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

KNITTED UNDERWEAR AND COMMERCIAL KNITTING COMMITTEE TO MEET OCTOBER 30

The Knitted Underwear and Commercial Knitting Industry Committee, authorized under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to recommend the highest minimum wage rates for that industry, up to 40 cents, that it determines with due regard to economic and competitive conditions, will not substantially curtail employment, will meet at 9:30 A.M., Monday, October 30, 1939 in Room 208, 939 D Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., John P. Devaney, of Minneapolis, the Chairman, announced today. On the first day the Committee will receive economic data prepared by the Economic Section of the Division.

On the following day, October 31, at 10:00 A.M., at the same place, the committee will receive evidence and hear testimony from manufacturers, trade associations, labor unions and all interested persons or groups.

The term "knitted underwear and commercial knitting industry" is defined in Administrative Order No. 30, issued September 18, 1939, appointing the committee, as follows:

- (a) The manufacturing, dyeing or other finishing of any knitted fabric made from any yarn or mixture of yarns, except:
 - 1. The knitting from any yarn or mixture of yarns and the further manufacturing, dyeing or other finishing of knitted garments, knitted garment sections or knitted garment accessories for use as external apparel or covering which are partially or completely manufactured in the same establishment as that where the knitting process is performed; provided that this exception shall not be construed to apply to the garments or garment accessories designated in clause (b) of this definition.

- 2. Fulled suitings, coatings, topcoatings, or overcoatings containing more than 25 per cent, by weight, of wool or animal fiber other than silk.
 - 3. Hosiery.
- (b) The manufacturing, dyeing or other finishing, from any yarn or mixture of yarns, or from purchased knitted fabric, of any of the following products:
 - 1. Knitted garments or garment accessories for use as underwear, sleeping wear, or negligees.
 - 2. Fleece lined garments made from knitted fabric containing cotton only or containing any mixture of cotton and not more than 25 per cent, by weight, of wool or animal fiber other than silk.
 - 3. Knitted shirts of cotton or any synthetic fiber or any mixture of such fibers which have been knit on machinery of 10-cut or finer in the same establishment as that where the knitting process is performed.
 - 4. Knitted towels or cloths..

It is stressed in the announcement of the meeting that any interested person may appear on his own behalf or on behalf of any other person. Persons desiring to appear are requested to file with Sherman Trowbridge, Acting Chief of the Industry Committee Section, Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, Washington, D. C., prior to October 24, 1939, a notice of intention to appear.

This notice should contain the following information: (1) The name and address of the person appearing; (2) if he is appearing in a representative capacity, the name and address of the person or persons whom he is representing; (3) the approximate length of time which his presence will consume.

Persons who cannot appear personally before the committee may submit written briefs, provided that thirty copies thereof are received by Mr. Trowbridge not later than October 27, 1939.