

The demands upon industry are too great to permit us to ever go back to our wasteful pre-war habits: DON'T WASTE COAL.

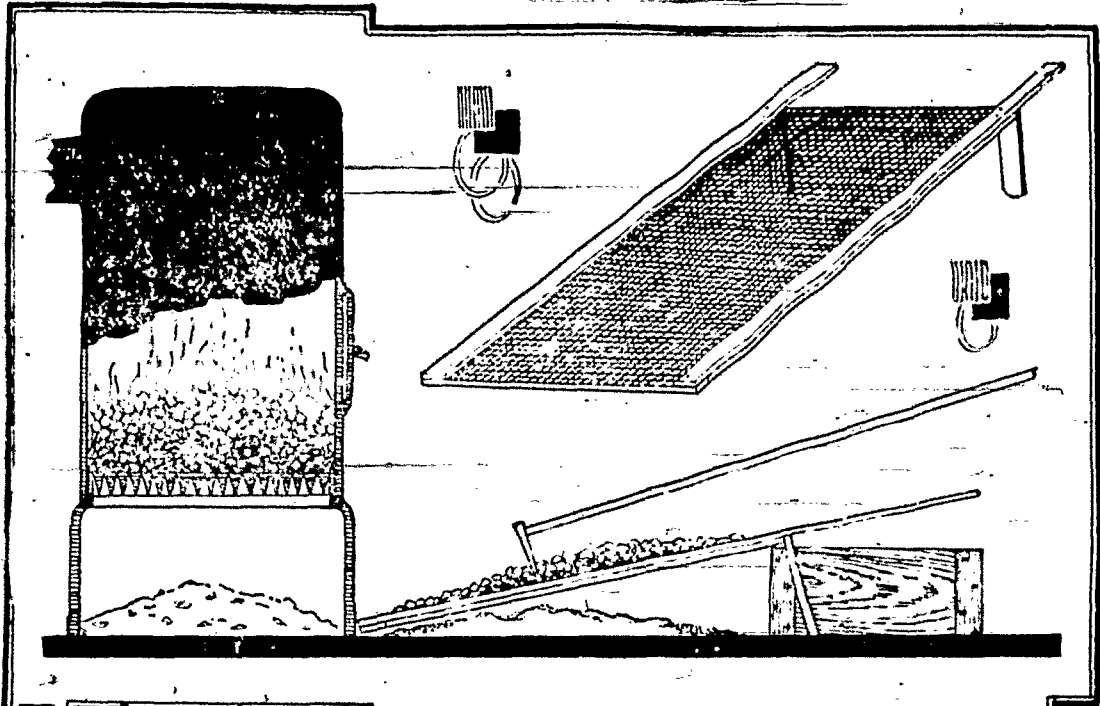
UNITED STATES FUEL ADMINISTRATION

### ASHES SIFTED MEANS COAL SAVED



No one would begrudge wasted coal if it fell later into the hands of users, as coal on the ash dumps of New York is gleaned by the children of the East Side. The trouble is that the five buckets full of coal which the average householder wastes each week by not sifting his ashes do no one any good. Sift your ashes, save coal, save money, and help stretch the scant supply of anthracite this winter.

### HERE ARE TWO SIMPLE HOME-MADE ASH SIFTERS



#### Ash Sifter Hard to Beat as Money Saver; Easy to Build.

The illustration in the upper right represents a home-made ash sifter made from plain boards and one-half inch mesh cellar window wire. Its measurements are 30x27 inches and it has an elevation of one foot. In the center is another view of the same ash sifter. It shows the sifter placed against the ash pit of a heater, with a box in back of it to catch the reclaimed coal. Ashes are drawn from the ash pit with hoe, as shown in illustration. As they are pulled over the mesh in the form of ash sifter which can be made with four boards, or a box saved in half, a broomstick and a piece of one-half inch mesh cellar window wire. This style of sifter is efficient but sends more dust than the other.

In the lower illustration is a simple

### WEATHER STRIPPING WILL SAVE YOU COAL

Following are a few suggestions by the United States Fuel Administration on "weather stripping" of houses, to save coal:

It is best to put weather stripping on all doors and windows because, there is a heat loss through every one, no matter how tight they might be. By all means strip those which are loose, or which have large crevices.

All doors and windows which have a northern exposure should be carefully stripped. Windows thus exposed would be much better protected if double windows are provided, because there is a certain amount of heat loss through the glass.

A million and a half households in the Middle West, accustomed to the use of anthracite, are getting either none or only a partial supply of anthracite this winter. Make the most of the anthracite you are fortunate enough to have.

The best way of assuring yourself of plenty of domestic fuel this winter is by the use of wood. Cut wood on holidays and in your spare time and save anthracite.

#### COALLOGRAMS.

- Why try to heat all outdoors.
- Turn off the heat when you open a window for the night. Save anthracite.
- Clean out your furnace, range and flues. Save anthracite.
- Soot is a better heat insulator than asbestos. Clean it out and save anthracite.

#### COAL PRODUCTION CUT.

The influenza epidemic cut anthracite coal production 1,000,000 tons, according to the estimates of the United States Fuel Administration. Another half million of tons was sifted from expected production when the miners joined with the rest of the country in celebrating the signing of the armistice.

These are the reasons that make it necessary for every person possessed of anthracite to get the utmost possible good from it. There is not enough anthracite for the needs of every household.

### MAKE AN AIR-POCKET WITH WINDOW SHADE

IT KEEPS OUT THE COLD.

There has come to light the novel fact that a window shade will not only keep out the light, but will keep out the cold!

Unreasonable, you say? Not at all.

A glass window, while it effectively keeps out the wind, allows considerable radiation of the heat from a room, through the single thickness of the pane. In very cold countries double windows are the rule.

No matter how thin the window shade, if it is pulled down and held snugly against the casement, it forms an air pocket which insulates the warm room from the cold outside the same way as does the air space of the double window.

For that reason, in cold weather, pull your window shades down at night. If the curtains or hangings do not hold the shades close to the casement, pin the shades. It is not necessary to seal the shades tight against the casement, but merely to have them hang close enough so that the air will not circulate too freely.

### DEPRIVED IN CHINA

Protracted Starvation Causes Parents to Part With Their Offspring for a Few Cents.

Poverty due to political and economic disturbances is making baby-peddling a recognized occupation in Hingwa, China, where it is possible to buy a child for as little as 60 cents. Mrs. William N. Brewster, head of the Methodist Episcopal orphanage in that district, recently reported to the foreign mission board that missionaries had purchased many boys and girls in order to save them from falling into the hands of the lepers.

"Baby peddlers go through the streets crying their wares, with the children in baskets hanging from their shoulders," declared Mrs. Brewster.

"Their best customers are the dwellers in the leper colony just outside the city who want the little ones to beg for them. It is only a short time before the babies contract the disease. I recently purchased a beautiful child from the lepers. They had paid 60 cents for it.

"Two dollars is the usual price for a child, though traveling theatrical companies sometimes pay more for boys who were physically bright. The government is supposed to care for blind or deaf children but as a matter of fact the officials generally sell them to the beggars. Unattended starvation has made many people so desperate that they expose their defective children in the tiger-infested mountains or bury them alive. One of the babies in the orphanage was found on a lonely mountain-top; another, a blind boy, was rescued from an open grave."

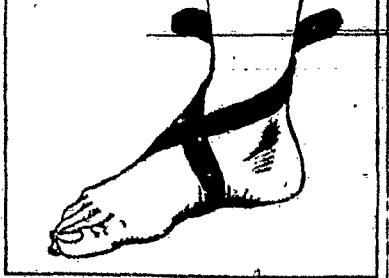
Two hundred children, most of them abandoned by their parents, are now being cared for at the institution. When the \$50,000,000 program of the Methodist Episcopal church is put into operation as a means of celebrating the centenary anniversary of its missions, the orphanage will receive funds which will help it enlarge its work.

### The Scrap Book

#### AID TO SOLDIERS ON MARCH

Strap Fastened Tightly About Foot Said to Be Valuable for Prevention of Fatigue.

Bonnette (Presse Medicale) calls attention to the value of a strap fastened tightly about the foot to facilitate locomotion when the extremities are tired from prolonged marching and counter-marching. Under these conditions the plantar tissues sag, the nerves are pressed and dragged upon



and the ligaments become tender. Immobilization of joints by means of the strap brings relief and permits the making of an additional effort to complete the march. The strap is passed in figure of eight fashion, under the instep, in front of the foot and behind the ankle—over the shoe. This procedure has proved so effective that some have used the straps for preventive purposes to deter fatigue.

#### THE ARMISTICE.

And this was Germany—this puff of dust, this worn gray shoddy, and this iron rust!

This was the Germany where Goethe wrote, Where Mendelssohn gave forth his gold-tuned notes, Where Schiller won our hearts with matchless words, Where Wagner's greatest triumphs first were heard!

And this was Germany—this puff of dust, this worn gray shoddy, and this iron rust!

And this was Germany! Our warriors pressed forward, till the battle tides showed that the Eagle of the western wave

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### Archangel.

The city of Archangel is bounded on the west by Norway and Finland, on the east by the northern Ural and on the south by the provinces of Volozha and Olonetz. It is the largest province of European Russia, but is credited only with 300,000 population. The great waterways traversing it northward to the Arctic ocean are the Petchora, Onega, Dvina and Mesen rivers. Archangel, the town, is near the mouth of the Dvina.

#### Ferocious Rhino.

The rhinoceros would be just as formidable as the buffalo were his sight as good. But he has to go a bit slowly because of dependence on the sense of smell. Once within a few yards of his object, where his weak eyes can distinguish it—then look out! His charge is something terrible, and the only safe place is a tree. When African natives are asked what animal they most fear, nearly all of them do not hesitate to say the rhino.

#### Naval Names Perpetuated.

Few of the famous British regiments still bear the names under which their early battle honors were won, but the navy—whose record of fame dates from a much earlier period than the army—has consistently followed the policy of perpetuating her famous names. The name of a famous battleship is handed down to a capital ship, while a famous frigate or sloop is perpetuated in a modern gunboat or light cruiser.

#### Diseases Spread by Wars.

In the nineteenth century, during the Russo-Turkish wars, typhus spread from Turkey up through Wallachia into Austria. The French suffered from it during the Crimean conflict. In the Franco-Prussian war, the French, being poorly clothed and fed, again suffered. The Balkan war seems to have been notable more for cholera, a summer disease than typhus, which flourishes best in winter.

#### Paid for Listening.

For 123 years a sermon has been preached in Hendon (Eng.) parish church on the text, "Human life is a bubble." Richard Johnson, who died in 1798, left the manse and warden of the Stationers' company trustees of his estate, and out of the interest the vicar of Hendon was to receive one guinea for preaching this sermon, and two wardens of the company a guinea each for listening to it.

#### Perfect Engineering Feat.

At Omaha, Neb., a brick chimney 202 feet high and weighing 237 tons was made to fall exactly where the engineer who performed the feat wanted it to fall, between two buildings, without marring either one of them. The bricks on one side of the base of the chimney were removed and replaced with hardwood timbers, which were burned.

#### Born Before His Mother.

A celebrated actress invariably claimed to be eighteen years younger than she really was. She was called to the witness stand one day, and even there she did not break her rule. It happened that her son was called immediately afterward, and on being asked his age he replied: "Six months older than my mother."—Boston Transcript.

#### Fish Attacks Ship.

An attack made by a swordfish on a ship which arrived at a port in India resulted in considerable damage to the vessel. The ship was entirely stripped of her metal sheathing in the encounter. One afternoon an American soldier with service stripes on his sleeve and an American sailor similarly distinguished turned the corner of Thirty-fourth street and strolled down Park avenue in front of the Vanderbilt hotel. At the same time a Hindu with head ornaments and a gorgeous scarf surmounted by a fox turned the corner of Thirty-third street and started north. The soldier and sailor passed the Hindu with the snappiest of salutes and then both turned around to watch him recede. "What is he?" asked the sailor, "a general?" "Lord knows," answered the soldier. They turned back on their course, saluted the gorgeously clad taxicab driver and continued on.

#### Largest Volcano.

The largest volcano crater in the world is that of Haleakala in Hawaii. It is 20 miles across and, in places, 2,000 feet deep. New York city could be dropped into the crater with all its skyscrapers intact, and it would be completely hidden from any person beyond the rim of the crater.—People's Home Journal.

#### Origin of Lace Making.

The origin of lace making is so far lost in the dark ages that it is impossible to know in which country the process began. It is certain, however, that the Italians were making most elaborate and beautiful laces soon after America was discovered.

#### An Obstacle.

For most people an obstacle is something in the way to stop going on, but for General Armstrong it merely meant something to climb over, and if he could not climb all the way over he would get up as high as possible and then crawl.—General Marshall.

#### No Need to Be Alarmed.

James brought his pet bulldog to the store. As the dog looked vicious, I moved away from him. James looked up quickly, then said: "Never mind him; he ain't biteous."—Exchange.

#### Right Road to Happiness.

The unselfish are the happiest—those who work to make others happy and forget themselves. The discontented are those who are seeking happiness for themselves.

#### A SHAME.

My what a shame, some one has put a poor glow worm in that bottle.



#### Important English Port.

In the days before the war it was the support of the east coast of England was well known to every traveler from Britain to northern Europe. For here might he take ship, at the famous Parkstone quay, for the Hook of Holland, for Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Antwerp, Copenhagen, Hamburg and many other places of lesser note. So the little town of Harwich, crowding up the slopes of Bencin hill, overlooking the estuary of the Stour, was a place of hull and farewell for many. It was a peaceful enough place in those days, given over to its passenger traffic and merchant traffic; but the great fort and defense works on the Suffolk shore of the estuary, the batteries at Harwich itself and at Shotley Point, reminded all and sundry that Harwich was regarded as a place of great strategic importance, and was prepared to live up to its responsibilities.

#### "Scooped" General Allenby.

The story of how Jerusalem was given over by the Arabs, not to General Allenby, but to two army cooks, was told by Maj. Allan Burgoyne at a recent gathering of the Royal Photographic society. It appears that the two men had been sent out to get sand for the officers of their company, and that to the two British Tommies the Arabs came and, with well-geduled intentions, handed them the keys of Jerusalem. The astonishment of the men adds to the comedy of a situation worthy of Gilbert and Sullivan. One of the cooks asked what he was supposed to do with the "blinking" city.

#### The Movies.

American motion picture films are produced in sufficient quantities in the United States to encircle the globe at the equator. During the year ended June 30 the total length of films exported was 160,000,000 feet, or more than 30,000 miles, and of these nearly 100,000,000 feet were exposed films, ready for use. The remainder were unexposed. This establishes the United States as the world's largest manufacturer of films. Even this falls below the record of 1917, when more than 200,000,000 feet were sent to foreign countries and to our colonies. More than \$1,000,000 worth of foreign films were imported during the fiscal year 1918.

#### Porcelain Candles.

Porcelain candles are the latest development in the problem of cheap snuggly against the casement, it forms an air pocket which insulates the warm room from the cold outside the same way as does the air space of the double window.

#### A Precaution.

"I am going to write a book upon the present state of thrones in Europe."

"You had better find out first how you are going to get your royalties."

#### Frightful.

Buck—Many papers are inviting suggestions as to what should be done with Bill Hohenzollern.

Wing—I have a great plan.

"What is it?"

"Invent some way of making him see himself as others see him."

#### Used to It.

"Gas attacks had no terrors for him."

"Why not?"

"He used to read people's gas meters before he joined the army."