Bureau of Weights and Measures Gets After Dishonest or Careless Dealers

"Philadelphia must have a stand in bags, if the present irregularities of the loose-coal evil are ever to be abated."

So speaks one who ought to know, for he has labored zealously for four years in the cause of just and honest weights— Benjamin F. Sharpe, of the Bureau of of Weights and Measures.

A pair of scales, and those scaled and approved by the bureau, hereafter will become a pirt of every bagger's and peddler's equipment, if a regulation being framed by Mr. Sharpe is adopted by Wintam Potter, in whose hands now rests final decision on all coal mitters for the State. Its object will be to standardize the quantity of coal sold loose or in bags by bringing it where it has always belonged, under the subdivision of the bushel.

"The law is already specific on this point.

It definitely says that every half bushel of anthracite, coal must weight 37% pounds; every quarter-bushel 18% pounds, and every eighth-bushel 3% pounds, but the actual practice has been to disregard this entirely, as shown conclusively by the investigation set on foot by the Evening Ledger," said Mr. Sharpe.

"Even without dishonest intention on the part of the dealer, he is now often giving far less than the customer is entitled to—less perhaps than he intends—with no check him whatsoever.

"The present haphazard methods of weighing bagged coal are utterly crude." Mr. Sharpe continued, "Mere boys are found in charge of platform scales in some yards while in others no scales are used what-soever. The neglect of such dealers to weigh the coal is usually based on the assumption that all coal weighs the same and must fill about the same space; whereas nothing could be further from the truth," he urged

In illustration he turned to a table from the United States Bureau of Standards: AVERAGE WEIGHT OF ANTHRACITE COAL, IN POUNDS PER CUBIC FOOT

"The average weight per cubic foot of coal, this report shows, varies with the size into which it is broken and the kind of coal or vein from which the coal comes. The latter variation is nearly 10 per cent. but the figures in this table aim only to show the slighter variations of the usual sizes of domestic coal ranging from egg to

To meet these variations, the careful weighing of every lot of coal sold is the only equitable regulation, Mr. Sharpe believes. Why sell "some coal" any more than some sugar"?

The dented bucket, another evil too long unchecked in the coal industry, is also being run to cover. Little Italy and other south-ern sections of the city between Eighteenth and Third streets and Washington avenue and Bainbridge street revealing an as-tounding haul of dented and deceptive buck-ets, in some of which the dents take the place of an eighth to a sixth the intended

"Philadelphia has been the dumping ground for such false and fraudulent meas-ures just one day too long." Mr. Sharpe said, surveying his "haul" with satisfaction. POTATO SHARKS, ALSO

Coal or potatoes, it matters little which to the vending shark really anxious to cheat the law. A new form of deception, the weighting of bags with cobble stones, has been unearthed by the bureau. "This is a new one." Sharpe admitted grimly when the scales had registered nine pounds for the cobble stones discovered in the bottom of a sack sold as containing twenty-

five pounds of pointoes. "When a housewife buys a bushel of potatoes she is entitled by law to sixty pounds, but if she gets it buying without weighing it's by pure luck these days. What she usually gets is about fifty pounds of potatoes, with often ten pounds of dirt of cobble stones, as in this case, thrown in

for good measure. Seven of the most flagrantly offending peddlers have been apprehented and will be brought to justice next Monday, Mr. Sharps added.

COAL RETAILERS PLEAD FOR FLAT GROSS MARGIN

A concerted plea for a flat margin is being made by coal retailers today, follow-ing their informal voicing of their com-plaints at the Hetel Adelphia banquet held

plaints at the Hotel Adelphia banquet held by members of the Coal Club last night. The figures on which they have their demands are being reduced to tables for presentation next Monday to Francis A. Lewis, city fuel administrator.

A uniform margin of \$2.50 per ton for all sizes is the sum stated as acceptable to most of the retailers, though some few of them admit doubts whether even this would continue long satisfactory at the present rate of advancing costs.

Today being the day set by the Government for a new scale of retail prices to the consumer, three dealers have come out with new lists showing a general increase of from five to twenty-five cents per ton over the old scale.

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American Ico Company—Egg, \$8.50;
stove, \$8.65; nut, \$8.65, each of these sizes
being up five cents a ton; pea coal, \$7.85,

an increase of ten cents.

George B. Newton — Egg. \$8.25; stove, \$8.40; nut, \$8.55; pea, \$7. The Newton prices are without change on the three larger sizes, with an increase of ten cents

n pea coal. Edwin J. Cummings—Egg, \$8.55; stove \$8.85; nut. \$9; pea, \$7.45. These prices are up twenty-five cents on egg, five cents on stove, ten cents on nut and five cents on pea

Eight dealers in North Philadelphia have appealed to the city fuel committee for help. declaring they are entirely cleaned out. According to former years, the actual supply that should now be in the yards of this part of the city is 25,000 tons. As opposed o this, only here and there is it found pos sible to pick up a ton. Dealers with yards on the Pennsylvania are almost unanimous in asserting they can get no coal at all. The same difficulty, in less measure, is being experienced by those of the Reading.

Saus War Will End Within a Year

thoughtfully, "is a very able man. It may be that he is in a position to criticize the 'guvment," but I shall not. I think we have a good 'guvment' and I think no greater exhibition of foolishness is given than by he silly ass who without sufficient mill tary knowledge sets himself up to criticize. One thing, however, this very forcibly,

am prepared to say, and that is that there is an onus on the Allies in regard to the recent Italian repulse that they will have difficulty in clearing themselves of. There surely was fault somewhere,

How was it possible for Germany to get ber half a million men to the Italian frontier without the Allies knowing of it? We must have known. We have spies. Why, then, weren't we ready? Why do we rush troops now in a mad haste when they should have been on the spot months ago? There is blame there for some one. A deplorable lack of co-operation on the part of the Allies is shown there." Sir George's blue eyes glowed fiercely beneath his bushy bland eveloruse. stand evebrows.

COULD BREAK GERMAN LINE "But despite all this," he said, "it will be over soon. We have plenty of men yet. France has plenty of men. All this talk of France being bled white is sheer nonsense. If the Allies cared as little for men as Germany does, if we were willing o slaughter our men, we could break th western line with ease and drive Germany back. But that is not our game. We do care for our met, and you will notice that every position that we get we hold. Nothing can dig us out. Germany's success is due to the enermous advantage that she gained in the first month of the war, when she

was prepared and we were not.

The prosecution of the war this winter,
Sir George declared, will be vastly more
successful than that of last winter, due in large measure to the perfect blockade that the British navy is able to effect as a result of the United States being in the

struggle.
"Last winter," he said, "our blockade

was imperfect because you were a neutral and as a neutral had your right to ship supplies everywhere. Vast quantities of everything went into the Scandinavian countries and thence to Germany. All that is stopped now and Germany will have a different winter."

Sir George arrived in America on October Sir George arrived in America on October 27. The spirit and enthusiasm of our preparation for war is marvelous, he declared, in view of the fact that we, in our detachment from Europe, have been trained to think thoughts of peace.

"You have the same fire and spirit," he said, "that we Colonials in Australia have,"

Y. M. C. A. War Fund Has Biggest Day

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person to pay for the entire up-keep of the hut in question, it was said. The teams collected subscriptions as foi-

phia War Works Council of the Y. M. C. has planned to make Monday, the last day of the blg Y. M. C. A. campaign, woman's

On that day, with the co-operation of the Emergency Aid and the National League for Woman's Service, the women of this ty will make a strong appeal for contributions to help swell the fund to be adminis-tered by the Y. M. C. A. for the benefit of our soldiers and sallors.

In addition to the five booths now in use by the Emergency Ald additional booths will be ready to receive contributions in Chestnut Hill. Germantown, Jenkintowis Torresdale and on the Main Line.

The booths in Chestnut Hill and Ger-mantown are to be cared for by the National League for Women's Service, under Mrs. John White Geary and Mrs. Churchill Williams. It is hoped that there will be seldiers and sallors in uniform speaking at all these booths. The colored women of the city have promised their aid also, and at least one booth will be in charge of ;

at least one booth will be in charge of a colored matron.

The women's committee is under the chairmanship of Mrs. Robert E. Strawbridge assisted by Mrs. Barclay Warburton, Mrs. S. Kearsley Mitchell, Mrs. George E. Widener, Mrs. George R. Packard, Mrs. William I. Elkins, Mrs. Henry F. Vaux, Mrs. Paul D. Mills, Mrs. George McFadden. William 1. Elkins, Mrs. Henry F. Vaux Mrs. Paul D. Mills, Mrs. George McFadden Mrs. Rodman Gelscom, Mrs. John White Geary, Mrs. Edward Bok, Mrs. Benjamin Chew, Mrs. Edward Browning, Mrs. John B. Thayer, Mrs. Charles B. Munn and Miss

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Five marines devoted the day in working for subscriptions near the boths. They were Sergeants George R. Daiy and George D. Stull, Corporal Charles G. Wilson and Privates B. F. Johnson and F. G. Mac-

Donald.

The brisk November wind this morning just seemed to frisk greenbacks out of the pockets of pedestrians, for all the collec-tion booths erected by the Y. M. C. A. workers reported unusually large contributions. The booth at the Union League Club, in charge of Miss Nina Lea, Miss G. A. Febiger and Mrs. J. Benton Porter collected \$300 within the first hour it was open.

Not the least zealous worker for the cause is little Mike Petrosky, of 132 North Third street, who volunteered to collect money for the booth at the Girard Trust Building. Mike is thirteen and he can't write his name, but he's a dandy collector all the same. He had a cardboard box out on the payement and had got in nearly \$6 in it within half an hour. The Girdard Trust booth was in charge of Mrs. Richard Mc-Call Ellot and Mrs. Charles Wheeler, as-sisted by Misses Elizabeth and Mary Packard and Miss Ruth Hobart. This afternoon

Mrs. Benjamin Chew was in charge.

The booth at the Commercial Trust
Building was presided over by Miss Agnes
Brockle, Miss Margaret Duniap and Mrs.
William J. Warden.

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The Navy League booth at the Liberty
Building is captained by Mrs. Charles Henry
Scott, the foremost lieutenants being Mrs.
R. H. Bayard Bowie, Mrs. E. M. Baringer,
Mrs. Charles B. Penrose and Mrs. Lawrence
T. Paul. R. H. Bayard Bowie, Jr., of the
American Ambulance, Section 16, who was
wounded in France and has been home only
two weeks, spoke at this booth this morning
and afternoon. and afternoon

The waiters at the Eliz Carlton Hotel, who have been serving the Y. M. C. A. team luncheons in the ballroom of the hotel, have contributed \$22.10 to the war work fund. This contribution was made by them entirely upon their own initiative.

A big meeting of employes was held this morning at the Autocar Works in Ard-more. Private Rufus Reynolds, of the Forty-eighth Battalion Canadian Infantry. spoke. Before this meeting was held the Autocar company had already contributed \$7900 to the Y. M. C. A. War Fund, \$5000 from the company and two gifts of \$1000 each from two officers.

The meeting at the Bellevue-Stratford

\$5000 pledged by William R. Nicholson, he had agreed to give the full amount of his salary as City Treasurer during the term of the campaign if the Town Meeting party should be victorious. Mr. Nicholson and F. Walter Clark spoke at the luncheon at the lu Jamin Tappan, commandant of the Philadeiphia Navy Yard, and Private Rufus Reynolds of the Canadian Infantry, who was wounded at the recent battle of Ypres. E. T. Etotesbury will preside, and the public is invited to average the command of the public states. s invited to attend.

MRS. DE SAULLES AS HOSTESS

Woman Accused of Murder to Entertain Jail Prisoners on Thanksgiving

NEW YORK, Nov. 16 -- More than sixty prisoners in the Mineola jail, most of them women, will be the guests of Mrs. Bianca de Saulies at a big Thanksgiving Day dinner.
Mrs. de Saulies today arranged with
Sheriff Seaman to furnish roast turkey. cranberries and trimmings for the prisoners, regardless of whether she is acquitted in her trial next week for the killing of her

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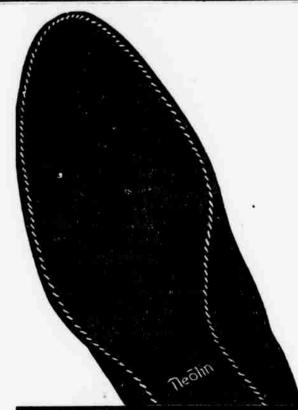
that's all you need to know about a GLOVE.

BURGLARS AT WEST CHESTER Bedroom Intruder Scared Away by

Woman-Other House Robbed WEST CHESTER, Pa., Nov. 16,-Mrs. Norman C. Broomall, of this place, awoke at about 3 a. m. and found a strange man

tained no booty. Shortly before this atten strange noises were heard by the m of the family of Albert Wertz. This ing a gold watch, other jewelry and a containing about \$25 in cash were There have been a number of smaft his beries here recently and the police are standing beside her bed. As she aroused her husband, the man disappeared through ing an investigation,





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