NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD

THIRD DIVISION

Award Number 20756
Docket Number MW-20713

William M. Edgett, Referee

(Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes

PARTIES TO DISPUTE:

(Burlington Northern Inc.

STATEMENT OF CLAIM: Claim of the System Committee of the Brotherhood that:

- (1) The Agreement was violated when other than B&B forces were used to construct and to paint a bench for use at the roundhouse at Livingston, Montana (System File B-RM-106C/MW-84(c)-3 4-3-73).
- (2) Second Class Carpenter Bill Garcia be allowed 8 hours' pay at his straight time rate and First Class Painter Ronnie Nebeker be allowed one hour of pay at his straight time rate because of the aforesaid violation.

OPINION OF BOARD: Carrier assigned a carman to build and paint a bench for use in the roundhouse at Livingston, Montana. The Maintenance of Way Organization contends that the work, by Agreement and practice on the former NP Railroad, belongs to employees represented by it. The Brotherhood of Railway Carmen has filed a submission which takes the position that the practice has been to have benches to be used by employees of their craft constructed, repaired, or painted by them. They recognize that a bench to be used by another facility would not be properly assigned to them.

The record supports the contention made by the Carmen. For example, there is evidence that prior to the merger Carmen built benches and did other carpentry in connection with facilities for their own shop. The Rules applicable to each craft are consistent with the practice.

The Board finds that employees of the Carmen craft have customarily performed the work in question and that the Rules are consistent with that practice. The claim is denied.

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;

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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 over the dispute involved herein; and

That the Agreement was not violated.

AWARD

Claim denied.

NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD By Order of Third Division

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this day of July, 1975. 18th