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## LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

## United States Department of Labor, <br> Women's Bureau, <br> Washington, August 22, 1935.

Madam: I have the honor to submit a summary of the State hour laws and the minimum-wage rates now in effect in the various States. This is a type of information for which this Bureau receives constant demands.
The legal charts on these subjects, already published in bulletin 98 of this Bureau, have been used as a basis for this publication. They at first were prepared and now have been brought up-todate by Florence P. Smith, of the Research Division. The written text of the report is the work of Mary Elizabeth Pidgeon, Chief of the Bureau's Research Division, under whose direction the material has been rearranged for publication.

Respectfully submitted.
Hon. Frances Perkins,
Secretary of Labor.
[States having more than one hour regulation are classed under that affecting the greatest number of women.]


No weekly limit in hour law, but effect of Sunday law makes Washington 48, Idaho 54, Virginia 60.

# SUMMARY OF STATE HOUR LAWS FOR WOMEN AND MINIMUM-WAGE RATES 

## Part I.-MINIMUM-WAGE RATES FIXED BY STATES

[Wherever possible the information has been brought up to the close of 1935]

## COVERAGE OF PRESENT STATE MINIMUM-WAGE LAWS

Mandatory minimum-wage laws are in existence in 16 States-California, Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin. The Colorado, New Jersey, and Utah laws have remained inoperative through lack of appropriation. (See citation as to Washington law, footnote 17, p. 23.)

In all States but one the minimum-wage laws are applicable to women and to minors of both sexes, though in Minnesota the law is held unconstitutional in its application to adult women and hence is in effect only in respect to minors. The South Dakota act covers only girls and women. In seven States (including Minnesota) all occupations come under the law. In actual practice Wisconsin has been the only State to include domestic workers in the rates set, and up to the present no State has fixed rates for agricultural workers. Of the laws passed in 1933 and 1934 in eight States, that of Utah covers all occupations. The others all exclude domestic service in the home of an employer and labor on a farm, and New Jersey makes an additional exception of hotel employment. No new minimumwage law was passed in 1935.

Chart I, presented on subsequent pages of this bulletin, shows the occupations or industries covered in the laws of these various States, the minimum rates fixed, and the body responsible for administration of the act.

## CHARACTER OF NEWER MINIMUM-WAGE LAWS

Most of the more recently enacted minimum-wage laws are based on a standard bill which does not attempt to fix a living wage irrespective of the nature of the work done or the value of the services
rendered. States having this type of law are Connecticut, Illinois, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, and Ohio. In these States, the first step in procedure is the investigation of wages paid in an occupation or industry. If it is found that a substantial number of women and minors are receiving wages that are oppressive and unreasonable and less than the value of the services rendered, a wage board composed of representatives of employees, employers, and the public is appointed to determine and recommend a wage fairly and reasonably commensurate with the value of the services rendered. Following public hearings and approval of the report of the wage board by the commissioner of labor, a directory order is issued by him. For a specified period this order is merely "directory" in character; the only penalty for noncompliance is newspaper publicity. Following the trial period, if "the persistent nonobservance of such order by one or more employers is a threat to the maintenance of fair minimum-wage standards", the labor commissioner, after further public hearings, may make the order mandatory and thereafter the employer is subject to fine or imprisonment for violation

This law has been so framed that it is believed it will meet the constitutional objections to minimum-wage legislation raised by the majority opinion of the United States Supreme Court in the case of Adkins v. Children's Hospital in 1923. ${ }^{1}$ It seeks to base minimum wages on a fair value of the services rendered rather than on the cost of living only. Basis for belief in the constitutionality of this method is given in the majority opinion of the Supreme Court in the case just referred to. This opinion for the Court was rendered by Justice Sutherland, who said:
A statute requiring an employer to pay in money, to pay at prescribed and regular intervals, to pay the value of the services rendered, even to pay with fair regular intervals, to pay the value of the services the service, would be under-
relation to the extent of the benefit obtained from the standable.
The following statements of the Justices who dissented give support to the constitutionality of the present method. Mr. Chief Justice Taft in dissenting (Mr. Justice Sanford agreeing) said:
But it is not the function of this Court to hold congressional acts invalid simply because they are passed to carry out economic views which the Court believes because they are passed
to be unwise or unsound.
${ }^{*}{ }^{*}{ }^{*}{ }^{*} \stackrel{*}{*}{ }^{*} \stackrel{*}{*}$ be said that long hours of labor have a more direct effect upon the health If it be said that long hours of labor have a more direct effect upon the health
of the employee than the low wage, there is very respectable authority from close observers, disclosed in the record and in the literature on the subject quoted at length in the briefs, that they are equally harmful in this regard. Congress took this view and we cannot say it was not warranted in so doing.
$\overline{1261 \text { U. S. } 525}$. Five judges supported the opinion, 3 dissented, and 1 , Justice Brandeis, did not vote, as he had argued such a case previously as its advocate in the State of Oregon.

Mr. Justice Holmes in dissenting observed:
When so many intelligent persons, who have studied the matter more than any of us can, have thought that the means are effective and are worth the price, it seems to me impossible to deny that the belief reasonably may be held by reasonable men.
In connection with the constitutionality of the newer laws, Governor Lehman in his special message to the New York State Legislature in 1933 stated:
I am also advised by competent constitutional authority that present-day conditions are so changed from those prevailing when the original statute was before the court, that a mandatory minimum-wage law based not on living standards but on the minimum value of the services rendered might well be upheld by the Supreme Court of the United States.

## CASES UNDER THE EARLIER LAWS

The earlier type of minimum-wage law was sustained as a valid exercise of the police power in two cases brought before the Supreme Court of Oregon in 1914. ${ }^{2}$ These cases were appealed and the United States Supreme Court upheld the law in an evenly divided decision handed down in 1917. ${ }^{3}$ Though it was a divided instead of a decisive finding, this decision was believed to have established to a considerable degree the constitutionality of this type of minimum-wage legislation.

During the next few years, the supreme courts of five other StatesArkansas, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Texas, and Washington-upheld the laws in those States. ${ }^{4}$ The real test, however, came in connection with the law for the District of Columbia. Two suits were started, one by an employer-the Children's Hospital-and one by an employee, and the cases were argued together. The Supreme Court of the District of Columbia upheld the law. The Court of Appeals at first upheld the law, but, on a rehearing, declared it unconstitutional. On appeal to the United States Supreme Court, the law was declared unconstitutional, insofar as it applied to adult women, in 1923.

## EFFECTS OF MINIMUM-WAGE LAWS

It may be confidently stated that in general the effects of minimumwage laws have been exactly what is claimed-the depressed wages of large numbers of women receiving the lowest pay have been raised, and the long experience of several States has shown that the fixing of $\overline{{ }^{2} \text { Stettler v. } O^{\prime} H a r a, ~} 69$ Oregon, 519,139 Pac. 743 (1914); Simpson v. $O^{\prime}$ Hara, 70 Oregon, 261, 141 Pac. 158 (1914.)

${ }^{\text {4 }}$ U. S. Department of Labor, Women's Bureau. The Development of Minimum-Wage Laws in the United States, 1912 to 1927. Bul. 61, 1928, pp. 319-323.
a minimum has not had the effect of depressing wages at the higher levels. During a period of depression, all wages naturally show decline. Even the minimum may be set lower than it would be in years of prosperity, but the essential fact is that the establishment of some minimum does actually fix a bottom and thus prevent wages from falling into a hopeless abyss.

## California

The State of California has had a successful experience of many years under minimum-wage legislation. In the spring of 1933, at a legislative hearing on a bill designed to change the set-up and decrease appropriations for minimum-wage enforcement, there was overwhelming support by employees, social workers, and employers for increased efforts to enforce the law.

The report of the Department of Industrial Relations of the State of California for the biennium 1930-32 gives information showing the effectiveness of such laws, stated as follows:

Statistical tabulation of the wage information annually collected by the [Industrial Welfare] Commission conclusively refutes the chief claims made by the opponents of minimum-wage legislation.

These objections are that:
(1) The minimum wage will become the maximum wage. The percentage of women employed in the mercantile, laundry and dry cleaning, and manufacturing industries receiving actual weekly earnings in excess of the minimum wage of $\$ 16$ a week proves this objection to minimum wage to be fallacious:


Enforcement of minimum-wage legislation by bringing up the wage of the lowest paid women to the minimum has not reduced the wages of the higher paid women, who by their superior energy and ability have been able to secure for women, who by their super
themselves adequate wages.
themselves adequate wages.
(2) Learners will be dismissed when their apprenticeship has been completed and their places will be filled by new learners, who may be paid lower wages than experienced workers.
${ }_{*}{ }^{*}$ * the percentage of learners, or lower paid workers, becomes less each year, proving that learners are not dismissed when completing their apprenticeship but are absorbed normally into the great group of higher paid workers.

## Massachusetts

Until 1934 Massachusetts had a nonmandatory law. The following quotation from an economist familiar with the operation of this law is a significant indication of its effectiveness:

*     *         * it is surprising to find how much has been accomplished in Massachusetts. The mere focusing of attention upon the problem of wages and livelihood appears to have sufficed materially to raise the wages in many submerged trades. **** the minimum is usually a distinct advance over previous rates. ${ }^{5}$
Data from Massachusetts given for a period prior to the 1929 depression present striking evidence of the effect of the minimumwage provisions in maintaining women's wages. Reports as to three industries illustrate this as follows: ${ }^{6}$


## Laundries

An investigation in 1918-19 showed 56 percent of the women receiving less than $\$ 11 ; 14$ percent, $\$ 13$ or more.
A decree (the second for this industry) made $\$ 13.50$ the minimum rate, effective July 1, 1922.
In 1923, after this decree, only 12 percent of the women were receiving less than $\$ 11$, while 51 percent earned $\$ 14$ or more. By 1929, the proportions were 2 and 70 , respectively.

- Office and building cleaners

An inspection in 1920 showed that 84 percent of the women received less than 36 cents an hour, 13 percent 38 cents and over.

A decree fixed 37 cents an hour, effective February 1, 1921.
In 1922, after this decree, the proportions of women receiving these amounts had changed to 16 and 33 , respectively. In 1927-28 only 7 percent of the women had changed to 16 and 33 , respectively. In 1927-28 only 7 percent of
received less than 36 cents while 52 percent earned 38 cents or more.

## Retail stores

An inspection in 1919 showed that 78 percent of the women received less than
$\$ 14$ a week and 8 percent $\$ 17$ and more.
A decree provided $\$ 14$ as the minimum rate for experienced workers June 1, A de
1922 .
A follow-up inspection in 1922-23, immediately after this decree, changed the proportions of women having these respective earnings to 32 and 26 . In 1926-28, 20 percent of the women received less than $\$ 14$ and 38.3 percent $\$ 17$ and over.

## Oregon

The Oregon minimum-wage provision for women in canneries shows the effect of minimum-wage laws in maintaining some standard even in depression years, the wage fixed, $27 \frac{1}{2}$ and 22 cents an hour, respectively, being guaranteed to experienced and inexperienced women cannery workers in that State. In contrast to this, the Consumers' League of New York disclosed, by an investigation made in the summer of 1932 in New York State, which had no minimum-wage machinery at that time, that women employed in nearly three-

[^0]fourths ( 71.4 percent) of the canneries reported were making $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cents an hour or less.

## Wisconsin

Reports as to average full-time earnings per week in selected industries in Wisconsin, a minimum-wage State, compared with such data in States not having a minimum wage, indicate the influence of mini-mum-wage provisions in securing better wages, even in years of depression. Studies made by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics form the basis for these comparisons. In June 1932 the minimum wage fixed in Wisconsin permitted some reduction from its former basis. The three industries cited below employed large numbers of women and hence would tend to show the effect of the minimum wage, which applied to women.

Boot and shoe industry.- Of 14 States reported in 1930 and in 1932, Wisconsin and Massachusetts were the only ones having minimumwage laws except Minnesota, where the application is to minors only. In 1930 and also in 1932, though Wisconsin had allowed rates to be lowered by that time, 11 States showed averages of full-time earnings of women below the amounts reported for Wisconsin or Massachusetts.

Men's clothing industry.-Average full-time earnings per week for women in this industry were reported for 12 cities, 2 of whichMilwaukee and Boston-were in minimum-wage States. In 1930, 9 of these cities showed amounts below the Milwaukee earnings; in 1932, 7 were below those of Milwaukee.

Hosiery industry.-Minnesota and Wisconsin were combined in the Bureau of Labor Statistics tabulations, though Wisconsin data undoubtedly predominated. Of the 13 States reported, Massachusetts was the only one, in addition to Wisconsin and Minnesota, that had a minimum wage. The Minnesota minimum-wage law applies only to minors, that of Wisconsin to women and minors. In 1930, average full-time earnings of women per week were lower in 8 States than in Wisconsin and Minnesota, lower in 6 States than in Massachusetts. By 1932, however, the effect was not so clearly shown as it was in 1930 and in both years in the boot and shoe and men's clothing industries.
Effect of depression on wages in certain States not having a minimum wage compared to Canadian Provinces having such wage
In Canadian Provinces having minimum wages, percentage declines in weekly earnings during the depression were exceedingly small compared to those in the only two States in the United States which at that time published periodic wage reports, neither of which had then a minimum wage. ${ }^{7}$

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1 Computed for the 4 selected industrial groups reported in these periods.
2 Computed for the 5 selected industrial groups reported in these periods.

## CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE FEATURES OF MINIMUMWAGE ORDERS

While the primary function of the minimum-wage orders is to fix the lowest wage level, many other points in their content are of the utmost importance in administration. The definition of the industry, the classifications of the employees to whom rates shall apply, and the hours for which rates are prescribed are almost integral parts of the rate determination, and all these points are shown in detail in chart $I$, as are also the provisions for overtime and part-time pay. Orders for the laundry industry issued in five States with the newer type of minimum-wage law fixed rates for part time; of the orders in other States having earlier laws, only those of California and North Dakota dealt with this type of work.
The supplement on page 31, referring specifically to orders for the laundry industry, indicates the character of certain additional administrative provisions, and shows that these orders ordinarily have made specific regulations in regard to the keeping and furnishing of plant records; the prohibition or limitation of deductions from the minimum wage for such items as board, lodging, uniforms, or insurance; the requirement that minimum-wage information be plainly posted for employees to see and that explanations of the rates be furnished each worker; provisions that pieceworkers' rates be arranged so that they shall receive at least the stated hourly amount, and that time during which the employee must wait at the premises without work shall be paid for at the regular rate; and other such administrative regulations. Where the orders are mandatory they usually state in accordance with the law, the penalties for noncompliance with the requirements as to payment of the prescribed rates and the keeping and furnishing of records.
Several of the States whose orders were issued some time ago have fixed rates for experienced and for inexperienced workers. The definitions of experience for work in various industries as given in the orders of these States are summarized on page 28.

## STANDARDS PRESENTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF MINIMUM-WAGE STATES IN JULY 1933

It was the consensus of opinion of the representatives of the governors of six new minimum-wage States, in conference in Washington July 19, 1933, that the following principles should apply in the application of State minimum-wage rates:

1. The minimum-wage rates should correspond to those in codes approved by the N. R. A.
2. Since the minimum wage for an industry is based on unskilled work, therefore there should be no differential for learners.
3. Minors should be paid the same rate as other workers.
4. Part-time workers should receive an hourly rate higher than the regular minimum.
5. All overtime work should be paid for at a rate of time and a half.
6. In fixing rates for piecework the principle followed should be that laid down by the President in his acceptance of the textile code:

It is interpreted that the provisions for a minimum wage in this code establish a guaranteed minimum rate of pay per hour of employment regardless of whether the employee's compensation is otherwise based on a time rate or upon a piecework performance. This is to avoid frustration of the purpose of the code by changing from hour to piecework rules.
7. Home work should be eliminated through the National Industrial Recovery codes.
8. Workers required to be present at the plant but receiving no work should be paid at their regular rates of pay for all time required to be present.
9. Minimum rates fixed should be the same throughout the State, and there should be no differential in rates according to size of community.

## Statements explaining the foregoing standards

The problems that underlie the establishment of all substandard rates are the same-to keep the rate high enough so that it will not lead to the employment of a large number of workers of these classes and thus undermine the minimum wage. All of these special rates present special problems.

## Learners and minors

The minimum wage is set for the most unskilled workers in the industry. The existence of a training period must be considered in relation to that unskilled work. Before a learning period is allowed
there should be a very definite proof given of the educational content of the training period.

Lower rates for minors tend to put a premium upon their employment and so should be avoided. Unless boys and girls are to be employed as part of their school training and under supervision of the schools, no special rates should be set

Before a learning period is allowed consideration should be given to the enforcement of the provisions for learners. To prevent exploitation it is essential that a certification system be established. This entails a check-up on the learner's experience, the issuance of a certificate, the filing of this certificate by the employer, and other such record keeping, all of which necessitate considerable expense.

## Substandard workers

Experience has shown the necessity of care in administering the provision allowing the issuance of a special license to an individual whose earning capacity has been impaired. The board should be convinced that the applicant's earning capacity is actually impaired for the particular job in question.

## Pieceworkers

The adjustment of the minimum-wage rates to pieceworkers is clearly stated by the President in his approval of the cotton-textile code under the National Industrial Recovery Act, as quoted on page 8.

## Part-time workers

The chief problem to be considered in fixing rates for part-time workers is the possibility that employers, for instance in the hotel and restaurant industry and the mercantile industry, will shorten working schedules to avoid payment of the full minimum wage. Attention must therefore be given to the number of hours to be set up as a standard for full-time work and a higher hourly rate determined for a work week of less than the standard hours.

## Overtime workers

The main purpose of special overtime rates is to discourage work beyond the usual hours by increasing its cost. They stimulate the employer to substitute other methods of meeting his emergencies, while allowing him some leeway where this is impossible.

## Qualifications of personnel for minimum-wage administration as discussed at conference

## For direction of minimum-wage work

1. Training and experience in the field of industrial research. Specifically this should mean at least a college degree, preferably also graduate research, and added to this some years of experience in research work in the field of industry.
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2. Administrative experience of some years' duration, either in government work, an industrial, or allied field.
3. Personality qualifications which will assure the establishment of satisfactory relationships with the varying groups directly concerned in the administration of a minimum-wage act and will assure also sympathetic yet forceful presentation of the work of minimumwage administration to that larger public which already is, or should become, interested.

## For staff

1. Training and experience in the field of industrial research, to include at least a college degree in the field of economics.
2. Experience as a field agent in some type of industrial work but of sufficient breadth to assure familiarity with various types of industrial set-up, skill in gathering and interpreting facts, ability to meet and deal with people.
3. Personality qualifications of the same sort as for the director.

$\square$ Law mandatory after trial period. Rates fixed by labor departments on recommendationo wage boards. (This type known as "the minimum fair wage law".)
\#\#\#\# Mandatory law. Rates fixed by commission.
WIIIIIITX Mandatory law. Rates fixed by commission for minors only.
[1]IT] Mandatory law. Rates fixed by law.
....... No law.

Chart I.-COVERAGE OF MINIMUM-WAGE LAWS AND MINIMUM-WAGE PROVISIONS IN EFFECT
[The rates given are those in effect as of December 1935. Surveys made preparatory to calling a wage board also are listed, as are the provisions recommended by wage boards but not yet in effect]

| State, administering body, and occupations or industries covered by law | Provisions of minimum-wage orders |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Occupation or industry covered | Class of employees covered | Minimum rate | Hours |
| California <br> Industrial Welfare Commission: <br> The various occupations, trades, and industries in which women and minors are employed. <br> Henning's General Laws, edition 3 (Hyatt), 1920, Act 2107; session laws 1929, ch. 256 . | Mercantile $\qquad$ <br> Manufacturing $\qquad$ <br> Fish canning $\qquad$ <br> Laundry and dry cleaning 4 $\qquad$ | Experienced <br> Inexperienced: <br> Women. <br> Minors <br> Experienced. <br> Inexperienced <br> Experienced <br> Inexperienced $\qquad$ | $\$ 16$ per week <br> $\$ 12$ per week <br> $\$ 10$ per week <br> $\$ 16$ per week ${ }^{3}$ <br> $331 / 3$ cents per hour <br> 28 cents per hour. | Standard week. ${ }^{12}$ <br> Do. <br> Do. ${ }^{128}$ <br> Do. <br> 8 per day, 48 per week: <br> Maximum for office workers; labelers; minors under 18. <br> Basic for others. Overtime: Over 8 and up to minimum; over 12 hours, double the minimum. |
|  | Unclassified occupations, defined as all employment not classified under the special orders; it excepts also millinery, telephone, and telegraph industries, professional occuof fruits and vegetables. | Experienced: Women or minors <br> Minors where no aduit <br> Inexperienced: women are employed. <br> Women $\qquad$ | \$16 per week. <br> $\$ 12$ per week. <br> \$12 per week $\$ 10.56$ per week. | Standard week. ${ }^{12}$ Do. <br> Do. <br> Do. |




For footnotes see p. 23.
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State, administering body, and occupations
or industries covered by law

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| Commission, i.e., associate commission- |
| ers of Department of Labor and Industries. |
| Any occupation, i. e., any industry, |
| trade, or business, or branch there- |
| of or class of work therein. Excep- |
| tions: Domestic service in the |
| home of the employer; labor on a |
| farm. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| Session laws: 1 34, ch. 308; 1935, ch. 267. |



| State, administering body, and occupations or industries covered by law | Provisions of minimum-wage orders |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Occupation or industry covered | Class of employees covered | Minimum rate | Hours |
| New Hampshire | *Laundry occupations; *i. e., any activity ing, or processing of laundry wares; or with the collection, distribution, or sale of laundry services. Includes laundries in bussness establishmen <br> A survey has been made of: <br> Hotels and restaurants. | Women and minors | 28 cents per hour <br> 30 cents per hour, but week's wage need not exceed \$8.40. | 30 and over. 10 <br> Less than 30 per week. |
| Any occupation; i. e., any industry, trade, or business, or branch thereof or class of work therein. Excepof the employer; labor on a farm. Session laws 1993, ch. 87. |  |  |  |  |
|  | Law never operative, for lack of appropriation. |  |  |  |
| Any occupation; i. e., any industry, trade, or business, or branch theretions: Domestic service in the home of the employer; labor on a farm; employment in any hotel. Session laws 1939, ch. 152. |  |  |  |  |
| New York | Laundry ${ }^{4}$ occupations; i. e., all processes directly concerned with the cleansing, collection and distribution of laundry wares. work. (Includes all places where women are employed.) | Women and minors: New York City area |  |  |
| Industrial Commissioner: <br> Any occupation; i. e., any industry, trade, business, or branch thereof or class of work therein. Excep- |  |  | 31 cents per hour; $\$ 12.40$ per week. <br> 31 cents per hour | 40 per week. <br> Over 40 to and including 45 per week. |
|  |  |  | \$12.40 per week-......--- | 37-40 per week. <br> Less than 37 per week. |
| Session laws 1933, ch. 584 . |  |  | 4515 cents per hour------1 | For each hour over 45.11 |
|  |  | Outside New York City- | $271 / 2$ cents per hour; $\$ 11$ per week. <br> 271/2 cents per hour | 40 per week. <br> Over 40 to and including 45 |
|  |  |  | $\$ 11$ per week <br> 3014 cents per hour <br> $41 \frac{1}{4}$ cents per hour | per week. <br> 37-40 per week. <br> Less than 37 per week. <br> For each hour over 45.11 |

North Dakota
Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor: Any occupation (occupation to include a business, industry, trade, or branch thereof). Exceptions: Agriculture; domestic service. Supplement to compiled laws 1913-19255, session laws 1935, ch. 162.



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rector of Industrial Relations ny occupation; i. e., any industry, of or class of work therein. Exceptions: Domestic service in the home of the employer; labor on a farm.
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Session laws 1933, pp. 502-510

Any occupation. (Occupation to include any and every vocation, de 1930, vol. 3, title 49, secs. 303-319; session laws 1931, ch. 394.
Laundry occupations, i. e., all processes con-
nected with the receiving, marking, wash-
ing, cleaning, ironing, and distribution of
washable or cleanable materials; work in
laundry departments in hotels, hospitals,
and factories.
Telephone exchanges......................

Laundry 4 occupations; i. e., all processes
directly concerned with the cleansing, col-
lection, and distribution of laundry wares.
Exceptions: office work, plant main-
tenance.
Cleaning and dyeing occupations, i. e., all
processes directly concerned with the
cleaning, dyeing, pressing, soliciting, col-
lection, and distribution of dry cleaning
wares. Exceptions: office work; plant
maintenance.
Surveys have been made of:
Hotels and restaurants.
Retail trade.
Mercantile occupations; i. e., work in estab-
lishments operated for the purpose of trade
in the purchase or sale of any goods or mer-
chandise, including the sales force, wrap
ping employees, auditing or check-inspec-
tion force, shippers in the mail-order de-
partment, the receiving, marking, and
stock-room employees, sheet-music sales-
women and demonstrators.


38 to and including 48 per week

## Do.

Over 40 to and including 48 per wee
Do.

Over 40 to and including 48 per week in towns of 500 population or more; ${ }^{13}$ elsewhere, maximum hours per day and days per month to between employer and employees.
40 to and including 45 per week.
for each hour over 45 per
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Less than 19 per week
40 per week.
For each hour over 40 per 48 peer week.
For each hour over 48 per week. ${ }^{14}$

48 per week.
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State, administering body, and occupations or industries covered by law

Oregon-Continued.


South Dakota
Secretary of Agriculture:
Any factory workshop or mercantile establishment dry, hotel, restaurant, or packing house.
Compiled laws 1929, sec. 1022-A-1022-E, session laws 1981, chs. 173, 174 .

The various occupations, trades, and industries in which women and Session laws 1933, ch.38.
Washington ${ }^{17}$ -
Industrial Welfare Committee: The various occupations, trades, and industries
industries.
Pierce' Code 1929, secs. 4-3, 4-74, 4-75, 4-
$77,4-82 ; 3526-3547$.


Women or minors:
Experienced Inexperienced --.-.-.-.-.
Women: Experienced
Inexperienced
$271 / 2$ cents per hour...... 22 cents per hour 30 cents per hour.-22 cents per hour---

Experienced women or girls
$\$ 12$ per week



10 hours per day; time and one-half for overtime.
44 per week ( 48 allowed for 2 periods during year of 6 weeks each)

4 per week. ${ }^{16}$

48 per week; 8 per day
48 per week. ${ }^{19}$

Do.
6-day week. ${ }^{20}$

48 per week. ${ }^{18}$
48 per week. ${ }^{18} 21$
Do.

State, administering body, and occupations or industries covered by law

Wisconsin
Industrial Commission:
Every person in receipt of, or entitled to, any compensation for labor performed for any employer.
104.12.

| Provisions of minimum-wage orders |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Occupation or industry covered | Class of employees covered | Minimum rate | Hours |
| Mercantile, manufacturing, printing, laundering, or dye works establishment, sign painting, machine or repair shop, or parcel delivery service, or any other industry other than public housekeeping; as stenographer, bookkeeper, typist, billing clerk, filing clerk, cashier, checker, invoicer, comptometer operator, or any clerical office work, including assistants and helpers in doctors' and dentists' offices; any occupation, trade, or industry not mentioned above. Exceptions: Telephone or telegraph messengers in rural communities and cities of less than 3,000 population who are not continuously employed and who are paid piece rates. | Minors.-- | \$9 per week... | 48 per week. ${ }^{19}$ |
| Any occupation, trade, or industry. Exception: Seasonal industries. | Minors: <br> 17 years and over: <br> Experienced: <br> Cities of 5,000 or more. <br> Cities of under 5,000. <br> Inexperienced <br> Adult women, covered not by minimum-wage law but by oppressive-wage law (sec. 104.125, Statutes), must be paid these same rates. <br> Minors: <br> Under 17 years: <br> Experienced <br> Inexperienced | $221 / 2$ cents per hour <br> 20 cents per hour. <br> 16 cents per hour. <br> 18 cents per hour. <br> 16 cents per hour. | In general: 50 per week; ${ }^{22}$ hotels: 55. Minors under 18 years in cigar manufactories: 48 per week. |
| Pea, bean, cherry, corn, strawberry, or tomato canning. | Minors: <br> 17 years and over: <br> Experienced: Cities of 5,000 or more. <br> Cities of under 5,000 . | $221 / 2$ cents per hour <br> 20 cents per hour. | Canneries: 54 per week during canning season; 10 hours (in pea canneries, 11) allowed on 8 days but not |

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## LIST OF INDUSTRIES COVERED BY MINIMUM-WAGE ORDERS IN VARIOUS STATES

The list that follows shows the extent to which certain types of occupation are covered by minimum-wage orders in the various States. Reference to the foregoing chart will show the rates in effect for these occupations.

## fruit and vegetable canning and allied industries

California.-Fruit and vegetable packing (dried fruit, citrus, and green fruit and vegetable); fruit and vegetable canning; fish canning.
Massachusetts.-Canning and preserving and minor lines of confectionery. Oregon.-Packing, drying, preserving, canning perishable fruits or vegetables. Washington.-(Tristate agreement with Oregon and California for the canning industry, 1933.)
Wisconsin.-Pea, bean, cherry, corn, strawberry, or tomato canning.

## HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS

California.-Hotels and restaurants.
New York.-Includes any place lodging more than 5 persons as a business, and any place preparing and selling food, including banquet, box lunch, and curb service; hospitals and institutions excepted. (Rates recommended Dec. 6, 1935.)

North Dakota.-Public housekeeping. Includes work of waitresses in restaurants, hotel dining rooms, boarding houses; attendants at ice-cream and light-lunch stands, steam table or counter work in cafeterias and delicatessens; work of chambermaids, of janitresses, car cleaners, kitchen workers in hotels, lodging houses, restaurants, and hospitals; elevator operators.
Oregon.-Public housekeeping. Includes work of waitresses in restaurants, hotel dining rooms, and boarding houses; attendants at ice-cream and light-lunch stands, steam table or counter work in cafeterias and delicatessens; work of chambermaids in hotels, lodging houses, and boarding houses; of janitresses, car cleaners, kitchen workers in hotels and restaurants; elevator operators; retail candy departments in connection with ice-cream, soft-drink, or lightlunch counters or restaurants.
Washington.-Public housekeeping. Includes hotels, restaurants, rooming and boarding houses; cafes, cafeterias, lunch rooms, tea rooms; apartment houses; hospitals, philanthropic institutions, and any other which may be properly classified under this industry; work of linen-room girls, chambermaids, cleaners, kitchen girls, dishwashers, pantry girls, pantry servers, waitresses, counter girls, bus girls, elevator operators, janitresses, laundry workers (except where commercial laundry is operated). (See footnote 17 on chart I.)
Wisconsin.-Any occupation, trade, or industry, except seasonal industries.
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The following States have made surveys of the hotel and restaurant industry, with recommendation that a wage board be called to fix a minimum rate: ${ }^{8}$ Connecticut, New Hampshire, Ohio.

## LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING

## LAUNDRY, SEPARATELY

Illinois.-All processes directly concerned with the cleansing, collection, and distribution of laundry services; plant maintenance and office work excepted. Massachusetts.-Laundries. ${ }^{9}$
New Hampshire.-Any activity directly concerned with washing, ironing, or processing of laundry wares; collection, distribution, sale of laundry services; includes laundries in business establishments, clubs, or institutions such as hospitals.
New York.-All processes directly concerned with the cleansing, collection, and distribution of laundry wares. Exception: Plant maintenance; office work. Includes all places where women are so employed.
Ohio.-All processes directly concerned with cleansing, collection, and distribution of laundry wares. Includes producing of laundry service for their own use by business establishments, clubs, or institutions.

## CLEANING AND DYEING, SEPARATELY

Ohio.-All processes directly concerned with the cleaning, dyeing, pressing, soliciting, collection, and distribution of dry-cleaning wares. Exception: Office work, plant maintenance.

## LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING, COMBINED

California.-Laundry and dry cleaning.
Massachusetts.-All branches of the laundry and dry cleaning industry. (New rate fixed under 1935 mandatory law.)
North Dakota.-All processes connected with receiving, marking, washing, cleaning, ironing, and distribution of washable or cleanable materials. Specified work to include laundry departments in hotels, hospitals, and factories.
Oregon.-Laundry, cleaning, and dyeing occupations.
Washington.-Laundry, dry cleaning, or dye works occupation, trade, or industry. (See footnote 17 on chart I.)
Wisconsin.-Any occupation, trade, or industry, except seasonal industries.
Connecticut has made surveys of the laundry and of the cleaning and dyeing industries with recommendation that a wage board be called to fix a minimum rate. ${ }^{8}$
${ }^{8}$ Procedure under most of the laws passed in 1934 and 1935 is initiated by the making of a survey by the proper authorities in the labor department, which thereupon make recommendations to the labor commissioner as to whether a wage board should be called. He may then calla wage board, which recommends minimum rates to the commissioner. He may accept the rates recommended and hold hearings thereon, after which he may issue a directory order, effective for a specified length of time with publicity as the only order is not being fully complied with, he may, after the directory period has passed, issue a mandatory order with legal penalties attached - A new rate for both laundries an
for laundries were first put into effect in Massachusetts in September 1915.

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

California.-Manufacturing. (Separate rate fixed for nut cracking and sorting.) Connecticut.-Thread drawing in lace. Surveys have been made of the following industries: Dress; electrical supplies; fabricated metal (home work); shirt; home work (general study).
Illinois.-Macaroni, spaghetti, and noodle industry.
Massachusetts.-Wage boards have fixed rates separately for the following manufacturing industries:
Clothing and textile: Corsets; knit goods; men's clothing and raincoats men's furnishings; millinery; muslin underwear, etc.; women's clothing.
Food industries: Bread and bakery products; candy.
Leather industries: Boot and shoe cut stock and findings; pocketbooks and leather goods.
Paper industries: Paper boxes; stationery goods and envelops.
Other industries: Brushes; druggists' preparations, etc.; electrical equipment and supplies; jewelry and related lines; toys, games, and sporting goods.
North Dakota.-All processes in the production of commodities. Includes work in dressmaking shops, wholesale millinery houses, workrooms of retail millinery shops, and certain work in stores (see "Mercantile" below). Separate rates are fixed in book-binding and job-press feeding, and for bakery and biscuit manufacturing and for candy manufacturing.
Oregon.-All processes in the production of commodities. Includes such work in stores as shown above for North Dakota. Separate rates fixed for needlecraft; i. e., all designing, cutting, stitching, weaving, knitting, hemstitching, altering, etc., whether by hand or by machine, of materials for clothing, wearing apparel, upholstering, tents, awnings, bags, and draperies.
Washington.-Manufacturing. (See footnote 17 on chart I.)
Wisconsin.-Any occupation, trade, or industry, except seasonal industries.

## MERCANTILE ESTABLISHMENTS

California.-Mercantile.
Massachusetts.-Retail stores.
North Dakota.-Work in establishments operated for the purpose of trade in purchase or sale of any merchandise, including sales force, wrapping force, auditing or checking force, shippers in mail-order department, receiving, marking, and stock-room employees; and all other women. Exception: Women who perform office duties solely. (But drapery and furniture covering, garment alteration, art needlework, fur-garment making and millinery workrooms in mercantile stores, and candy-making departments of retail candy stores and restaurants, come under rates for manufacturing occupations.)
Oregon.-Work in establishments operated for the purpose of trade in purchase or sale of any goods or merchandise, including sales force, wrapping employees, auditing or check-inspection force, shippers in mail-order department, receiving, marking, and stock-room employees, sheet-music saleswomen and demonstrators. (But certain occupations come under manufacturing rates as in North Dakota, shown above.)
Washington.-Mercantile. (See footnote 17 on chart I.)
Wisconsin.-Any occupation, trade, or industry, except seasonal industries.
Ohio has made a survey of retail stores with recommendation that a wage board be called to fix a minimum rate. ${ }^{10}$
${ }^{10}$ See footnote8.

California.-General and professional offices
Oregon.-Work of stenographers, bookkeepers, typists, billing clerks, filing clerks, cashiers, checkers, invoicers, comptometer operators, auditors, attendants in physicians' or dentists' offices, and all kinds of clerical work.
Washington.-For minors only, if employed as stenographer, bookkeeper, typist, billing clerk, filing clerk, cashier, checker, invoicer, comptometer operator or any clerical office work including assistants and helpers in doctors' and dentists' offices. (See footnote 17 on chart I.)
Wisconsin.-Any occupation, trade, or industry, except seasonal industries.

## SERVICES NOT ELSEWHERE CLASSIFIED

## BEAUTY SHOPS

Illinois.-Registered beauty culturists, manicurists, desk clerks, shop managers, apprentices, maids, and cleaning women.
Oregon.-Personal service; i. e., manicuring, hairdressing, barbering, and other work of like nature.
Wisconsin.-Any occupation, trade, or industry, except seasonal industries.
Connecticut has made a survey of the beauty-shop trade, with recommendation that a wage board be called to fix a minimum rate. ${ }^{10}$

## CLEANING OF OFFICES AND BUILDINGS

Massachusetts.-Office and other buildings, cleaning
Wisconsin.-Any occupation, trade, or industry, except seasonal industries.

## DOMESTIC EMPLOYMENT

Wisconsin.-Any occupation, trade, or industry, except seasonal industries (so interpreted).

## TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH

North Dakota.-Telephone exchanges.
Oregon.-Telephone and telegraph occupations.
Washington.-Telephone or telegraph or any public occupation excluding those covered by other orders. (See footnote 17 on chart I.)
Wisconsin.-Any occupation, trade, or industry, except seasonal industries.
${ }^{10}$ See footnote 8 .

## MASSACHUSETTS

Orders regulating 2 Massachusetts industries require that the apprenticeship period be more than a year:

Millinery-4 seasons ( 2 in the spring and 2 in the fall) of 16 weeks each; 2 years if work is not of seasonal character. Worker must have reached 19 years of age. Women's clothing- $1 \frac{1}{2}$ years ( 35 weeks to constitute a year). Worker must have reached 18 years.

In the 12 following orders, the learning period is defined as 1 year in the occupation. Nine of the 12 specify the age that the worker must have reached in order to be termed "experienced."

Retail stores-employment for 1 year after reaching 18 years.
Druggists' preparations; toys, games, and sporting goods; pocketbook and leather goods (at least 1 month in factory where employed); stationery goods and envelops (entire year in the particular plant); paper boxes-worker must have reached 18. Corsets-year's employment to comprise at least 50 weeks. Worker to have reached 17.

Muslin underwear (26 weeks in present employer's shop); men's furnishingsemployee must have reached 16

Brushes; candy; men's clothing and raincoats-no age minimum specified
The learning period required is less than a year in the following industries:

Knit goods-40 weeks.
Bread and other bakery products; canning and preserving and minor lines of confectionery (entire period "in a given factory"); electrical equipment and supplies ( 3 months in the particular plant); jewelry and related lines (w orker to have reached 20 years) - 6 months.

Boot and shoe cut stock and findings- 3 months. Worker to have reached 17 years.
Laundry and dry cleaning-4 weeks.
Office and other building cleaners-no learning period.

## NORTH DAKOTA

Mercantile occupations-1 year. Not over 25 percent of the employees in an establishment may be inexperienced.
Manufacturing occupations
Biscuit or candy making-9 months.
Bookbinding or job-press feeding-1 year
All other manufacturing-to be left to discretion of department in conference with employer and employee concerned.
Not over 40 percent of the employees in any manufacturing establishment may be inexperienced. In biscuit or candy making and in bookbinding or job-press feeding, a different minimum wage is fixed for each 3 months of the learning period
Telephone exchanges- 9 months. In exchanges employing 6 or more persons, not over 35 percent of the women may be inexperienced. Different minimum rates are fixed for the first month, the next four months, and the last four months of apprenticeship.

Laundry occupations- 5 months. Not over 25 percent of the employees in a laundry may be inexperienced. Different minimum rates are fixed for the first three and the last two months.
Public hous ekeeping-no learning period,

## OREGON

Only two of the orders of this State fix the learning period at less than a year: Mercantile occupations- 6 months.
Packing, drying, preserving, or canning perishable fruits or vegetables-1 week.
The learning period is 1 year, with a different minimum wage set for each 4 months, for the following: Manufacturing, needlecraft, office, personal service, public housekeeping, and telegraph offices. For telephone exchanges, also, the period is 1 year, but divided into 4 periods of 3 months each.

Laundry, cleaning, and dyeing occupations-no learning period.

## WASHINGTON <br> (See footnote 17 on chart I)

In this State the order for manufacturing industries is the only one that fixes rates by experience. The length of apprenticeship may vary according to 5 schedules that provide 4 wage rates and allow learning periods of 4 weeks, 4 months, 24 weeks, 8 months, and 1 year respectively. Not more than 25 percent of the women in a plant may be apprentices, except in emergencies under special permit.

## WISCONSIN

Experienced employees, according to the Wisconsin order, are those who have worked for 6 months in any nonseasonal industry or for any part of a season in a seasonal industry (defined as one that regularly operates less than 6 months in the year). Not more than 25 percent of the women and minors normally employed in the plant may be apprentices.

## SUPPLEMENT TO PART I

## MINIMUM WAGE AS APPLIED IN AN IMPORTANT WOMANEMPLOYING INDUSTRY-LAUNDRIES

Summaries cannot be given here for every important womanemploying industry for which minimum wages have been fixed by a number of States, though information for a special industry, in most cases, can be assembled from data given in the accompanying chart.
The paragraphs following summarize the provisions adopted for laundry occupations in several States. This industry was among the first to be regulated under the older orders, and likewise was selected for early consideration by certain of the newer minimumwage States. Some action has been taken for laundries in practically every State that has put its minimum-wage law into actual operation. Among the reasons for this are-That this industry is a large employer of women; that it operates in every State; and that in some instances wages are so extremely low that many employers as well as employees welcome the setting of a minimum rate. Moreover, it is one of the industries for which claims have been made as to its largely intrastate character, and should substantiation of such claims be possible, minimum standards could be fixed through State action only.
Laundry occupations were covered in the orders of all the States that had minimum-wage laws in operation in 1932, prior to the enactment of the newer laws. Since several of these States had set rates for women in laundries at earlier dates, those that continued their orders have had some rates in effect for this industry for from 12 to 21 years.
The rates fixed by these 7 older minimum-wage States for experienced workers follow:

| State | Present minimum rate for lauddries |  | Date first rate fo laundry industry effective |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Rate | Date effective |  |
| Calitornia | $\$ 16$ per week ${ }^{1}$ <br> $\$ 13.50$ per week $\$ 12.60$ per week 30 cents per hour \$12 per week.221/2 cents per hour | July 1923 July $1922{ }^{2}$ December 1932 Law of 1923 December 1921 August 1932 | January 1918 September 1915 August 1920. July 1923. August 1914. |
| Massachusetss |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ This rate is for a "standard week." The legal hour maximum is 48 . See fuller discussion of California <br> on $\begin{gathered}\text { P. } 4 \text {. } \\ 2 \\ \text { Under the new mandatory law passed in 1934, Massachusetts made a survey of laundries and dry clean- }\end{gathered}$ ing and fixed a rate of 30 cents an hour where as many as 35 hours are worked and a higher hourly rate for shorter hours <br> ${ }^{3}$ See footnote 17 on chart I. |  |  |  |
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Between the fall of 1933 and the fall of 1935 , five of the new minimumwage States issued directory orders for laundries. The basic minimum rates fixed and the dates the orders went into effect follow:
Illinois.-Hourly rates of 23,25 , and 28 cents, respectively, for three defined districts in the State, July 1935.
Massachusetts.- Under the new mandatory law of 1934, 30 cents an hour for the laundry and dry-cleaning industry, October 1935.11
New Hampshire.- 28 cents an hour, August 1934.
New York. - $271 / 2$ and 31 cents an hour, up-State and New York City, respectively, October 1933; made mandatory August 1934.
Ohio.- $27 \frac{1}{2}$ cents an hour, March 1934; made mandatory July 1934.
In Connecticut a survey of this industry was made in 1934. Women's wages were found to be oppressive and unreasonable and the fixing of a minimum wage was recommended. A separate survey has been made of the cleaning and dyeing industry.
As illustration of some of the points covered in the laundry orders, somewhat more detailed statements as to those issued in 4 of the minimum-wage States follow.

## California

The Industrial Welfare Commission of California in May 1934 adopted a resolution in regard to the minimum hourly rates in laundries and dry-cleaning establishments. This resolution specifies that if 8 hours are worked in 1 day, $331 / 3$ cents an hour must be paid, but for less than 8 hours a day the usual part-time rate of 40 cents is required. The order of the commission which this resolution amends was issued July 23, 1923, and consequently had been in effect for practically 11 years, following still earlier orders of the commission.

The order of July 1923, which had constituted the standard in effect for so long, does not specify an hourly wage rate but requires that workers with experience of 3 months or more be paid a minimum of $\$ 16$ for the standard week's work, defining the standard week not as 48 hours, the maximum allowed by law, but as "the regularly established number of hours worked per week in the place of employment" by each shift of employees. If employed the maximum of 48 hours a week, the hourly rate would amount to $33 \frac{1}{3}$ cents. Parttime employees are defined as workers employed on an hourly basis for less than 8 hours a day, and for them the rate of 40 cents an hour is provided. Special workers-i. e., workers employed on a full-day basis for less than the standard week-must be paid at least $\$ 2.67$ a day.

The order fixes $\$ 14$ as the rate for learners, who must be so registered with the Industrial Welfare Commission within their first 2 weeks of employment. Exclusive of office workers, learners must not constitute more than one-third of the females at work in any establishment. If less than the standard week is worked on account of a ${ }^{11}$ For effectiveness of the early rate, see p. 5.
legal or religious holiday, at least 38 cents an hour must be paid, for learners 30 cents. The commission may issue a special permit for a physically handicapped woman, fixing her wage below the minimum.

With the reduction of hours to 40 a week under the N. R. A. code, enforcement of the standard week provision of the laundry order would have resulted in as high an hourly rate for full-time as for parttime employment. This the commission considered discrimination against the part-time worker, and accordingly adopted the resolution referred to in the first paragraph discussing California. Under its provisions 5 days of 8 hours each ( 40 hours) would yield at the $331 / 3-$ cent hourly rate $\$ 13.33 \frac{1}{3} ; 5$ days of 8 hours each plus 1 day of 4 hours ( 44 hours) would yield $\$ 13.93 \frac{1}{3}$; but the $\$ 16$ minimum prescribed in the order of 1923 for the standard week, whether 48 hours or under, now could be received only for a full 48 -hour week, the maximum allowed by law. The minimum fixed in the N. R. A. code for this industry, as it would apply in California, ranged from 25 to 30 cents an hour, according to size of locality.

## New Hampshire

The Commissioner of Labor in New Hampshire issued a directory order, effective August 1, 1934, fixing minimum-wage rates in the laundry industry for women and minors (defined as employees under 21 years of age). This is the first and only order operative in the State under the minimum-wage law, and its adoption followed public hearings and the unanimous recommendation of the wage board called for the industry.

The order sets the minimum hourly rate at 28 cents for 30 hours or more a week, and at 30 cents for less than 30 hours, provided that the amount paid for less than 30 hours need not exceed $\$ 8.40$ ( 30 hours at 28 cents). The minimum rate is guaranteed to workers paid on a piece basis as well as those on an hourly rate, and learners also must receive at least this amount.

It is specified that employees shall be paid for such time as they are required to wait for work in the plant. If called in for less than half a day's work, they shall receive pay for half a day, except in the case of those whose employment in the week amounts to 36 hours.

Maximum deductions are set for meals and lodging based on number of meals and number of persons in room: The deduction for one meal a day shall be not more than 20 cents; two meals, 35 cents; three meals, 50 cents; 21 meals a week, $\$ 3$; room and board with separate room, $\$ 4.50$ a week. No deductions are allowed for other purposes except with the approval of the commissioner, and only a fair charge may be made for uniforms.

The minimum rate fixed in the N. R. A. code for the laundry industry was 25 cents, as it would apply to New Hampshire, since there is no city in the State with a population of 100,000 or more.

An examination of laundry pay rolls showed that in a week after the order had been in effect 14 percent of those reported were receiving $\$ 16$ or more, while in a week prior to the order less than 4 percent had week's earnings of this amount. The hourly wage was at least 30 cents for 42 percent of those reported after the order; previously about 37 percent had had an hourly wage as high as this.

## New York

The mandatory order issued by the Industrial Commissioner of New York, and effective August 6, 1934, fixes a minimum wage of $27 \frac{1}{2}$ cents an hour for a 40 -hour week outside New York City, and 31 cents an hour for 40 hours in the New York City area. Penalties for violation range from $\$ 50$ to $\$ 200$ fines and from 10 to 90 days' imprisonment, or both. These rates constitute the minimum permitted, applying to minors and learners as well as others, and piece rates must yield at least this amount. Furthermore, time during which the employee is required to wait on the premises must be paid for at the individual's regular rate.
The order provides for time and one-half pay for each hour of work over 45 , and a 10 percent hourly bonus for less than a 40 -hour week (but not more than the regular 40 -hour minimum need be paid). Each individual underpayment is a separate offense. No deductions are allowed except by permit from the division of minimum wage, and only a fair charge may be made for uniforms. ${ }^{12}$

The minimum rate fixed in the N. R. A. code for the laundry industry, as it would apply in New York, ranged from 25 to 30 cents an hour according to size of city.
The minimum fair wage law was first applied to the laundry industry in New York in the form of a directory order of October 2, 1933. The median of week's earnings of women and minor laundry employees had increased from $\$ 10.41$ found in the sample of 5,322 women in the power laundries surveyed in the State in May 1933, to $\$ 12.12$ for 22,325 women reported to the State in November 1933, after the order had been in effect, though the work week was shortened from a median of 44.9 hours in May to 40.3 hours in November. In more than two-thirds of the laundries especially investigated, the total week's pay roll for women and minors was larger in November than it had been in May; substantial increases for individual women had resulted from the order. These are strong testimonies to the value of a minimum wage. Moreover, at the hearings held at the close of the directory period, representatives of employers, of labor organizations, and of various civic groups were unanimously in favor of making the order mandatory. Frieda S. Miller, director of the Division of

[^3]Women in Industry and Minimum Wage of the New York State Department of Labor, in her statement to the commissioner July 2, 1934, said:
Our experience in administering the directory order governing wages of women and minors in laundry occupations during the 9 months in which it has been in effect has led to the following conclusions:
The directory order has been effective in raising the wage level of women and minors in laundries throughout the State and has brought about substantial increases for individual women. There has been no discernible tendency for the minimum wage to become the maximum or for wages of the higher paid employees to be reduced.
Under this mandatory order the manager and three operators of a laundry in Brooklyn were convicted of paying less than the minimum wage and of forging books to conceal the fact, and were imprisoned. Appeal was taken in a habeas corpus case (People ex rel., Joseph Tipaldo against Frederick L. Morehead, as warden of the City Prison, Brooklyn). The indictment was upheld, together with the constitutionality of the minimum-wage act, by the Supreme Court ${ }^{13}$ of the State of New York, County of Kings, June 27, 1935.

## Ohio

A mandatory order effective July 26 , 1934 , fixes a minimum wage of $27 \frac{1}{2}$ cents an hour or $\$ 11$ a week. This is the minimum for all employees, including pieceworkers, learners, and minors. Furthermore, waiting time at the plant is to be paid for. For violation of this the law provides penalties of 10 to 90 days' imprisonment or $\$ 50$ to $\$ 200$ fines, or both.
One and one-third times the basic rate is to be paid for each hour over 45. If less than 19 hours a week are worked, the employee is to receive a bonus of 10 percent for each hour worked up to the point where the total earnings equal what would have been received for 20 hours' work. Deductions for meals or lodging are allowed only after the plant has been given a permit, and deductions for uniforms are not to be above a fair charge.
Each week for any day of which an employee is paid less than the rate applicable constitutes a separate offense, as does also each employee thus underpaid. The fine also is applicable in cases of discrimination against employees because of assisting in enforcement of the act. Employees may recover in civil action the full amount of the minimum wage less amount actually paid, together with costs and lawyer's fees.

The minimum rates in the N. R. A. code for the laundry industry as it would have applied to Ohio ranged from $22 \frac{1}{2}$ to 25 cents an hour according to size of city.
${ }^{13}$ This is not the highest court of the State.

The minimum fair wage law was first applied to the laundry industry in Ohio in the form of a directory order effective March 26, 1934. Studies of wages in the laundry industry were made by the Division of Minimum Wage of the Ohio Department of Industrial Relations, in which it was found that the median wage increased from $\$ 8.80$ in September 1933 to $\$ 10.61$ ( 20.6 percent) in July 1934, after the directory order had been in effect. Relatively few of the 4,840 women for whom wages were reported by commercial laundries in 1934, were receiving less than the $27 \frac{1}{2}$-cent hourly rate, and nearly a third of the women were receiving more than the required minimum.
Cleaning and dyeing were considered separately in this State, and a directory order effective September 10, 1934, fixed a minimum of 35 cents an hour for this industry. The order was made mandatory January 19, 1935.

## Certain administrative regulations

The foregoing discussions of laundry orders in several States have included statements as to the rates fixed (whether for normal time, undertime, or part time); as to the application of these rates (in regard to minors, learners, pieceworkers, and waiting time); as to the penalties provided by law if the order is mandatory; and as to prohibitions of deductions for meals and lodging.
A number of other regulations as to the administration of the minimum wage appear in the orders. Perhaps the most universal of these are the requirements that a notice of the order be posted so that employees can be informed; that hour and wage records be kept in a form prescribed by the enforcing agency; and that a sworn copy be submitted whenever requested by this agency. The law usually attaches severe penalties for violation of the last mentioned; for example, New York and Ohio punish with a fine of from $\$ 25$ to $\$ 100$, each day's misdemeanor constituting a separate offense.
New Hampshire, New York, and Ohio all require that some form of statement be given the employee explaining her earnings, and that an age certificate be provided for every male minor under 21. New York and Ohio provide weekly payment of the wages, the former specifying that these must be received within 6 days after earned. New York and New Hampshire require department approval before deductions can be made for insurance. New York provides that the commission may issue an insignia of compliance that may be displayed by the employer.

LEGAL WORKING HOURS FOR WOMEN—DAILY
[States having more than one hour regulation are classed under that affecting the greatest number of women]


## Part II.-HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR WOMEN PROVIDED IN STATE LABOR LAWS

## REGULATION OF DAILY AND WEEKLY HOURS

Very nearly all the States, 43 of them, place some legal limit either to the daily or to the weekly hours of women's work or to both daily and weekly hours, in certain occupations or industries. Only 4 States-Alabama, Florida, Iowa, and West Virginia-have no statute or order regulating women's hours in any way, while Indiana, though prohibiting night work in manufacturing, has no law applying to daily or weekly hours. ${ }^{14}$ The maximum hours fixed, the occupations or industries covered by the laws of the various States, and those excepted will be shown in chart II, pp. 42 to 54 .

Many States have different hour limits for different occupations and industries, hence some appear more than once in the following list, which shows that for certain occupations 12 States have an 8-hour day, 1 an $8 \frac{1}{2}$-hour day, 18 a 9 -hour day, 15 a 10-hour day, 6 a day of more than 10 hours, and 6 no daily limit though they have a weekly limit.

Only 1 State limits weekly hours to less than 48; 11 States to 48 ; 4 set limits above 48 but under $54 ; 18$ restrict to $54 ; 16$ allow over 54 hours, 6 of these permitting 60 hours; 7 States fix no weekly limit though they have a daily limit. In all these cases the limits referred to apply to one or more occupations.

The following list shows the maximum hours that the various States have fixed for some occupations or industries. ${ }^{15}$


[^4]States having 9-hour day-Continued

## Number of States

54-hour week-Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Texas
56-hour week-New Mexico
58-hour week-North Dakota
 States having 10 -hour day

54-hour week-New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota_
55-hour week-Delaware, North Carolina, South Carolina, Wisconsin 60-hour week-Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi Sunday law)
State having $101 / 4$-hour day:

States having $101 / 2$-hour day:
56-hour week-Vermont
57-hour week-Tennessee
States having 11-hour day
54-hour week-Texas
55-hour week-North Carolina
te having 12 -hour day:
60-hour week-South Carolina
States having no daily hours, but a weekly limit only, for certain industries or occupations:

48-hour week-Oregon
54-hour week-Maine, Minnesota, New York
54-hour week-Maine,
56-hour week-Oregon.-
58-hour week-Connecticu
60-hour week-Louisiana
From the foregoing lists it is evident that 12 States-Connecticut Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Oregon, North Carolina, North Dakota, New Mexico, New York, South Carolina, Texas, and Wisconsinhave two or more hour regulations.

## OVERTIME

Overtime in some occupations or industries is permitted in 28 States-Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Kansas, Louisiana Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. Details as to the overtime allowed under the hour laws of these States will be found in chart II.

## OVERTIME PAY

Five States-Arkansas, New Mexico, Oregon, Wisconsin, and Wyomingrequire the payment of $1 \frac{1}{2}$ the regular rate for overtime in some occupations or industries or for limited emergency periods. Further details as to the occuor industries or for limited emergency periods. Further details as to the occu-
pations or industries in which such pay is required also will be shown in the chart referred to.

Two States-Oklahoma and Texas-require double payment for overtime in some occupations or industries.
One State-California-requires the payment of increased rates for all time over 8 hours a day for certain occupations.

## COVERAGE OF HOUR LAWS

Naturally there is wide variation in the coverage of hour laws in the different States. The following summaries show to what extent the 5 principal industrial groups in which women are employed are covered by the hour laws of these 43 States.

Number of States
in which covered 10

Mercantile establishments. 41
Laundries 41
40
Restaurants 40
Hotels 39
31

Hour laws in the following States do not cover the types of employment specified:

Mercantile establishments:
Number of States
in which not Georgia, Vermont
covered ${ }^{16} 2$ Laundries:

Georgia, Ohio, South Carolina--------------------------------- 3
(Connecticut and Vermont cover "mechanical" establishments and Rhode Island "mechanical, business" establishments. None however, definitely specifies laundries.)

## Restaurants:

Georgia, Maryland, South Carolina, Vermont
(Rhode Island in addition to factory, manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment includes "business" establishment in its hours statute; no specific mention is made, however, of restaurants.)
Hotels:
Connecticut, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, South Carolina, Vermont,
Virginia
(Connecticut, New Hampshire, and New Jersey definitely exclude hotels from hour-law coverage. Rhode Island, in addition to factory, manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, includes "business" establishment in its hours statute; no specific mention is made, however, of hotels.)

## EXCEPTIONS

In the hour laws certain industries and occupations are specifically excepted. The cases in which the language of the law itself excepts industries or occupations by name are listed below, and these exceptions also are shown in chart II. The following list does not neces-

[^5] as covering the industry specified.
sarily include all States in which a certain industry or occupation is not covered by the law, because in some cases the text of the law recites a given list that excludes them even though no specific exception is stated.

## INDUSTRIES AND OCCUPATIONS SPECIFICALLY EXCEPTED IN TEXT OF STATE'S HOUR REGULATION

Canneries (usually includes process of conditioning and packing): Arizona, California, Delaware, Idaho, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington
Telephone and telegraph (see also holiday seasons for 1 other State):
Arizona ( 3 women or less), Maine (telephone exchanges, 3 or fewer operators), Minnesota (telephone operators in small towns), Missouri (telephone companies), New Hampshire (operators), New Mexico (5 or fewer operators), North Dakota (rural telephone exchanges and small exchanges or offices), Texas (small towns), South Dakota (operators)
Agricultural pursuits:
Arkansas (gathering fruits or farm products), Louisiana, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South
 Nurses:

Arizona, California (graduate nurses in hospitals), Michigan (all nurses in hospitals and fraternal or charitable homes), Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania (nurses in hospitals), Texas (nurses and attendants in orphan homes)

Arizona, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire (also boardinghouse labor), New Mexico, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee
Clerical (and executive or supervisory)
Arkansas (executives at $\$ 35$ a week or more), Georgia, Massachusetts (supervisors or personal secretaries), North Carolina, North Dakota (in mercantile establishments in towns of under 500), South Carolina, Texas (stenographers), Virginia_
Public, service corporations, public utilities, interstate commerce (see also holiday seasons for 1 other State):

Arizona (railroad yard office, 3 women or less), Arkansas (railroad if federally regulated), Maine (public service in emergencies), Mississippi (railroad or other public service), New Mexico (interstate commerce if federally regulated), Rhode Island (shifts in public utilities) _-
Mercantile (see also holiday seasons for 4 other States):
Louisiana (Saturday nights, establishments having more than 5 employees), Ohio (outside of "any city"), Texas (small towns), Virginia (small towns)
Hotels (see also 6-day week but allowing 7 days for 1 other State):
Connecticut, New Hampshire, New Jersey (where working hours do not exceed 8), New York (dining-room and kitchen employees in hotel restaurants; see also last item in miscellaneous industries, etc.) .-...

Pharmacists (see also 6 -day week but allowing 7 days for 1 other State): Pharmacists (see also 6-day week but allowing

Number of
States

Cotton factories-Arkansas (also certain occupations not chiefly of women in textiles in South Carolina and Georgia)
Manufacture of munitions or supplies for United States or State in war time-New Hampshire

Singers, performers, or attendants in ladies' cloak rooms and parlors (restaurants) -New York (reseus types of exceptions
Miscellaneous types of exceptions: Small localities (see also telep
clerical-for 5 other States):
clerical-for 5 other States):
Missouri, North Dakota, Oklahoma (if fewer than 5 females employed)Holiday seasons (e. g., days before Christmas, Easter, etc.):

Connecticut (mercantile, but to balance with paid holidays), Maine (telephone exchanges, stores, restaurants, laundries, telegraph offices, and express or transportation companies), New Hampshire (mercantile, weekly average for year 54 hours), New York (mercantile)----6 -day week but allowing 7 days:

Arizona (if 6 hours daily or less), California (unclassified occupations and hotels and restaurants if 6 hours daily or less), New York (newspaper writers and reporters, pharmacists) -------------------------------Other miscellaneous provisions:

Minnesota:
Night employees on a schedule of not more than 12 hours if allowed 4 hours' sleep.
Emergency periods aggregating not more than 4 weeks in the calendar year.
New Jersey:
Employees in other continuous business (than hotels) if hours not over 8 a day.-

Chart II.-HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR WOMEN PROVIDED IN STATE LABOR LAWS

| State | Weekly limit and daily limit | Overtime |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arizona: <br> Session laws 1931, ch. 14 | 48 hours, 6 days, 8 hour day. |  |
| Arkansas: <br> Digest of the statutes 1921, sec. 7114; supplement, 1927, sec. 7109; session laws 1935, ch. 150. | 54 hours, 6 days, $9-$ hour day. | Any industry handling products, such as canning factories and candy factories where it can be shown beyond question would work irreparable injury, may be permitted by the Industrial Welfare Commission to work overtime 90 days a year, if time and one-half is paid for all hours over 9 a day. |
| Industrial Welfare Commission, order of 1919. <br> California: <br> Session laws 1929, ch. 286 | 54 hours, 6 days, $9-$ hour day. <br> 48 hours, 8 -hour day. |  |
| Industrial Welfare Commission, orders nos. 5a, 6a, 7a, 8a, 11a, 15a, 1923; 3A, 1929. | 48 hours, 6 days, 8 hour day. |  |
| Ibid., nos. 6a and 8a, 1923 | 8 hours (basic), 48 hours (basic), 6 days (basic). | In emergencies more than 8 hours a day may be worked if $11 / 4$ times the minimum rate is paid for all hours up to 12 excess of 12 ; and if $11 / 4$ times the minimum rate is paid for the first 8 hours of the day of rest and double this rate and a quarter for all hours over 8 . |


| Occupations or industries specified |
| :---: |
| Any labor. Exceptions: Domestic work; nurses; telephone or telegraph |
| office or exchange and railroad yard office employing a or fewer women; |
| harvesting, curing, canning, or drying perishable fruits or vegetables |
| during period necessary to save products from spoiling; women work- |
| ing 6 hours a day or less may work 7 days a week. |
| Manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, laundry, |
| express or transportation company. Exceptions: Cotton factories; |
| gathering of fruits or farm products; railroad companies whose hours |
| are regulated by Federal laws; women in executive or managerial |
| positions with weekly salaries of \$35 or more upon permit from Indus- |
| trial Welfare Commission. |
|  |
| Hotel or restaurant. |

Ibid., no. 3A, 1929

Ibid., nos. 10a and 12a, 1923......
Ibid., no. 16-A, 1931

Ibid., no. 17, 1931.-.-.-.............


Colorado:
Compiled laws 1921 (published
1922), secs. 4184, 4272 .
Connecticut:
Session laws 1933, ch. 74..........

48 hours, 8 -hour day


8 hours (basic), 48 (basic).

48 hours, 6 days, 8 hour day.
8 hours (basic), 6 days (basic).

8 hours (basic), 48 hours (basic), 6 days (basic)

No weekly limit, 8 No weekiy
hour day.

52 hours, 6 days, 9 hour day

In emergencies more than 8 hours a day may be worked if $11 / 4$ times the rate paid to 12 and double the regular rate is paid for all hours in excess of 12 ; and if 114 times the regular rate is paid for the first
8 hours of the day of rest and double said rate and a quarter for all hours over 8 .


In emergencies overtime may be worked if time and one-quarter is paid for all
hours over 8 and up to 10 , time and onehalf for all hours over 10 and up to 12 time and three-quarters for all hours over 12 and up to 14 , and double time for all hours over 14 and up to 16 . Work is permitted on the seventh day if the
first 8 hours or fraction thereof are paid for at time and one-half of one-sixth of the weekly wage and each additional 2 hours or fraction thereof at an additional one-half of one-sixth of the weekly wage. In emergencies more than 8 hours a day
may be worked if $1 \frac{11}{2}$ times the regular rate is paid for all hours up to 12 and double that rate for all hours in excess of 12 , and if $11 / 2$ times the regular rate is paid for the first 8 hours on the day of rest and double that rate for all hours over
to 8-hgencies females over 18, not subject weenour law and receiving $\$ 30$ or more a week may be employed more than 48 hours.
In emergencies females over 18, not subject to 8-hour law and receiving less than $\$ 30$ a week, may be employed more than 48
hours if paid $11 / 2$ times the regular rate for all emergency work
Industrial Commission may allow over time in cases of emergency, provided the minimum wage is increased.
10 hours may be worked on 1 day each week provided weekly maximum is not

Fruit and vegetable canning industry. Exception: Labeling. (See paragraph next preceding.)

Unclassified occupations and hotels and restaurants. Exception:
Women working 6 hours a day or less may be employed 7 days a
week.
Motion-picture industry-extras; i. e., women who act, sing, dance,
or otherwise perform at a wage of not more than $\$ 15$ a day or $\$ 65$ a week.

Public restaurant, cafe, dining room, barber shop, hair-dressing or mani curing establishment, or photograph gallery. Exception: Hotels.

Chart II.-hours of employment for women provided in state labor Laws-continued

| State | Weekly limit and daily limit | Overtime | Occupations or industries specified |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Connecticut-Continued. Session laws 1935, ch. 291 | 48 hours, 9-hour day --- | In emergencies and in cases of seasonal or peak demand, 10 hours a day and 55 hours a week may be permitted by the Department of Labor. | Manufacturing or mechanical establishment. |
| Session laws 1933, ch. 201 | 52 hours, 6 days, 9 -hour day. | 10 hours may be worked 1 day in the week in order to make 1 shorter work day during such week. | Mercantile establishment other than manufacturing or mechanical. Exception: Dec. 17-25 if employer grants at least 7 holidays with pay annually. |
| General statutes 1930, sec. 5197..- | 58 hours, no daily limit. |  | Bowling alley, shoe-shining establishment, billiard or pool room. |
| Delaware: <br> Session laws 1917, ch. 230 <br> Georgia: | 55 hours, 6 days, $10-$ hour day. | 12 hours on 1 day of each week provided weekly maximum is not exceeded. | Mercantile, mechanical, or manufacturing establishment, laundry, baking, or printing establishment, telephone and telegraph office or exchange, restaurant, hotel, place of amusement, dressmaking establishment, or office. Exception: Canning or preserving or preparation for canning or preserving of perishable fruits or vegetables. |
| Code (Michie) 1926, p. 807, sec. $3137 .{ }^{1}$ | 60 hours, 10-hour day-- | Not more than 10 days allowed to make up lost time caused by accidents or other unavoidable circumstances. Permitted to work regularly more than 10 hours a day provided weekly hours are not exceeded. | Cotton or woolen manufacturing establishments. Exceptions: Engineers, firemen, watchmen, mechanics, teamsters, yard employees, clerical force, cleaners, repairmen. |
| Compated statutes 1919, sec. 2330 Comple | No weekly limit, 9hour day. ${ }^{2}$ |  | Mechanical or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel, or restaurant, telegraph or telephone establishment, office, express or transportation company. Exceptıons: Harvesting, packing, curing, canning, or drying perishable fruits or vegetables. |
| R <br> Revised statutes (Cahill) 1931, ch. 48 , sec. 26. <br> Kansas: | No weekly limit, 10 hour day. ${ }^{3}$ |  | Mechanical or mercantile establishment, factory, laundry, hotel, restaurant, telegraph or telephone establishment or office thereof, place of amusement, express or transportation or public-utility business, common carrier, or public institution. |
| Commission of Labor and Industry, order no. 4, 1931. | 48 hours, 8 -hour day-- |  | Public housekeeping occupations: i. e., the work of waitresses in restaurants, hotel dining rooms, and boarding houses; attendants at icecream parlors, soda fountains, light-lunch stands, steam-table or counter work in cafeterias and delicatessens where freshly cooked foods are served and confectionery stores where lunches are served; the work of chambermaids in hotels, lodging and boarding houses, and hospitals; the work of janitresses, car cleaners, and kitchen workers in hotels, restaurants, and hospitals; elevator operators, and cigarstand and cashier girls connected with such establishments. |
| Ibid., no. 5, 1931 | 8 hours (basic), 6 days (basic). |  | Telephone operators. |

Ibid., no. 1, 1931
Ibid., no. 2, 1931.
$\qquad$

Ibid., no. 3, 1931

| Ibid., no. 3, 1931.. | 54 hours, 6 days, $9-$ hour day. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Kentucky: <br> Carroll's $4866 \mathrm{~b}-2$. Statutes 1930, sec. | 60 hours, 10-hour day-- |
| Louisiana: <br> General statutes (Dart) 1932, secs. 4319, 4322. | 54 hours, 9-hour day.-- |

491/2 hours, 9 -hour day
491/2 hours, 6 days,
$491 / 2$ hours, 6
9 -hour day. -hour
$21 / 2$ hours a week allowed if daily hours are not exceeded.
$41 / 2$ hours a week allowed in case of emergency. In seasonal industries handling perishable food products, such as canneries, creameries, condenseries, and poultry houses, the full amount of overpime is allow or for 2 periods a year not to exceed 3 weeks each: Cream testers may work $61 / 2$ days a week between May 1 and Sept. 1 if weekly hours do not exceed 54. In a poultry dressing and packing 15 to Dec. 24,11 hours a day and 58 hours a week are permitted for ${ }^{4}$. of the 6 weeks' peak season and 11 hours a day and 60 hours a week for the remaining 2 weeks provided 1 of these latter weeks falls and the other between Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.
10-hour working day allowed once a week, provided maximum weekly hours are not exceeded.
hours daily, 60 hours weekly permitted in emergencies in packing plants, cansea foods, vegetables, foods.

Laundry occupations; i. e., work in laundry, dyeing, dry-cleaning, and pressing establishments.
Manufacturing occupations; i. e., all processes in the production of commodities, including work in florists' shops, and candy-making departments of confectionery stores and bakeries. Exceptions: Millinery workrooms, dressmaking establishments, hemstitching and button shops, and the alteration, drapery, and upholstery depart-
ments of mercantile establishments may obtain permission from the Women's Division of the Commission of Labor and Industry to operate under the mercantile order.

Mercantile occupations; i. e., work in establishments operated for the purpose of trade in the purchase or sale of any goods or merchandise, ncluding the sales force, wrapping employees and auditing and marking, and stock-room employees, sheet-music saleswomen and demonstrators, and all employees in such establishments in any way directly connected with the sale, purchase, and disposition of goods wares, and merchandise. Exception: Regularly registered pharma cists.

Laundry, bakery, factory, workshop, store or mercantile, manufactur ing or mechanical establishment, hotel, restaurant, telephone ex change, or telegraph office.
Mill, factory, mine, packing house, manufacturing establishment workshop, laundry, millinery or dressmaking store or mercantil estahlishment, hotel, restaurant, theater, concert hall, in or about any place of amusement where intoxicating liquors are made or sold, in any bowling alley, bootblacking establishment, freight or passenger elevator, in the transmission or distribution or messages, whe or in any other occupation whatsoever. Exceptions: Store or mercantile establishment on Saturday nights, in which more than 5 person are employed; mercantile establishment, cafe or restaurant situated and operated outside of any municipality, or within any town or vursuits.

Chart II.-hours of employment for women provided in state labor Laws-Continued

| State | Weekly limit and daily limit | Overtime |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Louisiana-Continued. Ibid., sec. 4322 | 60 hours, no daily |  |
| Maine: <br> Session laws 1931, ch. 144 | 54 hours, no daily limit. |  |
| Revised statutes 1930, ch. 54, sec. 27; session laws 1931, ch. 144. | 54 hours, 9-hour day--- | In order to make 1 shorter day a week, overtime is permitted if the maximum weekly hours are not exceeded. |
| Maryland: <br> Annotated code (Bagby) 1924, art. 100, sec. 54. <br> Massachusetts: | 60 hours, 10-hour day | 2 hours on Saturdays, Christmas Eve, and the 5 working days before Christmas outside of the city of Baltimore, if two rest periods of not less than 1 hour each are granted on each day overtime is worked and if 9 hours constitute the the year. |
| ssachusetts: <br> General laws 1932, ch. 149, sec. 1; session laws 1935, ch. 200. <br> Michigan: | 48 hours, 9-hour day | In employments determined by the Department of Labor and Industries to be seasonal, 52 hours a week are allowed if average for year does not exceed ertime is allowed in public service, other than hotels, or other businesses requiring shifts. Overtime may be permitted to make up time lost on a previous day of the same week, due to stoppage orden chinery on which worker is dependent, provided stoppage is not less than 30 consecutive minutes. |
| Compiled laws 1929, sec. 8324-... | 54 hours, 9-hour day | 10 hours a day are permitted if the weekly hours are not exceeded. |

elegraph office; mercantile establishment, cafe, or restaurant situated operated outside of any municipality or within any town or village of less than 2,500 inhabitants.
Telephone exchange employing more than 3 operators, mercantile establishment, store, restaurant, laundry, telegraph office, or expres or transportation company. Exceptions: Dec. 17-24, inclusive millinery shops or stores on the 8 days prior to Easter Sunday; publi Wervice in cases of emergency or extraordinary public requirement. Exceptions: Manufacturing establishment or business, the materials and products of which are perishable; public service in cases of emergency or extraordinary public requirement.
Manufacturing, mechanical, mercantile, printing, baking, or launder ing establishment. Exceptions: Canning, preserving, or preparing for canning or preserving of perishable fruits or vegetables.

Factory or workshop, or any manufacturing, mercantile (including premises used for a restaurant or for publicly providing and servin meals), or mechanical estabtishmen, telegraph oundre or telephone curing or hair-dressin. establishment, motion-picture theater, or as an elevator operator, or a switchboard operator in a private exchange. Exceptions: Persons employed in supervisory capacity or serving exclusively as personal secretaries; domestic service; farm labor.

Factory, mill, warehouse, workshop, quarry, clothing, dressmaking or millinery establishment, or any place where the manufacture of any kind of goods is carried on, or where any goods are prepared for manufacturing; any laundry, store, shop, or other mercantile establishment, office, restaurant, theater, concert hall, music hall, hotel, hosceptions: Preserving and shipping perishable goods in fruit and vegetable canning or fruit-packing establishments; student and graduate nurses in hospitals or nurses in fraternal or charitable homes.

| Minnesota: <br> Session laws 1933, ch. 354 | 54 hours, no daily limit | Allowed in case of emergency in which safety, health, morals, or welfare of the public may otherwise be affected. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mississippi: Code 1930, secs. $4646,4652^{1}$ | 60 hours, 10-hour day-- | 30 minutes daily for tile first 5 days of the week, theadditional time so worked to be deducted from the last day of the week; persons employed at night work only are permitted to work $111 / 4$ hours on the first 5 nights of the week and $33 / 4$ hours on Saturday night, provided weekly hours do not exceed 60. Indefinite overtime allowed in cases of emergency or where public necessity requires. |
| Ibid., sec. 4653 | 60 hours, 10-hour day -- | Permitted in cases of emergency or public necessity. |
| Missouri: <br> Revised statutes 1929, sec. 13210 .- | 54 hours, 9-hour day --- |  |
| Montana: Revised codes 1921, sec. 3076 | No weekly limit, 8 hour day. | Retail stores: 10 hours a day may be worked during the week before Christmas. |
| Nebraska: <br> Session laws 1931, ch. 97 | 54 hours, 9-hour day--- |  |
| Nevada: <br> Compiled laws (Hillyer) 1929, sec. 2790. | 56 hours, 8-hour day .-- |  |

For footnotes see p. 54.

Public housekeeping, manufacturing, mechanical, mercantile, or laun dry occupation, or telephone operator. Exceptions: Telephone oper ators in towns under 1,500 population; night employees who are at the place of employment not more than 12 hours and have opportunity for at least 4 hours of sleep; preserving perishable fruits, grains, or vegetables industrial commission may, under special rules, allow longer hours during emergency not exceeding 4 weeks in the aggregate in any calendar year; industrial commission, upon application of employer, may for cause shown exempt any employer or class of employers from the provisions of the act
Mill, cannery, workshop, factory, or manufacturing establishment. Exceptions: Railroads or other public-service corporations; persons, firms, or corporations handling or converting perishable agricultural products in season and who work adult male labor only; fruit or vegetable canneries.

Laundry, millinery, dressmaking store, office, mercantile establishment , Exception: Domestic servants.
Manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, factory, workshop, laundry, bakery, restaurant, place of amusement, stenographic ranspartation or public utility business, common carrier, or public institution. Exceptions: Establishments canning or packing perishable farm products in places of less than 10,000 population annually; telephone companies; towns having a population of 3,000 or less
Manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, telephone exchange room, or office, or telegraph office, laundry, hotel, or restaurant.
Manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel, restaurant, office, or public-service corporation in metropolitan cities and cities of the first class.
Manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel, public lodging house, apartment house, place of amusement, Nurses, or nurses in training in hospitals; harvesting, curing, canning, or drying of perishable fruits or vegetables.

Chart II.-HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR WOMEN PROVIDED IN STATE LABOR LAWS-Continued

| State | Weekly limit and daily limit | Overtime | Occupations or industries specified |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New Hampshire: <br> Public laws 1926, ch. 176, sees. 14-18. | 54 hours, 1014-hour day |  | Manual or mechanical labor in any employment. Exceptions: Household labor, nurses, domestic, hotel, and boarding-house labor, operators in telephone and telegraph offices, farm labor, manufacture of munitions or supplies for the United States or the State during war time; mercantile establishments on the 7 days preceding Christmas Day provided the weekly average for the year does not exceed 54 hours. |
| New Jersey: <br> Cumulative supplement to compiled statutes, 1911-24, title 107, sec. 137C (1). <br> New Mexico: | 54 hours, 6 days, $10-$ hour day. |  | Manufacturing or mercantile establishment, bakery, laundry, or restaurant. Exceptions: Canneries engaged in packing a perishable product, such as fruits or vegetables; hotels, or any other continuous business where working hours do not exceed 8 a day. |
| Session laws 1933, ch. 148 | 48 hours, 6 days, 8 hour day. | 2 hours weekly in emergencies if time and one-half is paid. | Industrial or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel, restaurant, cafe, or eating house, place of amusement, public utility business, office (as stenographer, bookkeeper, clerk, or in other clerical work). Exceptions: Females engaged in interstate commerce where the working hours are regulated by any act of Congress of the United States; hospitals, sanitariums, registered or practical nurses, midwives, domestic servants. |
| Idem | 48 hours, 7 days, 8 hour day. | Allowed in emergencies resulting from fire, flood, storm, epidemic of sickness, or other like causes. | Telephone or telegraph office where hours of work are between $7 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and $10 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Exceptions: Establishments where 5 or fewer operators are employed; females engaged in interstate commerce where the working hours are regulated by any act of Congress of the United States. |
| Idem | 54 hours, 7 days, 8 hour day. |  | Telephone or telegraph office where the hours of work are between 10 p. m. and 7 a m. Exceptions: Establishments where 5 or fewer operators are employed; females engaged in interstate commerce where the working hours are regulated by any act of Congress of the United States. |
| Statutes, 1929, ch. 80, secs. 203, 206, 208. <br> New York: | 56 hours, 9-hour day | In emergencies 4 hours a week if time and one-half is paid and the total hours of labor for a 7 -day week do not exceed 60. | Express, transportation, or any common carrier. Exceptions: Females engaged in interstate commerce where the working hours are regulated by any act of Congress of the United States. |
| Cahill's Consolidated Laws 1930, ch. 32, sec. 2; session laws 1935, ch. 106. | 48 hours, 6 days, 8 hour day. | 10 hours may be worked on 1 day in the week in order to make 1 short day of not more than $41 / 2$ hours, provided hours do not exceed 9 on any of the remaining 4 days and the weekly hours do not exceed 48. | Factory, i. e., mill, workshop, or other manufacturing establishment; laundry. |


| Cahill's Consolidated Laws 1930, ch. 32, sec. 173; industrial code rule no. 1, amended, 1932. <br> Session laws 1931, ch. 509; 1935, ch. 106. | 48 hours, 6 days, 8 hour day. | From June 15 to Oct. 15, 10 hours a day, 60 hours and 6 days a week may be worked. In emergencies or rush periods between June 25 and Aug. 5, 12 hours a day, 66 hours and 6 days a week may be worked if employer secures permit from industrial commissioner and complies with specified regulations. Exception: Work requiring continuous standing. <br> (a) 10 hours may be worked on 1 day of the week in order to make 1 or more shorter work days that week. Two periods a year are permitted for taking inventory, each period not to exceed 1 week's duration nor a total of 6 hours. <br> (b) 10 hours may be worked on 1 day of the week and 9 hours on any of 4 other days provided that the sixth day does not exceed $41 / 2$ hours and the week 48 hours. Two periods a year are permitted for taking inventory, each period not to exceed 1 week's duration nor a total of 5 hours. <br> Every employer must notify the Commissioner of Labor annually of his choice between (a) and (b) and must not change his election more than twice in any calendar year. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cahill's Consolidated Laws 1930, ch. 32 , sec. 183. <br> Ibid., sec. 184 | 54 hours, 6 days, $9-$ hour day. <br> do |  |
| Ibid., sec. 185 | 54 hours, 6 days, no daily limit. |  |
| North Carolina: <br> Code (Michie) 1931, sec. 6554; session laws 1935, ch. 406. | 55 hours, 11-hour day |  |
| Session laws 1933, ch. 35 ; 1935, ch. 407. | 55 hours, 10-hour day-- |  |

Cahill's Consolidated Laws 1930,
ch. 32, sec. 173; industrial code

Session laws 1931, ch. $509 ; 1935$,
ch. 106 .

Session laws 1934, ch. 740 ..........

Cahill's Consolidated Laws 1930, ch. 32 , sec. 183.

Ibid., sec. 185
North Carolina:
ode (Michie) 1931, sec. 6554;
session laws 1935, ch. 406 .
ession laws 1933, ch. 35; 1935,

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Every employer must notify the Com missioner of Labor annually of his choice his election more than twice in any calendar year
ork in or in connection with restaurants in cities having a population of 50,000 inhabitants or more. Exceptions: Singers and performers, attendants in ladies' cloakrooms and parlors, employees in or in connection with the dining rooms and kitchens of hotels or in connection with employees' lunch rooms or restaurants
Care, custody, or operation of any freight or passenger elevator
Conductor or guard on any street, surface, electric, subway, or elevated railroad. for a telegraph or messenger company in the distribution, transmission, or delivery of goods or messages.

Factory, manufacturing establishment, mill; laundry, dry-cleaning establishment, pressing club, work shop. Exceptions: Seasonal industries in their process of conditioning and of preserving perishable or semiperishable commodities; agricultural work.
Mercantile establishment or other business where any female help is employed as clerks, salesladies, or waitresses and other employees of assistants; establishments employing fewer than 3 persons.

Establishments canning perishable products.

Mercantile establishments. Exceptions: Dec. 18-24, inclusive; writers or reporters in newspaper offices and duly licensed pharmacists may
be employed 7 days a week.


Manufacturing, machanical, or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel or restaurant, telephone or telegraph establishment or office, of less than 500 population; rural telephone exchanges; small telephone exchanges and telegraph offices where special rules are established by the workmen's compensation bureau.

Public housekeeping occupations in towns of less than 500 population. (Public housekeeping occupations include the work of waitresses in restaurants, hotel dining rooms, boarding houses; attendants at icecafeterias and delicatessens where freshly cooked foods are served; the work of chambermaids in hotels, lodging houses, boarding houses, and hospitals; of janitresses, car cleaners, kitchen workers in hotels, restaurants, and hospitals, and elevator operators.)
Mercantile occupations in towns of less than 500 population. (Mercanteose of trade in the purchase or sale of any goods or merchandise including the sales force, wrapping force, auditing or checking force, shippers in the mail-order department, the receiving, marking, and stock-room employees, and all other women.) Exception: Women
who perform office duties solely.
Factory, workshop, telephone or telegraph office, millinery or dressmaking establishment, or restaurant; the distribution or transmission of messages, in or on any interurban or street-railway car; in any elevator operators. Exceptions: Canneries or establishments preparing perishable goods for use during the canning season.
Manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, laundry, bakery, hotel or restaurant, office building or warehouse, te bookhindery, theater, show house or place of amusement, or any other establishment employing any female. Exceptions: Registered pharmacists, nurses, agricultural or domestic service, establishments outside of towns or cities of less than 5,000 population and employing fewer than 5 females.

Needlecraft occupations; i. e., designing, cutting, stitching, weaving, of materials for clothing wearing., whare, materials for clothing, wearing apparel, upholstering, tents, awnings, bags, and draperies.

Ibid., order effective May 5, 1934 _

Code 1930, v. 3 , title 49, sec. 322
Ibid., sec. $602^{18}$
State Welfare Commission, orders nos. 39, 40, and 42, 1931; un 4, 1934 .

Ibid., no. 43, 1931


Ibid., no. 44, 1931

Ibid., no. 48, 1931-......................
No weekly limit, 10-
hour day.
48 hours, 6 days, $9-$
hour day.
hours a day if $1 / 2$ times the regular rate is paid for time over 8 hours.

Allowed if time and one-half is paid for all work in excess of 10 hours a day.
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Laundry, cleaning, and dyeing occupations; i. e., work in all places where 2 or more persons are engaged in washing, cleaning, or dyein clothing, washable and cleanable materials, directly or indirectly connected with such place of business; work in the process of receiving marking, washing, cleaning, dyeing, and ironing, and distributio Canneries, driers, or packing plants.

Mill, factory, or manufacturing establishment.
Manufacturing occupations; i. e., all processes in the production of commodities, including work in dressmaking shops, wholesale millinery houses, workrooms of retail millinery shops, and in the drapery and furniture-covering workrooms, garment alteration, art needlework, fur-garment making, and millinery workrooms in mercantile stores, and the candy-making department of retail candy stores, and serving, and packing establishments. (No. 39.)
Personal service occupations; i. e., manicuring, hairdressing, barbering, and other work of like nature; the work of ushers in theaters. (No. 40. Telephone or telegraph occupations in the city of Portland. (No. 42.) purpose of trade in the purchase or sale of any goods or merchandise, including the sales force, wrapping employees, auditing or checkinspection force, shippers in the mail-order department, the receiving, marking, and stock-room employees, sheet-music saleswomen, and demonstrators. (Unnumbered.)
Telephone and telegraph occupations outside of the city of Portland Exceptions: A rural uninterrupted attention of an operator may be granted a special license by the industrial welfare commission for different daily hours. Public housekeeping occupations; i. e., the work of waitresses in res taurants, hotel dining rooms, and boarding houses; attendants at icecream and light-lunch stans where freshly cooked foods are served; the work of chambermaids in hotels, lodging houses, and boarding houses; of janitresses, car cleaners, kitchen workers in hotels and restaurants, and elevator operators; retail candy departments in connection with ice-cream, soft-drink, or light-lunch counters, or restaurants.
milling copations; i. e., the work of stenographers, bookkeepers, typists, operators, all kinds of clerical work
Student nurses.

Occupations or industries specified

Any establishment; i. e., any place where work is done for compensation of any sort to whomever payable. Exceptions: Nurses in hos pitals, work in private homes, farming, canning of fruit and vegetable products.
as an exchange becomes an establishment Erception. Night wor as an exchange becomes an establishment. Exception: Night work need not be limited as to hours if a general average of at least 6 hours' rest during the night is possible.
Factory, manufacturing, mechanical, business, or mercantile establishment. Exceptions: Women working by shifts during different periods or parts of the day in the employ of a public utility.
Cotton and woolen manufacturing establishments engaged in the manufacture of yarns, cloth, hosiery, and other products of merchandise Exceptions: Mechanics, engineers, firemen, watchmen, teamsters, yard employees, and clerical force

Mercantile establishments.
Any employer or other person having control. Exceptions: Farm laborers, domestic servants, telegraph and telephone operators, persons engaged in the care of livestock.
Workshops or factories; i. e., manufacturing, mills, mechanical, electrical, mercantile, art, and laundering establishments, printing, telegraph, and telephone offices, department stores, or any kind of establishment wherein labor is employed or machinery used. $E x$ ceptions: Domestic service, agricultural pursuits, fruit and vegetable canneries.
Factory, mine, mill, workshop, mechanical or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel, restaurant, rooming house, theater, moving picture show, barber shop, beauty shop, roadside drink- or food vending establishment, telegraph, telephone, or otner ollce, express lishment, institution, or enterprise where females are employed. Exceptions: Stenographers; pharmacists; superintendents, matron nurses, and attendants employed by, in, and about orphans' home that are charitable institutions, not run for profit, and not operated companies in rural districts and in towns of less than 3,000 population.

Cleaning and pressing establishments.

| Utah: <br> Session laws 1919, ch. 70 | 48 hours, 8-hour day --- | Permitted in emergencies when life or property is in imminent danger. | Manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel, restaurant, telegraph or telephone establishment, hospital, office, or any express or transportation company. Exceptions: Packing or canning of perishable fruits or vegetables; manufacture of containers of same during packing season. |
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| Vermont: <br> Public laws 1933, secs. 6587, 6598_- | 56 hours, 101/2-hour day- |  | Mine or quarry, manufacturing or mechanical establishment. Exception: In any manufacturing establishment or business the materials and products of which are perishable, the commissioner of industries, with the approval of the governor, may suspend the law for a period not to exceed 2 months in any 1 year. |
| Virginia: <br> Code 1930, sec. 1808 | 10-hour day ${ }^{2}$ |  | Factory, workshop, laundry, restaurant, mercantile, or manufacturing establishment. Exceptions: Bookkeepers, stenographers, cashiers, or office assistants; factories packing fruits or vegetables; mercantile establishments in towns of fewer than 2,000 inhabitants or in country districts. |
| Washington: <br> Pierce's Code 1929, v. 2, sec. 3456. <br> Industrial Welfare Committee, order no. 29, 1921. | 8 -hour day ${ }^{27}$ 7----.---- 6 days, 8 -hour day |  | Mechanical or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel, or restaurant. Exceptions: Harvesting, packing, curing, canning, or drying perishable fruits or vegetables; canning fish or shellfish. <br> Manufacturing occupations, trades, or industries. |
| Wisconsin ${ }^{8}$ : <br> Statutes 1931, secs. 103.01-103.02; session laws 1935, ch. 329; Industrial Commission, order no. 6, 1918. | 50 hours, 9-hour day -- | 10 hours a day may be worked during emergency periods of not more than 4 weeks a year, if time and one-half is paid and weekly hours do not exceed 55. | Place of employment; i. e., any manufactory, mechanical or mercantile establishment, beauty parlors, laundry, restaurant, confectionery store, telegraph or telephone office or exchange, or express or transportation establishment. Exceptions: Registered pharmacicts and assistant pharmacists. |
| Industrial Commission, order relating to factories canning peas, 1935. | do | 54 hours a week, but not more than 9 hours a day are permitted during season of the actual canning of the product, except in emergencies when 11 hours a day, 60 hours a week, may be worked by women over 17 years of age, on not more than 8 days during the season, if an increased rate is paid for all hours in excess | Factories canning peas. |

For footnotes see p. 54.

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[^0]:    ${ }^{5}$ Douglas, Dorothy W. American Minimum Wage Laws at Work, in American Economic Review, De-
    cember 1919, pp. 706-707.
    © Massachusetts Department of Labor and Industries. Annual report for year ending Nov. 30, 1929,
    pp. 74-75. pp. 74-75.

[^1]:    ${ }^{7}$ From official reports of the States and Provinces cited. Figures from the Canadian Provinces were reported for 1 week in the year (week not specified); from United States sources, those of 1929 to 1931 were as of September, those of 1931 tg 1932 as of December, New York and Illinois had ng minimum-wage provisions at this time.

[^2]:    ${ }^{1}$ The standard week, according to the order, means the regularly established number of hours worked per week in the place of employment. The State hour law provides a maximum 8-hour day, 48-hour week. For coverage, see p. 42.
    adults in mor the industrial Welfore Commission fix houry rates for part-time work as follows: 40 cents for less than an 8 -hour day for all workers in laundries and dry cleaning, for fessional offices; for less than a 6-hour day for adults in unclassified occupations. For minors, or for inexperienced minors, in most of these cases, 30 cents. However, the office work specified need not be paid over $\$ 2.67$ a day for adults, $\$ 2$ a day for inexperienced minors. In hotels and restaurants, 38 cents an hour must be paid for a week of less than 48 hours, 3 Resolutions adopted by the
    cents an hour if 8 hours are worke ${ }^{1}$ See supplement to pt. I, p. 31 .
    5 Hour law provides a maximum week of 48 hours for women and minors in manufacturing
    6 Hour law sets daily maximum only; i. e., 10 hours for females. Another act limits week to 6 days (see footnote 3, p. 54). Beauty culture is not covered.
    though not mandatory until further procedines have ary-cleaning industry, the rates shown here were fixed under the State's nonmandatory law of 1912. These are still in effect
    ${ }^{8}$ Rates are based on full-time work; i. e., the full number of hours required by employers and permitted by State law. The law provides maximum hours of 9 a day and 48 a week for women and minors. See p. 46 for coverage and overtime provision
    ${ }^{9}$ Hour law provides a maximum week of 48 hours. See p. 46.
    10 Hour law allows maximum hours of 54 a week for women and minors, with exceptions including hotel labor. See p. 48.
    1 For laundries, the hour law provides a 48-hour week; for restaurants in towns of 50,000 or more, 54 hours. For coverage of laws, see pp. $48,49$.
    The manufacturing and laundry orders provide that part-time workers shall be paid for each hour worked a proportion of the full-time pay according to wage for each hour worked. specified in the orders. The telephone order also fixes hourly rates for part-time workers.
    ${ }_{14}$ The law limiting hours to 50 per week for women over 18 applies to workshops, thus affecting laundry, and cleaning and dyeing establishments. Maximum hours are 48 per week for girls under 18 and 54 per week for boys between 16 and 18 in laundries, factories, workshops, mechanical establishments, etc

    6 See hour law, p. 52
    17 The Washington minimum-wage law was declared unconstitutional by the decision of a lower court, Oct. 17, 1935, in the case of Parrish $\nabla$. West Coast Hotels.
    18 Girls may not be employed as elevator operators or as bus girls.
    19 Work period is limited to 8 hours a day, 6 days a week
    The hour law does not apply see 53 .
    ${ }_{21}$ The hour law does not apply to such seasonal industries as canning, packing, etc. In 1933, Washington entered into a tri-State agreement with Oregon and California, which fixed an hourly minimum. In 1934, the Washington Department of Labor and Industries set hourly rates of $271 / 2$ cents and $22 \frac{1}{2}$ cents, respectively, for experienced and inexperi${ }^{22}$ See hour law, p. 53 , f
    ${ }^{22}$ See hour law, p. 53 , for coverage.

[^3]:    ${ }^{12}$ Sec. 195 of the New York Labor Law requires cash payments to be made to workers in enumerated
    industries. Laundries in establishments not covered by this law, as for example in hotels and institutions industries. Laundries in establishments not covered by this law, as for example in hotels and institutions,
    are included in the laundry order provision in regard to deductions.

[^4]:    14 Night-work laws are not summarized in this bulletin. For such information, see Women's Bureau Bul. 98.
    ${ }^{15}$ For map of weekly hours, see frontispiece.

[^5]:    ${ }^{10}$ Where a State law uses such a term as "any other occupation" or "any establishment" it is counted

