

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
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APPAREL LEARNERS' HEARING DECEMBER 5.

A hearing on the petition of manufacturing groups in the apparel industry for exemptions under the "learners" provision of the Fair Labor Standards Act has been set for 10 A. M. Monday, December 5, at the Raleigh Hotel, Pennsylvania Avenue and 12th Street, Washington, D. C., Elmer F. Andrews, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, announced today (Tuesday).

Merle D. Vincent, Chief of the Hearings and Exemptions Section, was designated by Mr. Andrews to preside at the hearing. The apparel industry is the second to come before the Administrator seeking a ruling authorizing the payment, during the learning period, of wages at rates less than the minimum fixed by the act. The textile industry's learner problem will be the subject of a hearing on Monday, November 28.

Joining in the application in the apparel field are the National Association of House Dress Manufacturers, Inc., the National Association of Shirt and Pajama Manufacturers, the National Association of Men's Shirts and Boys' Blouse Contractors, Inc., and other parties who will also be affected by Mr. Andrews' ruling.
