

\$8.64 WAGE URGED FOR FACTORY GIRL

Industrial Commission Recommends Nine-Hour Day as Maximum.

LIVING COST FOUND BY 'AD'

Wide Difference of Opinion Exists as to What Women Should Pay for Clothing; One Says Three Dress for \$156 a Year.

The minimum weekly wage for women workers in manufacturing establishments of Portland, not including apprentices, should be not less than \$8.64 a week, according to the recommendation adopted last night by the conference called by the Oregon Industrial Commission.

The conference, composed of the three members of the commission, three representatives of the employers and three representatives of the public at large, also recommends that the maximum hours of employment be not more than nine hours a day, or 54 hours a week.

These recommendations, with others, were embodied in a report prepared by W. E. Ayer, chairman of the conference, which was only slightly amended before adoption.

Living Cost Ideas Differ. To determine what should be a proper minimum wage it was necessary to ascertain the necessary annual cost of board and room and clothing, and on these two questions the findings of various members of the conference differed widely.

Everett Ames, one of the employers' representatives, to arrive at what a factory worker living on her own resources, should pay for board, had inserted in the daily newspapers advertisements, of which the following is a sample:

FACTORY GIRL wants room and board, respectable boarding-house; working people only; place must be in a respectable neighborhood, clean and sanitary and food wholesome.

Mr. Ames received a mass of replies which show that board and room may be had in Portland for from \$2.50 to \$5 a week.

"I made the statement at the last meeting," said Mr. Ames, "that a week is a fair price for board and room. This about \$22.50 a month, and my investigation shows that board and room may be had in Portland for \$20 a month."

Noon Meal Also Problem. Father O'Hara suggested that the cost of the noon-day lunch should be added to this figure, but Mr. Ames insisted that "board and room" meant three meals a day.

To this the employers' representatives object strenuously, maintaining that if board and room were obtained for \$20 or \$22.50 a month it meant that the boarder must buy her own lunch.

"I tell you that it is next to impossible to get board and room, with three meals a day, for \$5 a week," said Mrs. L. Gee, a factory employe and one of the workers' representatives.

"Board at \$20 a month does not mean three meals a day," said Mrs. N. A. Fallman, another of the workers' representatives, "and you'll get no lunch put up to take with you at that price, either."

The clothing question furnished another battleground on which the employers struggled without coming to an agreement as to what was necessary to clothe a woman who works in a factory.

Underskirts Held Useless. The discussion went into the details of a woman's wardrobe, and how many skirts or petticoats were needed was one of the questions that arose.

"I have been observing things on the streets lately," said Mrs. W. E. Ayer, "and if present styles continue I don't see the necessity of putting undershirts in our list of necessities."

"Here are some of the figures from our own plant," said Mr. Ames. "Some of them are absurd. For instance, here is a girl who spends more than she earns. With an average of \$7.50 a week she spends \$8.75."

Mr. Ames encountered several instances of this kind as he read his figures, another girl who earned \$9.50 spending \$9.15.

J. W. Vogran, of the Modern Confectionery company, one of the employers' representatives, said he had interviewed 300 persons on the cost of clothing and that there was a great divergence in the figures he had furnished.

Three Dress on \$156. He gave as an example three girls who lived together in a house they had bought and were paying for in a suburb. They were able to get along with an expenditure of \$156 a year for the three.

"You mean apiece?" inquired Mrs. Gee. "No, for all three," said Mr. Vogran. "Oh, horrors!" said Mrs. Gee, and the other workers' representatives agreed with her that the figure was preposterous.

Mrs. Elmer B. Colwell asked to see the list which one of the girls had prepared for Mr. Vogran, and went over it item by item.

The list was prepared on a three-year basis. For the first year it gave the following items, and Mrs. Colwell commented as she read them off:

"One pair of shoes, \$10; one pair kid gloves, \$1.50; two hats, \$7; shoes, \$7 (must mean two pairs); one umbrella, \$1 (a cotton one, which will not stop rain); one corset, \$1.75 (it will split); one pair rubbers, 50 cents (rubbers at that price will not wear; a good pair costs at least 75 cents); one dozen handkerchiefs, \$1 (cotton at that price, and I'm sure every girl is entitled to linen ones)."

Some Conveniences Missing. "That allows nothing for night-gowns," said Mrs. Caroline Gleason, secretary of the Industrial Commission.

"No, not for toothbrush or hairbrush, or any other toilet articles, or a change of collars, or many other things that a girl needs," added Mrs. Colwell.

The clothes necessary to buy in the second year of the schedule submitted by Mr. Vogran, a coat was given at \$15 and a suit at \$15.



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LONG WAR IS PREDICTED

CHINESE REBELS PROFIT BY MISTAKES OF PAST.

Dr. Wu Regards Yuan's Uncompromising Policy as Dangerous, but Blames Both Sides.

LONDON, July 29.—The Southerners, profiting by their earlier mistakes, are repairing defects and getting in large supplies of ammunition, says the Daily Telegraph's Peking correspondent.

The Daily Telegraph's Shanghai correspondent had an interview with Dr. Wu Tingfang, former Chinese Minister of Washington, who thinks President Yuan Shih Kai's uncompromising policy dangerous, but blames both sides to the warfare for rejecting proposals for a compromise.

In another interview with the correspondent, Dr. Sun Yat Sen declared that he would leave southward in a few days on business. He was quite unconcerned, according to the correspondent, with a settlement of the war or the threat of expulsion against him.

Reports From Vessels. (By Marconi Wireless.) Steamer Catania, Portland to Port San Luis, off Astoria, July 29, 8 P. M.

Steamer Entomorph, Honolulu to San Francisco, 507 miles out July 28, 8 P. M.

Steamer Sierra, Honolulu to San Francisco, 1245 miles out July 28, 8 P. M.

Steamer Hydades, Honolulu to San Francisco, 1225 miles out July 28, 8 P. M.

Steamer Chanslor, Port San Luis to Kananapa, 385 miles from Honolulu southward, July 29, 8 P. M.

Steamer Santa Rita, Port San Luis to Honolulu, 507 miles out July 28, 8 P. M.

Steamer Korea, Orient to San Francisco, 1581 miles out July 28, 8 P. M.

Steamer Bear, San Francisco to Portland, off Point Arena July 29, 8 P. M.

Steamer Honolulu, Honolulu to San Francisco, 70 miles out July 29, 8 P. M.

MONARCH IS MOTOR-MAD

70 ACRES OF WHEAT LOST

Fire Destroys Two Crops, Burning 3000 Bushels of Grain.

PENDLETON, Or., July 29.—(Special.)—Seventy acres of wheat were burned today about two miles west of Adams, in the largest grain fire in Umatilla County in several seasons, the loss being estimated at about 3000 bushels, valued at \$2200.

The blaze ran into J. J. Roulestone's field, destroying 30 acres. Great smoke clouds spread the alarm over the country and farmers hastened in automobiles to the scene and assisted in beating out the blaze, saving about 500 acres, which was menaced.

DEAN OF REICHSSTAG DEAD. SASSBACH, Germany, July 29.—Dr. Franz Xavier Lander, the oldest member of the Reichstag, died today. His death occurred on the 60th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

SISTER KILLED AS BURGLAR. ELBERTON, Ga., July 29.—Believing he was firing upon a burglar, Mac Guest emptied a revolver at his 17-year-old sister here today. She died before medical aid could be summoned.

CLEVELAND NOW CLAIMS A POPULATION OF 722,266, says a census figure showing 154,427 children of school age.

BRYAN'S LECTURES NEEDED

WASHINGTON, July 29.—(Special.)—All that is necessary to settle the bandits and robbers in Northern Mexico is for Secretary Bryan to deliver a few Chautauque lectures down there.

DEL VALLE SAYS SECRETARY'S TALKS WOULD STOP MEXICAN BANDITS.

WASHINGTON, July 29.—(Special.)—This was the opinion today of Reginald H. Del Valle, of Los Angeles, the Administration's secret agent, who has investigated the Mexican situation over the head of Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson.

LOAN COMPANY IS REFUSED

INCORPORATION PAPERS NOT ISSUED TO WESTERN FREE ASSOCIATION.

SALEM, Or., July 29.—(Special.)—Incorporation Commissioner Watson today notified Morris A. Goldstein, organizer of the Western Free Loan Association in Portland, that the company could not be incorporated as at present constituted.

DANIELS URGES TEAMWORK

GRAVE OF NAVAL HERO IS DECORATED BY SECRETARY'S WIFE.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 29.—Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels, accompanied by Mrs. Daniels, passed the

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