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Wage Adjustment Conference With Western Union in New York-New Kind of Union

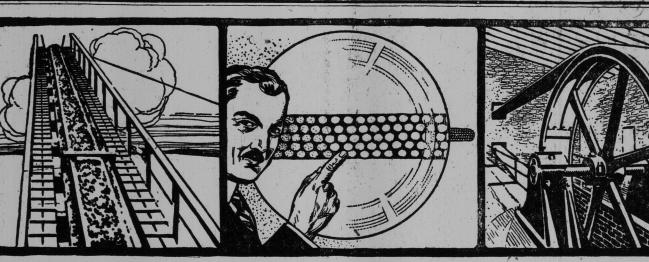
(New York Times, Monday.) The general officers of the Association of Western Union Employes, a new ornization of more than 30,000 workers in all departments of the Western Union Telegraph Company, arrived in New York last night to hold a wage adjustment conference with company officials on Wednesday afternoon. In addition to the question of increased wages-already agreed to, but the amount undetermine -working conditions and collateral ques-tions will be submitted for arbitration. tions will be submitted for arbitration. The association, which represents a new idea in the relationship between large employers and employes, was formed by the employes themselves because of what the leaders termed the unsetisfactory methods of President Konenkamp of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America. The new organization, totally divorced from outside union influences, was formed in Chicago several months ago when many telegraphers resented the wording of a call to strike, issued by the old union officials.

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"We felt that the union leaders were trying to stir up trouble," said James G. Hayes of Toledo, secretary-treasurer of the association, at the Hotel Continental, "and so we decided to form our own union. We succeeded in getting 1,200 men to enter almost at once, due to widespread dissatisfaction. After we had perfected organization we submitted the plan of organization to President Carleton of the Western Union, and he, favoring it from the first, succeeded in winning over his associates to aproval of it. "Our association aims to settle all differences by arbitration, instead of by strikes. Our constitution forbids the use of the strike weapon. The employes finance the organization, elect their own officers and run it without outside advice. We believe that the radical methods between employers and employes are things of the past. We now have more than 50 per cent. of the country's telegraphers holding paid-up membership in the or-

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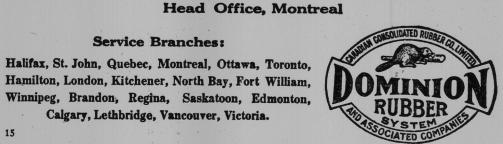
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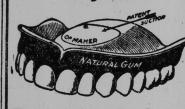
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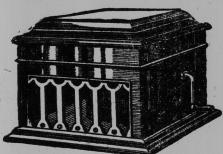
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