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**Hoover Police Army
Triumphs Over Children**

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of public buildings in the neighbor-
hood of the executive mansion, or
boldly exposing itself to the peril
of the children's possible approach,
on the sidewalks. Motorcycle police
raced back and forth to outlying
stations, bringing news of the ad-
vance of nearly 75 youngsters from
Baltimore. Shock troops on motor-
cycles met the delegation at the
District line and escorted it to its
hall. From there, after lunch, the
cavalcade followed two taxicabs in
which six children and two adults—
Dr. Emil Conason and Miss Ger-
trude Haessler of New York, social
worker—started to the White House,
carrying their petition for hunger
relief for the children of the desti-
tute unemployed.

A crowd of possibly 2,000 sight-
seers, drawn to the park opposite
the White House by advance pub-
licity on the part of Police Super-
intendent Brown as to the danger of
overthrow of public order, had wait-
ed impatiently for an hour before
the taxicabs came in sight. Motor
cops were driving on either side, and
policemen afoot came rushing from
their hiding places. When the first
taxi tried to turn in at the gate of
the White House enclosure, a motor-
cycle was run across its path, and
a dozen police grabbed Dr. Conason
as he jumped out. At first he was
told he was not under arrest, but
when he announced that he had a
petition for Hoover and tried to walk
through the gate, he was pulled over
to a patrol box.

Miss Haessler, hearing Conason
protest in vain that he had a con-
stitutional right to present a peti-
tion, got out of the second taxi and
tried to come to his defense. Pol-
ice seized her. She fell on the
sidewalk and refused to get up. Pol-
ice picked her up and carried her
to the curb, to await the patrol
wagon. The six children got into
the wagon after the prisoners, but
were taken out by the police, who
ordered them sent to a receiving
home. Miss Haessler pleaded that
she be not separated from her
charges, and Mrs. Pauline Gipnick
took charge of them. The bluecoats,
however, were not satisfied with
this disposal of the dangerous 11-
year-olds, three of whom were girls.
They arrested Mrs. Gipnick and sent
the children to the House of Deten-
tion. A few hours later they re-
leased them to the "misery march"
committee in order that they might
be returned to their homes.

Satisfied with a fine day's work,
the 150 police gradually calmed and
cooled down. The sightseers went
back to their dinners. The news-
papermen got copies of the petition
from the committee, which directed
a return drive to Baltimore at night,
after a rally in their hall in the
Negro quarter. President Hoover
and his holiday guests inside the
big executive mansion were exultant-
ly reported in the local papers to
have been "undisturbed" by the
"riot."

Next morning Miss Haessler and
Mrs. Gipnick were fined \$10 each
and sentence was suspended, in po-
lice court, on the charge of disorderly
conduct. Dr. Conason was re-
leased on \$25 bail for later trial.
The Negro taxi driver, accused of
running past red lights while under
police escort, was held for trial Nov.
29. Three women and one man who
had been arrested the day before
Thanksgiving for soliciting contribu-
tions for the "misery march" of the
children, were released on personal
bonds. Theodore Richards, Negro,
arrested on a disorderly charge dur-
ing the scramble at the White House
gate, had still to be arraigned.

Police higher-ups disclosed that a
squad of 40 men had been secretly
practicing for more than a week
before Thanksgiving the hurling of
gas bombs and other tactics of mob-
quelling. Other police branches had
been gathering data on the Com-
munist-led hunger marchers now con-
verging on the capital from the west
and northwest. This demonstration
by the children was looked upon as
a perilous forerunner of another in-
vasion such as that of the National
Hunger March of one year ago—
when all went peacefully and not
even a marcher was arrested or
hurt.

But, unlike last year, President
Hoover is today the victim of a
haunting timidity. The 150 police
reflected his present state of mind
toward worker delegations.

The Corporation also lets it be
known by divers methods that if
wages are reduced they will be able
to employ more men on the hill.
This is another false promise, for
men will not be put to work on the
hill for the very simple reason that
there is no profit in copper. The
Anaconda Company has curtailed la-
bor as much as 80 per cent in many
of its Chilean camps. The cost of

**Union Will Deal With
Employers Individually**

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tools of the corporations, rather than
boards of arbitration, the unions
present at the meeting voted unani-
mously to refuse to deal with any of
these associations in the future. The
unions prefer to deal with the in-
dividual employers in order that there
might be a closer spirit of harmony
between employer and employe. The
unions showed a sympathy for the
small business man, and they stated
that if they could be shown, conclu-
sively, that reductions in wages
and increased hours of employment
would make for better business con-
ditions and relieve unemployment in
Butte they would gladly accept the
cuts and new terms. The secretary
of the Employers' Association admit-
ted to a committee that this would
not be the case and that such ac-
ceptance would rather increase the
already depressing condition. This
was an admission that the sole pur-
pose was to destroy unionism and
reduce the position of Butte workers
to that of peons.

**UNION SOLIDARITY IS
AGREED UPON.**

The solidarity of the labor move-
ment was shown in the unanimous
vote of the meeting in declaring that
a place of business unfair to one
union would automatically become
unfair to ALL unions. It was fur-
ther agreed that in case of such
united action, that no one group
would return to the job until all
unions were reinstated. It was
agreed that this was the only course
open to the workers if they were to
succeed in their struggle for sur-
vival.

It was told that the Relief Chest
was being used as a tool for the
employers and would no doubt be
used to combat the unions in their
struggle for a living, or might we
say existence, wage. It was also ex-
plained that this was being done
with funds given the relief committee
by the government, or in other words
government money was being used
to enslave free American citizens,
who believe in the constitutional
right of life, liberty and the pursuit
of happiness as well as the right of
the freedom to express their opinions
of exploiting corporations. If this
use of relief money continues, the
matter will be taken up through
our senators and congressmen.

**Butte Clerks Protest
Reduction in Wages**

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perpetual servitude. When the clerks
dealt directly with the employer, the
employer respected agreement and a
gentleman's word meant something.
Under the present system a contract
is a scrap of paper and an unwrit-
ten agreement is merely a means of
making no agreement.

Two years and three months ago
the clerks were promised that if the
Saturday holiday was straightened
out that the half-holiday in the sum-
mer would never be taken away
from the clerks. The difficulty was
settled and the clerks felt assured
that they would at least have the
half-holiday during the summer
months. The contract presented by
the Employers' Association calls for
the abolition of the summer half-
holiday and also Commercial day,
Columbus day and Washington's
birthday. This is not only a viola-
tion of the gentleman's agreement
but means longer hours at less pay
when the economic world is talking
of a 30-hour work week.

PUBLIC SHOULD BACK CLERKS.

It behooves the public, business
and professional men, as well as
workers to support the clerks in
this struggle. If the present wage
cuts go into effect it will reduce
the purchasing power of the Butte
public 20 per cent. With the pur-
chasing power as low as it is, every
professional and business man will
be affected. If these workers are
cut it will be only a matter of weeks
until every office worker in the city
of Butte will be forced to take an-
other cut, as well as teachers and
other professional workers. Since

producing this copper is about 7
cents per pound. If they can't make
a profit from 7-cent copper, how are
they going to produce ore in Butte?
It is true that if they can bring the
wage scale of Butte workers down
to the level of the South American,
they might be able to produce more
copper. The South American miner
is paid from 75 cents to \$1.50 per
day. If Butte workers want to sink
to such a standard of living, all well
and good. If not, remember there
is no Santa Claus and help the or-
ganized workers of Silver Bow county
protect the use of government funds
to force American citizens into a
state of peonage.

**Volstead Act Change
Asked at A. F. L. Meet**

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council's report to the annual con-
vention of the Federation here.

The council expressed the convic-
tion that the amendment would not
only help temperance, but would also
provide work for thousands of the
jobless.

"Conventions of the American Fed-
eration of Labor have repeatedly
declared the opposition of the Amer-
ican Federation of Labor to the Vol-
stead Act," the report declared.
"These conventions recommended that
the Volstead Act be amended so as to
provide for the manufacture of beer
containing 2.75 per cent alcohol by
weight.

"This action of the American Fed-
eration of Labor can be properly in-
terpreted as a genuine desire on the
part of the membership of the Amer-
ican Federation of Labor to promote
the cause of temperance, and, in ad-
dition, through the rehabilitation of
the brewing and related industries,
create work opportunities for thou-
sands of idle people.

"During the recent session of Con-
gress a number of measures were
introduced providing for modifica-
tion of the Volstead Act. Unfor-
tunately, no favorable vote was tak-
en, but an increasing number of
members of Congress voted in favor
of a modification of the Volstead
Act.

"It must be clearly evident to all
classes of people that public opinion
has greatly changed upon this ques-
tion. One of the major political
parties incorporated in its platform
a declaration in favor of immediate
modification of the Volstead Act.

"The indications are that favorable
action providing for a modification
of the Volstead Act as recommended
by the American Federation of La-
bor will be taken at the short ses-
sion of Congress which meets on
December 5.

"All that has transpired in con-
nection with this important social
question justifies the position as-
sumed by the American Federation of
Labor in early demanding the
modification of the Volstead Act.

"It is the definite purpose of the
American Federation of Labor to
continue its efforts to bring about
a modification of the Volstead Act
providing for the manufacture and
sale of wholesome beer containing

some of these have been cut as much
as 50 per cent already, a further
cut will mean the difference between
existence and starvation. This is
not merely a fight of union workers.
It is a fight of all manual and brain
workers and a fight of the independ-
ent merchant against huge corpora-
tion and chain store encroachment.
The public has little to lose and
much to gain in this struggle, so let
it get behind the workers of
Silver Bow county, for there can
never be prosperity for Butte unless
the standards of the Silver Bow
workers are maintained.

Sees End of Capitalism

CHICAGO—(F.P.)—"The red light
flashed on capitalist traffic in 1911
with the Chinese revolution and has
been gleaming ever since, through
the Balkan wars, the World war, the
Russian revolution, the various abor-
tive European revolutions, the fight-
ing in the near East, the struggle in
India, the war in Manchuria and the
world-wide capitalist depression,"
summed up Scott Nearing, radical
economist, speaking to an overflow
audience at Temple Sinai, Chicago.

"Capitalism is outworn like an
old pair of shoes," Nearing con-
cluded. "Instead of patching and re-
patching we ought to throw it into the
ash can and get a new pair, manu-
factured on Communist lines."

2.75 per cent alcohol by weight at
the earliest possible date.

"The executive council will present
an earnest appeal and a strong de-
mand to the members of Congress
when the short session convenes on
Dec. 5 to pass the necessary legis-
lation providing for a modification
of the Volstead Act without delay
and at the earliest possible date."

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