

Counsel and Chief Named

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The State Crime Commission, after 48 days of deliberation, filled its two top staff positions yesterday, naming a 33-year-old Republican, five years out of law school, as counsel and a 46-year-old Democrat as staff chief with the title of deputy commissioner. Both are former assistant U. S. attorneys.

Picked as counsel was Eliot H. Lumbard of 442 E. 20th St., who was admitted to the bar in 1953



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and immediately appointed an assistant U. S. attorney by his cousin, J. Edward Lumbard, then U. S. attorney and now a federal judge. The counsel's job pays \$17,000 a year.

Skolnik Has Rank

Chosen as chief of staff was Nathan Skolnik of 99 E. Fourth St. He will draw \$18,000 a year and will rank Lumbard in authority.

The two were sworn in at the Crime Commission offices, 270 Broadway, by Chairman Myles Lane, a Democratic former U. S. attorney. The other three commissioners, Goodman A. Sarachan, Democrat, and John W. Ryan Jr. and Jacob Grumet, Republicans, were present.

Investigations to Come

No immediate investigations have been laid out for the new gang busters, who must recruit a chief investigator and other aids before going ahead.

The Crime Commission was created by the Legislature last winter. It came into being on May 1. It already has made a tentative inquiry into the gangland convention held last November at Apalachin, N. Y. A further inquiry is slated in the next few weeks.

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