

sleep for a whole year and then wakes up again in the fall; and why there is such a serious mixture of bacteria present in influenza cases.

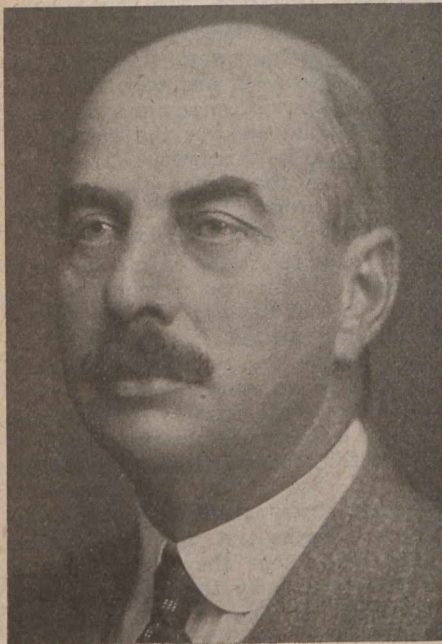
Major Harrington, chief medical officer of the Massachusetts State Guard, stated that there is no unanimity of opinion to-day as to what type of bacteria causes influenza. Every case of influenza, he says, is a potential case of pneumonia. One peculiarity of the disease is the occurrence of hemorrhages of the nose, the back part of the throat and of the skin. In the lungs the blood vessels

are plugged with clot after clot until frequently a large area of the lung is completely and quickly occluded from use. The blocked areas are frequently in the centre of the lung and not readily detected by physical examination.

Viewing the subject from every angle, influenza is the most serious problem facing Canada to-day. In districts where unemployment prevails, a few weeks of work for a certain number of men can be provided very profitably this summer by the construction of well-built, wooden, open-air camps for the treatment of influenza.

## PERSONALS

C. O. STILLMAN, formerly vice-president of Imperial Oil Limited, has been elected president of the company to succeed the late Hon. W. J. Hanna. Mr. Stillman is an outstanding figure in the oil world. He is best known as the creator and administrator of the Imperial Oil Co. at Sarnia, Ont. The Sarnia plant was the forerunner of the five great plants built for the company by Mr. Stillman during the past few years, all of which have come under his administration both during construction and operation. Mr. Stillman learned the rudiments of the oil business in



the office of his father, the late Charles Stillman, and later obtained a practical technical education at several large refineries in the United States. When still a very young man he became superintendent of the Bushnell Co., Ltd., of Petrolea, Ont., one of the first Canadian refining enterprises, and then undertook the construction of the Sarnia refinery. It was in acquiring a site for this plant that Mr. Stillman and the late Mr. Hanna came into contact, with the

result that they continued to be closely associated for twenty-two years. Mr. Stillman was elected a director and superintendent of the company in 1899, general superintendent in 1901, assistant general manager in 1910 and vice-president in 1911. His headquarters were moved from Sarnia to Toronto several years ago, and since he has become a resident of the Queen City he has been a leading figure in a number of municipal and philanthropic undertakings. He is an active member of the council of the Toronto Board of Trade. Mr. Stillman is also president of the Imperial Pipe Line Co. and of the Queen City Oil Co.

LIEUT. C. A. RICHARDSON, of East Cleveland, Ohio, a member of class '18, Faculty of Applied Science, University of Toronto, has returned to Toronto from overseas. He enlisted as a private in the C.O.T.C. and obtained a commission in the Royal Engineers upon his arrival in England.

C. S. OGILVIE has been appointed assistant engineer of the Ottawa division, Grand Trunk Railway. Mr. Ogilvie was formerly assistant engineer of the G.T.R. at Belleville, but he went overseas with the first contingent and was a prisoner in Germany for over three years, being released only after the signing of the armistice.

CAPT. C. A. JENNINGS has received his discharge from the Construction Division, Utilities Branch, United States

Army, and has returned to the technical staff of Wallace & Tiernan Co. Inc., to resume charge of the Chicago office. Capt. Jennings' work in the army covered the supervision, operation and maintenance of water purification and sewage treatment plants in various camps.

LT.-COL. N. R. ROBERTSON, of Walkerton, Ont., recently arrived home. Col. Robertson went overseas with the first contingent as a captain in the 2nd Field Company, Canadian Engineers. Latterly he has acted as O.C. of the 9th Battalion. He won the D.S.O., and was mentioned in despatches upon three occasions. Col. Robertson graduated from the University of Toronto in Applied Science with the class of 1907.

A. M. MCQUEEN, who has been one of the senior officials of Imperial Oil Limited since 1916, has been elected vice-president of the company to fill the vacancy caused by the election of Mr. Stillman to the presidency. For the past three years Mr. McQueen has been in charge of the company's extensive prospecting and developing programme in the northwest, and has also had under his administration the drilling and producing operations of the International Petroleum Co. in Peru. Mr. McQueen was born in Petrolea, Ont., his father having been one of the earliest settlers in that district. His first employment was with the Petrolea Crude Oil and Tanking Co. Later he was associated with M. J. Woodward & Co., and the Premier Oil Co.'s refineries in the Petrolea district. Subsequently Mr. McQueen was manager of the business interests of J. H. Fairbank, Petrolea, one of the largest crude oil producers in Canada, and in this capacity obtained experience in the financial and executive side of the oil business as well as in refining and dealing in oil well supplies. Mr. McQueen left that position in 1916 to join the Imperial Oil organization. He is also vice-president of the International Petroleum Co.

## OBITUARY

LIEUT. JOHN WORTHINGTON DORSEY, JR., formerly assistant professor of mechanical and electrical engineering, University of Manitoba, is reported to have lost his life while serving with the American army of occupation in Germany. Prof. Dorsey graduated in electrical engineering with the class of 1908, Lehigh University, and a few years later joined the staff of the University of Manitoba as a lecturer, subsequently becoming assistant professor. He joined the American army shortly after the United States entered the war. The first intimation of his death was the return to *The Canadian Engineer* of a letter that had been addressed to Lieut. Dorsey several months ago, and it was stamped "Deceased, verified Statistical Department A.E.F." The registrar of the University of Manitoba states that just a few days ago a member of the staff of the university met a returned soldier who reported having seen Lieut. Dorsey in Germany after the armistice. This would appear to indicate that Lieut. Dorsey's death, if it has actually taken place as stated by the statistical branch of the American army, was not due to the fortunes of war but to some accident or disease contracted since the cessation of hostilities. The University of Manitoba has telegraphed to the War Department at Washington, D.C., in an effort to secure further information.