Henry Kimball Southland

(7 Nov 1861 – 1 Aug 1924)

Southland. Suddenly, Friday, August 1, 1924, at his residence, 1412 Euclid st. n.w., Henry K., beloved husband of Mary Southland. Funeral Monday 11 a.m. Interment private.

The Evening Star, August 2, 1924, p. 2

H.K. Southland Is Called By Death

Superintendent of Star Composing Room in Company's Service 37 Years

Henry K. Southland, 63 years old, superintendent of the composing room of The Evening Star, of which he had been an employe for 37 years, died last night at 11:15 o'clock at his home, 1413 Euclid street northwest.

Death was due to heart disease, Mr. Southland being stricken as he went to get a drink of water. He had seemed in the best of health recently, following a serious illness a year ago, and concluded his activities yesterday by looking over the copy of The Star fresh from the press, to see that its "make-up" was all right.

Funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock Monday morning at the residence. The interment, which is to be private, will be at Congressional Cemetery. Pallbearers are to be Joseph C Whyte, William MacDonald and Guy Prescott associates in The Star composing room, and BB>Judd, Calvin T. Milans and Robert McP. Milans.

His Death Shocks Associates

The passing of Mr. Southland--"South," as he was universally called--came as a shock not only to the entire personnel of The Evening Star, but also to the entire newspaper and printing fraternity of the National Capital.

A kindly, tolerant man, whose great interest in life was is paper, Mr. Southland was spoken of today by members of Columbia Typographical Temple, No. 101, of which he was a member, as one of the finest types of printer. This body and the Chapel of The Evening Star are meeting this afternoon to adopt resolutions of sympathy.

It was remembered today that associates on The Star greeted Mr. Southland at lunch yesterday by telling him that they had received postcards from Augustus Bruehl, a retired associate, now on a vacation in the far West. "I too, am going on a long vacation soon," replied the superintendent of the composing room.

Mr. Southland was a native of Massachusetts, having been born November 7, 1861. He came to the District of Columbia in 1881, after having lived in Indianapolis, Ind., for a number of years, being employed as a printer at the Government Printing Office here.

His First Service With The Star

He came to The Star in March, 1887, since which time his employment with this newspaper had been continuous. "Mr. South" entered the employ of The Star as a floorman later becoming make-up man, then assistant foreman of the composing room, the scene of his activities for so many years.

He was appointed foreman of the composing room January 1, 1907, which position he held until November 1923, when he was appointed superintendent, with general oversight of the large personnel of the room.

During his years of service with the paper Mr. Southland saw The Evening Star keep pace with the growth of the National Capital.

He witnessed the transformation of both the city and the paper, the foremer growing to a great city of international attention and the paper outgrowing its quarters and building its annex on Eleventh street, its presses and linotype machines being increased in number many fold to keep pace with its growing size and circulation.

Fishing His Main Diversion

Mr. Southland, it was recalled with affection today by friends, had but one great diversion outside The Star. It was fishing. On his "day off" it was his custom to take rod and reel, call in some old fishing buddies and make for the water.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary Southland, who, before her marriage to Mr. Southland in 1887, was Miss Mary Milans.

The Washington Post, August 3, 1924, p. 2

Burial Tomorrow of H.K. Southland

Services at Late Home With Interment in Congressional Cemetery

Funeral services for Henry K. Southland, superintendent of the composing room of the Evening Star, who died late Friday night in his home, 1412 Euclid street northwest, will be held at the residence tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock. Interment, which is to be private, will be in Congressional cemetery. The pallbearers will be Joseph C. Whyte, William MacDonald and Guy Prescott, associates in the Star composing room, and B.B. Judd, Calvin T. Milans and Robert McP. Milans.

Mr. Southland was 63 years old and a native of Massachusetts, where he was born November 7, 1861. He came to the District in 1881 after having lived in Indianapolis, Ind., for several years, and took up employment here in the government printing office. He went to the Star in 1887, was appointed foreman of the composing room in 1907 and was made superintendent last November. He was a member of Columbia Typographical union, No. 101.

Mr. Southland is survived by his wife, who, before her marriage in 1887, was Miss Mary Milans.

The Evening Star, August 5, 1924, p. 2

Final Rites For H.K. Southland

Associates in Star Employ Pay Honor to Memory of Superintendent

Members of the family, a large delegation from The Evening Star and representatives of the Columbia Typographical Union yesterday attended funeral services for Harry K. Southland, superintendent of the composing room of The Star, who died at his home, 1412 Euclid street, Friday night. The services were held at his late residence.

When services began at the home and while all there stood in tribute to one who had given 37 years of continuous service at The Evening Star, his fellow-employes at The Star building stood over their work in silence with bowed head, for a minute, to pay tribute.

In attendance at the funeral services from the composing room was a special delegation. The delegation consisted of Joseph C. Whyte, Isaac B. Field, Albert E. Corning, Wiliam S. MacDonald, Edward J. Gardner, Charles Long, Ralph Prescott, Charles Holbrook, Eugene Smith and Walter Ferber. There were also present at the services George Seibold, secretary of the Columbia Typographical Union and Mr. Smith, president of the union, who were present as special representatives of that organization.

In the composing room of The Evening Star a special committee was appointed to adopt resolutions of condolence and to express in them the high regard held for Mr. Southland. Four copies wil be made

of the resolutions, one to be sent to the family, one to be kept by The Evening Star Company, one copy to go to the Typographical Union and one to be kept on the minutes of the composing room employes.

Officiating at the services was Rev. Dr. Argheus Mobray. The services were opened with prayer, following which Rev. Dr. Mobray delivered a eulogy on Mr. Southland. Interment was privte in Congressional Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Joseph C. Whyte, William MacDonald, Seton Kent, Frederick Kimball, B.B Judd and Robert McP. Milans.

At the services at the house and at the grave were huge floral tributes. These had come from the various departments of The Evening Star and from members of the family and friends.

The Washington Post, August 6, 1924, p. 2

H.K. Southland Eulogized

Fellow Printers Pay Tribute to Memory of Star Foreman

High tribute has been paid by employes of the Evening Star and members of the Columbia Typographical union to Henry K. Southland, who for 37 years was employed in the Star's composing room until his death in his home, 1412 Euclid street northwest, Friday.

At the time of his death, Mr. Southland was foreman of the composing room. Fellow compositors attended his funeral Monday and also adopted resolutions of condolence and tribute. Members of the Columbia Typographical union also were present at the funeral and joined in the expressions of tribute.

The Rev. Alpheus Mobray officiated at the services, which were held in Mr. Southland's late residence. Interment was private in Congressional cemetery.