

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

LEATHER HEARING JUNE 3

A public hearing at which any interested person may appear and testify will be held on the minimum wage recommendation of the leather industry committee on June 3, in Room 3229 of the United States Department of Labor, Colonel Philip B. Fleming, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, announced today.

The leather industry committee, under the chairmanship of Msgr. Francis J. Haas, and comprised equally of representatives of the public, the employers and the employees, recommended a minimum wage of 40 cents an hour for the industry. The hearing on June 3, will be before Henry T. Hunt, Principal Hearings Examiner of the Wage and Hour Division. At the conclusion of the hearing he will transmit the record to the Administrator who may accept briefs or hear argument on the record or both.

The report of the committee will be available for inspection at the regional and branch offices of the Wage and Hour Division, or may be obtained on request to the Wage and Hour Division in Washington. Also available for inspection at the regional and branch offices in territories where the leather industry is carried on will be the basic records on which the committee made its recommendation, including the Bureau of Labor Statistics' study, "Earnings and Hours in the Leather and Leather Belting and Packing Industries, 1939," and the Wage and Hour Division's "Report on the Leather Industry, 1940."

Formal notice of the hearing, which includes the rules under which the hearing will be conducted is also available. The notice was published in the Federal Register on May 15.

##