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## BIG BOSSES OF GIRL LABOR CLAIM NOBODY WANTS SHORTER HOURS

**Millinery, Laundry and Printing Concern Heads Say  
Girls Are Anxious to Work Overtime—To Con-  
tradict It, Girl Says She'd Take Cut in Pay  
to Get Shorter Hours**

A dark plot to force health legislation on workers who are imploring their employers to save them from having to work shorter hours and to guard for them the privilege of working overtime, so that they may be more fresh the next day than they would be if they were compelled to spend these hours taking pleasure, was brought to light by the employers yesterday afternoon before the 8-hour committee of legislators.

Mrs. J. S. Potts of the Jacques Millinery & Gowns concern, with offices in the new Marshall Field Co. building, painted a touching picture of what would happen to the toilers in her employ should they be deprived of the privilege of working from 8:30 to 6 and in the evening during the busy season from 7 to 9 in violation of the 10-hour law.

"The girls want the privilege of doing this overtime work," Mrs. Potts said, "and I feel that they are fresher the next day for their work than they would be if they had not worked overtime, but had spent the evening seeking pleasure."

So ardent is the desire of the workers to spend more than ten hours a day working that Mrs. Potts was sure if the Jacques concern did not grant them this privilege the girls would go other places, so that they might not be deprived of the pleasure of long hours of toil.

She admitted, however, that the men in the employ of the concern