

traffic. That was all that the Canadian National map showed.

Now the lines which Senator Dandurand says are profitable Canadian National lines which the Canadian Pacific would abandon are main lines. The Royal Commission thought they could be abandoned, because they were duplicated by Canadian Pacific or other Canadian National main lines. They are not lines along which local industry and production is highly developed. They are mere bridges, over which there passes the traffic collected from various branch lines. To abandon them would not reduce the traffic or earnings of the unified railway system at all. It would only mean that the traffic now handled over these lines would be handled over other main lines which were not abandoned.

To quote the inclusion of these lines in an abandonment study as evidence that the Canadian Pacific did not make a correct estimate is merely to show that Senator Dandurand is accepting a piece of very tricky Canadian National propaganda in the uncritical spirit which he shows whenever this sort of propaganda is handed him.

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