

TELEGRAMS BY HAND WIRE STRIKERS SAY

Federal Inquiry Asked on Charge of Sending by Suit Case Route.

COMPANIES FIGHT HARD

Wall Street Operators May Quit Thursday — Girl Pickets Have Battle.

Francis G. Caffey, United States attorney, will be asked to-morrow to take a hand in the strike of commercial telegraphers for the purpose of ascertaining whether the telegraph companies are "suit casing" messages because of the partial tieup of the wires.

The charge will be made by Percy Thomas, deputy international president of the Commercial Telegraphers Union, that evidence has come to him, including the names of trustful employees reported to have been sent with bundles of messages from New York to other cities.

Speaking of this situation, Mr. Thomas said: "Charges have been made to me that a telegraph company is suit casing—that is, sending messages by messenger from one city to another—a method similar to that for which the Western Union was indicted, and which is a direct violation of the Federal statutes."

Company Officials Worried.

Aside from the exaggerated claims by the sides of the effect of the strike it was plain yesterday that for the first time since the men and women quit their posts the company officials were worried.

James Russo, one of the employees of the Postal who did not go on strike when ordered, walked out yesterday and reported at headquarters that "piles of messages are lying in the office, with no facilities for sending them."

The attitude of the Wall Street brokerage operators, numbering 750, changed yesterday afternoon when Mr. Thomas addressed them at a general meeting in their Broad street headquarters.

A committee of these operators, who represent the Eastern Brokerage Division, will appear before the board of governors of the Stock Exchange on Wednesday and give the brokers twenty-four hours in which to bring influence upon the Western Union and Postal telegraph companies to mediate the strike.

Word was received from the Western Brokerage Division of a similar action, and the quitting of these 3,500 men is counted on paralyzing the financial business of the country.

To Provide Operators.

Neacomb Carlton, president of the Western Union, is ready to meet the situation. He said yesterday that he would provide the brokers with expert Morse operators.

"We have plenty of them for use," said Mr. Carlton. "The reason for the offer is patent. I do not believe the brokerage operators will obey the strike order. They are making excellent wages and have no grievances against anybody. There is no logic in a sympathy strike by them."

The call for men to go out on a sympathy strike when the strike leaders have been unable to get out their own men is simply playing our game for us. The offer is timely. It is just one more development of our plans to meet the emergencies presented by the attempt to interrupt our service."

Mr. Carlton said the order commanding railroad telegraphers not to handle commercial business, which went into effect at 6 o'clock yesterday morning, seemed to have no effect. Local disturbances, he said, had been reported in Arizona, South Carolina and Oklahoma. He said the matter was up to the local authorities. If they don't want the service, the offices will be closed; if they do, they must help keep them open.

S. J. Konecny, international president of the telegraphers, declared the order enforced by the railroad telegraphers to-day was a powerful ally to the strike.

"Forty per cent of the Western Union business is tied up in this way," he said. "It is estimated 40,000,000 commercial messages a year are handled in the railroad offices. The total business of the Western Union is 100,000,000 messages annually."

Edward Reynolds, general manager of the Postal, said the strike has been a total failure, and is liable to sudden collapse.

Picketing was quite brisk yesterday, with frequent clashes between girl pickets and men non-union operators whom they called "scabs." Several were arrested and one boy badly beaten by private detectives.

According to a statement made by Percy Thomas the strike is spreading through the central West. In Boston the strikers succeeded in getting a score more arrested in Philadelphia the number of strikers swelled.

Addressing a meeting of 400 strikers in Pullitzer Hall yesterday Mr. Thomas said: "Defeat of the Burleson-Vall-Carlton combination seems certain now. This conspiracy is unfair to the body politic and to the organized workingmen. I have informed that every attempt is being made and will be made to give a certain group the complete control of communication of the American continent and in the entire world."

"The headquarters of the Western Union is not at 24 Walker street, out in Wall Street. My conscience is clear in this strike. We had to strike. Carlson took the bull by the horns when we demanded the right to organize and fired those who had the courage to back up the union."

"So far as the Postal is concerned, Mr. Reynolds, the manager, invited me to see him. On the night the strike order was declared I stayed up until 4 o'clock in the morning calling Mr. Reynolds's home in New Rochelle, endeavoring to get into communication with him. His wife said he was not home. I didn't want Mr. Reynolds to grant our demands immediately, but the strike so far as it affected the Postal would have been held up had we been given assurance that the Postal would treat with us after Burleson released control of the wires."

Every mention of Burleson's name was booted and hissed.

That the Western Union may be fomenting a strike was hinted at yesterday by Mr. Reynolds of the Postal.

GIRL IN BACKGROUND OF BANK MURDERS

Sweetheart of Robber's Pal Is Said to Have Played Informer.

HAMBYS' PAST SEALED

Detectives Believe That Prisoner Is Brooklyn Man, Despite Denials.

In compliance with the request of Gordon Favett Hamby, confessed slayer of two employees of the East Brooklyn Savings Bank, Judge Mitchell May, in the Kings County Court, yesterday designated Frank X. McCaffrey as counsel to cooperate in the defence of the prisoner with another lawyer engaged by Hamby but not as yet named by him.

District Attorney Lewis will conduct the prosecution in person. He has announced that he will call the case for trial before Judge C. J. McDermott a week from to-morrow.

District Attorney Lewis left Brooklyn early yesterday to spend the week end in the country. He stated that his work of the two preceding days was the most satisfying of his entire career as a prosecutor. He is convinced that the many identifications of the prisoner as the "tall man" who figured in the bank murders and the confession of Hamby, he will be able to establish a case so strong that there will be no chance of the prisoner escaping the electric chair.

An interesting rumor concerning the capture of Hamby floated about Brooklyn yesterday. It was to the effect that a Brooklyn girl first called the attention of the local authorities to the possibility that the Tacoma murderer might be the man responsible for the East Brooklyn bank killings. The girl, according to the rumor, is, or was, as the matter may turn out to be, the sweetheart of the "short man" who acted as Hamby's accomplice in the bank crime.

She is credited with having received a letter from Tacoma which led her to fear that Hamby had killed the "short man" so that he could not turn informer. This letter, the rumor says, was given by the Brooklyn girl to the police at a time when they were hot on the trail of Roy Tyler, who was later arrested and proved an alibi.

Is He a Brooklyn Boy?

With the connection of Hamby to the East Brooklyn Bank crime established, the detectives have been devoting themselves to solving the mystery of Hamby's history. He has told them that he was born in Alberta, Canada, and went to the public schools there and spent two years in a college. He declares that his parents are dead, but that he has two brothers living. He refuses to tell the name of the city or town in which they live. He stated that he first left his home town eight years ago, and returned there for a short time a year later. Since then, although he has passed through Alberta several times, he made no effort to visit his relatives or friends. Notwithstanding these crumbs of information, the detectives have been working on the theory that he may be a Brooklyn boy.

County Clerk William E. Kelly yesterday told of a talk he had with Hamby while the latter was in a cell in the County Court House.

"Why did you kill Davis?" asked Mr. Kelly, referring to the murder by Hamby of Robert Davis, the man who sheltered him in Tacoma.

"I took no chances," answered Hamby. "But I'm sorry that I killed Bob, for he was a game fellow, and when it was too late, I found out that he was not armed."

"You gave yourself up after that job, didn't you?"

"Yes, I did not think there was a chance in the world of being convicted, and that is why I awaited the arrival of the Sheriff. They would not have me now if the unfortunate quarrel between Bob and myself had not occurred. I was just making ready to go to Shanghai when that quarrel took place. And here I am now."

Why He Spared the Chauffeur.

Hamby's eyes blazed with anger when County Clerk Kelly mentioned the name of George McCullough, the chauffeur of the taxicab used in the escape after the bank robbery, who identified him in Tacoma.

"I spared the life of that rat because he told me he had a wife and child," said Hamby in a tense voice. He then added, "Why, he identified me first and looked at me afterward."

Hamby was asked what opinion he held of detectives in general and whether the police of the East or West were more proficient.

"Well, to be frank with you, I think they are all a lot of boobies. I will make one exception and that is Detective William Roddy." Then, pointing to Roddy, who blushed furiously, he added: "I hate to feel that he was on my trail. He is very clever and highly intelligent."

Hamby was asked while in the District Attorney's office if he resorted to the use of whiskey or drugs while engaged in his work as bank robber.

"I've put away considerable whiskey," he said, "but never when I had work to do. I have done some pretty strong pieces of work without the influence of stimulants of any kind. I've gone into them cold sober. But it was often necessary for me to brace up some of my pals, especially amateurs. I had an amateur with me on this Brooklyn job and he was pretty well liquored up when he went into the bank. Professionals—mean professional burglars and holdup men—generally start out with their heads clear."

In answer to a question as to the character of the man who worked with him Hamby replied that he never had much chance to observe, as he generally worked alone. "I rarely had the same man twice to help me," he said.

In Raymond street jail, the city prison of Brooklyn, where Hamby will spend his time while awaiting trial, he is under constant surveillance night and day. Commissioner Hamilton of the Correction Department, at the request of District Attorney Lewis, has placed special guards about his cell in order to prevent any possible attempt at escape and to prevent Hamby from doing any injury to himself.

JEALOUS STUDENT SHOOTS HIS RIVAL

Belleville, N. J., Youth Way-lays Couple; Tries Suicide.

WOMEN HOPE FOR EARLY VOTE

Sixteen Legislatures Likely to Act This Summer.

The National Woman Suffrage Association is rushing a campaign for ratification by State legislatures of the Federal suffrage amendment. Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt has sent telegrams to fifteen Governors asking them to call special sessions of their legislatures for the purpose of ratifying. Six legislatures were in session when the amendment was adopted, those of Florida, Massachusetts, Michigan, Illinois, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan already have ratified.

Georgia reconvenes July 25, Alabama on June 18, Ohio on June 16 and Texas on June 23. Special sessions have been called in New York for June 16, by Kansas for June 14 and by Missouri for July 5. Iowa, Louisiana, New Jersey and Maine have called special sessions this year for other purposes. The association feels that the prospects for early ratification are excellent.

HOOVER ON WAY HOME.

Sails on Aquitania When Strike of Stewards Ends.

LONDON, June 14.—The strike of the ship stewards at Liverpool has been settled and the steamships held up by the strike will sail immediately.

The Aquitania, carrying 5,000 Canadian troops, sailed from Southampton to-day. Herbert Hoover, Director-General of the interrelated relief work, was among the passengers.

CHINA'S PRESIDENT LIKELY TO RESIGN

Parliament Probably Will Insist He Stay—Cabinet Out.

Air Planes to Carry Parachutes.

LONDON, June 14.—Compulsory fitting of life saving parachutes to all airplanes of the Royal Air Force has been decided upon by the Government and instructions to this effect will be issued soon by the Air Council.

EXQUISITE MODEL FROCKS

Priced \$11 to \$59 Just Half the Usual Cost

The Maxon collection of Summer frocks is wonderfully complete. Chic town frocks of cool Taffeta and-Georgette or Satin-and-Tricottette combinations. Blossom-like cotton frocks for the countryside. Values are amazing when one remembers that all frocks are original Model creations fresh from the showrooms of foremost designers. Rarely two alike!

MAXON MODEL FROCKS

1587 Broadway at 48 St.

One flight up take elevator.

DE PALMA WINS

ON GOODYEAR CORDS

Dave Lewis, Second, and Joe Boyer, Third, also finish Record-Breaking Race on Goodyears

In Saturday's 50-mile race at the Sheepshead Bay Speedway, Ralph de Palma rode to record-smashing victory on Goodyear Cords.

His Goodyear-equipped Packard, averaging 114.5 miles an hour, slashed 34 seconds off the world's record for the distance.

All the other drivers to complete the fifty miles—Lewis, Boyer, Thomas and Hickey—depended on Goodyear Cords in this savage test of tire stamina.

De Palma's great triumph added another victory to the Goodyear Cord record for 1919. In the Indianapolis 500-mile race, Howdy Wilcox rode to victory on Goodyear Cords. So did Tommy Milton at Uniontown, and Cliff Durant at Santa Monica.

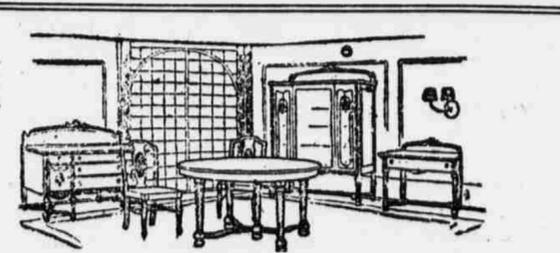
This pronounced preference is born of the race driver's knowledge that Goodyear Cords have the ruggedness so essential to speed, safety and success.

Like the race driver, the great motoring public has found Goodyear Tires best.

More People ride on Goodyear Tires than on any other kind

GOODYEAR

AKRON



Don't Wait For It--Charge It

Whatever it is that you have been planning to buy for the house don't put it off longer for want of cash. The pleasure you will get from owning and using new furniture and furnishings is easily within your reach. A charge account at Cowperthwait & Sons helps to double your everyday happiness. Here's an example of what your credit here would do for you.

This ten piece Louis XVI dining room suite of brown mahogany is a really fine assemblage of furniture. The chairs are upholstered in blue or brown genuine leather. There are five chairs and one arm chair. The table is 48 inches wide and extends to six feet. The china closet is round and is of very attractive design. The buffet measures 60 inches in length. Price of complete set, \$325.00, payable \$15 a month. If buffet is wanted without mirror-back the price is \$10 less.

Don't wait for it—order it now and charge it. You are not expected to balance up your account here every month. A small deposit is required when you order. Then you pay in weekly or monthly sums as convenient. Come in and ask us about it.

COWPERTHWAIT & SONS

"Oldest Furniture House in America"

THIRD AVENUE AT 121ST STREET