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T. J. RIGNEY ELECTED KINGSTON'S MILITARY

CHAIRMAN OF THE UTILITIES COMMISSION.

Dr. A. E. Ross and J. H. Birkett Will Serve Two Year Term On Commission — The Water Rates May be Adjusted.

Ex-Mayor T. J. Rigney was elected chairman at the inaugural meeting of the utilities commission, held on Monday afternoon. Dr. A. E. Ross moved that he take the chair, and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote. Those present were Mayor Shaw, T. J. Rigney, Dr. Ross, J. H. Birkett and R. H. Toye.

Dr. Ross and J. H. Birkett were elected to fill the two-year term, and Messrs. Rigney and Toye, for the one-year term. The meeting was practically for organization purposes, and to talk over the business which will come before the commission during the year.

It was decided to hold the regular meetings of the commission every second Monday, commencing next Monday, January 19th.

The selection of the two members for the two-year term was the first order of business, and the members drew for the honors. Mayor Shaw held the hat with the tickets. Mr. Birkett had the first draw, and got a two-year term. Dr. Ross was next and he too picked a two-year term. Mr. Rigney and Mr. Toye followed securing the one-year term.

There was some discussion as to the method to be adopted as to taking stock of the plant and the system of book-keeping, and it was decided to have the manager write the hydro-electric commission relative to the methods carried out by the commission for appraisal and bookkeeping.

Dr. Ross referred to the increase made in the water rates, due to the increased assessment. His contention was that there should be no large surplus, that the revenue in the water department should be sufficient to operate the business. His object was to make a re-adjustment of the rates, so that the consumers would not have to pay a higher rate. One candidate in the recent election advocated the cutting off of the fee for the lawn service and baths. If these two rates were struck off, just a few would be benefited. He felt that if any change was made, that it should be for the benefit of the consumers as a whole and not just a few.

Mr. Toye said he agreed with Dr. Ross, but was of the opinion that the proper time to do this would be to await a report and see how the plant stood financially.

Dr. Ross said that the people were dissatisfied with the increase, and it was generally understood how the department stood financially. His own opinion was that the tax for the use of the hose and baths should remain as at present, as they should be regarded as luxuries. He thought the closet rates should be the first reduced. A reduction should be made on the rate of unit.

It was decided to secure the returns for the first quarter of 1914 under the increased charge and compare them with the last quarter of 1913. After these returns are received the matter will be further dealt with.

On motion of Mr. Toye it was decided to invite tenders for all supplies. The old rate of allowing expenditure up to \$100 will be adhered to.

On the suggestion of Dr. Ross, Dr. McCullough, chief medical health officer for the province, will be asked when the commission can expect to receive the report on the test which was made some time ago of the waters in the Kingston district.

The commission will also secure a report on the city's water mains.

QUITE A NUMBER OF CORPS ARE LOCATED HERE.

Some People Think the Artillery is the Only Permanent Military Body — The Corps Enumerated.

A Whig man was quite naturally surprised to hear a citizen of some years standing pass a remark on the street which showed that that individual was laboring under the impression that the artillery brigade was the only branch of the permanent force stationed in Kingston. Of course the man in question was purely a "civilian" and knew little about military matters, but it struck the newspaper man that a little light in this connection would not be amiss.

Those belonging to the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, which numbers about 245, there are approximately 100 permanent officers, warrant officers, N.C.O.'s and men stationed here, as well as the staff of the divisional headquarters and the Royal Military College. There is an average of 95 of all ranks in each of "A" and "B" batteries. The regimental staff of the brigade, including those attached to the Royal School of Artillery, numbers over 50. No. 2 detachment of Canadian Permanent Army Service Corps comes next numerically, with officers, instructors and supply and transport sections comprising 25. The Canadian Ordnance Corps, third detachment, numbers about 22, while the two officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the Permanent Army Medical Corps sum up to about another 25. There are five members of the Corps of Military Staff Clerks doing duty in clerical capacities, with the divisional paymaster, The Royal Canadian Engineers are represented by four non-commissioned officers, three as clerks, and one as foreman of works. The assistant to the principal veterinary officer of the division is a member of the Canadian Permanent Army Veterinary Corps, the second detachment of which is here.

The riding master at the Royal Military college is a commissioned officer of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, and the eight or ten N.C.O.'s and men which are on duty at the riding establishment there are from the squadron at Toronto. There is also the subordinate staff of the military college. This with the exception of a C.M.S.C. quartermaster-sergeant and a P.A.M.C. staff-sergeant at the R.M.C., sum up fairly well the permanent force in Kingston. All these corps are distinctive.

On the divisional staff, with the officer commanding, are the general staff-officer, the divisional intelligence officer, the assistant adjutant general, and the deputy assistant adjutant and quartermaster general. The officers attached to the staff, administering services and departments, are the commanding Royal Canadian engineer, the divisional signal officer, the assistant director of supplies and transport, the deputy assistant director of medical services, the senior ordnance officer, the paymaster, the principal veterinary officer, and the organizer and inspector of cadet corps.

Of course the 14th regiment is the largest unit of the non-permanent force. But there are also the fifth company of Field Engineers at Queen's; No. 3 company of Cavalry Field Ambulance, the Fifth Battery of Canadian Field Artillery, and "A" Squadron of 4th Hussars. Detachments of the Corps of Guides and the Ordnance corps, will, it is expected, be organized.

Sons of Scotland

At the regular meeting of Sir William Wallace Camp the following officers were installed into the various chairs: Chief, G. Ramsay; chieftain, J. Aitken; past chief, V. Bryant; physician, Dr. Ross; chaplain, J. McEwen; recording secretary, J. Harris; financial secretary, G. Scott; treasurer, J. McKenzie; marshal, W. Glen; standard bearer, J. Murray.

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By order of the Board. **GEO. P. SCHOLFIELD,** General Manager.
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