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TWENTY-SEVEN N.C. LUMBER FIRMS RESTRAINED FROM
VIOLATING WAGE AND HOUR LAW

Twenty-seven North Carolina lumber firms were enjoined from future violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act in judgments signed in Elizabeth City, N. C. today by Judge I. M. Meekins of the United States District court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, announced.

The judgments stipulated payment of back wages due 585 employees totaling \$7,602.74.

Complaints against the 27 defendant firms were based on inspections made in the nation-wide lumber industry information and inspection campaign in Region VI, under direction of A. L. Fletcher, Regional Director. The inspections were made by inspectors of the North Carolina Department of Labor, which is cooperating with the Wage and Hour Division under instructions of Forrest H. Shuford, State Commissioner of Labor.

The complaints alleged, in the various cases, violation of minimum wage, overtime payment and record-keeping provisions of the Act. The complaints were filed for the Wage and Hour Division by Regional Attorney D. Lacy McBryde and William S. Tyson, associate attorney.

Seven hundred and thirty-one employees of the 27 firms are covered by the Act.

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