



Trial-Balloon CRC

The 2017, Region VIII, Chapters Regional Conference (CRC), hosted by the Central Oklahoma Chapter, was a big success! The conference took place April 27-29, 2017 at the historic Skirvin hotel in downtown OKC. All 14 ASHRAE Regions, covering the entire globe, hold CRC's once a year, some in the Spring and some in the Fall. Society didn't always have CRC's, however. The history of how ASHRAE got started holding annual regional conferences dates back to the early 1950's with members of the Central Oklahoma Chapter being instrumental in making it happen. In fact, the very first CRC, a "trial-balloon" as some called it, was held at the Skirvin hotel on April 14-16, 1955. Sixty-two years ago.

A lot of things have changed since 1955, but amazingly, the CRC they conducted at the Skirvin back then is basically the same format we still use today. In 1955, at the heart of the event was business meetings and technical sessions, but they also had social events, tours of local attractions, and spouses activities. They had two dinner events; the first included entertainment and dancing, and the second was headlined by a nationally known motivational speaker.

With the 1955 event being the first CRC in Society, the invitation to attend was not sent out to just our Region, but was actually sent out to every Region in Society so that all Regions could learn, firsthand, how to conduct the event. They ended up having attendees from approximately half of the Chapters in Society covering 18 States, the District of Columbia, and Canada! The 1955 CRC had a total of 223 in attendance. Attached is a scan of the actual conference program from 1955. With the recent passing of Harry Rountree, Gene Binning, Clint Miller, and Barton Turkington, my records show that the Central Oklahoma Chapter now, unfortunately, no longer has any members that joined the Society prior to the 1955 CRC.

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PROGRAM

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APRIL 14-16, 1955

SKIRVIN HOTEL

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AUTHORS

• **STANLEY F. GILMAN** — Research Section Head, Carrier Corp. He obtained his B.S. degree in mechanical engineering at the University of Maine and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees at the University of Illinois. During World War II, Dr. Gilman served as a Lieutenant in the Bureau of Ordnance, U. S. N., after which he was engaged in heating and ventilating application engineering. Before joining Carrier he was a Research Assistant Professor at the University of Illinois. The author of several publications on room air distribution, he is a member of ASHAE, of the TAC on Air Distribution, *Tau Beta Pi*, *Sigma Xi*, and *Pi Tau Sigma*.

• **ROBERT R. IRWIN** — Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering, School of Mechanical Engineering, Oklahoma A. & M. College. A registered professional engineer, Professor Irwin is completing his fifteenth year as a member of the faculty of the School of Mechanical Engineering at Oklahoma A. & M. His entire career has been in the field of air conditioning, heating and refrigeration. Typical work has included application and sales engineering and engineering teaching, consulting and research.

• **GEORGE V. PARMELEE** — Senior Research Supervisor ASHAE Research Laboratory. Mr. Parmelee has had charge of research at the Laboratory on the influence of solar radiation on heat flow through glass and sunshades. He has also done research on other heat transfer problems and on fuel oil combustion. He received his B.S.M.E. from Penn College, and his M.S. from Case Institute of Technology. He was formerly with the White Motor Co. and the East Ohio Gas Co., and was assistant professor of mechanical engineering at Penn. In 1953 he carried out a United Nations Technical Assistance assignment in Israel. He is a member of ASHAE, *ASME* and *IES*.

• **WALTER L. ROSS** — Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering, The Pennsylvania State University. Professor Ross obtained his undergraduate degree at Duke University, and his Ph.D. degree at Pennsylvania State. He has presented papers to ASHAE in connection with heat and moisture transmission through building walls. In addition to teaching activities, he has taken part in the development and operation of the large storage caves in Atchison, Kansas, for dehumidified storage of Army Ordnance equipment and material. He is a member of *Pi Tau Sigma* and *Tau Beta Pi*.

PROGRAM

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

- 10:00 a.m. Executive Committee (*10th Floor Studio*)
- 1:30 p.m. Finance Committee (*10th Floor Studio*)
- 3:00 p.m. Chapter Relations Committee (*10th Floor Studio*)

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

- 9:30 a.m. Council Meeting (*Regency Room*)
- 9:30 a.m. Long Range Research Planning Committee (*Blue Room*)
- 10:30 a.m. Informal Golf at Lincoln Park
- 11:00 a.m. REGISTRATION (*Mezzanine*)
- 1:30 p.m. Sightseeing: Oklahoma City; TV Studio
- 2:00 p.m. Research Executive Committee (*Blue Room*)
- 4:00 p.m. Informal Conference of Chapter Members (*East Room*)
- 6:30 p.m. Oklahoma Roundup: Social Hour, Buffet Supper, Entertainment (*Balinese and Crystal Rooms*)

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

- 9:00 a.m. REGISTRATION (*Mezzanine*)
- 10:00 a.m. TECHNICAL SESSION (*Crystal Room*)
Call to Order: President John E. Haines
Report of the President: John E. Haines
P. B. Gordon, *Chairman*
Pressure Losses of Divided-Flow Fittings, by S. F. Gilman
Panel Cooling for a Residence, by R. R. Irwin
- 12:30 p.m. Ladies' Luncheon and Fashion Show (*Continental Room*)
- 1:30 p.m. TECHNICAL SESSION (*Crystal Room*)
B. H. Jennings, *Chairman*
What's New in ASHAE Research: E. R. Kaiser, Director of Research
Weather Data Analysis for Cooling System Design, by G. V. Parmelee, G. E. Sullivan and A. N. Cerny
An Analysis Method for Predicting Behavior of Solid Adsorbents in Solid Sorption Dehumidifiers, by W. L. Ross and E. R. McLaughlin
- 7:00 p.m. BANQUET (*Persian Room*)
Toastmaster: Earle W. Gray
Invocation: Rev. Thomas C. Davies, Westminster Presbyterian Church
Indian Ceremony: Chief Jasper Sawneah, Kiowa Tribe
Speaker: Tom Collins of Kansas City, Mo.
Subject: Two and Two Aren't Always Four