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# OPERATING REVENUES, EXPENSES \& STATISTICS <br> RAILWAYS IN CANADA <br> WITH ANNUAL OPERATING REVENUES OF \$500,000 OR OVER 

MARCH, 1949

Operating rovenues of Cenadian railways for March totallod $\$ 74,325,139$, an advance of 9.1 p.c. or $\$ 5,218,91$ ovar the same month last year, while operating expenses jumped $\$ 9,755,118$ or 16 p.c. to $\$ 70,612,242$ compered with $\$ 60,857,124$ one year earlier. The currant totals represent new peaks for any March. Oparating income which had been $\$ 3,654,475$ in March, 1948, was reduced to $\$ 1,315,330$, insufficiont by far to pay fixed interest and other charges.

Freight revenueb improved $12.5 \mathrm{p.c}$. over the preceding March, aggragating $\$ 61,610,342$ as against \$54,779,467. Although revenue tomage carried declined 8.6 p.c.. revenue mileage rose 1.7 p.c. Passenger revenues dropped from $\$ 6,574,080$ to $\$ 5,748,393$ or by 12.6 p.c. . probably due in part to the incidance of easter travel in March last year. The number of revenue passengers carried was 2,796,313 as against 3,308,022 one year earlier, but the average fourney carried 83 miles compered with 82 miles in March, 1948. Masl revenues improved 2 p.c., while express was up 6 p.c.

Maintenance expenses were considerably heaviar this March, way and atructures requiring \$12,375,154 compared W1th $89,654,241$ and equipment $\$ 17,141,674$ as against $\$ 13,963,993$, representing increases of $28.2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{C}$. and $22.8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$, respectively over the corresponding period last year. Transportation expenses rose $10.8 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{c}$. to *55,253,741, and all other accounto increased.

However, tax accruals reflecting in part reduced income, dropped from $\$ 2,502,947$ in March, 1948, to \$1,525,279, wile hire of equipment eased $\$ 253,260$ to $\$ 720,159$. As mentioned above, the net result was an operating income of $1,315,330$, down $\$ 2,339,145$ from the preceing March.

Applications for further increases in frelight rates and in mail pay are pending. These are designed to offeet advances in wage rates and in unit prices of fuel, materials and supplies.

Freight train car mileaga during March showed a decrease of 0.5 p.c. In loaded and an incresse of 9.7 in empty mileage as compared with the same month of 1948. Employees numbered 174,395 recelving \$41,308,305 as against 172,996 earning $\$ 55,404,056$ one year earliar, representing an increase of 0.8 p.c. in number and $16.7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. in pay roll. Pay roll chargesble to reilwey operations rose $15.7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. to $\$ 38,416,231$ from $835,197,687$.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILFAPS: Oparating revenues rose to $\$ 36,210,700$ from $\$ 32,903,100$ in March, 1948 , an advance of $\$ 5,307,600$ or $10.1 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. Operating expenses, however, increased by $16 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{c}$. or $\$ 4,963,618$ to $\$ 85,992,520$. Tex accruals were up $\$ 124,980$ to $\$ 604,685$, while hire of equipment charges eamed $\$ 151,285$ to $\$ 46,014$. Operating income wich had been $\$ 1,228,491$ in the preceding March eanic to a debit of $\$ 441,607$, a decline of $\$ 1,670,098$. The income debit on Canadian operations for the first quarter of this year was some $\$ 5,984,600$. Freight revenuee, despite a drop of $11.3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. or 707,348 tona in volume carried, improved from $\$ 25,780,000$ to $\$ 29,417,000$, a gain of 14.1 p.c. over the previous March. Ton miles registered a minor gain of $1.6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. Passenger fares were dom 12 p.c. at $\$ 2,766,400$, while the number of revenue pessengari carried was off $14.4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. at $1,532,954$ as againat $1,791,522$ one year earlier. Total pay roll wan $\$ 22,505,831$, an increase of 17.3 over March, 1948, and the number of employees rose 1.2 p.c. Irom 96,908 to 98,081 . The Onited States lines of the systam, enjoying higher frelght rates, reported an operating income of $\$ 158,007$ for Karch compared with $\$ 273,715$ in the corresponding month of 1948 . The credit from American ines roduced the syster debit iroai $\$ 441,607$ to $\$ 283,600$ compared with a credit of $\$ 1,502,206$ in the previous March. In the first quarter the syetem loes on operations was $\$ 5,830,208$ as againet $\$ 2,729,500$ in the some period laet year.

CANADIAM PACIFIC RAILTAI COMPANY: March Sevenues totalled $\$ 30,890,969$, up 9 p.c. or $\$ 2,544,828$ ovar the corresponding month of 1948 , Ith freight revenuas impriving by $\$ 2,778,720$ or 12.1 p.c., and paskanger revenues declining 14.2 p.c. or $\$ 424,207$. Mail revenue wes little changed while other accounts showed gains. All erpense 1 teas were hearler with maintemance of way and structures jumping $55.1 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. to $\$ 5,667,027$ and maintenance of equipment up 22 p.c. from $\$ 5,917,437$ to $\$ 7,220,685$. Transportation axpenses were $\$ 13,904,906$, an increase of \$1,540,785 or 12.5 p.c. over Msrch, 1948. Total operating expenses reached a new peak for the month et $429,468,297$, an advance of $18 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. On the $\$ 24,969,185$ charged one year earlier. Tax accruals ware down sharply from $\$ 1,685,532$ to 457,523 , whil hire of equipment and rents advanced. The rusulting operating income for the month wes 8813,924 compared wh th $\$ 1,565,861$ on year earliar. Tonnage of revenue froiett cerried at 4,882,125 was down 5, 8 p. c. , but
 Average journey increased frae 92 to 95 ulles. Total pay roll climbed $17.4 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. to $\mathbf{~ 1 2 6 , 4 2 1 , 9 9 2}$ for 66,900 eaplojees as against $\$ 13,986,75$ pald to 66,350 employees in March, 1948.

(Steam Lines in Canada and United States)
For the month of March, 1949


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DECEMEER, 1948

|  | Reads | Should Read |
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| Maintenance of May and Structures Total Rallway Operating Expenses Net Operating Revenue Rallway Tax Accruals Operating Income | $\begin{array}{r} 13,071,024 \\ 72,522,817 \\ 4,980,536 \\ 3,153,834 \\ 6,856,085 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 15,008,043 \\ 72,459,856 \\ 5,023,517 \\ 3,151,866 \\ 6,096,898 \end{array}$ |
| Twelve Months ended December 31, 1948 |  |  |
| Maintenance of limy and Structures | 157,200,765 | 157,157,782 |
| Total Rallway Operating Expenses | 798,474,125 | 798,411,144 |
| Net Operating Revemue | 88,074,825 | 68,157,006 |
| Ballway Tax Accoruals | 18,643,265 | 18,645,458 |
| Operatiog Incone | 54,911,327 | 34,972,140 |

