

# MOYER WILL STICK CLOSE TO HELENA FOR AWHILE Butte Vigilantes Will Do Much If They Keep the Fugitive Away

### MAKING PSYCHOLOGICAL PROSPERITY



## TEST STARTS TO TRY LAW

### HELENA ATTORNEY TAKES THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM TO SUPREME COURT.

## MANY LAWS AFFECTED

The Proceeding is Brought in the Name of the Prizefight Statute, but Some of the State's Most Vital Legislation is Concerned in the Outcome of This Case.

Helena, June 25.—Constitutionality of the initiative and referendum amendment to the state's organic law is attacked in a proceeding begun in the state supreme court today by Attorney Odell W. McConnell of this city.

On behalf of C. R. Hay of the Capital City Athletic club, he asks for an injunction to restrain the secretary of state from certifying to the county clerk the reference of the Kiley boxing bill.

Improper publication of the notices of the amendment and proper joinder of the initiative and the referendum as one amendment are the grounds upon which the action is based.

The supreme court issued an order to show cause, returnable July 9, when the matter will be heard.

These are the measures that will be affected if the amendments are held to be invalid:

- Donohue military bill, enacted by the 12th legislative assembly in 1911 and repeated by a referendum vote in 1912.
- The corrupt practices act.
- The presidential primary.
- The direct primary.
- Nomination of United States senators by direct vote.

Reference this fall of the Kiley boxing bill.

Initiation this fall of the workmen's compensation act.

Initiation this fall of the farm loan act.

Initiation this fall of the bill consolidating state institutions.

Initiation of the general license tax bill.

## ANACONDA URGES MOYER TO STAY AWAY

Anacconda, June 25.—On hearing that President Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners intended to come to this city from Helena to address the members of the Mill and Smelters' union, Mayor O'Brien wired the labor official that he believed such a visit would be unwise at this time. In his message the mayor said:

"The businessmen and the members of the Anaconda union deem it inadvisable that you should visit us at this time. We have utmost fear for your personal safety, due to the proximity of this city to Butte. You would be protected if you came, and hostility were shown to you, but we ask you to postpone your visit to a more auspicious time."

The mayor has received no reply.

## Out of Chaos Has Come Fear Butte Has Wakened Finally to Realize Her Situation

(By Louis M. Thayer.)

Butte, June 25.—The next act in Butte's drama is expected to occur next Tuesday night, when the first formal meeting of the Butte Mine Workers' union, the revolting body, is scheduled to be held in the auditorium. If that meeting passes without trouble, the crisis may pass for the miners who are now hanging back, afraid to join, will come forward and affix their names to the register, once they are convinced that the power of the western federation has been broken.

While President Moyer announces an address before the smelters' union of Anaconda for tomorrow night, it is hoped that he will not be allowed to appear. It is certain that a large delegation of his Butte enemies would go to Anaconda to greet him.

This statement by Moyer, like the announcement made at midnight Wednesday, that he meant to return to Butte soon, is regarded as a "feeler" to learn public sentiment. Whatever numerical support Moyer may have here, you can't find a man, woman or child who does not pray that he will stay away for the present at least. To loose upon a city like Anaconda, with feeble-keeping forces, a hurricane such as Moyer's appearance probably would arouse, would be little short of criminal.

The fear which broods over the town is strikingly illustrated by an incident that came to light tonight. A herd of Tuesday night's dynamiting—a nameless boy who, alone of the 20,000 men in the city, opposed a feeble arm in defense of the law—lies in hiding tonight in fear of his life. The lad—he is only 19—was working in the Stewart when the mob went down the shaft there to get powder. He offered resistance. The mob could easily have overcome the boy, but somebody wantonly shot him, the bullet striking him in the leg. He was hurried home and his name kept secret. Luckily he was not seriously wounded. Here is a lad for whom Butte should get a Carnegie medal. During the wildest scenes of anarchy in the history of Montana, this obscure hero was the only soul brave enough to strike a blow for law and order.

Out of chaos has come fear—born of rumor and the one big fact that has arisen—to stare those who know Butte in the face.

Merely staying off anarchy from day to day cannot solve the problem in the end. Dodging the issue merely increases the gravity of the peril. Some person or power must arise capable of forcing all factions to keep the peace, whatever may be their private animosities. At present, anarchy reigns. Any handful of outlaws could do what it wanted with Butte tonight. It is all very well for McDonald and his lieutenants to assure the citizens that they will restrain their followers, but those familiar with the gravity of conditions know that nobody but trained forces of some nature could stand between the city and the worst, should the lawless elements arise again.

### Driscoll.

The police force is no longer seriously considered. The mayor has shuffled all responsibility onto the sheriff and has dropped all pretense of governing the city. The sheriff, while the hide against him is turning and admiration is succeeding ridicule, is unable to enlist a single deputy and is powerless with only a handful at his command. Driscoll, whatever his share of the blame of indecision in the earlier scenes, proved himself a man of nerve. But "avoid trouble" is the keynote everywhere and Driscoll knows that if he opposes the mob in anything, blood surely will flow; per-

haps streams of it. He has no backing. Sovereign Montana, apparently is content to sit and see its largest city ruled—or not ruled—by a handful of private citizens, not all of whom are of an especially responsible character. "And if we ask for regulars," said a man of affairs today, "Wilson will hand us 'watchful waiting.' What in the world is to become of us?"

### What is the Answer?

That is the real question beginning how to look up. "Where is it to end? How can a peaceful solution come of anarchy unrestrained?" It was said once that with the half wrecked the revolting miners would do nothing more unless Moyer or other federation officials returned. But that experienced men have attempted to form a law and order league is significant. The junta will let no other junta seize the power. The city will not act; the sheriff cannot, the state apparently is paralyzed. Who will?

### Employers.

If the attitude of the employing companies could be guessed, the solution might be simpler. But no word comes from the sphinxes on the sixth floor of the Hennessy block. Perhaps their course is wisest, for none know Butte better than they. But even they could not deny that inaction is daily becoming more perilous. McDonald and his lieutenants undoubtedly sincerely wish no further disorder, but when the hoboes and hoodlums who are flocking to the city from all sides finally grasp the fact that nothing stands between them and their sweet will, what?

Finally, the long expected action to test the validity of the initiative and

referendum has come at a most unfortunate time. It merely adds another argument to those of the radicals who rail against the Amalgamated. Upon the initiative depends the miners' compensation act and the test of the initiative has fanned the flames.

No man can come into Butte tonight and say that the majority of the people want or do not want. But after two days of activity among all classes of society, embracing a wide range of acquaintances, the representative of The Missoulian is convinced that a great sick of relief would rise if the khaki-clad soldiers of the United States would come marching up Main street some morning. Men who a year ago, would have frothed at the mouth at the thought of bringing troops to Butte, now pray for them. It is possible that all factions would welcome them. The militia would only cause civil war, because some of the factions would fear that politics was being played. But the federal troops play no favorites. If they could come to Butte, restore some semblance of government, hold the town quiet until passion cools and men find themselves, a peaceful solution would be possible. No small force could do this; several regiments would be required. But if any man ever is a judge of such a crisis it is safe to say that the federal army could work the salvation of Butte without firing a shot or witnessing one scene of violence. Of the men of all sorts and classes, talked with, not one has opposed the use of federal soldiers; every last one has opposed the use of state troops.

It must not be imagined that Moyer is without friends. A large part of

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## President Predicts Prosperity When Trust-Busting Starts

Washington, June 25.—Under a new constitution of freedom for business given by anti-trust legislation soon to be passed by congress, President Wilson today promised the country the greatest business boom in its history.

This was the president's final answer to the opponents of trust legislation at this session of congress and to prophets of evil times delivered with determined expression and every word emphasized with a clinched fist.

"We know what we are doing," said Mr. Wilson, "we purpose to do it." Under advice, for we have been fortunate to obtain the advice of men who understand the business of the country, and we know that the effect is going to be exactly what the effect of the currency reform was, a sense of relief and security."

The president spoke to a group of Virginia editors in the east room of the White House, but his assurances were intended for the country.

A military aide in full dress uniform stood beside him and there was every indication that the speech was meant to be one of the most important of the administration.

News of the failure of the H. B. Clafin company in New York had reached the White House earlier in the day, but the president did not mention the incident.

The speech in full follows: "I think it is appropriate in receiving you, to say just a word or two in assistance of your judgment about the existing conditions. You are largely responsible for the state of public opinion. You furnish the public with information and in your editorials you furnish it with the interpretation of that information. We are in the presence of a business situation which is variously interpreted."

"Here in Washington, through the bureau of commerce and other instrumentalities that are at our disposal and through a correspondence which comes to us from all parts of the nation, we are perhaps in a position to judge of the actual condition of business better than those can judge who are at any other single point in the country; and I want to say to you that as a matter of fact the signs of a very strong business revival are becoming more and more evident from day to day."

"I want to suggest this to you: Business has been in a feverish and apprehensive condition in this country for more than 10 years; I will not stop to point out the time at which it began to be apprehensive, but during more than 10 years business has been the subject of sharp criticism in the United States, a criticism growing in volume and growing in particularity; and as a natural consequence as the

volume of criticism has increased business has been growing more and more anxious. Business men have acted as some men do who fear they will have to undergo an operation and who are not sure when they get on the table the operation will not be a capital operation.

"As a matter of fact, as the diagnosis has progressed it has become more and more evident no capital operation will be necessary; at most a minor operation was necessary to remove admitted distemper and evils. The treatment is to be sensational rather than surgical, affecting habits of life and action which have been hurtful. For on all hands it is admitted that there are processes of business or have been processes of business in this country which ought to be corrected, but the correction has been postponed and in proportion to the postponement the fever has increased—the fever of apprehension."

"There is nothing more fatal to business than to be kept guessing from month to month and from year to year, whether something serious is going to happen to it or not and what in particular is going to happen to it if anything does. It is impossible to forecast the prospects of any line of business unless you know what the year is going to bring forth. Nothing is more unfair, nothing has been declared by business men to be more harmful than to keep them guessing."

"The guessing went on, the air was full of interrogation points for 10 years and more. Then came an ad-

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dition of the workmen's compensation act.

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Butte, June 25.—The still nameless association of men of affairs, tentatively formed this afternoon in the offices of Attorney Peter Breen in the Silver Bow block, will not seize the reins of government from the junta of miners which now rules this city without a fight.

The meeting, of which notice was given in Associated Press and staff correspondence earlier today, was not generally known in Butte. The gentlemen present had been privately, personally notified, and all knew something of the purpose of the conference before coming. But their arrival and their departure was marked by an impressive absence of fanfare or ostentation. It was raining, so that coat collars turned high and hats pulled low were not out of place. There are several entrances to the Breen suite in the Silver Bow block and the gentlemen made use of them most informally; their names were not announced at the door. Reporters were not invited.

But in front of the block, on the

stairs and in the corridors about Breen's office stood ominous figures, also with collars up and hats down, whose roving eyes missed nothing. It is understood that these were the representatives of the Butte Mine Workers' union, there to learn who attended the first meeting of Butte's latter-day vigilantes.

Most of those who ran the gauntlet of the eyes of the spies, being men of affairs outside the circles in which miners move, the "spotters" perhaps had scant success in learning the identity of the delegates. If the reporters hovering in the offing recognized the gentlemen who entered the Breen suite they are not likely to tell. It was a quiet, exclusive little affair, strictly by invitation.

Invitation cards bore no "R. S. V. P.," but "remain silent if you please" was understood just the same. The only statement made, and that was quite informal, was that "progress" was made and that a committee whose names were not published, had been appointed to perfect plans, call a meeting, set a date and decide upon the place.

## STERN MEN PLAN IN SECRET FOR GOVERNMENT IN BUTTE

Nobody can estimate the possible strength or the purpose of the new body beyond that avowed in today's dispatches. The few men known to favor the movement are both wealthy and resourceful. If they set out to do something they will be heard from. But there can be no doubt that the men must face serious opposition from the start.

As officers of the new miners' union having made no formal statement regarding the vigilantes, their official attitude is unknown. About a week ago President McDonald and his lieutenants, Michael O'Brien, are said to have declared that they would welcome any movement to assure peace here. But perhaps they did not anticipate a movement of quite this nature.

The vigilantes should not be confused with a citizens' alliance, in the ordinary sense of the word, because merchants and business men will not dominate. It is just a bunch of us who love the old town and won't stand by and see it reduced to anarchy," one pioneer told The Missoulian representative this afternoon.

## MOYER AT CAPITAL BLAMES THE I. W. W.

### Fugitive Chieftain of Miners Asserts He Is Pursued by Would-Be Assassins and Is Undecided About a Trip to Butte and Anaconda.

Helena, June 25.—It has been decided to re-open our headquarters in Butte," the fugitive chieftain of the Western Federation of Miners, Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, who fled from Butte during the rioting in that city Tuesday night. Three suspects were placed under arrest and locked up in the county jail and the police and sheriff's forces are endeavoring to locate a fourth who escaped through the back door of a lodging house immediately after the suspicious trio had been taken into custody.

Moyer is being closely guarded by sheriff's officers and members of the "refuge colony" of Butte miners who accompanied him to Helena.

The federation president was advised by friends in Butte that men had left for Helena to attack him and throughout the day he kept close to his hotel. Once when he left to go to a telephone exchange he was followed by the three men, who were quickly arrested. It was rumored during the afternoon that two suspicious characters kept careful surveillance of the state capital, where it was reported Moyer was in conference with the governor.

### Maintain Old Union.

Members of the "refuge colony" assert that, during the day, they received a delegation of loyal federation men who came over from Butte to secure advice from Moyer as to whether or not they would make another attempt to revive the organization in Butte. Moyer, it was stated, advised them to keep the union alive and the delegation returned to Butte during the afternoon determined to make another effort to assemble Butte Miners' union No. 1.

"The wrecking crew of the I. W. W. is the force at work in Butte," declared President Charles H. Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners tonight. "I have positive information that at least 600 I. W. W. agitators have arrived in Butte within the past few weeks. One hundred and forty

of them got off the train in Butte in one day. I. W. W. "The operations of the I. W. W. are well known. The call goes out for the massing of men in some particular city and the response is uniformly heavy. They have nothing to lose, and out of the disorder and excitement and disorder they get their 'pickings.'"

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## IN EARLY MORNING FIGHT SCARES BUTTE

### POLICE ARE ATTACKED WHEN THEY ARREST A DRUNKEN MAN ON PARK STREET.

Butte, June 26.—(2 a. m.)—The temper of the crowds on the street was exhibited here at midnight when two police attempted to arrest two men for fighting. The men in the crowd jumped on the police and beat them. Reinforcements were necessary before the police were able to take the men to the police station. Before entering the station the police had to draw their revolvers and threaten to shoot. Cries of "Get dynamite and blow up the station" were heard.

The trouble arose over a fight in West Park street in a saloon. Six or seven police plunged into the crowd and arrested the man, a powerful fellow, who, followed four policemen with his fist. Overpowered at last, he was dragged to jail, screaming to the crowd to release him and to dynamite the jail. The following crowd seemed to be made up of idle spectators.

The prisoner was Thomas Harrigan, a miner, how affiliated is not known. He is said to have drawn a knife on a man in a drunken row. His friends resisted his arrest and a large force of police was compelled to draw revolvers to drive back the mob. Harrigan was finally landed in jail—his opponent in the fight escaped. Scores of men were in the fight with the police. Once they took Harrigan away from the officers, but he was recaptured.

The police also arrested Tom Murphy, one of the leaders of the mob. There were 20 policemen in the fight and they were forced to fire two shots as the battle went on. "Nobody will ever go to jail in this town again," yelled one man and the crowd went after the officers with renewed energy.

At 1:30 o'clock the crowd melted away, before the officers at the jail. Three deputy sheriffs guard the alley in front of the jail. Several hundred people were in the crowd but there was no further resistance after Harrigan was locked up.

## BOARD POWERLESS TO COMMAND

Rochester, N. Y., June 25.—Dr. Charles R. VanHise, president of the University of Wisconsin, criticized pending anti-trust legislation in an address today before the National Association of Credit Men in convention here. Dr. VanHise declared that an interstate commission with "investigative" powers minus the power to give orders could accomplish little.

## MINES AND SALOONS ARE RUNNING FULL TIME

### VIGILANTE COMMITTEE MAKES PROGRESS AND NEW UNION GAINS MEMBERS.

Butte, June 25.—"This city, after two days of riots, spread more than a week apart and caused by internal strife in the local union of the Western Federation of Miners, assumed normal conditions today. All mines were working and the saloons, which had been ordered closed after the riots of Tuesday night, went on a 24-hour basis once more."

Progress was made in organizing a committee of citizens as vigilantes. As the men entered the room where the first meeting was held their descriptions and names, if known, were taken by men reported to be connected with the new union. No statement was issued by the committee, which in the future will work in secret. The chairman of the meeting, prior to the assembling of the committee, announced that as soon as organization was completed the first step will be a legal one aimed at Mayor Duncan, whose removal from office will be demanded on charges that he permitted the recent rioting. The discharge of the police force in a body may also be asked.

Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, telegraphed from Helena, where he is resting after his hasty departure from Butte, that he will speak to the mill and saloon men at Anaconda, 30 miles from Butte, tomorrow night.

It is reported that Mr. Moyer, if he goes to Anaconda, will be met by a delegation of men who opposed him in Butte. The Anaconda union officials said they had not asked their general president to speak but that he would be granted a hearing.

The newly organized independent union of miners announced that its first regular meeting will be held next Tuesday. According to Secretary Sullivan of the new independent miners' union announced tonight that 1,450 miners had been enrolled in the new union when the office closed tonight.