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40-CENT MINIMUM WAGE SET IN PRINTING AND PUBLISHING AND ALLIED GRAPHIC ARTS
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Some 45,000 employees of the Printing and Publishing and Allied Graphic Arts Industry will benefit by a wage order signed by L. Metcalfe Walling, Administrator of the Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions of the U. S. Department of Labor, effective June 14, 1943.

The order establishes a minimum wage of 40 cents an hour (under the Wage-hour Law) as recommended by an industry committee of 27 members meeting at the Hotel Astor, New York, last November. The committee voted 25 to 2 to increase the minimum wage rate from 30 to 40 cents an hour. Subsequently a public hearing was held in New York and again in Washington, D. C.