

A General Meeting of the Society was held on the evening of Tuesday, January 10th., 1931.

The Meeting was called to order at 8.00 PM.

Mr. Dobler stated that he had a quotation of \$31.70 for all the lumber necessary for the Exhibition. He also received from the Travellers Insurance Company a quotation of \$100.00 premium for \$20,000 Insurance for the duration of the Exhibition.

It was moved and passed that Mr. Elliott, Mr. Oliver and any two members of the Society were permitted to approve of expenditures up to a total sum of \$100.00 for the Exhibition, exclusive of the forty dollars contributed at this meeting.

Mr. Tolsted read Mr. King's letter regarding the two prizes offered for competitions in the Exhibition.

The question of Mr. Cronkhite's original proposal for a Committee of Standards was read. Mr. Icken, Mr. Holt and Mr. Cronkhite were appointed members of a committee to work up the standards.

The proposal for the above committee was worded as follows

"It was moved by Mr. Cronkhite that at the next Session of the Railway Section of the Society that a Committee of Three, one of which was elected by the Society and one from the Trade and one other be appointed by those interested to set Standards and Tolerances and bring those findings to the Members of the Society for publication and issued to those who are interested. The operation of this Committee to be in accordance with rules regulations and conduct for such a Committee."

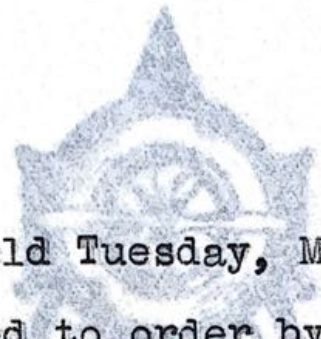
The above motion was seconded by Mr. Tenniswood. Motion passed.

The Above Committee to be operative until April First, 1931.

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There was no general Meeting of the Society for the Month of February 1931 due to the Exhibition being held this month.

Official
W. ELLIOTT, Chairman
M. DUNN, Treas.
L. CLARY, Gen. Sec'y.
LAWWOOD, Min. Sec'y.



Report of the Meeting held Tuesday, March 10th 1930.

The Meeting was called to order by the Chairman, and the Exhibition Financial Statement was read out. An Auditing Committee was formed to examine the Statement. A Copy of same is attached hereto.

It was announced that the nominations for officials to serve for 1931 & 1932 would be chosen at the next General Meeting of the Society.

The Chairman stated that this meeting was one of the most pleasant ones of the year. At this time the Society would make the awards for models displayed at the Exhibition.

The First Prize was awarded to Mr. Langdon for his NYC&HRR Locomotive.

- The Second Prize to Mr. Fuller for his Bridge.
- The Third Prize to Mr. Alexander for his Scenic Effect.
- The Fourth Prize to Mr. Crater for his Loco. Chassis.
- Cups were awarded to Messrs Hicks, Winther, Bassee
- Medals were awarded to Messrs Auel and Alexander.
- A Vote of Appreciation and Thanks to Mr. Spon
- A Membership was given to Mr. Brownstein

As there was no other business, the Finance Committee retired and audited the Exhibition Financial Statement.

stubs for the receipts as well as receipts for all other possible sources of information were carefully checked.

The undersigned committee respectfully request that the report be adopted at this meeting.

[Signature]
Mr. Debraun

[Signature]
Mr. Cheney

[Signature]

Officials

W. ELLIOTT, Chairman
H. M. OLIVER, Treas.
M. L. CLEARY, Gen. Sec'y.
E. H. LOCKWOOD, Marine Sec'y.

Executive Board

W. ELLIOTT
H. M. OLIVER
M. L. CLEARY
F. J. DOBLER
M. CRONKHITE
T. C. TENNISWOOD
F. W. ICKEN
E. K. LOCKWOOD
R. H. CLAUDIUS

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New York Society of Model Engineers

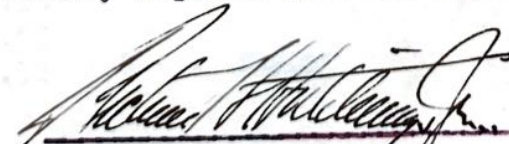
KNICKERBOCKER BUILDING
152 WEST 42nd STREET
NEW YORK CITY

March 20, 1931.

The auditing Committee of Dr. R. H. Hutchings, Mr. Dohrman, Mr. Chaney, Mr. Spon and Mr. F. D. Grimke, assisted by the Treasurer Mr. H. M. Oliver, made a careful examination of the books from October 27, 1930, the date of the last audit, up to and including March 10, 1931.


The result of this audit was a finding that the books were in order and correct as found expect for one error in addition. The committee found the cash balance as of 3/10/31 to be \$566.25 which agreed with the books. The vouchers for paid bills and ticket stubs for the receipts as well as receipt book stubs and all other possible sources of information were carefully checked.

The undersigned committee respectfully requests that its report be adopted at this meeting.

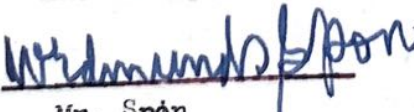


Dr. R. H. Hutchings


Mr. Dohrman



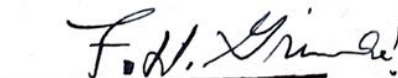
Mr. Chaney



Mr. Spon



Mr. H. M. Oliver



Mr. F. D. Grimke

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STATEMENT FROM 10/27/30 to 3/10/31

Cash On Hand 10/27/30

88.14

Receipts:

Dues 140.00

Profit on exhibition

429.25

Misc. receipts

35.80

605.05

605.05

TOTAL RECEIPTS 693.19

Expenses:

Loss on Bank of U.S. 66.14

Rent 60.00

Miscellaneous

28.20

154.34

154.34

CASH ON HAND 3/10/31 538.85

The amount shown as a loss of 66.14 in the Bank of U.S. maybe collected later.

Exhibition Report

Receipts:

Contribution for prizes 65.00

Contest fees 6.00

Space 157.50

Wallboards 35.00

Insurance 31.00

Receipts at door 343.55

638.05

638.05

Expenses:

Lumber & covering for
tables

54.81

Insurance

25.00

Signs

16.25

Prizes

63.84

Miscellaneous

48.90

208.80

208.80

PROFIT ON EXHIBITION

429.25

Meeting of the Executive Board of Directors on April 28, 1931

Mr. Oliver made the following motions;

- (1) The Society should purchase Mr. Doblens generator plant for forty dollars(\$40). Seconded by Mr. Grimke, vote unanimous
 - (2) The Treasurer should pay Mr. Elliott sixty dollars (\$60) for various expenses connected with the last exhibition. Seconded by Mr. Alexander, vote unanimous.
 - (3) The Treasurer be empowered to spend up to thirty dollars at the Chairmans request for materials for the test tank. Seconded by Mr. Fergusson, vote unanimous
 - (4) The Society should buy Mr. Doblens lathe complete with equipment for one hundred dollars (\$100) Seconded by Mr. Elliott, vote unanimous.
 - (5) The Board of Directors give Mr. Dobler a vote of thanks for donating a moter. Seconded by Mr. Fergusson, vote unanimous.
 - (6) That Mr. Tolstead be suspended from active membership pending action of the Board of Directors. Seconded by Mr. Elliott, vote unanimous.
 - (7) The Board of Directors extend a vote of thanks to Mr. Mack for the donation of a saw and a drill press, Seconded by Mr. Small, vote unanimous
- Mr. Alexanders bill for fifteen dollars(\$15) was presented and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Grimke msde a motion that the meeting be adjourned, Seconded by Mr. Small, vote unanimous.

Mr. Elliott Walter Elliott

Mr. Grimke F. D. Grimke

Mr. Small Charles S Small

Mr. Oliver N. M. Oliver

Mr. Dobler F. J. Dobler

Mr. Dalrymple Howell W Dalrymple

Alexander E. P. Alexander

Fergusson C. Stuart Fergusson

The Minutes of the Proceedure of the April 1931 Meeting has been lost, with the exception of the report of the Election Committee, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Report of the Election Committee

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The Election Committee consisting of Messers Hicks, Peck, Mack and report the results of the election of April 28, 1931 as follows;

Chairman:

Mr. Elliott 52

Recording Secretary

Mr. Small 37

Mr. Brownstein 19

General Secretary

Mr. Dalrymple 38

Mr. Campbell 16

Railroad Secretary

Mr. Alexander 43

Mr. Auel 14

Marine Secretary

Mr. Fergusson 35

Mr. Smith 19

Treasurer

Mr. Oliver 53

Directors

Mr. Grimke 47

Mr. Chaney 14

Mr. Auel 18

Mr. Kartheuser 12

Mr. Gerold 22

Mr. Peck Thomas Kinney Peck Mr. Hicks

J. E. Hicks

Mr. Mack J. M. Mack Mr.

Walter Elliott

Meeting of the Executive Board of Directors May 19, 1931

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Mr. Oliver made a motion that the Treasurer be empowered to spend at the request of Mr. Elliott or Mr. Alexander up to \$60 (Sixty dollars) for lumber for the track. Seconded by Mr. Small ; vote unanimous.

Mr. Fergusson made a motion that Mr. Oliver be assigned to write a letter to the Philadelphia Society of Model Engineers asking for an explanation of the refusal of Mr. Alexander's application for membership. Seconded by Mr. Dalrymple ; vote unanimous.

A bill for \$5 (Five dollars) for cartage of the lathe was approved by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 10 o'clock.

Mr Elliott Walter Elliott
Mr Small Charles S Small
Mr Oliver H. Mullins
Mr Dobler F. J. Dobler
Mr Dalrymple Howell W. Dalrymple
Mr Alexander E. P. Alexander
Mr Fergusson Mr. S. Fergusson

General Meeting held on May 26, 1931

The meeting was called to order at 9.11 P.M. by the Chairman.

There was no old buisness so the Chairman spoke briefly on the Railroad Commitee meeting and asked those that came to work on the track to bring some tools with them.

Mr. Brounges suggested that instead of making a table for the saw a buck be made instead and he volunteered to do the peliminary work on the buck.

Mr. Elliott told the members that all those using the tools were doing so at their own risk . He warned those unfamiliar with the power saw to leave it alone. He also mentioned that he was having releases prepared for the members using the workshop to sign.

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 9.40 P.M

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Meeting of the Board of Directors on June 16, 1931
The Board accepted the offer of the Boston Society of Model
Engineers of \$50 (Fifty dollars) for the circular portable
multigauge track.

It was suggested that we have no more meetings till the
third Tuesday in September.

New York Society of Model Engineers
UNITED ENGINEERING SOCIETIES BUILDING
12 WEST 30th STREET

- Mr. Elliott Walter Elliott
- Mr. Dalrymple Howell M. Dalrymple
- Mr. Small Charles S. Small
- Mr. Grimke _____
- Mr. Alexander E. F. Alexander
- Mr. Dobler Dobler
- Mr. Oliver Amellins

General Meeting held on June 23, 1931

The meeting was opened at 8.30 o'clock by the Chairman who gave a brief summary of the last Board of Directors Meeting. He urged that the men interested in building the track do some work on it and he said that they should communicate with Mr. Alexander to find suitable working times.

Mr. Oliver read a report of the financial condition of the society.

It was decided that there would be no more regular meetings till September but should any important business arise all members would be notified to attend a special meeting.

Permits were issued giving member^s permission to run their power boats Sunday mornings in the Conservatory Lake in Central Park.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 o' clock.

Cash on Hand Last Report
Cash on Hand 6/24/31

\$574.81
317.59

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\$257.22

Receipts since Last report

Dues \$70.00

Expenses

Rent \$30.00
Lathe & Converter 140.00
W. Elliott 60.00
Misc. 58.71
Lumber for Track 38.51

\$327.22
70.00

\$257.22

H.M. Oliver 6/24/31

General Meeting held September 22, 1931.

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The Chairman opened the meeting by asking all those interested in building the "O" gauge track to see Mr. Alexander and arrange for meetings at which the construction will be undertaken.

A release, to be signed by all members using tools in the Societies' workshop, was distributed for those present to sign.

In answer to a question raised in the meeting Mr. Elliott stated that there was a tentative plan drawn up for lectures to be given at the regular meetings.

Alexander stated that...

Charles S. Small

Charles S. Small
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Mr. Oliver made a motion that the Society pay Mr. Gerold for the material ordered for the Society by the late Mr. Mack. Seconded by Mr. Grimke; passed by unanimous vote.

The Treasurer is empowered to pay the bill presented by Mr. Alexander for \$29.66 .

Mr. Oliver read the financial statement attached hereto.

Mr. Grimke introduced a motion that Mr. Dobler be permitted to spend up to \$25 for a motor driven grinder. Seconded by Mr. Oliver . Vote-unanimous.

Mr Alexander asked how much had been spent for the Railroad Committee materials since the last exhibition. Mr. Oliver replied that approximately \$130 had been spent.

Mr. Dobler offered a piece of office furniture to the Society if the Society would pay the expressage. Mr. Elliott proposed that the Board accept Mr. Doblere offer and that the Treasurer be empowered to pay the express bill on said piece of furniture. Seconded by Mr. Small. Vote-unanimous

It was decided unanimously that the next exhibition will be held from February 10 to February 27 inclusive in the year 1932.

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| Mr. Elliott | <i>Walter Elliott</i> | Mr. Grimke | <i>F. D. Grimke!</i> |
| Mr. Small | <i>Charles Small</i> | Mr. Dalrymple | <i>Howell W. Dalrymple</i> |
| Mr. Dobler | <i>J. J. Dobler</i> | Mr. Icken | |
| Mr. Alexander | <i>E. P. Alexander</i> | Mr. Oliver | <i>W. Oliver</i> |

Financial Statement Submitted at the Oct. 20, 1931 Meeting
of the Board of Directors.

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| Cash on hand 6-24-31 | \$317.59 |
| " " " 10-20-31 | <u>\$364.79</u> |
| Increase- | \$47.20 |

Receipts

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| Sale of the Circular Track | \$50.00 |
| Dues | <u>\$35.00</u> |
| Total | \$85.00 |

Expenses

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| Rent | \$30.00 |
| Printing and Postcards | \$ 6.50 |
| Misc. | <u>\$ 1.30</u> |
| | \$37.80 |

Receipts \$85.00

Expenses \$37.80

Net Receipts \$47.20

Mr. Oliver

Andrew

General Meeting held on October 27, 1931

The Chairman opened the meeting by speaking briefly about the work in progress on the scenic effects of the railroad. He also announced that the testing tank for model power boats would be ready by the next meeting and all members with boats are urged to make use of this new device.

Plans for the next exhibition were discussed and various schemes for advertising were offered and the details of the space for sale were given.

Mr. Alexander spoke about the signal system to be used and discussed a track layout board.

Mr. Amalie offered the Society some model billboard to be placed along the track.

The Recording Secretary read the minutes of the last Board of Directors meeting and the Treasurers report.

The meeting was adjourned at eight forty-five .

Meeting of the Board of Directors November 17, 1931

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The Board authorized the treasurer to pay the following bills- \$38.25 to Mr. Alexanders for track material including 100 lengths of rail to be delivered. -\$4.23 to Mr. Dalrymple for postage and postcards- \$3.00 for expressage on the furniture donated to the society by Mr. Dobler.

Mr. Fergusson made a motion that all the Societie's present and future funds are to be turned over, by the Treasurer, to a checkk ing account in the Corn Exchange Bank nearest the Societie's off- ices. All checks are to be signed by two of the following three officers; Chairman, Secretary(General) and Treasurer. This motion to take effect at once. Seconded by Mr. Small, passed Unanimously.

Mr. Elliott

Walter Elliott
Charles S Small

Mr. Small

Mr. Fergusson

Mr. Dobler

Mr. Grimke

F. D. Prince
E. P. Alexander
Howell W. Dalrymple

Mr. Alexander

Mr. Dalrymple

Addenda- Mr. Oliver was notified by letter, copy of letter attached hereto, of the above motion.

Executive Board

- W. ELLIOTT
- H. M. OLIVER
- M. L. CLEARY
- F. J. DOBLER
- M. CRONKHITE
- T. C. TENNISWOOD
- F. W. ICKEN
- E. K. LOCKWOOD
- R. H. CLAUDIUS

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New York Society of Model Engineers

KNICKERBOCKER BUILDING
 152 WEST 42nd STREET
 NEW YORK CITY

11/17/31.

Mr. H. M. Oliver,
 c/o Manager's Office,
 R. H. Macy & Co.,
 Broadway and 34th. Street,
 N. Y. C.

Dear Mr. Oliver:

At the Meeting of the Executive Board, which was held on the evening of Tuesday, the seventeenth of November, nineteen hundred and thirty one, a resolution, quoted below, was proposed, seconded and passed. This resolution was adapted, due to the fact that the Society now has enough funds to warrant the opening of a checking account in the Society's name.

The resolution reads as follows:

"Resolved that the Society open a checking account in the nearest Branch of the Corn Exchange Bank. All checks are to be signed "New York Society of Model Engineers" followed by any two of the three following Officers of the Society
 Chairman, Walter Elliott
 Treasurer, H. Marshall Oliver
 General Secretary, Howell W. Dalrymple."

This resolution was proposed, seconded and passed in accordance with the By Laws and Constitution of the Society. Accordingly, this Resolution goes into effect immediately.

Your attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Yours truly

[Signature]
 Chairman, N. Y. S. M. E.

WB:SHWD.

General Meeting Held on November 24, 1931

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The Chairman opened the meeting by speaking briefly on the construction of the railroad system and the coming exhibition.

He urged all members having models which they desired to exhibit to communicate with him at once.

The Treasurer read his report, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Mr. Alexander told the members that the Editor of Railroad Man's Magazine had asked him to write a modelmaking section monthly. He asked all those who might have suggestions to mail them to him at his home address.

Mr. Elliott requested all members to sign releases at once and said that those members refusing to sign the release would be suspended. He also told the Society about the advertising campaign that is under way.

It was requested that all members having problems, that they would like solved should give them to the Chairman who will see that they are answered.

Special Board Meeting on December 8, 1931

A special meeting was called by the Chairman to approve of the expenditure of \$47.25 for signals for the "O" gague railroad. The Board approved of the expenditure by unanimous vote.

Mr. Elliott *Walter Elliott*

Mr. Small *Charles S. Small*

Mr. Alexander *E. Alexander*

Mr. Dalrymple *Howell W. Dalrymple*

Mr. Grimke *F. D. Grimke*

Mr. Fergusson *C. S. Fergusson*

Meeting of the Board of Directors on December 15, 1931

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A motion was made by Mr. Elliott that the Treasurer be requested to turn the present funds of the Society together with all papers, bills and documents pertaining thereto, to the Society on or before Thursday December 17, 1931. The motion was seconded by Mr. Small and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Grimke that Mr. Gerold be removed from office, as a Director of the Society, for due and sufficient reasons. The motion was seconded by Mr. Small and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Elliott that Mr. Auel be appointed a Director of the Society to fill a vacancy. Seconded by Mr. Alexander and passed unanimously.

- Mr. Elliott *Walter Elliott*
- Mr. Small *Charles S. Small*
- Mr. Dalrymple
- Mr. Grimke
- Mr. Alexander

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Mr. Auel accepted the office, to which he was appointed at the last Board meeting.

Mr. Oliver explained the circumstances which caused the protested check and asked that the Board reconsider its motion in reference to this check and the Societies funds, for he considered the context of the motion derogatory to his Honesty. Mr. Elliott explained to Mr. Oliver that there was no question of his honesty or integrity, but ~~that~~ that he had been asked to turn over the Societies funds because he was not present at all the meeting when money was needed and a more active man was needed. Mr. Oliver then said that he was very willing to step aside for some one else and that he considered the matter closed.

Mr. Oliver made a motion that he be relieved from ~~his~~ duties as Treasurer until the next election. Seconded by Mr. Grimke passed unanimously.

Mr. Elliott made a motion that Mr. Dalrymple be appointed acting Treasurer until the next election. Seconded by Mr. Small passed unanimously.

The Board approved of a bill of \$9.44 for electrical supplies and authorized the acting treasurer to pay the same.

The Board approved of the purchase of 100 feet of third rail for not more than \$5.00.

Mr. Elliott made a motion that Mr. Thorp be hired by the Society at the salary of \$5.00 per week. The term of employment is to extend to February 10, 1932 unless the Chairman sees fit to terminate it sooner.

Seconded by Mr. Small passed unanimously.

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| Mr. Elliott | <i>Walter Elliott</i> | Mr. Auel | <i>Carl C. Auel</i> |
| Mr. Small | <i>Charles Small</i> | Mr. Dalrymple | <i>Howell W. Dalrymple</i> |
| Mr. Grimke | | Mr. Oliver | <i>W. Oliver</i> |
| Mr. Alexander | <i>E. P. Alexander</i> | | <i>W. Ferguson</i> |
| | | | <i>E. Stuart Ferguson</i> |

The Records of the Minutes of the Transactions at the
General Meetings of the Society for December 1931 and January
1932 are missing.