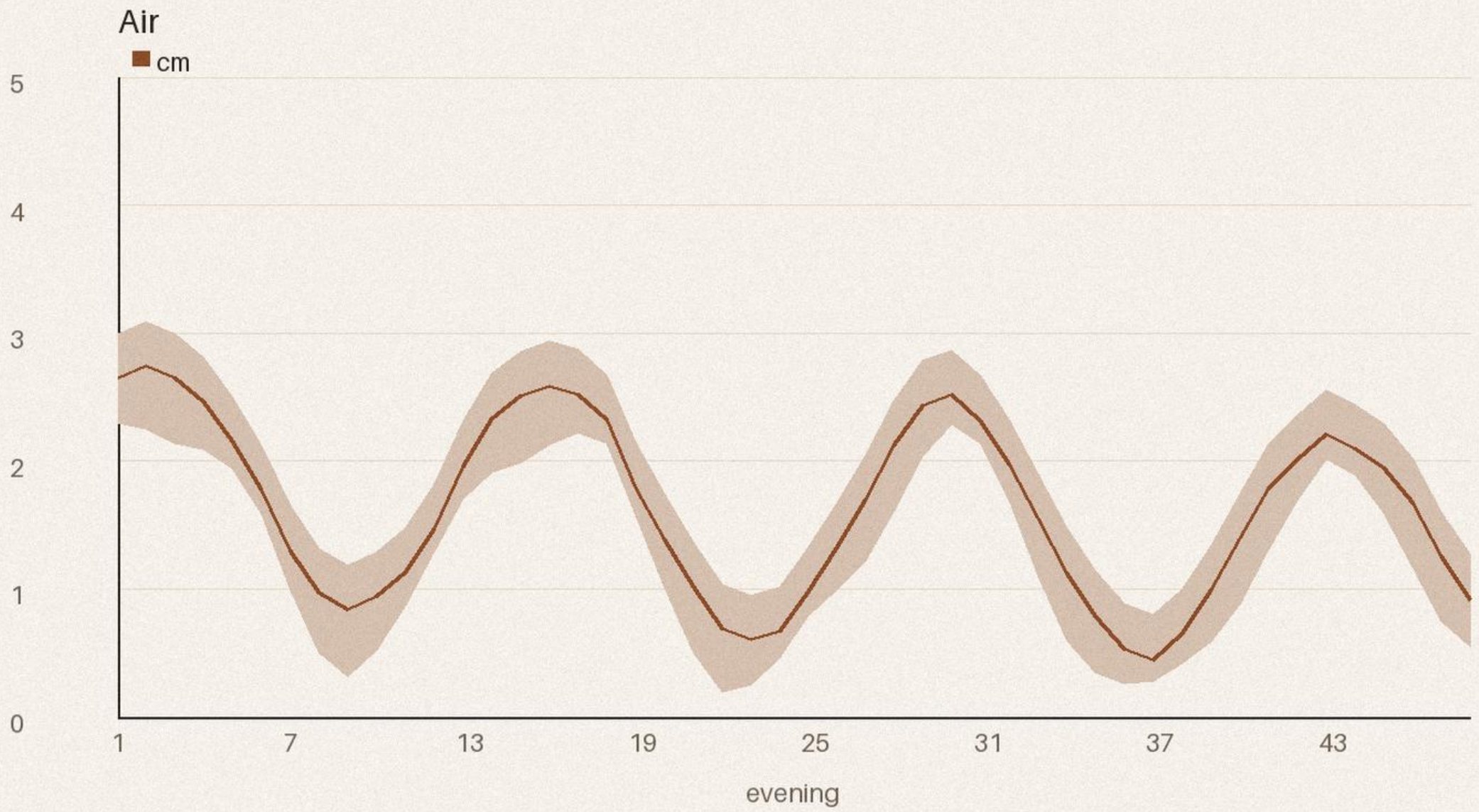
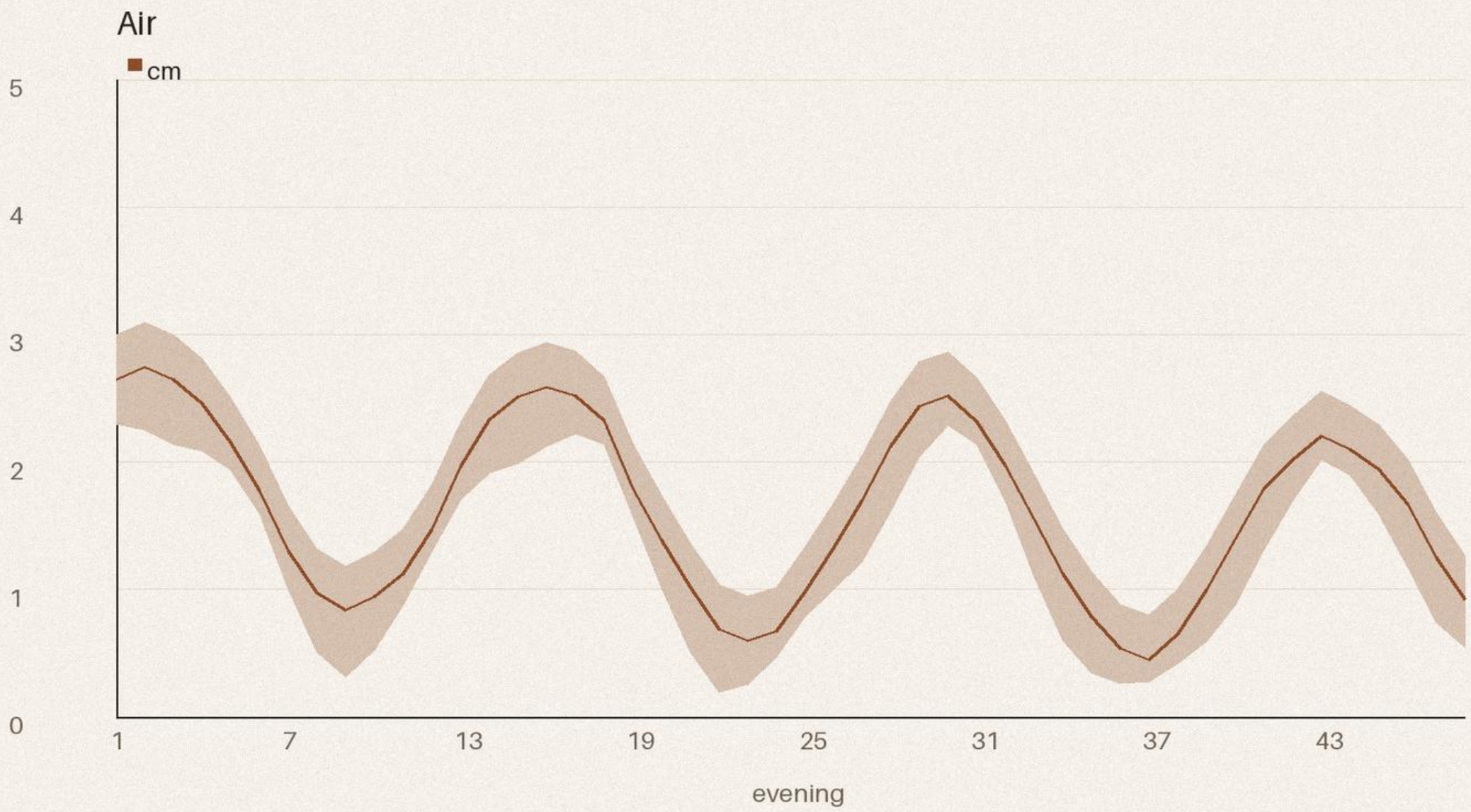
Ash Bed Notes



A notebook of one small wood stove: how long a scoop of ash stays hot.

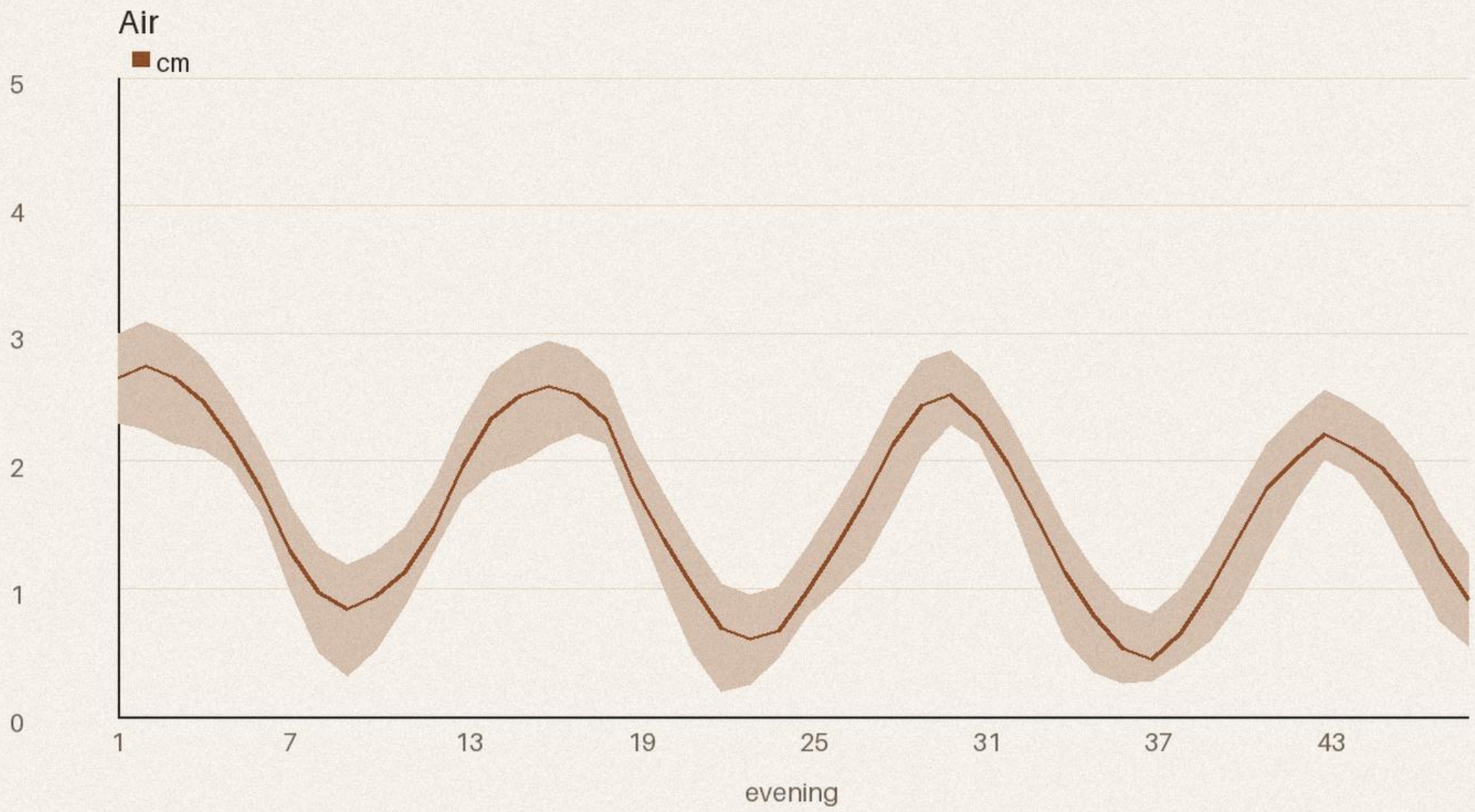
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A crack of window while the stove is lit



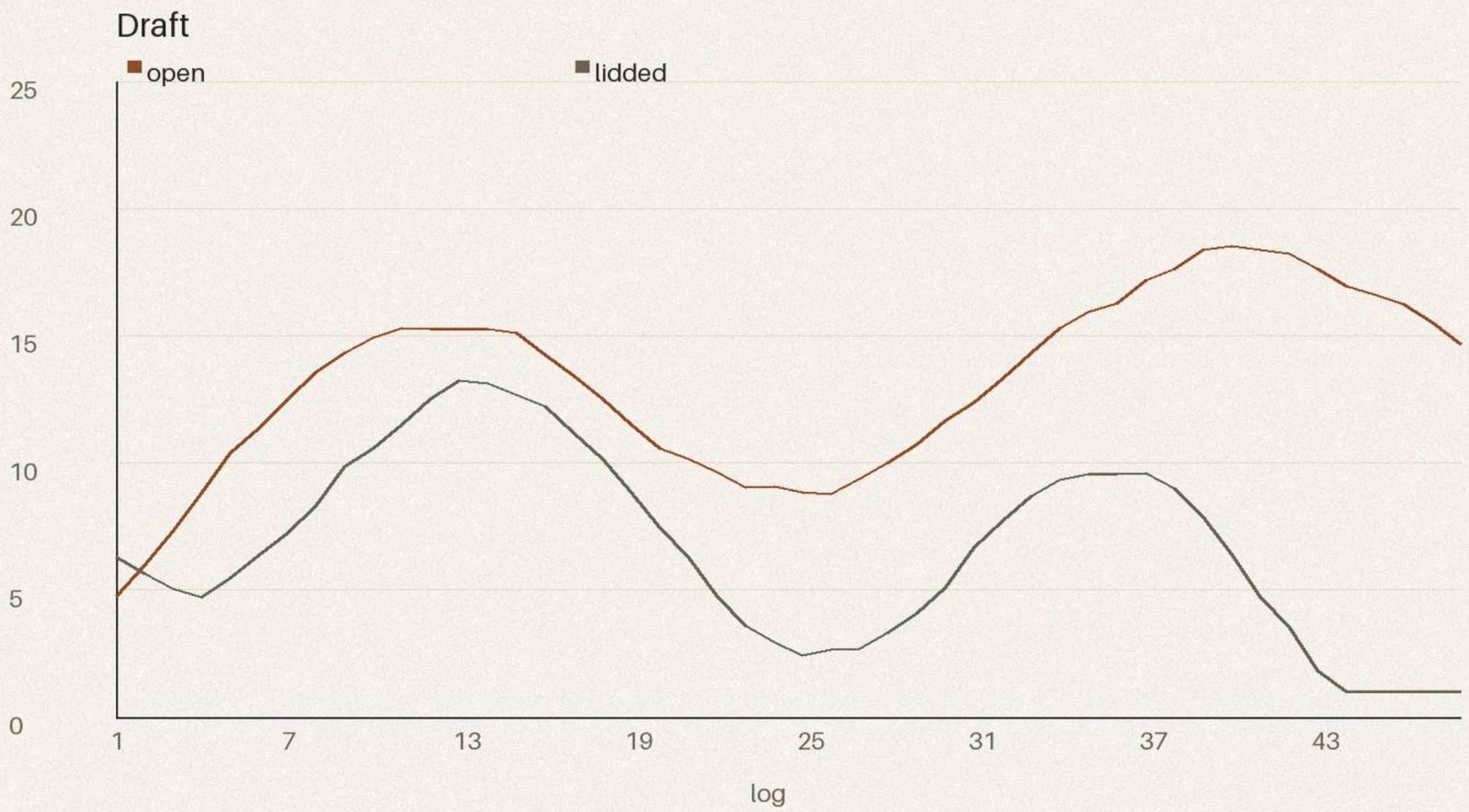
The room stays clearer and the fire does not sulk.

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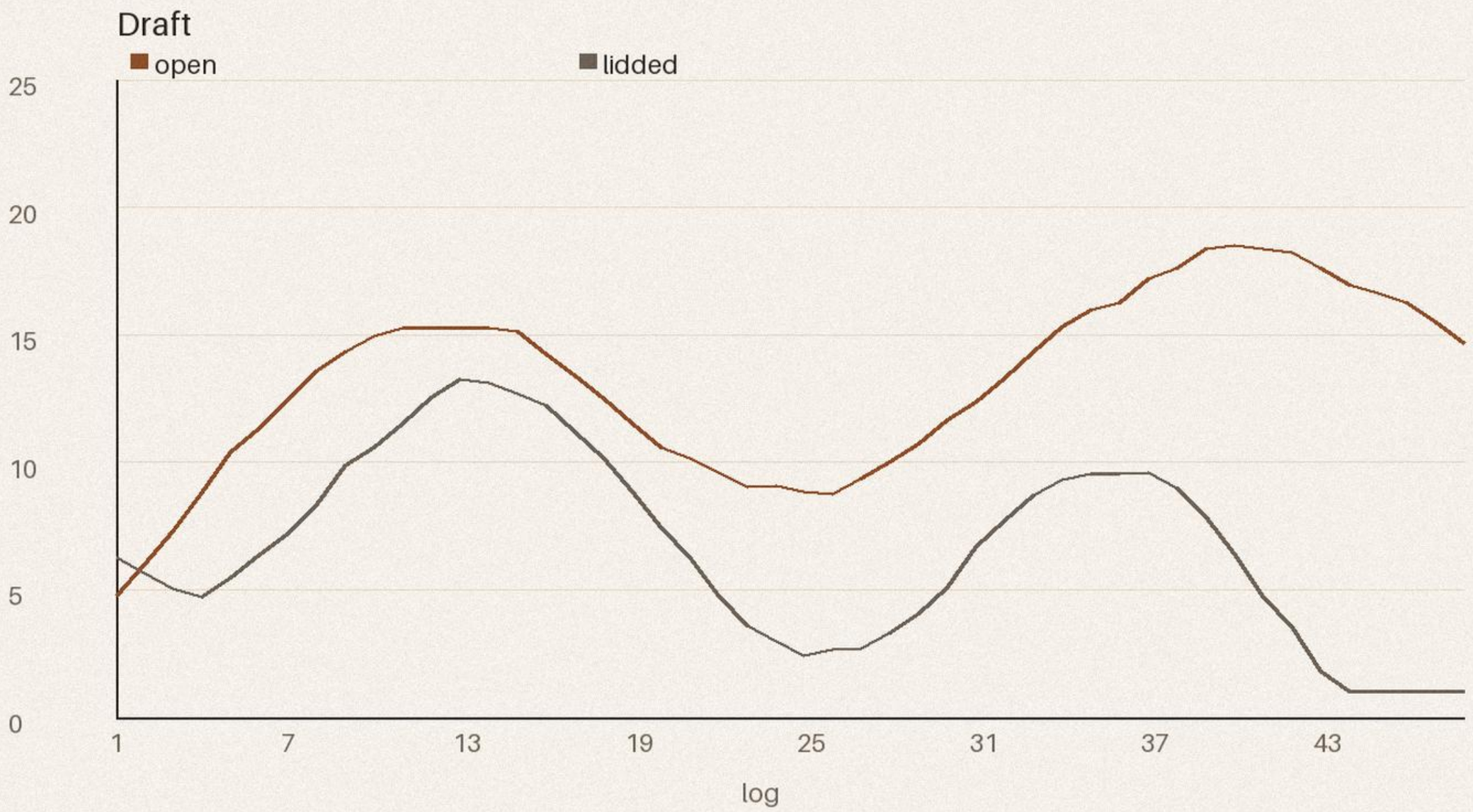
A finger-width of window on the latch side is enough. The stove draws, the room does not sting, and the kettle still boils before the news ends.

Damp wood needs a lid, not more paper



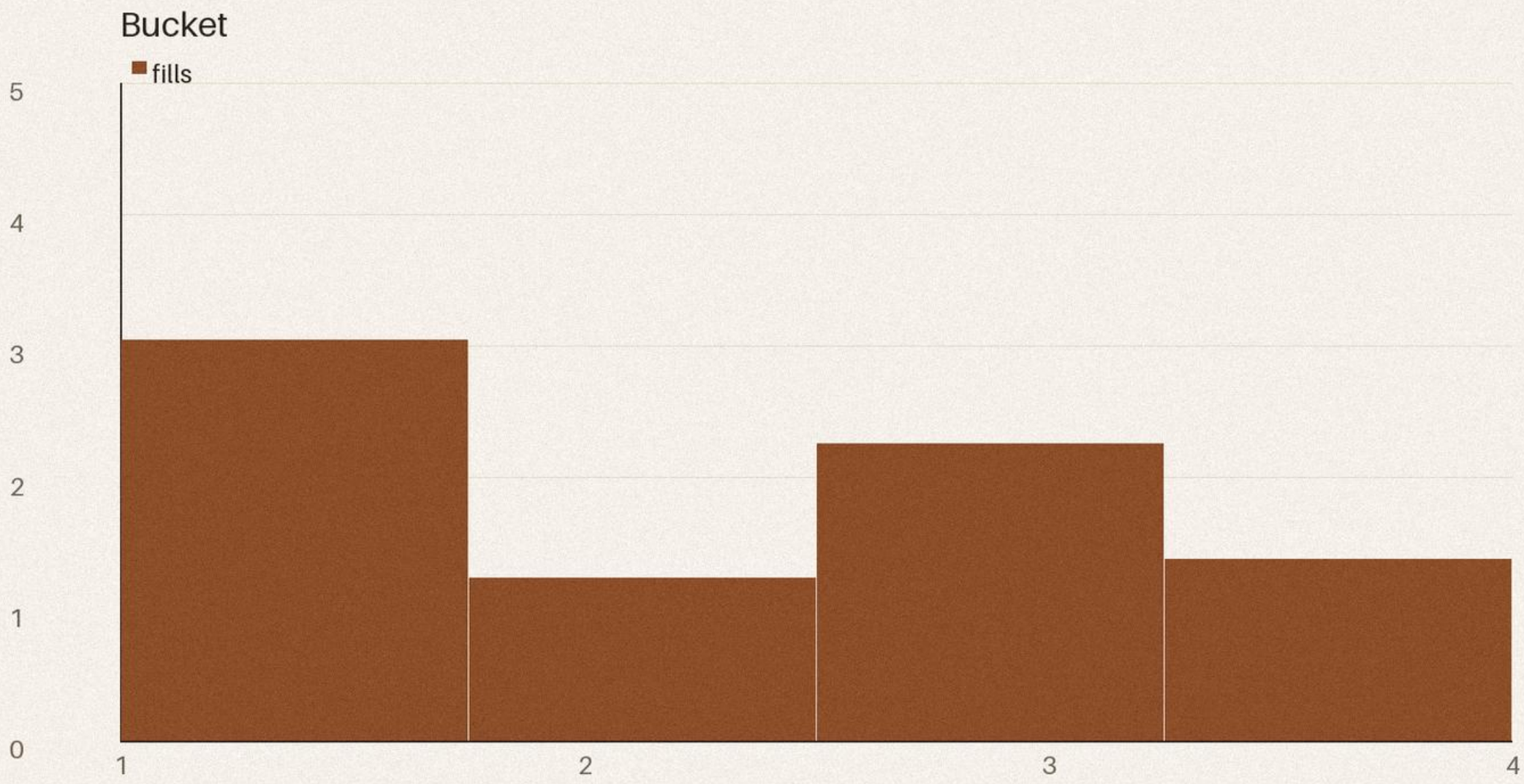
Paper makes smoke. A lid makes heat.

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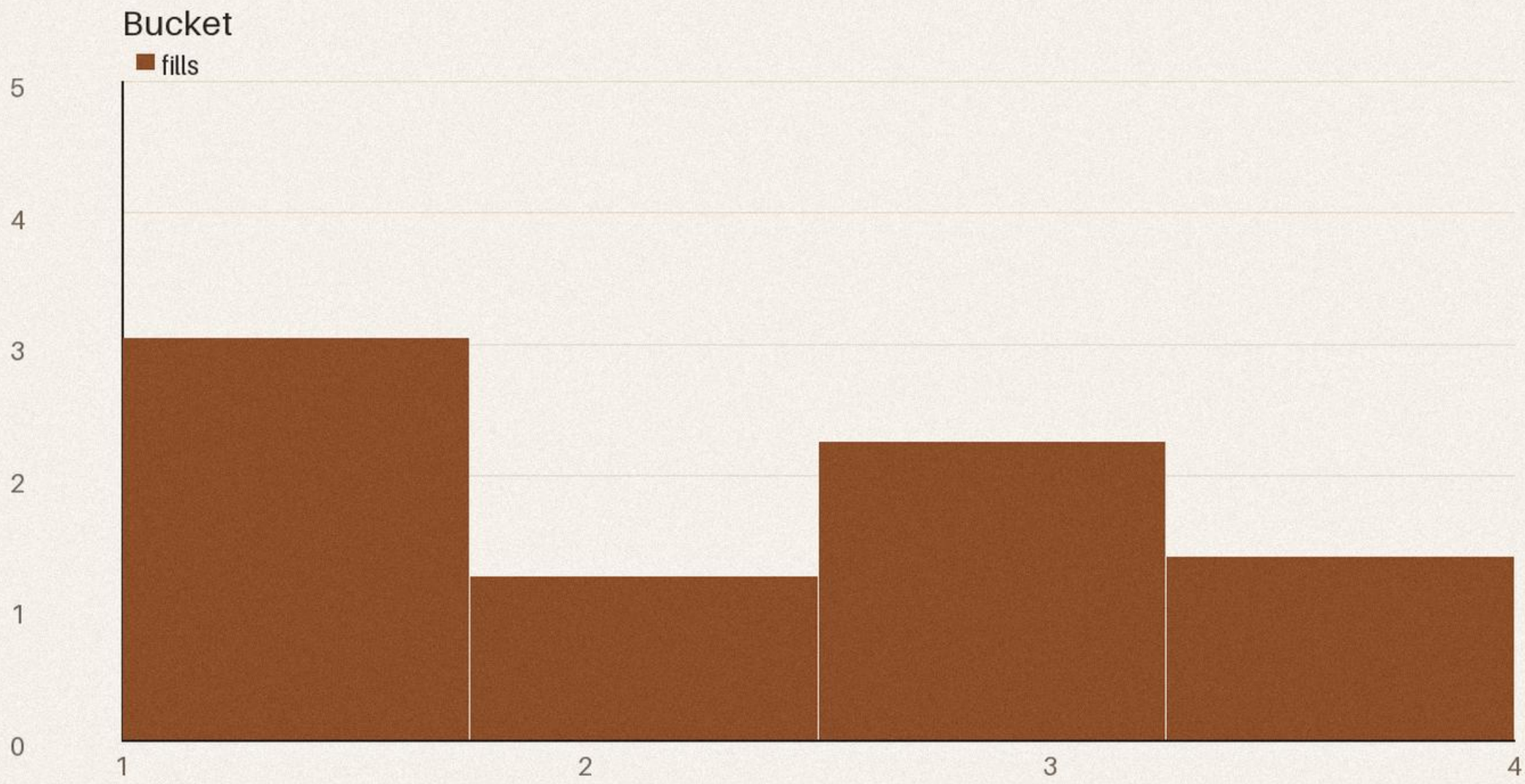
Wood brought in the same day hisses. More newspaper only fills the room. A lid and a slower draft finishes the same log without the extra paper.

When the bucket is actually full



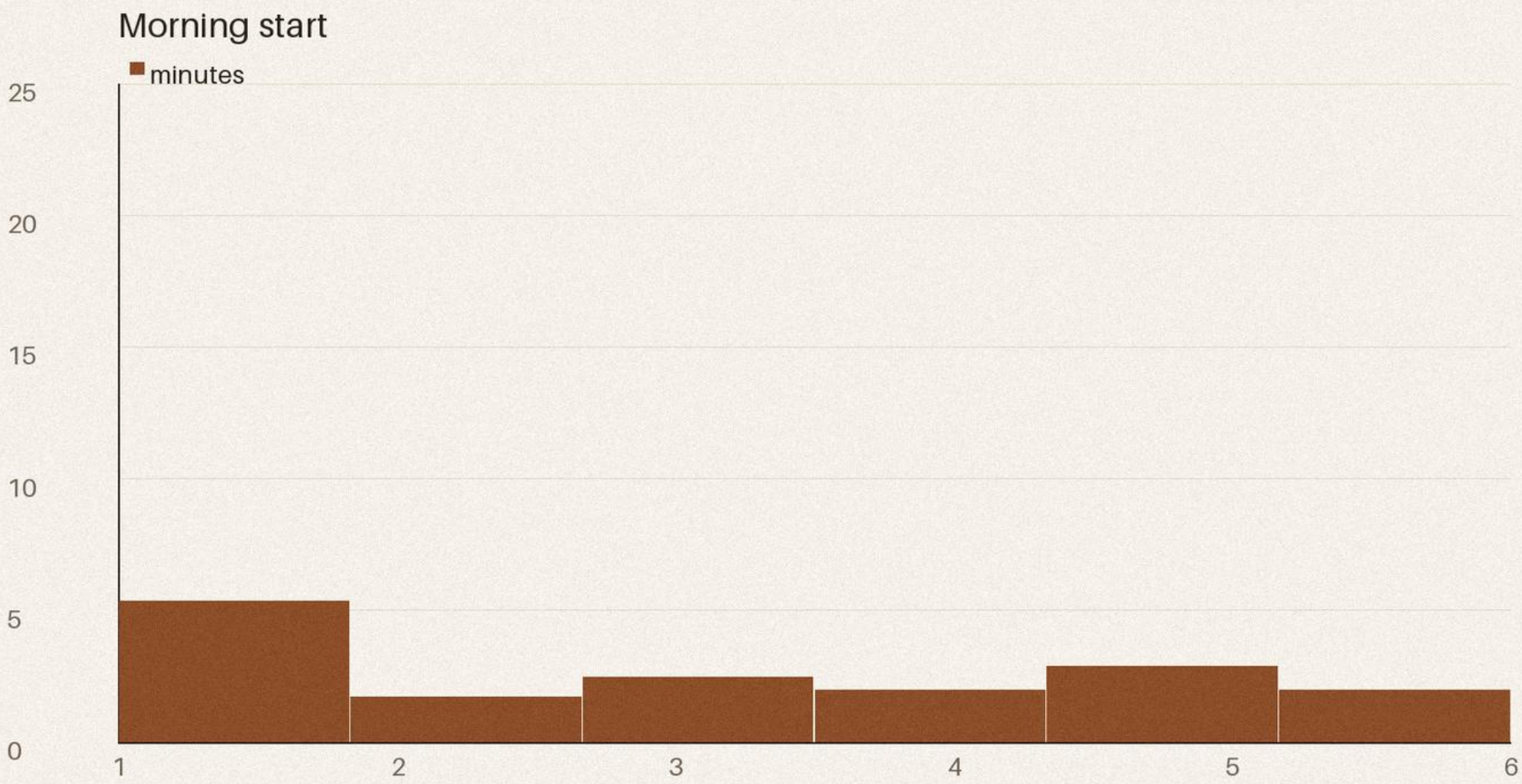
Level, not heaped. Heaped ash walks out the door.

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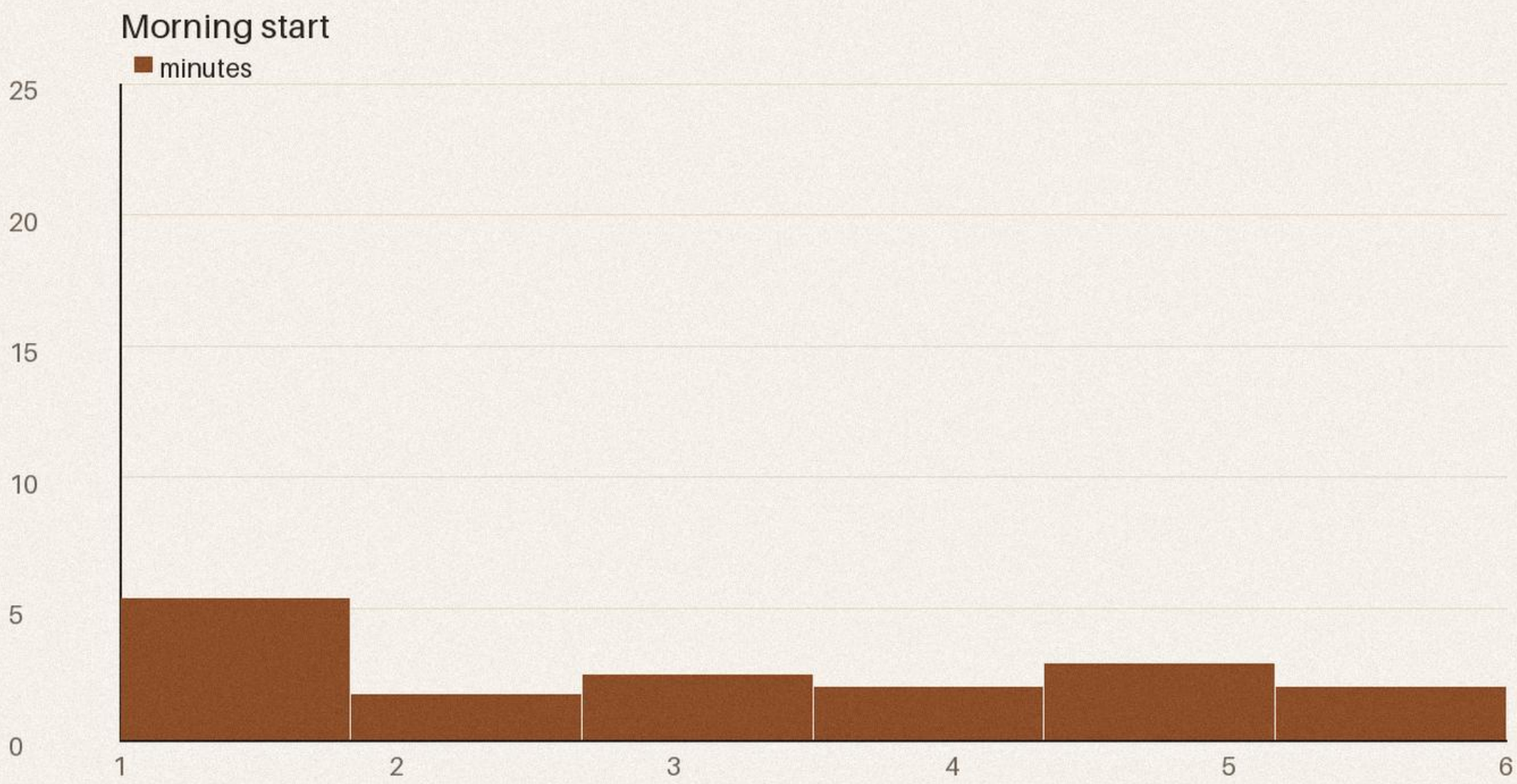
The bucket is full when the ash is level with the rim. A heap leaves a trail on the step and then on the kitchen floor. Empty it that afternoon, not the next week.

A scoop that still holds the night



Leave the last scoop. Do not shovel it all out.

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A full clean at bedtime makes the morning start from cold iron. Leaving one scoop under the grate keeps the kettle start shorter and the matchbox quieter.