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Housing Program Paves Way For Heating Plants

Just about this time of the year, countless householders make a cursory trip to the basement and stare rather vacantly at their heaters, considering the next few months when the problem of home heating will be a real vital one. The thoughts begin to rush into their heads, too, of draughty homes; of ash cans to be lugged up cellar stairs and of stoking furnaces and heaters to give the homes warmth.

And here is a situation that is no longer necessary. For the day and age it is impractical and uncivilized. Unnecessary because the heating equipment will pay for itself in fuel savings; uncivilized because there is no reason, with modern advances in heating engineering why modern homes should have to put up with backwoods methods of house heating.

The average householder would indeed be shocked, in checking up on the old heater, to know how many heating units it was using up in trying to heat the great outdoors. The boiler is not made that is 100 per cent efficient. That is, one that delivers every heat unit in coal, oil or gas to the rooms upstairs. But many of the new ones rates 80 per cent efficiency or higher.

Estimates have been made which show that the average coal burner in use today is about 50 per cent efficient. This includes the new, highly improved. coal burners and means that if your boiler is an old one, you are probably getting 30 to 40 per cent of the heat in the fuel you buy. The rest is lost, either in going up the chimney or to your living and other rooms.

It is easy to see that such a loss means needless fuel bills. The new Federal housing modernization law allows loans for new heating equipment which may very well be paid back out of the saving in fuel alone: the comfort of an automatic or semi automatic heating system be be fore cold weather sets in and case.

Consult with heating experts be fore cold weather weather sets in and let them give you the benefit of their knowledge. Then proceed to remodel your heating system and modernize it to the point where it will give you the best and most efficient service.

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