

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

TEXTILE WAGE SOLE SUBJECT OF ATLANTA HEARING BEFORE ANDREWS

The hearing set for 10:00 A. M., Monday, at the Ansley Hotel in Atlanta before Administrator Elmer F. Andrews, Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, will be limited solely to the receipt of evidence on the recommendation of the textile industry (cotton, rayon, silk, etc.) committee that the minimum wage in that industry be set at 32<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>¢ an hour. This was made clear by Mr. Andrews in an announcement in connection with the adjournment of the hearings which began in Washington on Monday to be reconvened in Atlanta on June 26.

Answering many inquiries received at his office, Mr. Andrews explained that the scope of the hearing at Atlanta would be sharply limited to consideration of the proposed wage order. Many persons from various parts of the South had inquired whether they could present to the Administrator at the hearing arguments in behalf of proposed amendments to the Law providing for modifications of wage and hour requirements in certain industries and occupations. Others had inquired as to whether they could present arguments to the Administrator on the subject of revising the definition of "area of production" under the Act.

Mr. Andrews also pointed out, in announcing plans for the Atlanta resumption of the hearing, that only those who have notified his office of their desire to speak on the proposed wage order will be heard. More than 100 Southern textile mill owners and their spokesmen and employee representatives have requested time to present their figures and arguments on the proposed wage order and it was in order to save them travel to Washington that Mr. Andrews arranged to hold a part of the hearing in Atlanta.

The Administrator stressed, too, that because of many additional engagements which would require his presence in Washington the hearing in Atlanta would be recessed on July 1 and reconvene on July 5 to continue through as much of that week as might be necessary. If sessions are required beyond July 8 they will be held in Washington.

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