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HEARING ON RECOMMENDED 40-CENT WAGE FOR SINGLE PANTS, SHIRTS AND
ALLIED GARMENTS SET FOR JULY 30

A public hearing on a 40-cent minimum wage recommended by a committee for the single pants, shirts and allied garments industry will be held on July 30 at 10 A.M. in Room 3229, Department of Labor Building, Washington, D. C., before Henry T. Hunt, Principal Hearings Examiner, it was announced today by General Philip B. Fleming, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division.

The new minimum, if approved, will increase the wages of approximately 89,000 workers, the majority of whom are women sewing machine operators.

The committee advised that the 40-cent minimum be made effective September 1, 1941. The industry is defined as:

"The production of men's and boys': Single pants, washable service garments, work shirts, overalls, overall jackets, and coveralls from any material; dress and sport shirts from woven fabric or purchased knit fabric; and collars and sleeping wear from woven fabric."

Any person interested in appearing at the July 30 hearing in support of or in opposition to the recommendation may do so by filing with the Administrator before July 22 a notice of his intention to appear, stating his name, whom he represents, whether he is appearing in support of or against the recommendation, and the approximate length of time he will require for his presentation.

Under the apparel wage order of July 15, 1940 most of the articles in the definition are now made under a 32-1/2-cent an hour minimum, except for single pants not 100 percent cotton which are made at a 37-1/2-cent minimum, and washable service apparel at a 35-cent minimum.

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