

NATIONAL
TRANSCONTINENTAL
RAILWAY

ST MALO
SHOPS

QUEBEC CITY,
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well as additional smaller cranes not decided on as yet.

THE SHOP OFFICES will be located in a three story and basement building 60 ft. square, near the end of the locomotive shop, and back from it. All the shop officials will be located in this one building, dispensing with minor shop offices. This building will differ slightly from the others, but will be similar in the main, of brick construction on concrete foundations.

THE STORES BUILDING will be of reinforced concrete throughout, 104 by 79 ft., flush with the midway, and with a 10 ft. platform extending around three sides, with ramps leading up from the ground level on the platform at two of the corners. It will also contain a basement. The platform on the midway side will be served by a 20 ton midway crane, facilitating the delivery of stores to and from the different units of the plant.

THE FORGE SHOP is a building 155 by 107 ft., of the typical construction, except that the flooring is to be cinder instead of dressed concrete, as is usual in forge shop practice. It will contain the usual complement of forges, hammers, etc. The steel work of the roof is designed to support the jib cranes.

THE POWER HOUSE will be 125 by 107 ft., divided by a fire wall into engine and boiler rooms, with a pump pit running along this fire wall in the engine room, and a basement extending under the whole area of the boiler room to accommodate the coal and ash handling apparatus, a construction closely approximating that at Transcona in most particulars. The power house will be close to the midway, and quite centrally located with regard to all the buildings of the plant, minimizing electrical transmission losses, and supplying dry steam for the hammers. The engine room will be served by a light travelling hand crane.

THE OIL HOUSE will be a reinforced concrete main floor and basement building at the rear end of the plant. The oil house itself will be 30 by 40 ft., standing on a platform 50 by 70 ft., which will form the roof of the basement. The usual oil house stores will be kept upstairs, with the oil tanks for the plant located in the basement.

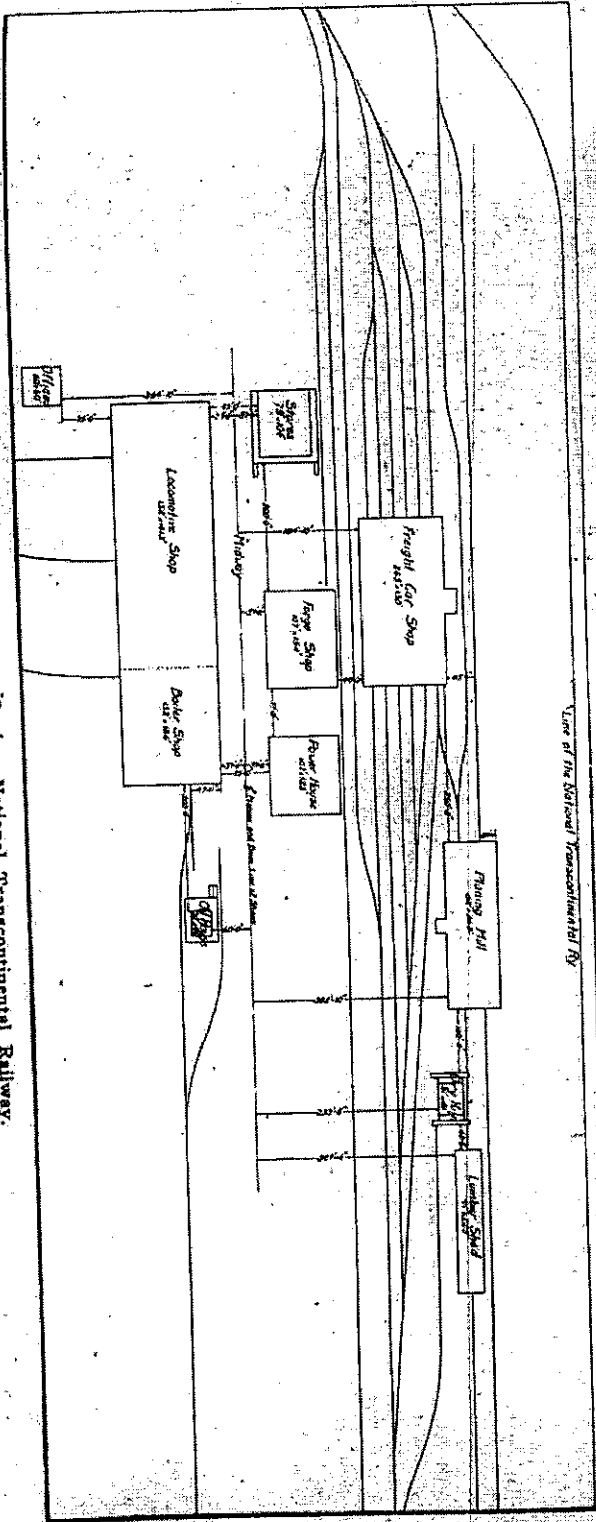
THE FREIGHT CAR SHOP, 265 by 130 ft., will be the principal of the car department buildings. In common with the other purely car department buildings, it will be located back from the midway, with the buildings used in common with the locomotive department, such as forge shop and power house, centrally located between. It will be divided into three bays, two of which will be served by cranes. There will be six through repair tracks, with rip track accommodation at each end, where future extensions may be made.

THE PLANING MILL, 82 by 265 ft., will be conveniently located to the rear of the freight car shop. It will be but a short distance across from the power house, to which the mill shavings will be forced under a fan system.

THE DRY KILN, to the rear of the planing mill, will be 33 by 71 ft., of the

car shop. There will thus be no retrograde movements of the material in passing through the plant.

The whole layout of the Quebec shops, as well as the detail design of the individual buildings, have been prepared under the supervision of W. J. Press, Mechanical Engineer, N.T.R., to whom we are indebted for the data for this article.



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The arrangement of the buildings is shown in the accompanying plan, from which it will be noted that the layout will provide for ample accommodation for meeting all requirements for many

terials along the midway, with the other buildings back from it. It is considered that this arrangement will prove most satisfactory for a small shop such as this, because the material brought to the shop by the midway crane and placed at one of the several doors of the building, will be taken from the door to the machines in the most direct way. In this respect, it will do away with the "long haul" in the shop. The midway, which will extend the full length of the main part of the shop grounds, will be 75 ft. wide, and served by a 20 ton travelling crane, the track for which will be supported on building abutments and steel columns.

The level of the ground on which the shops will stand is to be raised slightly by spreading over the surface the material removed from the tunnel under the mountain. Most of the buildings in the group will be of practically the same construction, a self supporting steel frame with white brick superstructure walls, the whole supported on a concrete wall carried up to the window sills. The roof of each building will be of double wood sheathing, with ventilators and skylight, and covered with a prepared roofing, the roofing in all cases, save where specially accepted, will be of 6 in.

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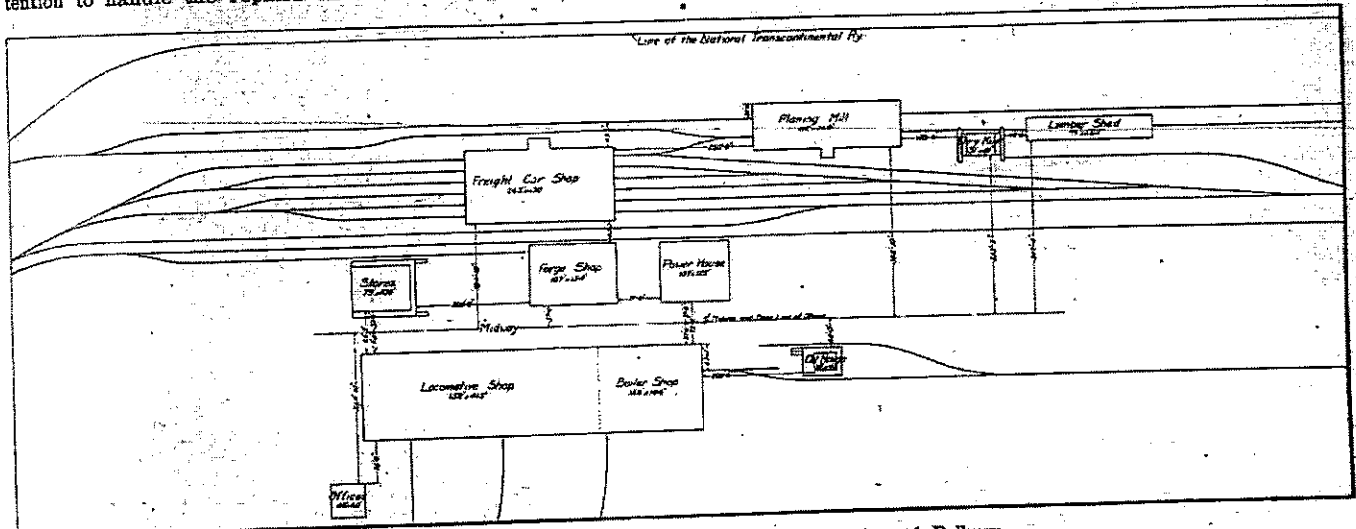
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