SPECIAL BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT NO. 279

Award No.	347
Case No.	347
File No.	870523

Parties	Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes
to	and
Dispute:	Union Pacific Railroad Company (Former Missouri Pacific Railroad Company)

Statement of Claim:

"Carrier violated the Agreement, especially Rule 12, when Trackman A. K. Hawkins was dismissed from service.

Claim in behalf of Trackman Hawkins for all wage loss suffered beginning March 3, 1987 and continuing until he is reinstated to service with seniority, vacation and all other rights restored to him unimpaired."

Findings:

The Board, after hearing upon the whole record and all evidence, finds that the parties herein are Carrier and Employee within the meaning of the Railway Labor Act, as amended, that this Board is duly constituted by Agreement dated January 5, 1959, that it has jurisdiction of the parties and the subject matter, and that the parties were given due notice of the hearing held.

A review of the record in this case reveals that Claimant Hawkins was afforded a fair and impartial hearing.

There is substantial evidence on this record to support the Carrier's finding of guilt on the the charges preferred.

Due to the seriousness of Claimant's offense (theft of Company property), the Board finds that the Carrier did not act in an unreasonable, arbitrary or capricious manner by imposing the sanction of permanent dismissal in this case.

Award:

Claim denied.

S. A. Hammons, Jr. Employee Member

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Arthur T. Van Wart, Chairman and Neutral Member

Issued on the 10th day of 1989 ampa Flandig