

# VETERAN LETTER CARRIERS STILL YOUNG AND ACTIVE

Herald "Twenty Years Ago" Column Contains Interesting Item.  
All of the Old Officers of Duluth Branch of Letter Carriers Still Employed at Duluth Post Office.

No more interesting item has been printed in recent times in Duluth than the following from The Herald's "Twenty Years Ago" column Tuesday last:

"Branch No. 114 of the Letter Carriers' association installed its officers for the ensuing term last evening. Edward A. Coffin, state vice president, was installing officer. The new officers are as follows: President, R. G. Malcolm; vice president, Ed Halvorson; secretary, Jerome S. Kriz; treasurer, Fred Blais; sergeant-at-arms, Frank Cole; collector, R. D. Rice; trustees, John Henneberry, A. E. Heimbach and T. G. Thompson."

The thing that strikes us most about the above paragraph is the fact that every person named therein is still employed at the Duluth post office, is still doing a man's work, and is still as active as he was twenty years ago. We don't believe there is another situation like this in the country where all of the men are still living, are working under the same roof and for the same employer.

R. G. Malcolm, the president of twenty years ago, is carrier of Route No. 15, running through the whole-sale district and in the neighborhood of Fifth avenue west. He is a veritable bunch of energy, and although 53 years of age he trots the younger carriers a merry heat. We know him best as "Bob."

A. E. Halvorson, who graced the office of vice president of the Duluth branch of letter carriers in 1898, is a steady, dependable carrier of Route 11, covering the territory on

the upper side of Superior street about the First National Bank building. He holds up his end with the youngest. In his kid days he was known as "Hally," and the boys about the post office still greet him by that endearing nickname.

Jerome S. Kriz was secretary of the local letter carriers in the olden days, and he is not one day older now than he was then. One would not think so if he noticed "Jerry" serve his route, which is No. 39, on First street beginning at the Wolvin building. He leads his fellow carriers in the sale of War Savings Certificates.

Fred Blais, who was treasurer 20 years ago, is still carrying the same route that he did then, No. 27, which includes the Providence and Torrey buildings, and the Hotel St. Louis. "Freddie's" boy is also a carrier, and was granted leave in April last to enlist in the United States Marines. The boy is "Somewhere on the Atlantic" chasing submarines. His daddy, like the other veteran carriers, is as popular as ever with his superiors and his patrons.

Frank Cole was sergeant at arms for the association of letter carriers twenty years ago. He is still plugging along serving the people on the hillside in the territory between Third and Sixth avenues East and north of Sixth street. Frank is quiet and reserved, but his younger colleagues will have to go some to keep up with his long strides over his route.

R. D. Rice was collector in the old days. "Dick," for we know him best by that name, gave up his route several years ago for an inside assignment. He is box clerk at the post office, and is on the job early and late. Age makes no impression on faithful Richard.

John Henneberry, A. E. Heimbach and T. G. Thompson were the trustees of the Duluth branch twenty

years ago. Mr. Henneberry is no longer carrier, he having been promoted to clerk-in-charge of the directory and special delivery sections of the Duluth post office. He is the man on the job there, and permits very few misaddressed letters to go astray. All the boys love him as kind and good natured "Jack" Henneberry.

A. E. Heimbach, the post laureate of the letter carriers, and an inventor of nation-wide reputation, is still an active carrier, serving the Spaulding hotel territory and Manhattan buildings. He is just plain "A" to everybody who knows him, and he is a faithful and dependable carrier in every respect.

T. G. Thompson quit his route several months ago to serve as a collector. "Tom" is good for many days' work yet. No man is more popular with his fellows, and none more respected by his superiors.

Duluth has a right to be proud of her post office employees, and her people take special pride in the veteran letter carriers who have earned a pension for long service, but who are denied such because congress is slow to listen to their just appeals.

## WAR INDUSTRIES CREATE HOMELESS WORKING CLASS

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 10.—"War industries have created a new class of laborers, a homeless class, one that, at the slightest feeling of dissatisfaction, will become dangerous to the community. Many of these workers have already become 'industrial lunatics' because of the intensive conditions under which they live," said Prof. Carlton H. Parker, of the University of Washington, who spoke at a joint conference of the American Economic and the American Sociological associations.

"These 'industrial lunatics,'" said the speaker, "are joining the I. W. W. and other organizations and they are putting America in a sort of anarchistic state, almost similar to that existing in Russia. Society is in an economic chaos as a result of the war."

## PRESS FEEDERS ADVANCE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—After a two-days' strike Press Assistants' union No. 4 raised wages \$1.50 to \$2.50 a week. In 13 months an additional \$1 a week will be paid. Membership in this union comprises cylinder and platen press feeders.



GERTRUDE HOFFMAN ORPHEUM

Gertrude Hoffman in Gertrude Hoffman's Revue is coming to the Orpheum next week. This is the stellar attraction of vaudeville—and is the event of the local vaudeville season.

Gertrude Hoffman presents her revue on a scale of magnificence that has never before been seen and is supported by an unusually large cast. Paola Azzaroni is Miss Hoffman's principal support and in addition she has the Kiras Royal Singalese

Troupe. The revue is in eight parts. In addition to Gertrude Hoffman the other acts will be Mr. Leo Beers, vaudeville's distinctive entertainer; Phil Kelly and Joe Galvin, the actor and the Italian; "The Propriety Re-eruit" a "Today Farce"; and Elida Morris the lyric lady; and the Act Surprise of Vaudeville; together with the usual Orpheum Travel Weekly, and concert program. Twice daily—2:15 in the afternoon, and 8:15 every night.

## AT THE SUNBEAM.

Children will shriek with delight over "The Kitchen Lady," the most recently released Mack Sennett comedy. One of the actors is Jimmy, the bear. Jimmy does just the kind of thing that bears do in fairy stories. He climbs up the side of a three story building and pops into a bed room. He finds it a very nice bed room indeed and makes up his mind he will stay a while. Growing a little warm, Jimmy strolls into a bath room and takes a good tubbing, chewing up a cake of soap for the sake of cleanliness and finishing the job by drying himself with a towel. All dressed up, Jimmy finally sallies out in search of adventure and achievement. What falls into Jimmy's day of adventure goes to make up a large part of the play.

## CARMENT WORKERS GAIN.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Officers of the United Garment Workers announce that the Union-Made Garment Manufacturers' association has agreed to raise wages as a result of conferences in this city. Cutters and apprentices are increased \$2 a week and all other week workers will be advanced 10 per cent. These rates are to be effective February 1.

## WILL SERVE COOKED MEALS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—A company has been formed in this city to furnish cooked meals to homes from central stations scattered throughout the city. It is announced that food will be served at a reasonable price and will be carried from the stations to the consumer in insulated containers that will retain heat for several hours.

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Girls in "Watch Your Step," at the Lyceum Friday and Saturday, this week

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Mr. Berlin is the king of syn-copated melody and the most successful of the latter day producers of

things musical. He has given the public some of the most prolific song hits the modern stage has known. He formed an idea that a musical show written in wholly syn-copated time would catch the popular fancy. He seized upon the idea with enthusiasm and, in conjunction with Harry B. Smith, who wrote the book,

turned out "Watch Your Step." It was the first time a ragtime opera had been produced. That it was a genuine success is proven by the fact that it played New York for six months, Chicago three months, Philadelphia three months and Boston three months and it is still going. It is a lively collection of merriment, song and difficult dancing.



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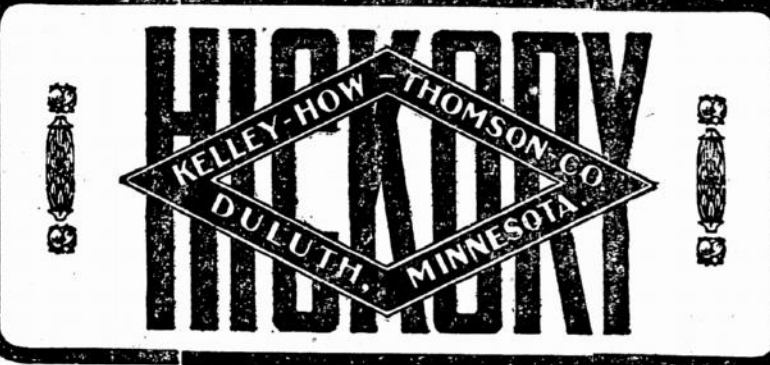
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