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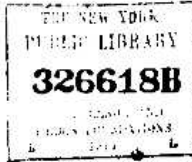
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**In Memoriam**

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**BENJAMIN F. SARVER**

Died July 23, 1920

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**J. B. BEST**

Died February 28, 1920

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**JOHN T. NEARY**

Died March 12, 1921

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## Reports Prepared for Thirteenth Annual Convention

Financial stress and serious business conditions on the railroads having for obvious reasons made it desirable to cancel the convention which was to have been held at St. Louis on May 23 to 26, 1921, the Executive Committee has authorized this publication of the reports of committees on subjects prepared and filed for the occasion, in place of the Official Proceedings which would otherwise have been issued.

The object is to afford members ample opportunity to study the reports and be prepared to discuss them at the next convention.

Also to make any recommendations suggested to their minds that will be of assistance to the chairmen in the event that they deem it desirable to revise or amplify their reports for the 1922 convention.

Such recommendations should be sent in writing to the chairman of each committee whose address is shown with each report and will also be found in the revised list of members of the Association that is included in this book for the information of all concerned.

CHARLES P. PATRICK, President,  
JOHN F. RAPS, Chairman, Executive Board,  
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## Report of Special Committee on Investigation of Autogenous Welding

THOMAS F. POWERS, System General Foreman, Chicago & Northwestern Railroad, 1129 South Clarence Avenue, Oak Park, Ill., Chairman.

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H. J. WANDBERG

The purpose of this special committee was to investigate autogenous welding by personal observation owing to conflicting reports by different members on the floor of our conventions. At first, we were under the impression that we should join our investigation with the committee of the American Welding Society and the Standard Boiler Code Committee of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. After due consideration, it was our conclusion that the object of the three committees was along different lines and your committee decided to ascertain, by actual investigation, the results obtained from autogenous welding.

Your committee has visited at least one shop on more than 25 railroads and as many as eight shops and roundhouses were visited on some of the railroads.

We found that autogenous welding for firebox repairs is used by every railroad visited and in most cases successfully. We do not believe that it is necessary to go into detail as to what is being done on the various roads by autogenous welding, other than to say that we found complete firebox with no rivets above the mud ring, patches collar patches around fire holes, corner patches, one-half and full side