NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD

THIRD DIVISION

Award Number 24089 Docket Number MW-23415

Joseph A. Sickles, Referee

(Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes

(Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Railroad Company

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

- (1) The one (1) day suspension imposed upon Equipment Operator C. P. Staeben for being fifteen (15) minutes late for work on January 8, 1979 was without just and sufficient cause (System File C#30/D-2267-1).
- (2) Equipment Operator C. P. Staeben shall be compensated for all time lost on January 8, 1979."

OPINION OF BOARD: As a result of the Claimant being fifteen (15) minutes late for work he was suspended for one (1) day.

The Employee contends that he had a legitimate reason for being late, i.e., a flat tire on his vehicle.

Our review of the record indicates that when the Employe initially spoke with the Roadmaster he did not advise him of the flat tire but merely said, "I'm just late". It was at a later time that the flat tire matter was mentioned.

Under those circumstances we cannot conclude that the Carrier's finding of guilty or assessment of discipline was arbitrary or capricious and we will deny the claim.

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 over the dispute involved herein; and

That the Agreement was not violated.

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Claim denied.

NATIONAL RAILROAD ADJUSTMENT BOARD By Order of Third Division

Attest:

Acting Executive Secretary

National Railroad Adjustment Board

By Aslemanic Succession Rosemarie Brasch - Administrative Assistant

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 5th day of January 1983.

