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Congressional Information Bureau,

Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

We thank you for yours of the 10th inst.

In the same mail we received a voluntary letter from Mr. James A. Emery, General Counsel for the National Council for Industrial Defense, in which he calls our attention to the resolution in the House, and suggests that we write to Senator Smith for fear that the matter will reach the Senate.

We understand from your last letter that there is no danger of its reaching the Senate, and, therefore, do not intend to worry Senator Smith with correspondence on this subject. However, you are very close to him; and, there fore, if you see Senator Smith it might be a good idea for you to talk to him along the lines of our case, which you thor oughly understand.

As to an investigation by the Industrial Commission, let us know what their powers are. We understand that all they can do is to investigate, and after that they cannot do any thing except to recommend to Congress. We really have nothing to fear from such investigation, and our disposition at the present time is to pay no attention to the agitation, as we have always felt that the labor element is only too glat to get into a newspaper controversy, and our consistent and persistent policy during this trouble has been to keep out of the papers, The result is, the papers have published very little, and that has been a great surprise,— and, we are satisfied,— a great drawback to the labor element.

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Awaiting your further advices on the matter, we are Yours very truly,

FULTON BAG & COTTON MILLS

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