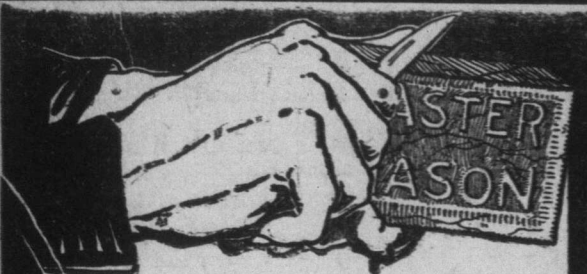


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The \$900,000 Suit Against Leagues

Washington, March 25.—Professional baseball as organized since 1903 was attacked as an absolute monopoly and a violation of the Sherman Anti-trust Act by counsel for the Baltimore Federal League Club in beginning the club's suit for \$900,000 damages against National and American League clubs and certain officials of the defunct Federal League. The case is being heard by a jury in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.

"Combination among the various leagues and clubs described as organized baseball," asserted William L. Marbury, attorney for the prosecution, "is, and has been since 1903, an absolute and complete monopoly, and the maintenance thereof is in violation of the Sherman Anti-trust Law. Conduct of organized baseball under regulations of the National Commission constitutes a monopolization of trade and commerce in baseball."

Like Fulton and Johnson
Mr. Marbury contended that, after "investing more than \$200,000 in equipment, the stockholders of the club 'had been betrayed' by three officials of the former Federal League. These officials he named as James A. Gilmore, President of the Federal League; Charles E. Weeghman, President of the Chicago Federal League club, and Harry Sinclair, President of the league's Newark club, all of whom are defendants in the case.

Although officials of the Baltimore club were present at the meeting in Cincinnati in December, 1917, when the "peace pact" with the National and American Leagues was signed, Mr. Marbury contended that the agreement entered into was not sanctioned by the Baltimore club representatives. He also charged that in the final settlement all of the Federal League clubs received more favorable consideration from the old leagues than did the Baltimore club.

Baltimore Club Lost \$900,000
The total amount lost by the Baltimore club, he said, was about \$900,000 and the suit for \$900,000 was brought on the ground that triple damages could be claimed for violation of the Sherman Anti-trust Act.

The only witness appearing to-day was L. Edwin Goldman, a director of the Baltimore club. He was on the stand only a short time and will resume his testimony to-morrow.

Baseball officials present at the trial to-day included Ban Johnson, President of the American League; John A. Heydler, President of the National League, and August Herrmann, Chairman of the National Commission. Court officials to-night said that the trial probably would continue at least two weeks and possibly a month.

No decision was reached in regard to the formation of a Brantford-Hamilton soccer by the delegates which assembled but if the object for which the gathering was called did not materialize, some good seed was sown which will bear fruit later on. Brantford clubs want to include Paris and Simcoe, but some of the Hamilton clubs are averse to this. Others are afraid the formation of the league would mean the H.A.D.F.A. losing their identity. So there the matter rests at present.

The territory of the O.H.A. may reach across the border. The Detroit Community League is anxious to be taken under the wing of the Ontario Association. It has been suggested that the O.H.A. may reach across the border.

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gested that the Community League made up of four Detroit teams and four border city teams one each from Sandwich, Walkerville, Windsor and Ford, constitute a group of the O.H.A., the winning team to meet the winners of the proposed Sarnia, Port Huron and Soo group. If the request is granted it will be a great boost for hockey in that territory.

Garry Herrmann says that not a Red salary has been cut this year. Despite this the club has several holdouts on its hands.

Ray Fisher, veteran pitcher released by the Phillies recently to the Reds, is anxious to prove that he still has some good pitching in his system.

The Phillies will speculate with a lot of new material this spring. There are many names on the club's roster of whom fans have never heard.

Pitcher Naylor of the Athletics is back from France, having seen a lot of hard fighting. He was "over there" for a year.

The Cubs' training roster this spring is the smallest in years. President Mitchell says he does not need a "whole raft" of youngsters on the trip to the West.

Though never considered a great star, Shano Collins of the White Sox is known as one of the most reliable men in baseball. He's always on the job and never makes any fuss about it.

Joe Boehling, who got in bad in Cleveland in 1917 because of his failure to keep in condition, has been released from an officers' training camp. He has written Manager Fohl that he is in tiptop condition.

NURSE GIRL GIVES LIFE IN VAIN EFFORT TO SAVE LITTLE BABE
Detroit, March 25.—Two lives were sacrificed in the Detroit River this afternoon when a 19-year-old nursemaid, Anna Kopeke, leaped from the dock at the foot of Iroquois avenue, in a vain effort to save the life of 3-year-old Duncan McNabb, whose carriage had rolled down the incline into the river. The nurse was unable to swim, but did not hesitate, plunging into the icy waters which engulfed her at once.

The nurse's body and that of the little boy, still strapped to his carriage, were later recovered by life savers. Duncan McNabb, father of the boy, is associated with a firm of local investment brokers.

W. H. LUTZ RESIGNS
Secretary-Treasurer of Grand River Railway Becomes Manager of Metal Works
Galt, March 25.—W. H. Lutz has tendered his resignation as secretary-treasurer of the Grand River Railway, and has been appointed business manager of the Galt Art Metal Works, which is about to resume its pre-war activity. Mr. Lutz is the only living original director of the Galt, Preston and Hespeler Street Railway, of which he was one of the incorporators.

Built only two years ago, St. Andrew's Mission is already too small and the board of management has made a call for assistance from the city for assistance to carry out plans which will provide an addition sufficient to double the seating capacity. It is proposed to have the building capable of accommodating 400 or more.

More than 3,000 women have registered to vote in the approaching mayoralty election in Chicago.

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Food Situation

SOCIALISTS OPPOSED TO AN ATTACK ON HUNGARY.

BUDAPEST, March 27. (By Ralph Kommer)—Bolshevik uprisings in Austria and Czechoslovakia are imminent according to advices received here to-day.

Any move in those two countries against the Hungarian soviet government is expected to precipitate the trouble.

The British military mission in Vienna has, it was reported, notified the Austrian government that the Allies are ready to increase Austria's food supply if order is maintained. Austria's population is greatly excited over events in Hungary, especially in view of their own economic situation.

All restaurants in Vienna are closed there is no gas nor coal and the ration has been reduced to an infinitely small quantity. Bolshevism is apparently proving an increasing attraction to a substantial portion of the population. Fritz Adler, according to reliable information, is preparing to lead a bolshevik uprising against the present Austrian government. In Prague radical socialists are demanding an immediate, general nationalization of the entire socialist party is threatening a general strike, if an effort is made to mobilize against Hungary.

Unconfirmed reports have been received that a formidable Czechoslovakian army is being organized.

Hungarian Soviet Gov't Established Yesterday

Everything Socialized From Army Down to Baths.

DENIALS ARE MADE.
The following is the first direct dispatch from Hungary to be received in this country since the bolshevik government was set up at Budapest. It effectually disposes of reports that allied representatives have been mistreated, that Hungary has declared war against the allies and that there has been bloodshed.

ALLIED REPRESENTATIVES AT LIBERTY
BUDAPEST, March 26. (By Edward Bing)—The Hungarian soviet republic was firmly established yesterday without disorder or bloodshed and with amicable relations continuing with allied representatives. All the Allies and allied soldiers are at complete liberty. The popularity of British and American officers has not diminished. Everything in the country has been socialized, from the army down to baths.

This reorganization has been accomplished with the apparent approval of the wealthy and aristocratic as well as the poor and humble. A red army is being organized on a purely volunteer basis, conscription being abolished as soon as the communist government took office. Soldiers are paid \$80 a month. They are clothed, fed and equipped without charge and in addition they receive extra pay for the support of their families.

Army commanders are named by the commissary of war, all ranks being eligible. Officers are picked purely on their merit, after a careful examination of their records. Indications point to formation of the largest and most contented army in the history of the country.

Law courts have been abolished and supplanted by revolutionary tribunals, composed of a chairman and two members. They are virtually in continuous session and justice is meted out rapidly and effectively, with more consideration for real justice than the old law. Punishment is carried out immediately, after sentence is pronounced. The death penalty can be pronounced only by an unanimous vote of the tribunal.

All industries have been ordered to continue at work. Special committees are being formed to insure a fair distribution of the scanty supply of raw materials. Requisitions from private families are forbidden.

Speaking of false news, is severely punished. All titles and ranks are abolished. Shopkeepers have been ordered to prepare a list of their stocks and bank accounts. This is merely for the information of the government and no attempt will be made to seize them. Steps have been taken to substitute cash for cheques whenever possible.

The stock exchange has been ordered to cease operations. Public baths must be open to the labor classes and school children and no charge will be made to them. All private bathhouses likewise are at their disposal on Saturdays. Hungarian workmen meeting in various parts of the country have declared their unanimous approval of the reforms instituted by the communist government.

Allenby is in Egypt

SITUATION CONTINUES TO IMPROVE
CAIRO, March 27.—General Allenby, conqueror of Palestine, who has been appointed military commander of Egypt, arrived here to-day.

It was officially announced that the situation continues to improve and that opposition to the British authorities is dying out.