



Award No. 4750

Docket No. 4678

2-GN-FO-'65

**NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD  
SECOND DIVISION**

The Second Division consisted of the regular members and in addition Referee Howard A. Johnson when award was rendered.

**PARTIES TO DISPUTE:**

**SYSTEM FEDERATION NO. 101, RAILWAY EMPLOYEES'  
DEPARTMENT, A. F. of L. - C. I. O. (Firemen & Oilers)  
GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY**

**DISPUTE: CLAIM OF EMPLOYEES:**

1. That under the current agreement Carrier improperly assigned Hostlers. (Locomotive Firemen) to assist Laborers (Classified) in putting boiler water in storage tanks of Diesel locomotives on passenger trains going through St. Cloud, Minnesota.

2. That accordingly, the Carrier be ordered to stop this practice and compensate claimants named as follows, each in the amount of four hours each day. Classified Laborer Wm. C. Bense second shift Saturdays and Sundays, and third shift Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays; Classified Laborer Norbert Kloskowski third shift Thursdays and Fridays, and second shift Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and Classified Laborer Melvin Minor second shift Thursdays and Fridays, and third shift Saturdays and Sundays. All claims are retroactive to January 9, 1963 and continue through April 17, 1963.

**EMPLOYEES' STATEMENT OF FACTS:** Classified Laborer Norbert Kloskowski hereinafter referred to as a claimant, entered the service of the Great Northern Railway Company, hereinafter referred to as the carrier entered the service of the Great Northern Railway Company June 16, 1919 as a laborer in the roundhouse at St. Cloud, Minnesota. and was continuously employed from that date until furloughed April 18, 1963. Classified Laborer Wm. C. Bense, hereinafter referred to as a claimant, entered the service of the carrier August 29, 1922 as a laborer in the roundhouse at St. Cloud, Minnesota and Classified Laborer Melvin Minor, hereinafter referred to as a claimant, entered the service of the Great Northern Railway Company August 29, 1922 as a laborer in the roundhouse at St. Cloud, Minnesota. Both Mr. Bense and Mr. Minor were continuously employed in the St. Cloud roundhouse until furloughed effective April 18, 1963.

For years, prior to the mid-1940's when steam locomotives were used on passenger trains going through St. Cloud, Minnesota, laborers were assigned to go to the passenger depot, about a mile by road from the roundhouse, to put boiler water in the tenders of steam locomotives, with this work being performed on all three shifts seven days per week, 12 months per year. In the mid-1940's when diesel locomotives replaced steam locomotives, carrier continued to send laborers to the passenger

crafts" in Rule 12(b) of the laborers' schedule agreement, and are covered for rates of pay purposes by the same agreement which covers hostlers.

3. Watering and servicing of locomotives has been performed by locomotive engineers, firemen and hostlers under various circumstances dating back many years before the organization negotiated its first schedule agreement covering roundhouse laborers.

For the foregoing reasons, the carrier respectfully requests that all of the claims of the employees be denied.

**FINDINGS:** The Second Division of the Adjustment Board, upon the whole record and all the evidence, finds that:

The carrier or carriers and the employe or employes involved in this dispute are respectively carrier and employe within the meaning of the Railway Labor Act as approved June 21, 1934.

This Division of the Adjustment Board has jurisdiction over the dispute involved herein.

Parties to said dispute waived right of appearance at hearing thereon.

Substantially the same issues were presented in Award No. 4606.

As in that award, we conclude that the evidence in the record does not support a finding that the work in question was exclusively within the jurisdiction of this Organization's members. For that reason these claims must be denied.

#### **A W A R D**

Claims denied.

**NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD**  
By Order of **SECOND DIVISION**

**ATTEST:** Charles C. McCarthy  
Executive Secretary

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 30th day of July, 1965.