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CHICAGO NORTH SHORE AND MILWAUKEE RAILROAD COMPANY

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 1945

* At 8:47 A.M., Train No. 704, cars 151-744-753, Motorman Brace, Conductor Sesterhenn, Collectors Krizanetz and Morrison, at Northfield Station. Stanley Ekman, Ridgewood Lane, North Glenview, Illinois, misjudged his step when boarding car 151, and stepped between station platform and car step, bruising left knee and tearing his trousers. Refused offer of medical attention and continued journey to Chicago. Conductor Sesterhenn, in charge of car 151, on station platform at time of accident. Car 151 inspected at Roosevelt Road.

At 10:40 P.M., Milwaukee City Car No. 336, Operator Carl Nyberg, northbound, about 300 feet north of Canal Street, Milwaukee, was struck by a southbound 1935 Ford Coach, license 313-871, Wisconsin #45, driver's name and address not obtained. Extent of damage to auto unknown and only slight scratches to city car. Auto was coming on wrong side of street, without lights. Operator sounded whistle and stopped city car when saw auto, but auto struck city car and drove away as operator alighted to investigate. Milwaukee police notified and will investigate. City car inspected at Harrison Street shop.

At 11:20 P.M., Switchman Engstrom switching cars 751-716-182 in alley behind freight house at 6th and Clybourn, Milwaukee, collided with a 1935 Ford Coach, license 37-579 Wisconsin #45, driven by George Jones, 2106 North First Street, Milwaukee, accompanied by his wife. No damage to cars and no personal injuries, but right front fender dented on auto. Cars inspected at Milwaukee Terminal.

Thursday, May 3, 1945

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SATURDAY, MAY 5, 1945

* At 5:45 P.M., Train No. 555, cars 762-413-150, Motorman E. S. Boyer, Conductor Donaldson, Collectors Gonzalez and Murray, at Scott St., Lake Forest, Mrs. Philip Docheity, 448 Plum St., Aurora, Illinois, alighting from car 150, stepped between car step and station platform, tearing stockings and skinning her leg. Refused offer of medical attention. Collector Murray, in charge of car 150, on station platform at time of accident. Car 150 inspected at Highwood by Lepper.

* At 6:50 P.M., Train No. 558, cars 188-175-168-179, Motorman Challenger, Conductor Walden, Collectors Kivland, Miss Mary Burns, A. Tapp, at Lincoln Avenue, Highland Park. Mrs. Gunnar Carlson, 736 Ridgewood Drive, Highland Park, boarding car 168, twisted her leg. Complained of pain in her knee and was sent to St. Francis Hospital in company with her daughter who was with her at time she boarded train. Passenger Collectro Miss Mary Burns, in charge of car 168, on station platform at time of accident. Car 168 inspected at Roosevelt Road.

Motorman Ward and Conductor Selin, Train No. 429, reported from Racine that they had struck an unidentified object at Birch Road. Kenosha Ticket Agent also reported that Kenosha County Deputy Officer reported a large piece of steel on Birch Road crossing was obstructing traffic. Kenosha section Foreman M. Bruno sent to investigate and found a piece of steel plate struck in crossing plank. Train No. 429 inspected at Milwaukee and found to be O.K.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SUNDAY, MAY 6, 1945

* At 12:47 P.M., an unidentified object thrown by boys, north of Kenosha Station, struck window of car 754, Train 414 and small sliver of glass struck forehead of Emma Carter, 1943 No. 6th Street, Milwaukee. Train was met at Edison Court by Dr. Palmer, who examined passenger but found no injuries and passenger continued on to Chicago on following train. Collector Lorch, in charge of car 754, collecting tickets in car 743, at time of accident.

Monday, May 7, 1945

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR MONDAY, MAY 7, 1945

X Collector Bandy, on car 409, 4th car in Train No. 546, reported that at Elm Street, Winnetka, a woman attempted to board train after it had started. He held out his hand to prevent her from boarding train and she slipped and fell to a sitting position on station platform. An unidentified person on platform gave a highball and train continued without getting identity of person.

X At 5:56 P.M., Train No. 423, cars 250-733-773-760-179, Motorman Odinius, Conductor H. Schmahl, Collector Keesling, on 6th Street, between Vernon and Maple Streets, Milwaukee, was struck by a Chevrolet, license 64341 Wis '42-43, driven by Joseph Gofhowicz, 426 W. Rogers Street, Milwaukee, accompanied by Vince Stasskowski, 2738 So. 15th Street, Milwaukee. No personal injuries but rear left fender and bumper damaged on auto, no damage to train. Front end of train had passed auto, standing at curb and driver backed out, striking rear truck of head car 250. Train inspected at Milwaukee.

Motorman S. DelBene, Conductor J. Griffin, on Train No. 19, found a piece of a wheel flange at southbound frog at Racine crossover. Piece was a new break and Mechanical Department was notified.

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SATURDAY, MAY 12, 1945

At 8:00 A.M., Waukegan Bus No. 4, Opr. W. Hook, southbound on Genesee Street at Washington Street, Waukegan, collided with a Chevrolet Coupe, license 762-430 Ill. '45, driven by R. Wahlfert, 300 Kieth Avenue, Waukegan, unaccompanied. No personal injuries but right rear fender bent on auto and front bumper broken on bus. Bus had just started across intersection when auto, alongside of bus, made right turn directly in front of bus, and operator was unable to stop in time to avoid collision. Bus inspected at Waukegan Garage.

At 3:14 P.M., Milwaukee City Car No. 333, Opr. Platz, southbound on Clybourn Street Hill, between 5th and 6th Streets, Milwaukee, stopped, account power off and Operator found motor lead cables burning under car. Transferred passengers to following city car and traffic police officer at 6th & Clybourn called Fire Department to extinguish fire. No. 2 motor burned out and car was operated to Harrison Street, empty.

At 3:55 P.M., Extra 175 North, cars 175-195-722, Motorman D. Ray, Conductor Hawley, Collector C.C. Bennett, *and Collector Bond* 200 feet south of Farwells siding, Lake Forest, collided with engine 454, rear car of Extra 455 North, Motorman M. Wittry, Conductor C. Summers, Brakemen E. J. Leis, W. R. Fouts, A. H. Senn. There were five soldier passengers on car 175, but none were injured and left the scene at once. Cars 195 and 722 were empty. Motorman D. Ray taken to Lake Forest Hospital with no apparent injuries but suffering from shock. Extra 455 left Highwood at 3:43 P.M. Cars NYC 194120, PM13512, CN 125790, Caboose 1005 and light engine 454. At Farwells, cut off the 455 and NYC 194120, went into the siding to pick up N&W 91462, empty gondola, leaving two cars, caboose & 454 on main line. Extra 175 north left Highwood at 3:50 P.M. and after rounding curve at Sacred Heart, ran into engine 454, standing on the Main Line. Car 175 climbed the deck of 454, and train forced ahead against cars coming out of siding, derailed PM 13512 and N&W 91462, blocking the southbound main. Passengers transferred around wreck until single track operation started at 6:25 P.M. using the southbound track from Fort Sheridan to Farwells. B.O. equipment brought to Highwood and Main line all clear at 1:00 A.M. Track O.K. at 12:06 A.M. by Roadmaster Pavletic.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SUNDAY, MAY 13, 1945

At 9:59 P.M., Waukegan City Car No. 357, Opr. L. D. Mitchell, northbound, on Genesee Street at Clayton Street, Waukegan, was struck by a southbound auto, license 15-816 Iowa '45, driven by Ensign Leville M. Getz, Bldg. 14-B, Great Lakes, Illinois, unaccompanied. No personal injuries, but fender bent on auto and city car scratched slightly. Auto attempted to pass between city car and another auto and scraped against city car. City car inspected at North Chicago Barns.

At 11:28 P.M., Waukegan City Car No. 359, Operator Waterbury, southbound, standing about 75 feet south of County Street on Clayton Street, Waukegan, was struck by a northbound Yellow Cab No. 5, license 022-305, Ill. '45, driven by Curtis Chapman, accompanied by S. V. June, 822 Atlantic Avenue, Waukegan, and an unidentified lady. Chapman received cut on face and knees and passengers in cab also shaken up. Front end of cab damaged and guard and door rod broken on city car. City car was standing, loading passengers, when northbound taxicab slid against front end. City car inspected at North Chicago Barns.

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 1945

At 2:24 P.M., Waukegan Bus No. 7, Opr. D. Jesse, eastbound on Washington Street at Jackson Street, Waukegan, was struck by a General Electric truck, license B-66304 Ill. '45, driven by A. Potterdell, address unknown. No personal injuries and no damage to truck, but right rear fender of bus was scratched. Truck backing out of parking space. Operator sounded horn and truck stopped but before bus had cleared, driver of truck resumed backing out and struck rear fender of bus. Bus inspected at Waukegan Garage.

At 5:55 P.M., Motorman W. H. Westerkamp, with Conductor H. Peterson, took Electroliner units 801-802 south thru Highwood Yards in order to turn the train around. Approaching the derail on Yard lead south of Washington Street, Motorman Westerkamp was unable to stop the train, and ran over the derail. The south pair of wheels climbed over derail and were not derailed, but second pair of wheels on the south truck and the north truck of unit 801 derailed and blocked the northbound main track. Later investigation found that the motorman's valve was not cut in on unit 801, which was the cause of the train failing to stop. Single track was operated between Washington Street and Highwood Office using the southbound track until 6:53 P.M. Train rerailed at 8:25 P.M. and track O.K. at 8:30 P.M. Trains 655 and 561 used the southbound track from Vine Avenue to Washington Street. Trains 557, 559 and 561 were delayed by the single track movement.

* At 5:04 P.M., Train No. 806, units 803-804, Motorman H. Taylor, Conductor Ortmann, Collector R. E. Harris, on Sixth Street at Virginia Street, Milwaukee, collided with a southbound Nash Sedan, license 726-254 Wis. '45, driven by Dean G. Wolf, 342 North Water Street, Milwaukee, accompanied by his wife. No personal injuries but rear bumper of auto dented. Train following auto to Virginia Street where auto turned east, directly in front of train. Motorman applied emergency but train slid on wet rail and struck rear end of auto. Train delayed 3 minutes, was inspected at Roosevelt Road.

Thursday, May 17, 1945

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR MONDAY, MAY 21, 1945

Signals out at Ryan Tower from 2:40 P.M. until 3:15 P.M., account
TMER&T Company power off, due to lightning.

Skokie Dispatch line out between Howard Street and Skokie at 5:35 P.M.

* Mrs. John Lipp, 1544 Villa Street, Racine, informed Racine Ticket
Agent that she was a passenger on Train No. 427, cars 730-417-771-749-
755, Motorman Camp, Conductor Morrill, Collectors Gunderson and Huff,
and that as train was pulling into Racine, a collector took a grip
out of the baggage rack and caused another grip to fall off rack and
strike her on the head, causing a slight injury to her head. Ticket
Agent contacted Dr. L. E. Fazen, who gave necessary medical attention.
Crew report they know nothing of the incident. *hoff*

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR TUESDAY, MAY 22, 1945

Maintainer F. Cox reported #10 signal wire broken and hanging over
trolley wire about 500 feet south of crossover at Liberty Lake. Elect-
rical Department notified.

At 5:00 A.M., Extra 456, Motorman Bryant, Conductor Jacobs, Brakeman
G. W. Smith, Finlay and Martz, at Soo Line interchange, Mundelein,
derailed cars CMSTP&P 504528, loaded with lumber, and empty tank car
NPAX 7072, caused by cars rolling down grade and brakeman unable to
stop them before going over derail.

* At 6:08 A.M., dispatcher received report from Agent Ohlwein that
Mundelein Station had been broken into. Cash register was found open
and a typewriter was missing. Mundelein Police notified.

Notified at 6:10 AM sent R. F. Wengler to investigate

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR THURSDAY, MAY 24, 1945

At 4:50 P.M., Waukegan City Bus No. 8, Operator Fell, southbound about fifty feet south of Madison Street on Genesee Street, operator made sudden application of brakes to avoid collision with an automobile and an unidentified lady passenger hit her shoulder on railing beside driver. Operator attempted to contact woman but because of large number getting off of bus, was unable to find her when she alighted at next stop.

Train No. 575 delayed six minutes at Howard Street. C.R.T. switchman was pulling up car 174 to make add when North Shore Collector Grube threw third rail switch. No personal injuries but switch and cabinet burned on car 174 which was brought to Highwood, dark.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR FRIDAY, MAY 25, 1945

* At 12:06 A.M., Train No. 579, cars 762, Motorman Challenger, Conductor Walden, on Genesee Street at Lake Street, collided with a 1937 Chevrolet Coach, license 725-009 Wisconsin 144, driven by Grace Hoehn, 5815 21st Avenue, Kenosha, accompanied by Ruby Green, 2327 Roosevelt Road, Kenosha. No personal injuries but left front wheel, fender, headlight and radiator damaged on auto and #2 end step on car 762 damaged. Auto travelling west on Lake Street made left hand turn to go south. Driver slowed up as if to stop then resumed speed and motorman was unable to stop in time to avoid collision. Train inspected at Waukegan Terminal by Foster.

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SATURDAY, MAY 26, 1945

* At 11:40 A.M., Train No. 528, cars 183, -156, -744, -725, Motorman Scheal, Conductor Berndt, Collectors Patton, Witzke, Emmerich, at Wilmette Avenue, Mrs. Francis Schwall, 1925 Birchwood Avenue, Wilmette, boarding car 744, missed first car step and fell against car steps, skinning her leg. Refused offer of medical attention and left train at Linden Avenue. Collector Patton, in charge of car 744, on station platform at time of accident, noted woman had two inch sole on left shoe. Car 744 inspected at Roosevelt Road.

Train 655 annulled Chicago to Highwood, account shortage of equipment.

At 12:30 P.M., boys in vicinity of Thorndale and Granville, Chicago, threw stones, striking and cracking side window in car 712, Train Extra 755 South. No personal injuries.

At 4:00 P.M., Waukegan Bus No. 7, Operator D. Jesse, at Washington & Genesee Street. E. E. Earhart, Glen Flora Apartments, Waukegan, reported that when boarding bus he caught his hand in the door. Operator not aware of incident until same was reported to him by Mr. Deely, who received report from Mr. Earhart.

Train No. 808 delayed 8 minutes at Oklahoman when block signal 684 failed to clear after passage of Train No. 427. After 808 passed Austin the signal cleared.

At 11:20 P.M., Waukegan City Car No. 353, Operator Fendick, southbound on County at Washington Street, was struck by an eastbound Dodge Sedan, license 39-555 Ill. '45, driven by John H. Schneider, 5144 W. Strong St., Chicago, accompanied by Harry Williams, Great Lakes, Ill., and Leo. E. Bailly, Barracks 907, Great Lakes. No personal injuries but left front and rear fenders, and left side of body of car damaged. Paint scratched and guard damaged on city car. As city car started across intersection, operator noted east-bound auto approaching and stopped city car. Auto scraped front end of city car. Car 353 inspected at North Chicago Barns.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SUNDAY, MAY 27, 1945

Severe electrical storm resulted in receipt of following reports and conditions: Car 706 out off extra 715 South, at Highwood at 11:55 P.M., Account being struck by lightning. Block signals and gates out from North Chicago Jct. to State Line, at 11:15 P.M. Gates and crossing signals out from Grange to Three Mile Road and from Pipers to Kenosha. Highwood Yard Office phone out from 11:30 P.M. to 12:55 A.M. Waukegan Commercial phone out from 11:30 P.M. to 1:00 A.M. Milwaukee Dispatch, south Upton, and Waukegan Dispatch phones out from 11:15 P.M. to 1:30 A.M.

Monday, May 28, 1945

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR MONDAY, MAY 28, 1945

At 12:26 P.M., Towerman Pritchard, at Kenosha Tower, reported C&NW switch engine 2121, eastbound, ran signal and derail, derailing rear truck of 1st car behind engine and both trucks of 2nd car behind engine. Engine and tank both rode over derail. Rerailed at 1:15 P.M. No delay to North Shore Trains. Stop signals out account No. 803 going thru plant.

At 4:17 P.M., crew of Extra 705, North, at Winnetka, reported Signal 179, red.

* At 11:06 P.M., Train No. 575, cars 172-153, Motorman D. Crabb, Conductor Grossenheider, Collector Taylor, on Genesee Street at Lake Street, Waukegan, was struck by an eastbound Plymouth Sedan, license No. 936-789 Ill. '45, driven by Chief E.J. Ballard, Building 311, Great Lakes, Illinois. No personal injuries but right side of auto badly damaged. No damage to car 172. Train crossing intersection when auto crashed into center of car 172, bounced off train and collided with Plymouth auto parked at curb, license 547-158 Ill. '45, owned by Wm. Jacobs, 24 N. Elmwood Avenue, Waukegan, which auto had headlight, bumper and front axle damaged. Car 172 inspected at Highwood by Lepper.

Tuesday, May 29, 1945

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