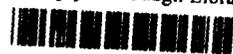


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Washington, July 20, 1923.

SIR: There is transmitted herewith a report on home environment and employment opportunities of women in coal-mine workers' families. A great basic industry, such as coal mining, employing hundreds of thousands of men, brings into the coal regions mine-workers' wives, sons, and daughters, who in their turn help support the families. The need and opportunity for profitable employment for the women in the household together with their gainful occupations are questions that we have tried to set forth in this bulletin.

The data used in this report are those collected during the investigations conducted by the Coal Commission in 1922-23 on the living conditions among the mining population. The writing of the report was very much facilitated by the cooperation given by the Coal Commission in allowing us access to their schedules.

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