## PERSONALS

Capt. E. R. TAYLOR, R.E., '14 graduate of McGill, of Victoria, B.C., formerly engaged in civil engineering under the government, has been awarded the Military Cross.

JOHN HOLE, Sr., who for the past two years has been assistant superintendent of construction for the Toronto Harbor Commission, is leaving the commission to enter private practice as a general engineer and contractor.

WALTER BAKER CHAMP, who for many years has been secretary-treasurer of the Hamilton Bridge Works Co., Limited, and who was last week elected managing director



and secretary of the company, was born in Hamilton, March 23rd, 1874. His entire business career has been with the Hamilton Bridge Works Co., having joined that firm when he was 17 years old. He was appointed treasurer of the company when only 24 years of age and seven years later he was made secretary - treasurer. Mr. Champ has been a director of the company since 1910. He is a member of the Hamilton Board of Trade and was president of that

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organization for the year 1909. He is a member of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association and served on the executive council of that association from 1909 to 1912. As managing-director of the Hamilton Bridge Works Co., Mr. Champ succeeds the late R. Maitland Roy, M.Can. Soc.C.E. Mr. Champ has been acting manager of the company since Mr. Roy's death in July, 1916.

R. A. SARA addressed the Manitoba Branch of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers last Tuesday evening on "The Statistical Methods and Equipment of the City of Winnipeg Light and Power Department." The meeting was held in the office of the City Light and Power Department and was followed by an inspection of the equipment in operation. The lecture was illustrated by lantern slides.

EDWARD S. COLE, president and treasurer of the Pitometer Co., was at a recent meeting of the New York Section of the American Water Works Association selected as a governor to take the place of Allan Hazen, who is retiring.

M. A. BLACK, C.E., a graduate of McGill University, recently with the Grand Trunk Railway at Windsor, Ont., has accepted a position as manager of the new concrete manufactures plant of J. J. McCaffrey, at South Devon, New Brunswick.

HOWARD TAYLOR, who for some years has been chief electrical and mechanical engineer of the Spanish River Pulp and Paper Co.'s plants, with headquarters at the Soo, has resigned to become consulting engineer with the Dayton-Wright Aeroplane Co., at Dayton, Ohio.

GAVIN N. HOUSTON, M.Can.Soc.C.E., formerly with the irrigation office, Department of Interior, at Calgary, has been appointed supervising engineer on the construction of the fifty-million-dollar explosives plant which the United States government is building at Charleston, West Virginia.

Lieut. RONALD DARE GILLESPIE, of the Imperial Gordon Highlanders, who was taken prisoner at La Bassee, January, 1915, has been exchanged and is in Holland. Lieut. Gillespie is a native of Victoria, B.C. He received his training in Edinburgh, Scotland, but returned to British Columbia to practise engineering and surveying.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE OF TECHNICAL ORGANIZATIONS

The second annual meeting of the joint committee of technical organizations will be held in the Chemistry and Mining Building, University of Toronto, March 25th, at 8 p.m.

The chairman's annual report will be presented, and Colonel David Carnegie will address the meeting on an important industrial problem.

Other speakers will be M. J. Butler, managing director of Armstrong-Whitworth, of Canada, Limited, and W. E. Segsworth, Administrator of the Vocational Branch, Military Hospitals Commission.

## ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS

About one hundred of the managers, superintendent<sup>5</sup> and engineers in charge of municipal electrical plants in Ontario met in Toronto March 13th and 14th.

For some time past it had been felt that in the best interests of all concerned it would be more desirable that instead of the organization remaining as an engineering section of the Ontario Municipal Electrical Association that a reorganization take place and a new association be formed of the managers, superintendents and engineers of the different municipal electric utilities free from the Ontario Municipal Electrical Association and financially independent.

E. V. Buchanan, of London, Ont., occupied the chair and after much discussion it was finally decided to go forward. It was moved by P. B. Yates, of St. Catharines, and seconded by O. M. Perry, Windsor, that the resolution looking to the new association be adopted. This was carried. The name of the new association is the Association of Municipal Electrical Engineers.

After a few minor amendments to the suggested constitution and by-laws the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, E. V. Buchanan, London; vice-president, E. I. Sifton, Hamilton; secretary, S. R. A. Clement, Hydro-Electric Power Commission, Toronto; treasurer, R. C. McCollum, Hydro-Electric Power Commission.

The following committees were also appointed: Membership and Credentials Committee, O. F. Scott, Belleville, chairman; Papers Committee, E. S. McIntyre, Kitchener, chairman; Convention Committee, W. J. Stapleton, Collingwood, chairman; Rules and Regulations Committee, R. H. Martindale, Sudbury, chairman.