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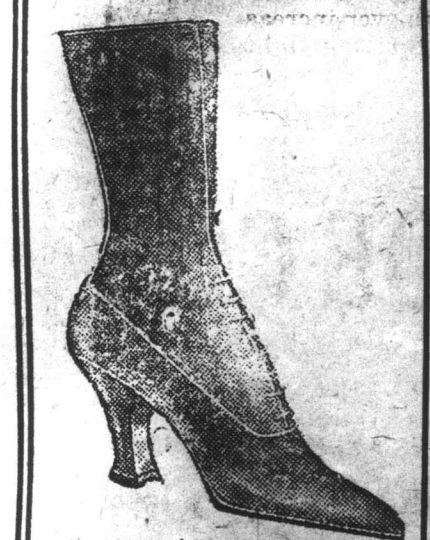
Ordered to Give Evidence in Connection With Proposed Raise in Rates

By Courier Leased Wire
Ottawa, Nov. 14.—The Railway Board in a judgment handed down today grants the application of the municipal corporations of the cities of Montreal, Toronto and Hamilton and by the Union of Canadian Municipalities for an order directing delivery by the Bell Telephone Company of evidence in support of the company for an increase in rates.
In the opinion of the board the request made is a reasonable one and the company is ordered to return covering its operations from 1913 to 1917. The return must cover operating revenue, operating expenses, annual maintenance, depreciation, taxes, net operating revenue, etc. Other items called for include the amount of the company's capital charges, including stocks, bonds and floating debt, the value of the company's lands and plant; a statement showing increase in labor costs and a statement showing the estimated increase in revenue that would be enjoyed by the company under the tariffs now submitted, the statement to show in detail the increase expected under the different rate changes brought about by the new tariff.
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BASEBALL WAR IS THREATENING

Minor Clubs Rebel at Big League's Piratical License

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Peoria, Ill., Nov. 14.—War between the major leagues and the minor organizations of the country threatens to develop as a result of action taken at the annual meeting of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues here today, protesting against the privileges of the major leagues to draft star players from the minors.
The protest was embodied in a resolution drawn by A. B. Tarnsey, of Chicago, president of the Three-I League, and presented by Jack Holland, owner of the former St. Joseph club of the Western League before franchise transfers were made to complete the curtailed season. The resolution demanded that the American and National Leagues relinquish the right of the draft and also the practice of "farming out" players under the optional agreement. It was adopted without a dissenting vote.

Committees Appointed.
Thomas J. Hickey, president of the American Association, urged the minor league organization to withdraw from the National agreement with the majors if the demand is refused. A committee consisting of Holland, Tarnsey and Joe Tinker, owner of the Columbus club, of the American Association, was appointed to present the protest to the National Baseball Commission at its first meeting.
"We shall demand the right to dispose of our young stars to whom we see fit instead of having them drafted by the major league clubs at prices ranging from \$2,500 down to \$750, as prevails under existing conditions," President Tarnsey said. "It is the minor leagues that develop these stars of the major and the smaller leagues should reap the financial reward."

Retain Own Draft.
The minor leagues, however, desire to reserve the privilege of drafting players within their own organization, higher leagues drawing from lower class organizations, under present regulations. Steps will be taken to readjust the draft prices.
The minor leagues also adopted new salary limits and agreed to a reclassification of leagues with the exception of the nine that survived last season. The three class AA leagues—the Pacific Coast, American Association and the International Leagues—were exempted from the new salary regulations because of the fear that the Pacific Coast League contemplated playing "outlaw" baseball. President Hickey of the American Association made an appeal that a stipulated salary limit for the association and the International League would prevent clubs in these organizations from holding their players, as the Pacific Coast League, if it withdraws from the organization, could offer more attractive salaries because of the longer season prevailing on the coast.

Salary Limitations.
The salary limit of class A leagues was fixed at \$2,600 a month; class B at \$2,000; Class C at \$1,400, and Class D at \$1,200. The clubs will be required to deposit substantial guarantees with the league presidents and failure to enforce the salary limits will result in fine for the first two offences and forfeiture of their franchise for the third offence.
The classification of new leagues to be organized after peace is declared will be determined by the aggregate population of cities comprising the circuits. Class A leagues must have an aggregate population of 1,750,000; Class A

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In connection with the reclassification John H. Farrell, of Auburn, N.Y., secretary of the National Association, ruled that the territory formerly claimed by the Three-I League, Central League and Central Association, was now open.
After adopting half a dozen resolutions to protect their rights and privileges in territory and players against possible further suspension in 1919, the club owners adjourned to meet in special session in Chicago soon after the first of the year. The next annual meeting, however, was awarded to Springfield, Mass.

Owing to an error in transmission last night it was announced that American Association club owners would consider plans for the 1919 season at a meeting December 12, in Indianapolis. The meeting will take place in Minneapolis.

Balloting on the proposals to reclassify and redistrict the minor leagues of the country to make the circuits more compact and reduce salary limits occupied the attention of the minor league leaders attending the annual meeting of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues here today. The meeting will close tonight.

There was a growing disposition when the meeting was resumed to withhold definite action in regard to baseball next season until the plans

of the American and National Leagues are revealed. Thomas M. Chivington, business manager of the Louisville club, and a former president of the American Association, was among those who shared the opinion that no definite action for the resumption of the national game in 1919 should be taken for at least three months.

"The peace of the world overshadows everything," Chivington said, "and until the war situation is cleared I do not think it would be wise to adopt any legislation for baseball. I shall suggest adjournment of the present convention and holding another meeting, probably in January."
M. H. Sexton of Rock Island, Ill., president of the National Association, declared himself in favor of postponing definite action. He believes that in the event professional baseball is resumed next season fewer than half a dozen leagues will take the field.

John H. Farrell of Auburn, N.Y., president of the International League; President Thomas Hickey of the American Association, and Dan O'Neill, president of the Eastern League, are among the executives favoring baseball for next season.

GERMAN DELEGATES
By Courier Leased Wire
London, Nov. 15.—Communications have been addressed to the German authorities giving directions for

German delegates in conformity with the armistice conditions, to present themselves to delegates of the King of the Belgians at Bruges on November 15, and also to the president of the Inter-Allied Commission of Rail

ways in the field and the president of the Inter-Allied Commission of Navigation on November 16 at Nancy, to receive instructions regarding the question of railways, navigation and telegraphs.

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