

WIRE-RELEASE BILL TO BE PUT THROUGH

Action Regardless of Burleson Order Promised.

PRESENT RATES TO STAND

Statement Issued by Postmaster-General Misoncontract; Properties Not Returned to Owners.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—Unanimous decision to press legislation for repeal of the wire control resolution, despite Postmaster-General Burleson's order returning telegraph and telephone properties to private ownership, was reached today by the senate interstate commerce committee.

Mr. Burleson today sent to Chairman Cummins a letter declaring that his order yesterday had been misconstrued, that he had not turned back the wires to private ownership and that no such action was contemplated.

Mr. Burleson's letter follows: "An order issued by me yesterday relative to the operation of the telegraph and telephone system had been construed by some as an actual return of the property to the owners. No such action has been taken by me nor is any contemplated."

This order simply dissolves the operating board appointed by me under date of December 13, 1918, and directs that the systems again be operated by the regular operating officials under government supervision. Responsibility of the government to the systems in private hands. It being evident that these properties are to be returned to the very near future, it was necessary for the postmaster-general to take steps immediately to set up the regular operating organization of the companies, so that when the properties are turned back it can be done without confusion or interruption of the service, which was the purpose of the order.

Legislation Not Affected. "This order in no wise affects the legislation pending before your committee or before congress which will enable the companies to begin steps immediately to prepare the data and collect their information to be submitted to the state commissions for the rate cases, which will probably be taken up immediately after the period of government control ends."

WASHINGTON, June 6.—Postmaster-General Burleson's order abolishing the wire control board in New York and restoring the operation of the telegraph and telephone properties to officials of the companies, acting as agents of the government, was attacked today by members of congress, some of whom charged that Mr. Burleson had "passed the buck" because of the threatened nationwide strike of members of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America.

Immediately after Mr. Burleson's order was issued last night, S. J. Koenekamp, president of the telegraphers' union, ordered a strike of members of the union employed by the Western Union Telegraph company in the ten southeastern states and reports from the cities in that territory today showed that scores of operators as well as some clerks and messengers had quit their posts. Officials of the company at Atlanta, said that with the wires again under company operation, there would be a finish fight, while those of the union intimated that if necessary a nation-wide strike would be called.

SENATE CALLS FOR PACT

Under the Jurisdiction of the League of Nations, Senator Lodge said it was left out of the first draft.

Second Draft Held Worse. "Now comes the second draft," he said, "with the direct statement, regarding the Monroe doctrine, putting it in far worse position than under the first, and that was bad enough."

Senator Lodge said the British government has been making a misinterpretation of the Monroe doctrine, which held that should any difference over interpretation of the Monroe doctrine arise, there would be the league of nations to settle the difference.

"In the first place," said the republican leader, "the Monroe doctrine is not an international understanding and never has been. The Monroe doctrine was our policy and never anything else. Our fellow republics to the south have sometimes attacked it and sometimes run to it for shelter. But it's not their doctrine."



Sum opening coming off out at the Killingsworth Ave. Drug Store, be sure to attend.

Yours for \$5,400,000.00.

Advertisement for Bellans Hot Water Sure Relief for indigestion, featuring an illustration of a person and a bottle of the product.

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About 800 milk goats will arrive in Portland some time next week on their way to the island in Puget sound. Dr. J. W. Morrow is the owner of the goats and they will join the 200 goats he is now raising. Milk goats range in price from \$10 to \$100 each and Dr. Morrow believes that in two years he will have an industry that will be earning money, and incidentally, it will be producing milk goat enterprises in the country, save for one in California, where the milk is canned.

Already the doctor is receiving orders for goats from all parts of the country, but he is not ready to begin selling yet. He did dispose of several goats this spring among the school children of Portland, but that was to encourage the children in the goat proposition.

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ly," declared J. V. Mitchell, general chairman of the Portland Order of Railway Telegraphers yesterday afternoon. Predictions were made yesterday that fully 95 per cent of the local Western Union force would comply with the strike order, which is expected late today or early Monday. The key men said they were ready, and were marking time. Strikebreakers reported to have been brought to this city to fill positions vacated by union men were said yesterday to have declined to work.

In a message sent by Postal telegraph to Harry L. Morrison, general secretary-treasurer of the Laundry Workers' union, with headquarters in Troy, N. Y., James F. Brook, international president of the Laundry Workers' union, calls upon his headquarters to cease doing business with the Western Union company on the grounds it is a "union-baiting" firm. Mr. Brook now is in Portland, and the message was sent from this city.

Belief was expressed here that the Postal Telegraph company may not be affected by the strike, as a report was received from Atlanta, where the first walk-out occurred, that strikers were being employed by that concern in the south. Officers of the commercial telegraphers' organization say the Postal company will refuse to handle messages to and from the United States.

LOCAL SITUATION UNCHANGED

Company Official Believes Walkout Will Not Materialize.

F. C. Cole, district commercial superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph company, with headquarters in Seattle, was in Portland yesterday inspecting alterations that are being made in the local offices in the Worcester block, Third and Oak streets. Mr. Cole said his company had received no official notice of the telegraphers' strike, which he understood was set for yesterday. He expressed the belief that the walkout would not materialize. The company has received no delay notices and business was going on as usual, he said.

"So far as the strike situation is concerned," said Mr. Cole, "I know only what I have read in the papers. I understood from the press that the strike was to have been called today, but I know of no men in this part of the country who are out of work."

Whether the release of the wires by the government, and their return to private control, would effect any changes in the personnel of officials, Mr. Cole was unable to say. It was intimated at the local office, however, that no changes were contemplated as a result of the change, and that the company's business would be carried on as before the war.

BULGARIA MOBILIZES ARMY

SOLDIERS MARCH TOWARD SERBIAN FRONTIER.

German Forces on Estonian Front Reported to Be Aiding Bolsheviks.

COPENHAGEN, June 6.—A part of the Bulgarian army has been mobilized and is marching toward the Serbian frontier. The Balkan news agency reports that the Bulgarian army was secretly mobilizing on the Serbian frontier have been received in this country several times during the past three months. The purpose of the mobilization was never explained, nor have recent dispatches indicated any reason for strike between Bulgaria and Serbia.

The reported movement of the Bulgarians may have some connection with the peace terms as anticipated in Bulgaria. The Bulgarian treaty has not yet been completed by the peace conference. Bulgarian peace delegates were reported to have arrived in Switzerland several weeks ago.

STOCKHOLM, June 6.—German forces on the Estonian front are said to be aiding the bolsheviks. In an official statement issued at Estonian headquarters.

LONDON, June 6.—The bolsheviks have recaptured Sarapul, on the Kama River, southwest of Perm, which was one of the important towns taken by Admiral Kolchak's forces in their spring advance, a bolshevik wireless message claims. The dispatch also asserts that the bolsheviks are continuing to advance in this region.

Under pressure from British forces, the bolsheviks have evacuated Alexandrovsk in the trans-Caspian territory on the eastern shore of the Caspian sea, according to advices received here. The British had bombarded the town and British airplanes had dropped bombs on it.

PARIS, June 6.—An answer from Admiral Kolchak, head of the all-Russian government at Omsk, to the allied proposals, has been received by the French foreign office. It is understood that the answer in the main is a satisfactory acceptance of the proposals.

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Advertisement for children's clothing: A Fine Lot of Child's Sweater Coats at 98c. SATURDAY—A Sale of Drape Veils at Half Price. All wanted styles and colors. Shetland and Hexagon Meshes, with chenille dots and embroidered designs. They come in black, taupe, purple, etc. Without reserve you have choice from the entire assortment at one-half regular selling prices.

Advertisement for women's vests: A Splendid New Lot of Women's Vests Undervalued for This Sale at \$1.00. The latest new styles in plain colors and pretty combinations. They come in Silk Poplins, Gabardines, Crash, Pique, Linene, etc., and are neatly trimmed with buttons and hand embroidered. Profit by an early selection.

Advertisement for Saturday Sale of Drug Sundries: Saturday Sale of Drug Sundries. Woodbury's Facial Soap...23c, 5 BARS IVORY SOAP 25c, Putnam Dry Cleaner...25c, Pearl's Unscented Soap...17c, Limit, 5 bars to each customer. None delivered except with other goods, Magic Dye Soap Flakes...10c, 16-oz. bot. Cedar Polish...35c, Palm Olive Soap, 3 for...25c, Java Rice Powder...45c.

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Advertisement for Butterick's Magazine: What's the Message? The mail-carrier delivers a bagful of messages; messages of weddings and deaths, of goings and comings; messages of joy and sorrow, of vital interest and of no interest whatever. The great baronial envelope and the flimsy trade circular may go to the same house. So the advertising columns of magazines and newspapers carry messages of great interest, little interest, or perhaps of no interest at all. The postman faithfully delivers the messages with which he is entrusted. So also the publications deliver the messages they carry. But what of the message itself? Will it command attention? Is it interesting reading? Can it be implicitly believed? Will it "get action"? Some people find advertising more interesting than the editorial text. There are men who can make advertising interesting and productive. Interest is quickened in a period of reconstruction. Butterick—Publisher The Delineator Everybody's Magazine Two dollars the year, each. Permanent Positions for Young Women. Due to the approaching consolidation of the manual and automatic telephone systems, permanent positions are open in the operating department. Previous experience not required. A good salary paid immediately upon employment. Increases regularly given to all employees. Excellent opportunities for promotion. Annual vacation with pay. Permanent and continuous employment. Large, cheerful operating rooms. Attractive, comfortable recreation rooms. Lunch rooms where meals are served at cost. Plan for sickness, pension and death benefits without cost to employes. Young women considering employment should call upon the Employment Supervisor, Telephone Building, Park and Oak Streets. Telephone Broadway 12,000. The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co.