SPECIAL BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT NO. 285

BROTHERHOOD OF MAINTENANCE OF WAY EMPLOYES Vs. READING COMPANY

STATEMENT OF CLAIM:

- 1. The Carrier violated the effective Agreement when on December 23, 1963, it assigned or otherwise permitted members of a train crew to clean snow from switches at Boyertown and Barto, Pa., on the Colebrookdale Branch.
- 2. Maintenance Gang Foreman H. Imbody and Laborers D. Fusco and C. DiCicco be now paid 6-1/2 hours each at their respective time and one-half rate account of this violation of the agreement.

OPINION OF BOARD:

Based on U. S. Weather Bureau information that the snow was turning to rain, the Carrier in good faith released the claimants at the end of their regular tour of duty. The fact that several hours later the traveling switcher crew was required to clean certain switches for the movement of its own train was a condition which could not be foreseen at the time that the claimants were released.

AWARD: Claim denied.

/s/ Lloyd H. Bailer Lloyd H. Bailer, Chairman

/s/ A. J. Cunningham
A. J. Cunningham, Employee Member

/s/ V. W. Bigelow
V. W. Bigelow, Carrier Member

Philadelphia, Pa. June 28, 1966.