

Mr. Graves, Chairman of the Committee, extended an invitation to hold the next meeting in Canada, and it was the consensus of opinion of the Committee that the next meeting should be held at Quebec on June 1 and 2, which would give the members an opportunity to attend the Convention of the Canadian Electric Railway Association.

### CHICAGO COMPANY SECTION

The regular April meeting of the Chicago Elevated Railroads Company Section No. 6 was held on the evening of April 27. The attendance was 85.

The meeting was opened with a report on membership by the secretary, showing that 31 new members have joined the Section since January 1, 1922, and that the total membership as of April 27th was 269.

The speaker of the evening was Mr. H. B. Gear of the Commonwealth Edison Company, and his subject was the "Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Electrification." The talk was illustrated with moving pictures showing many of the hydro-electric stations which furnish power to the railroad's electrified zones. Mr. Gear also gave a very interesting description of the processes of mining, smelting and refining copper as used by the Anaconda Copper Company.

President Kretschmer then called upon Mr. H. A. Johnson, Organization Engineer, to give an account of his recent trip over the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Electrification. Mr. Johnson responded and said that what had most impressed him on his trip was the remarkable organization of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, the Butte, Anaconda and Pacific Railroad and the Montana Power Company, especially in the manner in which the employees of these organizations worked together.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p. m.

### CONNECTICUT COMPANY SECTION

The Connecticut Company Section No. 7 held its May meeting at Hartford, Conn., May 11.

The Program Committee had planned to make this meeting an exclusively Connecticut Company affair, and in this they were successful. The meeting was held on Connecticut Company property, the speakers, with the exception of the Mayor of Hartford, were all employees of the Connecticut Company, and the dinner was prepared and served by ladies of the Hartford Division.

The meeting opened at 5:00 p. m. in the Wethersfield avenue carhouse with an open air concert by the Connecticut Company Section band of thirty-two pieces; all of the mem-

bers of the band being members of the Connecticut Company. The quality of the music was all that could be desired, and the section is to be congratulated on the development of such an organization.

After the concert the members assembled in the auditorium of the carhouse, where a good dinner was waiting for the 248 members and guests.

Mr. S. W. Baldwin presided and introduced Mayor Kinsella of Hartford, who welcomed the members to the city and referred to the early history of the street railway industry, comparing it with the present car service, which he stated was very satisfactory.

The speakers who followed were all members of the Connecticut Company Section. First came Mr. N. J. Scott, who reviewed his first year's work at Manager of the Hartford Division. Then Mr. Ralph Martin, Traffic Engineer, read a paper on "Checking Traffic by Street Observation," indicating that the Connecticut Company was keeping in close touch with the riding habit of the public. Next Mr. H. Jackson Tippet, Division Engineer and Mr. F. P. McKaig, Roadmaster of the Hartford Division read papers on "History of Track and Pavement Construction." Mr. Leslie Spraggon, Supervisor of Equipment, took for his subject "Railway Equipment and Shop Efficiency," and showed by figures prepared for the occasion the decrease in maintenance cost of equipment since 1915. Mr. Joseph F. Berry, formerly attorney for the Connecticut Company, related some amusing incidents of his court experience.

Finally Mr. L. S. Storrs, President of the Connecticut Company, was called on to speak, and in his usual cheerful and frank manner cautioned the employees to have in mind at all times that the principal thing in their work should be "better service to the public."

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p. m.

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