

CANADIAN RAILROAD HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, INC.

MARCH 1950

ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Association will be held on Wednesday, March 8th, at 8.00 P.M. in the Canadian Pacific Legion Building at 354 Youville Street. This building is easily reached by southbound Route #29 street cars. Take this car to the end of the line, and get off the first stop after going around the loop. The car stops at the front door of the building, which is also just a few steps from the Montreal and Southern Counties Railway Station. Parking space is also available to those using automobiles.

PROGRAM:

Following the regular business of the meeting an illustrated address will be given by one of our members, Mr. R.J. Joedicke, entitled, "The Application of Business Machines to Railway Transportation". This interesting topic will give members an inside story of how these machines speed the commodities of our country from producer to consumer by rail.

After the address, a selection of colored (Kodachrome) slides of railway subjects will be shown by another member, Mr. Omer S.A. Lavallee.

Refreshments will be served and members are urged to attend in order that they may all pass an opinion on the Association's new quarters. As usual, visitors are cordially invited to attend.

NOTICE:

Dues for the year 1950 (\$2.00) are now payable.

ITEMS OF INTERESTTEST DIESEL-ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES:

General Motors demonstrator road diesel No. 7001 has been in test service, both freight and passenger, in the Rocky Mountains. The locomotive will come East again and be turned over to the Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway at Franz, Ontario, on March 13th for testing. It will then be returned to the C.P.R. at the Soo on March 19th and sent to North Bay for testing on the Ontario Northland Railway from March 20th to the 26th. This locomotive will be returned to the U.S.A. at Detroit on March 31st.

Alco 2000 H.P. units #9077 and 9078 are now being tested by the Canadian National Railways on trains # 1 and #2 between Montreal and Winnipeg in competition with General Motors units #9051-'52-'53. Nos. 9077 and 9078 are painted C.A.S. colors of green and gold and bear the "Montreal Locomotive Works - Canadian General Electric" insignia.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC ELECTRIC LINES:

The Grand River Railway and the Lake Erie and Northern Railway (Canadian Pacific Electric Lines) plans to abandon passenger service by April 30th if the petition before the Board of Transport Commissioners is approved. All service will be taken over by the Canada Coach Lines who plan to purchase the Canadian Pacific Transport buses which are used in co-ordinated operation with the electric cars on the Grand River Railway. It is expected small diesel electric locomotives will replace the present electric locomotives in freight service in the near future.

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CURTAILMENT OF PASSENGER TRAIN SERVICE:

Additional passenger trains have been cancelled as a result of the American coal strike.

Delaware and Hudson trains #7 and 8 between Montreal and Albany have been cancelled while the "Laurentian" day trains between Montreal and New York are being hauled by diesel road switchers.

The Central Vermont Railway has cut service on the "Ambassador" as follows:-

#332	-	Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
#307	-	Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

The Rutland Railroad has cancelled trains Nos. 64 and 65, "The Green Mountain Flyers" and the C.N.W. have substituted diesel electric car #15837 on 64 and 65's schedule between Montreal and Bouses Point, N.Y.

The New York Central has cancelled passenger service between Helena and Ottawa.

Short Railway History

Data: R.R. Brown

Roberval and Saguenay Railway

Port Alfred	to	Ha Ha Bay Jct.	16 miles
Labrosse Jct.		Chicoutimi Basin	3 "
Laterriere Jct.		Laterriere	10 "
Ha Ha Bay Jct.		Arvida	1 "
Arvida		Chute a Caron	3 "
Kenogami		Shipshaw	8 "

- 1898 Construction of a spur from the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway, near the crossing of the Chicoutimi River, to the mills of the Chicoutimi Pulp Company, about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
- 1900 Branch built from near the pulpmill to the wharf on Chicoutimi Basin opposite the end of rue Racine.
- 1908 Incorporation of the Ha Ha Bay Railway to build from at or near Jonquiere to Bagotville; with branches to the Chicoutimi Pulp Mills, to Lake Kenogami and St. Alexis.
- 1911 Incorporation of the Roberval and Saguenay Railway to build from Roberval to Chicoutimi.
- 1912 Ha Ha Bay Railway completed from Port Alfred, near Bagotville, to a connection with the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway at Ha Ha Bay Jct.; a branch from Labrosse Jct. to the Chicoutimi pulp mills, connecting there with the old branch to Chicoutimi Basin; also a branch from Laterriere Jct., to Laterriere on Lake Kenogami. Electric locomotives were used from Port Alfred to Chicoutimi Basin, via Labrosse Jct., and passenger service provided.
- 1912 Roberval and Saguenay Railway authorized to purchase the Ha Ha Bay Railway.
- 1914 Deed of sale of the Ha Ha Bay Railway to the Roberval and Saguenay Railway, controlled by the Chicoutimi Pulp Co.
- 1925 Roberval and Saguenay Railway bought by the Aluminum Company of Canada, and extended from Ha Ha Bay Jct. to Arvida, and from Arvida to Chute a Caron.
- 1933 Abandonment of the branches to Laterriere and Chicoutimi Basin and also the use of electric locomotives.
- 1942 Branch to Shipshaw including many temporary lines in connection with the construction of the Shipshaw power development most of which have been abandoned.

Locomotives of the Roberval and Saguenay Railway

<u>Number</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Cylinders or Drive</u>	<u>Drivers</u>	<u>Builder, Date, remarks</u>
1.	2-4-2T			1912, Montreal
2.	4-4-0			
3.	0-6-0			Ex: M.C. RR.
4.	0-6-0			Ex: M.C. RR.
5.	B x B	Electric		
6.	2-6-0	19 x 26	50"	1910 Montreal, #44265 Originally Cavecchi & Pagno #6, contractors on the National Transcontinental Rly. Bought 1912. Sold in 1923 to the Alma & Jonquiere Railway.
7.	B x B	Electric		
8.	B x B	Electric		
9.	4-6-0	18 x 24	50"	Pittsburgh, Ex: P. & L.E. RR.
10.	4-6-0	19 x 24	56"	1906 Kingston #689. Ex: Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Ry. #105
11.	4-6-0	19 x 24	56"	1906 Kingston #692 Ex: T. & N.O. Ry. #108
12.	0-6-0			Cooke Ex: Alton and Southern RR
13.	2-6-0	20 x 26	50"	1927, Montreal #67427
14.	2-6-0	20 x 26	50"	1927, Montreal #67428; sold in 1941 to Alma & Jonquiere Railway.
15.	0-4-0T			Ex: Alma & Jonquiere Ry #1.
16.	2-8-0	23 x 30	57"	1937, Kingston #1923
17.	2-8-0	23 x 30	57"	1940, Kingston #1959
18.	B x B	DEB-1000hp		1943, Alco. #70233
19.	B x B	DFTB-1500hp		1947, Alco.
20.	B x B	DEPB-1500hp.		1949, Montreal.

P R O G R A M N O T I C E

At the meeting of the Association on April 12th, a talk on the "Development" of the Diesel-Electric Locomotive in Canada" will be given by Mr. E.J. Feasey of the Motive Power Department of the Canadian National Railways. This topic will be of interest to the members. A question period will be included. We hope you will make a special effort to attend this meeting.