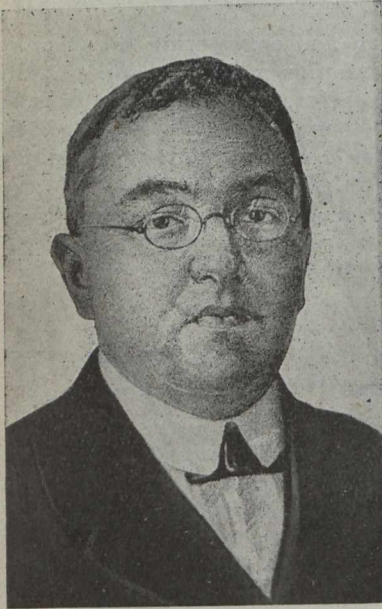


PERSONALS.

H. R. GERRARD, for two and one-half years city electrician at Port Alberni, Vancouver Island, is now filling a similar position at Duncan, B.C.

Lieut. W. M. GOODWIN, of the Canadian Engineers, son of Dean W. L. Goodwin, of the Engineering Department, Queen's University, Kingston, has been awarded the Military Cross.

Prof. BORIS BAKHMETEFF, the Russian Republic's special ambassador to the United States, was recently elected a member of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, as mentioned last week in *The Canadian Engineer*. In an address before the United States Senate, Ambassador Bakhmeteff said that Russia would make



no separate peace with Germany. "Our national convention," he announced, "will be called as soon as possible. There will be about a thousand delegates, and the machinery of election is now being arranged by a non-political commission of about sixty Russians. The delegates will be chosen by universal, direct, equal and secret suffrage. All over the age of twenty will vote, regardless of sex or creed or race. Each voter will vote direct for his or her choice and not through an elector.

The voting rights of all will be equal, regardless of property, and the ballot will be secret. A mistake that has been made on this continent is the exaggeration of the ignorance of the Russian people. Illiteracy is not so common as some seem to think. Several years ago the Duma forced the government to adopt a thorough educational system, although the war has naturally interfered with its progress."

GORDON T. JENNINGS, A.M.Can.Soc.C.E., has withdrawn from the firm of Jennings & Ross, Limited, engineering-contractors, and is at present devoting his time to work in connection with the construction of the aviation camps.

J. WHITE, of the ornamental iron department of Canadian Allis-Chalmers, Limited, has been appointed general superintendent of the Canada Foundry Company's Davenport works, in place of J. J. SCOLLAN, who recently resigned.

R. B. FREELAND, who for a number of years has been connected with the Granby Smelting and Mining Company at Grand Forks, B.C., has been appointed district engineer for Mineral Survey District No. 4, with headquarters at Grand Forks.

N. B. DAVIS, B.Sc., until lately assistant engineer in the Ceramic Division, Mines Branch, Ottawa, has opened an office as consulting geologist as applied to

engineering, examinations of water, bridge and building sites, at Kingston, Ont.

ALEXANDER FORBES PROCTOR, graduate of Aberdeen University, has been appointed chief engineer of the British Columbia Provincial Department of Railways, vice F. C. Gamble.

WALTER J. FRANCIS, M.Can.Soc.C.E., well-known consulting engineer of Montreal, has been elected president of the Rotary Club, of that city. The election is a tribute to the large amount of time that Mr. Francis has devoted to civic improvements and public affairs in general for many years past.

F. L. FELLOWES, city engineer of Vancouver, B.C., has returned home after having spent considerable time in Ottawa, Montreal and Toronto, during which time he made an exhaustive examination into the harbor questions in the port cities and discussed the Vancouver harbor situation with the Dominion authorities.

D. O. LESPERANCE, chairman of the Quebec Harbor Commission, has been elected president of the General Car and Machinery Works of Montmagny, Limited, Quebec, succeeding CHARLES A. PAQUET, who has resigned as president to take the general management. Mr. Paquet succeeds W. E. PATTERSON, who has asked to be relieved on account of ill-health.

FRANCIS CLARKE GAMBLE, past-president of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers and chief engineer of the Department of Railways of British Columbia, is reported to have been abruptly dismissed by Hon. John Oliver, the Minister of Railways in the new British Columbia government. Beyond the announcement of his action, the minister said he had no statement to make, but it is thought that the dismissal was entirely a result of political affairs. H. A. ICKE, engineer in charge of the improvement work in the Songhees Reserve, has also been dismissed. Mr. Gamble has been in the service of the British Columbia government for about twenty years and was chief engineer for the province until 1911, when he was appointed engineer of railways. He was president of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers in 1915 and is at present an ex-officio member of the council of the society. He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and has taken a prominent part in public affairs in British Columbia. He was the author of a very interesting paper on the development of transportation in British Columbia, read before the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers in January, 1916. Mr. Icke was formerly employed by the city of New Westminster in charge of the construction of Smith's Hill reservoir, and has been employed by the province for the past three years in charge of irrigation and development work.

OBITUARIES.

H. G. MATTHEWS, general manager of the Quebec Railway, Light and Power Company, Quebec, passed away on July 4th. The late Mr. Matthews was born in Montreal on July 1st, 1878. Before becoming associated with the Quebec company, in 1911, he was manager of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of Canada. He was also president of the Lotbiniere and Megantic Railway Company, and a director of the subsidiary companies of Quebec Railway, Light, Heat and Power Company, Limited.