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NEW MINIMUM WAGE RATES RECOMMENDED FOR SEVERAL VIRGIN ISLANDS INDUSTRIES

New minimum wage rates for several industries in the municipality of St. Thomas and St. John, Virgin Islands, have been recommended by a special industry committee meeting in Saint Thomas, V. I., it was announced today by L. Metcalfe Walling, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor.

The committee, which has now adjourned, recommended 36 cents an hour in the liquor industry; 32 cents an hour in shipping and electric power; 30 cents an hour in property, motor carriers, wholesaling and communications; 25 cents an hour in bay oil, bay rum and miscellaneous manufacturing industries. No recommendations were made for any other industries.

An industry committee is meeting in Saint Croix, V. I., this week, to recommend minimum wage rates for the municipality of St. Croix.

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