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## REDTOP SEED SCHEDULED FOR SEASONAL EXEMPTION

Exemption for the cleaning and processing of redtop seed from the hours provision of the Fair Labor Standards Act as a "seasonal" industry was indicated today when Administrator Harold D. Jacobs of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, issued a preliminary determination that a prima facie case had been made for classifying this industry as seasonal in nature. A fifteen-day period during which objectors may be heard will elapse before a final determination is made by the Administrator.

As a "seasonal" industry, the cleaning and processing of redtop seed may be carried on for twelve hours in any workday, or for 56 hours in any workweek, as the case may be, for a period or periods aggregating 14 workweeks in any calendar year before the overtime provisions requiring payment of at least time and one-half the regular rate of pay become effective.

The Administrator's action was taken on the application of the Shultz Seed Company, of Olney, Illinois. (Federal Register, February 21, 1940)