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835 Norfolk, Virginia
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INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD ⁸³⁵
OF
TEAMSTERS-CHAUFFEURS-STABLEMEN & HELPERS
OF AMERICA

AFFILIATED WITH THE
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

704 Carpenters Building
Washington, D. C.
July 13, 1939

Mr. Thomas L. Hughes
222 E. Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir and Brother:

I am forwarding to you under separate cover charter for Local Union 835 at Norfolk, Va., which I have picked up, all of the members having dissociated themselves from the Local Union and discontinued it entirely. Most of these men have been successful in securing membership in the Milk Drivers Local and, as you know, I have made a request to Brother Gillespie to have their charter changed to a miscellaneous one so that they may continue and organize all types of drivers into that Local.

As I explained in my report, there is not a sufficient number of men employed to warrant the issuance of a craft charter at Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News. In fact, I would judge from the population of these three cities, which are in close proximity of each other, that one fair-sized Local would be more successful than three or more smaller Locals. There is considerable opposition to the idea of organization on the part of employers and the Chamber of Commerce in Virginia. This is also true so far as the political situation is concerned and we receive much opposition on the part of the politicians.

I am keeping the books of the Local and destroying the seal, which I also picked up.

Trusting you are well and with kind personal regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

General Organizer.