

Mr. Bannon,—

It is quite true what the last speaker said, he has referred to a ventilating system where they have air washers. We do not have air washers, we just take the air and pass it through cotton screens, if we had air washers it would bring down the cost.

Mr. Allen,—

In reference to the setting back of the thermostat. If you were designing a heating system for an office building, you would design your system to give a temperature of 70 degrees, but if you were designing a system for a theatre or large hall you would design it for a temperature of from 55 to 65 degrees.

If you take one room and use it, sometimes as an office, and sometimes as a room for a meeting when there are a large number present, the only way to make the temperature suitable for both occasions would be to set the thermostat back from 70 degrees to 60 degrees.

If you will go early to a theatre having a well designed heating system you will feel a little chilly at first. As soon as the people come in they supply enough animal heat to bring up the temperature to 70 degrees. Hence it is desirable when using one room, for either office or assembly purposes to set the thermostat back.

Mr. Wilson,—

The only thing I see is we save the fuel necessary to produce the amount of heat that the crowd produces, the working of the thermostat would be just the same if we left the room at the same specified temperature all the time, crowd or no crowd.

Mr. Bly,—

I have just one other question I would like to ask Mr. Bannon. What can he figure the actual saving in heating per cubic foot with heat control. Perhaps the best way to put it would be, if we were going to install a heat control system, that is, everything up-to-date, the first thing we want to know is, how much we can save when we install the system, and if we can save enough to pay interest on the money that is invested, maintenance, etc.

From what has been said, it seems very clear to me that, in heating our own houses, if we kept a little more water in the vapor pan in the furnaces, we would, perhaps, not have to burn quite as much coal. I find trouble with the plants dying in dwellings, the ladies say, it is the coal gas, but I think it is because the atmosphere is too dry, and absorbs the moisture from the plants.