

turers by the U.S. Wood Screw Service Bureau. Two of these were denied by the Commission and in the third Tariff Commission investigation instigated on February 25, 1954, three members of the Commission recommended to the President an absolute quota of 2,800,000 gross and three members opposed relief to the industry. The President in a statement, dated December 23, 1954, denied relief of any kind to the domestic wood screw industry. Subsequently, other appeals to the Tariff Commission for relief on behalf of the Wood Screw Industry were made, but the last one was withdrawn when it was found that because of the attitude of the Administration, few, if any, such applications for relief were being granted.

ABSOLUTE QUOTA THE ONLY SOLUTION

In view of all the circumstances and conditions outlined above, and because of the serious inroads and the domestic screw, nut and rivet industry by low-wage cost imports now in progress, the domestic screw manufacturers are convinced that the only logical remedy for this critical situation is the placing of an absolute quota on screws, nuts, rivets, washers, etc. entering the U.S.A. We, therefore, respectfully and urgently appeal to the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives to support the enactment of H.R. 16936 and similar bills which would provide for a quota on imports of such products and give adequate protection to domestic manufacturers and prevent further loss of jobs of American citizens.

TABLE D.—WAGE DATA FOR 1ST QUARTER 1968—TOTAL FACTORY WORKERS IN DOMESTIC SCREW MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

Area and company key number	Average clock hours worked per employee	Average hourly earnings per employee on payroll		Gross weekly pay before taxes and other deductions
		Straight time	Gross earnings	
Connecticut and eastern area:				
5.....	44.1	2.196	2.360	103.99
6.....	48.4	2.385	2.615	126.50
7.....	46.2	2.379	2.559	118.19
9.....	41.6	2.515	2.645	110.05
10.....	41.8	2.702	2.781	116.12
12.....	40.2	2.379	2.434	97.75
14.....	37.8	3.235	3.399	128.34
15.....	45.0	2.707	2.908	131.05
17.....	46.0	1.922	2.496	114.81
19.....	45.1	2.565	2.749	123.95
Average.....	43.3	2.467	2.627	113.73
Cleveland and Detroit area:				
30.....	39.8	2.609	2.647	105.38
31.....	48.4	2.785	3.128	151.49
34.....	47.5	3.788	4.116	195.63
36.....	39.1	3.027	3.159	123.42
37.....	39.8	2.920	3.312	132.06
40.....	48.3	2.491	2.761	133.34
Average.....	41.8	2.945	3.169	132.47
Chicago and western area:				
50.....	45.4	2.839	3.242	147.28
51.....	42.2	2.990	3.355	141.51
53.....	49.4	2.752	3.189	157.57
54.....	40.3	3.147	3.258	131.35
55.....	45.3	2.648	2.882	130.69
57.....	42.2	3.015	3.454	165.83
58.....	47.5	3.135	3.586	170.16
61.....	38.4	2.779	2.785	106.94
62.....	44.4	2.731	2.979	132.42
Average.....	45.5	2.895	3.255	148.09
Total, U.S. average.....	44.6	2.799	3.099	138.10