assisting his father, the Postmaster, thereby acquiring a fair knowledge of the work, will constitute one of the staff now that Miss Moore has left. This perhaps, is the place to say that Mr. Olaf Larsen is a very intelligent lad who has just graduated from the High School, Christiansted, with honors. He is quick at figures, has an excellent memory and delights in tackling knotty problems. He will make good.

To the average layman the work of a postal clerk is just receiving mails and, well, delivering mails. It is much more than that. A post office clerk has a dual duty to perform—pleasing the public and pleasing the postmaster. To do the former, among other things, one must be courteous and encouraging; must know the characteristics of the patrons of the office and, at busy times, almost anticipate their wishes or demands. To do the latter one must have constructive ideas; must keep in touch with the daily Bulletins, various monthly Supplements, Amendments of Laws, Amendments of Amendments governing the acceptance, dispatching, reporting and rejecting of all kinds of mail matter. Easy isn't it? Then there is the "team work" of getting on with fellow clerks.

Miss Moore did all that and more. Adopting the Post Office Department slogan, she went "one better every day."

We are prone to proclaim as a success the man who has reached the top of the ladder only. It is only Shakespeares and Dunbars in literature who are successes; only the Burbanks and Carvers in science; the Wagners and Coleridge-Taylors in music; the Blacks and Marshalls in law; the Koons and Shaughnessays in the postal world, and so on. This is wrong. ATTEND:

Anybody, no matter in what position, who is FAITHFUL TO DUTY—to the TRUST AND CONFIDENCE incidental to the place occupied—who does the best they KNOW HOW—is a success. ERGO: Miss Hulyah V. Moore has been a success in postal affairs. Nothing showed the truth of this assertion more than the impressive scene which took place in the Post Office at Christiansted yesterday (July 31). On this occasion and in the presence of the staff of Christiansted Post Office and the Postmaster at Frederiksted, Postmaster Larsen in appropriate word spoke highly of the services which Miss Moore had rendered the public in her position of Clerk at his office. Postmaster Leader also spoke. Miss Moore replied appropriately but tearfully. 'Twas a touching scene. Even a man of Postmaster Larsen's stern and adamant nature was moved to tears. The excellent services of Miss Viola Petersen, the other Assistant at Christiansted was also mentioned in the speeches to Miss Moore and in Miss Moore's reply. The subject of this sketch was presented with the following reference by Postmaster Larsen:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This attests to the fact that Miss Hulyah V. Moore, a native of the island of Saint Croix, Virgin Islands of the United States, has been employed as clerk at this office from June 1919 to date. During this time I have found Miss Moore to be intelligent, careful and very earnest in the discharge of her duties, and I take pleasure in testifying to her integrity and reliability. She has unselfishly devoted her time and efforts to attaining a high degree of efficiency and has eventually become an asset to this office where her affability and tact in dealing with numbers of various types of people have elicited general complimentary comment of the service. Miss Moore is leaving this office to enter the nursing profession, and it is with deep regret that I part with her services.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

London, July 30th.—The French and Belgian Ambassadors this evening handed to Lord Curzon the replies of their Governments regarding negotiations to Germany to solve the problem of the Ruhr and the greater problem of German

reparations. Mr. Baldwin and Lord Curzon spoke briefly in Parliament, the House of Commons and the House of Lords respectively, today. Both were terse and neither voiced any hope that Great Britain and France had drawn close together. There will be an attempt to discuss the topic before Parliament adjourns on Thursday, as the members are eager to learn the exact aspects of affairs. No promise was given today that they would likely see the curtain raised. The Premier, speaking only an hour or so before the Foreign Secretary received the Ambassadors, told the Commons it was very doubtful whether anything would be published in Thursday's debate. The Premier gave one gloomy hint. "I am afraid it will only be a continuation of the negotiations". Lord Curzon informed the Lords, with an air of weary resignation, he would certainly give them a statement on Thursday if it were within his power to do so, but his manner clearly indicated he did not think it would. No hints have come across the channel that M. Poincare has abandoned, or even modified, the views which his Government has previously held tenaciously and which on every opportunity he has reiterated are the planks in his platform, that there will be no beginning of conversations with Germany until and unless Germany formally renounces passive resistance in the Ruhr and that there will be no withdrawal from the Ruhr until Germany has paid France all she demands. That seems to be the deep gulf which no minor concessions that France makes to Great Britain can bridge. One outstanding feature of this latest chapter in Allied dealings has been the deep secrecy which has enshrouded it. There has been no attempted revelations of details of the British nor of the French or Belgian replies on any important points, except such as intelligent guesswork based on what knowledge of the policies of the two Governments could offer. Seldom have secrets known in the Foreign Office and to the cabinets in half a dozen capitals been so successfully hidden. The Italian and German Ambassadors also visited Lord Curzon this evening, but there is no reason to believe their visit was connected with reparations, for Germany still is in the position of awaiting a reply to her latest communication. Parliament will adjourn on Thursday. Both the French and British Cabinets will have charge of affairs during the long Parliament recess. Mr. Baldwin tonight told Mr. J. Ramsay MacDonald, the opposition leader, that Parliament can be summoned quickly in the event of emergency, but it adjourns without having assurances of progress in lifting the darkest European cloud. It will disperse in an atmosphere of deep gloom.

Dublin, July 31st.—President Cosgrave announced yesterday that the dissolution of the Dail would probably take place this week.