

PERSONAL.

G. P. HOLMES, recently with the St. John's Mining Co. at Montezuma, Colo., has joined the engineering staff of the Aetna Chemical Co., at Drummondville, Quebec.

D. CROMBIE has been appointed general superintendent, Ontario Division, Canadian Northern Railway, Toronto, which position was held by A. J. Hills until recently.

J. C. O'DONNELL, formerly superintendent, District 3, Western Division, C.N.R., Edmonton, Alta., has been appointed superintendent of Districts 2 and 3, Central Division, Winnipeg.

Lieut.-Col. G. C. ROYCE, general manager of the Toronto Suburban Railway, is to command another battalion of the Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto, which is to be organized for overseas service.

M. W. JENNINGS has been appointed acting resident engineer and A. V. REDMOND acting division engineer, District 2, Transcontinental Division, Canadian Government Railways, Cochrane, Ont.

J. P. MCKENZIE, assistant superintendent and electrical engineer, Saskatoon Municipal Railway, left Saskatoon on November 8th last for St. John's, Que., having been appointed a lieutenant in the Canadian Engineers, Canadian Expeditionary Force.

W. R. BAKER, C.V.O., secretary to the Canadian Pacific Railway and assistant to the president, has, at his own request, been relieved from his duties and placed on the retired list. E. ALEXANDER, formerly assistant secretary to the company, succeeds Mr. Baker.

W. H. RANDALL, of Toronto's Waterworks Department, attended the joint committee meeting of the American and New England Waterworks Associations on Standard Specifications for Cast-iron Pipe and Fittings, which was held in New York on Thursday, December 14.

G. H. HILL, assistant engineer, railway and traction department, General Electric Co., delivered an address before the Toronto Section, American Institute of Electrical Engineers, at the Engineers' Club, on Friday, December 15th, his subject being "Railroad Electrification."

J. B. CHALLIES, M.Can.Soc.C.E., has volunteered his services as secretary of the Honorary Advisory Council for Scientific and Industrial Research. Mr. Challies is a graduate of the University of Toronto and is well known for his excellent work as superintendent of the Water Powers Branch, Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

FRED. W. EVANS has been appointed manager of the Toronto branch of the Canadian Fairbanks-Morse Co., Limited. Mr. Evans has been acting manager of the Toronto branch for the past year, although his connection with the Canadian Fairbanks-Morse Co. dates back for a great many years. He has devoted special attention to the machine tool end of the organization.

E. HANSON, A.A.I.E.E., M.Inst.Mun.E., has been appointed secretary of the Institute of Municipal Engineers (London, Eng.) for Western Canada. It is the intention to inaugurate a campaign for members amongst municipal engineers in the West, with a view to securing closer co-operation amongst municipal engineers of all classes and furthering the cause of municipal engineering throughout Western Canada.

OBITUARY.

Lieut. GILBERT E. TYLER, manager of Winnipeg branch and director of E. R. Watts & Son, Limited, has died as a result of wounds received in action on September 15th. Lieut. Tyler was wounded three times, but persisted in leading his men until removed from the field. He has since been awarded the Military Cross. Lieut. Tyler will undoubtedly be remembered by a great many of our readers. He opened the Ottawa branch for E. R. Watts & Son in 1909 and subsequently was transferred to the Winnipeg branch.

CANADIAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS,
REGINA BRANCH.

At the annual meeting of the Regina Branch, Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, held recently, the following officers were elected: Chairman, L. A. Thornton; vice-chairman, W. R. Harris; members of executive, R. J. Lecky, E. G. W. Montgomery; secretary-treasurer, J. N. de Stein; auditors, Hugh R. MacKenzie, D. R. McCannell.

The following is a programme of papers which have been arranged for presentation by members of the branch during the ensuing year:—

"Notes on Town Planning," by L. A. Thornton; "Some Aspects of Indian Engineering," by E. G. W. Montgomery; "Drainage Problems in Saskatchewan," by C. S. Cameron, D.L.S.; "Specific Treatment of Concrete in Our Climate," by W. R. Harris; "Need of Engineering Supervision in Location, Construction and Maintenance of Public Highways in Saskatchewan," by H. Ross MacKenzie and E. W. Murray; "From Conception to Completion—the Western Railroad," by J. N. de Stein.

CANADIAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS,
MANITOBA BRANCH.

At the annual meeting of the Manitoba Branch, Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, which was held on Thursday evening, December 7th, the following officers were elected for next year:—

Chairman, W. L. Mackenzie; secretary-treasurer, A. W. Smith; executive committee, J. C. Holden, H. W. McLeod and M. V. Sauer; auditors, T. L. Roberts and B. S. McKenzie; committee on papers and discussions, E. T. Spidy, G. L. Guy and D. L. McLean; committee on research and investigation, E. Brydone-Jack, J. A. Douglas and T. L. Roberts; committee on library and trade publications, J. C. Holden, M. C. Hendry and J. A. Heaman.

Prof. M. A. Parker was the speaker of the evening, and gave a paper on "Air Pollution," which was most interesting.

Although Winnipeg is relatively free from the smoke nuisance, the speaker advised those present to take warning from the amount of smoke in some cities and not let Winnipeg become blackened in a similar way if this district becomes the manufacturing centre that it is hoped it will.

Enormous quantities of smoke are vomited forth in London, Eng., Pittsburgh, Pa., and other cities, and if such a tendency is to be prevented in Winnipeg the speaker felt that very serious consideration would have to be given the subject.