

# Omsk Wife Pays Off Husband's Debt With 30 Kilograms of Kopeks

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The wife of an Omsk businessman attempted to pay off his 7,000 ruble debt (\$200) with a basket filled with 30 kilograms of 10 kopek coins.

Marshals acting on behalf of a local labor board went to the businessman's shop to collect 7,000 rubles he owed for various penalties. The men were greeted by his wife, who stridently refused to pay them anything at first, the press office for the Omsk region's court marshals said.

After explaining to her that they could seize the family's property if she continued to hold out, "the citizen thought things over, and pointed to a basket in the corner of the room and said: take it!"

Much to the surprise of the debt collectors, the basket was full of 10 kopek coins, weighing 30

kilograms in total.

After taking the coins to the bank, it was discovered that the cart only contained enough coins to pay off 4,000 rubles worth of fines, Rossiiskaya Gazeta reported Wednesday. They returned to the shop and again she refused to cooperate, explaining that they would have to wait for the cart to fill again.

The marshals were not amused, and after explaining the consequences of her flippant actions, she promptly parted with the remaining 3,000 rubles.

This is not the first time someone has tried to pay off their debt with kopeks. In December a resident of Volgograd region tried to pay off a 700 ruble debt by doing just that.

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