

## HOW TO TRAIN THE Damper Family

ASH — CHECK — FEED — SMOKE  
To Save Money For You

You'll be able to keep warm easier and cheaper this winter if you get acquainted with the habits of the DAMPER FAMILY—Ash, Check, Feed and Smoke.

Once you train these four fellows properly you'll find that your READING SUPER-CLEAN ANTHRACITE will last far longer and give better results with much less effort on your part.

Ash Damper, whose full name is Ash-Pit Draft Damper, admits to the furnace nearly all the air necessary for the burning of Reading Super-Clean Anthracite. It is best to keep Ash Damper open or partly open all the time, except when banking your fire. It may be necessary to unhook the chain to Ash Damper and prop him open.

Check Damper is a mighty important fellow. When you need more heat you shut him; when you want to check your fire you let him open up. Let Check Damper do the work of regulating your fire; DO NOT regulate it by opening or closing Ash-Pit Damper. To some of us this may be a radical departure in handling a furnace fire. But it's well worth trying out and the money you save by it will help to pay for next summer's vacation.

Try setting Check Damper at various places until you get just the right combination to handle a fire with the draft in your chimney. When you get him properly located, he should do practically all the work of handling your fire. But don't leave him open when you are firing the furnace.

Feed Damper doesn't have as much work to do as the rest of the family, but it's important to set him properly. Once set, he doesn't need much looking after. Feed's work is to keep open the draft on the feed door slightly so that it will supplement the air taken through the fire bed and complete the process of proper combustion.

Just how to set Feed Damper depends on different conditions and must be determined according to the results of experiments with your fire.

Smoke Damper, whose full name is Smoke Pipe Damper, hides inside the pipe leading from the furnace to the chimney. Some furnaces don't have him, but if he's there you can grab him by his topknot which sticks above the smokepipe and twist him around.

Most furnaces whose chimneys have good draft, heat best with Smoke turned to the half-closed position. That keeps the heat from going up the chimney, yet gives enough draft to keep the fire going as you desire.

We have Reading Anthracite in the right sizes for your furnace. This richer hard coal is SUPER-CLEANED to remove all impurities and make it low in ash. With Reading Super-Clean Anthracite and a properly-trained Damper Family, you'll have as clean, safe, dependable and economical heat as can be obtained.

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### NO CHILD WITHOUT A CHRISTMAS

Last December there appeared in the *Buck Magazine*, published by the Buck Company of General Motors, the story which follows in part—a story and picture whose influence has meant happiness and a merry Christmas to thousands of children in this land whose Christmas otherwise would have been much like that of the broken-hearted child in the picture.

Almost every day of the year, old Hilda bent over the laundry tubs in somebody's basement, scrubbing away with a right good will. But on Christmas she rested.

All afternoon, she sat by the window in her cosy room, idly watching the tumble-down house across the street. Every now and then, she would see a little girl push back the curtains from a grimy window and peer anxiously down the snow-covered street.

Usually, Hilda concerned herself not at all about her neighbors. For she was up every morning before daylight and off to her work in another part of the city. And it was dark when she returned. But today she was anxious, for the little child made her wonder.

By nightfall, she could stand it no longer. Well muffled up in her old shawl, she hurried across the street.

In a cold and cheerless room, she found the little girl still waiting—sobbing now—sure that she had been a very, very naughty little girl, because Santa Claus, who comes to all good children, had passed her by.

Ordinarily, Hilda was a truthful person. But now, in her efforts to comfort the little girl, she stretched facts a little. Santa Claus, she explained, is an extremely busy old gentleman. Sometimes, it is simply impossible for him to reach everyone on Christmas Day. To thousands of homes, he comes on the day after Christmas.

Hope shone once more in the child's face, and Hilda returned to her home.

Next day, she was up even earlier than usual, plodding through sleet and snow to a home far across the city, a home where she had done the laundry for many, many years. Here, perhaps, there would be something to spare for the little girl, something to make good Hilda's hasty assurance that sometimes Santa Claus comes on the day after Christmas.

She was right. From that home, and neighboring ones, there went out big baskets of good things for the little girl—toys, candy, dolls, fruit, warm clothes.

And then the story should end—just a good deed by an old woman on a Christmas long ago. But, as a matter of fact, it is here the story starts.

The home to which Hilda appealed for help was the home of a man who drew pictures for a newspaper. He never forgot that bare, cheerless room to which he helped Hilda carry Christmas cheer. It saddened him to think there were thousands of other little girls who, every year, would wait in vain for Santa Claus.

The following December, he drew a picture of that little girl. He showed her sitting with head bowed in grief at a rickety table from which hung a little empty stocking. Beneath the picture, he lettered a single word: "Forgotten."

He brought it to the editor of the paper, to be published on Christmas day. But the editor shook his head. "We can't use it," he said. "It would spoil Christmas for a lot of people."

"I want to spoil Christmas for everybody who has remembered only himself," the cartoonist replied. The editor saw the point. The cartoon was published.

Hundreds of times, it has been reprinted since then. It has been called "The cartoon that opened a million hearts," and it has made famous the name of its creator, Tom May, of Detroit.

From the heart strings that it caused, there came into being many well-organized movements dedicated to the one purpose: "No child without a Christmas."

### WHAT ARE YOUR CHANCES?

Everybody is anxious to take a peep into the future even otherwise sane people giving heed to the claims of fortune tellers, teacup readers, palmists and numerous others. The findings of such people are known, after the payment has been made, to be of no value. But an unharmed resume of what your chances are is found in an insurance statistical report, which tells the fortune of a young man of 30, by the law of average.

First of all there is an even chance that the young man of 30 will live to be 60. During the last 100 years the average length of life has increased 30 years, and it will continue to advance a little more. Of all the children born this year, 75 per cent. will be alive at the age of 50, 25 per cent. at the age of 75.

The young man's sweetheart, who is now 20, will outlive him by three years, if she follows the average for women.

Chances of getting a job are better than four out of five, and, as an average young man, there is a 50-50 chance of attaining an adequate to a fairly good standard of life—\$3000.

The chances are 9 in 10 of his marrying within the next five years.

The chances are always against a man marrying a girl of his own age or older than he is. After marriage the chances of escaping divorce are four out of five, although the rate is rapidly rising. There is one good protection—to have children. Only half as many children, however, will be reared as the average family of the past generation. He had six. Today's average is three.

For the contemplating bachelor there is the news that he will die sooner if not married. The home environment is more healthy. If happily married at 25 with a wife of 22, there are also three chances in four of celebrating your silver wedding anniversary.—Brampton Conservator.

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### HOME-TRAINING LACKING

Commenting on the large number of youths who appear in the courts of the province, charged with indictable offenses, an Ontario magistrate stated that it was a matter of grave concern to every person having the interests of the country at heart. It is one of the surprises of the generation that youth is indulging in a career of crime. A few years ago the average age of inmates of the reformatories and prisons of Canada was about 35 years. Today some of the noted criminologists place the average age of the inmates at 25 years, a circumstance that has more significance than appears on its face. Youth is aggressive, as much so in wrong directions as in right, and that fact gives occasion for considerable thought on the part of those who

have the direction of youthful training in the schools of the land, in the social circles where young people congregate—and in the homes. There may be cause for wonder if there are not too many institutions trying to supplant the home in the training of the young. There are clubs in abundance for every night in the week, and sometimes there are not enough spare hours for the things the boys and girls would like to attend under the pretext of promoting better and higher ideals in the community. Young people of today are not taught sufficient respect for authority. Youths' Scout authority far too frequently because it appears smart so to do. And this lack of respect sometimes is shown among classes where least expected, and where one has a right to expect differently, consider-

ing the associations and general environment of the youth. The home rarely has time to get acquainted with the children any more, and serves chiefly as a place for refreshment and sleep. This is a fast age and the speed gets into the blood and youth cannot be satisfied with the slow motion practices of a generation ago. Thus the opportunity for the schools to guide the expanding thought into right channels at a tender age, so that during the period of adolescence and young manhood there will be cultivated a real respect for authority, the lack of which is noticed by judges and magistrates all over the land, to offset which there is no apparent remedy available.—South Falls Record News.

—Merry Christmas to all.