

LINCOLN' LABOR PROTEST.

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derstrappers, when a labor dispute is under way, to arrest workingmen without warrant or accusation, imprison them without any process of law, to refuse them opportunity to consult counsel or benefit of the writ of habeas corpus, to deport them from the state under threat of death if they return to their homes, or to hold them in prison for an indefinite time without trial; and it declares that, even though the workingmen so oppressed be guilty of no crime or misdemeanor, and no matter what injury they may suffer through such invasion of their fundamental civil rights, they have no ground or legal action against their oppressors, that the law offers them no redress for the restraint, loss, insult, and hardship inflicted upon them. In a word, the Supreme Court says "Amen!" to Sherman Bell's historic exclamation "To Hell with the Constitution." And this is the court whose dictates the workingmen of the country are expected to listen to with respect, as utterances of the highest wisdom and the loftiest morality.—New York Daily Call.

ROBERT HUNTER HAS SOME FUN.

Proceeds to Play Horse With Jim Van Cleave and the Buck Stove and Range Company.

We may get amusement sometimes even out of tragedy.

The recent decision against the officials of the Federation of Labor furnishes at least one amusing sidelight.

It appears the Buck Stove and Range company claims it has greatly suffered by the so-called "boy-cott" against its goods.

A few labor journals have published from time to time a statement that "we don't patronize" the Buck Stove company.

In order to get a few dollars damages, and to satisfy a personal spite, the Buck Stove company had the officials of the Federation enjoined and punished.

Incidentally it has managed to advertise the fact that the Buck Stove company is "an unfair concern," so that at the present moment there is no excuse whatever for any workingman in this country being ignorant of that fact.

Only a million or so persons might have heard of the Buck Stove company through the ordinary labor publications. Now many millions know something useful about that company. The Buck Stove company, in other words, has advertised its antilabor union record before the entire civilized world.

That's where the fun comes in.

Now, I suppose it is very dangerous for me to mention this fact. Apparently, even to speak the name of this company is now a criminal offense.

To say that they have been unfair to their workmen is also a criminal offense. To say that they have produced non-union goods is to make of yourself a conspirator in restraint of trade, and therefore I will not say these things.

I wouldn't think of advising any workman not to buy a Buck stove range. That would be encouraging a boycott. To encourage a boycott is to commit a criminal offense.

In fact, the only reason I mention the matter at all is because it will furnish my readers with a bit of recreation and laughter.

There may be some men who prefer to to jail rather than to lost their freedom of speech. I am not such a person. I have no intention of offending the august court.

I would not think of advising workingmen against buying of this "scab" concern.

On the contrary, I think they ought to buy a stove of this company if otherwise their children would freeze and there is no chance on earth to get a stove anywhere else.—Robert Hunter in New York Daily Call.

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL APPEALS FOR FUNDS.

Asks All Members of Organized Labor to Help Bear Expenses of Appeal to Supreme Court.

Under date of January 18 the following appeal has been sent out by the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor: To Organized Labor, Its Friends and Sympathizers—Greeting:

The American Federation of Labor, as its name signifies, is a voluntary body composed of national, international and local unions, each of which attends to its own trade business, financial and otherwise, and retains its complete and individual authority and autonomy, while the relationship and purpose of the Federation to the affiliated bodies is to assist them in carrying out trade betterment, to take the initiative in introducing and urging the passage of desirable legislation, and to promote the general welfare. It is thus seen that the American Federation of Labor cannot be considered as holding or having funds in the ordinary routine of its business for unusual purposes. A most unusual and important event has occurred in which extra funds are essential, and an earnest appeal for financial aid is herewith made to you, which will no doubt meet with your prompt and liberal response.

You know that Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison have been declared guilty of violating an injunction by the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, and that Justice Wright of that court has sentenced them to terms of imprisonment of twelve, nine and six months respectively. Pending an appeal they are out on bail. The original injunction, issued on the application of the Buck Stove & Range Co., has been appealed to the court of appeals of the District of Columbia, and we have authorized our attorneys also to take an appeal against Justice Wright's decision.

We hold that Messrs. Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison have not violated the terms of the injunction, but instead have exercised their right of free press and free speech. These are cardinal principles guaranteed by the constitution of our country and by our states, and to the maintenance and perpetuity of which we pledge and will exert our every effort.

As stated, there are now two appeals pending. One upon the original injunction and the other from Justice Wright's decision. Should an adverse decision be reached in either or both appeals, it will be essential to make further appeals to the Supreme Court of the United States. Surely no member of organized labor or other fair-minded man can rest content unless the principles involved in these cases are determined by the highest tribunal in our land.

We have already expended large sums in these cases, and the plaintiff attorneys have not only boasted of causing such large expenditures on our part, but have asserted "there are more to come."

We have exceptionally able attorneys in Hon. Alton B. Parker, and Messrs. Ralston and Siddons, who will carry the cases to their logical and final conclusions, but ample funds must be provided to permit this to be done.

From the expressions of our fellow-workers and friends in all walks of life we find that they are in absolute accord with us in the determined stand taken by Messrs. Gompers, Mitchell and Mor-

ison in the assertion of their and our inalienable rights of free press and free speech and the determination that these cases be pressed to final conclusion. Of course, we will fight for our rights through every legitimate and constitutional channel which our system of legislation and law procedure permits, to rectify the injustice of which we complain, and in the meantime, in having these cases appealed and determined, we are confident that we are pursuing the course which commends itself to the men of labor and other friends of human justice.

Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. In order to permit of proper defense of liberty and freedom as guaranteed to all citizens, we appeal to all labor and to all friends to make financial contributions for legal defense in these cases before the courts. President Gompers and his colleagues are on trial for your rights co-equally with their own, and every liberty-loving citizen in or out of the ranks of labor should consider this situation and appeal as their own personal concern, and response should be made accordingly.

Upon the injunction abuse the Denver convention of Labor declared "That we will exercise all the rights and privileges guaranteed to us by the Constitution and laws of our country, and insist that it is our duty to defend ourselves at all hazards." This appeal for funds is issued in accordance with that declaration.

Send all contributions to Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, 423 G street N. W., Washington, D. C., who will acknowledge and receipt for the same and make due accounting thereof.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
SAMUEL GOMPERS, President.

Attest:

- FRANK MORRISON, Secretary.
- JAMES DUNCAN, First Vice-Pres.
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Executive Council American Federation of Labor.

CHILD LABOR A MENACE.

That child labor is a menace to the national health and the public welfare and that America, taking the lead among progressive nations, should discourage it, were arguments made before the fifth annual national child labor conference at Chicago last week. The conference is seeking to induce congress to establish a bureau to investigate and guard the rights of children. Among the speakers selected were Dr. Woods Hutchinson of

New York, Dr. Albert H. Freiberg of Cincinnati, Dr. Thomas M. Roth of Boston, Dr. Andrew S. Draper, state commissioner of education, Albany, N. Y.; Howell Cheney, South Manchester, Conn., and Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, of Denver.

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