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The University of Dayton to Hold Conference on Management-Union Relations

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DAYTON, O., March 6--A conference on management-union relations, believed to be one of the first efforts in this area to bring together first-line representatives of management and labor, will be held at the University of Dayton next month.

A one-day conference in Wohlleben Hall, it is being designed to promote mutual understanding of the positions and problems of both labor and management, to present ideas and techniques helpful in operative-level industrial relations, and to explore means for improving cooperation between first-line supervision and union leadership.

"Conferences for management and labor are frequently held but almost always for persons at the policy-making levels," commented Prof. John B. Steinbruegge, UD's community service center director, who is sponsoring the program. "This conference will attempt to bring together the shop foreman and the union steward—the men at the foundation of labor-management relations—to discuss what are in reality mutual problems."

Steinbruegge said several representatives of both labor and management find the idea of the conference very appealing.

Taking part in the conference will be Dr. Thomas J. Hailstones, director of business administration programs at Xavier University, Cincinnati; Lloyd P. Brenberger, director of personnel at the Duriron Co., Inc., and former member of the UD faculty; and William R. Kircher, assistant regional director—Ohio and West Virginia, AFL-CIO.