

THE POSTMASTER

GENERAL TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE •

Postmaster General Work delivered the address below by radio last Friday night. He spoke in the Post Office Department's radio room and the message was broadcasted throughout the country.

The Postmaster General said:

"My message to-night is addressed to every man, woman, and child in the United States, because in varying degree they are all affected by the operations of the Postal Service. This word "service," by the way, which is so aptly linked with postal, is something more than a mere designation of one of the governmental establishments. It fittingly describes what may be considered the "good right arm" of the American people, and expresses unmistakably the purpose for which it was founded almost as soon as the early colonists had set their house in order.

This purpose is nothing more than to serve the people in an intimate way in their daily contact with their fellow men. It is such a personal, essential sort of service that the Postal Establishment has been well called the people's agency. And for this reason, perhaps, it is one of the great undertakings of the business world which has not been developed by private enterprise. The instinct of our people from the beginning was to retain control of this elemental function which so vitally concerns our daily life by associating it with the powers of govern-

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