ference be arranged between us for the purpose of reaching an agreement covering

the railroad properties of which you are President.

It will be appreciated if you will arrange a mutually satisfactory time and place for us to meet and endeavor to reach an agreement covering the railroad Properties of which you are President.

Sincerely yours,

CHARLES LUNA, President.

ALTON & SOUTHERN RATLROAD,

East St. Louis, Ill., March 18, 1965.

Mr. CHARLES LUNA,

President properties of which you are President.

President. Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Cleveland, Ohio.

DEAR MR. LUNA: I have your letter of March 15 to Mr. Robert K. Heineman, President, Alton and Southern Railroad, suggesting a conference with him.

For the past several months Mr. Heineman has been incapacitated due to illness including a minor heart involvement. However, his recuperation is progressing nicely and even though his work activities may be limited for a time, he now anticipates returning to his office sometime early in April, 1965. You can rest assured that your letter will be brought to his attention as soon as he returns to soffice.

Personal regards.

Sincerely,

Henry R. Neill, his office.

HENRY R. NEILL, Vice President, Executive Department.

Burlington Lines,

MR. CHARLES LUNA, President. Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Cleveland, Ohio.

DEAR MR. LUNA: I have before me your letter of March 15 referring to an agreement between your organization and the representatives of twenty-three Eastern Railroads disposing of the crew consist issue in States comprising the Eastern Territory.

If there are any questions pertaining to crew consist on this property they should be handled with Mr. A. E. Egbers, Assistant to Vice-President—Operation, who is the highest designated officer on the Burlington for this purpose.

With kind regards.

Sincerely,

H. C. Murphy, President.

CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND & PACIFIC RAILBOAD CO., Chicago, Ill., March 18, 1965.

President, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Cleveland, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: Acknowledging yours of March 15, 1965, suggesting a meeting be-

tween us with respect to crew consist matters.

Since we have a crew consist rule on the Rock Island and no reductions in the number of brakemen was requested by us or have been made under the provisions of Award of Arbitration Board No. 282, I am at a loss to understand the purpose of a meeting such as proposed by you insofar as the Rock Island is concerned.

In any event, all of our labor matters are under the direction of G. B. Mallery, Vice President-Labor Relations, and any inquiries concerning such matters should be addressed to him.

Yours truly,

R. E. Johnson, President.