NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD

THIRD DIVISION

Award Number **22555** Docket Number CL-22609

Paul C. Carter, Referee

(Brotherhood of Railway, **Airline** and (Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, (Express and Station **Employes**

PARTIES TO DISPUTE:

(Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company

STATEMENT OF CLAIM: Claim of the System Committee of (GL-8590) that:

(a) The Northwestern Pacific Railroad **Company** violated the Clerks' Agreement when it held investigation and dismissed Mr. C. M. Barker from service notwithstanding he was not in service as a result of a prior dismissal; and,

(b) The Northwestern **Pacific** Railroad Company shall now be required to reverse said decision and withdraw all charges pertaining thereto.

<u>OPINION OF BOARD</u>: Claimant's first dismissal from Carrier's services on July 21, 1976, and claim for reinstatement with pay for time lost and other benefits, was **covered** by our Award No. 22370, issued on March 30, 1979.

Following Claimant's first dismissal, Carrier reinstated him to service some months later. When Claimant failed to return to service, Carrier brought the instant action and following a hearing (at which the Claimant did not attend, although notified by Carrier of its **pendency)**, it discharged him for absence from his **assignment**. Our review of the record convinces **us that** Claimant did not report for his assignment after Carrier reinstated him, and there is no basis for us to disturb Carrier's disciplinary action. Claimant, by his **own** failure to report after his reinstatement, was responsible for this discharge and the record clearly supports this conclusion. We will consequently dismiss the claim. Award **Number** 22555 Docket Number CL-22609 Page 2

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

That the parties waived oral hearing;

That the Carrier and the **Employes** involved **in** this dispute are respectively Carrier and Employes within the meaning of the Railway Labor Act, as approved June 21, 1934;

That this Division of the Adjustment Board has jurisdiction wer the dispute involved herein; and

That the claim be dismissed.

AWARD

Claim dismissed.

NATIONAL RAILROAD **ADJUSTMENT** BOARD By Order of Third Division

ATTEST : Secretary

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 16th day of October 1979.