IN THE GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS

PRINTING OFFICE.

The Knights of Momus ("Knockers") will hold their eighteenth annual banquet and entertainment tomorrow night at the Raleigh Hotel. The organization, which is composed of members of the printing and allied trades, will have as its guests many public men who will supplement the regular program in the art of knocking. Plates will be laid for about 350 persons.

The committees in charge of the affair are as follows:

Committee on printing—Louis R. Lippincott, chairman; Stanley H. Ridings, Harry N. Kelchner, John R. Lamson, John E. Keefe.

Committee on arrangements—Edward Burkholder, chairman; Marsh A. Bodenhamer, Daniel V. Chisholm, John A. Huston, T. C. Parsons, R. A. Julian.

Committee on invitations—Louis C. Vogt, chairman; W. E. Burchfield, Frank A. Kidd, E. F. Geyer, Charles Long.

Committee on guests—William F. O'Brien, chairman; Frank D. Smith, John R. Purvis, J. U. McCormick, G. D. Ellis.

Committee on membership—I. Walter Sharp, chairman; Balsey F. Sauter, Edward M. Nevils, M. L. Leffler, Wilfrid Rouleau.

Committee on publicity—Thomas A. Bynum, chairman; Joseph C. Whyte (The Evening Star), A. C. Haley (The Times), Charles S. Bastian (the Post), William Smith (the Herald).

Reception committee—Edward H. Ryan, chairman; H. B. Goodrell, John Moss, John W. Michael, A. R. Nathan, Charles O'Connell, Raymond N. Babcock, Mark H. Barnum, B. F. Bodine, Howard G. Brown, John W. Mee, William F. Tappan, F. L. Tarbox, M. N. Serrano, W. W. Taylor, Luke F. Ludlow, James E. Payne, J. L. Alverson, F. T. McAloon, Elwood S. Moorhead, John A. Massey, jr.; T. Doran McCarty, Wilson H. Cook, T. A. Dougherty, Frank W. Kern, Robert W. Summers, Maurice Spencer, James F. Sirlouis, G. A. Monagon, E. E. Calhoun, Ernest J. Elwood, D. S. Walton.

Entertainment committee—Andrew L. Huss, chairman; Maurice Jarvis, Frank H. Long, Percy I. Lowd, F. N. Whitehead.

Committee on diversions—Edwin Davidson, chairman; Joseph L. Holland, Oscar Z. Homer, Joseph A. Scannell, Charles E. Sickels, Henry S. Sutton, W. H. Anglin, Charles B. Huse, Harry W. Ziegler, M. L. Statler, J. F. Goodkey, Jason Waterman, E. F. Smith, Percy Howcott, Joe M. Johnson, John F. Atkinson, John M. Barr, Joseph Gibson, John H. Hooper, Emmert M. Miller, Edward Sullivan, Joseph D. Mann, George G. Wilson.

The officers of the organization are: E. Burkholder, president; Daniel V. Chisholm, vice president; Thomas C. Parsons, recording secretary; John A. Huston, financial secretary; Marsh A. Bohenhamer, treasurer, and R. A. Julian, sergeant-at-arms.

Rev. Charles E. Fultz of the United Brethren Church of this city will deliver his illustrated lecture, "The Holy Land," Tuesday evening, February 16, beginning at 8 o'clock, at Typographical Temple, for the benefit of the ladies' auxiliary of Columbia Typographical Union and the Washington Union Printers' Athletic Association. The Rebew Orchestra, under the direction of Henry W. Weber, will furnish the musical portion of the program, and a large attendance of printers and their families and friends is expected.

Stephens M. Simpson of the night linotype section, has announced his candidacy for the office of delegate to represent Columbia Typographical Union at the I. T. U. convention, to be held in Los Angeles, Cal.

The following members of the proofroom chapel have been on the sick list the past week: William F. O'Brien, William L. Schmalhoff, M. E. Bullock, Mrs. L. W. Chatterton, E. J. Hall, Miss J. G. Johnson, Miss J. A. Lange, W. A. Marschalk, L. H. Patterson, J. R. Purvis, C. M. Robinson, H. M. Beadle and W. H. Murphy.

Veterans employed in the government printing office will be excused from duty at noon tomorrow to attend the Maine memorial exercises at Arlington national cemetery, the following notice having been posted Wednesday in the various sections of the office by order of the public printer:

"By direction of the President, members of the Army and Navy Union, relatives of persons who were lost on the Maine and veterans employed in the government printing office who wish to attend the Maine memorial exercises Monday, February 15, 1915, may be excused at noon on that day."

Among those who were on the sick report of the watch force the past week were: Capt. Richard B. Harlow, Robert H. White and Christian Keiner.

Charles A. Riggleman of the linotype keyboard section has been absent the past week, due to illness.

Miss Jennie Butler of the press division has returned to the main office after a short detail to the library branch printing office.

J. A. McKelvy and Edward E. Davis have been on the sick report of the engineer's section.

John A. Cotter is acting assistant foreman of the day proofroom during the illness of William F. O'Brien.

Mrs. Delphine W. Brown will be the accompanist for the government printing office chorus at the exercises in honor of Washington's birthday, to be held at noon Saturday, February 20, in the main hall of the sixth floor.

Mrs. Leta Joseph of the document (hand) section recently entertained a number of her friends with a card party at her home.

Proofreaders Charles M. Robinson and Levi H. Patterson of the day proofroom, who have been quite ill at home, are reported as somewhat improved.

Walter F. Mulligan and William H. Turner of the electrical section have been absent from duty on account of sickness.

Miss Margaret T. Nolan has returned to the postal card section after a detail of several weeks in the main press division.

Frank M. Lloyd was on the sick list of the document (hand) section last week.

Richard L. S. Halpenny of the monotype keyboard section has been absent part of the week on account of illness.

Frank Liomin, brother of George Liomin of the forwarding and finishing section of the bindery, visited with his brother in this city the past week.

Among the more important injuries reported by Dr. William J. Manning, medical officer, during the past week are the following: Catharine C. Cooney (white), twenty-two years old, press feeder, press division, severe contusion of left knee with fracture of tubercle, received as the result of the employe's skirt catching in mechanism of press and thus throwing her body to the floor in the descent of press steps; Robert B. Anderson (colored), thirty-four years old, coal passer, severe contusion of right elbow and shoulder, received as the result of a coal truck suddenly stopping while being pulled by the injured man, because of wheels entering ruts in pavement, throwing employe's body to the ground upon the side described, and Jonas Vernon (colored), forty-two years old, laborer, forwarding and finishing section of the bindery, severe sprain, muscles of the back, lumbar region, received as the result of a sudden tension of the muscles in the region named while attempting to move a heavy press.

The benefit in behalf of the unemployed in the union ranks will take place tonight, at 8 o'clock, at the Majestic Theater, in this city. The benefit is in charge of a committee of Local No. 4, International Brotherhood of Bookbinders, and besides the regular bill of the theater the bookbinders will repeat the minstrel show recently given by them, as follows: Opening chorus, by the company; tenor solo, "Good-bye, My Love, Good-bye," Maurice P. Fitzgerald; song, "Susan Brown," Ben Spellbring; basso solo, "Any Old Port in a Storm," Frank A. Dougherty; song, "I'm Glad My Wife's in Europe," J. Irwin Esterly; tenor solo, "Good-bye for All Time," Frederick W. Seyfferth; song, "There's a Lock on the Chicken Coop Door," Herbert R. Weston; baritone solo, "I Want What I Want When I Want It," Edward H. Paudert, and song, "They All Had a Finger in the Pie," Billy Holt. Maurice Jarvis, as "The Tall Tale Teller," will entertain with a monologue and little May Esterly will give a singing and dancing specialty, the bookbinders' part of the program closing with a grand finale by the company.

J. M. Thompson, imposer in the document (hand) section, has been on the sick list during the week.

Miss Catharine C. Cooney of the press division, who was painfully injured by a fall while at work, is confined to her home in Langdon, D. C.

H. B. Barnhart and Charles Stutsman have been on detail as copy editors during the rush of special work in the day proofroom.

William C. Soules of the carpenter section has the sympathy of many friends in the loss of his mother, who died February 4. Funeral services were held at St. James' Church last Monday, and interment was made at Arlington cemetery.

Samuel C. W. Smith of the monotype keyboard section returned Tuesday from Bristol, Tenn., where he was called by the serious illness of his father-in-law, who is an employing printer of that city.

Samuel E. Carter is on the sick report of the buildings' section.

William H. ("Doc") Murphy, who was transferred from the night to the day proofroom last Monday, is confined to his home with an attack of pneumonia.

Miss Josephine Buckley of the money order division has been on detail in the press division for several days.

Miss Ruby Stanford, a well known violinist in this city, will assist in the patriotic program to be given by the Government Printing Office Chorus next Saturday. She will play the obligato to the solo to be sung by Miss Kate Ellis. Miss Stanford is a daughter of Wilmer W. Stanford of the specifications division.

Miss Julia M. Burke of the monotype keyboard section is compiling a scrapbook, consisting of pictures and articles of interest concerning the officers, former delegates and members of Columbia Typographical Union, which she intends to present to the Union Printers' Home at Colorado Springs, Col., and she will be pleased to receive pictures or articles concerning the craft employed in the government printing office from any of the printer employes.

Henry Hobbs of the forwarding and finishing section of the bindery suffered a paralytic stroke at his home last Tuesday.

Mrs. Annie D. Niedfeldt and Mrs. Martha E. Mangum were on the sick list of the sanitary section during the week.

James T. Huggins and Frank J. Ward were transferred from the monotype section to the day proofroom last Saturday.

Albert Whitacre of the machine shop section was absent from duty during the week on account of illness.

Stephen T. Brown, John W. Kolar, Thomas T. Ryan, Mrs. Sarah Templar and Charles Greenleaf, all of the press division, have been on the sick list for the past week.

Appointments, separations, transfers, etc., in the government printing office for week ending Wednesday, have been announced as follows:

Separations—Patrick F. McCormack, emergency plasterer; Wilfred C. Aitkenhead, helper, resigned; Thomas E. Taylor, elevator conductor.

Transfers, etc.—Lewis M. Shipley, skilled laborer, monotype section (night), to hand section (day); Joseph McK. Hodges, skilled laborer, hand section (day), to monotype section (night); Miss Kathryn C. Cooney and Mrs. Anna T. Wright, press feeder, presswork division (night), to (day); Frank J. Ward, compositor at 50 cents an hour, monotype section, to proofreader, 60 cents per hour, proof section; Lloyd G. Cuney, skilled laborer at 25 cents an hour, presswork division, to counter at 35 cents an hour, cutting and packing section; Thomas W. Tucker, skilled laborer, 25 cents per hour, pamphlet binding section, to helper at 35 cents per hour; William H. Murphy, copyholder, proof section (night), to (day).

Gen. Josiah H. Brinker, superintendent of documents, left Friday afternoon for West Point, Miss., where he was called by the sudden death of his brother, J. R. Brinker, a prominent citizen of that city.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

Secretary and Mrs. Bryan have accepted an invitation to be the guests of Representative and Mrs. J. C. Linthicum in Baltimore today. Mr. Bryan will make an address at the Forest Park Presbyterian Church, in Baltimore, this afternoon.

Judge Robert E. Jeffery, the newly appointed minister to Uruguay, was at the State Department last week and has gone to his home, in Newport, Ark. He will start for his new post of duty in about two months.

C. E. Gauss, vice consul general at Shanghai, is at 221 5th street southeast, on leave of absence.

John S. Calvert, vice consul general at Buenos Aires, who is now in Brooklyn, N. Y., on leave of absence, expects to start back to his post early in March.

Herbert C. Hengstler, chief of the consular bureau, has returned to duty at the department after a short absence on account of illness.

Miss Anna L. Dudley has resigned a temporary position in the office of the solicitor to accept a position as teacher in the Business High School in this city.

Manuel de la Vega-Calderon, secretary of the Cuban legation here, has been appointed Cuban minister to Norway and will start for Christiania in a few days.

The Peruvian minister and Mme. Pezet, who are going to make a visit to Peru, were entertained at dinner by Secretary and Mrs. Bryan at Calumet last Thursday.

Judge Cone Johnson, solicitor of the State Department, has suffered a nervous breakdown and is confined to his home.

Percy F. Allen of the appointment division, who has been on the sick list, has resumed his duties at the department.

Calvin M. Hitch, assistant chief of the division of Latin American affairs in the State Department, is to be appointed American consul at Nottingham, England. Mr. Hitch, a native of Morven, Ga., was a member of the Georgia legislature, private secretary to three Georgia governors and to the late Senator Bacon before occupying his present position. His specialty has been in handling Mexican affairs.

NAVY DEPARTMENT.

Lieut. Commander Dudley W. Knox, U. S. N., was the winner of the first prize offered annually by the Naval Institute for the best theme on a naval subject. The prize consisted of the gold medal of the institute, life membership and $200. His essay was entitled "The Role of Doctrine in Naval Warfare." The other awards were as follows: First honorable mention, Commander Thomas D. Parker, retired; subject, "An Air Fleet Our Pressing Naval Want"; prize, life membership and $125 in cash. Second honorable mention, Ensign Holloway H. Frost; subject, "Tactics"; prize, $100. Third honorable mention, Ensign Robert T. Merrill; subject, "Defense Against Surprise Torpedo Attack"; prize, $75.

Several ensigns were this week assigned to the command of submarines. When the under-water boats L-3, L-4 and L-9 are placed in commission at Quincy, Mass., they are to be commanded by Ensigns D. J. Friedell, Lewis Hancock and P. T. Wright, respectively. Ensign Wright is now in command of the C-5, and his place on that submarine will be taken by Ensign George A. Rood, now on the Severn. Ensign Edgar M. Williams, on duty in the first submarine division, will succeed Ensign Hancock in command of the C-2, while Ensign Charles M. Elder, who is on the C-1, will take command of that vessel.

Commander James P. Morgan, who has been the head of the post-graduate department at the Naval Academy, since June 1, 1912, has been detached and will take command of the battleship Wisconsin of the Atlantic reserve fleet.

Ensign Harry Clark Ridgely has been placed on the retired list for disability. He was appointed to the Naval Academy from Illinois in 1904, and was commissioned an ensign in 1911. He has been under treatment at the Philadelphia and Washington Naval Hospital for the past year.

Anderson C. Dearing of Kentucky has been appointed a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps. William E. Stevens of California has been appointed as an assistant surgeon in the Medical Reserve Corps of the navy.

Walter W. Watson, marine engine draughtsman at the navy yard, New York, who has been transferred to duty at the naval station at New Orleans, passed through this city last week on his way south.

Among the naval officers here on leave this week were Commander Edward Watson of the Naval War College, Ensign Lorain Anderson of the Franklin, Lieut. G. M. Baum of the Marietta, Surgeon R. E. Ledbetter of the Georgia and Naval Constructor G. C. Westervelt at the Seattle Construction Company.

Lieut. W. L. Pryor, on duty at the works of the New York Shipbuilding Company, Camden, N. J., has come to this city to be examined for promotion.

George H. Wood, a clerk in the bureau of navigation, is in Gardner, Mass., on sick leave of absence.

Names have been assigned by Rear Admiral William F. Fullam, superintendent of the Naval Academy, to all the buildings, walks and other features of the reservation at Annapolis. The name of Bancroft Hall, the quarters of the midshipmen, called for George Bancroft, Secretary of the Navy, who founded the Naval Academy in 1845, remains unchanged. The armory wing of Bancroft Hall is named Dahlgren Hall, after Rear Admiral John A. Dahlgren. The seamanship and gymnasium building is named Luce Hall, after Rear Admiral Stephen B. Luce, retired. The library and auditorium, formerly known as the academic building, will be named MahanHall, after Rear Admiral Alfred T. Mahan, retired. The right wing, housing the departmena of navigation and mathematics, will be named Maury Hall, in honor of Commander Matthew F. Maury, who was dismissed from the navy in 1861 because he joined the Confederacy, and the left wing, which contains the department of electrical engineering and physics, will be known as Sampson Hall, in honor of Rear Admiral William T. Sampson. The athletic grounds will be called Farragut field, in honor of Admiral David Farragut. Other names are as follows: Dewey basin, Santee basin, Reina Mercedes wharf, Porter row, Porter road, Stribbling walk, Chauvenet walk, Goldsborough walk and Buchanan road.

A. L. Laird, bowling champion of the bureau of navigation, has been challenged to a ten-game tournament by Anders C. Stein, a recent acquisition from Brockton, Mass.

John Cuthbert of the division of operations and Franklin J. Schuyler of the bureau of navigation have been confined to their homes during the past week with the grip.

J. E. Alexander of the bureau of navigation has been detained from his work with a slight attack of illness.

Joseph J. Strella, a recent appointee to the bureau of navigation, has recently received a letter from his home in Calabria, Italy, which gives interesting information relative to the conditions of life in that section of the universe as affected by the present skirmishes in other parts of Europe.

AGRICULTURAL DEPT.

Secretary Houston addressed the Chamber of Commerce at Newbern, N. C., Thursday night.

Dr. L. F. Kebler, chief of the drug division of the bureau of chemistry, delivered a lecture on "Protecting the Public Health" at the Public Library Friday night, under auspices of the Food Reform Society.

Romance has come into its own in the bureau of crop estimates, employes of the bureau feel. Perry Michaels, a clerk in the bureau, was married January 30 to Miss Mary M. Ridgeway of this city. Now comes the news that his brother, Dr. B. Manly Michaels, a clerk in the same bureau, while on a trip to Knoxville, Tenn., was married to Miss Marjorie Newman of that city January 9. This latter couple will be at home, their wedding announcement states, on the 20th of the month.

Leon M. Estabrook, chief of the bureau of crop estimates, is to deliver an address on the work and methods of the bureau February 16 at 2 o'clock before the Eastern Fruit Growers' Association at the annual convention to be held at the capital, Raleigh.

W. A. Sherman of the office of markets will discuss "Marketing Investigations in the Department."

Dr. A. D. Melvin, chief of the bureau of animal industry, and Dr. J. R. Mohler, assistant chief of the same bureau, have moved their offices in the east wing, having changed quarters with the file rooms.

The department library, formerly situated in the basement of the east wing, has practically completed its moving to the Biology building, and the dairy and biochemic divisions of the bureau of animal industry have moved into the basement, together with a portion of the bureau of soils.

Miss S. Helen Eisenhardt has been transferred and at the same time promoted from the office of the chief clerk to the office of public roads.

Dr. Olsen of the public health service, under the pilotage of A. A. Ormsby, assistant chief clerk of the department, recently made a sanitary inspection trip of the department in accordance with an executive order issued during the administration of Mr. Taft.

Harry B. Cramer, a statistical clerk in the bureau of crop estimates, was on the sick list during the week suffering from acute indigestion.

Paul Jamieson of the bureau of crop estimates, who has been ill for several weeks, was reported as better the latter part of the week.

The bureau of crop estimates is closing up its work on statistical resume for the year book. It is expected that all this work will be completed by the 20th of the month. The statistics in the year books form the second half of the volumes each year and give complete statistical records for things agricultural in the United States for the preceding year.

Ralph Weir, a clerk in the chief clerk's office of the bureau of animal industry, who has been detailed to the Lancaster, Pa., office of the bureau for the past three months, is to return to the local office tomorrow.

A. F. Krueger, private secretary to Leon M. Estabrook, chief of the bureau of crop estimates, returned to the department Wednesday after being on the sick list for several days.

Miss Ruth Raub, a clerk in the meat inspection division of the bureau of animal industry, has returned to her desk after an attack of appendicitis.

Austin J. Raub, a clerk in the Lancaster, Pa., office of the bureau of animal industry, has been detailed to Washington for a few weeks.

Charles S. Pew, a clerk in the Chicago office of the bureau of animal industry, who had been detailed to special work in Washington for the past few weeks, returned to Chicago Friday.

E. J. Newmyer, in charge of the office of accounts of the bureau of animal industry, was on the sick list during the week.

Capt. W. P. Walsh, traveling inspector of the bureau of animal industry, was also on the sick list during the week.

Joseph Slattery has been appointed a messenger in the bureau of animal industry.

George W. Kennedy, assistant editor of the division of publications, who was ill seperal weeks recently, returned to his desk Thursday.

Capt. J. H. Hendrix, foreman of the miscellaneous distribution of the division of publications, was taken suddenly ill Monday and removed to the hospital and operated on that night. Reports were favorable the latter part of the week.

A. K. Balls, a chemist in the insecticide and fungicide laboratory, took the third degree at Acacia Lodge, No. 18, F. A. A. M., Tuesday night.

J. J. Unterberger, a laboratory helper in the insecticide and fungicide laboratory, was married recently to Miss Jeanette Brenner of this city.

The interbureau "duckpin" league is growing rapidly, interest is spreading, and those interested in this royal game in the department feel that it is only a matter of a very short time, now, before a full-fledged league will be under way and a regular schedule of games in progress.

Thursday night the "Insects," representing "duckpin" players from the insecticide and fungicide board and the bureau of entomology, and the "Mazuumas," composed of players from the disbursing office, played three games, the latter team taking two games out of the three.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

James L. Wilmeth, chief clerk; H. P. Huddleson, assistant chief of the division of public moneys; Miss Cora C. Willward, stenographer in that division, and William Foley, plate printer in the bureau of engraving and printing, constitute the present force connected with the Treasury Department exhibit at the Panama-Pacific exposition. Mr. Huddleson, who is chief special agent in charge, and Miss Millward, who is to be stenographer for the force, are now in San Francisco. Mr. Wilmeth, who has general direction of the exhibit, and Mr. Foley, who will operate the plate printing press on display, are now on their way west. Mr. Huddleson will be superseded later by E. H. Jemison, superintendent of the Treasury building, who will then serve as chief special agent. Mr. Wilmeth will return to Washington shortly after the opening. Mr. Foley will remain throughout the life of the exposition.

Secretary McAdoo and Assistant Secretaries Malburn and Peters were all out of town during the week, leaving Assistant Secretary Newton as acting secretary. Mr. Newton is by priority of appointment and length of service the designated acting secretary in the absence of the Secretary. Secretary McAdoo spoke in New York on the shipping bill before the Economic Club. Mr. Malburn attended to some official business in New York city and then was present in Philadelphia when the annual assay commission began its labors at the mint of testing the weight and fineness of the gold coinage of the United States. Mr. Peters was concerned with customs affairs, which also took him to New York city.

An Argentine mechanical engineer of prominence, Prof. Roth, of the University of La Plata, and also connected with the Argentina department of public works, was a visitor at the Treasury Department this week. He is interested officially in the operations of administrative activities in the United States and took particular interest in the office of the supervising architect and the bureau of engraving and printing, both of which he inspected. He had previously looked over the Post Office Department and observed its processes. He expects to apply the results of his observations to Argentine administration.

Miss M. Alice Yeatman, clerk in the office of the controller of the Treasury, was away from her labors for a week on sick leave. Miss Yeatman has recovered and is again at work.

Satisfactory progress is being made in organizing the administration of the coast guard. The business and office force of the former revenue cutter and life-saving services are rapidly becoming amalgamated. The board preparing a revision of the regulations governing the two former services, to cover coast guard activities, is holding frequent meetings. Its labors will not be concluded, however, for some time.

Mrs. H. M. Kelly, clerk in the coast guard office, after an absence of several days, due to illness, is back at her desk. T. V. McIntosh, also clerk in the coast guard office, is at his home on sick leave.

Charles C. Bockey, reinstated in the service and reappointed a clerk in the internal revenue bureau, took the oath of office February 1 at San Francisco. He is expected to report for duty February 15 and will be assigned to the opium division.

Six temporary appointments, taking effect February 8, are announced by the internal revenue bureau. All are for a period not longer than three months. Those appointed are: Francis J. Stoegerer, assigned to the opium rolls; Mrs. Josepha B. Godson, assigned to the claims division; Mrs. Lou H. Cadzer, assigned to the law division, and Mrs. Mary P. Davis, Mrs. Aldwilda M. B. Peake and Miss Frances F. Geschickter, all assigned to the income tax division.

NAVY YARD.

The first annual ball of the machinist base ball team was given at the navy yard February 9 and was well attended. A portion of the Naval Gun Factory Band furnished the music.

William H. Smoot, machinist of the erecting shop, accompanied Mrs. Smoot to Baltimore last Saturday, where she will undergo an operation at the Mercy Hospital.

Walter Bright, machinist of the breech mechanism shop, is enjoying a week's leave.

J. E. Morgan, machinist of the tool shop, has been absent for several days on account of illness.

The United States bureau of standards' test car is at present undergoing necessary repairs in the west gun carriage shop prior to going to Norfolk, Va., where tests will be made. From that point it will go to San Francisco.

Earnest S. Crown, machinist of the west gun carriage shop, is enjoying eight days' leave, during which time he will visit his uncle in New York.

J. H. Conrad, blacksmith of the forge shop, is confined to his home with an injured hand.

C. W. Tucker, a former machinist of the tool shop, of late in the automobile repair business, has been re-employed in his former capacity.

S. J. Martin, machinist of the tool shop, who recently returned from Charlottesville, where he attended the funeral of his mother, was stricken with a severe attack of pneumonia shortly after his return to work.

The following machinists were called to work in the secondary mount shop during the past week: H. F. Reser, T. W. Startzel, J. T. Thompson, J. L. Bookaras, J. M. Melcher, J. E. Fowler and S. W. Frazier.

W. A. Crowthers, machinist of the breech mechanism shop, left last Tuesday on an extended trip to Florida.

C. M. Mull, a former machinist of the Esterbrook Pen Company of Philadelphia, was hired as a toolmaker in the tool shop during the past week.

Harry T. Kelley, machinist of the west gun carriage shop, after an absence of three weeks, returned to work Monday. During his absence his wife died.

Peter Brannan of the tool shop, who has been absent for the past two weeks suffering from an attack of rheumatism, returned to work Monday.

R. H. Alcorn, molder in the foundry, who was absent for several days on account of illness, returned to work Tuesday.

R. W. Swain, machinist of the breech mechanism shop, has been absent for several days on account of illness.

William W. Shipley, machinist, was transferred from the sight shop to the tool shop during the past week.

E. A. Gates, blacksmith of the forge shop, is confined to his home with an attack of the grip.

Raymond Fergeson of the tool shop has been promoted from machinist at $4.08 to machinist special at $4.32.

Thomas Hardy, bolt machine operator of the forge shop, is suffering with an injured hand.

The following machinists were called to work in the miscellaneous shop during the past week: L. F. Dennis of the local steel plant, J. M. Reilly of Baltimore, D. Waldie of Greenfield, N. C.; W. T. Charles of Chambersburg, Pa., and C. E. Herwig of Frederick, Md.

William Hensler, machinist of the west gun carriage shop, is absent on a week's leave.

O. Wade, blacksmith helper, who has been absent for the past six months suffering from a fractured leg, has recovered sufficiently to return to work.

Frank Bassett, quarterman of the west gun carriage shop, is motoring with friends through Maryland and Virginia.

Arthur Wrighter, machinist of the breech mechanism shop, was ordered by the physician to a vacation for the benefit of his health.

W. A. Cooper, machinist of the west gun carriage shop, who has been absent on account of illness for the past three weeks, has returned to work.

Maj. Jesse B. K. Lee, president of McKinley Council, National Union, composed of navy yard employes, has completed his committees. A prosperous year is anticipated.

J. Hardy, blacksmith, of the planning board, who has been in the hospital for the past two weeks, undergoing an operation, returned to his duties Monday.

The following workmen of the foundry are reported absent on account of illness; James Cooksey, James Pier, James Hughes, Ed Owen, J. W. Warrington and James Gibson.

C. W. McGaffrey, molder, of the foundry, has returned to work after several days' absence.

G. R. Gates, blacksmith, who has been temporarily on the planning board for several weeks, has returned to the forge shop.

Injuries received by workmen in the yard are announced by the surgeon in charge as follows:

February 3—W. B. Cornelius, slight contusion left arm; D. Graham, slight contusion back right hand; Ed C. Greene, slight abrasion right forearm; William Haney, slight lacerated wound right little finger; H. H. Hunter, compound fracture and severe laceration index and middle fingers, laceration of stump of ring finger and amputation tip of little finger right hand; Thomas V. Ward, slight laceration right index finger.

February 4—J. J. Kennedy, superficial burn of face and eyes; G. Lockwood, contusion left knee; W. Collins, slight laceration left index finger; C. B. Diedrich, severe contusion right forearm; A. F. Diegelmann, slight laceration tip left little finger; W. W. Hartley, slight laceration right ring finger; O. H. Jacobs, slight laceration left thumb; William S. Wheatley, slight lacerated wound inner right wrist.

February 5—A. B. Bryant, slight incised wound left thumb; M. L. Thomas, abrasion left ring finger; F. E. Trigger, slight laceration left index finger; A. Rein, slight contused wound right ring finger.

February 6—William H. Butler, slight incised wound right thumb; C. H. Duckett, slight laceration right middle finger; C. R. Fry, chip of steel removed from right eye; W. P. Jackson, struck in right eye by chip of flying metal; W. H. Minkins, foreign body removed from left eye.

February 8—F. G. Brown, contusion left great toe; W. C. Campbell, slight irritation left eye; Benjamin Dement, slight scalp wound; E. D. Hardeman, slight contusion left instep; G. G. Holroyd, strain of muscles right side of back; A. Rein, slight contused wound right ring finger; P. Robinson, foreign body removed from left eye; F. H. Wassmann, slight abrasion back of left hand.

February 9—H. Dougherty, contusion right middle finger; William L. Gilmore, contusion right leg and slight abrasions right ring and little fingers; G. T. Lusby, slight laceration left middle finger; C. A. McVean, slight scalp wound; J. L. Mitchell, contusion right side of chest; R. R. Reiley, abrasion left little finger; R. L. Wagner, slight incised wound right thumb.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

Capt. Alvin B. Barber, Corps of Engineers, who has been stationed at San Francisco for more than two years past, has reported at the War Department for duty in the office of the chief of engineers. He has been detailed as an assistant to Lieut. Col. E. E. Winslow, in charge of the division of personnel and fortifications, and takes the place of Capt. Robert R. Ralston, who has been transferred to duty at Cleveland, Ohio. Capt. Ralston recently underwent an operation at the Walter Reed Hospital for appendicitis, and may be discharged from further treatment in a few weeks.

Col. Robert V. Van Vliet, commanding the 4th Infantry, at Galveston, Tex., on his own application, will be retired May 29, after more than thirty-nine years' service. He has been granted leave of absence for four months. He is a son of the late Col. Stewart Van Vliet, assistant quartermaster general. Col. Von Vliet has a son in the army—Second Lieut. John H. Van Vliet, 18th Infantry. He will first go to San Francisco to see the Panama-Pacific exposition, later returning to his home in Shrewsbury, N. J.

Gen. Kingman, chief of engineers, has resumed his duties at the War Department, after a week's illness.

Maj. Herman Hall, infantry, has been made chief of the Philippine Constabulary, with the rank of brigadier general, a position he held once before. Maj. Hall first went to the Philippines in January, 1899, and returned to the United States three years later. He went back to the islands in 1905, and was detailed to the Philippine Constabulary. Maj. Hall became aid to Governor General Francis Burton Harrison in the fall of 1913, and succeeded Maj. William C. Rivers, cavalry, as assistant chief of the constabulary, with the rank of colonel, January 1, 1914, being made chief and brigadier general April 1 last. He only served for about three months, when he was relieved.

Lieut. Col. William V. Judson of the Engineer Corps, formerly Engineer Commissioner of the District, is undergoing treatment for intestinal trouble at the Army Hospital at Hot Springs, Ark. He is stationed at Chicago.

Harry E. Galleher of the carpenter shop was on the sick list last week.

Edward Dunn of the correspondence division was confined to his residence last week by reason of illness.

Edwin Lawton of the disbursing office has been suffering from a severe cold for the past few days.

Gen. Frank McIntyre, chief of the bureau of insular affairs, and Col. Charles C. Walcutt, jr., of the same bureau visited New York during the past week on official business.

Gen. Francis V. Greene was a visitor at the insular bureau during the past week.

The following employes of the Philippine government registered at the bureau of insular affairs during the past week: Thomas H. Cassidy of the bureau of education, W. F. Root of the bureau of public works, John A. Weeks of the bureau of constabulary, H. H. Ladson of the bureau of agriculture, E. S. Gee of the bureau of public works.

Francis F. Gillen of the bureau of public buildings and grounds, who has been under hospital treatment for several weeks for severe injuries to his nose and face as a result of a premature explosion of dynamite at Meridian Hill Park, has recovered sufficiently to be able to resume his official duties.

Capt. Arthur N. Tasker, Medical Corps, U. S. A., who has been stationed at Fort Hancock, N. J., for the past two and one-half years, has been transferred to Fort Wood on Bedloes Island, New York harbor. He will teach tropical medicine at the Post Graduate School, New York city, and at the Long Island Medical College, Brooklyn, N. Y.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE.

Changes of duties and stations of commissioned and other officers of the public health service for the seven days ended February 10 are as follows:

Surgeon H. S. Mathewson, to assume charge of the Marine Hospital at Portland, Me., in addition to his present duties.

Surgeon Taliaferro Clark, on request of the Indiana Sanitary and Water Supply Association, to attend meeting of that association at Indianapolis, Ind., February 23-24, and deliver an address on a public health subject.

Surgeon C. H. Lavinder, to deliver a course of lectures at the Post-Graduate Medical School of New York city.

Surgeon R. H. von Ezdorf, to proceed to points in the southern states to make malaria surveys and to collect specimens and other data.

Surgeon J. F. Anderson, on the request of the health authorities of Virginia, to proceed to Richmond for conference with the state commission of health, and to deliver two lectures on public health subjects, February 9 and 10.

Surgeon M. K. Gwyn, relieved from Ellis Island, N. Y., and directed to proceed to Southport, N. C., and assume charge of the Cape Fear quarantine station.

Passed Assistant Surgeon G. L. Collins, to proceed to Valapriso, Ind., and report for duty in connection with a sanitary survey of schools and determination of the physical and mental condition of the school children of Porter county, Ind.

Passed Assistant Surgeon R. D. Spratt, granted one month's leave on account of sickness, from January 11, 1915.

Passed Assistant Surgeon C. W. Chapin, relieved from San Juan, P. R., and to proceed to New Orleans, La., and report to the medical officer in charge of plague eradicative measures for duty.

Passed Assistant Surgeon R. M. Grimm, to proceed to places in South Carolina outside of Spartanburg for study of pellagra and selection of patients for admission to the pellagra hospital at Spartanburg.

Assistant Surgeon J. A. Watkins, to report at Washington February 10 for conference with Interior and Labor departments officials.

Acting Assistant Surgeon R. W. Browne, granted three days' leave from February 9, 1915.

Assistant Epidemiologist F. E. Harrington, on request of the state board of health of North Carolina, to proceed to that state for the purpose of advising in respect to a sanitary survey of Orange county, and instructing the field workers in relation thereto; also to stop at Raleigh, N. C., for conference.

Sanitary Engineer Leslie C. Frank, to proceed to Baltimore, Md., for consultation with the Baltimore sewage commission in regard to the installation of certain apparatus for the oxidation of sewage.

Technical Assistant M. I. Wilbert, to attend the meeting of the Council on Pharmacy and Chemistry of the American Medical Association, at Chicago, Ill., February 12 and 13.

Board of medical officers convened to meet at the Marine Hospital, Stapleton, N. Y., February 10, for the medical survey of an officer of the United States coast guard. Detail for the board: Senior Surgeon G. W. Stoner, chairman; Passed Assistant Surgeon C. P. Knight, recorder.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

Samuel A. Long, watchman, Secretary's office, returned Friday from a vacation of eight days.

Patrick McEneary, watchman, Secretary's office, is scheduled to return tomorrow from a vacation of eight days.

Charles H. Goodrich, watchman, Secretary's office, also is scheduled to return to duty tomorrow.

Philip J. Martin, land office, returned yesterday from a three-day vacation.

Walton A. Matthias, pension office, during the week was on vacation for two days.

Joseph E. Mann, watchman, geological survey, returned Thursday from a vacation of five days.

Frank M. Howe, watchman, pension office, also returned from a five-day vacation on last Thursday.

John Shelly, watchman, pension office, is to return tomorrow from a vacation of eight days.

Patrick O'Keefe, captain of the watch, pension office, is on a vacation from which he is scheduled to return next Thursday.

John S. Embrey, land office, was on leave for three days during the week.

John O. Sweet, sergeant of the watch, pension office, returned to duty Wednesday, after having been absent for over a month on sick leave.

Mrs. Jessie Brackett, pension office, returned Monday after several days' leave.

Miss Josephine Collins and Mrs. Margaret B. Shoemaker, pension office, also return to duty Monday.

Robert Bilsborough, Secretary's office, returned Friday after a week's leave.

Luke Brock, patent office, returned Wednesday after a short vacation.

Friends and associates of Mrs. W. A. Rider, in the assignment division of the patent office, commemorated her twenty-ninth anniversary in the division last Thursday by presenting her with a large bouquet of carnations.

The following changes in personnel have been announced:

Probationary appointments—Reclamation service: Don R. Cather, Oregon, junior engineer, $1,320; John T. Fieldseth, junior engineer, $1,320. Bureau of mines: John J. V. Forbes, Ohio, first aid miner, $1,200 (Pittsburgh, Pa.).

Promotions—General land office: Mrs. Emma H. Horne, Georgia, clerk, $1,200 to $1,400; Walter T. Pfeiffer, Maryland, clerk, $1,000 to $1,200; Francis H. Jenkins, Virginia, copyist, $900, to clerk, $1,000; Miss Lydia H. Meisel, Colorado, copyist, $720 to $900.

Transfer to another department—Geological survey: Mrs. Kate Newsome, District of Columbia, charwoman to office of chief clerk, Treasury Department.

Resignations—Indian office: Theron H. Steen, District of Columbia, clerk, $1,200. Patent office: George C. Liebtag, Ohio, copyist, $720. Geological survey: Calvin S. DeGolyer, New York, junior engineer, $1,320. Reclamation service: Arthur J. Gravelle, jr., Iowa, under clerk, $1,020. Bureau of mines: Miss Minnie E. O'Connor, California, stenographer and typewriter, $900.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

"Ever photographed before?" asked A. R. Lamb, superintendent of the bureau of identification, of a tall colored man.

"Only in a regular photograph gallery," repl