

Opinion No. 253.**Highway Commission—Highways—
Cooks—Labor—Eight Hour Law.**

HELD: A cook who works for a highway construction company is within the eight hour day law relating to public works.

February 28, 1936.

Mr. A. P. Bruce
Commissioner, Department of
Agriculture, Labor and Industry
The Capitol

Replying to your inquiry whether a cook who works for a highway construction company is within the eight-hour laws of Montana, it is my opinion that Section 3079, Revised Codes, as amended by Section 2 of Chapter 116, Laws of 1929, which provides that a period of eight hours shall constitute a day's work, is applicable.

We call attention to our opinion No. 535, dated May 18, 1934, Volume 15, Report and Official Opinions of the Attorney General 370, in which we held that this law applied to foremen and timekeepers. The reasons therein set forth in my opinion apply with equal force to the employment of cooks by contractors in the construction of public highways.