

PRESIDENT CONSIDERS ACTION TO REDUCE HIGH FOOD PRICES

Request Of Brotherhood Of Locomotive Engineers Is Given Attention.

MATTER LIKELY TO COME BEFORE CABINET SESSION

Congressional Investigation Of Industries Aids In Securing Data.

Washington, July 31.—(United

Press.)—A conference of cabinet members and high government officials met at Attorney General Palmer's office today to discuss the food situation and the rising prices.

Washington, July 31.—(United Press) —“A deep and careful consideration” is being given by President Wilson to the request of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers that he take immediate action toward reducing the cost of living. This was stated authoritatively at the White House today.

One of the first steps to be taken by Wilson will probably be to lay the whole vital matter before his cabinet for consideration. The next regular meeting of the cabinet is next Tuesday but it was believed a special meeting might be called. The president, it was stated at the White House, has not yet decided on any definite action.

Investigations Watched.

The precedent it is known is the

menhently interested in reports by the federal trade commission on its investigation of the packers. Friends of the Kenyon bill to regulate the packers drawn after publication of these reports will have the support of the president advocates of the measure declare.

A resolution drawn by Representative Wood, is spending in the house, asking

Sale to the public through the postal service of the army's surplus food store now in progress, will result in only a temporary drop in living costs, according to economic experts here today. Therefore, placing of this food on the

The various investigations of industries here are attracting widespread attention, judging from the number of letters from all parts of the country re-

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**CHICAGO BLACK BELT
PATROLLED BY TROOPS**

**Thirty Deaths Recorded
Four Days Of Violent
Race Rioting.**

Chicago, July 21.—(United Press.)

The death list in Chicago's four days of race rioting stood at 30 today—13 negroes and 13 whites—following the death of Thomas Coppelus, 18, negro, this morning.

negro district last midnight, where the
were distributed throughout five more
and were given their baptism of fire in
a rain of more than 100 shots as soon
as they made their appearance. The
returned the fire. No casualties were
reported.

Arriving in pitch dark streets in arm

trucks, the soldiers who had been ordered to take the Negroes to the armories here for two days, took their places on street corners, ready to lead for lead whenever soldiers attempted to fire at them. Painful shots after their arrival, while making no going hard, routed most of the disturbers, both white and black.

Fortified behind a walled fence
around a high school yard, the negroes
fired many shots at their opponent.

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