

## ENGINEERING INSTITUTE'S COMMITTEE ON POLICY

Sir,—May I call your attention to the article in *The Canadian Engineer* of April 22nd, respecting the special conference held at Montreal by members of council, the chairman of the Toronto branch and the secretary of the Ontario provincial division of the Engineering Institute of Canada. Your article is not in accordance with the facts, as there is a very plain implication that no definite conclusion was reached at the meeting in question. As a matter of fact, a very definite and positive conclusion of far-reaching importance to the engineering profession was unanimously arrived at respecting the policy of the institute. The conclusion was embodied in the following resolution, which has since been formally approved by the council of the institute:—

“Resolved: That in addition to the Committee on Remuneration of Engineers already appointed by council, a further Committee on Policy should be appointed to prepare for the consideration of council a statement of the policies and objects of the institute.

“Further that the council authorize this Committee on Policy to include in its statement the council's approval of establishing by the institute of rates of remuneration for its members both by fees and by salary, which rates the institute will endeavor to uphold.”

No decision was reached that would be at all comparable to that mentioned in your article, but it was decided, after discussion, that this matter was of immediate and urgent importance, and should be referred for further consideration to a Committee on Policy. Since the conference referred to, all of the resolutions passed thereat have been implemented by definite action of council. Special committees on remuneration of engineers and on policy have been set up and are now actively at work.

J. B. CHALLIES,

Chairman,

Ontario Provincial Division,  
Engineering Institute of Canada.

Ottawa, Ont., May 5th, 1920.

## PERSONALS

JAS. H. FRINK has been appointed commissioner of public works of the city of St. John, N.B.

J. B. DETWEILER, of Brantford, Ont., representative in that city for the Steel Co. of Canada, Ltd., has resigned to take charge of the Bluebird Mfg. Co., of which he is president.

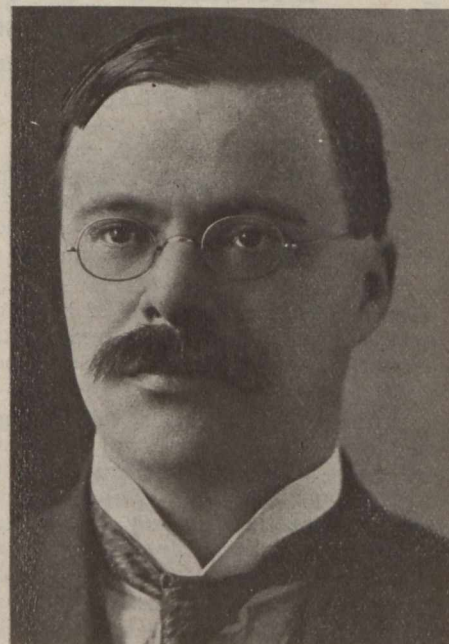
W. H. MCINTYRE has resigned as assistant general superintendent of the Ottawa Electric Co. and the Ottawa Gas Co. to become general manager of the Ottawa Car Mfg. Co., Ltd.

HENRY B. GILBERT, of Windsor, Ont., has been appointed architect and manager of the Border Housing Co., which is in charge of the housing scheme at Windsor, Walkerville and adjoining municipalities.

A. H. HILL, of Francis Hankin & Co., Ltd., Montreal, will sail for England next Saturday on a business trip. Francis Hankin & Co. are the Canadian representatives of Adams Hydraulics, Ltd., of York, Eng., and the Leeds Meter Co., of Leeds, Eng.

JULIAN C. SMITH and HOWARD MURRAY, vice-presidents of the Shawinigan Water & Power Co.; SIR HERBERT HOLT, president of Montreal Light, Heat & Power Consolidated; GEO. CHAHOON, JR., president of the Laurentide Co.; and H. BIRCHARD TAYLOR, vice-president of the Wm. Cramp & Sons Ship & Engine Building Co., of Philadelphia, Pa., have been elected to the board of directors of the Dominion Bridge Works, Ltd., the new subsidiary of the Dominion Bridge Co. which has been formed for the purpose of manufacturing hydraulic and pulp and paper machinery. The board will also include members of the present board of directors of the Dominion Bridge Co., Ltd.

GEORGE DOUGLAS MACKIE, who has been appointed to represent the city of Moose Jaw on the Saskatchewan Water Supply Advisory Council, has been city engineer-commissioner of Moose Jaw, Sask., since 1914. Mr. Mackie was born March 8th, 1878, in Perth, Scotland, and was educated at the Perth Academy and the Glasgow and West of Scotland Technical College. From 1893-9 he was trained in the city engineer's office in Perth, and in 1900 received an appointment as town engineer of Crieff, Scotland. Five years later he became water works engineer of the Clydebank and District Water Trust, of Clydebank, Scotland, where he remained four years and carried out over \$100,000 extensions to water mains. While in charge of the Clydebank work,



Mr. Mackie visited all the water filtration plants in Great Britain, and also visited France to inspect the laying of five miles of reinforced concrete water mains. In 1910 Mr. Mackie came to Canada and joined the John Galt Engineering Co. During the two years he spent with this firm, Mr. Mackie was in charge of the construction of water supply works for Coldwater, Ont.; road work for Wetaskiwin, Alta.; sewers and grading for Red Deer, Alta.; sewerage system and water supply works for Gleichen, Alta.; and sewerage system and sewage disposal works for Cranbrook, B.C. In 1912 Mr. Mackie was appointed city engineer of Swift Current, Sask., but resigned two years later to become city engineer-commissioner of Moose Jaw. Mr. Mackie served as a member of the Royal Commission which was appointed a few years ago to inquire into the construction of roads and bridges in Saskatchewan. He is a member of the Institution of Municipal and County Engineers, of London, Eng., and of the Engineering Institute of Canada.

## OBITUARIES

J. W. LYNCH died last week at the Montreal General Hospital after an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Lynch was born 55 years ago in Newfield, N.H. For many years he was connected with the Metropolitan Water Board of Boston, and for a time was an official in the water works department of the city of Toronto, under C. H. Rust, who was then city engineer. For the past nine years Mr. Lynch has been general superintendent at the Rockfield plant of Canadian Allis-Chambers, Ltd.

CLARENCE I. DE SOLA, of Montreal, died last Monday in Boston. As managing-director of Comptoir Belgo-Canadien, Mr. De Sola carried out some noteworthy public works in Canada, including the locks on the Trent and Soulages canals. He was a director of Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson, Ltd., ship-builders, and was consul for Belgium. Mr. De Sola was born in 1858 in Montreal, and was educated in the Montreal high schools and McGill University. For his services to Belgium, Mr. De Sola was created a Chevalier of the Order of Leopold.