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For the third tine in their history the railways earned more than five hmared million doliars. The total for 1941 was $\$ 538,291,947$ and wes second only to $5563,75 \%, 260$ eamed in 19\%8. krelipht revenues at $\$ 421,407,815$ were a new high record, exceoding the previous peak mede in 1928 by $87,8 \% 1,529$. Although passengar traftic masured in revenu passenger miles was the heavieat since 1920 , reduced rates produced passengar revemas considarably below thoss of 1917 to 1930 inclusive. Compered with 1928 passenger -1les were up by 2 p.c., but revenues were down by 29 p.c., and compared with the peat year, 1820 , passenger miles were doma by 9 p.c., and revemues ware down by 42 p.c..

Total operating revemues increased 25.5 p .6 . over those of 1940 and oparating axpenses increased by 20.4 p.c., prowiming net opereting revenues of $\$ 184,558,405$, the largest to date, vhich is comparable with $\$ 95,855,156$ for 1940 and $\$ 121,050,990$ for 1928. The income and axcess profits tax was the waln factor in increesing tazes to $\$ 25,045,411$ as compered with $\$ 14,460,697$ in 1940 and $\% 11,151,594$ in ig28. Interest on conded and mifunded debt amonntod to $\$ 78,652,039$ as compared vith $\$ 79,786,267$ in 1840, and aftor adjusting for revisions in interest acaruad on Dominion Governent advances to the Camadian National Railways to the 1941 basis it is comparable vith $\$ 65,822,828$ in 1928.

The mot corporate income available for dividends, sinking funds and reserves, etc. amounted to $\$ 40.405,954$ as conpered with $\$ 3,759,598$ in 1940 , and after adjustmant for Canadian National interest on Curnerment edvences $\$ 57,315,151$ in 1928 and a debit of $\$ 62,654,775$ in 1932 , the worst jesu sorperiepced by the ruliweyo.

Freight trein miles increased ovec 1940 by 22.6 p.c. for an incresbe in car wies of 25.3 p.c., and in zeveme ton files of 31.9 p.c. An indication of fastar movemont is time woriced by roai freight condnctors which increased only $18.8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. The average fraight reveme per ton aile mas only 0.845 cont which wal the lowset since 1818 before the general rate increases became offectipe. This was due to reductions in rates and to a large incroase in tomage of low rate freight and in long haul freight. The tonnage of wheat

Was by far the heaviest back to 1928, and the average haul for all revenue ireight increased to 428 miles as against 387 miles in 1940, 351 miles in 1928 and 304 miles in 1929.

Passenger trafilc showed a much greater increase in 1941 than in 1940, the increases being 47 and 24 p.c. respectively. Passenger train miles increased by $16.6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. , car miles by 15.2 p.c., and the time worked by road passenger conductore by $9.5 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. The average revenue par pessenger mile was reduced to 1.86 cents, which is the lowest on record (brch th 2 inj). fiecuseri rates to the amed forces was the main factor in this decreage.

The number of employees incressed from 135,700 in 1940 to 148,746 or by 9.6 \%.c., and the pey roll increased from $\$ 14,505,163$ to $\$ 252,398,865$ or by $17.6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. The mumber of eaployees is the average of 12 counts made on the 15 th of each month or veak day following the l5th, and consequently represents the number of full-time positions.

Camparisons with 1929 data, the year of highest railway employment, show a decrease of $22.6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. in general and miscellaneous employees and a decrease of $17.0 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. in wages. Maintenance of way and structures amployees decreased by 28.1 p.c. for a decrease in wages of 21.3 pec., maintenance of equipment employees decressed by 25.4 p.c. for a decrease in wages of 18.4 p.c., end transportation amployees decreased by 12.1 p.c. for a decrease in wages of $6.9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$.

A comparison of train crew data for 1929 shows that men employed as road passenger conductorb, brakemen, beggegemen, flagmen, engineers, motaxmen, ilrecen and helpers decreased in number by 25.2 p.c., man hours worked decreased by 30.3 p.c. and wages decreased by 17.6 p.c. The ratio of decrease of wages to decrease of men was approxinstely the same as for the genaral and niscellaneous and maintenance employees.

Man employed as road freight conductors, brakemen, flagmen, enginears, motorman, firemen and helpers declined in muber by only 8.2 p.c., man hours morked decreesed by 20.2 p.c. and wages decreased by only 3.0 p.c. The gross ton miles moved by these crews increesed by $5 s$ p.c.e and revemue ton miles increased by 45 p.c.

These data give same indication of the increased aficiency in railway oparation during these 13 years by the use of heavier and faster loconotives and improved track, signals, dispatchink and operation in general. Freight cars continued to increase in average capacity but the muber bas decreased for the past decade; the decrease in box cars since 1931 bas been 40,707 in mumber or

27 p.c., and $1,260,953$ tons or 21 p.c. in capacity. Passenger equipment bas also contimued to decline. The mumber of first class passenger cars bas declined from 1,975 in 1931 to 1,886 In 1941 or by 4.5 p.c., parlour and sleaping cars declined from 1,545 to 1,123 or by 27 p.c.,


Consumption of coal by locomotives increased fram $8,138,688$ tons in 1940 to $9,988,171$ tons, but the consuaption of gasoline and diesel oil declined by 12 p.c., but it is a small part of the total fuel used. The average consuaption of coel per gross ton mile bauled by reight locomotives was reduced by nearly 15 p.c. from 1928 to 1941.

During the year 576 persons were killed in train accidents as compared with 275 in 1940 and 479 in 1928. The number of amployees included in these totals increaced from 49 in 1940 to 88 , passengers from 5 to 10 and trespassers from 95 to 130 . The number of persons infured increased from 2,070 in 1940 to 2,756, trainmen accounting for 287 and trackmen for 35 of the increase.

There vere also 27 persons ldilled and 6,790 injured in non-train accidents euch as handling material in machine shops, otc.

In accidents at railway - highway crossings 136 persons ware killed, the largest numbar aince 1928, and 430 were injured, the largest mumber since 1929. The majority of these were motoriste in accidents at umprotected crossings, although thare ware 5 parsona idilled and 8 injured at crossings protected by gates, and 20 kjlled and 61 injured at crossings protected by bells.

TABLIE 1.


| So. | Mane of Ruflusy | Totel Operating Rovemues | Total operating Expenses | wat Oparating Revenues | Raj1way tax Accrum 18 | Net operatine Incame |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | \$ | \$ | * | ¢ | - |
| 1. | Ligoma Contral ami muaison Bay | 8,676,475 | 2,752,809 | 923,666 | 60,375 | 363,298 |
| 2. | 11 ara and Jongulera | 161,241 | 123,764 | 57,477 | 10,579 | 26,898 |
| 5. | British Iukon | 554,891 | 215,702 | 129,189 | 16,122 | 105,067 |
| 4. | Canada sad Gulf Tecrinal. | 159,8\%7 | 91,468 | 48, 558 | 5,572 | 44,987 |
| 5. | Carada Southern (Leseee B.I.C.) | 16,315,485 | 10,218,748 | 6,096,735 | 1,221,750 | 4,874,985 |
| 6. | Canadian Mational | 261,826,874 | 207,445,080 | $54,888,794$ | 4,574,765 | 49,809,029 |
| 7. | Conadian Pecifle | 222,502,518 | 188,655,559 | 83,847,159 | 16,858,258 | 47,014,001 |
| 8. | Cantral Vernont | 342,251 | 224, 713 | 117.518 | 1,858 | 215,680 |
| 8. | Comberiand | 189,672 | 131,281 | 58,411 | 3,875 | 54,536 |
| 10. | Eabex Tecminal | 455,009 | 265,817 | 167,692 | 11,205 | 156,487 |
| 12. | Greater Mimipag Water Distriot | 65,628 | 84,091 | Dr. 18,472 | - $\cdot$. | Dr. 18,472 |
| 12. | gudsan Bey | 119,112 | 480,567 | D. 883,855 | 2,072 | De. 308,927 |
| 18. | Yisue Custral | 17,555 | 14,225 | 3,510 | 586 | 2,714 |
| 14. | Marltime Coal, Railway \& Power Co. | 150,951 | 69,283 | 81,668 | 21,785 | 58,958 |
| 15. | Midiand Railway of Manttoba | 260,626 | 87,871 | De. 91,845 | 80,720 | De. 122,058 |
| 16. | Yorriasey, Fernis and Mchal | 47,855 | 54,501 | 13,532 | 7,544 | 5,788 |
| 17. | Maplerville Junction | 628,607 | 347,751 | 275,876 | 109,768 | 166,108 |
| 18. | Melson and Fart Sheppard | 58,867 | 125,144 | DE. 65,477 | 18,158 | Dr. 78,686 |
| 19. | Micrethars Libeate | 8,000,780 | 2,087,993 | 812,737 | 94,887 | 827,770 |
| 80. | Ottana and Mel Iork | 152,586 | 173,217 | Ir. 40,683 | 16,001 | Ir. 56,632 |
| 21. | Pacific Great Eastera | 613,505 | 818,288 | DE. 4,678 | 1,145 | Dr. 5,823 |
| 22. | Fere llurquetto | 5,784,228 | 5,558,799 | 2,205,429 | 415,577 | 1,791,852 |
| 23. | Quebec Rativay; Ildut \& Pover Compars | 455,364 | 451,899 | 18,465 | 17,208 | Dr. 5,745 |
| 24. | Roberral sud Sazpenty | 1,896, 161 | 537,848 | 858,318 | 410,319 | 447,994 |
| 25. | St. Lawrence and Adirondack | 711,780 | 758,507 | Dr. 27,527 | 9,346 | Dr. 56,873 |
| 88. | Syimey and Loulaimars | 1,657,072 | 1,311,508 | 345,568 | 6,654 | 358,814 |
| 27. | Tendisconata | 281, 196 | 265,227 | 15,969 | \$,864 | 12,105 |
| 28. | Teuinlamins and Forthorn Ontario | 5,705,052 | 4,080,000 | 1,622,052 | 72 | 1,621,540 |
| 29. | Fhomeand Inlanda | 45,055 | 85,328 | 9,725 | 341 | 9,384 |
| 50. | Earanto, Toulltion and Buffalo | 5,212,085 | 1,660, 321 | $1,451,762$ | 219,753 | 652,ail |
| 81. | Iomanto Tareimala | 400,874 | 1,127,510 | Dr. 726,636 | 216,046 | Dr. 942,682 |
| 52. | Vencouver, Victorla and Bastern | 725,419 | 531,875 | 191,546 | 111,950 | 79,596 |
| 55. | Kehere (19 canada) | 6,987,672 | $4,902,400$ | 2,094,272 | 808 | 2,095,588 |
| 56. | Total 2941 | 588,291,947 | 408,735,542 | 134,558,405 | +25,045,411 | 109,512,984 |
| 55. | Yotal 1940 | 429,142,658 | 835,287,503 | 98, 855,156 | 14,514,456 | 79,394,459 |
| 36. | Candian Mational (Canada \& U.S.) | 304,376,778 | 237,768,457 | 66,608,341 | 6,926,513 | 59,681,828 |

f Irciviee taxes on the Lake Erie and Detroit River Reilway Company amounting to \$40,578.
$x$ Incindes Leterest on $\$ 195,345,884$ Dontuion Governanent Loans $85,646,762$.
Ix Represents all divisions of the compery.



TABLE 2.



I Drack operated under trackage righte excluded.
\& Irack operated under tracicage ilghts includad for asch railway but arciuded in total.

- Inoludes mileage of both locomotive and motor undt car dram trains.


(1) Includab Motor Unft Car M11es-2,204,015 milen es motive power, 72,052 miles as trailars in motor unit car trains and 2,008 miles in locosotive drawn trains.
(2) Included in Canadian Natiomi Resimays.
(5) Includes 855,945 miles in Non-revenue Service.
(4) Inciudes 120,780 , "
(5) Duplications arcluded.

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(1) Average of counte made each month.

+ Incindes $4,88,75 s$ for 2,500 enployees doniciled outeide of Canide.
\$ Inclufes TH,550,151 for 2,588 mplogee dousciled outelde of Cemin.


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## 1921

Irain Accidents Resulting from the Movement of Trains, Locomotives or Cars.


X - Ecludes 1,269 deys for 4 permanent disabilities.

