

WOMEN TEL HOW TO LIVE ON \$6 A WEEK

Some Buy Suits With Lunches and Others Depend on Help of Men Friends.

RESULT IS MERE EXISTING

Testimony Before New York State Factory Investigating Committee Pictures Life of Many Women Who Work.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—How to live on \$6 a week was the story told by Miss Esther Packard at the hearing before the New York State Factory Investigating Commission in the County Courthouse today.

Testimony Is Read.

Miss Packard read her testimony, which was in part as follows: "How do they manage to do it? In what mysterious ways do girls survive less than a living wage into a living one?"

300 Girls Interviewed.

"About 300 girls and women, living in the large cities all over the State, were interviewed and the account of their expenditures carefully tabulated."

TRUCE IN FRENCH TRENCHES BROKEN IN ANGRY INSTANT.

German Newspaper With Reference to Ostend as "Kaiser's Shanties" Entente on Firing Lines.

BOULOGNE, Dec. 19.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—A British soldier relates a remarkable story of the truce in the trenches.

SECOND COURAGE COMES

SOLDIER, AFTER CONQUERING TERROR, FINDS "MANHOOD."

Medical Officer Compares Seasoned Veteran With Traveler, Who Discovers Possibilities.

FORTUNE IS TOLD IN VAIN

Wife of Austrian Soldier Fails to Find Lost \$100 Despite Advice.

WRIST BONE PROFITABLE

Minnesotan to Serve Prison Term After Swindling Railways.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 30.—How an ebullient wrist bone served as a means of livelihood was told in court a few days ago by Lester Edward Mills.

Judge W. C. Leary, before whom he pleaded guilty to charges of attempted grand larceny on complaint of Ralph Wellington, claim agent of the Duluth Street Railway Company.

All Mills has done to separate \$2000 from railroad, street railway companies and merchants within the last year has been to fall prostrate over a suitcase in the aisle on any obstacle on the sidewalk, gasp for breath and allow his left hand to hang limp from the wrist.

Among the recent settlements made with Mills, according to his story in open court, are:

May 6, 1914.—Kennedy Brothers, \$400. December 29, 1913.—Northern Pacific, \$1200.

June 27, 1913.—Great Northern, \$125. September 5, 1914.—Great Northern, \$250.

September 7, 1914.—St. Paul Street Railway Company, \$350.

Mills told Judge Leary, "That was March 13, 1905, at Fond du Lac, Wis. I was brakeman on the old Wisconsin from Minneapolis and was broken about a year ago I thought I could use that injury to collect damages from others. At Duluth I got a fellow with a suitcase to get on the streetcar, and when the car was rounding a curve I fell over the suitcase. I com-

plained that my wrist was hurt. They took me to a hospital. Later I was taken to the West Hotel. It was only a few days afterward that I was arrested."

These and similar answers are given by the budgets gathered from working girls all over New York State. While not enough for statistical conclusions, it is large enough to illumine the wage data already collected.

"Dependence on friends for occasional meals is regularly counted upon by a few girls in the large cities. One of them, a 'gentleman' friend is regularly counted on for help."

"Get! but I feel sorry for the girls who haven't got any," said Miss E. A. "Why I had to buy all my meals I'd never get along. When she knew that her friend is coming and a cup of tea or supper and then let's treat of an ice-cream soda or candy make up for the rest of the day. Sunday dinners are always counted on for, she ingeniously admitted. 'As it is now my food bill rarely runs above \$2.'"

"Miss T. is a woman of about 31 who has spent most of her life as a clerk in a department store. Often she would write the advertisements for her department, but after a year or so she had a widowed mother living in the country to whom she had to send one or two dollars a week. She lives in a small attic room with only a skylight window for light and air. For this she paid \$2.50 a week. Her breakfasts and dinners were cooked by her mother and she would buy some coffee and a can of tomatoes for her supper. These provisions would make last for three or four days."

"At noon she would buy a dish of beans for 2 cents and some bread for 2 cents. Hardly ever did she pay more than 6 cents or 7 cents for her lunch, but she would eat without any breakfast, because she had no money in her pocketbook."

"Statistics tell us that thousands of working-girls are receiving only \$5, \$6, and 7 a week. To one girl \$5 will mean 'lack of food,' to another it will mean 'poor living quarters,' to another it will mean that she is unable to get a crumpled, subnormal way of life—a mere existing, not a real living."

"The day after Thanksgiving she went for a walk in Franklin Square. In her pocketbook was \$120 in bills, most of them \$20 bills. When Mrs. Marpuska returned home she discovered the money was gone. That night she consulted a fortune-teller who told her the money was safe and that she would question the fortune-teller."

"He replied, she says, that four school children who lived near Seventh and Callowhill streets had picked it up. Mrs. Marpuska haunted the neighborhood of Seventh and Callowhill streets until today, when she decided the fortune-teller had received her. Police officials assured her a search would be made and that they would question the fortune-teller."

"He finally gave her his downfall, however, and he will serve an indeterminate sentence in the Stillwater penitentiary as the result of 'sentence by"

PENDER DENIED

Wehrman Murder Mystery Is Studied Closely.

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PREJUDICE ALLEGED JUDGE

George A. Thacher, of Oregon Prisoners' Aid Society, After Thorough Research, Concludes, Pender Is Not Menace to Society.

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lying on the bed with her clothing disarranged and her bare legs over the edge of the bed and her feet near or touching the floor. She was fully dressed except for an undergarment which had been removed and was found lying on the bed, partly under her body.

WOMAN AND BOY WHO WERE MURDERED AND CONVICTED MAN WHOSE GUILT IS QUESTIONED

BY GEORGE A. THACHER.



Mrs. Daisy Wehrman.



John A. Pender.

Rubbers were found over her shoes at the time the body was discovered. The surgeon who examined the body at the inquest found a crushing injury of triangular shape on the forehead and front part of the head, made apparently by a broad, blunt instrument. He also found three bullet holes made by 38-caliber bullets, one of which entered the left jaw and came out behind the right ear, another entered behind the left ear, and the third entered at the junction of the collar and breastbone and later was cut out of the back, having ranged downward.

Body Found Long After Crime.

The surgeon made his examination on September 7, and he testified that the woman had been dead about three days, probably not as long as a week in his opinion.

On Saturday, September 2, Mrs. Sierks, a neighbor, with her 15-year-old daughter and 8-year-old boy, visited the Wehrman family and saw Mrs. Wehrman and her 4-year-old boy. The testimony of Riley and Hasen as to when the body was found in the trunk was a complete contradiction.

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FREE The murder of Mrs. Wehrman and her child either as inspired by jealous hatred, and her clothing was purposely disarranged to divert suspicion from the murderer and to create the belief that it was a Sadiatic murder, or else that it was the work of some feeble-minded man who was attracted by Mrs. Wehrman in her husband's absence and who upon being rebuffed by Fred Tronson took on Emma Ulrich in Portland a few weeks ago because she would not respond to his demands. Tronson fired his revolver in trying to kill Emma Ulrich, and the brute who killed Mrs. Wehrman did the same and used all the marks of rage of a feeble-minded man of bad personal habits such as Tronson was.

There are many men who have to be confined in prison because they are a menace to society, but this man, a careful study of the testimony in the trials and personal interviews with the people concerned, was not a feeble-minded man. I have a perfect faith in the impartiality of the jury for the Supreme Court of Oregon, which has passed upon the case, nor the trial jury, nor the prosecuting officers, as that of Leo Frank in Atlanta, and it is of importance to all good citizens for obvious reasons. Incidentally, I give saying harsh things about the people of Atlanta, Ga., an opportunity "To see ourself as they see us."

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