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Decree: Employment of Women and Young Persons

Decreto del Poder Ejecutivo reglamentando la ley 11,317 sobre trabajo de mujeres y niños en la Provincia de Santa Fe. 23 de diciembre de 1926. (Cronica Mensual del Departamento Nacional del Trabajo, noviembre y diciembre de 1926, nos. 107 y 108, págs. 1946.)

Decree of the Executive issuing regulations under Act no. 11,317,¹ respecting the employment of women and children in the province of Santa Fe. Dated 23rd December, 1926.

1. In addition to the industries specified in sections 10 and 11 of Act no. 11,317¹, the following shall be deemed to be dangerous and unhealthy industries or occupations within the meaning of section 9 of the Act, in which young persons under the age of eighteen years and women shall not be employed, viz. refining or distillation of petroleum or other hydrocarbons used for lighting; manufacture of oil varnishes; manufacture of carbon bisulphide; manufacture of sulphuric and acetic ether; manufacture of collodion and its derivatives; manufacture of waterproof cloth; manufacture of sulphuric acid; refining of precious metals (gold and silver); manufacture of aniline dyes; manufacture of picric acid; manufacture of oxalic acid; manufacture of salicylic acid; manufacture of murexide or purpurate of ammonium; manufacture of chlorine; manufacture of chloride of lime or hypochloride of lime; manufacture of nitric or azotic acid; manufacture of chromates; manufacture, smelting and rolling of lead, and manufacture of litharge, red lead, massicot, white lead and oxide of lead; manufacture of zinc white; manufacture of copper and pulverisation of copper ore and the treatment thereof with acids; gilding and silver-plating; manufacture of arsenical compounds; manufacture of sodium salts (sulphuric acid process); manufacture of potassium cyanide and its salts; manufacture of celluloid; distillation of tar products (paraffin, creosote, carbolic acid, benzene, naphtha for commercial purposes); manufacture of fireworks; manufacture of explosives; typefoundry; collecting of bones and rags; carding processes in textile factories.

2. Additions may be made to the above schedule at the request of the administrative authorities on the basis of a report from the health council if new industrial processes are introduced which must be classified as unhealthy. Total or partial exemption from the above prohibitions may be granted in cases where it is shown by the manufacturers, subject to the approval of the health council, that the introduction of new manufacturing processes or the adoption of preventive measures has caused the industry to cease to be dangerous or unhealthy.

3. For the purposes of section 15 of the Act a suitable nursery shall be provided for children under the age of two years, in which such children shall be cared for while their mothers are at work, in all establish-

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ments in which not less than twenty-five women over the age of eighteen years are employed.

4. The register of young persons referred to in section 16 of the Act shall contain the following data: serial number, name in full, age, nationality, sex, occupation, dates of entering and leaving the establishment, wages, address, name of the parents or guardians and reference to the certificates required by the same section. The register of young persons shall be signed by the Director-General of Statistics and Labour or by the officials of his department to whom this task is delegated outside the capital of the Province.

5. Throughout the territory of the Province the administrative authority for the Act shall be the General Directorate of Statistics and Labour; the health councils, the medical inspectors of labour and the medical officers of the police department shall be bound to issue the medical certificates referred to in the relevant sections of the Act.

6. The Ministry of the Interior, Justice and Education shall make the necessary arrangements to provide the employers with the books referred to in section 17 of the Act. These books and all documents and formalities required of industrial employers or of young persons and women under the Act shall be entirely free of charge.

7. In cases in which it is necessary to resort to the penalties provided for in the Act, the procedure followed shall be as laid down in the relevant Acts, and for this purpose the administrative authority shall have power to initiate and to conduct proceedings.

8. At the request of any party concerned, the Director-General of Statistics and Labour shall instruct the inspectors to investigate cases in connection with the provisions laid down in sections 1, 12, 13 and 14 of the Act; the aforesaid request may be made orally. Copies of the reports of the inspectors shall be communicated to the persons concerned.

9. This Decree shall apply to the whole of the territory of the Province, and shall come into operation thirty days after its publication. Notices containing a copy of the Act and this Decree shall be affixed in public offices and other suitable places.

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