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internationals altho it did not say so in so many words. Surely every delegate there could reason that for himself. A further resolution for a six-hour day was endorsed under officers reports without any opposition whatever. It was further decided that all these vital resolutions which have been so strongly supported at Medicine Hat be brought up again at the Western Conference for their endorsation and support.

The only difference between the Alberta Federation of Labor and the Western Conference was that the machinery to carry out these resolutions was put into action in Calgary and was refrained from in Medicine Hat in the hopes that the other three provinces would support them in accomplishing their aims which they did, with the result of a howl of despair from the Master Class and their hangers-on.

From January to March was sufficient time for the action of the Alberta Federation of Labor to be repudiated but not one murmur of disapproval has been heard. All comments were to the effect that at last the Alberta Federation of Labor had made a move in the right direction.

A large majority of the 105 delegates at Medicine Hat were again representing their unions at the Calgary Western Interprovincial Conference which, would lead one to believe that their actions at the previous Convention had been appreciated by members of their organizations, otherwise it is certain that they would not have received credentials. The report handed in by the delegates of the Trades and Labor Council of this city to Medicine Hat contained all these motions and was adopted by that body without comment. When A. Farmilo was elected to represent them at Calgary the only instructions that he received was to try and get through a motion opposing "The Daylight Saving Bill." If Edmonton delegates are now opposed to Industrial Unionism and a six-hour day, with no reduction in wages, and the sending of greetings to the Soviet administrations why in Heaven's name did they not register their protest against the action of the Alberta Federation of Labor? What was the cause? Maybe many of them did not even know that Alberta had a Federation of Labor. The action taken at Calgary is to be commended if for no other reason than that it has awakened a great number of workers out of their sleep and maybe now they are going to become interested in their own affairs and cease dreaming about matters that are no concern of theirs but of vital interest to their Masters. WAKE UP, TRADE UNIONISTS! THE DAY OF THE PEOPLE HAS ARRIVED !

Exposure of Hypocritical Promises of The United States To Russia

reflected against the avowed motives of the Allies.

All the time the Americans felt they were doing a job for certain nations, helping to collect their debts and reestablish their commercial supremacy.

The avowed reason for original entrance at Murmansk was the threat of the white Finns, under German leadership, to turn the ice free ports of Murmansk and Petchenga, on the Murman coast, into German submaring bases. This was outlived when the expedition started to Archangel under the slogan of guarding the great war supplies about to fall into the German hands. Reaching Archangel, the foreign soldiers found no supplies."

This gives the lie to the storie stold by our "kept" press. Let us review President Wilson's statement when agreeing to add a contingent of troops to those that the Allies were sending to the Arctie coast. "Military intervention in Russia would be more likely to add to the present sad confusion there than to cure it, and would injure Russia rather than help her out of her distress...... Whether from Vladivostok or from Murmansk and Archangel, the only present object for which American troops will be employed will be to guard military stores which may subsequently be needed by Russian forces and to render such aid as may be acceptable to the Russians in the organization of their self-defence.

'In taking-this action the Government of the United States wishes to announce to the people of Russia in the most public and solemn manner that if contemplates no interference with the political sovereignity of Russia, no intervention in her internal affairsnot even in local affairs of the military areas which her military force may be obliged to occupy-and no impairment of her territorial infegrity either now or hereafter, but what we are about to do has as its single and only object the rendering of such aid as shall be acceptable to the Russian people themselves in their endeavor to regain control of their own affairs, their own territory and their own destinies."

There was no objection raised by the Soviet Government to guarding the supplies at the ports against the Germans. In fact, the occupation of the Murmansk coast was made at the invitation of the local Soviet and with the express approval of Trotsky, the Minister of War. According to the agreement between the Murmansk Regional Council (Soviet) and the representatives of Great Britain, the United States and France signed on July 7th, the object of the occupation is "The defence of the Murman Region against the powers of the German coalition." To quote further: "The Presidium of the Murman Regional Council for the Russian people and the Governments of Great Britain the United States of North America and France declare that the only object of this agreement is to guard the integrity of the Murman Region for a Great United Russia.

"The whole authority of the internal administration of the region belongs without qualification to the Murman Regional Council. The representatives of Great Britain, the United States of North America and France and their agents will not interfere with the home affairs of the region."

What hypocrisy! It is like a house-holder asking for police protection against robbers and after they get into his home they turn round and demand entire control, and when he resents and finds out that they are equally as much to be dreaded as the robbers whom they had promised to assist him to overcome, his belongings are seized and his family attacked and in his efforts to defend that which is really his he is denounced as a traitor, an anarchist, and a bloodthirsty villian. Such is the state of affairs in Russia. They asked for help from the Allies to resist Germany and these same forces have been turned against a people trying to build up a grand and glorious Russia for themselves.

A correspondent of the Chicago Tribune who has recently re turned from Archangel gives us the following information :---

"The North Russia allied expedition has developed into a pitiful failure. It has failed to inspire confidence and loyalty and give real assistance to Russia. It has become a cesspool of jealousy, hatreds, mistakes, and shattered allusions. The different allies distrust one another and the Russians distrust the entire expedition.

The American troops were put under an absolute imperialistic command, being handled in a way that was against every tradition of the army and country. They were put to doing a king's business and to do whatever task was assigned to them by the British.

Here in the north, in a district that never was violently Bolshevist, where the Allies had many friends at the start, and where, since the first days there have been unlimited opportunities to advance confidence and gain respect, here with everything their own way, the Allies have failed utterly.

Today, in Archangle, Murmansk, and the other cities of the district, there is growing dissatisfaction against the way the expedition has interfered in local Russian affairs. Every phase of life within the district is controlled by the Allies and dominated by them.

The Russians frankly resent this. They will tell you openly that they, not the outsiders, should determine the exact form of government and pick the leaders. Today if a Russian fails to follow the ideas and opinions of the allied leaders he is classed as a Bolshevik, with the possibilities of jail to keep him silent. Only such men as conform with the foreigners' ideas last in the local government.

The foreign military are actually and undeniably interfering in local affairs. They are dominating every department, forcing their own ideas and judgments against the wishes of the North Russian Provisional Government. Martial law has been established, placing the foreign military above the local authorities. All this

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