

30
40
C

Tuesday, January 21st., 1930.

A General Meeting of the Society was held on the above date at the Engineering Societies Building in New York City.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8.30 P. M.

Mr. Oliver presented a report of the Exhibition Finances, and also stated that a complete financial report would be presented at the February Meeting. A copy of Mr. Oliver's report is attached hereto.

A recess was called so that the new members and visitors could become acquainted with the elder members.

After the recess a competition was held between Messrs Lockwood and Hahl to see which internal combustion engine gave the better performance. The decision was awarded to Mr. Lockwood.

Mr. Crenkhite offered a proposal which was seconded by Messrs Icken and Helt. A copy of this proposal is attached hereto.

Messrs Herrescheff and Smith objected to the proposal and said that all work done by this Committee must be done as a sub-committee of the Society.

Mr. Cheney stated that the members of that committee must be members of the Society but assigned to work only in that committee.

Mr. Oliver interpreted the articles of the By-Laws and Constitution of the Society regarding Membership in the Society.

Mr. Crenkhite offered the explanation that the proposal was drawn up as a suggestion and the name only as a matter of form.

Mr. Elliott replied that it was not feasible nor possible for the Society to carry associate members.

Mr. Maggett objected to Associate Members as not being acceptable to the rest.

Mr. Elliott ordered that the proposal be withdrawn, and the above transactions regarding same be stricken from the records. He ordered that the proposal be brought up for reconsideration at the February Meeting.

Messrs Smith and Oliver seconded this. Motion passed.

The Report of the Competition Committee at the Exhibition was read. A copy of same is attached hereto.

100

NEW YORK SOCIETY OF MODEL ENGINEERS

RESOLVED: -

THAT a division of this Society be formed and to be called The American Model Railway Association.

THAT the object of the Association be to promote Model Railway interest in the United States, to set standards, to recommend methods and practices and to promote the interchange of ideas in the Model Railway field.

THAT the Chairman appoint a committee of three who shall choose among them a Secretary.

THAT the Secretary shall record the findings of this committee and shall make a report to the Society at each regular meeting of such findings.

THAT the Association may secure additional members not already members of the Society at dues to be fixed later. Such new members to become Associate Members of the Society.

X
K
2

REPORT OF THE JUDGES FOR THE COMPETITION
OF MODELS AT THE SECOND ANNUAL
EXHIBITION.

We, the Undersigned, being the duly appointed judges for the Models submitted for competition the the Second Annual Exhibition of the New York Society of Model Engineers, held at the Knickerbocker Building in the New City of New York, after having duly inspected and examined the aforementioned models, do hereby give the following decisions.

In as much as the models submitted for competition belong in several different groups, our task has been a hard one.

The Grand Prize was awarded to Milton Crenkrite for his quarter scale locomotives and railroad rolling stock.

The First Prize in the Locomotive Section was awarded to J. Mathews for his 3/4 Scale Atlantic Type Coal Fired Locomotive.

The First Prize in the Railroad Rolling Stock Competition was awarded to Henry O. Havemeyer, Jr. for his Business Administration Car.

The Marine prize was split between Henry O. Havemeyer, Jr., and F. Schlirf because the models submitted being in different classes, and both classes being 100% perfect.

Our Decisions were handed to the Chairman of the Society on Saturday, December 21st., 1929.

Signed

Berthold Audsley
W. Edmonds Spen
Charles B. Cheney.

X
2

Tuesday, February 11th., 1930.

Since the January Meeting, the Society has secured permanent Headquarters in the Knickerbocker Building, New York City. All future Meetings will be held at the new address.

On the above date, the meeting was called to order at 8.30 P. M. This Meeting is more of a housewarming than that of a business meeting.

A Vote of Thanks was given to Mr. Crenkhite for his past favors. to the Society.

Secretaries for the Railway and Marine Committees were elected.

Mr. Lockwood for the Marine Committee which meets on the first Tuesday of every Month.

Mr. Cleary for the Railway Committee which meets on the Second Tuesday of every month.

The Aviation Committee to be elected later.

The General Meeting of the Society will be held as heretofore on the fourth Tuesday of the Month.

The above schedule will not go into effect until March 1st., 1930.

Mr. Elliott asked for contributions, in as much the expenses of the Society were very large due to moving to new quarters.

Mr. Hewett proposed that advertising displays of these firms and manufacturers who supply medals, parts, castings, etc for medelmakers be accepted at a rental price. Details to be gone into later.

It was moved and passed that a passenger carrying track be first constructed.

A Rising vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Grimke for his past work at the announcement by Mr. Elliott that Mr. Grimke had resigned from all active work in the Society for the present.

Mr. Tennisweed announced that the Miniature Fair of the Iron Horse at Greenwich Cenn, originally scheduled for Feb 15th. and 16th. had been postponed until May. Notices and Dates to be given later.

The Meeting adjourned at 11.30 P. M.

Feb. 17, February 15th., 1930.

X
X
X

Minutes of the Railway Committee Meeting, Feb., 11th., 1930.

After the General Meeting held on this evening, Mr. Elliott asked those interested in Model Railroads to meet with the Chairman of the Railway Committee, Mr. Cheney, to discuss rail layouts and displays and to submit their ideas to the Society. It was suggested by Mr. Elliott that the main room of the Society was to be used for permanent displays of railroad models and the necessary trackage laid down for the operation of these displays and for use of the members of the Society.

After order was established, it was suggested that a recording secretary be appointed by vote. Mr. T. C. Tenniswood and Mr. Cleary were nominated. A vote was cast, and Mr. Cleary elected. This position to hold only until the elections in April.

It was then suggested that the that a Meeting of the Railway Committee be held every second Tuesday in the month at eight o'clock in the evening at the Society's Rooms. This was moved, passed and Seconded. All interested are invited and will be cordially welcomed.

Suggestions were then asked for suitable layouts, adaptable for all gauges and uses, with the idea that they would be permanently built. Mr. Tolsted offered the Society 99' of straight and 150' of curved 2 1/2" gauge track with the understanding that he could run his engines over it from time to time. This was agreed to by the Committee and a vote of thanks were given to Mr. Tolsted.

It was suggested that a passenger carrying straight track be laid down the length of the room and a request of working drawings from the members for the necessary benches to carry this multi-gauge track. It was decided that 2 1/2" and 1 3/4" gauges be laid for this work but sufficient room be left for larger gauges if desired.

It was also suggested that the Society's multi-gauge circular track on a suitable table, be set up in the room, location depending upon other layouts.

Members interested in "O" gauge suggested that they build a loop, but this was left open until the next meeting.

In order to defray the costs of the track installations, it was suggested that each member of the Society interested in model railways, subscribe twenty-five cents each week until the work was completed and paid for. This was not voted on but was an idea to help pay for the materials needed. Other suggestions are in order and so are donations.

The Meeting broke up at eleven o'clock and members were asked to give these matters further thought. There will be another meeting of the R. R. Committee after the General Business Meeting on Feb. 25th., at which time definite plans will be made and work started.

74-45

Tuesday, February 25th., 1930.

A General Meeting of the Society was held on the above date in the Society's Headquarters in the Knickerbocker Building in New York City.

The Meeting was called to order at 8.30 P. M. by the Chairman.

It was announced that the Marinee Committee Meetings will be held on the First Tuesday of every month. The Railway Committees Meetings will be held on the Second Tuesday of the Month. The General Society Meetings will be held on the Fourth Tuesday as heretefore.

Mr. Elliott requested that donations of any amount be contributed towards furnishing the Society's headquarters. This was the second time that he had had to request this, and, he hoped that it would be the last.

Mr. Holt offered to supply all the necessary rail for building the Society passenger carrying test track.

The Amendment to Article 111 of the by-laws was brought to the attention of the floor. The Amendment, according to the requirements was tabled from the January Meeting. The Amendment was passed.

Mr. Cleary read the report of the Railway Committee.

The Application of Mr. Percival Gayle was brought before the open meeting. After considerable discussion, the application was rejected on the grounds that a precedent would be established.

The Meeting adjourned at 10.30 P. M.

Mr. Tolsted was appointed to take care of the shipping of Models to Buffale for the Buffale Exhibition.

At Mr. Spen's suggestion, a rummage sale will be held on the March Meeting.

Mr. Cilver replied that this would not be necessary, inasmuch as the same results would be derived.

The Meeting adjourned at 11.00 P.M.

47

Tuesday, March 25th., 1930. of information as to the press-
officials.

A General Meeting of the Society was held on the above date at the Society Headquarters in the Knickerbecker Building, New York City.

The Meeting was called to order at 8.30 PM.

Messrs Grimke, Thorpe and Tenniswood were appointed to serve as an Election Committee during the Nomination and election of officers for the coming year.

It was announced that a bid of thirtydollars had been received for all material to build a fourty foot testing track. It was also estimated that the tables for the exhibition track will cost about eighty dollars.

The rummage sale will be held at the close of this meeting.

Mr. C. S. Swanson of the Chicago Society was present as a visitor. He was asked to give a short talk, and let us know something about the Chicago Society.

The Nomination of candidates for offices in the Society for the year of 1930-31 was now placed before the Chair. Messrs Grimke, Thorpe and Tenniswood took Charge. A copy of the ballot is attached herete.

Mr. Zimmer asked permission to say a few things. He said that due to the Exhibition Deficit, the financial affairs of the Society had been taken care of in a very lax manner, and therefore had a proposal to make. That two men be appointed to run the Society while it was being placed on its feet again. He therefore suggested that Mr. Holt be appointed to run the Society, and that Mr. Dobler be appointed Treasurer and Secretary.

Mr. Hewett replied that that would not be remedying matters. the only thing to do was to keep the present officials in office, and a vote of confidence be placed in them.

Mr. Grimke took the stand that Mr. Zimmer's remarks cast reflection upon his actions while he served the Society in the position of Treasurer.

Mr. Cleary backed Mr. Hewett and openly demanded that a vote of thanks be given to the officials. Mr. Hewett Secended this and the vote was passed.

Mr. Elliott stated that while he was responsible to the Society, it would not be run by two men. It would be run by all the members. He said that it would not be a two man outfit, while he had anything to say about it.

Mr. Spon asked for a point of information as to the procedure of electing Officials.

Mr. Hewett stated that the Constitution be amended so as to include a Railroad Secretary among the Officials of the Society.

Mr. Tolstead arose to say that so far he had not obtained any responses in reference to shipping Models to Buffalo. (Declined)

After the Nominations had been re-opened so that more candidates could be added to the Official Ballett, the meeting was adjourned.

A. Audley	Tenniswood	Hewett
E. Thorne	Cleary	Oliver

Nominations closed by Audley and Cleary

H. Grant	Alexander	Cleary	None with in.
C. Harwood	Tenniswood	Cleary	(Withdrawn)
A. Cleary	Oliver	Oliver	
D. Smith	Cleary	Audley	
V. Deane	Oliver	Hewett	
F. Elmer	Cleary	Oliver	

Nominations closed by Tolstead and Alexander

A. Oliver	Oliver	Oliver	
-----------	--------	--------	--

Nominations closed by Tolstead and Alexander

Nominations of Officials for the year of 1930-1931.

For Chairman

W. Elliott Prop by Cleary. Sec. by Tennisweed
D. Hewett " " " " " "

Nominations closed by Telsted & Tennisweed, but later reopened by ----- to include Mr. Hewett.

For Recording Secretary

F. Grimke " " Cleary " " Tennisweed (Declined)
M. Cleary " " Alexander " " Spen "
D. Hewett " " Elliott " " Spen "
F. Icken " " ----- " " Spen "
B. Audsley " " Tennisweed " " Hewett "
E. Therpe " " Cleary " " Oliver "

Nominations closed by Audsley and Cleary

For General Secretary

M. Cronkhite " " Alexander " " Cleary. Name wdr'n.
C. Karthaeuser " " Tennisweed " " Cleary (Withdrawn)
M. Cleary " " Spen " " Oliver
G. Cotillieard " " Spen " " Audsley
J. Dobler " " Icken " " Hewett "
F. Zimmer " " Cleary " " Spen "

Nominations closed by Telsted and Liemandt

For Treasurer

H. Oliver " " Elliott " " Spen
D. Hewett " " Spen " " Cleary

Nominations closed by ----- and -----

For Marine Secretary

F. Zimmer " " Tennisweed " " Cleary "
G. Lockweed " " Oliver " " Grimke "
O. Heimberger " " Lockweed " " Oliver "

Nominations closed by Hewett and Liemandt

For Director

M. Cronkhite " " Tennisweed " " Cleary
E. Alexander " " Icken " " -----
F. Icken " " Cleary " " Tennisweed

Nominations closed by Liemandt and Audsley

46
50

The approximate results of the Exhibition held December 16th to December 29th inclusive are as follows:

The total receipts from admissions, rentals of space, program sales etc. were around \$500.00 and the total expenses including advertising, etc. were a little over \$1,000.00 leaving a deficit of approximately \$500.00.

The accounts of the Exhibit have not been audited as yet due to the illness of our auditor, Mr. Oliver, but as soon as these figures are checked and proven, the final itemized results will be given to all members. These figures should be available by the next meeting.

We believe that the reason for a deficit instead of a profit being shown by this exhibit was due to primarily two causes:

1. The fact that a license was not obtained for last years Exhibit caused a bit of trouble and expense in regard to the obtaining a license this year.
2. The weather for the first week of the Exhibit was as you all remember, very bad for walking and the majority of people did not go anywhere if they did not absolutely have to go. Incidentally, I may add that this slump was noticed in the various theatre box office receipts for this week all over the metropolitan area.

It is my opinion that the same Exhibit held under more favorable circumstances would have easily shown a decided profit for the Society instead of the loss, and I am sure that next years Exhibit will show a much better result than this year.

59

The Railroad Committee convened on April 14th. and Mr. Cheney presided.

The matter of raising funds for the building of the model O gauge railroad was brought up. Ways and Means were discussed.

It was suggested that each member donate a certain amount of money each week or each month, as much as they felt that they could afford; the same was to be given each week or each month and to be in the form of a subscription. Other suggestions were made as out and out donations, etc. It was estimated that the Committee could count on about thirty dollars per month on the subscription basis, if every member gave only as much as one dollar per month.

The matter of the gauge track layout came up. Many diagrams were drawn on the blackboard and much time was spent in figuring out scale curves. It was finally decided that a loop be put up the length of the large room, with eight feet radius curves at each end, and the outside track returning towards the wall track so as to save as much floor space as possible.

As the money question has still to be settled at this meeting, nothing further could be done about ordering tables for the O gauge layout. The meeting broke up quite late. We suggest that those interested in this matter attend the next Railroad Committee Meeting on May 12th.

52

Tuesday, April 22nd., 1930.

A General Meeting of the Society was held on this date at the Enickerbocker Building, New York City.

At this meeting, the election of officers for 1930-1931 was held. The Meeting was called to order at 8.30 P. M. Messrs Grinke, Cheney, Tolsted, Barker, Audsley and Vincent presiding.

After all of the Ballots had been cast, a recess was called while the above Committee adjourned and counted the ballots.

The Results are as follows

Total number of ballots cast, 49.

For Chairman

Mr. Elliott 43
Mr. Hewett 5

For Marine Sec.

Mr. Lockwood 43
Mr. Heimberger 3

For Recording Sec.

Mr. Therpe 27
Mr. Hewett 21

For Treasurer

Mr. Hewett 9
Mr. Oliver 39

For General Secretary

Mr. Cleary 35
Mr. Cettillieard 12

For Director

Mr. Crankhite 23
Mr. Icken 13
Mr. Alexander 11

Upon a revoting to see whether Mr. Icken or Mr. Alexander would fill another vacancy, Mr. Icken 22 Mr. Alexander 8.

Attached hereto is a copy of the report of the Railway Committee which Mr. Cleary read.

Mr. Elliott announced, that, since the last meeting, Mr. Zimmer had resigned as a member of the Society Mr. Icken was elected to fill his vacancy on the Board of Directors.

As there was no more business to transact, the Meeting adjourned.

52
5/3/

There are no recorded minutes and records of the proceedings of the General Society, Executive Board and Executive Committee due to the fact the Recording Secretary Mr. E. E. Thorpe neglected to file same for May, June, July and August, and also on account of his absence from the City of New York. That all the money he received had been spent. It is essential that all members of the Railway Committee should live up to their obligations.

A Financial Statement was read out, expenditure only, a total sum of one hundred fifty-five dollars and twenty three cents ~~had been made~~. Only one hundred and twenty one dollars had been received. There is a deficit of thirty four dollars and three cents.

The Chairman announced that all the current dues had not been received, and it was hoped that members will rectify that condition.

It was stated that until the Exhibition deficit be paid to Mr. Holt was made, there would be no further expenditures.

59

A General Meeting of the Society was held on the Evening of September 24th., 1930.

It was reported that the group interested in the O gauge railway had agreed to give so much per week or month. And that all the money so received had been spent. However it essential that all members of the railway Committee should live up to their obligations.

A Financial Statement was read out.

expenditure

Today, a total ~~sum~~ of one hundred fifty-five dollars and twenty three cents ~~received~~ had been made. Only one hundred and twenty one dollars had been received. There is a deficit of thirty ~~four~~ dollars and twenty-three cents.

The Chairman announced that all the current dues had not been received, and it was hoped that members will rectify that condition.

It was stated that until the Exhibition Deficit be paid to Mr Holt was made, there would be no further expenditures.

If the Society as a whole wanted another Exhibition, it would be discussed by the Executive Board. Mr Cronkhite proposed that another Exhibition be held.

A recess was called.

The Financial Statement was read. The Society has a cash balance of \$ 66.14.

The Meeting Adjourned as there was no further business to be taken up.

A Meeting of the Executive Board was held on the Evening of Tuesday, October 7th., 1930.

The Meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 8.50 P.M.

Messrs Elliott, Dobler, Cronkhite, Tolsted and Icken were present. Mr. Tolsted, Acting General Secretary of the Society was designated to record the minutes of the Meeting.

Mr. Tolsted was elected General Secretary for the Society to replace Mr. Cleary who had previously resigned. Mr. Tolsted was also appointed ~~taxik~~ a member of the Executive Board.

Mr. Grimke was unanimously elected to replace Mr. E. E. Thorpe as Recording Secretary of the Society.

It was the unanimous vote of the Executive Board that any expenditure less than twenty-five dollars may be approved for payment by the Chairman and the Treasurer may pay same upon the Chairman's approval, subject to the later approval by the Executive Board as provided in Article IV, Section 2 of the Constitution. Amounts exceeding twenty-five dollars must be approved by the Executive Board before payment by the Treasurer.

The possibility of devising an accounting system which would require less time on the part of the Treasurer and at the same time be more easily understood by the members was discussed and it was agreed that each member should give thought to this matter prior to the next meeting of the Board and that Mr. Tolsted should review the subject and, if possible, submit a modified and simpler system.

It was voted that the Recording Secretary be appointed to record the minutes of the Executive Committee and the Executive Board.

The final business for discussion was the proposed Exhibition.

It was finally decided to hold such an Exhibition provided subscriptions can be received in advance for a sum not less than three hundred and fifty dollars.

A Meeting of the Executive Board was held on the evening of Tuesday, October 21st., 1930.

The Meeting was called to order at 8:15. P. M.

The report of the previous meeting was read and accepted, but with the words "Recording Secretary be substituted for Treasurer"

It was passed that the receipt book stubs be numbered.

It was passed that the Cash Account to be the Account of Original Entry for all cash transactions. All non cash transactions to be entered in the Journal.

It was passed that Postings to be made from the Cash Account to individual Ledger Accounts and from Journal Entries to Individual Ledger Accounts but not from Journal Accounts to Cash Accounts or vice versa.

It was passed that postings from receipt stubs to Cash Account to indicate stub numbers.

All Accounts to be cash accounts whether income or expenditure with no asset or liability accounts except Memoranda Account.

It was moved that the above procedure be adapted by the present Treasurer and to be used for guidance by future Treasurers and subject to change as the Executive Board may direct.

The above motion was seconded and passed.

Receipt Books to be numbered consecutively. The Treasurer receives the money and makes out receipt. The receipt is handed to the Secretary. The Secretary makes out the Membership Card. The receipt is for the Secretary's own records.

It was also passed that the paragraph referring to Cronkrite be withdrawn.

22
A General Meeting of the Society was held on the Evening of Tuesday, October 28th.

The Meeting was called to order at 8:30.

A Financial Statement was read.

It was decided to hold an Exhibition. The only expenses will be the necessary carpentry work. All Publicity will be free. Mr. Cronkrite proposed the Exhibition be held from February 11th. to 25th. inclusively. Mr. Tolsted seconded.

The Executive Board will be permitted to appoint the necessary Exhibition Committee.

An Invitation was extended to the Society to visit the Museum of Peaceful Arts. The same is located in the Daily News Building.

It was recommended that the Society have a dinner before the opening of the Exhibition.

Mr. Dobler suggested that colations be given at the end of each meeting.

Mr. Dobler was appointed Steward for the Society.

Mr. Tolsted submitted a report on the cost of Electrifying the Track.

Mr. Spon proposed that the Railroad Committee rent the Track Tables to the Society during the run of the Exhibition.

Mr. Spon withdrew his proposal and proposed that if the deficit be cancelled, the Society would have permission to use the track during the duration of the Exhibition. Mr. Jennings seconded this proposal. Motion passed.

It was moved, passed and seconded that the Railroad Committee be given a vote of thanks for the work accomplished, and that any further question about same to be referred to the Railroad Committee.

Mr. Oliver moved that a recess be declared while the Track Committee convened.

The General Meeting adjourned, and the Railroad Committee convened.

Due to the lateness of the hour, the General Society did not reconvene.

57

MEETING OF THE RAILROAD COMMITTEE
November 11, 1930

The meeting was called to order at 9:15
Mr. Nixon was selected as Acting Secretary.

Mr. Tolsted presided.

Mr. Grieb reported in behalf of the members who visited Mr. Cronkhites railroad on Sunday, November 1. Mr. Cronkhites method of mounting third rail was noted with particular interest and notes were taken on the type of mounting and measurements of the rail.

Different types of third rail and prices were discussed. Four possible methods were arrived at. They are as follows-----

Standard rail, including the lead castings	3 feet	300 feet
Eighth inch square brass "	" "	\$56.36
" " " " using brass screws for mtg	\$.15	\$45.00
" " " " making our own castings	\$.06	\$18.00
	\$.03	\$ 9.72

Various methods of raising funds for the completion of sufficient railroad to show at the exhibit were discussed.

In connection with the above types of third rail, Mr. Alexander offered to provide the standard third rail with castings for mounting -- payment to be made by a plan to be decided upon at a later date.

Mr. Dobler put Mr. Alexander's suggestion in the form of a motion.

Mr. Nixon seconded the motion.

The motion was accepted unanimously.

Mr. Dobler moved that the funds collected from the Railroad division for their own use be kept separate from the general fund of the Society, and that the Railroad division nominate a Treasurer to take care of the funds collected.

Mr. Grieb seconded the motion.

The motion was accepted unanimously.

Mr. Beason suggested the installation of a telephone--either a private phone or a coin box and offered to pay the cost of installation.

Mr. Mager suggested that the Constitution of the Society be amended so that each Section of the Society have membership on the Board of Directors of the Society in proportion to membership in the Section

Respectfully submitted

James K. Nixon
Acting Secretary

Report of the Executive Board Meeting held on Tuesday Evening November 25th., 1930.

The Meeting of the Executive Board was called to order at 8.00 P. M. by Mr. Elliott.

Messrs Icken, Lockwood, Tolsted Elliott, Cronkhite, Dobler, Oliver and Grimke were present.

The report of the previous meeting was read The Report of the Meeting of the Railway Committee held the previous week was also read.

Mr. Tolsted said that the Railroad Committee would work out plans for finishing the Track. They also betook it upon themselves the expenditure for Third Rail without consulting the Board of Directors.

Mr. Dobler stated that Mr. Cheney asked him to ask Mr. Elliott to relieve him of his duties as head of the Railway Committee.

Mr. Dobler was appointed to serve as head of the Railway Committee until next April. Mr. Tolsted to remain as Construction Foreman.

The Railroad Committee were to organize at their next meeting so that they could be placed upon a formal basis as a Committee of the Society.

Mr. Cronkhite presented his resignation as a Member of the Executive Board due to his absence from the City. A letter of thanks to be written to Mr. Cronkhite. *Moved by Tolsted / Seconded*

Mr. Grand was appointed to fill Mr. Cronkhite unexpired time. Proposed by Mr. Oliver and Seconded by Mr. Icken.

Mr. Dobler was asked by Mr. Elliott to tell the Railway Committee that the Society and the Board of Directors expected of them and that they could expect from the Society.

The Personell of the Railway Committee is to be taken up at the next Board Meeting.

Mr. Dobler wanted to know at what point is started.

Mr. Cronkhite said that the track should be shortened at point of Turnout.

A General Meeting of the Society was held upon the evening of Tuesday, November 25th. 1930.

The Meeting was called to order at 8.30 P. M.

A Report of the previous meeting was read

A Vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Dobler for his donation of a multi-tap Transformer and Rotary Converter.

Ideas for occupying space at the forecoming Exhibition will be considered. Mr. Tolsted had drawn up a tentative layout. All questions regarding same are to be referred to the General Secretary.

Mr. Dobler stated that at the next meeting there will be an aircompressor ready for member's use.

It was announced that Mr. Dobler had been appointed to head the Railway Committee. Mr. Tolsted to still have charge of construction.

Mr. Tolsted objected to shifting the Track for the Exhibition on account of the work it entailed.

Mr. Dobler stated that it was possible to shorten the track for the duration of the Exhibition and to be restored to its former condition at the termination of the Exhibition.

Mr. Tolsted objected.

Mr. Cronkhite said that it was undesirable to build additional track and use existing track and make a smaller loop on account of the additional expense

Mr. Icken agreed with Mr. Dobler and Mr. Icken.

Mr. Alexander was in favor of the alterations.

Mr. Spon proposed and seconded by Mr. Grant that the Track be moved down to complete the circle.

Mr. Dobler wanted to know at what point to shorten.

Mr. Cronkhite said that the Track should be shortened at the point of Turnout.

Mr. Tolsted objected on account of the wasting and discarding the work already done.

A vote was taken on Mr. Spon's proposal. Nine were in favor of it. Four were against it.

Mr. Tolsted offered his resignation as Foreman of Construction

Mr. Alexander wanted to know the number of straight sections to be included in the loop.

Mr. Cronkhite stated that no more straight track was available for ten or twelve weeks

6
Here was a meeting of the Executive Board
December 15th., 1930.

Mr. Tolsted stated that the Chicago Society was holding their exhibition and would be pleased to receive any models that would be sent to them.

All further questions pertaining to the Track will be taken up at the next meeting of the Railway Committee.

~~The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P. M.~~

Mr. Eger offered a resolution which reads as follows

"Members of the Society or Visitors, operating or handling models and damaging same will be held individually responsible for replacing same in condition satisfactory to the owner. In case of disagreement the Chairman will appoint a Committee to determine the responsibility and to fix the damage. Persons not willing to abide by this rule must not handle the models or expose themselves to the possibility of damaging them. If a person or persons handle or operate models, it will signify that they are willing to accept the responsibility for them. Persons handling Electrical Equipment or other Equipment do so at their own risk.

The Alternating Current Equipment, including especially the Transformer is more or less complicated and should not be operated excepting in the presence of and under the direction of some person thoroughly competent to understand and direct the operation of same.

Tools that are broken must be immediately replaced by the person or persons causing the damage.

In order to reduce the likelihood of damage to rolling stock, it is suggested that scale speeds be limited to 100 miles per hour.

The Meeting adjourned at 10:30 P. M.

63

Memorandum of Agreement between the New York Society of Model Engineers and Elmer B. Tolsted concerning the loan of certain relays, track and other equipment to be noted later by receipts at such times as these materials are turned over to the N. Y. S. M. E.

Elmer B. Tolsted lends the above materials, for which the N. Y. S. M. E. agrees to give the proper receipts and the N. Y. S. M. E. accepts the same upon the understanding that;

1. All expenses necessary to getting these materials or any portion of them from Chicago to be born by the N. Y. S. M. E.
2. All expenses of returning the relays to Chicago are to be born by the N. Y. S. M. E. at such times as they are to be returned to Elmer B. Tolsted.
3. Breakage, other than wear and tear from ordinary use are to be made good by the N. Y. S. M. E.
4. All materials loaned are to be left with the N. Y. S. M. E. for a period of at least six months, and, after that time has elapsed must be returned to Elmer B. Tolsted if he so designates, without process of law or expense to Elmer B. Tolsted.
5. This agreement is to be binding upon the heirs and assigns of the two parties.

67
A Meeting of the Executive Board was held on the Evening of Tuesday, December 16th., 1930.

The Meeting was called to order at 8:00 P. M.

When a quorum was present, there would be some things to take up. 1930 minutes

It was decided that Models for the Exhibition would be received as soon as it was possible make room to take suitable care of them.

Mr. Oliver reported that the funds of the Society was deposited in the Bank of the United States.

It was decided that Mr. Spon would handle all matters pertaining to the Trade Exhibits.

It was also decided to request the Members of the Society to offer their services, in preparing for the Exhibition.

It was decided that when a quorum was present, the Board of Directors will make the necessary agreement between the Society and Mr. Tolsted concerning the loan of Mr. Tolsted's relays .

Mr. Grant moved that the Booths for the Exhibition should be made by the Members of the Society.

It was announced that after the Exhibition, a Lathe would be set up permanently and that two or three evenings would be devoted to the instruction and use of same.

Record and Minutes of the Meeting of the Society for
December 1930 missing.