

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION
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PORTLAND, OREGON, CRUSHED STONE FIRM INCLUDED IN "SEASONAL" EXEMPTION
PRIVILEGES

Inclusion of the City Motor Trucking Company, Portland, Oregon, in the seasonal exemption from the hours provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act which was granted the "northern branch" of the crushed stone industry in 1939 was indicated today by Colonel Philip B. Fleming, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor. (Federal Register, January 14, 1941).

A 15-day period for the filing of objections to the proposed exemption is authorized.

In a supplemental determination, the Administrator approved an application for the exemption filed by the National Crushed Stone Association. If the exemption is made final, the Portland company will be permitted to work its employees up to 12 hours a day and 56 hours a week for 14 weeks in a calendar year, without the necessity of the overtime compensation required under the act in the excavating, hauling and processing of crushed stone. The company must, however, pay the minimum wage which the act provides.

In the original determination granting the partial exemption from the hours provisions to the crushed stone industry, it was found that the quarrying of crushed stone from surface or open cuts is a seasonal industry in certain geographical sections of the country, namely, the northerly sections. It was also provided that supplemental determinations may be issued from time to time enlarging the scope of the northern branch of the industry by including plants which operate in the same manner and for the same reasons as those in the northern branch.

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