U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION Washington

HOSIERY LEARNER HEARING APRIL 30

A public hearing on present provisions for the employment of learners at less than is called for in the minimum wage order for the hosiery industry will be held beginning ll a.m., Tuesday, April 30, 1940, at 939 D Street, N. W., before Merle D. Vincent, Director of the Hearings Branch of the Wage and Hour Division of the United States Department of Labor, it was announced today.

The wage order for the hosiery industry under the Federal Wage and Hour Law calls for payment at a rate not less than 32-1/2 cents an hour in the manufacture or processing of seamless hosiery and not less than 40 cents an hour in the manufacture or processing of full-fashioned hosiery. A schedule of rates less than those of the wage order is provided for those learning various skilled operations in the industry in certificates issued to hosiery mills meeting the requirements set forth in Mr. Vincent's Findings and Determination of August 21, 1939.

The formal notice of hearing (Federal Register, April 16) says, "The determination . . . by its terms was limited to the needs of the industry during the one year period following the effective date of the Administrator's Wage Order for the Hosiery Industry, namely September 18, 1939 . . . It now appears necessary (1) to reconsider the terms and conditions under which certificates should be issued for the employment of learners in the hosiery industry until September 18, 1940, and (2) to determine whether there is any necessity for the further issuance of certificates for the employment of learners."

Any interested party may appear at this hearing providing he notifies Mr. Vincent by April 29, 1940.