ENTERPRISING, industrious and highly successful in his particular line of business is John P. McCarthy, one of Derby's well known heating and plumbing contractors. Mr. McCarthy has an enviable reputation for fair dealing and honest workmanship in his trade dealing as is evidenced by the fact that he counts among his regular patrons many of the most prominent residents in the valley and in surrounding cities.

Mr. McCarthy is another example of what hard work and persistent effort will accomplish. A native of Lakeville, he attended the schools of Lakeville, Conn., and Millerton, New York, and then entered the plumbing business as an apprentice serving his time and at length becoming expert in his trade. For a number of years he was employed by the late D. H. Kelly after which, with his fine background of experience and natural ability, he branched out for himself in the same business and has been exceptionally successful. He conducts his well-equipped shop, sales and service room and office on Olivia street at the corner of Third street, Derby.

In 1922 he added Oil Burners to his line of business.

While his own business requires considerable of his time, yet Mr. McCarthy, with a thought for others, has given himself and his energy to various fraternal and social service organizations. He served for a number of years as a trustee of Derby Lodge of Elks and has just retired after an extremely successful year as president of the Derby-Shelton Rotary Club. He worked ceaselessly on behalf of the Rotary Club giving his time unselfishly in building up the membership and carrying on its many activities which made his presidency a signal one for accomplishment. He also is a member of the T. A. B. Society.

Mr. McCarthy is also a member of the Naugatuck Valley Association of Heating and Plumbing Contractors and served on the state board of the NRA which prepared the code for the heating industry.

He married Miss Helen Sullivan, of Ansonia, and they built their home on the old convent lot at 64 Seymour avenue, Derby.