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CHICAGO NORTH SHORE AND MILWAUKEE RAILWAY COMPANY

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR THURSDAY, JULY 3, 1947

2:35 P.M., Train No. 547, CRT Co. crew, Motorman Paul A. Ing, Conductor Gust Amandes, Guard Mike Kolinski, at Fullerton Avenue, Chicago. Mrs. Sue Pufahl, age 36, Apt. #3, 1131 No. State Street, midway of platform, dove deliberately in front of train. Was taken to Alexian Bros. Hospital where she was pronounced dead and then removed to Walden's Undertakers, 2449 No. Lincoln Street, Chicago. Train No. 547 delayed 42 mins., passengers were transferred to train No. 549. Train No. 547 operated light to Highwood, where cars were inspected, and train annulled from Highwood to Waukegan.

4:52 P.M., Waukegan City Car No. 355, Opr. George Dennon with Student Operator William Cashmore, northbound on Genesee Street, 50 feet north of Washington St., collided with a 1941 Nash, license No. 1030-043 Ill. '47 driven by Bertha Moore, 117 W. Sunnyside Place, Libertyville, Illinois, accompanied by an unidentified person. No personal injuries and no damage to city car but dent in rear fender of auto. Auto backed out from parking space directly in front of city car and operator was unable to stop in time to avoid collision. City car inspected at North Chicago Barns.

At Church Street, Evanston, Train No. 557, cars 167-163-185-726 pulled in two between cars 163-185 account broken draw bar draft spring on north end of car 185. Cars 185-726 operated by Motorman Blackmore, deadheading on train. Train delayed 16 mins., boosted from Highwood.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR FRIDAY, JULY 4, 1947

Crew on Train No. 417 reported a hanger off between McKeon and South Kenosha. Electrical Department notified.

Train No. 432, cars 757-758-738-254 delayed 10 mins. Racine, account tight brakes on car 254. Train delayed 5 mins. Edison Court, cutting off car 254 account red hot wheels. Inspection disclosed shim box R3 and R4 broken and B.O. car brought to Highwood.

10:48 P.M., Train No. 432, cars 757-758-738 Motorman Odinius, Conductor Donelson, Collector Morrill at Oakton Street, Skokie, collided with an eastbound 1935 Chrysler license No. 1337087 Ill. '47, driven by James K. Rippel, 7450 N. Greenview Avenue, Chicago, unaccompanied. No personal injuries but auto badly damaged. Pilot, steps, air hose and circle iron damaged on car 747. Auto traffic was stopped by traffic light on Skokie Highway and auto stopped on tracks. Driver of auto got out of car and motorman was unable to stop in time to avoid collision. Train inspected at Roosevelt Road by Kozelski and later at Highwood by Lepper.

Saturday, July 5, 1947

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CHICAGO NORTH SHORE AND MILWAUKEE RAILWAY COMPANY

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR MONDAY, JULY 7, 1947

Extra 763 South, 12:45 A.M. leaving Milwaukee, cars 763-152-725 Motorman W. Loesch, Conductor Belue, Collector Sayles. A colored male passenger on crutches with an Evanston ticket refused to pay for extended fare to Howard Street. He had been told in Milwaukee, before train left that he should take the following train for Church Street. Police removed him and put him on Train No. 440.

\* 2:10 P.M., Train No. 417, cars 250-746-752-737 Motorman W. H. Bower, Conductor A. L. Johnson, Collector V. A. Hamilton, at Edison Court Station. Mrs. Daniel O'Brien, 3939 W. Congress Street, Chicago, fell on car steps of car 746 as Conductor A. L. Johnson, in charge of car 746 was assisting her to alight. Complained of injury to her left leg and was left in charge of ticket agent. Car 746 inspected at Milwaukee by H. Ponko.

Block No. 366, at 10th Street, North Chicago, reported out at 4:05 P.M.

\* Extra 161 North, 4:48 P.M. from Downeys, cars 161-768-156, Motorman S. DelBene and Conductor F. Hoff. At Horlicksville Road, Conductor Hoff went into second car to collect fares and a passenger reported that an unidentified passenger had opened door of car 768 and jumped off train in the vicinity of Hawthorne Drive. Racine police called but police report does not indicate that they found anyone.

Block No. 134, south of Dempster Tower, and Block No. 131, north of Main Street Station, reported B.O. at 5:35 P.M. and O.K. at 9:15 P.M.

On Train 563, cars 727-170-187-182, Motorman Zell, Conductor Watkins, Collectors Koontz, Golubski and Eilers, an elderly lady got on car 170, in charge of Collector Koontz, at Howard Street, and refused to pay for transportation and said she was going home. She would not give any more information, and Dr. I. Kauffman, 25 E. Washington Street, Chicago, a passenger in car 170 stated that she was definitely a mental case. Lake Forest Police turned lady over to Cook County Police who took her to the missing persons bureau.

8:48 P.M., Waukegan City Car No. 354, Opr. Waterbury, southbound on Genesee Street. At belvidere Street, was struck by a southbound Waukegan Cab, license No. 028-221 Ill. '47, Driven by B. D. Barnes, 301 So. Gretta Avenue, Waukegan, unaccompanied. No personal injuries and no damage to city car but dent in left rear fender of taxi. Taxi attempted to pass city car, which had just started up, and left rear fender of cab caught back end of city car. City car inspected at North Chicago Barns.

Train No. 564, cars 726-731-166, C.R.T. Co. crew, at Armitage Avenue, Chicago, an unidentified person threw a spike through and broke a window in car 731. No personal injuries. Chicago Police sent a squad car to investigate. Train delayed 5 mins. Highwood Office, cutting out car 731.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR TUESDAY, JULY 8, 1947

Train No. 402, cars 763-757-753-751 delayed 6 mins. Racine, setting out car 751 account hot journal.

Tuesday, July 8, 1947

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SATURDAY, JULY 12, 1947

6:36 A.M., Train No. 401 delayed 6 mins. Edison Court changing up car 776 account hot journal.

11:06 A.M., Train No. 411 delayed 9 mins. Edison Court cutting out car 705 account hot journal.

2:20 P.M., Extra 604, Conductor McMahon, found short piece of rail missing in frog of special work on EJ&E crossing at North Chicago. Slow order of 6 miles per hour put on track.

5:30 P.M., No. 422 lost trolleys between Northbrook and Northfield, Line car O.K. wire at 6:40 P.M.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR SUNDAY, JULY 13, 1947

4:50 A.M. lightning struck car 176 at Waukegan Terminal, knocking out light circuits. Train 508 delayed 6 minutes leaving, changing up after attempting to use car 176. Car 176 brought to Highwood Shop on No. 512.

8:00 A.M., Block No. 126, Oakton Street, reported red. O.K. at 9:30 A.M. by Maintainer Hogan.

Milwaukee Dispatch Phone B.O. at 5:45 A.M. and again at 12:00 Noon.

Monday, July 14, 1947

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR MONDAY, JULY 14, 1947

10:27 A.M., Train No. 527 delayed 2 mins. Highwood changing up cars 721 and 724 wanted for inspection.

10:58 A.M., Standard Time, Milwaukee City Car No. 332, westbound, Operator Platz, at Wells and intersection of 3rd Street, Milwaukee, collided with a Dodge truck, license No. 25440 Wis. '47, owned by Spic and Span Cleaners, and driven by J. Boyan, 3062-A North 21st Street, Milwaukee. At the intersection of 3rd Street, truck passed up city car, and came to a sudden stop. Operator unable to stop in time to avoid striking right front corner of city car on left rear bumper of truck. No personal injuries. Bumper bracket broken on truck. No damage to city car. City car inspected at Milwaukee.

12:00 Noon, Waukegan City Bus No. 7, Operator Setterlund, southbound on Genesee Street at Washington Street, Waukegan, starting up after receiving traffic, when right front wheel went into depression in pavement, causing bus to lean to right, and side of bus scraped hydrant on corner, breaking knob off hydrant. No water released from hydrant, but paint scratched on side of bus. Police notified.

\* 4:05 P.M., Train No. 422, cars 772-762-757-252, Motorman W. Allen, Conductor H. Horbinski, Collector H. Glascock, on South 6th Street between Florida and Virginia Streets, Milwaukee, Wis., collided with a 1937 Ford auto, license No. 66467 Wis. '47, driven by J. J. Dinotto, 1438 Fifth Street, Milwaukee, Wis. No personal injuries. Right rear fender bent on auto, but no damage to train. Southbound auto passed train, then cut over in front and stopped. Motorman unable to stop in time to avoid collision. Train 422 delayed 6 mins.

5:40 P.M., Milwaukee City Car No. 332, Operator Plimpton, southbound on South Fifth Street at Harrison Street, Milwaukee, Mrs. Sophie Kopp, 5928 Packard Ave. Cudahy, Wis., alighting from car, caught heel on car step and fell to right knee on pavement, bruising knee and tearing hose. Refused offer of medical attention and went on her way unassisted.

8:13 P.M., Train No. 567, cars 256-709-165, Motorman G. Rewey, Conductor Berndt, Collectors Corrigan and Day, at Park Avenue, Glencoe, collided with a Cadillac Sedan, license No. 471-196 Ill. '47, driven by Max Klein, 196 Park Ave., Glencoe, accompanied by one unidentified passenger. No personal injuries, but two small scratches on radiator guard on auto. No damage to train. Train had started across Park Avenue, when westbound auto ran up against front third rail beam on car 256. Equipment inspected at Highwood by M. Foster.

Tuesday, July 15, 1947

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR TUESDAY, JULY 15, 1947

12:25 P.M., Train No. 530, cars 179-186-176-C.R.T. train crew, just south of Wilson Avenue, when track spread, derailling both trucks on car 179. No personal injuries. No damage to train. Passengers transferred to following CRT train. Rerailed 1:10 P.M. No. 609 boosted from Roosevelt Road.

\* 2:05 P.M., Train No. 609, cars 718-191-169, Motorman Male, Conductor Kromer, Collectors Meyer and Norton, at Laurel Avenue, Highland Park, was struck by a 1935 Chevrolet Sedan license No. 792-067 Ill. '47, eastbound, owned by John Santi, address not given, and driven by Jack Cahill, 934 Chestnut Street, Deerfield, Illinois. No personal injuries. No damage to car 718. Front bumper torn off and right front fender damaged on auto. Driver of auto stated he did not notice where he was and drove into side of head car 718. Struck car 718 at journal box R-1. Inspected at Highwood Shop by J. Osborne.

Wednesday, July 16, 1947

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR TUESDAY, JULY 22, 1947

8:07 A.M., CRT local pulling out of Dempster Street Station, Skokie, Ill., tore down span wire on northbound main line track. Line car 606 made repairs and OKed at 9:50 A.M.

At 10:05 A.M., Waukegan City Car No. 360, Operator Henderson, southbound at Main Gate, Naval Station, Mrs. A. O. Johnson, 808 Cummings Avenue, Waukegan, was getting off city car and made a mis-step and fell to the ground from the last step. Said she was not hurt and went on her way. Operator at the controls at the time of the incident. City car will be inspected at North Chicago Barns.

11:58 A.M., Train No. 411, Conductor H. Mead, reported on arrival at Milwaukee that someone had shot thru window of car 749 just south of Oklahoma. Milwaukee Police notified.

\* 5:28 P.M., Train No. 555, cars 151-150-189, Motorman H. Saam, Conductor W. Graham, Collectors G. DelBene and Sherman, at Lincoln Avenue, Highland Park, Illinois, Lilah Eitenberry, 1000 Des Moines Street, Des Moines Iowa, alighting from car 189, slipped on wooden edge of station platform, skinning left instep and tearing hose. Collector G. DelBene in charge of car 189 was on station platform at the time, and took lady to Highland Park Ticket Office, where arrangements were made for her to be examined and treated by Dr. H. B. Roberts at his office. Car 189 inspected at Highwood by Foster.

Wednesday, July 23, 1947

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR THURSDAY, JULY 24, 1947

9:26 A.M., Train No. 208, cars 176-189-709, Motorman Westerkamp, Conductor Day, at County Line Road, when trolley cable burned off on roof of car 176, setting fire to roof board walk. Fire extinguished by crew. Train delayed 15 mins.

At 10:04 A.M., Waukegan City Bus No. 20, Operator R. D. Wells, northbound on McAllister Avenue, North of May Street, Waukegan, Ill., collided with a Chevrolet Truck, license No. B-13-1489 Ill. '47, driven by Frank Hoodnik, 542 Market St., Waukegan. No personal injuries, but paint scratched on one side of bus and door sprung on truck. Truck parked in a northbound direction. After bus had passed truck about six feet, man in truck opened door and struck bus. Police notified. Bus inspected in Waukegan Garage by Strang.

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5:30 P.M., Train 808, units 803-804, Motorman J. D. Wilbanks, Conductor R. Reagan, Collector H. Schmahl, at Lindermann Avenue, Racine, collided with a 1940 Chevrolet, license No. 10-109-20 Wis. '47, driven west on crossing by Julius Johnson, 1325 Herrick Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin, accompanied by Mrs. Carla Johnson, wife, same address, both of whom were fatally injured. Racine Police took bodies to Christiansen Funeral Home, Racine, and wrecked auto was taken to Racine Station Garage. Unit 803 front end dented and side scratched. Crossing protected by wigwag signal which was working OK at time of accident. Motorman sounding station whistle from about 1000 feet north of crossing, did not see auto until train was almost on crossing and was unable to stop in time to avoid collision; carried auto about 150 feet before stopping. Units 803-804 inspected at Edison Court by K. Wilkins. Wigwag signal inspected by K. Strang, and Largo. Crossing planks damaged by collision were repaired by M. Androff. Train delayed 43 minutes.

5:38 P.M., Milwaukee City Car No. 331, Operator Bodlak, southbound on 6th Street at National Avenue, Milwaukee, collided with a 1941 Oldsmobile sedan, license No. 55285 Wis. '47, driven south by W. W. Thomson, 3261 So. Taylor Street, Milwaukee, Wis., accompanied by unidentified passenger. No personal injuries. Left rear fender dented on auto, and paint scratched on car 331. Auto passed city car and then cut over ahead and stopped suddenly, and operator was unable to stop in time to avoid collision. Car 331 inspected at Harrison Street by Schmidt.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR FRIDAY, JULY 25, 1947

1:00 A.M., Grand Avenue Bus No. 20, Operator Chostner, turning around at end of line at McAree Road and Grand Avenue, Waukegan, Ill., ran into tree limb, breaking one window in bus. Operator keeping watch of two passengers walking round back of bus did not see the limb until it struck the window.

Friday, July 25, 1947

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR MONDAY, JULY 28, 1947

11:50 A.M., crew on Extra 452 reported span wire down at Mundelein. Line car sent out and wire O.K. at 12:30 P.M.

5:08 P.M., Train No. 550, cars 411-742-157 Motorman Odinius, Conductor Sesterhenn, Collectors Bandy and Vogel, at Church Street, Evanston, Miss K. C. Delahunty, 1330 W. Albion Avenue, Chicago, alighting from car 411 caught foot in hem of skirt, tripping on second step. Apparently not injured and refused offer of medical attention. Conductor Sesterhenn, in charge of car 411, on station platform, at time of accident. Car inspected at Roosevelt Road by Kozelski. Witnesses: Ed Cook, 624 Asbury Avenue, Evanston, and Laura Braytan, 725 Prairie Avenue, Wilmette.

Train No. 432, cars 746-758-253, Motorman Camp, Conductor Segerstrom, reported that at Austin, an unidentified person had thrown a stone through and broken a window in car 253. No personal injuries. Milwaukee County Sheriff's office notified.

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR TUESDAY, JULY 29, 1947

9:57 A.M., Waukegan City Car No. 359, Opr. Roberts, southbound on County Street, north of Madison Street, collided with a northbound 1947 Plymouth, license No. 723-950 Ill. '47, driven by Miss Ethel Samuels, 1616 Lincoln, North Chicago, unaccompanied. No personal injuries and no damage to city car but dent in trunk on rear of auto. Driver of auto pulled into drive to turn around and backed out on to tracks, directly in front of city car and operator was unable to stop in time to avoid collision. City car inspected at North Chicago Barn by O. Johnson.

5:45 P.M., white pilot light out on southbound home signal at K.O. Tower. O.K. at 6:30 P.M.

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 1947

2:10 A.M., Extra 456 Motorman Hokkanen, Conductor A. N. Zahnle, Brakemen Finley, G. W. Smith and Friedman, at Rondout, were pushing in eight emptys and caboose to empty track, with switch properly lined up. NYC 917588, sixth car in train, split hole track switch, derailing east truck. West truck of car PRR-439709, also derailed. 150 feet of track torn up. Cars rerailed at 2:45 A.M.

Wednesday, July 30, 1947

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UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT FOR THURSDAY, JULY 31, 1947

10:15 A.M., Waukegan City Bus No. 20, Student Operator F. Duncan with Operator R. D. Wells, northbound on Genesee Street at Washington Street. Diane Nascok, age 3, Bldg. #2902, Apt. K, Farnsworth, Great Lakes, Illinois, had rear exit door close on her arm as she was alighting from rear exit on bus. Child's mother, who was accompanying her, refused offer of medical attention. Bus inspected at Waukegan Garage.

1:15 P.M., Extra 455 East, Motorman Delong, Conductor F. Smith, Brakemen Harwood, Schumacher, R.O. Bowers Sr., switching on Weber siding, Skokie Gas House, were pushing cars C&O-10524 and BUTX-2045 and while moving at a speed of about two miles per hour, the C&O car became uncoupled and struck tractor-trailer, which was standing still, license No. 174-166 Mo. '47, trailer license No. 178, owned by Nighthawk Service Company and driven by Erwin Czoseck, no addresses obtained. No personal injuries and no damage to train but tire and door damaged on tractor.

Train No. 417, cars 254-738-767-772, C.R.T. motorman reported car 254 B.O. and motor switch pulled. Train arrived at Howard Street, 4 mins. late. Motors cut in at North Chicago Jet. and car worked O.K.

Train No. 546, cars 176-170-194-709-193-164 delayed 3 mins. Winnetka, cutting out #1 and #4 motors, car 164, account hot armature bearing.

Train No. 425, cars 720-761-762 Motorman Lavelle, Conductor Donelson, reported they struck and killed a small pig between Puetz and South Milwaukee Roads. Track Foreman Pavellich notified.

11:45 P.M., C.R.T. Dispatcher at Howard Street reported that an unidentified auto had been driven thru right-of-way fence at a point 100 feet north of Oakton Street. No further details available and no trains delayed.

Train No. 578, cars 703-172-717 at Highwood Office, changed up car 717 account dropping out on last point.

Friday, August 1, 1947

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