

real strong children owing to the hard work they are forced to perform—or chose the easiest way.

"Dr. Hedger in speaking of the 2,000 girls employed at the mail order house where she was physician says one-fourth were treated for strained eyes. Yes, I can believe that, but they were strained from pouring over order blanks in ill-lighted rooms;



Mrs. Virginia Brooks Washburne.

others, she says, were brought to a state of hysteria from nerves. That interests me. I know in some of the places I've had under observation that girls were made almost nervous wrecks by the "hurry-up" system of the slave-drivers placed above them, by being constantly scolded and by being forced to do work that their tired bodies couldn't stand.

"I believe the Illinois Welfare Commission exposures should make people understand why girls sacrifice

their chance for happy and contented motherhood. It's due to the economic pressure.

"But I don't believe the case of this class of girls is hopeless. They have a God-given right to bear children and be happy, and some day the big employers will be forced to recognize that. They can't drive this desire for happiness out of the hearts of the girls. If they won't make conditions better for the girls and pay them more wages voluntarily they'll find that some day they will be forced to do it by law.

"Out in West Hammond there are mothers who are forced to go out and work all day. They used to lock the children up in the house all day. Just think of it, little children yearning for companionship, yearning for play-time, forced to remain by themselves in a lonely house. We helped that matter by starting the day nurseries."

THE SULZER-TAMMANY DEAL

New York, Oct. 21.—That Tammany is not yet through with the deposed governor, William Sulzer, is evidenced by the report that a pamphlet is to be issued giving the alleged reason "Why Sulzer Failed to Take the Stand." This pamphlet will contain information gathered by the Frawley investigating committee and the board of impeachment managers which was to have been used had Sulzer testified.

Charges and counter-charges are the order of the day between Sulzer and Murphy of Tammany. Sulzer has published statements explaining why Murphy had him impeached, and Murphy says he will deny these statements when Sulzer has finished issuing them.

Sulzer is today the dominating figure in the local situation. There is a little doubt that he will be elected to the assembly from his district. A petition signed by 3,800 persons was forwarded to Albany urging him to accept the nomination.