

## Labor's Admitted Aim

### Proletarian Dictatorship and Revolutionary I. W. W. Openly Endorsed

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To know fully the danger in which the people of Vancouver stood last June, some recent history of developments in Western Canada labor circles should be studied. A western labor conference was held in Calgary on March 13, 14 and 15, 1919. At this convention it was resolved upon a motion emanating from British Columbia delegates that a general strike be called at the first of June. Among the demands to be made were the release of all political prisoners and the removal of all disabilities and restrictions now upon working class organizations. Two other resolutions indicate who were meant by political prisoners: "That the interests of all members of the international working class being identical, this body of workers recognizes no alien but the capitalist." And again: "Resolved that this congress declares all organized alien enemies worthy of protection of organized labor. . . ."

The reference to restrictions now upon working class organizations is not so plain, but the only labor organization which was banned by law was the I. W. W., whose headquarters in Chicago was clearly proved by the United States government to be in receipt of aid from Germans. Following are two other resolutions quoted, like those which have preceded, from the official report of the Western Labor Conference:

"This convention expresses its open conviction that the system of industrial soviet control by selection of representatives from industries is more efficient and of greater political value than the present system of government by selection from district. This convention declares its full acceptance of the principle of Proletarian Dictatorship as being absolute and efficient for the transformation of capitalist-private property to communal wealth.

"The convention sends fraternal greetings to the Russian Soviet government, the Spartacans in Germany and all definite working-class movements in Europe and the world, recognizing that they have won first place in the history of class struggle.