UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Wage and Hour Division 165 West 46th Street New York, 19, N.Y.

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SUBMINIMUM WAGE RATE FOR WESTERN UNION MESSENGERS DENIED

Western Union's application for permission to pay messengers less than 40 cents an hour has been denied by the Wage and Hour Division, United States Department of labor, it was announced today by L. Metcalfe Walling, Administrator.

Mr. Walling approved the recommendation of the presiding officer, made after a public hearing that the application be denied. It was found that it is not necessary in order to prevent curtailment of apportunities for employment to allow payment of sub-minimum wage rates to messengers delivering letters and telegrams.