

there are still seven applications from our province pending to be dealt with by the council of the parent society, so that the outlook for the ensuing year in this connection is also very promising.

After considerable correspondence with engineers in this province and a number of organizing meetings, it was decided to enlarge the scope of our former Regina Branch and change the name to Saskatchewan Branch. Owing to a misunderstanding of our aims, the permission of the council of our parent society was withheld for some time. After same was obtained, the first regular meeting of the Saskatchewan Branch was held on May 10th.

There have been 9 regular meetings, 1 emergency meeting and 8 executive meetings, also an excursion to Fort Qu'Appelle to inspect the Sanitorium for Tuberculosis while under construction.

Some of the papers presented to the branch were as follows:—

"Some Aspects of Indian Engineering," E. G. W. Montgomery; "Drainage Problems in Saskatchewan," C. S. Cameron; "A Few Reminiscences of the Gallipoli Campaign," Capt. V. Michie; "Sewage Disposal," W. H. Greene; "The Sanitorium at Ft. Qu'Appelle," E. A. Markham.

The formation of our provincial library is well under way and a number of valuable donations have already been received.

The Regina Engineering Society decided during the year to discontinue its activities, wherefore the arrangement of joint alternate meetings was cancelled.

The executive council of the government of the province was petitioned, the advice and support of our members being pledged in all important questions.

At our annual meeting on January 10th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—

Chairman, G. D. Mackie; vice-chairman, H. S. Carpenter; secretary-treasurer, J. N. de Stein; executive council, H. R. MacKenzie, E. G. W. Montgomery, W. H. Greene, C. J. Yorath and J. E. Underwood

## CALGARY

**D**URING the past year there have been six general meetings of the branch, including the annual meeting in December last. The executive committee has held twelve business meetings. During the year the branch has been entertained by the following speakers:—

December 19, 1916—Capt. H. Sidenius, "Military Engineering and Trench Warfare in the European War."

January 18, 1917—C. W. Craig and J. F. Greene, "The Centre Street Bridge, Calgary."

February 15—W. A. Lamb, "The Water Resources of the State of Montana."

March 26—James White, "The Work of the Conservation Commission."

April 25—Col. J. S. Dennis, "The Part the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers is Taking in the War."

August 20—Fraser S. Keith, "Co-operation Between Branches and the Parent Society."

On the occasion of President Dennis' visit a dinner was given at the Palliser Hotel, which was attended by a number of ladies. The Roll of Honor of the Calgary Branch was unveiled by President Dennis on that occasion. The Roll of Honor was afterwards placed in the Calgary Public Library, where it is now on view.

At the annual convention of the Western Canada Irrigation Association at Maple Creek in August, our branch

was represented by William Pearce and J. S. Tempest. The parent society was represented by the following members of our branch: F. H. Peters, S. G. Porter, C. M. Arnold and M. H. French, and by R. J. Burley of the Ottawa Branch.

A number of our members, under the chairmanship of P. M. Sauder, have co-operated with the Research Council in the distribution of questionnaires, and in other matters pertaining to the work of the council.

The secretary of the Calgary Branch has acted as secretary of the provisional organization of the Alberta Division of the society. By-laws have now been approved, and it is expected that the first regular election of officers will be held this winter.

During the year we have perfected arrangements with the Calgary Board of Trade whereby an Engineering Section of the Board of Trade has been organized, which will deal particularly with the engineering phases of public questions which come before the board. The members of our branch who are also members of the Board of Trade, constitute the Engineering Section. They will have the privilege and will be expected in matters involving the general or local welfare of the engineering profession, or in matters in which the views or influence of the branch as an organization will be helpful, to refer them to the branch for consideration. It is expected that the relation which we have established with the Board of Trade will be of means of bringing our branch into closer touch with business and public interests and increase our usefulness to the community.

The executive committee has also taken the initiative in a movement to secure Dominion legislation defining the status of the engineer and giving adequate protection to the profession and to the public.

The annual meeting was held December 1, 1917, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—

Chairman, Wm. Pearce; secretary-treasurer, C. M. Arnold; executive committee, A. S. Dawson, F. H. Peters, S. G. Porter, H. Sidenius and A. S. Chapman; auditors, W. J. Gale and J. S. Tempest.

The present membership of the branch is sixty-six.

## EDMONTON

**T**HE branch membership includes 56, of whom 21 are on active service.

The Alberta Provincial Division held the first annual meeting in Calgary on December 22nd.

Fraser S. Keith, secretary of the society, paid the branch an official visit for the purpose of getting personally acquainted with the branch membership and discussing society affairs. We think that this policy is productive of good results in co-ordinating the general membership of the society.

The status of engineers in Canada was the basis of considerable discussion. The branch membership is strongly of the opinion that this question merits the attention of the whole society.

The following papers were read before the branch:—

March 21st, "The Centre Street Bridge, Calgary," by Geo. W. Craig; May 11th, "Shell Manufacture," by J. Chalmers, supervisor of production, Imperial Munitions Board, Winnipeg.

The officers of the branch are as follows: Chairman, L. B. Elliot; vice-chairman, J. D. Robertson; secretary-treasurer, A. W. Hadow; executive, D. J. Carter, J. L. Cote, D. Donaldson and A. T. Fraser.