

CABLE MERGER DEMANDED BY POSTAL CHIEF

I. T. & T. President Asks Communications Bill Be Changed.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, May 11.—Sos-
thene Behn, president of International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation, today demanded amendments of the Rayburn communications bill to permit consolidation of Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies.

"We believe consolidation of the telegraph communications service of the United States," Mr. Behn told the house interstate commerce committee, "is in the interest of the public, is in the interest of the companies themselves, and if such consolidation is properly regulated and carried out, is in the interest of labor."

Mr. Behn denied this his corporation was in favor of consolidation merely to rid itself of the financial burden of the Postal Telegraph.

He emphatically stated that labor would not suffer through consolidation.

"I should like to go on record," he said, "stating that no consolidation of any kind would be accepted by the International Telephone and Telegraph Association or the Postal Telegraph which discharged the employees because of the consolidation."

Earlier, R. B. White, president of Western Union Telegraph Company, urged that the bill be amended to cover "all facilities used for the transmission of public or private messages regardless of ownership of such facilities."

SOCIALISTS WILL MEET

Party Branch to Hear Talk by W. B. Schriber.

W. B. Schriber will be the principal speaker at a meeting of the northwestern branch of the Socialist party to be held at its hall, Eugene street and Northwestern avenue, at 8 tonight. Mr. Schriber will speak on "Socialism: Christianity Applied." The meeting is public.

Poolroom Safe Rifled of \$21 Thieves broke into a poolroom at 228 South Illinois street, operated by Wilbur R. Gordon, last night, and stole \$21 in cash. Police found a rifled cash register, taken from the poolroom, in the alley. Mr. Gordon said he was sleeping three feet from the cash register when it was taken.

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