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NYC to abandon Ottawa line - first paragraph does not add much.

The application for leave to abandon the line was forecast in our October issue where it was recorded that the St. Lawrence Seaway work requires the removal of the international bridge over the St. Lawrence River south channel near Cornwall; this south channel will be the seaway navigation channel and the bridge is the southern terminus of the Ottawa and New York Railway and its connection with the NYC. To relocate the railway without obstructing seaway navigation, and to provide alternative bridges would have required at least 3.08 miles of new railway construction and estimated total expenditure of \$9,332,000 and in view of O&NY financial results such an expenditure was not economically justified. Evidence showed that communities along the Ottawa-Cornwall railway route are well served by adequate all weather roads.

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