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NATIONAL LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Committee on Women in Industry

Miss Mollie Ray Carroll, *Chairman*

Adopted Program

1924 - 1925

Recommendations:

For Study

1. Unemployment, continued but with chief emphasis in 1924 on:
Methods of preventing unemployment
The Commons (Wisconsin) Proposal for Unemployment Insurance.
2. Industrial Accidents to Women:
Methods of Prevention
Workmen's Compensation Legislation.

For Legislation

Federal

1. Adequate appropriation for the United States Women's Bureau.
2. Adequate appropriation for a Federal Employment Service.

State

1. Shorter Hours: for wage-earning women in industrial occupations—not more than 8 hours in any one day, or 44 hours in any one week, and one day's rest in seven.
2. The prohibition of night work for women in industrial occupations.
3. A Minimum Wage Commission (continued but not active in view of the situation created by the United States Supreme Court decision).
4. The prohibition of the employment of women six weeks before and after childbirth.
5. Adequate appropriations for the enforcement of labor laws.

Standard adopted not demanding legislation:

Collective bargaining as a means of giving women workers a share in the control of the conditions of their employment.

(Note: this appeared in a somewhat different form as No. 6 in the 1923 program.)

For Methods of Work

1. A small study class in every League.
2. Preparation of a local working girl's budget with cost of items in each community.
3. To inform immigrant working women of classes organized to teach them to speak, read, and write English and to assist them in their naturalization. (Every working girl is a voter or a potential voter.)

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