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CHICAGO NORTH SHORE AND MILWAUKEE RAILROAD COMPANY

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1945

Nothing to report.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1945

At 9:06 A.M. Motorman E. Hutchinson, pulling out off of Train No. 521, cars 183-416-751, into Highwood Office Yard, cars 183-416 and south truck of car 751 took lead in on Track No. 1, but north truck of car 751 took crossover switch, which was open, and went down southbound main. Train went into emergency when it reached center of puzzle switch, blocking both northbound and southbound main lines. Draw bar, brake pipes, motor leads broken, and two wheels damaged on car 751. No damage to track but two switch light brackets were broken. Train No. 522 delayed 5 minutes and Train No. 523 delayed 13 minutes. Main line clear at 9:50 A.M.

* At 9:12 A.M., Train No. 522, cars 725-415, Motorman Selig, Conductor Benson, Collectors Hill and Conder, on Water Street at County Street, Waukegan, collided with an eastbound International Truck, license C-8890 Ill. '44, owned by the Chicago Pie Co., 2440 W. Congress Street, Chicago, and driven by M. Lambesis, 4501 Washington Blvd., Chicago, unaccompanied. No personal injuries. Slight dent in right side of truck. Front glass and marker bracket broken on car 725. Driver of truck, coming south on County Street, made left hand turn on to Water Street, in front of train, and motorman was unable to stop in time to avoid collision. Train inspected at Roosevelt Rd

At 10:15 A.M., Waukegan Bus No. 8, Operator A. Johnson, southbound on Genesee Street at Water Street, Waukegan, collided with a southbound Chrysler sedan, license 100-915 Ill. '44, driven by E. J. DeWitt, 1915 Winter Street, North Chicago, unaccompanied. No personal injuries. Tire rack bent on auto. Headlight glass broken on bus. Party on sidewalk called to driver of auto who stopped suddenly in front of bus and operator was unable to stop in time to avoid collision. Bus inspected at Waukegan Garage.

* At 6:15 P.M., Train No. 554, cars 175-701-709-150-717, Motorman P. M. Tarrant, Conductor G. J. Smith, Collectors Reilly, Norton, G. Anderson, and H. J. Tapp, at Wilmette Avenue, Wilmette. Robert Gould, age 20, 416 E. Railroad Avenue, Wilmette, Illinois, coming down steps of car 175 preparing to alight from car, slipped on steps while train was in motion. Grabbed a hold of one grab handle and was dragged to a point about five feet south of station entrance. Boy, seriously injured, was taken to the Evanston Hospital by Wilmette Police. Conductor G. J. Smith, in charge of car 175, inside of car at time passenger was alighting and Collector Norton, in charge of next car, No. 701, saw passenger fall. Train inspected at Roosevelt Road.

At 11:30 P.M., Extra 236 north, M.D.-2, Motorman Gillard, Conductor L. S. Smith, set out flat car 1505 at Pettibone account hot journal. Car 1505 OKed by Mechanical Department at 2:15 A.M., 2/3/45 and sent to Milwaukee on M.D.-4.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1945

*For
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At 6:10 A.M., M.D.-4, Motorman Holm, Conductor G. Noske, set out flat car 1505 at Kenosha, account hot journal.

Saturday, February 3, 1945

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At 7:23 A.M., Waukegan Bus No. 108, Opr. Stites, westbound on Greenwood Avenue at Sheridan Road, Waukegan, was struck by a westbound LaSalle sedan, license 82-666 Ill. '44, driven by Charles Green, 728 Belvidere Street, Waukegan, unaccompanied. No personal injuries. Right front fender and headlight damaged on auto. Dent in rear of bus. Bus had stopped for stop sign and when another auto crossed intersection in front of bus, driver stopped again. LaSalle sedan, following behind bus, struck rear end of bus when second stop was made. Bus inspected at Waukegan Garage.

At 12:29 P.M., Train No. 412, cars 159-174-409-755, Motorman H. Saam, Conductor G. Watkins, at Harmswoods, struck and killed a dog. Air hose hanger broken on car 159.

Austin and Oklahoma Blocks Nos. 381 and 382, out of service at 3:40 P.M. OKed by Maintainer Schroeder at 4:20 P.M.

* At 5:09 P.M., Train No. 422, cars 752-775-176-774-776-252, Motorman Taylor, Conductor C. Coris, Collectors MacMillan, Alexander and Hobson, pulling into Edison Court. Philip Bleicher, 900 71st Street, Kenosha, Wisconsin, passenger in car 775, in charge of Conductor Coris, reported to conductor after train left Edison Court that he was standing with hand on door of washroom when an unidentified person opened door and caught third finger on left hand, injuring it quite badly. Conductor make inquiries to ascertain if anyone had witnessed accident but received no response. Mr. Bleicher was put in charge of Trainmaster D. Webster at North Chicago Jct. who sent him to the Victory Memorial Hospital. Car 775 inspected At Roosevelt Road.

At 10:25 P.M., car cleaner at Waukegan Terminal reported laboratory across from Terminal on Utica Street, on fire. Street blocked by fire hose. Train No. 575 used to make up Train No. 576 and Train No. 577 used to make up Train No. 578. Street cleared up at 11:58 P.M.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1945

Rain in morning caused ice to form on third rail, resulting in northbound trains being received late at Howard Street. Most seriously delayed were trains 405, received 46 minutes late and Train No. 515, received 91 minutes late. Train No. 515 boosted from Green Bay Road, Glencoe.

Monday, February 5, 1945

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1945

At 10:05 A.M., Extra 233 South, motors 233 and 239, Motorman J. McNally, Conductor A. L. Johnson, pulling out at south end of Racine Wye, trolley pole on rear end of car 239 caught in span, breaking span wire and also breaking line pole located on west side of tracks, about ten poles south of Racine Tower. Train No. 410 delayed 10 minutes, tying up span wire. Main line wire OKed at 1:35 P.M. by R. McKinley.

Blocks 542, 422 and 322 out at South Upton from 8:25 P.M. to 9:00 P.M., account blown power fuse. OKed by Maintainer Wells.

* At 11:32 P.M., Train No. 577, cars 724-706, Motorman Brynn, Conductor Smedberg, Collector Keller on Genesee Street at Water Street, Waukegan, collided with 1937 Pontiac Sedan, license 5-K-420 Kentucky '44, which was parked on the west side of Genesee Street at Water Street, in the No Parking Zone. Car driven by Corp. Herman K. Markwell, accompanied by Sgt. J. A. Evola, both of whom are U. S. Marines, barracks 213, Great Lakes, Ill. No personal injuries. Tail light, trunk handle and bumper guard damaged on auto. One resistance grid damaged on car 724. Auto parked at curb, on blind side of train and motorman did not see auto until it had been sideswiped by car 724. Train inspected at Highwood by Lepper.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1945

* At 12:50 A.M., Train No. 436, cars 754-720-738, Motorman Wm. Allen, Conductor J. J. Hoppe, Collector Lustbader, at about 1000 feet north of South Kenosha Road, Kenosha, struck and instantly killed Miss Lillian D. Pitsch, age 16, 6625 11th Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin, who jumped on to track when train about 200 feet away. Body removed by Kenosha County coroner. Train delayed 41 minutes changed up and inspected at Highwood. Train No. 400 boosted from Highwood.

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1945

* At 8:10 A.M., Train No. 800, units 803-804, Motorman J. Huemmer, Conductor West, Collector Day, at Lincoln Avenue, Milwaukee, was struck by a westbound auto, license 475-219 Wis. '44, driven by D. H. Barbetto, 2715 S. Fulton St, Milwaukee, unaccompanied. No personal injuries. Bumper damaged on auto. Wheel guard bent and side of unit 803 scratched. Motorman made safety stop but due to slippery rail, slid half way across intersection and westbound auto applied brakes but slid on slippery pavement and struck side of unit 803. Train inspected at Roosevelt Road.

* At 12:31 P.M., Train No. 537, cars 165-414, Motorman Odinius, Conductor Sesterhenn, Collector Ledlie, at Kenilworth, was struck by an eastbound Ford Coupe, license 30-629 Ill. '45, driven by F. Peters, 629 Green Bay Road, Wilmette, unaccompanied. No personal injuries. Tire rack, fender, bumper and radiator cap damaged on auto. Steps damaged on car 165. Auto skidded on slippery pavement, striking car 165 midway between third rail beam and steps. Train inspected at Highwood.

At 2:25 P.M., Waukegan City Car No. 353, Opr. Mordhorst, southbound on Genesee Street at 8th Street, Waukegan, was struck by a southbound Ford, license 435-640 Wils. '42, driven by W. E. Litzenger, Beaver Dam, Wis., unaccompanied. No personal injuries. Left front fender and headlight damaged on auto. Rear apron scratched on city car. City car loading passengers when southbound auto slid on slippery pavement, striking rear end of city car. Car 353 inspected at North Chicago Barns.

Collector R. Emmrich reported that an unidentified boy alighted from fifth car of Train No. 550, car 701, at Wilmette, went around end of train and ran into train No. 649, standing in station, unloading passengers. Before Collector Emmrich was able to get to the boy, he had continued hurriedly on his way and caught a bus destined to Glenview. Crew on Train No. 649 were contacted but reported they were unaware of incident.

At 6:19 P.M., Waukegan City Car No. 353, Opr. Brissey, southbound on County Street at Grand Avenue, was struck by an eastbound Chevrolet Sedan, license 688-185 Wis. '44, driven by Gordon Goodlet, R.R. #1, Washington Island, Wis., unaccompanied. No personal injuries. Front end of auto damaged. No damage to car 353. As city car was crossing intersection, auto slid on slippery pavement, striking side of city car. Car 353 inspected at North Chicago Barns.

At 9:20 P.M., Waukegan City Car No. 359, Opr. Frank Skala, northbound on Genesee Street at 8th Street, Waukegan, was struck by a northbound 1938 Plymouth Sedan, license 965-481 Ill. '44, driven by Edwin McDow, 1815 W. Wallace Avenue, North Chicago, accompanied by owner of car, Parnell Mayfield, 1820 Dickey Avenue, North Chicago. No personal injuries. Right front fender of auto damaged. No damage to city car. City car standing unloading passengers and auto slid on slippery pavement, sliding into rear end of city car. Car 359 inspected at North Chicago Barns.

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1945

At 7:30 A.M., Waukegan City Bus No. 10, Operator Kendall, at Edison Court Driveway, Waukegan, collided with an eastbound Yellow Cab No. 4, driven by Benedict Sko, Yellow Cab Garage, Waukegan, Illinois. Taxi had no passengers at time of collision. No personal injuries. Bus backed out of driveway and struck right front fender of taxi, denting fender. No damage to bus. Bus inspected at Waukegan Garage.

At 8:00 A.M., Morris Hadelman, 1618 Sheridan Road, North Chicago, a passenger in Waukegan City Car No. 504, in charge of Operator Kidder, alighted from city car at Second Avenue, North Chicago. As Mr. Hadelman started to cross the street, he was struck and knocked down by a northbound auto, license 101-894 Ill. '44, owned and driven by Argil Random, 24 No. St. James Street, Waukegan. Mr. Hadelman apparently not seriously injured as he got up without any assistance and walked to sidewalk.

Train No. 802, units 803 and 804, changed up at Harrison Street, Milwaukee, account B. O. motors in unit 803. Train delayed from 11:16 A.M. to 11:40 A.M. while shopmen made inspection and train changed up to operate with standard equipment. Train No. 802 boosted out of Edison Court. Train No. 805 operated with standard equipment and units 803 and 804 later OKed and went out on Train No. 806.

Train No. 806 lost trolley pole on rear unit of 804 near Briergate substation and train did not stop. On arrival at Roosevelt Road, it was found that the trolley stand had been damaged. When train No. 424 came south, trolleys derailed at this location and it was found that several hangers were off between the catenary and secondary wires. Following delays resulted: 424 - 16 mins., 725 - 4 mins., 209 - 6 mins., 427 - 6 mins., and 426 - 4 mins. Wire OKed at 9:40 P.M.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1945

Extra 456, Motorman Bryant, Conductor Wintz, at Downeys West, struck a baggage truck standing on station platform, too close to track for clearance. No damage to truck or engine.

Friday, February 9, 1945

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1945

At 8:30 A.M., Extra 454 South, Motorman, Boyer, Conductor Dodge, backing in at Holerness Coal Company Yard at Kenosha, ran over and cut cable leading to coal loader, struck and shifted coal loader, but did not damage it.

At 11:10 P.M., driver backing Gateway trailer No. 20 on to flat car 1402 on east ramp track at Montrose when cars 1402, 1513 and 1508 rolled back south and allowed end of trailer to fall between end of ramp and car 1402. Trailer slightly damaged. Brodie Wrecking Company jacked trailer back up on ramp. MD-4 delayed about two hours account of this occurrence.

Wednesday, February 14, 1945

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1945

At 11:40 A.M., Extra 233-229, Motorman McNally, Conductor A. L. Johnson, backing six cars into siding at Illinois Mfg. Co., Waukegan, with Conductor Johnson riding head car, UP-192559, loaded with castings, collided with an eastbound Olson Tractor-Trailer, tractor No. 2200, license 2401-Wis. '44, trailer No. 1152, driven by Mr. Foggman, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and owned by Olson Co, 22nd and Western Avenue, Chicago. No personal injuries. Trailer had both sides pushed in. Draw bar broken on motor 229. Trailer came from the west from between buildings, directly in front of train and motorman was unable to stop in time to prevent collision. Trailer was pushed against side of sheet iron building, denting side of building and breaking corner post.

No. 420 delayed 16 mins. and Train No. 323 delayed 11 mins. at South Upton Interlocking Plant from 4:20 P.M. until 4:50 P.M. because operator could not arrange lineup. Maintainer Broemelkamp inspected plant, but found no mechanical defect.

* At 7:22 P.M., Extra 180 South, cars 180-169-174-723-411-414, Motorman W. N. Steffens, Conductor Benson. Mrs. Bertha Wells, age 59, 6549 Minerva Avenue, Chicago, a passenger in car 414, became ill and was assisted off train at Howard Street by Conductor L. P. Jacobs and Collector Rydzieb. Taken to St. Francis Hospital, Evanston, in taxicab, accompanied by her daughter Dolly, son Arthur, and Collector Rydzieb.

* At 7:34 P.M., Train No. 426, cars 759-417-37-740-726-766-775, Motorman L. D. Fuller, Conductor Glascock, Collectors Burtchby, Herrell, Howk, and Day, at Dempster Street, Skokie. Mae Friend, 3486 No. Humboldt Avenue, Milwaukee, after alighting from car 759, tripped over bundle of newspapers which Conductor Glascock had set at outside edge of platform, and fell to platform, tearing nose and scratching left knee. Refused offer of medical assistance and said she would go to see her own doctor. Conductor Glascock, in charge of car 759, was on station platform assisting passengers, at time of accident.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1945

At 4:15 A.M., Miss Christensen, ticket agent at County Street, Waukegan, reported doors were open when she reported for work. Waukegan Police notified and after investigation, could find no evidence of anything missing.

Notified at 4:25 AM *dm*
Train No. 104 annulled from Waukegan to Highwood, account no motorman. Boosted from Highwood on time.

At 11:30 P.M., Motorman Cook, switching cars 252-755-415 at Milwaukee Terminal, cars 252 and 755 took track 4, but north trucks of car 415 took track 5. Bus jumper, train jumper and draw bar broken on car 415. Switch had been plugged properly. Car 415 taken to Harrison street and changed up with Dining car 419.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1945

At 12:02 A.M., Conductor Harms, on Extra 709 South, called from Ft. Sheridan and reported 400 to 500 feet of wire down on southbound track, north of Ft. Sheridan station. Single track operated between Ft. Sheridan and Highwood Office, using northbound track, until wire O.K. at 2:50 A.M. Train 528 delayed 28 mins., Extra 748 South, delayed 39 mins., Train No. 580 delayed 21 mins.

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1945

Milwaukee Commercial wire out of order from 6:00 P.M. until 6:50 P.M.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1945

M. D.-2, Extra 229 South, cars 229-230-236-228-238-1402-1511-224, Motorman Gillard, Conductor L. S. Smith, delayed 20 Minutes, at Asbury Avenue, Evanston, account breaking draw bar on caboose, car 224. Car 224 operated from Asbury Avenue to Montrose by Conductor L. S. Smith.

At 6:20 A.M., Milwaukee City Car No. 327, Opr. Bartz, Northbound on South 5th Street at Mineral Street, Milwaukee, was struck by a southbound Chevrolet Sedan, license 547-122 Wis. '44, driven by Wm. Lawson, 2013 No. Pierce Street, Milwaukee, unaccompanied. No personal injuries. Front end of auto damaged. Left door knocked off and left side of body of city car damaged. Driver, under the influence of liquor, struck left side of city car in passing. Driver taken in charge by Milwaukee police. Car 327 inspected at Harrison Street Barns.

South Upton Interlocking plant B.O. from 3:10 P.M. until OKed by Maintainer Broemelkamp at 4:35 P.M.

* At Lincoln Avenue, Highland Park, boys throwing stones broke window glass in car 188, on Train No. 551. There were no personal injuries and Highland Park police took charge of the boys and ordered them to appear at the Highland Park Police Station at 4:00 P.M., Monday, Feb. 26, 1945.

* At Seven Mile Road, children threw a snowball thru a window glass in car 767, Train No. 422. No personal injuries. Racine Police Department notified and two boys were picked up.

At 3:25 P.M., Extra 194 South, cars 194-160, Motorman Tanney, Conductor Patton, crossing over at 2nd Avenue, North Chicago, failed to secure south trolley pole on car 160, and pole derailed and bent, tearing trolley base off car. No damage to trolley wire.

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1945

At 8:30 A.M., Motorman F. Gibson, Conductor O. Homan, Collector Morrill, taking empty cars 732 and 163 from Waukegan Terminal to Edison Court, had cleared the switch on Washington Street, east of Utica Street, then started west on Washington Street. Car 732 and the west truck of car 163 took straight track, but rear truck of car 163 took diverging track to Utica Street, causing the car to obstruct the eastbound traffic lane on Washington Street, and car collided with an eastbound Ford sedan, license 975-771 Ill. '44 driven by Miss Barbara Peterson, Shore Acres, Grayslake, Illinois, accompanied by Gloria Wagner, Grayslake. There were no personal injuries, but left rear door, fender and bumper were damaged on auto, and car 163 was considerably damaged. Cars 732 and 163 were brought to Highwood Shop for inspection and repairs. Track was OKed by Radmaster R. Pavletic at 11:41 A.M.

At 9:08 A.M., Waukegan City Car No. 358, Opr. C. Ohm, northbound on North Avenue at Glen Flora Avenue, Waukegan. Front truck passed over switch, taking north track but rear truck took west track on to Glen Flora Avenue, damaging motor cable on car 358. No delay to city cars.

At 5:03 P.M., Extra 236, Motorman McNally, Conductor A. L. Johnson, switching at Harrison Street, derailed caboose No. 1002, blocking southbound main track until rerailed and track OKed by Section Foreman H. Peterson, at 6:00 P.M. Single track operated during this period, using the northbound track from Harrison Street to Oklahoma Avenue. Train 806 delayed 4 minutes going thru single track.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1945

X At 12:10 A.M., Train No. 580, cars 704-153, Motorman R. Brynn, Conductor Smedberg, Collector Bayles, at Water and Genesee Streets, Waukegan, was struck by a northbound 1940 Oldsmobile Sedan, license 334-511 Ill. '44, driven by Christ Traynoff, 661 So. Genesee Street, Waukegan, accompanied by Sam Disc, 703 So. Genesee Street, Waukegan, and Tom Evanoff, 546 So. Genesee Street, Waukegan. There were no personal injuries and no damage to train, but left front fender of auto damaged. Train rounding curve from Water Street to South Genesee Street when auto struck south drawbar on car 704. Motorman did not see northbound auto until about 25 feet away, sounded emergency whistle and applied brakes, but was unable to stop in time to avoid collision. Cars 704 and 155 inspected at Roosevelt Road.

Thursday, March 1, 1945

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