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Early last week the Denver branch of the American Civil Liberties Union won a complete acquittal for the San Francisco Mime Troupe's Minstrel Show on charges of obscenity and lewd behavior dating from last November [see "Mime Troupe Busted," FE #17, November 1-15, 1966].

Bill Linden, Peter Cohon and Earl Robertson were the three minstrels arrested last year when the show started a cross-country tour with performances in Denver. The group performed the same act in Detroit last September without incident. "It was a victory of free speech for all of Colorado," said an ACLU attorney: "It showed that the vice squad cannot set the standards for free speech."



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