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### COMMISSION CLOSES TELEPHONE HEARING

#### Refuses to Continue Matter Any Longer.

#### Representatives of Towns Plead in Vain for Further Investigation.

Travis and Lee Oppose. Pell Willing.

(Special Star Telegram.) Raleigh July 18.—Definite refusal of the corporation commission to allow another continuance of the hearing of the petition of the Southern Bell Telephone company for increasing the rates in Wilmington, Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Asheville, Raleigh, Greensboro and other exchange towns, twelve in all, of North Carolina, brought the evidence and arguments to a conclusion this afternoon and there remains the preparation and promulgation of the ruling, which it is understood will be forthcoming before Chairman Travis retires from the commission August 1.

Mayor McNinch, of Charlotte; Mr. Kimbel, and others of counsel for those resisting the increases, pleaded in vain for further time, sixty days if possible, and certainly thirty days, in which to go into the Bell company's contract with the American company and for getting expert testimony as to various phases of the telephone business and economics of operation. Chairman Travis held that the commission has before it or immediately available all the data essential to the case, except possibly the records of the recent Washington D. C. investigation, which he said he would undertake to get. It is understood that Chairman Travis and Commissioner Lee voted for the closing of this hearing, and that Commissioner Pell insisted that the additional time would be granted. It is even strongly intimated that Judge Pell will oppose granting the increase because of this refusal to allow the further hearing.

Mayor McNinch submitted at the conclusion of the hearing a schedule of findings that the commissioners are asked to find as facts controlling the case, these including the general allegations that have been made in the case for the opposition. Arguments were brief. The detailed contract between the Southern Bell and the American Bell Telephone companies, along with the changes and modifications by letter, orders of directors and through development of usage between the companies, were shown by the documentary evidence to be much as they had been represented to be by Vice-President Hoxey, of the Southern Bell, who has co-operated with District Manager W. B. Spier in the presenting of the case of the Southern Bell in seeking the increased rates. There have been developments in the past few days which cast doubt as to the allowance of increases in telephone rates asked, it being only a matter now as to the time required for the corporation commission to prepare the order. The rates will be in effect most likely for August.

### GERMANS IN SPAIN

#### Spain Getting in Bad Because of German Sympathies.

Barcelona, Spain, July 10.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Captain F. H. La Guardia, of New York City, representative to the American congress, has told the Spanish people that they and their government are injuring themselves by friendliness toward Germany. He pointed out in an interview given to the Barcelona La Guardia that while Spain was taking this attitude, her vessels carrying raw materials vitally necessary to Spanish industries were being ruthlessly sunk by German submarines.

Publication of the interview has caused a stir throughout Spain. Representative La Guardia has completed a trip through Spain to study the effect of the many-sided German propaganda floated there. He finds that about 50 per cent of the "thinking classes" in Spain are avowedly for the entente and against Germany, but that the great mass of the working classes, and the Spanish peasantry, are thus far being swayed by the German press campaign especially by the anti-American feature of it, to disregard Spain's real interests. The government, he believes, would turn to a pro-entente attitude, at least, if American standpoints and ideals were better known.

This, however, he thinks, is impossible as long as the German portion of the press continued to keep alive bitterness resulting from the Spanish-American war and the loss of Cuba and the Philippines while it believes or ignores the sinking of Spanish ships with the consequent loss of material intended to keep Spanish industry alive. "You understand," he told the Barcelona paper, "that unless Spanish factories receive the greater part of their raw material from the United States they cannot continue to operate. Then why, can anyone tell me, do German submarines lie in wait off the Spanish coast in order to sink Spanish ships carrying raw materials for Spanish factories to work with? Are the Germans and Austrians at war with the Spanish working people that they seek to deprive them of the means of livelihood? Because surely it is no punishment to the United States when German submarines sink Spanish ships bringing raw cotton for the mills at Catalonia. "Germany is trying to weaken you by crippling your industries through the destruction of your mercantile fleet. Since 1915 Germany has destroyed not less than 78 of your merchant ships with a total tonnage of over 160,000 tons. They were mostly bound to Spain laden with raw materials for your factories. Just because Germany is at war and destined to defeat is no reason why she should destroy the Spanish merchant fleet. Germany does not want Spanish commerce to flourish. "We want to do business with Spain. Because with us after the war will be on an equal footing with respect to profits and mutual advantages. Business with Germany will mean to what it has always meant—commercial domination and industrial exploitation. "Our victory means your prosperity."

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### AMERICAN CASUALTY LIST

Washington, July 8.—The following army casualties have been reported by General Pershing:

- Killed in Action.**
- Sergeants Carl C. Carter, Fresno, Cal.; Eudell Miller Lusher, Kansas City Mo.; William F. McFadden, Great Bend, Kan.; Wm. L. Travis, Hot Springs, Ark. Privates Leon William Brignall, Geneva, N. Y.; Rocco di Sciacco, Philadelphia; George Fisher, New York; Joseph Gallegos, Talpa, N. M.; William C. Jackson, Rushville, Ind.; Vedo Rubialchi, Tonopah, Nev.; Samuel Elder Lee, Pittsburgh; John C. Lovell, Norborne, Mo.; Henry R. Tyler, Manlius, N. Y.; Oscar L. Ulgreen, Jamestown, N. Y.
- Died of Wounds.**
- Corporal James E. Fitzwillson, Charleston, S. C. Privates Frederick B. Bunt, Tannersville, N. Y.; Earl M. Costan, Billings, Mo. Jos. B. Emmons, Andalusia, Ala.; Paul J. Diorino, Ft. Atkinson, Wis.; Chas. E. Lanier, Decatur, Ala.; Jos. Macciocca, Pigbo, Italy; Frank K. Snyder, Fairfield, Conn.; William Upton, Philadelphia; Okey Vaughn, Newford, W. Va.

**Died of Disease.**

Cook Scott Milford, Summer, Mo. Privates Charles E. Lucas, Trenton, New Jersey; Leslie G. Morrow, Alberta, Canada; William O. Watts, Elsbury, Mo.; Frank H. Wensel, Little Falls, Minn.; Philip Whitefield, Salters Depot, S. C. Died from accident and other causes: Corporal Ralph Charles Taylor, Mt. Pleasant, Mich. Private Herbert Daniel Whalen, Detroit.

**Wounded Severely.**

Sergeant Russell Boyd Brightbill, Harrisburg, Pa. Corporals Stacey E. Baker, Watertown, N. Y.; Richard P. Partridge, Rochester, N. Y. Privates William Baron, Lublin, Russia; Robert Big Thunder, Wootenburgh, Wis.; James B. Chapman, Taylorville, N. C.; Salah Davis, Newark; David H. Dunkle, Spring Run, Pa.; Sam H. Gardner, Phoenix City Ala.; Frederick V. Gould, Roxbury, Mass.; John Luhainik, Baltimore; Clarence Lyon, Bluffton, Ind.; Edwin Emerson Miller, Postage, Pa.; Vern Morlan, Medicine Lodge, Kan.; Guy Norton, Delhi, N. Y.; Henry H. Shook, Cherokee, Iowa; Claud D. Shelts, Hubbard, Iowa; Pit Sikivica, Johnstown Pa. Henry Venditti, Newcastle, Pa.; William Zielinski, Getzsynic Russia.

**Wounded Slightly.**

Private Laurence A. Chambers, Bridgeport, Conn.

**Missing in Action.**

Privates Albert Brook, Princeton, N. J.; Wojciech Czaganowski, Detroit; Henry Joseph Klotz, Syracuse, Pa.; Harry F. Thorpe, Waterbury, Conn. Previously missing, now reported in hospitals: Private Alexander Crosbie, Kalgoolie, West Australia.

**No Southerners in Marine List.**

Washington, July 18.—The marine corps casualty list today shows: Killed in action 3, died of wounds 1, wounded severely 3, total 7. None of the seven men in today's marine corps casualty list is from a southern state. Sergeant Thomas A. Sturges, 744 Charles St., New Orleans, was reported killed in action previously.

### HAS CLOSE CALL

**Kinaton Man Fired on by Sniper While Doing Red Cross Work.** (Special Star Correspondence.) Kinaton, July 18.—Murphy Brogren, of this city, member of a regular army hospital unit and serving in the medical detachment of an infantry regiment at the front, states in a letter to relatives here that while carrying wounded back from the front in a recent battle he was fired upon by a German sniper. The Red Cross brassard was worn by Brogren and his companions, the soldier writes, but the symbol had no effect upon the Hun who popped away at the unarmed hospital men. At one time during an engagement preceding this experience Brogren was on the ground for two hours while shell and shrapnel were bursting all around and a German machine gun was "clipping the weeds" over his head. "I thought every minute would be my last. I must admit I was 'kinder' nervous at first, but you get used to it all."

### FIRM BLACKLISTED.

**Condemned by Food Administration For Refusing Hay Shipment.** (Special Star Correspondence.) Kinaton, July 18.—King & Hearne, local firm blacklisted by the food administration for refusing to accept and pay for a carload of hay without just cause for refusing the shipment, operates a saw stable at 127 West North street. It does not deal in food or feed stuffs, according to J. T. Hearne, member of the firm, who states that the hay in question was purchased to feed stock in the stable. Hearne says the hay was damaged. King & Hearne failed to comply with requirements of the food administration after the matter had been brought to the administration's attention. It is learned in an authoritative local source.

### UNCLE SAM PLANNING TO LOAN CHINA FIFTY MILLIONS

Washington, July 18.—The American government has agreed to a loan to China by American bankers, providing China cancels all outstanding loans and that all loans be shared by the bankers of the United States, Great Britain, France and Japan. Details of the loan have not been completed, but \$50,000,000 is the approximate figure under consideration to be advanced from this country.

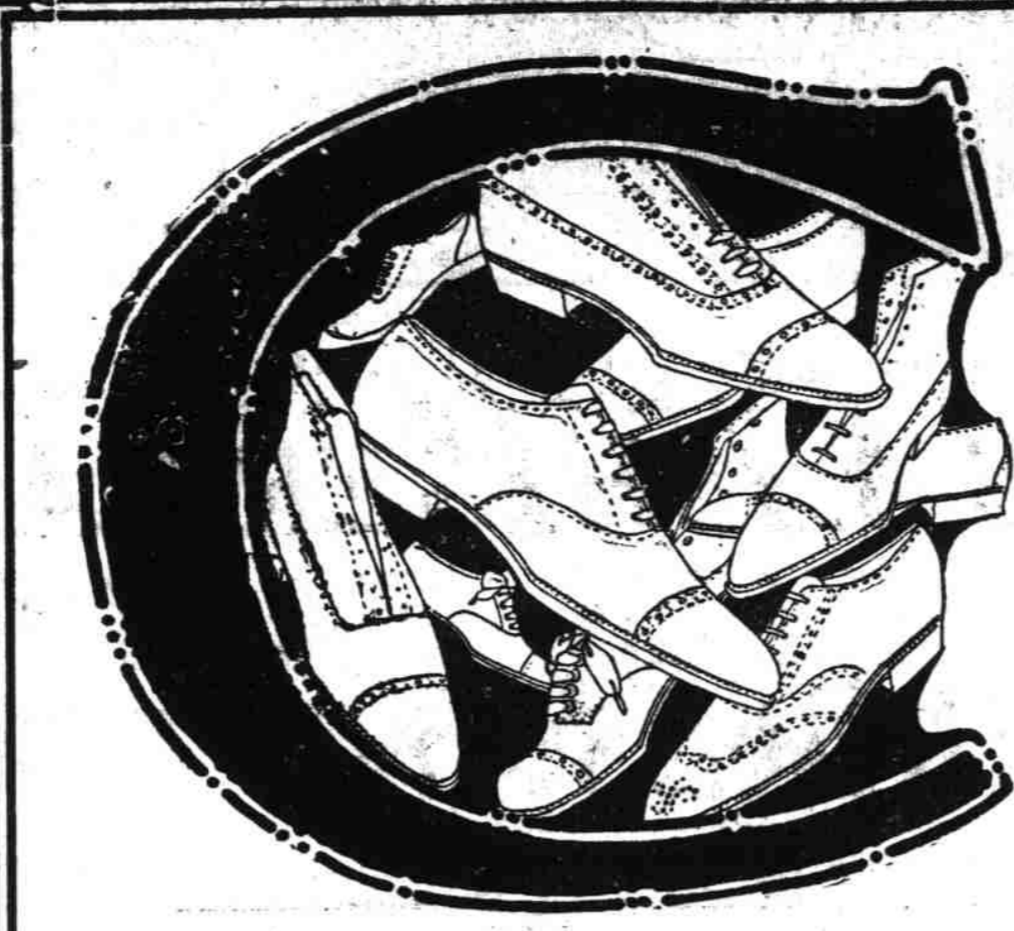
### MINOR LEAGUES.

**VIRGINIA LEAGUE.** Richmond 7; Newport News 5. Norfolk 0; Petersburg 3.

**INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE.** Binghamton 4-0; Toronto 5-7 (first game 12 innings). Baltimore 2; Buffalo 6. Jersey City 0; Rochester 1 (second game; first game postponed). Newark 4-3; Syracuse 1-6.

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.** Milwaukee 7; Minneapolis 10. Toledo 0; Columbus 1. At Kansas City 4; St. Paul (—). Louisville 1; Indianapolis 3. Toledo 2; Columbus 3 (twilight game).

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**Results Yesterday.**  
Chicago, 2; Brooklyn, 3.  
St. Louis, 5; New York, 8.  
Pittsburgh, 1; Philadelphia, 0.  
Cincinnati-Boston, rain.

**Where They Play Today.**  
Boston at Cincinnati.  
Brooklyn at Chicago.  
New York at St. Louis.  
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh.

**Standing of Clubs.**

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago	56	26	.683
New York	49	31	.613
Pittsburgh	42	37	.532
Philadelphia	36	41	.468
Boston	36	42	.462
Cincinnati	35	42	.455
St. Louis	35	43	.447
Brooklyn	31	48	.392

**Chicago, July 18.**—Vaughn weakened in the sixteenth today and Brooklyn scored a 3 to 2 victory in the first game of the series with Chicago. Singles by Wheat and Doolan scored the winning run.

**Score:**  
Brooklyn—000 000 200 000 000 1—3 11 5  
020 000 000 000 000 0—2 7 2  
Grimes and M. Wheat; Vaughn and Killifer.

**Win With Stick.**  
St. Louis, July 18.—New York batted out an 8 to 5 victory over St. Louis in the ninth inning today. A timely single by Doyle with the bases full scored two runs. It was Doyle's first appearance with the Giants here this season.

**Score:**  
New York . . . . .000 200 303—8 12 0  
St. Louis . . . . .000 040 100—5 9 2  
Schupp, Demaree, Smith and McCarty; Packard, Doak and Gonzales.

**1 to 0, Thirteen Innings.**  
Pittsburgh, July 18.—The Philadelphia-Pittsburgh game here today went four extra innings, the visitors finally winning in the thirteenth, 1 to 0. Slapnicka and Jacobs both pitched well and were invincible with men on the bases. Cravath, who led off for Philadelphia in the thirteenth inning got a double to left. He went to third on Pearce's sacrifice and scored on a squeeze play, Burns bunting to the pitcher, who fumbled the ball.

**Score:**  
Philadelphia—000 000 000 000 1—1 4 2  
Pittsburgh—000 000 000 0—0 6 3  
Jacobs and Burnel; Slapnicka and Schmidt.

**Honors Divided.**  
New York, July 18.—New York and Detroit divided a double-header here today, the Tigers winning the first game 4 to 1, and the Yankees the second, 3 to 2, in ten innings. Walker's home run with two on bases in the seventh inning decided the first game. The Yankees tied the second game in the ninth on doubles by Caldwell, Pipp and Bode. In the tenth with the bases full, Baker hit into the grand stand but was credited only with a single as Keating scored from third. Cobb twisted his shoulder which he injured Tuesday sliding to a base and retired during the first game. Hellman of Detroit left for San Pedro, Cal., after the second game, where he will enlist in the navy.

**First game:**  
Detroit . . . . .000 010 300—4 6 1  
New York . . . . .010 000 000—1 5 0  
James and Stange; Thormahlen, Keating and Walters.

**Second game:**  
Detroit . . . . .101 000 000—2 12 0  
New York . . . . .000 000 002—1 3 10 2  
Kallio and Stange; Finneran, Keating and Iannah, Walters.

**Champs and Athletics Split Even.**  
Philadelphia, July 18.—Chicago and Philadelphia split a doubleheader here today, the world's champions winning the first 3 to 1 and the Athletics the second 4 to 3. Cicotte's fine pitching gave Chicago the victory in the first contest. The final inning of the second game was a thriller. Chicago got a two-run lead, but Philadelphia won out on Dugan's double with two on bases.

**First game:**  
Chicago . . . . .000 101 000—3 9 1  
Philadelphia . . . . .000 010 000—1 2 1  
Cicotte and Schaik; Gregg and McAvoy.  
**Second game:**  
Chicago . . . . .000 000 003—3 5 2  
Philadelphia . . . . .100 000 003—4 8 0  
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**Russell Leaves Yanks.**  
New York, July 18.—Allan Russell, pitcher for the New York Americans, has gone to the Sparrows Point team of the steel league, it was announced here today. Manager Huggins declared that Russell had severed his connection with the club without the formality of a resignation. Russell is the third New York American player to join the Sparrows Point team, the others being Monroe, pitcher, and Fewster, infielder.

**Giants Lose Pitcher.**  
St. Louis, July 18.—Fred Anderson, pitcher with the New York National left last night for Statesville, N. C. to report for military service July 21. Manager McGraw announced here today.

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