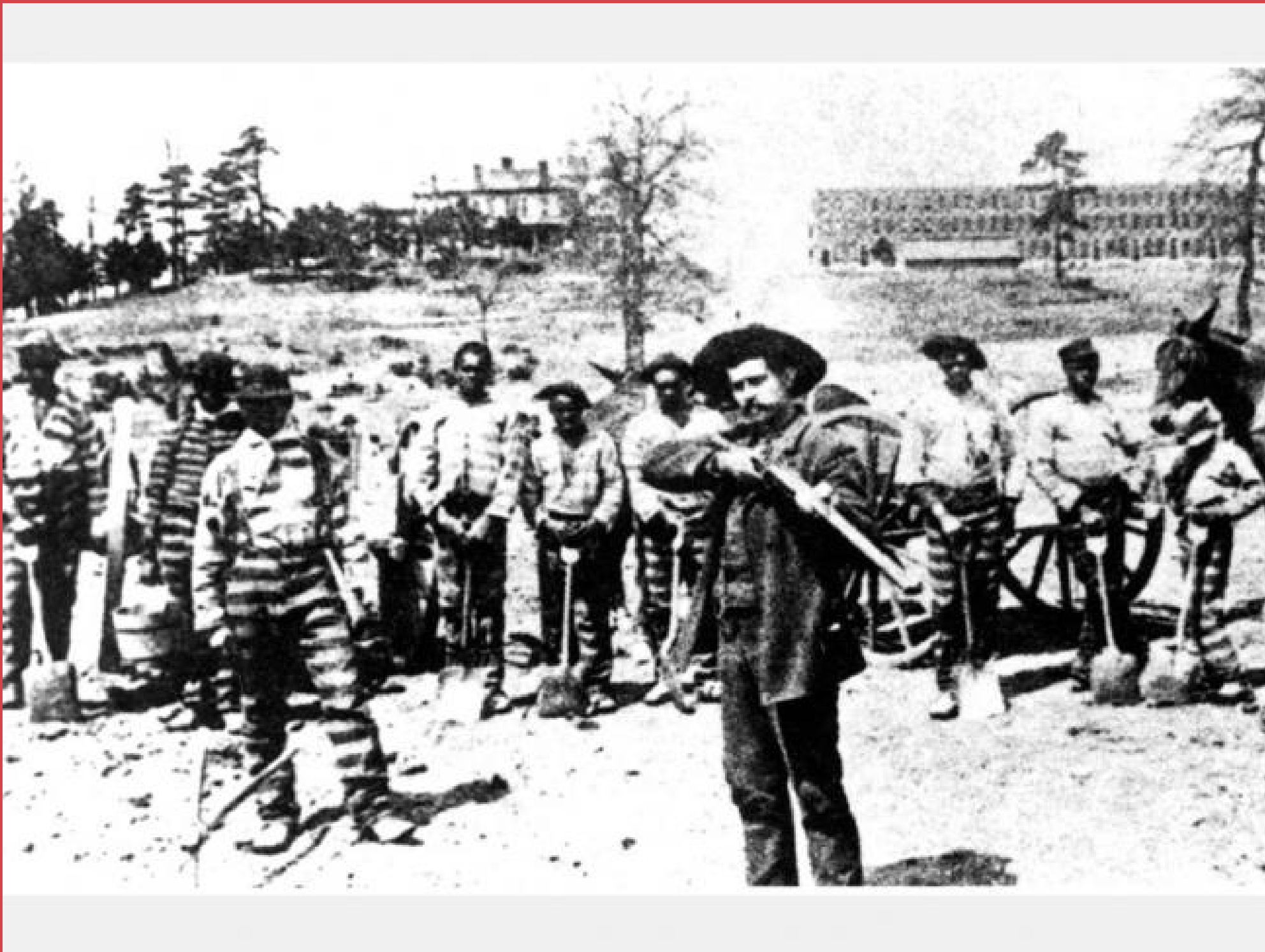


# CONVICT LEASING--ACTIVISM & REFORMS, 1881 & 1908

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THE YEAR OF  
1881

In 1881, Georgia had passed a law to reform its convict leasing. To reform it, they had intentions of improving the prisoners standard of living. This was done by having a singular person work at each camp, but the intended outcome never happened. Instead, it allowed harsh treatment by these men who worked at each camp, as they were known as "whipping bosses."

ACTIVISM IN  
1908

Convict leasing, over time, had become less and less profitable with each year that passed. The election of the governor, Hoke Smith, also happened during this time, and it wasn't very long until, in 1908, Georgia outlawed the Convict Leasing system. This was due to the medias exposure to the working conditions these workers had to go through in the system.



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Children in the convict leasing system.

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