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SILK THROWSTER LEARNING PERIOD CHANGED TO 12 WEEKS

Learners may be employed for 12 weeks at 25 cents an hour in the silk throwing branch of the textile industry, as the result of a "final amended determination and order" issued today by Colonel Philip B. Fleming, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor. The silk throwing branch of the industry had been allowed a 6-week learner period at the 25 cent-an-hour rate. The number of learners is limited to 3 per cent of the total number engaged in "machine operating, tending, fixing, and jobs immediately incidental thereto."

Employment of as many as 3 learners may be authorized on any certificate for establishments with 30 or fewer employecs engaged in such occupations. Five learners may be authorized on any certificate for establishments having 31 or more employecs engaged in these occupations.

In issuing the determination for the silk throwing branch of the textile industry, Colonel Fleming affirmed the determination and order, as amended, of Morle D. Vincent, Director of the Hearings Branch, for learners in other branches of the textile industry. (Federal Register, April 27, 1940.)

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