

UCRS NEWSLETTER - 1947

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THE ANNUAL MEETING - 1947

The regular meeting of January 17 saw the annual nominations and elections of the Directorate.
The list of Officers and the newly formed Committees is as follows:

Directorate

President:	Albert S. Olver
Vice-President:	John W. Griffin
Secretary:	R. John Bost
Treasurer:	John A. MacNab
Assistant Secretary:	John D. Knowles
Curator:	Stuart I. Westland
Directors Without Portfolio:	Arnold G. Browne, William T. Sharp, Ralph Oakley

Publications Committee

Chairman & Bulletin Editor:	John W. Griffin
News Letter Editor:	Stuart I. Westland
Correspondence Secretary:	William T. Sharp Ralph Oakley

Constitution Committee

Chairman:	John W. Griffin
Members:	Albert S. Olver William T. Sharp

Excursion Committee

Chairman:	Ralph Oakley
Members:	Arnold Browne David Dunsmore

Membership Committee

Chairman:	R. John Bost
Members:	William T. Sharp Stuart I. Westland

Programme Committee

Chairman:	Albert S. Olver
Members:	R. John Bost David Dunsmore

PASSENGER EQUIPMENT NOTES

On February 1, 1947, the CNR instituted daily except Sunday parlour car service between Toronto and Peterborough. A buffet parlour car leaves Toronto on train 94 at 5:35 pm, arriving at Peterborough at 8:40 pm. It makes the return trip on train 93, leaving Peterborough at 7:32 am

and arriving at Toronto at 10:30 am. This is a service which is well warranted in view of the growth of importance of the city of Peterborough, and also of Lindsay.

A prominent paint company has been doing experimental paint colour scheme on Ontario Northland coach 503, which is at present in the shops at North Bay. The exact nature of the work is unknown, but it is believed that both an interior and exterior application are being made.

R. J. Bost

➤ The Society meets the third Friday of each month in room 486, Toronto Union Station. The next meeting will be held on February 21st. It will be featured by the showing of films.

DOODLES FROM THE SECRETARY'S SCRATCH PAD

Greetings to All Fellow Members:

It is my opinion that a brief report should be made regularly throughout the year to the members of the Society by the Directorate through one of the Directors, and I imagine that most of you concur in this. You will no doubt be elated to know that I shall be coming to all of you through the medium of this informal monthly column, appearing through the courtesy of that most noble figure, our News Letter Editor.

It seems that in the opening rush of the New Year with the assumption of duties and all their accompanying complications, I have missed the January issue of the N.L. However, having at last got things in shape with the proverbial ball now rolling up a substantial number of r.p.m., I should like to begin this series with a fervent appeal to all on behalf of the cause which is considered one of the most important items within the jurisdiction of the Directorate, and that is the Society membership. It is true that the UCRS has grown steadily apace in enrolment, but I for one should like to see this steady growth become more voluminous during the majestic New Year which lies stretched before us.

There are two things whereby a member may help out his Society towards this end — in the first place, if each member will take it upon himself to enrol at least one new regular or associate member during the course of the year as a personal obligation to his fellow members, our total membership (now approximately 76) could be doubled. I do not, I think, need to hold forth about the multiplicity of advantages in increased, if not doubled membership. And secondly, to retain the present membership, and to attract new members, it is nothing short of the duty of each member to contribute some of his time and ability towards Society activities. In this regard the regular members can best help out by making the meetings more attractive and by contributing items of local interest to this News Letter, and the Associate Members, by interesting those with whom they come in contact in everyday life, in the Society's affairs, and by sending in any news of interest in their locality. To help you out follows, the Society is at present at work on a new prospectus form which you will be able to use to good advantage I am sure

I promise not to be so verbose in future columns, but the mighty crusade for membership always leads me to ramble on. I'll close now for this month with the best wishes to all for the New Year, and don't forgot to pay your dues!

R. J. Bost

G.R.R. - L.E. & N. NOTES

Car 826 is at Port Dover, Ontario being used as a temporary station, pending construction of a new station there. It has not been removed from its trucks. Work on the rehabilitation of the two recently acquired Salt Lake & Utah locomotives is under way.

A STRANGER IN OUR MIDST

Lackawanna Mikado 2135 has been on loan to the CNR recently, and has been working in and out of Toronto. (Spotted by the Editor at Danforth yard.)