
GP. O. NEWS NOTES

Private John P. Noone, Twenty-ninth Division, 36th Field Signal Battalion, is the son of Patrick R. Noone, 831 Thirtieth street northeast, an employee of the electrical section, who has been working in the Government Printing Office for about thirty years. Private Noone was mustered into the military service in April, 1918, and is one of a squad of seven men commanded by Brig. Gen. L. S. Upton for conspicuous activity in making re-

contracted the disease from the old child. He suggests that probably every all the children are down with influenza the schools will be closed. Perhaps they will.

Secretary C. Frank Bowers acted as chairman in the monotone keyboard room Friday night in the absence of Chairman Roche. He acted as chairman, but did he act like a chairman?

Howard J. Gaylor has returned to work in the night proof room after a absence of a week, having been called to Albany, N. Y., by the death of his mother.

M. P. T. asks whether G. P. O. workers will get two days Christmas and one day New Year's or a day and half for each holiday.

ing us before very long, and it is not the purpose of this column to divulge

JOHN P. NOONE.

pairs and maintaining telephone communication in the fighting north of Verdun.

In the first real fight of Private Noone's division, the boys engaged seasoned German troops, routed the Hunns, captured 200 prisoners, 7 cannon, about 200 machine guns, and a large quantity of miscellaneous military property. Captured prisoners stated that the attack of the American troops was so rapid and their own so effective that the Germans were overwhelmed and had nothing to do but retire or surrender.

Private Noone is well known in the Northeast section of the city, having played baseball on the Rosedale champion team for several years. His brother, Daniel F. Noone, formerly employed in the job composing section, is now in the United States navy

Friday noon in the main corridor on the sixth floor the Government Printing Office Liberty Chorus conducted a sing which was attended by

an unusually large gathering of appreciative workers who like music with their meals. The chorus tickled the ears of the audience with classic renditions of "Good Morning, Mr. Zip," "Zip, Zip, Zip, Jane," "Round," "Sweet Adeline," "Smiles," "Old Joe." The music was enjoyed very much and an early repetition is anticipated.

The night force also possesses musicians of merit, which perform almost every night in the main corridor. Johnny Koebelt at the piano and Joe Dreis with his violin furnish entertainment for the tired night workers which helps to spend the all-too-short lunch hour. Joe is anxious to enlist the services of a cornet, flute or clarinet performer, or one of each, so if you can blow enough air into any of these instruments Joe wants to hear from you. Don't all speak at once.

Edward J. Wood is detailed from the hand section to the presswork division as a press reviser.

James Solomon Wallace, linotype machineist, is absent from work with a case of influenza.

Jack Weitzel, of the keyboard room.

The telling of other people's joys and sorrows sometimes has a tendency to become monotonous, so we print the following paragraph in self-defense.

Fred Walker, of the night line section, received a message Saturday evening announcing that his brother George, in Huntington, W. Va., had passed through an operation on his lungs and is doing nicely.

George J. Walker is an electrician in the Standard Printing Company at Huntington and has been sick with influenza for two months, having previously had two minor operations performed to relieve congestion of the lungs.

Thank you.

HOUSE HEARS FIRST GUN IN BATTLE FOR U. S. WIRE CONTROL

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to the people in obtaining intelligence.

"The government is merely has been tolerating the ownership of the wireless by private interests," Mr. Mc-

looking perfectly lovely after a few days' leave.

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Arbitration methods have secured

newspapers wage a "war of attrition" back to last May, with an increase and a lull week as a war bonus, to continue until next May.

Michael N. Serrano, of the night proofroom, has been absent for the past week with his entire family down with influenza.

Cornelius K. Stribling, of the hand section, is confined to his home with sickness.

William E. Howard has been absent for some time from the hand section with sickness.

Charles H. Williams, of the hand section, is absent from the hand section on account of sickness.

You must not be bashful about helping to furnish news for the readers of this column. Little happenings of the kind you are reading can be left for The Herald at Courtney's store across the street at No. 8 G street. Show us what you can do.

David S. McConnell, William M. Camp and John S. Beck are detailed from the hand section to the proofroom as readers.

Joseph C. Kauffman, of the hand section, is still confined to his home with sickness.

R. W. Townsend is back in the night proofroom after a two weeks' tussle with influenza.

Edward T. Atkinson is absent from the hand section with sickness.

Jefferson D. Newlon, of the proofroom, reports that Mrs. Newlon, who has been sick some time with influenza, is now improving.

Theodore P. C. Willis, an operator

Could Take Over Coal Mines.

"The telegraph companies then recognized that they were seeking to invade the field of Federal jurisdiction on the question of the transportation of intelligence. The Congress recognized that fact and therefore, gave certain powers were conferred upon the telegraph companies, giving the private corporations a part of the power that the sovereign possesses, reserved to what?"

"We find in the third section of the law of 1860 a power conferred to take over telegraph lines as an adjunct to the Postoffice Department.

On the general subject of government ownership of utilities, Mr. Moon said the government had no Constitutional authority to own the coal mines which produce the fuel necessary for the operation of trains or the forests from which wood is taken.

"You can unquestionably own the vehicles, which you do own in many instances, by which the mails are carried and delivered. You can lease your own steamships or the ships for that purpose; you can lease the railroads for that purpose, though under another power of the Constitution controlling commerce the railroads may not be owned."

Mr. Black said he favored the "people of individual initiative and proper Government supervision and regulation, rather than an experiment in state socialism."

The real question to assuming government control of all public utilities lies in the fact that it is dangerous to "free institutions," said Mr. Steenerson.

The danger of the government owning the telegraph, telephone and railroad systems consists of the installment of an army of millions of men whose tenure or office and whose compensation are dependent upon the party in power."

DRIVE OFF WITH CHICKENS

est child brought the malady home from school and the other children

SSA _____ loaded 'em on a wagon without any top, and laughed at me when the

berlin to Bagdad.

FAMILIES
150 200 250 300

ODESSA

rode away."

This is the report of I. Sugar, grocer, of Third and C streets southwest, made to the police yesterday evening.

"There was three colored men, a

he concluded.

and Venice, touch Trieste the port on the Adriatic now claimed by both Italy and the Jugo-Slavs, pass through Aggram to Belgrade, in Serbia, and thence to Bucharest, in Rumania. Thence to Odessa. It would find a terminal on the Black Sea, in Russia.

From Bucharest to Constantinople,

with Arabia and the Orient.