

Mrs. Turner's Paycheck

SS-06-5.1.1; SS-07-5.1.1; SS-08-5.1.1 Students will use tools to describe and explain historical events and conditions, and to analyze perspectives of different individuals and groups.

In a display case in the Kentucky Pants area, there are pay stubs from a Kentucky Pants employee named Hazel Turner. Ms. Turner valued her job and the contribution she was able to make to her family as witnessed by her saving of the stubs from her pay check. Her net pay for one week was \$54.52 for a 40 hr. week. Choose two of the following activities.

- Calculate her hourly wage and compare that to the hourly wage for employees making minimum wage today.
- How do you think Hazel's being employed outside the home impacted other areas of her personal and family life? Write about your ideas.
- Write a letter to Hazel Turner to ask what her job was like at the Kentucky Pants Company.
- What other types of jobs were available to women in the workforce during this time period?