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WIVES OF PAYERS OF STARVATION WAGES THROWN INTO UPROAR

**Women's Congress Hears Gertrude Barnum Lash Women
Who Live in Luxury While Husbands Underpay
Girl Workers—Minimum Wage for all
Work Asked**

Wealthy women who live in luxury on the money wrested from poorly-paid girl employes of their husbands were fiercely denounced today by Miss Gertrude Barnum, special agent for the United States commission on industrial relations, in an address before the congress of Illinois club women on legislative measures at the Congress hotel.

"I feel the sense of shame for these women," said Miss Barnum, "and greater shame that the money they have taken in this manner they

have lavished in extravagance and waste.

"There is no fearness in the average business man in dealing with his female employe. He gets her for as low a wage as her necessities compel her to accept, works her for as many hours as she may endure and makes as much profit out of her as he possibly can, without any humane considerations.

"The working women themselves are largely to blame. They have accepted these conditions and pretended to be satisfied with them in order