

The Railway Association of Canada's Organization.

Canadian Railway and Marine World for December contained some particulars about the organization of the Railway Association of Canada, to succeed the Canadian Railway War Board.

The Constitution is as follows:

The name of this organization is The Railway Association of Canada.

The purposes of the association are, consideration and recommendation upon matters pertaining to the operation of steam railways in the Dominion of Canada. To make such representations to the Government of Canada, the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada, or to such other public bodies or other railway associations as in the opinion of the association may be desirable in matters of common interest to member companies. To act on behalf of member railways, either jointly or severally, as may be authorized, as the executive committee may from time to time approve.

Arrangements and agreements entered into by the association, after receipt of due authority from member railways, shall be binding upon railways which give such authority, until amended or annulled in accordance with the understanding reached by the respective parties at the time of making such arrangements and agreements. In other matters the action of the association shall be recommendatory and not binding upon any member.

Its membership consists of carriers which operate steam railways in Canada, but no carrier operating less than 50 miles of road, including trackage rights, or which operates primarily as a plant facility, shall be eligible for membership. Each carrier shall be entitled to exercise the right of one membership for each 1,000 miles of road or fraction thereof operated by it, including trackage rights. The executive committee, as may be necessary, shall determine the qualifications for membership under this constitution. The executive committee may admit to the association as associate members, carriers which are not eligible for full membership.

Each membership is entitled to one vote. Where member companies have more than one vote on basis of mileage, one officer of such company may cast total vote. Associate members shall not be entitled to vote.

A carrier may withdraw from the association by formal notice after payment of assessments due; or if a carrier shall fail to pay its assessments for one year from date of first unpaid assessment, shall be excluded as a member of the association.

Its organization shall include an executive committee to consist of five members (one of whom shall be President of the association), who shall be elected at a regular session of the association, to serve for three years, and an Honorary Chairman, who shall be ex officio a member of the executive committee. Each member of the executive committee shall be president of a Canadian railway. A vacancy on the executive committee may be filled by nomination by remaining members of committee pending next regular session of the association. There shall be an operating, a traffic, a financial and a legal committee, each to consist of five members selected by the member lines. There shall be on each committee, a chairman and a vice chairman who shall be elected by a majority vote of the

members present at a meeting of the committee. Office will be held for one year. A vacancy may be filled by election at any meeting of the committee concerned.

It is the duty of the executive committee to direct general policies of the association, to pass upon recommendations and reports of committees, and, if approved, to authorize the completion of arrangements or agreements recommended by such committees. The Honorary Chairman, or, in his absence, the President, shall attend all regular sessions of the association.

It is the duty of the operating, traffic, financial and legal committees to exercise general supervision over those features of the association's work which are generally recognized as coming within the jurisdiction of the department of railway organization which corresponds to the respective committees; to make recommendations and reports to, and to give effect to instructions received from the executive committee; to appoint such sub-committees or sections as may be considered necessary to the prompt and efficient handling of the work of the association and to receive and pass upon reports and recommendations of and to direct the activities of subcommittees.

The head office of the association shall be located in Montreal.

The office work and staff of the association shall be in charge of a General Secretary appointed by the executive committee.

It is the duty of the General Secretary to keep a full and complete record of the proceedings of each meeting of the association or its committees and subcommittees; to notify members of the date and location of, and to provide copies of the proceedings of each meeting. He shall act as secretary of the several committees and subcommittees or arrange for a secretary in his absence. He shall select an Assistant General Secretary and such other assistants as the business of the association may require, subject to approval of the executive committee. The General Secretary shall also act as Treasurer of the association and shall receive, disburse and account for all monies received or expended, and shall deposit the funds of the association in such banks or places of deposit, as may be approved by the executive committee. He shall make a quarterly report of the finances in detail to the executive committee. All cheques issued by the association shall bear the signature of the General Secretary and be countersigned by a member of the executive committee.

Bylaws—Following are extracts from the bylaws:

A regular session of the association will be held on the second Tuesday of May of each year at such place as the executive committee may determine. Special sessions may be called by the General Secretary at request of the Honorary Chairman or President, or on a written request of three members. The executive committee may change the date of a regular session when in its judgment the best interests of the association will be thereby conserved. Statements of subjects which member lines may require to present at a regular session shall be forwarded to General Secretary not later than 30 days prior to date of meeting.

Docket of matters to be dealt with at regular session shall be sent to all member lines not later than 15 days prior to date of meeting.

Any officer or a member will be admitted to the sessions and may join in the discussion and serve on the committees and subcommittees, subject to the provisions of the constitution.

The association shall have a working fund of \$15,000, established by assessment against member railways. Assessments shall be made on the basis of half in proportion to the mileage operated (including trackage rights) and the other half in proportion to the gross earnings for the preceding fiscal year, as shown in Railway Statistics of the Dominion of Canada. The working fund shall be maintained by assessments on the above basis against member railways at the end of each quarter, to cover expenses incurred by the association during the quarter.

The fee for associate membership shall be ten dollars per annum.

Each member has the privilege of voting for five candidates for membership on each of the executive, operating, traffic, financial and legal committees. The five persons receiving the highest number of votes cast for membership, shall be declared elected. All such votes shall be by ballot prepared by the General Secretary.

Committee—The composition of the committees was given in Canadian Railway and Marine World for December. Following are the subcommittees:

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TRANSPORTATION—H. T. Malcolmson, Superintendent, T. & B. Ry.; H. Shearer, General Superintendent, Michigan Central Rd.; C. G. Bowker, General Superintendent, G.T.R.; F. P. Brady, General Manager, Canadian National Rys.; A. Price, General Manager, C.P.R.; W. H. Farrell, General Manager, Algoma Eastern Ry.; W. A. Griffin, Superintendent of Traffic, T. & N.O. Ry.

CAR SERVICE—J. E. Duval, General Superintendent Car Service, G.T.R.; A. Hatton, General Superintendent Car Service, C.P.R.; A. E. Lock, Superintendent Car Service, T. & B.R.; J. P. Driscoll, General Superintendent Car Service, Canadian National Rys.; W. S. Moy, Car Accountant, Quebec Central Ry.; W. M. Hugill, Superintendent Car Service, Algoma Central & Hudson Bay Ry.; J. S. Gordon, General Manager, Quebec Oriental Ry.; C. A. Stewart, Manager, Temiscouata Ry.

ROLLING STOCK—W. H. Sample, General Superintendent Motive Power, G.T.R.; W. H. Winterrowd, Chief Mechanical Engineer, C.P.R.; W. U. Appleton, Mechanical Superintendent, Canadian Superintendent, Canadian National Rys.; H. L. Rodgers, Mechanical Engineer, T. & N.O. Ry.; W. T. Kuhn, Superintendent Motive Power, T. & B. Ry.; G. M. Robins, Master Mechanic, Quebec Central Ry.; G. E. Parks, Mechanical Engineer, Michigan Central Rd.; T. C. Hudson, General Master Mechanic, Canadian National Rys.

ENGINEERING—F. L. C. Bond, Chief Engineer, G.T.R.; A. F. Stewart, Chief Engineer, Canadian Northern Ry.; J. M. R. Fairbairn, Chief Engineer, C.P.R.; S. B. Clement, Chief Engineer, T. & N.O. Ry.; R. S. McCormick, General Superin-