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## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING OTTAWA, FEBRUARY 5th

A Meeting of the Executive of the Union of Canadian Municipalities was held in the City Hall, Ottawa. Among those present were Mayor Church, of Toronto, President of the Union. Honorary Secretary-Treasurer W. D. Lighthall, K.C., and Assistant Secretary G. S. Wilson, of Montreal. Controller Thompson and Alderman Maguire, of Toronto. Thomas Adams, Town Planning Adviser of the Conservation Commission. Past Vice-President L. A. Cannon, K.C., of Quebec. Mayor Porter, Controllers Ellis, Champagne and Nelson, and Past President Ex-Mayor Cook, of Ottawa. Vice-President Mayor Costello, of Calgary. Past President W. Sanford Evans, of Winnipeg. Vice-President Alderman Boyd, of Montreal, and others, sent regrets. Messrs. Long, Burgess and Mackinnon, of the Bond Dealers Section of the Toronto Board of Trade, appeared as a delegation. The following matters were brought before the meeting and considered.

Resolutions from Convention of August last.

Amendments to the Railway Act.

Good Roads Bill.

Municipal Bonds.

Prices of Food Necessities.

Programme for Convention 1915 in Victoria, B.C.

The War's effect on our municipalities, Re—

Unemployment.

Charities.

Finances.

The meeting endorsed a proposition by Alderman Maguire, that the Dominion Government should endorse advances made by Banks to Municipalities to provide work for the unemployed.

The Bond Dealers Section of the Toronto Board of Trade presented a carefully prepared document on Municipal Bond Investments, and asked the Union of Canadian Municipalities to agitate for a limit on municipal borrowings, the proposition being that the amount loaned to municipalities should be limited by population as well as assessment.

It was the intention of the Executive to wait upon the Government in connection with the unemployment, and financial situation, but on account of the session of parliament being just opened further consideration of the matters brought before the meeting was adjourned until further notice.