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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR,
WOMEN'S BUREAU,
Washington, May 19, 1924.

SIR: Herewith I transmit a list of references on minimum wage for women in the United States and Canada.

This list has been prepared by Edna L. Stone, assistant librarian of the Department of Labor library. The Women's Bureau wishes to express its appreciation to the library for its cooperation in this work.

Respectfully submitted.

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