BROTHERHOOD OF MAINTENANCE OF WAY EMPLOYEES

and

ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD

PUBLIC LAW BOARD No. 4331: CASE No. 10

STATEMENT OF THE CLAIM

C.O. Price was improperly dismissed.

OPINION OF THE BOARD

The Claimant, Mr. C.O. "Neil" Prime, was dismissed from employment with the Carrier for performing duties for a private contractor while he was being paid to perform duties as a flagman for the Carrier. Mr. Prime does not deny operating the contractor's equipment, but he contends that he did not neglect his flagman duties.

At several points in his testimony, Mr. Prime acknowledges operating the contractor's equipment while he was on duty as a flagman and being paid by the Carrier. Because of his years of service as an employee of the Carrier, including being a foreman, Mr. Prime knew or should have known that it was improper for him to perform duties for the contractor while in pay status for the Carrier. The record is clear, Mr. Prime neglected his assigned Carrier duties during the times he operated the contractor's equipment.

We find no basis for leniency in this matter. Mr. Prine was provided a fair and impartial hearing.

<u>AWARD</u>

Claim denied.

Ronald L. Miller

Chairman and Neutral Member

J.S. Sibbins

Carrier Member

D.B. Bartholomay

Organization Member

21 June 1988

Date