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SMALL SIZE COAL USAGE IS URGED

Many Will Go Heatless if They Insist on Old Grades. Accustomed to, Says New York Administrator.

(New York Tribune)
With predictions of a cold wave sweeping toward New York from the northwest, bringing a drop of 20 or

more degrees in temperature, William H. Woodin, State Fuel Administrator, called attention again yesterday to the imperative necessity of stocking up on substitutes for domestic sizes of hard coal.

It is futile, the Fuel Administrator holds, for householders to expect to get sufficient quantities of domestic size hard coal and unless the smaller sizes—pea, buckwheat and rice—are bought now, the cold weather will find many without fuel of any sort.

Fifty thousand tons of these smaller sizes are now in the railroad terminals in New Jersey awaiting purchasers, it was said, and until purchasers are forthcoming, the 1,200 cars in which the coal is loaded cannot be returned to the mines for additional cargoes. Many consumers have shown themselves extremely reluctant to use the small coal, although fuel administra-

tion officials say it can be used to advantage in virtually any furnace. Included in the 50,000 tons are eighty-five carloads of pea coal, which, Mr. Woodin says, could be used by families dependent on cellar or wagon dealers, some of whom appealed to the Fuel Administrator yesterday for aid in getting coal. They will confer with Mr. Woodin today and present a statement of their normal requirements for comparison with the tonnage allotted them this year, and every effort will be made to supply this class of trade.

In using pea coal in the average kitchen range, it was explained, it is only necessary to prepare a bed of ordinary building brick, broken into pieces of the size of stove or egg coal. Pea coal placed on top of the brick will burn freely, it was said.

The Fuel Administration again emphasized there is no need for any one going headless when large stocks of

steam size anthracite and bituminous are on hand for almost immediate delivery. Only those who insist on getting the sort of coal they are accustomed to using, domestic size hard coal, will find that none is to be had.

Much Coal Found to be 8 in. In Newark an investigation by officers of the Health Department showed 50 per cent. of the coal sold there is slate and cannot be burned. The City Law Department was asked to make an immediate investigation.

FEWER DEATHS, MORE BIRTHS, INDICATED BY REPORTS
Washington, Dec. 8.—A declining birth rate and an increasing death rate for 1922, as compared with 1921, were forecast by the Census Bureau, which based its calculation on records for the first six months of the year for the registration area of the country, comprising about 82 per cent. of the total population of the United States.

The birth rate for the first six months of this year was 22.7 per 1,000 population, while for the same period of 1921 the rate was 22.9. Maine had the highest mortality rate for the half year, being 18.7, with New Hampshire second with a rate of 15.5. Idaho had the lowest rate with 8.2.

STRICKEN BOY RELIEVED
New York, Dec. 8.—After a corp of volunteers aided had worked over him for three days Simon Schum, a 16-year-old patient in the Orthopedic Hospital, began to breathe naturally the other day at the West Side Young Men's Christian Association. Schum, who is suffering from a broken neck, sustained while diving at Coney Island last July, and complete paralysis incident to an operation for spine fusion, drew his first natural breath when at the direction of the physicians, the artificial respiration ceased for a few minutes. He continued breathing, and

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East St. John Residents Vote 2 to 1 Against It—A Small Poll.

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Officer Swims With Line to Wreck.

London, Nov. 28.—(By mail).—A thrilling story of gallantry at sea was related at Lloyd's when Captain E. R. G. Evans, R. N., was presented with Lloyd's Gold Medal for Saving Life, reports the London Daily Mail.

A. L. Sturge, chairman of Lloyd's, said that on March 8, 1921, the steamship Hung Mo, carrying 1,100 Chinese coolies, struck on rocks northeast of Hong Kong. Captain Evans, in command of H. M. S. Sarafie, received a wireless message, but found he could not get near, owing to shallow water. Captain Evans took charge of a motor boat, which also could not get close, owing to the heavy seas. Captain Evans thereupon swam to the wreck with a line. Only a powerful swimmer could have made headway, and there was danger of being dashed to pieces against the wreck.

Eventually Captain Evans made fast the line and the survivors were hauled on board the motor boat—back to which Captain Evans swam. Later, while the boat was crowded with refugees, it was discovered that a rope had fouled the propeller, and again Captain Evans went overboard. After hard work the propeller was released. They succeeded in saving every living man from the wreck, said Mr. Sturge, amid cheering.

THE FIRST CONTRIBUTION.

The first contribution towards Rosebud Day in aid of the Children's Aid Home was received yesterday and it was a generous one, amounting well for the success of Rosebud Day. At the close of her travels, "France and Flanders Revisited," given on Tuesday night in St. Andrew's school, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith made an earnest and eloquent appeal on behalf of the Home and Rosebud Day. L. G. Crosby was among those present and he was greatly moved by the appeal. Yesterday he forwarded to Mrs. Smith the sum of \$50, saying that he wished the money to go towards the Rosebud Day funds for which she had asked support. He also extended good wishes for the success of the day. Little children in need seldom lack friends and apparently the little children cared for at the Home have found some good and true friends in their able leader and the generous giver.

N. H. S. LADIES' ASSOCIATION.

The executive of the Ladies' Association of the Natural History Society met yesterday afternoon with the president, Mrs. Harold Lawrence, in the chair. The treasurer reported that the net receipts of the lecture course were \$50.87, and in congratulating the executive on the fine programme and the success of the course, Miss Grace W. Leavitt added a cash donation to the proceeds. It was decided to hold round table talks on the third Friday of each month in the winter and to serve tea. This was a new departure which it was thought would meet with general approval.

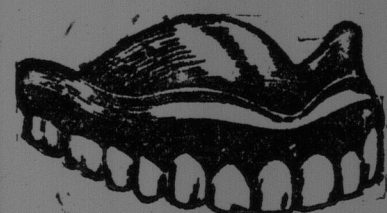
PROMINENT MEN ON THE MONTREAL

Among the passengers who arrived here yesterday on the Canadian Pacific steamship Montcalm was Captain T. McE. Stoker of Montreal, who had been in England looking into financial conditions. He said that British capitalists are ready to invest in Canada as soon as the discount rate permits. He said he found a great improvement in the O. C. Country.

Another prominent passenger was Col. A. M. Jarvis, C. M. B., C. B. E., who was returning to Sidney, B. C., after a business trip to England and Paris. He was a member of the Northwest Mounted Police for thirty-one years, added in suppressing the Northwest rebellion in 1885, was in command of a squadron of the Lord Strathcona Horse in the South African war, and on the headquarters staff of the second Canadian division during the European war.

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