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## ST. LOUIS PAPER ATTACKS A. L. U.

**A General Answer to Numerous Lying Attacks—Misrepresentation and Falsehood the Weapons of Our Enemies—The Working Class Cannot Be Deceived.**

St. Louis Labor, a labor-socialist paper, is suffering from another attack of American labor unionists. Labor is edited by a man whose conception of the basic principles of Socialism is so clear and whose sense of duty is so keen that it led him to become a deputy sheriff or a militiaman or something of that sort during a street car strike, "in order to help the boys out," and who, after joining the ranks of the capitalistic time servers, caught a bad case of "cold feet" and was ignominiously dismissed from his "guardianship of the rights of the people." Since the Denver convention of the American Labor Union this writer has been in agony because, forsooth, the American Labor Union saw fit to say to the working class that their interests could only be conserved by united class conscious political action and invited its membership to study the principles of Socialism. What a crime it was to be sure. Why could not the A. L. U. continue to betray the working class into the hands of the capitalist class as the A. F. of L. had been doing. Why could they not refrain from performing their plain duty to the masses? Why could they not continue in the rut of pure and simple unionism as blind leaders of the blind? What business had the American Labor Union to place the eastern "borers from within" in an embarrassing position? Why indeed? Verily the American Labor Union has grievously sinned. It either did not know or did not care that its declaration would seriously interfere with the business interests of certain eastern comrades. It took no heed of the fact that certain publishers depend on the patronage of pure and simple unions whose members were likely to take offense because the paper was advocating the principles which had been endorsed by the American Labor Union. There was no allowance made for the fact that the political action declaration might shut the door to advancement in the pure and simple unions for some of the "borers." The only point which the delegates appear to have deemed worthy of attention was their duty to the working class.

"Labor" parties on the political field are very wroth at the Socialist party because it will not surrender its views and help to elect "good men" to office. The creeping things which hide beneath a stone in the fields always scuttle for darkness when their covering is removed. They hate the light. The fakir howls in anguish when his covering is torn from him and he is compelled to show his true colors. Strange as it may seem there appear to be men in the Socialist movement who place their material interests above those of the interests of their class. At any rate such appears to be the case. There may, of course, be other reasons for lying attacks which have been made on the A. L. U. by men prominent in the ranks of the eastern comrades, but if so they are difficult to fathom. Ignorance of the facts might be offered as a defense for some statements that have been

made, but ignorance does not justify the manufacture of a rank falsehood out of whole cloth.

The editor of St. Louis Labor some months ago, according to reliable information, appeared on the floor of the central body and accused the A. L. U. of having organized dual unions and followed it with the further statement that the A. L. U. was controlled by a few leaders. The Journal immediately branded the statements as a falsehood and requested that he produce proof in support of his statements or admit that he lied. So far as we know he has done neither. A late issue of the Cigarmakers' Journal charged a member of the A. L. U. executive board with having attempted to form a dual union of that craft in Chicago. This lie was also nailed.

Eastern labor union men having shown such a lively interest in dual unions, The Journal concluded it might be wise to give them a chance to study them at close range, and not caring to cite a western example such as the Amalgamated Waiters who organized the scabs of Colorado (See report 1901-2, page 229, prepared by the Commissioner of Labor for Colorado), the attention of The Cigar Makers' Journal and Editor Hoehn of St. Louis Labor was called to the action of Gompers in organizing the scab cigar makers in Lang's and also in Urey's cigar shops at the time Cigar Makers' Union, No. 44, of that city was carrying on an agitation for the international label. In the early history of St. Louis Cigar Makers Union goods were distinguished by a local red label, but along in 1885 it was decided to boom the international label. An active campaign was begun with the result that Mr. Gompers came to the rescue of the scabs in at least two shops, to the certain knowledge of the writer, and gave them an A. F. of L. label. William Schottmueller of (now) North Fifth street was fined \$500 by the union for running a scab shop. Other manufacturers were brought to time after a hard fight. In support of this charge The Journal referred the would-be assassins of industrial unionism to the then president of the executive board of the Cigar Makers' Union, David Hombrecht. St. Louis Labor states that David Hombrecht is dead; that no one appears to know anything about it and therefore our charge is untrue. There are other St. Louis cigar makers who know if our statement is true or false and who are not dead. We might mention Phil Hoffer, William Harry, Cooney Brinckman, Joseph Boekken or John Berghern or any other member of the Cigar Makers' Union who took an interest in the affairs of his union in '84-5.

If the editor of St. Louis Labor desired to inform himself on the matter and he certainly should, since he takes such a violent interest in the issue involved, he would have no trouble in arriving at the truth. It will do Labor no good to deny the truth. Any union man can learn the facts for himself.

## NOTES OF THE AMERICAN LABOR UNION

F. W. Cronin, an old-timer in the labor movement in Butte and business agent for the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' Union, No. 2, has been elected secretary of the Silver Bow Trades and Labor Assembly, Butte, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of V. D. Doody.

Spokane Brewers' Union, No. 56, has issued a letter to organized labor, asking it when drinking Spokane beer to see that it bears the union label of the United Brewery Workmen of the United States. The Spokane Brewing and Malting Co. and A. Weiser's Bottling Works, of Spokane, have been declared "unfair."

C. M. Hurlbut, of the United Brotherhood of Railway Employees, has been elected as secretary-treasurer of the California State Council, A. L. U. Brother Hurlbut is an earnest and enthusiastic worker, and his aggressiveness will put the new State Council in a prosperous and healthy condition.

The Hand and Machine Sheep Shearers' Union has scored another victory with the Wool Growers' Association in Wyoming. At Rock Springs where the men had been out scarcely a week, the bosses came to time, and are now employing union shearers and paying the union schedule.

Industrial Union, No. 452, Portland, Oregon, now hold meetings every Monday evening at 8 p. m. in Painters' Hall. The meeting on the third Monday evening is an open one.

At a meeting of the Silver Bow Trades and Labor Assembly, Butte, Sunday evening a communication was received from Kootenai Union of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, advising the assembly of a strike at that point of the sawmill of a branch of the Larges Lumber Co. whose headquarters are at Butte. On motion, the assembly decided to take the matter up, and have appointed a committee to co-operate with the officers of the American Labor Union and try to effect a settlement with the Larges people.

## RIGHT TO BOYCOTT IS SUSTAINED

**Gompers Crowd Tries to Injunction A. L. U. Out of Business and Fails—Sturdy Judge Clancy Renders Decision.**

Last Saturday morning District Judge Wm. Clancy of Butte rendered a decision of tremendous importance to unionism in this state. The decision sustains the American Labor Union, Silver Bow Trades and Labor Assembly and the Western Federation of Miners who were made defendants in a case entitled Peter Peterson vs. T. B. King, et al. Peterson is the proprietor of the Lodge Saloon, which was being boycotted by Butte Bartenders' Protective Union No. 127. A. L. U., because it employed unfair bartenders. The employees of the Lodge were members of an illegitimate so-called union organized by deserters from No. 127, and as an entering wedge for the disruption of the larger and more important unions of Butte.

The Trades and Labor Assembly resented this cowardly stab in the back by the Gompers crowd and determined to maintain the integrity of Butte unionism at any cost. This precipitated the boycott against all saloons not employing members of No. 127, the original, legitimate and bona fide organization of bartenders. Among the places paraded with boycott banners was the Lodge Saloon.

Local representatives of Mr. Gompers then renewed the attack with the most contemptible weapon of the capitalist class—the injunction. A temporary restraining order was issued, which, if it had been made permanent at the final hearing, would have been a most dastardly blow upon the unions of Montana. After this brazen though unsuccessful effort to throttle free speech and to destroy the power of the boycott in Montana, it is quite certain that the A. F. of L. as at present conducted will be treated with slight respect or consideration by the union people of the state, and their emissaries from Colorado and the East, together with local hirelings, with deserved contempt.

Judge Clancy's decision was verbal, but it was to the point and admits of no misunderstanding. Whatever may be said of other judges and public officials as to their subservency to the enemies of unionism cannot be imputed against Butte's sturdy district judge, as his decision was based absolutely upon the state constitution and judicial precedents, showing no bias or prejudice in favor of either side in the controversy.

It was threatened that the dual bartenders would appeal the case to the Supreme Court, but we learn this idea has been abandoned, doubtless upon the advice of counsel who realize the hopelessness of further contesting the case. For the present at least unionism in Montana is free from attack from these traitors to the working class.

Attorney Parr, for the defendants, fought valiantly and is justly proud of his success. Below is given an analysis of the decision prepared by Mr. Parr:

Judge Clancy of Department Two of the District Court last Saturday morning sustained the motion filed by C. M. Parr on behalf of the defendants in the case of Peterson vs. T. B. King, et al, which is known as the boycott case.

To fully understand the import of the decision which was granted upon authorities cited from California and Missouri one would have to be familiar with the complaint filed in this case. The eleventh paragraph of the complaint, which is asked to be stricken out, reads as follows:

"Plaintiff further alleges that said defendants above-named have also in furtherance of said unlawful conspiracy and combination, caused to be printed or painted upon a banner the following notice, to-wit:

"NOTICE: Unfair to Organized Labor, 'The Lodge.' By order, S. B. T. and L. A. A. L. U. W. F. of M."

"Plaintiff further alleges that the initials, 'S. B. T. and L. A.' stand for and are intended to be the signature of and to be with the approval of the Silver Bow Trades and Labor Assembly. That the initials 'A. L. U.' is intended to be signature and to be with the approval of the American Labor Union; that the initials, 'W. F. of M.' is intended to be signature of the

Western Federation of Miners, but whether or not the said banner was so printed and circulated as herein stated, with the approval of the said Western Federation of Miners, plaintiff is not informed."

The other portions of the said complaint asked to be stricken out all go to the unlawful conspiracy or combination alleged to have been entered into by the defendants for the purpose of injuring the plaintiff in his business by reason of the preparation and publication of the banner.

The contentions of the attorneys for defendants were that under the constitutional provision of the State of Montana which reads as follows: "No law shall be passed impairing the freedom of speech; every person shall be free to speak, write or publish whatever he will on any subject being responsible for all abuse of that liberty," that a court of equity could not grant more relief than could a legislative body; that is, it could not issue the extraordinary writ of injunction where the legislative body could not give relief; That under the constitutional provision, everyone has the right to write, speak or publish what he will, being responsible in the suit at law for damages for the act complained of.

The cases cited holds that where there were no more coercion or intimidation attempted to be exercised in the display of a publication than there were in this case, then the constitutional right of an individual could not be impaired. The case cited and particularly relief upon by the attorney for defendants is a very noted case in the Supreme Court of the State of Missouri entitled Marx & Haas Jeans Clothing Co. vs. Watson in which the joint executive board of the L. A. 993 Knights of Labor, Local Union 129 United Garment Workers' of America, issued a circular in which it was stated the unfairness of the defendants in attempting to compel the laborers to do more arduous work in the cutting of clothing, etc., and which unions issued a circular setting out the facts, and in which they stated that the plaintiffs were unfair to Organized Labor; supplemental to the said circular the said union appointed a committee of four (4) to wait upon the customers of the plaintiff and attempt by all reasonable and fair means to have the customers withhold patronage from the plaintiff until he conceded to the demands of the labor unions.

And in this case the court held that under the constitutional provision of Missouri which is verbatim with the Constitution of the State of Montana, that a court of equity could not grant the extraordinary relief asked for so long as the legislature could not do the same thing; and it dissolved an injunction issued by the lower court restraining the defendants from issuing the circular or acting through their committees. Holding:

"In Missouri where we are expressly forbidden by the Constitution to assume the power we are asked by the plaintiff to exercise, our answer cannot be doubtful. It is hardly necessary to quote the familiar language of our organic law, which has always declared 'that every person may freely speak, write or print on any subject being responsible for the abuse of that liberty.' If it be said that the right to speak, write, or print thus secured to everyone cannot be construed to mean a license to wantonly injure another, and that by the jurisdiction claimed it is only suspended until it can be determined judicially whether the exercise of it in the particular case be allowable, our answer is that we have no power to suspend that right for a moment, or for any purpose. The sovereign power has forbidden any instrumentality of the government it has instituted to limit or restrain this right, except by the fear of the penalty, civil or criminal, which may wait on abuse. The general assembly can pass no law abridging the freedom of speech or of the press. It can only punish licentious abuse of that freedom. Courts of justice can only ad-

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## DRAMATIC SCENES IN COLORADO

**Charles H. Moyer, Surrounded With Military, Appears in Court—Impressive Sight in the Supreme Court of Colorado.**

Moyer was produced in the Supreme Court on the habeas corpus writ. The matter was argued, and the judgment of that tribunal was taken under advisement. Moyer was remanded to the Telluride jail and left in the afternoon shortly after 5 o'clock in custody of the guard that brought him to Denver.

Arriving at the capitol, Moyer was taken to the adjutant general's office and the troops were brought to a halt in front of the entrance. There Moyer was held until it was announced that the court room was ready for his reception.

No more impressive scene, or one fraught with more far-reaching consequences, was ever witnessed in the Supreme Court of Colorado than was attendant upon the habeas corpus proceedings in the case of Charles H. Moyer yesterday afternoon. Long before noon the corridors of the state house, resounded with the tread of martial feet and the clanks of arms, as the guard which had brought Mr. Moyer up from Telluride reported at military headquarters. About 1 o'clock the capitol building began to fill up with civilians who were anxious to witness the proceedings of the afternoon, and at the hour set for the convening of court every avenue leading to the court room was thronged. When the doors were finally opened the crowd fled through in orderly fashion until every seat in the court room was taken, while men and women stood in rows about the walls or sat on the low steps leading to the judges bench.

The crowd was made up of attorneys, labor officials, state house officials, friends of Mr. Moyer and interested spectators of every calling, with the usual representation of reporters and photographers. An air of solemnity hung over the entire assemblage. The bailiffs hurried hither and thither getting things in order for the entrance of the judges, while the attorneys were busy with various little formalities preliminary to the opening of the trial.

Promptly at 2 o'clock Mr. Moyer entered the court room. He was accompanied only by General Bell and Captain Wells. The trio marched down the court room to a point immediately in front of the bench, where they seated themselves. Mr. Moyer sat between the two officers until the arrival of John W. Murphy, one of his attorneys, who immediately seated himself by his side. E. F. Richardson, Mr. Moyer's leading counsel, sat a few steps behind him, while over to the left sat Attorney General Miller, Assistant Attorney General Hersey and John W. Waldron, who made the argument for the state. In line with Mr. Moyer, but a dozen seats away, sat Mrs. Moyer.

To all outward appearances, at least, no one present in the court room was so unconcerned about the proceedings as Mr. Moyer. The cynosure of all eyes, he seemed scarcely aware of the presence of anyone. He had a copy of the answer filed by the state in his hand, and until court began he read it intently. When he was not looking at this document he kept his face on the floor, occasionally glancing at his wife and receiving from her a cheery smile. His face was extremely pale, but otherwise he seemed to show no effects of his confinement in the military bull pen at Telluride.

It was not until the termination of the proceedings that the undercurrent of pathos which was evident to almost everyone took definite form. Mr. Moyer, in leaving the court room, had to pass his wife. As he reached her side he halted for a brief second, and started to extend his hand and bid her good-bye. Captain Wells was directly behind him, and he at once laid his hand on his shoulder and in a low tone requested Mr. Moyer to move on.

A very dramatic moment was that following the close of Mr. Richardson's impassioned speech. Mr. Waldron arose, and, holding in his hand a copy of the answer which the state filed in the application for the writ of habeas corpus, read therefrom the paragraph setting forth the governor's orders to General Bell, in which the latter is ordered not to release Mr.

Moyer under any consideration or to anyone without the consent of the executive. Everyone present knew that this was a warning to the court that if its decision should be in favor of Mr. Moyer its orders might not be obeyed by the executive, and the intense silence of the moment was most striking.

Andrew Waldron opened for the state. He said:

"May it please the court, in the writ of habeas corpus which this honorable court caused to be issued, directed to Sherman Bell and Bulkeley Wells, requiring them to produce the body of one Charles H. Moyer before the court, I desire to inform the court that the respondents have filed their return, showing that the officers of the National Guard of this state, called into active service by the chief executive of this state for the purpose of suppressing, by the military arm of this state, a condition of insurrection and rebellion against the law, the governor and the constitution of this state in the county of San Miguel, have arrested and do now detain this petitioner as a military necessity in the course of and in the matter of aiding in suppressing this state of insurrection, formally declared by the governor of this state by his proclamation. That the detention of this petitioner is rendered necessary because of his prominence and his connection with a band of insurgents who are defying the constitution and the civil authorities of this state, and his release cannot be ordered or permitted except to aid in this unhappy condition of affairs in that county. To this return the governor has appended his official signature under the executive seal of the state of Colorado, advising this honorable court that each and every act committed by the respondents was had and done by his express order and sanction, and he, by his certificate, has become ipse facto respondent in these proceedings.

"The writ which your honor issued required the production of Charles H. Moyer before this court. The executive and respondents have produced the body of Mr. Moyer, not because they recognized the court's power to interfere, but on the contrary, they expressly deny at the outset that this court or any other tribunal in this state has power to interfere while insurrection has not been suppressed. But bearing in mind the respect which the chief of one branch of government should show to another branch, they have produced the body of Mr. Moyer. He is here now in charge of the officials of the National Guard of Colorado.

"On the return which we have made not a matter contained in it is subject to inquiry. It represents simply a question of constitutional law as to what power for the time being is supreme in this state under the necessary course of suppressing the insurrection in San Miguel county. Is it the supreme Court or the arm of the military whose duty it is to act under just such conditions as are present in San Miguel?

"We have filed a motion to dismiss these proceedings, for the reason that the court cannot order either for a day or for a moment the release of this prisoner while the governor comes before the court and certifies that in his judgment the retention of this prisoner is necessary for the restoration of peace in that disturbed locality.

"I have made this speech for the purpose of advising the court of the position the governor has taken. We understand that there is but one thing for this court to do, and that is to set down for argument at such time as the court may deem proper the discussion of a question which is second to none in importance that has ever been presented to this broad land. They invite it. They desire that this court bear fully and dispassionately all that can be said, and then, being fully advised, it may decide, once for all, where power is lodged in suppressing insurrection in the state whether in the judiciary or the executive department of its government.

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UNFAIR SHOE FACTORIES.

Members of the American Labor Union are requested to take notice
that the following shops are unfair to our brothers of St. Louis Boot and
Shoe Workers. Union men should avoid their goods when making pur-
chases:

- The Wertheimer Swarts Shoe Co.'s Clover Leaf brand shoes.
The La Prella Shoe Co.'s Heart and Arrow brand shoes.
The John Meire Shoe Co.'s shoes.
The Hamilton Brown Shoe Co.'s shoes.
The Johansen Bro.'s shoes.
The Southern Shoe Co.'s shoes.

All these firms have either locked out their employes or coerced them
into joining the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union.

These names are furnished by the joint executive board, United Shoe
Workers' Union, St. Louis, affiliated with the American Labor Union.
A. J. LAWRENCE, Sec'y.

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"I therefore ask that no order be
made of any kind except to fix a time
and place for argument. Our position
is that until this court has heard and
considered the grave constitutional
questions here involved, until it is pre-
pared to say on official order that this
petitioner shall be released, that it
take no other action. Martial law ex-
ists today under the constitution of
this state in San Miguel county, and
when that does exist no power on
earth except the chief executive, has
power to interfere—no power has the
right to interfere with a judicial writ
until it has decided the grave constitu-
tional question involved in this peti-
tion. I therefore ask that this court
set a day when this matter can be
heard fully and freely."

In his first reply to the argument
for the state, Attorney Richardson
took up at once the question of bail
for Mr. Moyer. He had nine different
authorities which he wished to present
as evidence to the court of its right to
release the petitioner on bail, and he
asked permission of the court to sub-
mit these citations.

"I think for your remarks," said
Chief Justice Gabbert, "that the ques-
tion you wish to present now is that
of bail for Mr. Moyer, pending the
trial of this case on its merits?"

"May it please your honor," Mr.
Richardson replied, "that is my desire.
If Mr. Moyer is granted his release on
bond I am willing that whatever time
the court shall deem necessary for the
proper consideration of this case shall
be taken. If Mr. Moyer is denied bail
I shall stand on the statute and dem-
and that the case come to trial with-
in five days."

"May it please your honor," said
Mr. Richardson, "the sole point at
issue in this case is whether the gov-
ernor has a right to suspend the writ
of habeas corpus and retain a citizen
of this state without giving a reason
therefor. We have already stated our
case in the petition filed with this hon-
orable court, and now comes the
answer and return to this writ, which
does not deny our allegations but sim-
ply challenges the right of this court
to interfere with the operations of the
military. This question is a constitu-
tional one, and is broad and deep, in-
volving one of the gravest matters
which has ever been before considered
in this state."

Mr. Richardson then plunged into
his authorities, and occupied the atten-
tion of the court for about fifteen min-
utes in this manner. In bringing out
the points of his citations he made fre-
quent allusions to the action of the
military.

"The prisoner is in custody of this
court," he contended, "and should re-
main there until it shall decide wheth-
er he should be returned to the custody
of the governor. There is nothing re-
turn to show that this is not a bailable
offense. There is no charge
against this prisoner except in the ex-
pressed belief of the governor of the
state and his commandant in the war-
like fields of Telluride."

Mr. Richardson's main argument was
on the nature of the right of habeas
corpus and the right of his client to
be admitted to bail under its provi-
sions.

In his reply Mr. Waldron contended

that the only question before the
court was one of jurisdiction, and that
the admission of the petitioner to bail
was an assumption of jurisdiction upon
the part of the court without giving
an opportunity for that question to be
argued before it.

"The question of bail is a pure mat-
ter of discretion with this court and
not necessary to these proceedings. We
are questioning your jurisdiction in
interfering in this matter, and the
granting of bail would be an assump-
tion of jurisdiction without giving us
opportunity to present our case. Sup-
pose you assume jurisdiction now by
releasing Mr. Moyer on bail and in
two weeks decide that you have no
jurisdiction, then this man has been
at large unlawfully. Unless this court
is now prepared to say that you have
jurisdiction this prisoner should not
be released on bail."

"I deny that this petitioner is in the
custody of the court. We have pro-
duced this man out of respect to this
court and in so doing do not admit its
jurisdiction. Are you going to take
advantage of the governor's courtesy
to this court? Are you going to de-
cide offhand that the governor of this
state is a malefactor, because any man
who holds unlawfully the body of an-
other is a criminal? Are you pre-
pared for this? I cannot believe that
one department of this state will act
toward another in the way you are
asked to do. This man's liberty may
be precious to him. It undoubtedly
is. But above his liberty is the power
of the governor to suppress riot and
keep the peace in this state. It is
more important than the liberty of
this man or of a thousand such, that
the court should take time and not
assume jurisdiction in this case at
this moment."

"If Mr. Moyer is released on bail he
can go where he pleases in this state.
There is no one to interfere with his
movements but his bondsmen, and
they would be pretty sure not to. He
will be at liberty to continue his acts
of lawlessness of which the governor
says he has been guilty. He can go
back to that country or else camp on
its borders and incite and guide his
people in their riots. There was once
a man by the name of Napoleon Bon-
aparte who set on fire all Europe when
I do not wish to have it thought that
he came back from the Isle of Elba.
I regard this man as a Napoleon
(pointing to Mr. Moyer) but the gov-
ernor of this state has said that he is
a dangerous person and should not be
at large. The governor avoided the em-
barrassment of a conflict by doing what
he believed he should not do—produce
the body of Charles H. Moyer in this
court. Will this honorable body take
advantage of the courtesy shown it by
the executive in this manner? To
turn Mr. Moyer loose is an action
which will be fraught with mischief
to this state. No constitutional rights
of this man are attacked by his deten-
tion."

"If the court has the power to take
the custody of this man out of the
hands of the militia for ten minutes
you have the power to take him for
ten months or ten years. Our claim
is that a condition of war, in its legal
sense, exists in San Miguel. We may
be right or wrong, but until you are
satisfied you will at least attach some
importance to the opinion which the
governor of this state has upon the
matter. In the midst of war the law

is silent. That is the condition which
we now contend exists in San Miguel.
If you assume jurisdiction over this
prisoner by admitting him to bail it
means that you are thereby aiding and
abetting the state of war in that coun-
ty. I therefore submit to your honors
not to assume jurisdiction in that
matter until you are fully advised of
all matters pertaining thereto."

In his closing argument Mr. Rich-
ardson touched a high mark of elo-
quence. His previous address had been
confined to the citation of authorities,
which, while furnishing rather formid-
able legal points in favor of the ad-
mission of his client to bail, gave lit-
tle scope for the exercise of his drama-
tic abilities. Immediately at the close
of Mr. Waldron's remarks Mr. Rich-
ardson jumped to his feet and started
to address the court. Mr. Hersey,
however, was recognized, and during
his brief statement to the court Mr.
Richardson stood, scarcely able to con-
trol his impatience to be heard. Then,
as soon as he was recognized by the
court Mr. Moyer's counsel burst forth:
"This is the first time in my life,"
he exclaimed, passionately, "that I
have heard that the constitution was
not for all. If the constitution is not
for all the people, all the time, and
everywhere, then it is not worth the
parchment on which it is written. If
Governor Peabody is supreme in this
state and can suspend the sacred privi-
lege of habeas corpus at will, going
outside of his military district and tak-
ing prisoners in, then he can declare
any part of the state under martial
law and can arrest anyone as a mili-
tary prisoner. The constitution is
supposed to overshadow all, and it can-
not be aggregated in the interests of
one man. Neither the judicial nor the
executive branches of a government
have the right to suspend habeas cor-
pus. Only the legislature can do this.
In the former cases in Cripple Creek,
Governor Peabody did go so far as to
suspend the operations of the writ of
habeas corpus, but in the present in-
stance he did not even take the trou-
ble to do this.

"Governor Peabody is not above the
law," Mr. Richardson continued in im-
passioned eloquence. "Sherman Bell
is not above the law. The law was
made for all us. This country is
governed by laws and not force. This
country is governed by laws and not
by individuals. It is the law which
determines the rights of individuals.
I care not whether this man be a
Napoleon returned from the Isle of
Elba or whether he is a poor labor
leader of a struggling cause. If we
are in danger at his hands, then the
state should know it. If however, the
liberties of this state depend on the
will of James H. Peabody or Sherman
Bell, with their bullpens and their
guards, then there is nothing to pre-
vent Sherman Bell from putting you
and you and you into their bull-
pen."

In making the above statement Mr.
Richardson's voice rose and shook with
emotion, as he pointed in turn to the
judges on the bench, and to various
parts of the audience. Mr. Waldron
interrupted him.

"You forgot, Mr. Richardson, that
there is no jury here," he said.

"Well," was Mr. Richardson's in-
stant reply, "if anybody can talk loud-
er than Mr. Waldron or give more of
a jury address than he did just now I
do not know it. I want to show that
if it is a question of lungs I am su-
perior to Mr. Waldron in that, as I
already am in the law."

Here occurred the only levity which
in any way relieved the proceedings.
The audience laughed outright; the
court frowned a little and the bailiff
rapped for order.

"It is not true that this court can
make no order without assuming ju-
risdiction," Mr. Richardson continued.
"This would be an order of an in-
terlocutory nature, and that the court
can do. The challenge to this court is
not on the issuance of the writ of
habeas corpus but of the suspension
of the privilege of the writ. In courts
before this, from the time of John
Marshall down, without a single ex-
ception, there has never been any state
that denied power to the court to is-
sue a writ of habeas corpus.

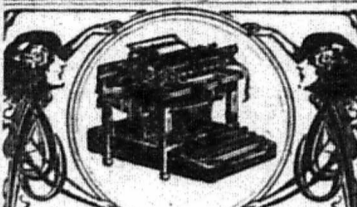
"And so we come to that question
of jurisdiction, which it is not proper
to discuss at this time. The law re-
quires that on a return of this writ
there shall be a hearing within five
days unless the prisoner asks for long-
er time. We are ready to argue this
here and now without waiting five
days. But to the end that the court
may be fully advised and Mr. Wald-
ron extensively heard, I would ask
the court to admit Mr. Moyer to bail,
after which the matter can be discus-
ed as the court desires."

When Mr. Richardson finished
speaking Justice Gabbert said: "We
will take this matter of the applica-
tion for bail under advisement. Mr.
Richardson may leave his citation of
authorities with the clerk, and pend-
ing the determination of the court the
prisoner will remain in the custody of
the respondents. When the court de-
termines the matter of bail then a date
will set for the hearing of the ques-
tion of jurisdiction."

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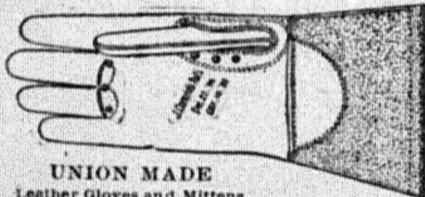
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minister the laws of the state, and, of course, can do nothing by way of judicial sentence which the general assembly has no power to sanction. The matter is too plain for detailed illustration."

And in the argument of the case before the courts, the attorney for defendant held that under Section 10 of Article 3 of the Constitution of Montana there was no distinction, and that said action authorized no difference to be made by the courts or legislatures between a proceeding set on foot to enjoin the publication of a libel, and one to enjoin the publication of any other sort or nature, however injurious it may be, or to prohibit the use of free speech, free writing or free publication on any subject whatever; because, wherever the authority of injunction begins there the right of free speech, free writing, or free publication ends. No halfway house stands on the highway between absolute prevention and absolute freedom.

The further contention of the attorney for defendants was that it did not change the complexion of this case by reason of the complaint alleging that the defendants and each of them is without means, and has no property over and above the exemption allowed by law; wherefrom the plaintiff might secure satisfaction for the damages resulting to him from the acts complained of. The constitution is no respecter of persons. The impecunious man "who hath not where

to lay his head" has as good right to free speech, free writing and free publication as the wealthiest man in the community. The right to enjoin in the former's case is precisely the same as in the latter's—no greater and no less. In short the exercise of the right of free speech, free writing or free publication is as free from outside interference or restriction as if no civil recovery could be had or punishment inflicted because of its unwarranted exercise.  
And the action of the court being taken as indicating the extent of the decision, the full import thereof would mean that the Silver Bow Trades and Labor Assembly Unions or any other union have the right to display banners and to use all reasonable and fair means to bring other people within their ranks so long as there are no threats or intimidation used against the person or property of the man who they are asking to do justice to labor.

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Mr. Waldron asked that the bailiff be requested to keep the audience quiet while Mr. Moyer was taken from the court room. The spectators all remained seated as Mr. Moyer was marched out in the custody of General Bell and Captain Wells, and the court was then adjourned, subject to call.

The answer, a portion of which follows, was presented to the court:

"The military authorities became fully satisfied that the petitioner, Charles H. Moyer, if discharged from arrest would continue to be an active participant in keeping alive the condition of insurrection set forth in the executive order, and is a prominent leader of the bands of lawless men engaged in the crimes mentioned in said proclamation and orders in the county of San Miguel; and that in order to accomplish the suppression of the state of rebellion it is, in the judgment of the said governor and the undersigned, absolutely necessary for some time to come to restrain the body of Charles H. Moyer by the National Guard of the state.

"That animated solely by desire to properly discharge the duties and authority in him vested, the undersigned caused the arrest of said Moyer in San Miguel county on the 29th of March, 1904, and does not detain him upon grounds of duty and authority conferred and enjoined upon the undersigned.

"That it is the intention of the undersigned to release the person of Moyer from military arrest as soon as the same can be safely done and then to surrender him to the civil authorities to be dealt with in the ordinary course of justice. The exigencies of the military situation in San Miguel county imperatively require the further detention of the person of the prisoner to prevent him from lending aid and instruction to lawless persons in further prosecution of the acts constituting a state of rebellion, and that the ends of public justice, and the restoration of public tranquility require that the reasonable further detention of Moyer shall in no wise be interfered with by the writ of habeas corpus or other judicial writ whatsoever.

"That the uninterrupted exercise of the military in San Miguel county, unimpeded for the time being by any judicial interference, for the accomplishment of the suppression of the rebellion, is indispensable.

"That the governor of Colorado has issued orders to the undersigned not to surrender the military custody during the existence and continuing condition of affairs in San Miguel county, either upon writ of habeas corpus or otherwise, until so commanded by him.

"That the respondent, Bulkeley Wells, is a subordinate officer, whose acts in the premises with reference to Moyer have been by virtue of the express commands of the undersigned.

"Wherefore the undersigned respondent respectfully prays that this honorable court shall take no further cognizance in the matter of said writ of habeas corpus save and except to quash and hold the same for naught. (Signed) SHERMAN BELL.

Attorney E. F. Richardson, in behalf of Mr. Moyer, presented the answer to the return of Sherman Bell and Bulkeley Wells, which in part follows:

"First—That the return upon its face fails to state facts constituting any answer to the writ of habeas corpus.

"Second—That the return is wholly insufficient in law to constitute any justification whatsoever, either for the arrest, imprisonment, detention or further detention of the petitioner.

"Third—That upon the face of the return the petitioner is entitled to his discharge.

"Fourth—That neither the governor of the state nor the respondents are under any circumstances appearing upon the face of the papers in this proceeding, either authorized to arrest or continue to detain the body of the petitioner.

"Fifth—That there exists no power in the governor or in Bell or Wells to suspend the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus.

"Sixth—That for the reason that no authority is shown which authorizes the detention of the prisoner, he is entitled to the privilege of the writ and his discharge.

"Seventh—The petitioner denies that on the 23rd of March, 1904, or any other time there has been a state of insurrection, either against the government or constitution, or laws of Colorado, in San Miguel county. On the contrary, the petitioner avers that the county was in a state of peace.

That shortly before an organization called the Citizens' Alliance of Telluride was brought into existence by certain mine owners, mine operators, merchants, bankers, liquor dealers and gamblers, for the purpose of controlling the miners of that county, in violation of law, and in the supposed interests of the said organizers, and to that end they organized themselves into a mob, shortly before said date,

and had deported about seventy men theretofore miners in that county.

"That these miners announced their intention of returning peaceably to their homes in the county, and that to that end they would resist any further interference with their persons, and would resist any attempts at their deportation, but that their mission in returning was one of peace, and no force whatever would be used by them except in defense of their persons from attack by the said mob. Thereupon certain members of the mob, whose names are signed to the alleged petition to the governor, made the representations set forth in the return, which were a part of the plan of action agreed upon by the Citizens' Alliance, for the purpose of controlling the labor situation; that all the proceedings were part of a conspiracy of the members of the Alliance.

"Eighth—That as to what the said respondent Bell may believe, either in good faith or otherwise, this petitioner is not informed, but he avers that he is not responsible therefor, and has not, nor would he continue to be an active participant in fomenting any condition of rebellion. On the contrary, he has at all times been a law-abiding citizen and conducted himself at all times and in all places in strict conformity to the laws of the land, and has advised, in his capacity as president of the Western Federation of Miners that no act of lawlessness occur upon the part of any member of the Federation to the end that no reflection might be cast upon that organization as other than a law-abiding, peaceable, conservative and order-loving organization, for the purpose of bettering the social and financial conditions of its various members. The petitioner avers that his incarceration is in violation of the law of the land, of the constitution of the United States and of the state of Colorado.

"Ninth—He denies that his detention is essential to public justice or to the restoration of public tranquility, or to the suppression of any state of insurrection, but denies that such state exists, but whether it does or not, he avers is wholly immaterial, since the governor, nor the respondents, have any power whatsoever over the writ or the suspension of its privileges.

"Tenth—This petitioner denies that the uninterrupted exercise of the military force of the state in San Miguel county is at all necessary, denies that they should be unimpeded by any judicial interference. On the contrary, the petitioner avers that the military force under the command of the governor and of the respondents is acting in violation of the constitution and statutes of the state, is declaring that it is superior to the civil authorities, and is authorized to act in contravention of that power, and that said power is in subordination to it. That it is violating the rights of your petitioner under the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the state of Colorado.

"Wherefore, having fully answered and replied to the said answer and return, your petitioner prays here and now moves the court upon the face of said answer and return, that he be discharged from the custody of the respondents."

At 12:30 p. m. April 26, the supreme court handed down its decision to deny Charles H. Moyer's application for bail pending the consideration of the merits of the case instituted on his petition.

"Merely the matter of bail was considered by the court, said Chief Justice Gabbert, as he came down the corridor on his way to luncheon. All other questions in the case will be considered after counsel present them on May 5."

Here is the decision in full:  
In the matter of the petition of Charles H. Moyer for the writ of habeas corpus.

Upon the return day of the writ, and pursuant to its commands, the respondents named in the writ produced the body of the petitioner. Upon the same day Sherman M. Bell, as brigadier general and adjutant general of the state, made return to the writ, and therewith filed objections to the further exercise of jurisdiction by the court. From the return it appears that on the 23d day of March, 1904, the governor of the state, by his proclamation, proclaimed and declared the county of San Miguel to be in a state of insurrection and rebellion.

That immediately after the issuance of the proclamation the governor commanded the respondent to forthwith proceed to the county of San Miguel with such portion of the National guard of the state as might be deemed essential, and to use such means as might be deemed necessary for the restoration of peace in said county, and for the effectual suppression of the insurrection and rebellion; that, pursuant to the command of the governor, he proceeded to the county of San Miguel with a portion of the National guard of the state; that after his arrival at the county seat of San Miguel county he became satisfied and convinced that the said Moyer was a

prominent leader of bands of lawless men engaged in acts of insurrection and rebellion, and that so believing he caused the arrest and detention of said Moyer; that in his judgment, in order to prevent the said Moyer from lending aid, comfort and direction to the lawless persons now engaged in rebellion in said county, and in order to restore public tranquility, it is absolutely necessary to detain said Moyer and restrain him of his liberty. That as the officer in command of the National guard, now on duty, he detains the said Moyer, and that he has been commanded by the governor of the state not to surrender or release the said Moyer during the existing condition of affairs in said county, either upon writ of habeas corpus or otherwise, until further orders.

### Governor Confirms Facts.

Attached to the return is a certificate of the governor, in which he states that the facts contained in the return are true, and that the arrest and detention of said Moyer were effected under his direction as governor and commander-in-chief of the National guard of the state, and that in his judgment the continued retention of the person of said Moyer is a necessary and essential step in the restoration of public peace and order and the suppression of the existing state of insurrection and rebellion in said county.

When the return was presented the attorney for the petitioner requested that the date for the hearing upon the merits be fixed by the court within five days from the return of the writ, in accordance with section 2108, Mills' Annotated Statutes; and stated that unless the cause should be set within days the petitioner desired to be admitted to bail. The application for bail is resisted by the governor upon the ground that as, in his judgment, the detention of the petitioner is a military necessity, the court is without authority in the premises.

Our authority to issue the writ is derived from the constitution, and not from the statute; and when this court in the exercise of its original jurisdiction issues the writ, the practice is governed, not by the statute, but by the rules of the court. By the adjudicated cases it is held that upon the return of the writ the original custody terminates and that the prisoner is then in the custody of the court, and that pending the hearing the court may in its discretion admit him to bail or remand him to the officer who had him in charge, or make such order in the case as shall be deemed proper.

Mr. Justice Swayne, speaking for the supreme court of the United States, in the case Barth vs. Clise, reported in 12 Wallace at page 400, said: "By the common law, upon the return of a writ of habeas corpus and the production of the body of the party suing it out, the authority under which the original commitment took place is superseded. After that time, and until the case is finally disposed of, the safe keeping of the prisoner is entirely under the control and direction of the court to which the return is made. The prisoner is detained, not under the original commitment, but under the authority of the writ of habeas corpus. Pending the hearing he may be bailed de die in diem, or be remanded to the jail whence he came, or be committed to any other suitable place of confinement under the control of the court. He may be brought before the court from time to time by its order until it is determined whether he shall be discharged or absolutely remanded."

The rules announced in the cases cited are probably not applicable to cases like the present, where the executive head of the government, at the time of the return, questions the jurisdiction of the court and states that he holds the petitioner by virtue of his authority under the constitution as the commander-in-chief of the National guard. And we are required at this time to assume further jurisdiction or to hold the question of jurisdiction in abeyance by remanding the petitioner to the custody of the respondents. We have undoubted authority to issue the writ in the first instance, but whether our jurisdiction continues depends upon circumstances. In the case at bar the respondent declares that he detains the petitioner as a military necessity, and that he has been commanded by the governor to not surrender the petitioner, either upon writ of habeas corpus or otherwise. The question, then, as presented by the return, is: Can the governor, under the constitution, and under the condition shown to exist, declare martial law and as incident thereto suspend the writ of habeas corpus? If the constitution authorizes the governor so to do, then we have no further jurisdiction. If the power to declare martial law and to suspend the privileges of the writ of habeas corpus is confined by the constitution to the legislature, the governor is without authority to detain the petitioner, and we have jurisdiction to discharge him.

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