For Release, Saturday, August 31, 1940

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION Washington, D. C.

HEARING SEPTEMBER 16 ON SEASONAL EXEMPTION CF PACKING AND SHELLING NUTS A hearing on applications for exemption from the maximum hours provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act, of the handling, packing, shelling or other processing, or storing of pecans, filberts, other tree nuts, and peanuts, as industries of a seasonal nature was set today by Colonel Philip B. Floming, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, for 10:00 a.m., September 16, at the Willard Hotel before Harold Stein, Assistant Director of the Hearings Branch.

The hearing was scheduled on the applications of the National Pecan Growers Exchange of Albany, Georgia, the North Pacific Nut Growers Cooperative of Dundee, Oregon, the Macon Peanut and Storage Company of Macon, Georgia, and others.

The notice of the hearing (Federal Register, August 31, 1940) stated that those desiring to be heard must so advise the Administrator prior to 1:00 p.m. Septembor 14, giving the name of the organization they represent, whether they are in favor of or opposed to the proposed exemption, and how long their presentation will take. The notice of the hearing also mentioned that a written statement may be filed in lieu of personal appearance.

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