

Mileage and Traffic of the Canadian National Railways.—At Dec. 31, 1939, steam mileage of the Canadian National (including lines in the U.S.A. but exclusive of the Northern Alberta Railways and Toronto Terminals Railway, which are controlled jointly by the Canadian National and the Canadian Pacific Railways) was 22,494. Including the Thousand Islands Railway, 4·51 miles, and the Muskegon Railway and Navigation Co., 5·25 miles, controlled but separately operated, the total steam mileage was 22,504. Including 120·39 miles of electric lines, the grand total was 22,624.

The Maritime Freight Rates Act (17 Geo. V, c. 44).—This Act, effective July 1, 1927, ordered that the accounts of the Canadian National lines east of Lévis and Diamond Junction, Quebec, be separated from the remainder of the Canadian National system. These lines were designated the "Eastern Lines" of the Canadian National Railways. The Act ordered that specified freight rates on the Eastern Lines be reduced by 20 p.c. Other railways were allowed to make similar reductions in their freight rates in that territory and to bill on the Board of Railway (now Transport) Commissioners of Canada for the difference in freight receipts due to such reductions. The differences between the reduced rates and the normal rates are treated as revenues by the Canadian National Railways and paid by the Dominion Government. The totals paid to all railways under the Act were: \$1,353,464, \$2,758,893, \$3,092,677, \$3,615,218, \$2,554,673, \$1,922,073, \$1,989,130, \$2,529,394, \$2,348,399, \$2,505,823, \$3,182,458, \$2,582,897 and \$2,660,295, respectively, for the fiscal years 1927-39, a total of \$33,095,395.

The Quebec Bridge across the St. Lawrence above Quebec City, with a main span of 1,800 ft., carrying a single-track railway and accommodation for motor and pedestrian traffic, forms a connecting link in the Canadian National Railways system and is operated as a part of it.

19.—Canadian National Railways (Canadian and U.S. Lines) Train Traffic Statistics,¹ 1938 and 1939

Item		1938	1939
Train Mileage—			
Passenger trains.....	No.	18,722,893	18,678,336
Freight trains.....	"	27,852,951	29,707,142
Totals, Train Miles²	"	46,575,844	48,385,478
Passenger-Train Car Mileage—			
Coaches and combination.....	No.	52,100,287	52,501,150
Motor unit cars.....	"	1,442,632	1,398,977
Parlour, sleeping, and dining cars.....	"	40,930,000	38,894,637
Baggage, mail, express, etc.....	"	55,116,941	55,857,233
Totals, Passenger-Train Car Miles²	"	149,589,860	148,651,997
Freight-Train Car Mileage—			
Loaded freight-car miles.....	No.	656,686,592	734,039,378
Empty freight-car miles.....	"	316,154,057	344,051,585
Caboose miles.....	"	26,435,560	28,733,425
Totals, Freight-Train Car Miles²	"	999,276,209	1,106,824,388
Passenger Traffic—			
Passengers carried (earning revenue).....	No.	10,289,000	10,144,749
Passengers carried (earning revenue) one mile.....	"	891,594,706	875,418,448
Passenger-train miles per mile of road.....	"	791	830
Average passenger journey.....	miles	86·66	86·29
Average amount received per passenger.....	\$	1·759	1·756
Average amount received per passenger mile.....	\$	0·0203	0·0204
Average passengers per train mile.....	No.	47·62	46·87
Average passengers per car mile.....	"	9·94	9·97
Total passenger-train earnings per train mile.....	\$	1·72	1·77
Total passenger-train revenue per mile of road.....	\$	1,359·18	1,468·58

¹ Excludes electric lines.

² Work service excluded.