

OTTAWA VALLEY  
(CHAPTER)

ATTENDANCE:

W. J. ROBINSON  
PRES.

MEMBERS	28
VISITORS	12
TOTAL	40
TOTAL NO. CHAPTER MEMBERS ON ROLL 49	

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF HEATING  
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A CHECK LIST OF ITEMS  
TO BE REPORTED

1. PRESIDING OFFICER
2. CALL TO ORDER  
(TIME & PLACE)
3. ROLL CALL
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
5. REPORTS
6. ELECTION  
MEMBERS  
OFFICERS
7. OLD BUSINESS
8. NEW BUSINESS
9. SPEAKER  
(TITLE)  
(BUS.)  
(CITY)  
SUBJECT
10. DISCUSSION
11. MOTIONS
12. RESOLUTIONS
13. OTHER FEATURES
14. ADJOURNMENT

The November meeting of the Chapter was held at the Prescott Hotel, November 16, commencing at 7 pm.

The president opened the meeting with a toast to the Queen.

G. Ostiguy, the immediate past president, was presented with the past president's pin and also received a silver tray as a gift from the Chapter.

The minutes of the October meeting were read and on a motion by G. Ostiguy, seconded by S. Bullis, carried unanimously.

The president then urged that all members entitled to vote on the proposed name change, do so and make their views known.

The subject of the Xmas meeting was brought up and the members were all urged to attend this annual event with their wives and make it a great success.

G. Watson then introduced the speaker, Mr. Strain of The Ruud Mfg. Co. who would speak on "The Development of Natural Gas Industry in Canada". Mr. Strain then traced the development of natural gas in Canada from its small beginning in Western Ontario and Western Canada until 1950 when the war caused a great rush for oil discoveries and as a result, great natural discoveries were also made. Hand in hand with these discoveries, came the development of pipe line construction and a quick and easy means of transportation to the large markets.

Gas industry at the present time has 27 million customers on the North American continent using natural gas with another 7 million using bottled, with an investment of 15 billion dollars in equipment and increasing at the rate of 1 billion dollars annually.

Where are the markets for this gas ? (1) in the home for heating, cooking and water heating, (2) in the industrial field which used as much as all the domestic loads put together. This industrial potential will enable one industry to compete with other industries in other more hitherto favorable parts of the country, and (3) in the commercial field (stores, restaurants etc.) which use a load equal to 80 per cent of the industrial load.

Known reserves in Canada today are enough for an estimated 50 years with only 5 per cent of the estimated reserves discovered today.

What does this mean to the heating contractor? It means (1) A great advertizing campaign must be carried out in the new centres to attract customers. (2) Merchandizing will mean deep thinking and it would be wise to stick to brand names which are well recognized (3) The cost of heating equipment is lower in comparison to oil burners while the gas will compete with oil economically as it has been proven that the heating capacity of 100,000 btu. of gas equals 143,000 btu. of oil due to the greater efficiencies in the gas furnace using colder chimney temperatures.

A lively question and answer period then ensued with Mr. Strain answering questions from the floor.

G. Goodkey then thanked the speaker for his very entertaining and enlightening address.

Meeting adjourned at 9.35 pm.