

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

HEARING ON PORTLAND FIRM'S APPLICATION FOR SEASONAL
EXEMPTION SET FOR MAY 27

A hearing will be held at 10 A.M. May 27 in Room 570 of the County Court House, Portland, Oregon, on a protest against granting a seasonal exemption from the 40 hour week of the Federal Wage and Hour Law for the excavating, hauling and processing of crushed stone at the Multnomah plant of the City Motor Trucking Company. The protest was made by the Building and Construction Trade Council of Portland and Vicinity (A. F. of L.). Harold Stein, Assistant Director of the Hearings Branch of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, Washington, D. C., will preside.

The crushed stone industry "in the colder and, in general, more northerly parts of the United States," has been found by the Wage and Hour Division to be "seasonal" in that "the plants normally shut down for about six months each year, except for an insubstantial amount of production." If included in "the northern branch of the crushed stone industry," the Multnomah plant of the City Motor Trucking Company will be permitted to work its employees 12 hours a day or 56 hours a week for as much as 14 weeks a year without overtime pay. The minimum wage requirement of at least 30 cents an hour is not affected.

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