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COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT

# **BETWEEN**

BC RAIL LTD. (hereinafter called the "Railway")

# AND

THE COUNCIL OF TRADE UNIONS ON BC RAIL (hereinafter called the "Council")

# on behalf of

THE UNITED ASSOCIATION OF JOURNEYMEN AND APPRENTICES OF THE PLUMBING AND PIPEFITTING INDUSTRY OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA, LOCAL No. 170, METAL TRADES DIVISION (hereinafter called the "Union")

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#### RULE 1

# HOURS OF WORK AND MEAL PERIOD

# 1.1 Hours Constituting A Day's Work

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement. eight (8) hours shall constitute a day's work. All employees coming within the provisions of this Agreement shall be paid on the hourly basis.

# 1.2 Work Hours For Main Shops

- 1.2.1 Where one (1) shift is employed. except Saturdays and Sundays, the starting time shall be 8:00 a.m. and, unless otherwise mutually agreed, working hours shall be eight (8) consecutive hours, with an allowance of a thirty (30) minute paid meal period within the limits of the fifth hour.
- 1.2.2 Where two (2) shifts are employed, the starting time of the shift other than the day shift shall be 4:00 p.m. or 12:00 midnight, and the working hours shall be eight (HI consecutive hours, five (5) nights per week with an allowance of thirty (30) minutes for lunch within the limits of the fifth hour. Such starting times may be changed by mutual agreement.
- 1.2.3 Where three (3) shifts are employed, for those employees working on the three (3) shift basis the starting time of the first shift shall he as may be mutually agreed and the starting time of each of the other shifts shall be regulated accordingly. Each shift shall consist of eight (8) consecutive hours, including an allowance of thirty (30) minutes for lunch within the limits of the fifth hour.

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- **1.2.4** At main shops, shifts shall be designated within a 24-hour period as follows:
  - (a) Midnight shifts shall be recognized as the first shift.
  - (b) Day shifts shall be recognized as the second shift.
  - (c) Afternoon shifts shall he recognized as the third shift.
- 1.2.5 The starting time must be uniform for all employees on each shift, except **as** may be mutually agreed for the protection of the health of other employees.

# 1.3 Work Hours For Running Work

- 1.3.1 Where three (3) eight hour shifts are worked, the hours for commencing duty shall be between  $7\,a.m$  and  $8\,a.m.$ ,  $3\,p.m.$  and  $4\,p.m.$ , and 11 p.m. and midnight.
- 1.3.2 At running points, shifts shall he designated within a twenty-four (24) hour period as follows:
  - (a) Midnight shifts shall he recognized as the first shift:
  - (b) Day shifts shall he recognized as the second shift:
  - (c) Afternoon shifts shall he recognized as the third shift.
- 1.3.3 Where one (1) or two (2) shifts per twenty-four (24) hours are worked: Day work eight (to hours between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Night work eight (8) hours hetween 7 p.m. and 7 a.m.
- 1.3.4 The starting time for any portion of the staff working on a one or two shift basis at any

point may be arranged to commence within the limits named.

- 1.3.5 The starting time for each employee shall be fixed and shall not be changed without at least twenty-four (24)hours' notice.
- 1.3.6 Where one (1), two (2) or three (3) shifts are employed, a meal period of thirty (30) minutes will be allowed without deduction in pay, commencing within the fifth hour of duty on each shift. In main shops, it will be necessary for an employee to be on duty for five (5) hours to qualify for the thirty (30) minute paid lunch period. It is understood that the five (5) hours on duty will include the thirty (30) minute paid lunch period.
- 1.3.7 It is recognized that all employees in the same train yard should work the same number of hours per week.
- 1.3.8 When, at a particular point, the regular arrival or departure times of trains make these hours not appropriate to the requirements of the service, a regular assignment of the necessary number of employees may, subject to mutual agreement between the Business Manager and the proper Officer of the Railway, be arranged to meet these local conditions.

# RULE 2 OVERTIME

# 2.1 Rates Paid For Overtime

**2.1.1** All overtime continuous with regular bulletined hours will be paid for at the rate of

time and one-half until relieved, except as may be provided in Rules hereinafter set out.

- 2.1.2 Double time for overtime (except as provided in Rule 5 for wrecking service) shall apply after an employee has actually performed sixteen (16) hours service in any one (1) 24 hour period, computed from the time the employee actually commences work: the straight time allowance shall again become effective at the starting time of an employee's regular shift.
- 2.1.3 For continuous service after regular working hours, employees will be paid time and one-half on the actual minute basis, with a minimum of one (1) hour at straight time rates for any such service performed.
- **2.1.4** Employees will be allowed for services performed continuously in advance of the regular working period a minimum of two (2) hours at straight time rates the advance period *to* he not more than one (1) hour.
- 2.1.5 Employees called **or** required to report for work and reporting will be allowed a minimum of three (3) hours for three (3) hours work or less at the prevailing overtime rate. and will be required **to** do only such work as called for or other emergency work which may have developed after they were called and cannot be performed by the regular work force in time **to** avoid delays in train movement.
- **2.1.6** Employees called or notified to return *to* work in other than their regular assigned hours will, on responding to calls. he advised of the emergency for which called. This will not.

however, prevent employees being used for other emergency work which might develop subsequent to the time called.

**2.1.7** Employees called or required *to* report for work and reporting but not used will be paid at a minimum of three (3) hours at the prevailing overtime rate.

# 2.2 Hours Considered As Overtime

2.2.1 Except as may be provided in Rules hereinafter set out, work in excess of forty (40) straight time hours or five (5)days in any work week shall be considered overtime and paid at one and one-half times the basic straight time rate, except where such work is performed by an employee due to his moving from one assignment to another or to or from a laid off list, or where rest days are being accumulated under Rule 3.3 (c).

2.2.2 There shall be no overtime on overtime; neither shall overtime hours paid for, other than hours not in excess of eight (8)paid for on holidays or for changing shifts, be utilized in computing the forty (40) hours per week, nor shall time paid for in the nature of arbitraries or special allowances such as attending court, deadheading, travel time, etc., be utilized for this purpose. except when such payments apply during assigned working hours in lieu of pay for such hours, or where such time is now included under existing Rules in computations leading to overtime.

#### 2.3 Definition Of Work Week

The term "work week" for regularly assigned

employees shall mean a week beginning on the first day on which the assignment is bulletined to work.

# 2.4 Work On Assigned Rest Days

- **2.4.1** Employees required to work on regularly assigned rest days except when these are being accumulated under Rule 3.3 (c) shall be paid **at** the rate **of** time and one-half.
- **2.4.2** The overtime period for assigned rest days shall be from the conclusion of the employee's regular work week until the starting time of his regular work week.
- **2.4.3** Sunday work shall be required only when absolutely essential to the continuous operation of the Railway.

# 2.5 Work On Saturdays And Sundays

Employees regularly assigned to work on Saturdays and Sundays or those called to take the place of such employees will be allowed to complete the balance of the day, unless released at their own request. Those who are called will be advised as soon as possible after vacancies become known.

# 2.6 Meals During Overtime

2.6.1 Employees shall not be required to work more than two (2) hours without being permitted to go to meals. After the ninth hour, it is optional with the employee as to whether he continues work without going for a meal. Time taken for meals will not terminate the continuous service period and will be paid for up to thirty (30) minutes at time and one-half.

2.6.2 The right of an employee to go for a

meal after having performed an hour's work after the completion of his regular shift is unquestioned.

2.6.3 Should an employee continue to work for more than one (1) hour without going for a meal, this shall not debar him from being allowed to go for a meal thereafter, but after the ninth hour it is optional with the employee as to whether he continues to work without going for a meal.

# 2.7 Equalizing Overtime

- 2.7.1 When it becomes necessary for employees to work overtime, they shall not be laid off during regular working hours to equalize the time.
- **2.7.2** At points where sufficient number of employees are employed, employees shall not (except as provided for in Rule 2.5) work two (2) consecutive rest days (holidays to he considered **as** rest days).
- **2.7.3** Records will be kept of overtime worked and employees called with the purpose of distributing the overtime equally.

# 2.8 Banking Overtime

Employees desiring to accumulate overtime hours worked in excess of two (2)hours in any calendar day may do so under the following conditions:

- (a) the employee must declare his intention prior to January 1 of each year.
- (b) a maximum of 80 straight time hours only will be permitted in any calendar year.

- (c) accumulated hours must be taken within the year in which they are accrued.
- (d) overtime worked during the month of December will not be accrued.
- (e) accumulated hours at the accrued rate of pay will be allotted to the employee.
- (f) such accumulated time will be taken consistent with the efficient operation of the Railway.

# 2.9 Requirement To Attend An Investigation

Employees will only be required to attend an investigation outside their working hours when the requirements of the service will not permit the taking of statements during regular working hours.

# 2.10 Employment Or Temporary Advancement Of Helpers

Insofar as practicable, helpers shall not be employed or advanced temporarily to do mechanics' work - when mechanics are available - to avoid the necessity of payment for overtime.

# RULE 3 REST DAYS

3.1 Employees shall be assigned two (2) rest days in each seven (7). The rest days shall be consecutive as far as is possible, consistent with the establishment of regular relief assignments and the avoidance of working an employee on an assigned rest day. Preference shall be given to Saturday and Sunday and then to Sunday and Monday. The work weeks

may be staggered in accordance with the Railway's operational requirements.

- 3.2 In any dispute as to the necessity of departing from the pattern of two (2) consecutive rest days or for granting rest days other than Saturday and Sunday or Sunday and Monday for employees covered by Rule 3.1, it shall be incumbent on the Railway to show that such departure is necessary to meet operational requirements and that otherwise additional relief service or working an employee on an assigned rest day would be involved.
- 3.3 In the event that a situation arises which makes it impracticable to assign consecutive rest days to all employees covered by Rule 3.1 at a particular point, the following procedure shall be observed by the Local Committee and Local Management. Where arrangements are made under (c) and (d) of this Rule, the Business Manager will be advised.
  - (a) All possible regular relief positions shall be established pursuant to Rule 4.
  - (b) Possible use of rest days other than Saturday, Sunday or Monday, where these may be required under this Agreement, will be explored by the parties.
  - (c) Accumulation of rest days shall be considered. Where it is not reasonably practicable to provide regular relief each week, the rest day or days for which relief is not provided may be accumulated and granted at a later date. Such accumulation shall not exceed five (5) days and rest days so accumulated shall

- be allowed consecutively when five (5) days have been accumulated. However, the accumulation of a greater number of rest days and their allowance at longer intervals may be arranged by mutual agreement between Officers of the Railway and the Business Manager.
- (d) Other suitable or practicable plans which may be suggested by either of the parties shall be considered and efforts made to come to an agreement thereon.
- (e) If the foregoing does not solve the problem, then some of the relief employees may be given non-consecutive rest days.
- (f) If, after all the foregoing has been done. there still remains service which can only be performed by requiring employees to work in excess of five (5) days per week, the number of regular assignments necessary to avoid this may be made with two (2)non-consecutive days off
- (g) The least desirable solution of the problem would be to work some regular employees on the sixth or seventh days at overtime rates and thus withhold work from additional relief employees.

#### **RULE 4**

#### ESTABLISHMENT OF RELIEF ASSIGNMENTS

4.1 All possible regular relief assignments with five (5) days' work per week and two (2) consecutive rest days (subject to Rule 3) shall be established to perform necessary relief

- work or to perform relief work on certain days and such types of other work on other days as may be assigned under this Agreement.
- 4.2 Where situations exist making it impracticable to establish relief assignments in accordance with the above, the Officers of the Railway and the Business Manager may, by mutual agreement, arrange for relief assignments on such other basis as may be suitable. Consent to such proposed arrangements shall not be unreasonably withheld in cases where otherwise employees would be required to work on assigned rest days or unreasonable travel time would be involved.
- 4.3 Regular relief assignments may on different days have different starting times, duties and work locations, provided such starting times, duties, and work locations are those of the employee or employees relieved.

# RULE 5 EMERGENCY CALLS AND WRECKING SERVICE

# 5.1 Payment For Emergency Work

**5.1.1** An employee regularly assigned to work at a shop, engine house. repair track or inspection point, when called for emergency work away from such shop, engine house. repair track or inspection point. will he paid from the time ordered to leave the home station until his return for all time worked. in accordance with the practice at the home station. and all time waiting or travelling shall be paid for at

straight time rates for straight time hours and time and one-half for overtime hours.

- **5.1.2** In no case shall the employee be paid for a total of **less** than eight (8) hours each calendar day, when such irregular service prevents the employee from making his regular daily hours at his home station. Where meals and lodging are not provided by the Railway, actual necessary expenses will be allowed.
- **5.1.3** Employees will be called as nearly as possible one (1) hour before leaving time and on their return will deliver tools at points designated.

# 5.2 Preparatory Time Allowed

If employees are required to leave their home station during overtime hours, they will be allowed one (1) hour preparatory time at time and one-half.

# 5.3 Employees Relieved From Duty

- **5.3.1** If. during the time on the road, employees in emergency service are relieved from duty between the hours of 9 p.m. and 7 a.m. and permitted to go to bed for five (5) hours or more, such relief time will not be paid for, provided suitable sleeping accommodation is available.
- **5.3.2** If employees engaged in wrecking service are relieved from duty and permitted to go to bed for five (5) hours or more. such relief time will not be paid for.

# 5.4 Service On Rest Days Or Holidays

Employees engaged in wrecking service shall

be paid under this Rule, except that all time working, waiting or travelling on assigned rest day(s) including holidays that fall on a rest day shall be paid for at the rate of time and one-half, and all time working, waiting or travelling on week days after the recognized straight time hours at home station shall also be paid for at the rate of time and one-half. Time working, waiting or travelling on a holiday which is on a regular work day shall be paid for under Rule 43. The employees' pay shall be continuous, including the meal period during the first twenty-four (24) hours.

# 5.5 Commencement Of Wrecking Service

Wrecking service will commence at time called.

#### 5.6 Minimum Payment For Calls

**5.6.1** Employees who are called for wrecking service and who, on responding to a call, are not sent out of the terminal will be paid a minimum of two (2) hours straight time.

**5.6.2** The minimum call provided in Rule 2 does not apply to wrecking or road emergency work paid under the provisions of this Rule. It is, however, understood that a minimum of two (2) hours straight time will be paid for a call under this Rule.

# RULE 6 TEMPORARY TRANSFERS

# 6.1 Payment

6.1.1 Employees sent out to temporarily fill.

vacancies at an outlying point or shop, or sent out on a temporary transfer to an outlying point or shop will be paid continuous time from the time ordered to leave their home station to the time of reporting at the point to which sent, straight time rates to be paid for straight time hours at their home station and for all other time, whether waiting or travelling. If, on arrival at the outlying point, there is an opportunity to go to bed for five (5) hours or more before starting work, time will not be allowed for such hours.

- **6.1.2** While at such outlying points, employees will be paid straight time and overtime in accordance with the bulletin hours at that point, and will be guaranteed not less than eight (8) hours for each day.
- **6.1.3** On the return trip to the home station. straight time for waiting or travelling will be allowed **up** to the time of arrival at the home station.

#### 6.2 Meals And Lodging

Where meals and lodging are not provided by the Railway, actual necessary expenses will be allowed.

# 6.3 Preparatory Time

If employees are required to leave their home station during overtime hours, they will be allowed one (1) hour preparatory time at the straight time rate.

# RULE 7 ROAD WORK

#### 7.1 Payment

7.1.1 Employees regularly assigned to roadcar repair work whose tour of duty is regular and who leave and return to their home station daily (a boarding car to be considered a home station) shall be paid continuous time from the time of leaving their home station to the time they return, whether working, waiting or travelling, exclusive of the meal period, in accordance with Rules 7.1.2 through 7.1.7.

7.1.2 For all hours travelling, waiting. or for work performed during regular work hours. straight time shall he paid. and overtime rates paid fur work performed during overtime hours. If relieved from duty and permitted to go to bed for five (5) hours or more. employees will not be allowed pay for such hours. Where meals and lodging are not provided by the Railway when away from home station, actual necessary expenses will he allowed.

7.1.3 When such employees do not return daily to their home station or boarding car, they will be paid for all overtime actually worked as per Rules 2.1.1 and 2.1.2. In such cases where meals and lodging are not furnished by the Railway, employees will be paid actual expenses. If lodging is not available at the point where work is performed, employees will be paid according to Rule 5 until they reach lodging, their home station or boarding car.

7.1.4 Roadcar repair employees sent out on

the road will receive pay at straight time rates for waiting and travelling from the time called until they reach the first point at which they have to work and they will be compensated for any additional expenses they necessarily incur.

- 7.1.5 Employees sent out on road repair work under this Rule on regularly assigned rest days shall be paid time and one-half for working, waiting and travelling with a minimum of eight hours at time and one-half.
- **7.1.6** Employees sent out on a holiday which is the employee's regular rest day shall be paid in accordance with Rule 43.
- 7.1.7 Employees sent out on a holiday which is the employee's regular work day shall be paid in accordance with Rule 43 with a minimum allowance of eight (8) hours at the appropriate rate.

#### 7.2 Starting Times

- 7.2.1 The starting time is not to be earlier than h a.m. or later than 8 a.m.
- 7.2.2 Where two (2) or more shifts are worked. the starting time will he regulated accordingly.
- 7.2.3 Exception Where the schedule of trains interferes with the starting time. an agreement may be entered into by the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager.

#### RULE 8

# EMPLOYEES TEMPORARILY REPLACING OTHER EMPLOYEES

**8.1** When an employee is required to fill the place

of another employee receiving a higher rate of pay, he shall receive the higher rate but if he is required *to* fill, temporarily, the place of another employee receiving a lower rate, his rate will not be changed.

# RULE 9 WORKING MASTER MECHANICS AND FOREMEN

9.1 Master mechanics or foremen shall not be allowed to do mechanics' work when mechanics are working on a reduced hourly basis and are available. This is not intended to restrict the use of working foremen in accordance with the established practice at small points.

# RULE 10 PROMOTION TO POSITION OF FOREMAN

#### 10.1 Preference For Promotion

Mechanics in the service, if qualified, will be given preference for promotion to **a** position as foreman when vacancies occur.

# 10.2 Temporary Foreman

If this position is **of** a temporary nature, such employee shall **he** paid the rate and work under the conditions applying to the position.

# RULE 11 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF LEADING HANDS

11.1 A leading hand, when so designated, is defined as a mechanic having the necessary qualifications and experience in his trade to be able to

direct and supervise the work of a group of employees under the supervision of a recognized assistant foreman or departmental foreman.

11.2 The duties of such leading hands are: To carry out instructions of his immediate supervisor as to workmanship on the tasks involved, supervise tools and other equipment for the gang under him, assist his immediate supervisor in the ordering and seeing that material is made available for the work handled, and where necessary and practicable, assist in the preparation of time sheets for the approval of supervising assistant foreman or foreman. In other words, the responsibility of a leading hand is exclusively confined to the work involved in his gang as a leader, and not as a Supervisory Officer in charge of a department.

#### **RULE 12**

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY

- 12.1 When the requirements of the service will permit, employees will be granted leave of absence without pay, not to exceed ninety (90) days, with the privilege of renewal by consent of the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Union Committee concerned.
- 12.2 The arbitrary refusal of a reasonable amount of leave without pay to employees when they can he spared, or failure to handle promptly cases involving sickness or business matters of serious importance to the employee, is an improper practice and may be handled as unjust treatment under this Agreement.

12.3 Any employee hereunder on leave of absence without pay engaged in gainful employment without the prior written permission from both the Railway and the Union shall forfeit his seniority and his name will be stricken from the seniority list and he will no longer be considered as an employee of the Railway.

# RULE 13 ABSENCE FROM WORK

13.1 In case an employee is unavoidably kept from work, he will not be discriminated against. An employee detained from work on account of sickness or for any other good cause, must, if possible, advise the foreman in time so he can arrange for relief, and in all cases employees will make arrangements with the foreman to lay off.

# RULE 14 FAITHFUL SERVICE

14.1 Employees who have given long and faithful service in the employ of the Railway and who have become unable to handle heavy work to advantage will be given preference for such light work in their line as they are able to handle (subject to pension regulation age limits).

# MULE 15 ATTENDING COURT

15.1 When attending Court as witnesses for the Railway, or at a Coroner's Inquest in which the

Railway is involved, employees will receive pay for all time lost at their home station, with a minimum of eight (8) hours' time each week day and eight (8) hours at time and one-half for assigned rest days, either at their home station. away from home or travelling. On holidays specified in Rule 43, employees shall be paid a minimum of eight (8) hours at the appropriate rate. Time and one-half will be paid for travelling during overtime hours, where employees are unable to secure sleeping car accommodation. Actual expenses will be allowed when away from their home station, and necessary expenses will be allowed when at home. When necessary, the Railway will furnish transportation, and will be entitled to certificate for witness fees in all cases.

# RULE 16 PAY PROCEDURES

# 16.1 Pay Frequency

**16.1.1** Employees will be paid bi-weekly during regular working hours.

16.1.2 Should the regular pay day fall on a holiday or days when the shops are closed down, where practicable, employees will be paid on the preceding day.

**16.1.3** During inclement weather, provision will be mode where buildings are available *to* pay employees under shelter.

# 16.2 Pay Shortages

Where there is a shortage equal to one (1)

day's pay or more in the pay of an employee. a voucher will be issued to cover the shortage.

#### 16.3 Payment On Termination

Employees leaving the service of the Railway will be furnished with a time voucher covering all time due within twenty-four (24) hours at points where discharge cheques are issued, and within forty-eight (48) hours at other points, or earlier when possible. The time specified shall be exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

# RULE 17 SHOP CLOSE DOWN

17.1 Regular employees including millwright gang employees assigned to shop maintenance shall be considered as a subdivision of a department and shall be worked as such on maintenance work during periods when shops are closed down at straight time rates for straight time hours and overtime rates for overtime hours.

# RULE 18 RAILWAY TRANSPORTATION FOR LAID OFF EMPLOYEES

18.1 Employees laid off on account of staff reduction who desire to secure employment within the Railway will, upon application, he furnished with free rail transportation in accordance with the service provisions of the Railway's pass regulations.

# RULE 19

# EMPLOYEES REQUIRED TO WORK WHEN SHOPS ARE CLOSED DOWN DUE TO BREAKDOWN IN MACHINERY, ETC.

19.1 Employees required to work when shops are closed down due to a breakdown in machinery, floods, fires. and the like. will receive straight time for regular hours. and overtime for overtime hours.

# RULE 20

# SENIORITY, BULLETINING OF VACANCIES, LAYOFF AND RECALL

# 20.1 Probationary Period

A new employee shall not be regarded as permanently employed until he has completed forty-five (45) working days cumulative service. In the meantime, unless removed for cause which in the opinion of the Railway renders him undesirable for its service, the employee shall accumulate seniority from the date he entered the classification in the craft, and shall be regarded as coming within the terms of this Agreement.

#### 20.2 Basic Seniority Territory

Basic seniority territory shall be defined as the system.

# 20.3 Seniority Classifications

Seniority of employees in each of the following crafts covered by this Agreement shall. except as otherwise provided herein and in the respective craft's special rules, be confined to the seniority terminal at which employed and

to the date of entry into their respective classifications:

Boilermakers Helpers
Blacksmiths Helpers
Electrical Workers Helpers
Machinists Helpers
Pipefitters Helpers
Sheet Metal Workers Helpers

Steam Plant Operator Degreaser Operators Classified Labourers

Full-time First Aid Attendants

#### **20.4** Seniority Terminals

20.4.1 Employees at outside points where no immediate supervisor or foreman is located shall be placed on the seniority lists and retain their seniority at the seniority terminal where such immediate supervisor or foreman is located who has jurisdiction over such outside points. If they are not working under the jurisdiction of an immediate supervisor or foreman, employees shall retain seniority at the seniority terminal from which sent.

**20.4.2** Except as may be otherwise mutually agreed between the Union and the Railway. the Main Shop is designated as Squamish and will be regarded under this Rule as a separate seniority terminal for the purpose of seniority.

#### 20.5 Other Regulations

The seniority of employees for purposes covered by this Agreement is independent of the provisions of provident or insurance fund regulations.

#### 20.6 Seniority Date

When two (2) or more individuals are employed on the same date, their seniority standing will be determined by the hour they start work. In the event of the starting time being the same, the date and time of application for employment will be the determining factor.

# 20.7 Publishing Of Seniority Lists

Seniority lists will be open for inspection and copies shall be furnished by the Railway to the local committee and the Business Manager.

#### 20.8 Exceptions To Seniority Lists

Seniority lists shall be compiled and posted in January of each year. If exceptions are taken or requests made for corrections, same must be made in writing to the immediate Officer in charge, with copy to the Local representative and the Business Manager.

# **20.9** Temporary Mechanic Seniority

An employee temporarily set up as a mechanic shall retain and continue to accumulate seniority on the helpers' seniority list from which set up while he is working in the capacity of mechanic. Such a helper will not be recognized as holding any seniority as mechanic. A helper governed by this Rule shall not be promoted to the permanent mechanics' seniority list of his craft except as may be provided for in the respective craft's special rules.

#### 20.10 Fully Qualified Mechanics

**20.10.1** Should it be necessary to hire a mechanic who is not fully qualified, or should

it be found after a mechanic is hired that he is not fully qualified, such mechanic shall be discharged from the service immediately once he can be replaced by a qualified mechanic or a suitable helper is available to be promoted to the position of mechanic in training.

20.10.2 A newly hired mechanic who fails to pass the qualifying tests (within a maximum of forty-five (45)cumulative working days) will be released from the service, or if the exigencies of the service so require, such mechanic will be retained in the service up to one hundred and thirty (130) working days from date of last entry into service. If necessary, this one hundred and thirty (130)working day period may be extended by mutual agreement between the proper Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager.

20.10.3 "Fully Qualified Mechanic" shall mean a mechanic who has successfully completed the Railway's apprecticeship training program or a mechanic who has not completed such apprentice training program but who has, through on-the-job training within or outside the Railway industry and/or outside vocational training in his craft, become fully qualified. Mutually agreed upon objective tests shall determine whether or not a mechanic who has not served a Railway apprenticeship program in his craft has become a fully qualified mechanic asspecified above.

#### **20.11** Promotion To Trainee Mechanics

20.11.1 An employee promoted in a craft to

the classification of trainee mechanic, and who, under the craft's special rules is engaging in a training procedure toward ultimate establishment on the permanent seniority roster of the craft concerned, shall be periodically tested during such training period, and if, at any time, it is found that such employee is not progressing satisfactorily toward the ultimate aim of becoming a fully qualified mechanic in accordance with the definition of a "fully qualified mechanic" as contained in Rule 20.10.3 he shall, subject to Rule 20.11.3 hereof, be required to revert to the group from which promoted, provided there is another employee available who possesses the necessary aptitudes to justify his promotion to mechanic with a view to becoming fully qualified. No employee who is not fully qualified shall be established on the permanent mechanics' seniority list in any craft.

20.11.2 When necessary, the Railway will institute training programs after due consultation with the Business Manager of the Union. The consent of the Business Manager to such training programs shall not be unreasonably withheld. Employees shall not be promoted or hired to a trainee mechanic position in a craft prior to agreement being reached, by the parties concerned, for the implementation of a training program in the craft.

20.11.3 Except as otherwise provided in the craft's special rules, an employee who enters the training program and who fails at any stage to meet the requirements of the trade tests in his craft may continue to be employed in the

**position of mechanic** if **necessary to meet** operational requirements in accordance with Rule 20.9.

20.11.4 Positions requiring considerable skills shall, to the extent possible, be filled by fully qualified mechanics. In following this principle, both parties will give full recognition to operational requirements of the Railway and to any employee training arrangements that may be mutually agreed upon in respect of any craft.

# 20.12 Bulletining Of Vacancies Or New Jobs In Excess Of 90 Days

When vacancies occur in a designated work area for which replacements are required, or new jobs are created or additional staff is required in a classification in a craft for an expected period of ninety (90) calendar days or more, such vacancies or new jobs shall be bulletined for a period of not less than seven (7) calendar days to employees in the classification at the seniority terminal where they are created, and will be awarded *to* the senior employees, subject to the following Rules, the local committee to be consulted.

(a) An employee claiming a position in the exercise of seniority, who in the judgment of the Railway cannot reasonably be expected to qualify to perform the duties required within a period of thirty (30) calendar days or less, shall not be denied such position by the appropriate Officer of the Railway without prior.

consultation with the local representative  ${f d}{f f}$  the Union.

- (b) An employee exercising seniority, who, in the judgment of the Railway, can reasonably be expected to qualify for the position claimed shall be allowed a trial period which shall not exceed thirty (30) calendar days except that, by mutual agreement between the Business Manager and the proper Officer of the Railway, such period may be extended up to ninety (90) calendar days in order to demonstrate the employee's ability to perform the work required.
- (c) Should an employee he denied a posi-Lion being claimed in the exercise of seniority. or should he fail to qualify during a trial period, he and his authorized representative will be entitled to receive an explanation in writing from the appropriate Officer of the Railway, including the reason for the decision rendered, which shall he subject to appeal in accordance with the applicable grievance procedure.

# 20.13 Filling Of Vacancies Or New Jobs Of Less Than 90 Days

**20.13.1** When vacancies occur or new jobs are created or additional staff is required in a classification in the respective crafts for an expected period of less than ninety (90) calendar days, such vacancies or new positions may be claimed by the senior qualified employees from the respective point within the home

seniority terminal desiring same, the local committee to be consulted in each case.

20.13.2 Employees assigned to fill positions under this Rule shall be considered as temporarily assigned and, on completion of such temporary positions, they shall be returned to their former basic regular assignments. For the purpose of this Rule, annual vacation relief, leave of absence, sickness. injury, etc., shall be positions coming under the scope of this Rule.

# 20.14 System Bulletins

**20.14.1** If a vacancy or new position of an expected duration of ninety (90) calendar days or more requiring additional staff is not filled by an employee in the classification at a home seniority terminal, it shall be bulletined for not less than seven (7) calendar days to the employees holding seniority in the classification in a craft on the system. Subject to qualifications, seniority will govern.

20.14.2 Employees who transfer under this Rule shall, after ninety (90) calendar clays forfeit their seniority at the seniority terminal from which transferred and shall carry their seniority rights to the new seniority terminal; except that an employee on laid off status at his home seniority terminal may exercise his rights under this Rule without forfeiting his seniority at his home seniority terminal. The Business Manager shall receive a copy of all such bulletins as soon as practicable.

**20.14.3** For the purpose of this Rule, the number of employees **to** he transferred and the method **to** be used shall be mutually arranged

between the proper Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager in order to meet the requirements of the Railway service.

#### 20.15 Exercising Seniority

20.15.1 The exercising of seniority within a seniority terminal to displace a junior employee shall not he permitted except when positions are abolished, or rate of pay or hours of work or days off are changed. The affected employee shall have the right to displace the junior employee in the designated work area of his choice with the shift, days off, hours of work and rate of pay of his choice except as may be provided in the craft's special rules.

**20.15.2** For the purpose of this Rule, the designated work area shall be as defined in bulletining positions in accordance with Rule 20.12.

**20.15.3** Such employee initially affected shall be given. during his regular working hours, as much advance notice as possible but. in any event. not less than twenty-four (24) hours. The affected employee shall make his intentions known within forty-eight (48) hours of notification and subsequent displacement shall be made without undue delay. The local committee shall be consulted.

**20.15.4** Rule 20.15.1 is interpreted to mean that an apprentice who has completed his apprenticeship shall have the right to exercise his seniority at his seniority terminal to displace a junior employee of his craft in the designated work area of his choice. Employees who commenced an apprenticeship after January 1. 1982, will only be allowed to displace

the junior employee of their craft at their seniority terminal.

# 20.16 Reduction Of The Workforce

**20.16.1** When it becomes necessary to lay off employees for any reason, the force shall be reduced in reverse seniority order as per Rule 20.3 unless otherwise provided in craft special rules

20.16.2 When it becomes necessary to make a reduction in staff at any seniority terminal, at least four (4) working days' notice shall be given to the employees affected before a reduction is made. and lists shall he furnished to the local committee and Business Manager without undue delay. This does not apply in laying off employees who have been temporarily employed for a duration of less than forty-five (45) working days to meet special requirements. In the event that a strike or work stoppage by employees in the Railway industry is called on less than four (4) days' advance notice. a shorter notice may he given under this Rule. In reducing forces, the ratio of apprentices shall he maintained.

20.16.3 When lay-offs occur, an employee laid-off from his respective classification at his seniority terminal, may, within thirty (30) calendar clays, displace the junior employee in his respective classification on the system carrying his seniority in that classification with him except as may be provided in the respective craft's special rules. An employee who declines to displace the junior employee in his respective classification on the system under

this Rule shall be laid-off subject to recall to his home seniority terminal.

**Note:** For the purpose of payment of benefits from the Job Security Fund, an employee must exercise seniority on the system.

**20.16.4** An employee who transfers in accordance with Rule 20.16.3 shall hold seniority rights at only two seniority terminals on the system, that is, at his home seniority terminal and at the seniority terminal to which he last transferred. except as provided in Rule 20.16.5.

20.16.5 A laid-off employee who displaces another employee on the system. shall retain his seniority rights at his home seniority terminal in accordance with Rule 20.16.3 and shall be subject to recall to his home seniority terminal in seniority order Cor vacancies of expected duration of ninety (90) calendar days or more. An employee who declines to accept such recall within seven (7) calendar days shall forfeit his seniority rights at his home seniority terminal and shall retain his seniority rights at his new seniority terminal. An employee who accepts recalls to his home seniority terminal within seven (7) calendar days will return thereto within fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of his acceptance.

**20.16.6** Where an employee is on leave of absence, annual vacation, or absent because of illness or injury, the periods prescribed in Rules 20.16.3 and 20.16.5 shall begin on the date of his return to service.

#### 20,17 Restoration Of The Workforce

20.17.1 In the restoration of forces, employees laid-off shall be given preference of re-employment in seniority order. A laid-off employee shall be notified by registered mail at his last known address and he shall be returned to his former classification. Local committees shall be furnished with a list of employees to he restored to service. Where Canada Post is used, the postmark will determine the date of advice to the employee.

20.17.2 It shall be incumbent upon the employee on lay-off, and the employee who has displaced on the system to register his current address with the appropriate Officer at his home seniority terminal.

20.17.3 A laid-off employee who has not displaced in accordance with Rule 20.16.3 shall retain his seniority rights in his respective classification at his home seniority terminal and shall be subject to recall to his home seniority terminal in seniority order. It the employee declines to accept recall to vacancies of an expected duration of sixty (60) calendar days or more at the end of seven (7) calendar days, unless satisfactory reason is given therefor, shall forfeit his seniority and notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 20.22, his name will be stricken from the seniority list and he will no longer be considered as an employee of the Railway.

# 20.18 Transfer Of Work From One Seniority Terminal To Another Seniority Terminal

When, through an unusual development, it

becomes necessary to transfer work from a seniority terminal to another seniority terminal, not more than a sufficient number of employees to perform such work shall in seniority order be given the opportunity to transfer, carrying their seniority rights with them. The appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager shall co-operate to determine the number of employees who shall transfer.

Employees who transfer under this Rule shall after ninety (90)calendar days lose their seniority at the seniority terminal they left.

# 20.19 Transfer Of Seniority For Medical Or Physical Reasons

Employees in service who, through bona fide medical or physical reasons, have become unable to handle certain classes of work in their respective classifications may by mutual agreement between the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager transfer from one seniority terminal to another with a view to accepting a permanent transfer. They shall, after ninety (90) calendar days, lose their seniority at the seniority terminal they left and will be allowed to carry their seniority rights with them to the seniority terminal to which transferred.

#### 20.20 Seniority Protection For Employees Accepting Official Positions

20.20.1 An employee accepting an official position will have his seniority protected and

his name shown on the seniority list with proper standing unless the employee ceases to pay full Local 170 union dues.

**20.20.2** If released from such official or excepted position, the employee must within thirty (30) days after such release, either displace the junior employee in his seniority group on his basic seniority territory or exercise his seniority to a vacancy or a newly created position at his home seniority terminal: if he fails to do so, he shall forfeit his seniority. The Business Manager shall be advised.

**20.20.3** An employee temporarily promoted to an official or excepted position will, within seven (7) calendar days of release from such temporary employment, exercise his seniority in his craft at his home seniority terminal. The appropriate Officer of the Railway shall advise the local representative of the Union of such promotions, including the expected duration thereof.

#### 20.21 Time Limits While On Specified Leaves

For employees on leave of absence, annual vacation or absence because of illness or injury, the time limits specified in this Agreement shall begin on the date of the employees' return to service. Employees within seven (7) calendar days after their return from approved leave of absence: including annual vacation or absence because of illness or injury may exercise their seniority rights if qualified to any position bulletined during their absence.

#### 20.22 Investigation Requirement Prior To Discharge

An employee with more than forty-five (45) working days cumulative service shall not be discharged without being given a proper investigation.

# 20.23 Vacancies Not Filled By Hid Or From Within The Railway

When a vacancy occurs that is not filled by bid procedure or from within the Railway, the Union will be notified and requested to send suitable applicants for consideration.

#### **RULE 21**

#### WORK OF MECHANICS OR APPRENTICES

21.1 Mechanics or apprentices regularly employed as such shall do mechanics' work as per the special rules of each craft.

#### **RULE 22**

#### LABOURERS PERFORMING HELPERS' WORK

22.1 Labourers, or similar class of workmen, shall not be permitted to do helpers' work as outlined in the craft rules if regular helpers are available, but if they are so used for one hour or more, they shall be paid at the helpers' rate for all work performed as helpers.

#### **RULE 23**

#### ELECTRIC AND OXY-ACETYLENE WELDERS

23.1 Employees engaged on the electric or oxyacetylene process will be taken from the craft that would have handled the work had it been done by former methods. and will be confined to work pertaining to their trade when there is sufficient of this work to keep them employed. At outside points where there is not sufficient work to require an employee from each craft, the Foreman shall select an employee from the Shop Crafts to perform all the work to be done by these processes.

#### RULE 24

#### GRIEVANCE AND ARBITRATION PROCEDURE

#### 24.1 Time Limits And Procedures

- 24.1.1 Whenever any dispute arises between the Railway and the Union or between the Railway and one or more employees. the dispute shall be adjusted in accordance with the procedure which follows.
- 24.1.2 The time limits to institute this grievance are:
  - (a) Termination or lay-off (en (IO) calendar days.
  - (b) All other grievances thirty (30) calen-
- 24.1.3 The time limit shall be calculated from the date the employee receives a statement or is given proper notification.

# 24.2 Steps In The Grievance Procedure

## Step I

Any grievance of an employee shall first be taken up between such employee and the Railway Supervisor; however. the employee will be entitled to be represented by a Shop Steward **or** a Union representative.

## Step 2

Failing settlement under Step 1, such grievance shall be taken up between a representative of the Union or a Shop Steward and the Railway Supervisor.

#### Step 3

Failing settlement under Step 2, such grievance and any dispute arising between the Union and the Railway over the interpretation or the application of the provisions of this Agreement including any dispute as to whether a matter is subject to this grievance procedure, shall be referred to two (2) authorized representatives of the Union and two (2) authorized representatives of the Railway. The representatives of the Union and the Railway shall exchange statements in writing setting forth their respective positions relative to the matter(s) in dispute not later than at their initial meeting.

Under Step 3, the Railway will act as Recording Secretary and will furnish the Union with a copy of any such minutes. All copies of minutes will be signed by both the Union and the Railway representative. Under Step 3, the meeting chairman will be rotated between the Union and the Railway.

#### Step 4

When a grievance is not settled at Step 3 of the grievance procedure, either party may refer the matter to an arbitrator for final and hinding settlement. The party requesting arbitra-

tion must serve written notice on the other party within sixty (60) calendar days of the date the grievance was instituted at Step 1 of the grievance procedure. Any grievance not progressed to arbitration within the sixty (60) day time limit shall be considered settled on the basis of the decision rendered at Step 3 of the grievance procedure, and will not be subject to further appeal.

#### 24.3 Selection Of Arbitrator

If the parties fail to agree upon a neutral arbitrator within five (5)days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and General Holidays) after one party has served written notice on the other party of its intention to refer the matter to a neutral arbitrator, the Minister of Labour will be requested to appoint a neutral arbitrator.

#### 24.4 Decision Of Arbitrator

The arbitrator shall be required to hand down his decision within fourteen (14)days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and General Holidays) following completion of the hearing and his decision will be final and binding on the two parties to the dispute and shall be applied forthwith.

The decision of the arbitrator shall be specifically limited to the matter submitted to him and he shall have no authority in any manner to amend, alter or change any provisions of this Agreement.

#### 24.5 Cost Of Arbitrator

The cost of the arbitrator will be borne equally by the Union and by the Railway.

## RULE 25 WRITTEN REPRIMANDS AND/OR WARNING LETTERS

25.1 •An employee will receive a copy of any written reprimand or warning letter placed on his file. Such written reprimand or warning shall become a permanent part of the employee's personal work history.

# RULE 26 JURY DUTY

- 26.1 An employee who is summoned for jury duty and is required to lose time from his assignment as a result thereof, shall be paid for actual time lost with a minimum of one (1) basic day's pay at the straight time rate of his position for each day lost, less the amount allowed him for jury duty for each such clay excluding allowances paid by the Court for meals. lodging or transportation, subject to the following requirements and limitations:
  - (a) An employee must furnish the Railway with a statement from the Court of the jury allowances paid and the days on which jury duty was performed.
  - (b) The number **of** working days for which jury duty pay **shall** be paid is limited to a maximum **of** sixty (60) days in any calendar year.
  - (c) Nojury duty pay will he allowed for any day for which the employee is entitled to vacation or General Holiday pay. An employee who has been allotted his

vacation dates will not he required to change his vacation because he is called for jury duty.

# RULE 27 APPRENTICES

#### 27.1 Selection Of Apprentices

Apprentices will be selected from those applicants who successfully pass Railway entrance examinations, including a mechanical aptitude test. All other basic qualifications being equal, sons and daughters of employees will be selected as apprentices in preference to other applicants.

#### 27.2 Period Of Apprenticeship

27.2.1 Except as otherwise provided, regular apprenticeship in a craft shall be four (4) years, made up of eight (8) terms of nine hundred (900) hours each or a total of seven thousand two hundred (7200) hours. Paid meal periods will be included in the accumulation of hours. Overtime hours shall he credited to the apprentice's time. Provided that other entrance requirements are met. applicants who have successfully completed training courses in recognized schools or institutes may serve a reduced apprenticeship if such training is equivalent to the training received in their respective crafts under the Railway apprenticeship program. The appropriate Officer of the Railway in consultation with the Business Manager shall determine if such training is equivalent or comparable, hut in no case shall

the reduction in the length of apprenticeship exceed two (2) years.

27.2.2 On completion of apprenticeship, the employees shall be paid the basic rate of pay established for fully qualified mechanics of their respective crafts, and they shall receive a certificate stating that they have successfully completed their apprenticeship.

**27.2.3** Apprentices given credit for technical training under the provisions of Rule 27.2.1 shall be paid the rate applicable to the term in which they enter the apprenticeship.

# 27.3 Ratio Of Apprentices To Fully Qualified Mechanics

The number of apprentices in any one craft shall be determined by the number of fully-qualified mechanics on the permanent seniority list in that craft on the system, including main shops. The ratio, unless otherwise mutually agreed, shall not be more than one to every four fully-qualified mechanics on the permanent seniority list.

#### 27.4 Seniority Upon Completion Of Apprenticeship

27.4.1 Apprentices shall, upon completion of their apprenticeship, be placed on the Journeymen Mechanics' seniority list of their craft at the home seniority terminal at which they began their apprenticeship and be credited with seniority from their date of entry into apprenticeship in their craft.

27.4.2 Except as otherwise provided in this Rule, apprentices in each of the crafts covered

by this Agreement, who transfer to other points on the Railway for the purpose of acquiring further training or experience as outlined in Rule 27.5 will continue to accumulate seniority at their home seniority terminal.

27.4.3 Apprentices shall only be permitted to exercise their seniority in the event of a reduction of staff in the classification of apprentice.

An apprentice laid off at his seniority terminal may within thirty (30) calendar days from date of layoff exercise his seniority to displace the junior apprentice in his respective craft on the system.

27.4.4 Apprentices may, during the last six (6) months of apprenticeship, be permitted in seniority order to transfer to any point on the system providing that on completion of their apprenticeshiptheir seniority will permit them to fill a permanent vacancy as per Rule 20.14, or displace an unqualified employee who is not on the permanent list of his craft. If. by mutual agreement between the proper Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager, this application is accepted, the apprentice shall complete his apprenticeship at the point to which he has been transferred and receive his seniority at that point and in accordance with the conditions as defined in this Agreement.

## 27.5 Training Opportunities For Apprentices

27.5.1 The opportunity shall be provided for the apprentice to secure a complete knowledge of the trade as per the agreed upon apprenticeship training programs. Such apprenticeship programs shall not alter the juris-



dictional understanding as per Rule 60. It will be compulsory For apprentices from line points to transfer to main shops and, where practicable, within the craft for apprentices at main shops to transfer to line points for the purpose of acquiring further experience.

27.5.2 Where such an apprentice is transferred for training purposes From main shops to line points and vice versa under the provision of this Rule for a temporary period, he shall be allowed thirteen dollars (\$13.00) per calendar day for living expenses for each calendar day required away from main shops. up to but not exceeding three (3) months that such expenses are incurred away from main shops.

27.5.3 Apprentices will not be maintained at points where there are no adequate facilities for learning the trade beyond the time that can be properly applied on their apprenticeship. The distribution of apprentices among shops where general repairs are performed shall he as nearly as possible in proportion to fully qualified mechanics on the permanent seniority list in the respective crafts employed at that location.

#### 27.6 Desire And Aptitude To Learn The Trade

An apprentice must throughout his apprenticeship continue to display the desire and aptitude to learn the trade or he will not be retained as an apprentice.

# 27.7 Assignments During First Year Of Apprenticeship

27.7.1 Apprentices shell not he assigned to work other than the day shift during their first

year of apprenticeship, except for special technical training. They shall not work on oxy acetylene, electric, or other welding processes until they have proper training in the **use** of this equipment.

**27.7.2** During their final year of apprenticeship, apprentices may work alone under the guidance of a mechanic of their craft in order to increase their knowledge and experience in their trade.

#### 27.8 Miscellaneous

27.8.1 Apprentices shall not displace Mechanics or Helpers when sent out for experience with the wrecking gang or on emergency work, but will be in addition to the normal complement of the work gang sent out.

**27.8.2** Apprentices shall not be permitted to work as partners.

#### 27.9 Hourly Rates For Regular Apprentices

Regular Apprentices, engaged to serve a fouryear apprenticeship, shall be paid the following rates of pay:

# EFFECTIVE Aug. 1/85 Feb. 3/86

1st Term (1-900 hrs inch.) \$13.08	\$13.73
2nd Term (901-1800 hrs inclu.) 13.46	14.13
3rd Term (1801-2700 hrs inch.) 13.86	14.55
4th Term (2701-3600 hrs inch.) 14.25	14.96
5th Term (3601-4500 hrs inch.) 14.70	15.44
6th Term (4501-5400hrs inch.) 15.10	15.86
7th Term (5401-6300hrs inclu.) 15.50	16.28
8th Term (6301-7200 hrs inch.) 15.92	16.72

# 27.10 Hourly Rates For Helpers Entering The Apprenticeship Program

The hourly rates of pay for helpers entering the apprentice training program shall be as follows:

	EFFECTIVE		
	Aug. 1/85 F	eb. 3/86	
Credit given for 1st &			
2nd terms:			
3rd Term • Helper's rate	<b>\$</b> 15.06	<b>\$</b> 15.81	
4th Term - Helper's rate	15.06	15.81	
5th Term • Helper's rate	15.06	15.81	
6th Term - Regular			
Apprentice rate	15.10	15.86	
7th Term - Regular			
Apprentice rate	15.50	16.28	
8th Term - Regular			
Apprentice rate	15.92	16,72	

# RULE 28 RATES OF PAY

# 28.1 Hourly Rates

	EFFECTI	VE
CLASSIFICATIONS	Aug. 1/85 Feb	. 3/86
Machinists	\$17.60	\$18.48
Machinists' Helpers	15.06	15.81
Boilermakers	17,60	18.48
Boilermakers' Helpers	15.06	15.81
Blacksmiths	17.60	18.48
Blacksmiths' Helpers	15.06	15.81
Pipefitters,		
including Coppersmith	ıs	
(pipework) Plumbers,		

# **EFFECTIVE**

# CLASSIFICATIONS Aug. 1/85 Feb. 3/86

Steamfitters, Superheater		
Pipefitters, Gas Fitters		
and Pipe Threaders	17.60	18.48
Freight Car Pipefitter		
(air brake piping only)	16.74	17.58
Pipefitters' Helpers	15.06	15.81
Sheetmetal Workers	17.60	18.48
Sheetmetal Workers' Helpers	15.06	15.81
Electrical Workers	17.60	18.48
Electrical Workers' Helpers	15.06	15.81
Unclassified Mechanics,		
including frog and		
switch fitters,		
rail saw operators and		
rail benders	16.74	17.58
Unclassified Helpers.		
including Burner		
(Scrap in dock and yard):		
Hydrant Inspectors and		
Scrap Cutters	15.06	15.81
Other Mechanics	16.60	17.43
Trainee Mechanics	16.05	16.85
Helpers (covered by		
Rule 28.3)	16.05	16.85
Steam Plant Operators	17.60	18.48
Degreaser Operators	14.74	15.48
Labourers	13.68	14.36
Full-Time First Aid		
Attendants with a		
"C" Certificate	16.56	17.39
Full-Time First Aid		
Attendants with a		

CLASSIFICATIONS  "B" Certificate	EFFECTIVE Aug. 1/85 Feb. 3/86		
	16.74	17.58	
Full-Time First Aid Attendants with a "A" Certificate Full-Time First Aid	16.91	17.76	
Attendants with a "AA" Certificate	17.60	18.48	

#### 28.2 Other Mechanics Rate

**28.2.1** An employee who is promoted to a mechanic's position or a newly hired mechanic shall, until such time as he becomes a fully qualified mechanic and is placed on a permanent craft seniority list, be paid the "Other Mechanics" rate as shown in Rule 28.1.

**28.2.2** An employee who is certified as fully qualified as a mechanic but elects of his own accord not to be placed on the mechanic's permanent seniority roster in his craft shall be paid the "Other Mechanics" rate as shown in Rule 28.1 until he can be replaced by a qualified mechanic, unless otherwise provided in the craft's special rules.

**28.2.3** Employees governed by Rules 20.10.1, 20.10.2 and 20.11.3 shall be paid the "Other Mechanics" rate as shown in Rule 28.1.

#### 28.3 Helpers Paid At Trainee Mechanic's Rate

A helper who is promoted in a craft for the first time to a mechanic's position shall, until qualified for a higher rate under the terms of this Agreement, be paid at the Trainee Mechanic's rate **as** shown in Rule 28.1 except as otherwise provided for in the craft's special rules.

#### 28.4 Tractors And Portable Cranes

Employees assigned to operate tractors and portable cranes, such as the Elwell Parker, Ransome-Rapier, and other portable cranes of a similar nature, in the Motive Power and Car Departments, when and where there is sufficient work to require that an employee be assigned for the purpose, will be paid at the established helpers' rate for the class of helper used.

# RULE 29 ALLOWANCES

#### 29.1 Saturday And Sunday Premium

Employees working their regular shift assignment in which Saturday and/or Sunday fall within their regular work week shall be paid a premium of five percent (5%) of their basic hourly rate for work performed on a Saturday or Sunday, except where overtime rates apply. This premium shall be paid in addition to the hourly rate and in addition to any shift differential. This premium will not be paid for paid absence from duty such as vacations and General Holidays.

#### 29.2 Fort Nelson Allowance

Employees assigned at Fort Nelson will receive twenty-five (25) cents per hour above the rates provided for their respective crafts.

Overtime shall **not** be calculated on this allowance nor shall this allowance be paid for

paid absence from duty such as annual vacation, General Holidays, etc.

#### 29.3 Shift Differential

Employees whose regularly assigned shifts commence between 1500 and 2259 shall receive a shift differential of thirty (D0) cents per hour and employees whose regularly assigned shifts commence between 2300 and 0559 shall receive a shift differential of thirty-five (35) cents per hour. Overtime shall not be calculated on the shift differential nor shall the shift differential be paid for paid absence from duty such as vacations, General Holidays, etc.

The application of shift differentials will apply in the following manner:

- (a) A regular day shift employee who is required to double onto the afternoon shift to relieve another employee who is off work will receive the differential rate of thirty (30) cents per hour as well as the time and one-half rate of pay.
- (b) A regular day shift employee who is required to cover the night shift to relieve another employee who is off work will receive the differential rate of thirty-five (35) cents per hour as well as the time and one-half rate of pay.
- (c) Similarly, a regular afternoon shift employee who doubles onto the night shift to relieve an employee who is off work would receive the thirty-five (35) cents per hour differential plus the time and one-hall' rate of pay.

- (d) A regular night shift employee who is required to simply work overtime for a certain time will continue to receive the thirty-five (35)cents per hour differential rate in addition to the time and one-half rate of pay for all time worked on the day shift.
- (e) A regular night shift employee who is required to double onto the day shift will not receive the differential for the extra shift.
- (f) However, a regular afternoon shift employee who simply works overtime onto the night shift would only continue to receive the thirty (30) cents per hour differential rate in addition to time and one-half rates for all time worked on the night shift.
- (g) A regular day shift employee who is simply required to work overtime on the afternoon or night shift for a certain time will not receive the shift differential rate in addition to the time and one-half rate of pay.
- (h) Overtime rates are calculated on regular rates of pay, not on regular rates plus a shift differential rate.

#### 29.4 Leading Hands

Leading hands paid on an hourly basis will receive fifty (50) cents per hour above the rates provided for their respective crafts.

#### 29.5 Helpers

 $29.5.1\,$  A helper used as a wheel pressoperator

will receive fifty (50)cents per hour in excess of the helpers' specified rate for that time actually used as a wheel press operator.

**29.5.2** Rates of pay established in certain classifications or positions at each point on the Railway for helpers in their basic trades and for wheel pressers in excess of the rates specified above shall be maintained as the minimum rate of pay for such classification at such point.

#### 29.6 Steam Cleaning

Labourers when assigned will receive fifty (50) cents per hour in excess of the Classified Labourers' rate of pay when steam cleaning with chemicals.

#### 29.7 Heavy Fire Blacksmiths

Heavy Fire Blacksmiths will receive two (2) percent in excess of the Blacksmith's basic rate

#### 29.8 Heavy Hammer Operator

Heavy Hammer Operator will receive one (I) percent in excess of the Blacksmith's Helper's rate.

# RULE 30 CONDITIONS OF SHOPS ETC.

#### 30.1 Clean And Sanitary Conditions

Good drinking water and ice where required will be furnished. Sanitary drinking fountains will be provided where necessary. **Pits** and floors, lockers, toilet and washrooms will be **kept** in good repair and in a clean, dry and sanitary condition.

#### 30.2 Light And Heat

Shops, locker rooms and washrooms will be lighted and heated in the best manner possible consistent with the source of heat and light available at the point in question.

# RULE 31 PERSONAL INJURIES

**31.1** Employees injured while at work will not be required to make an accident report before they are given medical attention if required, but will make the report as soon as practicable thereafter. Proper medical attention will be given at the earliest possible moment.

# RULE 32 BULLETIN BOARDS

**32.1** A bulletin board will be provided at all shops where proper notices of direct interest to employees may be posted by shop committees.

### RULE 33 SAFETY CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR ALLOWANCE

33.1 Employees who perform compensated service in January of any year shall be allowed sixty (60) dollars in lieu of safety clothing and footwear. The allowance shall be paid in the first pay period of February each year. A separate cheque will be issued for this amount.

The Railway policy on safety footwear will be continued.

# RULE 34 COVERALLS

**34.1** The Railway will supply two (2) sets **c** coveralls to each employee per year. Boilermakers will be supplied with fire resistant coveralls.

# RULE 35 FREE RAIL TRANSPORTATION

35.1 Employees, those persons dependent upon them for support, and Union representatives representing employees covered by this Agreement will be granted free rail transportation in accordance with the Railway's regulations.

# RULE 36 PROTECTION OF EMPLOYEES

#### 36.1 Inclement Weather

Employees will not be required to work on engines or cars outside of **shops** during inclement weather. if **shop** room and pits are available. This does not apply to work in engine cabs or emergency work on engines or Cars set out, or attached to trains.

## 36.2 Cleaning

When it is necessary to make repairs, parts of engines, boilers, tanks and tank cars shall be cleaned before mechanics are require to work on same. This will apply to cars undergoing general repairs.

#### 36.3 Sand Blasting And Paint Blowers

Employees will not be required to expose themselves to sand blast **and** paint blowers while in operation. Employees operating these machines will be supplied with masks and goggles.

#### **36.4** Welding Or Cutting

All acetylene or electric welding or cutting will be protected by a suitable screen when its use is required.

## 36.5 Signal Protection

No employee will be required to work on a locomotive or car outside of shops without being protected by proper signals. Where the nature of the work to be done requires it, locomotives or passenger cars will be placed over a pit, if available.

# 36.6 Exhausting Of Steam And Fumes From Locomotives

In shops not now equipped with connections or jacks for blowing steam and exhausting fumes from engines, arrangements will be made to equip them so that steam and fumes from locomotives will not be blown off inside the shop. All engines will be placed under smoke jacks where practicable. Locomotives will not be left running unnecessarily in the shops.

#### **RULE 37**

#### EMERY WHEELS AND GRINDSTONES

**37.1** Emery wheels and grindstones installed in the shop will be kept true and in order.

### RULE 38 PROVISION OF HELPERS

- 38.1 Mechanics and apprentices will be furnished sufficient competent help when needed to handle work, if available. When experienced helpers are available, they will be employed in preference to inexperienced employees.
- **38.2** Material carriers responsible for the selection of special materials for mechanics' use will be classified as helpers.

# RULE 39 SCRAPPING WORK

39.1 The work of scrapping engines, boilers, tanks and cars or other machinery will be done by crews under the direction of a mechanic. Torch work as now performed by mechanics shall continue to be *so* performed.

# RULE 40 LIGHTING EQUIPMENT

**40.1** Electric light globes and extensions will be kept in tool rooms and available for use.

## RULE 41 TOOL BOXES

**41.1** The Railway will provide an adequate tool box for the use of the electricians.

# RULE 42 BEREAVEMENT LEAVE WITH PAY

**42.1** Upon the death of an employee's spouse, or

any of his children, or either of his parents or step-parents, or his mother-in-law or father-in-law, or his brother(s) or sister(s), the employee shall be entitled to three (3) days' bereavement leave without loss of pay provided he has not less than six (6) months cumulative compensated service.

**42.2** It is the intent of this Rule to provide for the granting of leave from work on the occasion of a death as aforesaid and for the payment of his regular wages for that period to the employee to whom leave is granted.

## RULE 43 GENERAL HOLIDAYS

#### 43.1 Entitlement

**43.1.1** An employee who qualifies in accordance with Rule 43.1.3 shall be granted a holiday with pay on each of the following General Holidays. When a General Holiday falls on an employee's rest day, such holiday shall he moved to the normal working day immediately following the employee's rest day.

New Year's Day
Good Friday
Easter Monday
Victoria Day
Dominion Day
B.C. Day

Labour Day
Remembrance Day
Christmas Day
Boxing Day

Heritage Day will be granted as an additional General Holiday when proclaimed by the Federal Government.

- **43.1.2** When any of the above holidays falls on Sunday or Saturday, the day observed by the Federal Government in respect of its employees as the holiday shall be recognized.
- **43.1.3** In order to qualify for pay for any one of the holidays specified in Rule 43.1.1, an employee:
  - (a) must have been in the service of the Railway and available for duty for at least thirty (30) calendar days:
  - (b) must be available for duty on such holiday, if it occurs on one of his work days, excluding vacation days. When an employee is required to work on such General Holiday, he shall be given an advance notice of four (4) calendar days except for unforeseen exigencies of the service, in which case he will be notified not later than prior to the completion of his shift or tour to duty immediately preceding such holiday that his services will be required. This Rule does not apply in respect of an employee who is laid off.or suffering from a bona fide injury, or who is hospitalized on the holiday. Eligible employees not available for work who are on weekly indemnity, or subsequently qualify therefor, will not be disqualified, provided that all other qualifications are met; and.
  - (c) must have rendered compensated service on at least twelve (12) of the thirty (30) calendar days immediately preceding the General Holiday. This Rule does

not apply to an employee who is required to work on the holiday.

- **43.1.4** A qualified employee whose vacation period coincides with any of the General Holidays specified in Rule 43.1.1 shall receive an extra day's vacation with the pay to which the employee is entitled for that general holiday.
- **43.1.5** An employee who does not qualify under Rule 43.1.3 (a) with respect to pay for a General Holiday and who is required by the Railway to work on that day shall be paid at the time and one-half rate for all time worked with a minimum of three (3) hours, for which the equivalent hours of service may be required, but employees called for a specific purpose shall not be required to perform routine work to make up such minimum time.
- **43.1.6** An employee qualified under Rule 43.1.3 and who is not required to work on a General Holiday shall be paid eight (8)hours pay at the straight time rate of his regular assignment.
- **43.1.7** An employee qualified under Rule 43.1.3 and who is required to work on a General Holiday shall be paid, in addition to the pay provided in Rule 43.1.6 at a rate equal to one and one-half times his regular rate of wages for the actual hours worked by him on that holiday with a minimum of three (3) hours for which three (3) hours service may be required, but an employee called for a specific purpose shall not be required to perform routine work to make up such minimum time.

When more than one shift is worked by an employee on a General Holiday, the provisions of this Rule shall apply to the first shift only.

**43.1.8** Shifts commencing between 12:00 midnight on the eve of the General Holiday and 11:59 p.m. on the night of the General Holiday, both times inclusive, shall be considered as work on that holiday.

#### 43.2 Work On Holidays

- **43.2.1** Employees regularly assigned to work on holidays, or those called to take the place of such employees, will be allowed to complete the balance of the day unless released at their own request. Those who are called will be advised as soon as possible after vacancies become known.
- **43.2.2** Holiday work shall only be required when absolutely essential to the operation of the Railway.
- **43.2.3** Employees qualified under the Rules tor a General Holiday who work as a relieving foreman part of the work week (dual positions) shall he paid a portion of the eight (8) hours for each paid General Holiday on the basis of time worked during their work week in the hourly rated position.

**Example:** An employee who worked two (2) shifts out of five (5) as relieving foreman, would be paid three-fifths (3/5ths) of eight (8) hours for the paid General Holiday or four (4) hours forty-eight (48) minutes.

### 43.3 Accumulated Time For General Holidays

**43.3.1** Employees in the Locomotive Running 60

Repair Shops and Car Department at all points who are represented by the Union and who are required to work a tour of duty on one of the General Holidays specified in Rule 43.1.1 of the Collective Agreement, may, if they so choose, be allowed to accumulate the time required to be paid in accordance with the provisions of Rule 43.1.7.

- **43.3.2** Accumulation of time for work on a General Holiday will be limited to eight (8) hours for each general holiday.
- **43.3.3** The use of accumulated time will be limited to a unit of five (5)days at any given time.
- **43.3.4** An employee will be required to indicate in writing, prior to January 1 of each year, whether he chooses to accumulate time as described above, or whether he chooses to be paid in accordance with the terms of the Collective Agreement.
- **43.3.5** It is understood that time so accumulated may be utilized:
  - (a) to provide full wages in the event of short term illness to a limit of five (5) days;
  - (b) to supplement annual vacation to a limit of five (5) working days; `
  - (c) to provide a lump sum payment at the end of the calendar year if not used as provided in Clause (a) or Clause (b).
- **43.3.6** It is understood that this Rule is subject to the provisions of Rule 43 in respect of qualification for General Holidays.

# RULE 44 ANNUAL VACATION

#### 44.1 General

For the purpose only of computing annual vacation service requirements, in order for an employee to qualify for vacation entitlement in excess of two (2)weeks, Rule 44.2 will apply.

#### 44.2 Entitlement

**42.1** Any employee commencing service on or before June 30 of any calendar year will be considered as having commenced service as at the preceding January 1st, and any employee commencing service on July 1stor later of any calendar year will be considered as having commenced service as at the following January 1st. A calendar year means a period of one (1) year commencing January 1st.

44.2.2 An employee who, at the beginning of the calendar year, has not less than thirty (30) days employment relationship shall be entitled to one (1) working day's vacation with pay for each twenty-five (25) days' cumulative service or major portion thereof during the preceding calendar year. with a maximum of ten (10) working days until qualifying for further vacation under Rule 44.2.3. This clause is only applicable to employees who have entered the service between July 1st and December 31st of the calendar year.

**44.2.3** An employee who. at the beginning of the calendar year, has maintained a continuous employment relationship for at least one (1) year shall be allowed one (1) working clay's

vacation with pay for each sixteen and twothirds (16 2/31 days' cumulative cumpensated service or major portion thereof during the preceding calendar year, with a maximum of fifteen (15) working days until qualifying for further vacation under Rule 44.2.4.

- **44.2.4** An employee who, at the beginning of the calendar year, has maintained a continuous employment relationship for at least nine (9) years shall be allowed one (1) working day's vacation with pay for each twelve and one-half (12 1/21 day's cumulative compensated service or major portion thereof during the preceding calendar year, with a maximum of twenty (20) working days until qualifying for further vacation under Rule 44.2.5.
- **44.2.5** An employee who, at the beginning of the calendar year, has maintained **a** continuous employment relationship for at least seventeen (17) years shall be allowed one (1) working day's vacation with pay for each ten (10) days' cumulative compensated service or major portion thereof during the preceding calendar year, with a maximum of twenty-five (25) working days until qualifying for further vacation under Rule 44.2.6.
- **44.2.6** An employee who, at the beginning of the calendar year, has maintained a continuous employment relationship for at least twenty-four (24) years shall be allowed one (1) working day's vacation with pay for each eight and one-third (8 1/3) clays' cumulative conipensated service or major portion thereof during the preceding calendar year, with a

maximum of thirty (30) working days until qualifying for further vacation under Rule 44.2.7.

- **44.2.7** Effective January 1, 1985, an employee who, at the beginning of the calendar year, has maintained a continuous employment relationship for at least thirty (30) years shall be allowed one (1) working day's vacation with pay for each seven and one-seventh (7 1/7) days' cumulative compensated service or major portion therof during the preceding calendar year, with a maximum of thirty five (35)working days.
- **44.2.8** In computing the continuous employment relationship referred *to* in this Rule, time worked in any position covered by similar vacation agreements will be accumulated for the purpose of qualifying for vacation with pay.
- **44.2.9** Time off duty on account of bona-fide illness. injury. to attend committee meetings. called to Court as a witness, or for jury duty not exceeding a total of one hundred (100) days in any calendar year. shall be included in the computation of service for vacation purposes.
- **44.2.10** An employee shall be compensated for vacation at the hourly rate of pay he would have earned had he been working during the vacation
- **44.2.11** In the application of Rule 44.2, employees on a monthly guarantee will be paid for vacation of the basis of such guarantee.

### 44.3 Entitlement Upon Termination

**44.3.1** An employee terminating his employment for any reason at a time when an unused period of vacation with pay stands to his credit shall be allowed vacation calculated to the date of his leaving the service as provided for in Rule 44.2 and. if not granted. shall be allowed pay in lieu thereof.

**44.3.2** An employee who is laid off shall be paid for any vacation due him at the beginning of the current calendar year and not previously taken and. if not subsequently recalled to service during such year shall upon application. be allowed pay in lieu of any vacation due him at the beginning of the following calendar year.

**44.3.3** An individual who is dismissed for cause and not reinstated in his former standing within **two** (2) years of date of such dismissal shall. if subsequently returned to the service. be required to qualify again for vacation with pay as provided in Rule 44.2.

# 44.4 Vacation Scheduling

**44.4.1** An employee who has become entitled to a vacation with pay **shall** be granted such vacation within a twelve (12) month period immediately following the completion of the calendar year of employment in respect of which the employee became entitled **to** the vacation.

**44.4.2** Applications for vacation from employees at other than main shops filed between December 15 of the previous year and January 31 shall, insofar as is practicable **to** do **so**, he

given preference in order of seniority of the applicants. Such applicants will have preference over later applicants. Applicants will be advised in February of the dates allotted them and, unless otherwise mutually agreed, employees must take their vacation at the time allotted. Notices of vacation periods will be posted prior to December IS. The dates mentioned in this Rule may be changed by mutual agreement between the local committee and the proper Officer of the Railway.

**44.4.3** Unless otherwise mutually agreed, employees who do no! apply for vacation prior to February 1st shall be required to take their vacation at a time to be prescribed by the Railway.

#### 44.5 Vacation Relief

**44.5.1** The Officer in charge and the recognized representative **of** the employees will, as far as practicable, make mutual arrangements **to** carry on the work while members of the staff are on vacation with the object of avoiding additional expense to the Railway, but if this is not practicable. employees engaged temporarily. or employees temporarily promoted from one position to another, to provide vacation relief. will. if definitely assigned to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of a higher rated position, be paid the hourly rates applicable **to** such position.

#### 44.6 Vacation At The Main Shops

**44.6.1** A! the main **shops** when it is intended to close the shops for the annual vacation period, the appropriate Officer of the Railway

and duly authorized representatives of the employees will agree prior to March 1st the date of which the various shops will close for the vacation period.

- (a) Those main shop employees desiring special consideration for vacations at a time other than the main shop closure, will make their intentions known to the Railway at least two months prior to such closure. By agreement between the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the duly authorized representatives of the employees, this two month period may be shortened.
- (b) The appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Union will then meet for the purpose of considering the merits of each case.
- (c) Compassionate grounds, seniority and personal business matters will be factors to be considered.
- **44.6.2** The period of closedown for annual vacation at main shops will not exceed four (4) weeks in each year.
- **44.6.3** The appropriate Officer of the Railway and the local committees will co-operate with a view to providing staff to make repairs to machinery, etc., and to giving employment to as many as possible of the employees who are not entitled to full vacation. Such skilled employees as are necessary to balance the staff will be allowed vacations to which they are entitled at a mutually satisfactory date.

- **44.6.4** Employees in main shops who are entitled to a vacation of three (3)weeks or more may be permitted, upon request, to take a portion of their vacation at a time other than during the closedown for annual vacations providing there is no increased cost to the Railway and subject to the right of the Railway to balance staff in order to ensure adequate productivity.
- **44.6.5** During the annual vacation closedown, main shop employees whose maximum vacation entitlement is less than the period of closedown shall, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Collective Agreement. only be entitled to fill vacancies temporarily at running points service for which they are fully qualified.
- **44.6.6** The appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager will co-operate in an effort to ensure that as many employees as possible whose maximum vacation entitlement is one (I) week or more less than the period of closedown will be given the opportunity to fill vacancies at running points for which they are fully qualified to immediately perform the work involved.
- **44.6.7** An employee who undertakes to transfer to a running point for a temporary period under this Rule and who has been cleared to do so shall, if he later declines **to** exercise his seniority and fill the position without just cause, be debarred from the benefit of this Rule in the following year.



**44.6.8** Employees working in main shops during the vacation period will be compensated during regular shop hours at pro rata rates.

#### 44.7 Running Work

Where employees' vacations as requested cannot be accommodated due to the lack of additional relief or the requirements of the service, the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the local committee will work out a practical arrangement.

# RULE 45 GROUP INSURANCE PLANS

- 45.1 The Railway will consult with the respective union before action is taken to terminate the employment of employees who are on authorized leave, off sick, are injured, on LTD, on WCB, have a case outstanding before the Boards of Review or are on light duties.
- **45.2** The respective union and employee concerned will be advised in a timely manner when the insurance carrier is about to take action to cut off an employee from weekly indemnity benefits.
- 45.3 The administration of the weekly indemnity plan will be primarily the responsibility of the insurance carrier. Only in exceptional circumstances will representatives of the Railway directly contact employees to verify their medical condition once they are in receipt of weekly indemnity benefits. The respective union will be advised before representatives of

the Railway directly contact employees in this regard.

- 45.4 Each of the constituent unions of the Council will he provided copies of the insurance plans and forms used by the various insurance companies as the plans and forms are issued and updated from time to time by the insurance carriers. Within three calendar months from the signing of the Collective Agreement, the Railway will provide all unionized employees with a comprehensive hooklet on the insurance plans in effect.
- 45.5 At the request of the Council, the Railway agrees to meet on a quarterly basis with representatives of the Council to discuss the administration of the various insurance plans. No less frequently than twice per annum. the Railway will arrange a meeting between the Railway, the Council and the insurance carriers to discuss the administration of the various insurance plans.

### RULE 46 UNION DUES

### 46.1 Deduction Period

The Railway shall deduct on the payroll for the pay period which contains the 24th day of each month from wages due and payable to each employee corning within the scope of this Collective Agreement an amount equivalent to the uniform monthly union dues of the Union. subject to the conditions and exceptions set forth hereunder. Deductions for new

employees shall commence on the payroll for the first pay period which contains the 24th day of the month.

### 46.2 Deduction Amount

The amount to be deducted shall be equivalent to the uniform, regular dues payment of the Union and shall not include initiation fees or special assessments. The amount to be deducted shall not be changed during the term of the Agreement excepting to conform with a change in the amount of regular dues of the Union in accordance with its constitutional provisions. The provisions of this Rule shall be applicable to the Union on receipt by the Railway of notice in writing from the Union of the amount of regular monthly dues.

### 46.3 Union Membership

Membership in the Union shall **be** available to any employee eligible under the constitution of the Union on payment of the initiation or reinstatement fees uniformly required of all other such applicants by the Union. Membership shall not be denied for reasons of sex, race, national origin, colour or religion. Deductions for new employees shall commence on the payroll for the first pay period which contains the 24th day of the month.

### 46.4 Insufficient Wages

If the wages of an employee payable on the payroll which contains the 24th day of any month are insufficient to permit the deduction of the full amount of dues, no such deduction shall be made from the wages of such

employee by the Railway in such month. The Railway shall not, because the employee did not have sufficient wages payable to him on the designated payroll, carry forward and 'deduct from any subsequent wages the dues not deducted in an earlier month.

### 46.5 Employees In More Than One Union Jurisdiction

Employees filling positions coming within the scope of more than one wage agreement or filling positions coming within the jurisdiction of more than one union in the pay period in which deduction is made shall have dues deducted for the union under which the preponderance of their time is worked in that period. Not more than one deduction of dues shall be made from an employee in any month.

#### 46.6 Deductions Prior To Union Dues

Only payroll deductions now or hereafter required by law, deduction **a** monies due or owing the Railway, pension deductions and deductions for provident funds shall be made from wages prior to the deduction of dues.

### 46.7 Statement Of Deductions

The amounts of dues so deducted from wages accompanied by a statement of deductions from individuals shall be remitted by the Railway to the officer or officers of the union concerned, as may be mutually agreed by the Railway and the Union, not later than forty (40)calendar days following the pay period in which the deductions are made.

### 46.8 Improper Or Inaccurate Deductions

The Railway shall not be responsible financially or otherwise, either to the Union or to any employee, for any failure to make deductions or for making improper or inaccurate deductions or remittances. However, in any instance in which an error occurs in the amount of any deduction of dues from an employee's wages, the Railway shall adjust it directly with the employee. In the event of any mistake by the Railway in the amount of its remittance to the Union, the Railway shall adjust the amount in a subsequent remittance. The Railway's liability for any and all amounts deducted pursuant to the provisions of this Rule shall terminate at the time it remits the amounts payable to the designated officer or officers of the Union.

### 46.9 Compensation For Services

The question of what, if any, compensation shall be paid the Railway by the Union in recognition of services performed under this Agreement shall be left in abeyance subject to reconsideration at the request of either party on fifteen (15) days' notice in writing.

### 46.10 Legal Actions

In the event of any action at law against the parties hereto or any of them resulting from any deduction or deductions from payrolls made or to be made by the Railway pursuant to Rule 46.1 of this Rule, all parties shall cooperate fully in the defence of such action. Each party shall bear its own cost of such defence except that, if, at the request of the Union,

counsel fees are incurred, these shall be borne by the Union. Save as aforesaid. the Union shall indemnify and save harmless the Railway from any losses, damages, costs, liability or expenses suffered or sustained by them or any of them as a result of any such deduction or deductions from payrolls.

### 46.11 T-4 Disclosure

T-4 slip issued to all employees will show the amount deducted from employees as union dues paid to their Union during the year.

# RULE 47 COUNCIL FUNDING

- **47.1** Effective August 1, 1985, a deduction of one cent (\$0.01) per hour shall be made from employees' wages for each hour earned, such monies to be allocated to the operation of the Council.
- **47.2** The monies so allocated will be placed into a fund to be used solely for the operation of the Council. Any use of these funds must be approved by a majority of the council's seven constituent Unions.

## RULE 48 AUTOMOBILE MILEAGE

**48.1** Employees who are authorized to use privately owned vehicles in Railway service will be compensated according to current Railway policy. A monthly report of mileage claims must be made on the prescribed form, duly authorized.

## RULE 49 JOB SECURITY AGREEMENT

**49.1** A Master Agreement is in effect, the text of which is outlined in the current Supplemental Agreement.

### **RULE 50**

### BLUE FLAG RULES FOR PROTECTION OF EMPLOYEES WORKING ON OR ABOUT TRAINS, ENGINES OR CARS IN YARDS OR ON REPAIR TRACKS

### 50.1 Purpose

The purpose of this regulation is to outline the procedures which must be adopted to ensure the protection of employees working on or about trains, engines, or cars in yards or on repair tracks.

### 50.2 General

This regulation conforms to Rule 26 of the Uniform Code of Operating Rules, Revision of 1962.

### 50.3 Application Of Blue Signals 50.3.1 Regular Repair Tracks

(a) Where repair tracks are connected at both ends, a standard Blue Flag suspended from a staff clamped on the rail by day and Blue Light hung on same staff by night must be displayed at both ends of each track and, in addition, the switches at both ends of each track must be lined to prevent movement onto the track, and secured with a special lock

- other than the standard switch lock before employees commence work.
- (b) Where repair tracks are connected one end only, the same protection is required at the end of each track that is connected to the lead.
- (c) Foremen or other assigned responsible employees in charge must personally ensure that track protection is arranged including the application and removal of locks and Blue Signals. When it becomes necessary to remove same to permit switching operations during working hours, the party in charge must see that all employees are notified and out of danger before removing locks and Blue Signals. Protection must be applied before resuming work.

### 50.3.2 Shop Tracks

- (a) On tracks which provide entrance or exit from repair buildings, employees must not commence repairs which make it necessary to work in a dangerous position on equipment outside the building until the track has been protected as described in Rule 50.3.1 (a).
- (b) Within buildings. it is the responsibility of the Supervisor or other designated person. before requesting a movement of equipment to ensure that no employees are working on equipment on the track on which the movement will occur.

### 50.3.3 Flat Traffic Yards (Manually Operated And Automatic Switches)

- (a) Employees, before making inspection, servicing equipment or performing minor repairs on or about cars or engines on tracks equipped with manually operated or automatic switches, must display the Blue Flag by day and Blue Light by night at a distance visible to all concerned in advance of both ends of such cars or engines until all work is completed, after which Blue Flags and/or Lights must be removed. Each time prior to placing Blue Signals as described above, the Supervisor in charge of the switching and train operations must be notified.
- (b) All equipment requiring extensive repairs which makes it necessary for employees to work in a dangerous position should be placed on repair or shop tracks; however, if circumstances are such that this is impracticable to do, the Supervisor in charge of the switching and train operations must be notified so track can be removed from service if equipped with automatic switches. When possible, switches must be lined and locked with special locks to prevent movement onto the track. After completion of repairs, the Blue Signals and locks, if any, must be removed by the employees and the Supervisor in charge of switching and train operations must

be advised that repairs have been completed and track released.

**Note:** The Supervisor in charge of the switching and train operations includes:

Co-ordinators Terminal Supervisors and Assistants Car Movement Supervisors and Assistants, where applicable.

### 50.3.4 Hump Yards (Manually Operated Switches)

Work performed on tracks equipped with manually operated switches will be governed by safety regulations as applicable in flat traffic yards.

# 50.3.5 Hump And Flat Traffic Yards (Equipped With Remotely Controlled Power Switches)

The Supervisor or other designated responsible person who assigns employees to work on cars or engines on any track must determine with the Yard Supervisor that the switches are lined away so as to prevent movement onto that track, operating levers are blocked or marked so that they cannot be used and will remain this way until notified by the same person that the work is completed. Employees must be made fully aware of the protection provided.

### 50.3.6 Siding Or Other Tracks At Other Than Terminal Points

Employees making repairs to cars, engines or other units of work equipment. on a siding or

other track, at other than Terminal Points must first display a Blue Signal at the ends of additional trackage and at both ends of sidings and take any other precaution deemed necessary to ensure their maximum safety. Before undertaking this work, they must notify the Train Dispatcher and secure assurance that any instructions to train crews which may be necessary have been issued. Upon completion of work, Blue Signals must be removed and the Train Dispatcher notified that repairs have been completed.

### 50.3.7 Night Work

When repairs have to be made after sunset or during weather conditions in which a Blue Flag cannot be plainly seen, a Blue Light must be displayed hung on the same staff.

### 50.4 Display Of Blue Signal

**50.4.1** Each class of employee must display Blue Signals and the same class of employee are alone authorized to remove same.

**50.4.2** Within each class of employee, the foreman or other responsible person as designated by the Supervisor in charge will display and remove Blue Signals.

**50.4.3** Before removing Blue Signals, the responsible person must ensure himself that all employees working under the protection of his Blue Signal have completed their work and are made aware of the removal of this protection.

### 50.5 Blue Signal Requirements

Display the Blue Flag by day and the Blue

Light by night at a height of five (5) feet above rail level on a steel frame secured to the rail; the day signal must be of rigid material of not less than eighteen (18) inches by twenty (20) inches, and preferably twenty-two (22) inches by twenty-eight (28) inches, with rounded corners, painted on both sides, royal blue with a border of white one and one-half (11/2) inches in width.

### 50.6 Application Of Rules - Responsibility

Supervisors who assign employees to perform work under any of the circumstances outlined in the foregoing Rules must provide proper instructions to ensure that such employees comply with these regulations. All employees are required to adhere to these regulations and to give close personal attention to the protection of themselves and other employees.

### 50.7 Violation

Violation of the Blue Signal Rule or any action or condition that is likely to result in injury to anyone must be promptly reported to the Supervisor or other responsible person, *so* as to ensure maximum protection of all concerned.

## RULE 51 MACHINISTS' CRAFT SPECIAL RULES

### 51.1 Machinists' Qualifications

Any person holding proof of an appropriate mechanical apprenticeship, or four years' experience in a tradesman capacity in one of the appropriate mechanical trades, or the equivalent, and who can demonstrate competence in the trade, will be recognized as a machinist and will be shown on the permanent Machinist seniority list.

### 51.2 Machinists' Work

Machinists' work shall consist of all machine shop processes on metals used in maintaining or overhauling locomotives, tools or shop machinery. Wheel turning or truing, axle turning and wheel and gear pressing. All work on locomotive air brakes, air brake components including related locotrol air equipment and air compressors. Locomotive and diesel engine mechanical inspection work, and the removal, overhaul and reinstallation of all major locomotive components. Oxy-acetylene and electric welding work generally recognized as machinists' work. Track work and gears for locomotives, millwrighting, installing and repairing shop machinery mobile equipment and all other work generally recognized as machinists' work.

### 51.3 Machinist Apprentices

Includes regular apprentices in connection with the work defined by Rule 51.2.

### 51.4 Machinists' Helpers' Work

Machinists' helpers' work shall consist of helping machinists and apprentices, attending tool room, wheel presses, fork lift truck and mobile crane operation in shop areas and all other work generally recognized as helpers' work.

### 51.5 Machinists Assigned To Running Repairs

Machinisis assigned to running repairs shall

not be required to do work on back shop at points where back shop forces are maintained.

### 51.6 Back Shop And Running Repair Forces

Back shop forces will not be assigned to perform running repair work, except when the regularly assigned running repair forces are unable to get engines out in time to prevent delay to train movement.

### 51.7 Work At Wrecks

In case of wrecks where engines are disabled, a machinist, and helper if required (more if necessary), shall accompany the wrecker. They will work under the direction of the wreck forernan. They will be paid for wrecking service as outlined in Rule 5 while working at wrecks or in charge of wrecked engines.

### 51.8 Machinist Helpers

**51.8.1** A helper, when used in any way in connection with machinists' work, shall in all cases work under the orders of the machinist. both under the direction of the foreman.

**51.8.2** When vacancies occur under the classification of machinist helper (temporary or permanent). machinist helpers in the service will be given preference in promotion *to* positions paying either the same or higher rate at shop employed, seniority to govern.

### 51.9 Machinist Helpers Entering The Apprentice Training Program

**51.9.1** Helpers who have worked in the craft on the Railway for not less than three (3) years

consisting of a total of seven hundred and twenty-six (726) working days may, if able to meet other entrance requirements for regular apprentices, apply for apprentice training in the craft. If selected, they shall be given a credit of one (1) year and serve an apprenticeship of three (3) years made up of six (6) terms of nine hundred (900) hours each or a total of five thousand four hundred (5400) hours. No other credits will be allowed. In the event two (2) or more applications are received, preference will be given firstly to applicants from the seniority terminal and secondly to applicants From the system, except as may be mutually agreed between the appropriate Officer of the Railway and The Business Manager.

51.9.2 A helper entering the apprentice training program will have his seniority as a helper protected during his term of apprenticeship but shall not be permitted to return to helper's status except in the case of reduction of staff, or if unsuitable as an apprentice, in accordance with Rule 27.6.

**51.9.3** An apprentice who, due to a reduction in staff, **is** returned to a helper's status, will, when an increase in staff permits, be obligated to resume his apprentice training. **A** helper refusing to resume his apprentice training will retain his helper's seniority but shall not thereafter be permitted to re-enter the apprentice training program.

**51.9.4** Except as otherwise provided for herein, the apprentice rules covering regular apprentices shall also apply to these apprentices

### 51.10 Temporary Mechanics

**51.10.1** In the event of not being able to employ journeymen qualified in accordance with Rule 51.1 and the regular apprenticeship schedule is not providing enough employees to carry out the work, the work force may be increased by promoting other employees within the craft to temporarily fill such positions until such time as qualified journeymen become available.

51.10.2 An employee from within the craft promoted to temporary mechanic may. after having accumulated four (4) years experience as a mechanic, be given a qualifying test and. if successful. will be placed on the machinists' permanent seniority list and will be credited with one (1) year's seniority as of the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience, and will forfeit all seniority rights in the classification or classifications from which promoted as of that date.

#### **RULE 52**

### BOILERMAKERS' CRAFT SPECIAL RULES

### 52.1 Boilermakers' Qualifications

Any person who has served an apprenticeship or who has had four (4) years' experience at the trade who can with the aid of tools. with or without drawings, and is competent to either lay out. build or repair boilers. tanks and details thereof. and complete same in a mechanical manner shall constitute a boiler-maker.

### 52.2 Boilermakers' Work

Boilermaker's work shall consist of laying-out, cutting apart, building or repairing boilers. tanks and drums; inspecting patching. rivetting, chipping, caulking, flanging and flue work; building, repairing. removing and applying steel cabs and running boards; laying out and fitting up any sheet iron or sheet steel work made of sixteen (16) gauge or heavier; (present practice between boilermakers and sheet metal workers on railroads to continue relative to gauge of iron), oxy-acetylene and electric welding, on work generally recognized as boilermakers' work. and all other work generally recognized as boilermakers' work on steam, electric or diesel locomotives. It is understood that present practice in the performance of work between boilermakers and carmen will continue.

### 52.3 Boilermaker Apprentices

Includes regular apprentices in connection with the work as defined by Rule 52.2.

### 52.4 Boilermakers' Helpers' Work

Employees assigned to help Boilermakers and their apprentices: operators of drill presses and bolt cutters in boiler shop, boiler washers and helpers, employees cutting only bar stock and scrap, flue cleaners. As far as practicable. regularly assigned helpers will be used on flange fires. Classified boilermakers' helpers will attend tool room in boiler shop where regular attendant is employed. Holding on all stay bolts and rivets, striking chisel bars, side sets and backing out punches, scaling boilers

and heating rivets. (except when performed by apprentices). and all other work properly recognized as boilermakers helpers' work.

### **52.5** Temporary Boilermakers

**52.5.1** In the event of not beingable to employ qualified boilermaker with four (4) years' experience, and the regular apprenticeship schedule is not providing enough employees to carry out the work, the work force may be increased by promoting helpers to temporarily fill such positions, until such time as qualified mechanics are available.

**52.5.2** A helper promoted to temporary boilermaker may, after having accumulated four (4) years' service as a temporary mechanic. request to be given the qualifying test of the craft. and if successful. will be placed on the mechanics' permanent seniority list and will be credited with one (1) year's seniority as of the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience and will forfeit all seniority rights in the helpers' classification as of that date.

### 52.6 Boilermakers Assigned To Running Repairs

**52.6.1** Boilermakers assigned to running repairs **may** be used tu perform other boiler work.

**52.6.2** Boilermakers assigned to locomotive general repair work may be used to perform running repair work when the regular assigned running repair forces are unable to get engines out to meet service requirements.

**52.6.3** Boilermakers who have been working on hot work will not he required to work on

cold work until given sufficient time to cool

### 52.7 Protection Of Boilermakers, Apprentices And Helpers

- **52.7.1** An oxy-acetylene welding or cutting operator or electric operator will be furnished with a helper when necessary or when it is essential for personal safety.
- **52.7.2** Should it become necessary to send an oxy-acetylene welder or cutter or electric operator out of the shop in cold weather, he will be given ample time to dry off before being sent out.
- **52.7.3** When necessary, boilermakers shall be furnished with experienced helpers when sent out on the road or called in to work.

### 52.8 Boilermaker Helpers Entering The Apprentice Program

**52.8.1** Helpers who have worked in the craft on the Railway for not less than three (3) years consisting of a total of seven hundred and twenty-six (726) working days may. if able to meet other entrance requirements for regular apprentices, apply for apprentice training in the craft. If selected, they shall be given a credit of one (1) year and serve an apprentice-ship of three (3) years made up of six (6) terms of nine hundred (900) hours each or a total of five thousand four hundred (5400) hours. No other credits will be allowed. In the event two (2) or more applications are received, preference will be given firstly to applicants from the seniority terminal, and secondly to applicants

from the system, except as may be mutually agreed between the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager.

- **52.8.2** A helper entering the apprentice training program will have his seniority as a helper protected during his term of apprenticeship but shall not be permitted to return to a helper's status except in the case of reduction of staff, or, if unsuitable as an apprentice, in accordance with Rule 27.6.
- **52.8.3** An apprentice who, due to a reduction in staff, is returned to a helper's status, will, when an increase in staff permits, be obligated to resume his apprentice training.
- **52.8.4** Except as otherwise provided for herein, the apprentice rules covering regular apprentices shall also apply to these apprentices.

### RULE 53

### BLACKSMITHS CRAFT SPECIAL RULES

### 53.1 Blacksmiths' Qualifications

Any person who has served an apprenticeship, or has had four (4) years varied experience at the blacksmiths' trade shall be considered a blacksmith. He must be able to take a piece of work pertaining to his class, and with or without the aid of drawings, bring it to a successful completion within a reasonable length of time.

### 53,2 Blacksmiths' Work

Blacksmiths' work shall consist of welding,

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forging, heating, shaping and bending of metal; tool dressing and tempering; springmaking, tempering and repairing, potashing, annealing, case and bichloride hardening; operating furnaces, bulldozers, forging machines, drop-forging machines, bolt machines and Bradley hammers; hammersmiths, drop hammermen, trimmers, rolling mill operators; automatic hammermen; spring plate operators, (except shearing and punching cold); bolt and nut makers; bending machine men: car brake gear repairers: operating punches and shears, doing shaping and forming in connection with blacksmiths' work; forging stay bolts, oxy-acetylene and electric welding on work generally recognized as blacksmiths' work, and all other work generally recognized as blacksmiths' work.

### 53.3 Blacksmith Apprentices

Includes apprentices in connection with the work as defined by Rule 53.2.

### 53.4 Blacksmiths' Helpers' Work

Employees assigned to helping blacksmiths and apprentices; heaters, hammer operators, machine helpers, drill press and bolt cutter operators, punch and shear operators (cutting only bar stock and scrap) in connection with blacksmiths' work; flue end piecers; flue end cutters; flue saw operators; cold saw operators (rails and bar stock only); iron straighteners (scrap in dock and yard): iron choppers: and all other work generally recognized as blacksmith helpers' work.

### 53.5 Temporary Blacksmiths

**53.5.1** In the event of not being able to employ qualified blacksmiths with four (4) years' experience, and the regular apprenticeship schedule is not providing enough employees to carry out the work, the work force may be increased by promoting helpers to temporarily fill such positions, until such time as qualified mechanics are available.

**53.5.2** A helper promoted to temporary blacksmith may. after having accumulated four (4) years' service **as a** temporary mechanic, request to be given the qualifying test of the craft, and if successful, will be placed on the mechanics' permanent seniority list and will be credited with one (1) year's seniority as of the date he accumulated the four (4) year's experience, and will forfeit all seniority rights in the helpers' classification as of that date.

### 53.6 Rate To Be Maintained

When the performance of a certain class of work is transferred and performed by a different process, the rate established under this Agreement for the work being transferred shall be paid for the time occupied in the performance of the work under the new process.

### 53.7 Rates For Blacksmith Helpers Building Fires

Blacksmith helpers required to prepare heavy furnace or build fires on their own time shall be paid time and one-half on a minute basis with a daily minimum of twenty (20) minutes on that basis.

### 53.8 Heaters

**53.8.1** Furnace operators (heaters) will be assigned to operate furnaces making or working material the equivalent of six (6) inches square or over and heating it for hammersmiths.

**53.8.2** Heaters will be assigned to operate furnaces used in connection with forging machines four (4) inches and over, or to heat any material the equivalent of four (4) inches square and over to be forged.

**53.8.3** Heaters will be assigned to heavy blacksmith fires and drop hammer furnaces.

**53.8.4** When heaters are required on other furnaces, helpers will be used.

### 53.9 Hammer Drivers

Competent steam hammer drivers will be furnished.

### 53.10 Blacksmiths Assigned To Road Work

Blacksmiths sent out on the road to do blacksmiths' work will be accompanied by a helper when such work requires a helper.

### 53.11 Blacksmith Helpers Entering The Apprenticeship Program

53.11.1 Helpers who have worked in the craft on the Railway for not less than three (3)years consisting of a total of seven hundred and twenty-six (726) working days may, if able to meet other entrance requirements for regular apprentices, apply for apprentice training in the craft. If selected, they shall be given a credit of one (1) year and serve an apprentice-

ship of three (3) years made up of six (6) terms of nine hundred (900) hours each, or a total of five thousand four hundred (5400) hours. No other credits will be allowed. In the event two (2) or more applications are received, preference will be given firstly to applicants from the seniority terminal and secondly to applicants from the system, except as may be mutually agreed between the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager.

**53.11.2** A helper entering the apprentice training program will have his seniority as a helper protected during his term of apprenticeship but shall not be permitted to return to a helper's status except in the case of reduction of staff, or if unsuitable as a apprentice, in accordance with Rule 27.6.

**53.11.3** An apprentice who, due to a reduction in staff, is returned to a helper's status, will, when an increase in staff permits, be obligated to resume his apprentice training.

**53.11.4** Except as otherwise provided for herein, the apprentice rules covering regular apprentices shall also apply to these apprentices.

### **RULE 54**

### SHEET METAL WORKERS' AND PIPEFIT TERS' CRAFT SPECIAL RULES

### 54.1 Sheet Metal Workers' And Pipefitters' Qualifications

Any person who has served an apprenticeship or has four (4)or more years' experience in the various branches of the trade. who is qualified

and capable of doing sheet metal work or pipework as applied to buildings, machinery, locomotives (steam or diesel), cars, etc., whether it be tin, sheet iron or sheet copper, and capable of bending, fitting and brazing of pipe, shall constitute a sheet metal worker or pipefitter.

### 54.2 Sheet Metal Workers' Work

Sheet metal workers' work shall consist of silversmithing, tinning, coppersmithing, metal spray gun work in shops, yards, buildings, on passenger coaches, motor coaches and engines of all kinds including tenders; lead burning; babbitting (not scrap reclaimer); the building, erecting, assembling, installing, dismantling (for repairs only), and maintaining parts made of sheet copper, brass, tin, zinc, white metal, lead, black, planished, pickled and galvanized iron, sheet aluminum of ten (10) gauge and lighter (present practice between sheet metal workers and boilermakers to continue relative to gauge of iron), including brazing, soldering, tinning, leading and babbitting (except car and tender truck journal bearings), the operation of babbitt fires (in connection with sheet metal workers' work); oxy-acetylene and electric welding on work generally recognized as sheet metal workers' work, and all other work generally recognized as sheet metal workers' work.

### 54,3 Pipefitters' Work

Pipefitters' work shall consist of pipefitting in shops, yards and buildings, power houses, locomotives and engines of all kinds, tenders,

motor coaches, passenger coaches and work equipment units of all classes, and all piping carrying steam, air, oil, gas, water, or any liquids above or below ground; cutting, threading, welding, brazing, bending, flanging, connecting and disconnecting all pipe work by whatever process and all work recognized as pipefitters' work.

### **54.4** Sheet Metal Worker And Pipefitter Apprentices

Includes regular apprentices in connection with the work as defined by Rules 54.2 and 54.3.

### 54.5 Sheet Metal And Pipefitter Helpers' Work

**54.5.1** Employees regularly assigned as sheet metal workers' helpers shall assist sheet metal workers and apprentices.

**54.5.2** Employees regularly assigned **as** pipe-fitters' helpers shall assist pipefitters and apprentices.

**54.5.3** In the event of not being able to employ qualified pipefitters with four (4)years' experience. and the regular apprenticeship schedule is not providing enough employees to carry out the work. the work force may be increased by promoting helpers to temporarily fill such positions until such time as qualified mechanics are available.

54.5.4 A helper promoted to temporary pipefitter may, after having accumulated four (4) years' service as a temporary mechanic, request to be given the qualifying test of the craft and, if successful, will be placed on the

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mechanics' seniority list, and will be credited with one (1) year's seniority as of the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience. and will forfeit all seniority rights in the helpers' classification as of that date.

### 54.6 Sheet Metal Workers Assigned To Road Work

Sheet metal workers will be sent **out** on line and to outlying points when their services are required, but not for small, unimportant running repair jobs.

### 54.7 Assignment Of Running Repair Force To Dead Work

The assignment of running repair sheet metal workers and pipefitters to hack shop work shall not be the recognized practice; but at points where no back shop sheet metal workers or pipefitters are employed, they may be so assigned if the needs of the serivce require it.

### 54.8 Assignment Of Dead Work Force To Running Repairs

Back shop forces will not he assigned to perform running repair work. except when the regularly assigned running repair forces are unable to get engines out in time to prevent delay to train movement.

### 54.9 Sheet Metal Worker And Pipefitter Helpers Entering The Apprenticeship Program

**54.9.1** Helpers who have worked in the craft on the Railway for not less than three (3) years' consisting of a total of seven hundred and twenty-six (726) working clays may, if able to meet other entrance requirements for regular apprentices, apply for apprentice training in

the craft. If selected, they shall be given a credit of one (1) year and serve an apprentice-ship of three (3) years' made up of six (6) terms of nine hundred (900) hours each, or a total of five thousand four hundred (5400) hours. No other credits will be allowed. In the event two (2) or more applications are received, preference will be given firstly to applicants from the seniority terminal and secondly to applicants from the system, except as may be mutually agreed between the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager.

**54.9.2** A helper entering the apprentice training program will have his seniority as a helper protected during his term of apprenticeship but shall not be permitted to return to a helper's status except in the case of reduction of staff, or if unsuitable as an apprentice in accordance with Rule 27.6.

**54.9.3** An apprentice who, due to a reduction in staff, is returned to a helper's status, will, when an increase in staff permits, be obligated to resume his apprentice training.

**54.9.4** Except as otherwise provided for herein, the apprentice rules covering regular apprentices shall also apply to these apprentices.

# RULE 55 ELECTRICAL WORKERS' CRAFT SPECIAL RULES

### 55.1 Electricians' Qualifications

**Any** person who can produce documentation showing proof that he has completed an elec-

trical apprenticeship or that he has had four (4) years' occupational or on the job training equivalent to that of an electrician and is competent to execute the work to a successful conclusion will be rated as a journeyman electrician.

### 55.2 Electricians' Work

55.2.1 Electricians' work shall include electric wiring, maintaining, rebuilding, repairing. inspecting and installing all generators, switchboards. meters, motors and controls. motor generators. magnetos. igniters, electric welding machines, electric headlights and headlight generators, storage batteries. axle lighting equipment, and welding on work generally recognized as electricians' work. Locomotive remote control equipment, fire alarms. electric clocks, electric lighting fixtures, winding armatures, fields, magnet coils, rotors, transformers and starting compensators. Inside and outside wiring of shops, buildings. yards and on structures, all electric wiring and conduit work in connection therewith. including steam, gas electric diesel electric and electric locomotives, passenger trains, motor cars. electric tractors and trucks and buses. Repairs to wiring of ignition for internal conibustion engines, magnetic. electronic and all other types of electric control. Electric cable splicers, and all other work generally recognized as being electricians' work.

**55.2.2** An electrician will not necessarily be an armature winder or lineman.

**55.2.3** Includes regular apprentices in connection with electrical workers.

### 55.3 Electricians' Helpers

- 55.3.1 Helpers' work shall consist of helping electricians' and apprentices in regular electrician work, and such battery work as may be agreed upon. The helper will work under the direction of the electrician or apprentice when assigned to them by the supervisor concerned.
- **55.3.2** When no experienced electrical helpers are available or cannot be called, helpers from other classification. if available. will be used
- 55.3.3 An electrical employee from within the craft promoted to temporary electrician may, after having accumulated four (4) years' experience as an electrician, be given the qualifying test of the craft and, if successful, will be placed on the electricians' permanent seniority list and will he credited with one (1) year's seniority as of the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience and will forfeit all seniority rights in the classification or classifications from which promoted as of that date.
- 55.3.4 In the event that the foregoing does not provide enough electricians to meet the requirements of the service, other employees may be transferred or hired as temporary electricians in training subject to their ability to successfully complete the required entrance examination in accordance with the provisions of Rule 20.
- 55.3.5 Such employees shall have their names

included on the electricians' helpers seniority list as of the date they became trainee electricians and will he subject to displacement as qualified electricians become available. Upon completion of four (4) years' service as an electrician, such employee will be required to pass the craft qualifying test and, if successful, will have his name included on the permanent electricians' seniority list and will he credited with one (1) years' seniority from the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience, and will forfeit all seniority in the helper's classification as of that date.

55.3.6 In the application of Rules 55.4 and 55.5, an employee shall within thirty (30) days after the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience as an electrician be required to sign an option to either accept or decline permanent promotion as an electrician. In the event that such employee declines promotion or fails to pass the craft qualifying test, he shall be required to revert to the former classification from which promoted.

55.3.7 As the exigencies of the service dictate, an employee who previously declined promotion may be given the opportunity to sign an option to accept permanent promotion as an electrician. Such employee will be required to pass the craft qualifying test and, if successful. shall have his name included on the Electricians' permanent seniority list. He will be credited with one (1) year's seniority from the date he completed the test and will forfeit his seniority in the classification or classifications from which promoted as of that date.

### 55.4 Electrical Workers Assigned To Work At Wrecks

In cases of wrecks where electric or diesel electric locomotives are disabled, an electrician, if required, shall accompany the wrecker. They shall work under the direction of the wreck foreman. They will be paid as per Rule 5 while working at wrecks, or in charge of wrecked engines.

### 55.5 Protection Of Employees

55.5.1 Employees engaged in the handling of storage batteries and mixing acid must be provided with acid-proof rubber gloves, hip boots and aprons. Employees who clean parts in lye vats will be supplied with gloves.

55.5.2 When it becomes necessary to work on live wires or apparatus in excess of three hundred (300) volts, an electrician shall not work alone. Where practicable, two (2) qualified electricians shall work together. Rubber gloves. splicing hoods, and other protective mats and sticks shall be supplied.

### 55.6 Electrical Workers Entering The Apprenticeship Program

**55.6.1** Electrical workers who have worked in the craft for not less than three (3) years consisting of a total of seven hundred and twenty-six (726) working days may, if able to meet the other entrance requirements For regular apprentices, apply for apprentice training in the craft. If selected, they shall be given a credit of one (1) year and serve an apprenticeship of three (3) years made up of six (6) terms

of nine hundred (900) hours **each, or a total** of five thousand four hundred (5400) hours. No other credits will be allowed. In the event two (2) or more applications are received, preference will be given firstly to applicants from the seniority terminal and secondly to applicants from the system, except **as** may be mutually agreed between the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager.

**55.6.2** An electrical worker entering the apprentice training program will have his seniority protected in the classification from which promoted during his term of apprenticeship but shall not be permitted to return to his former classification except in the case of reduction of staff or, if unsuitable as an apprentice, in accordance with Rule 27.6. An apprentice who due to a reduction in staff is returned to his former classification will, when an increase in staff permits, be obligated to resume his apprentice training.

**55.6.3** Except **as** otherwise provided for herein, the apprentice rules covering regular apprentices shall also apply to **these** apprentices.

# RULE 56 FULL-TIME FIRST AID ATTENDANTS' SPECIAL RULES

### 56.1 Full-Time First Aid Attendants

Full-Time First Aid Attendants' work shall consist of First Aid work commensurate with the Workers' Compensation Board First Aid

Regulations. Full-Time First Aid Attendants shall perform **all** clerical duties necessary to complete accident and first-aid reports and maintain the required records. Full-Time First Aid Attendants are required to do all other work generally recognized **as** Full-Time First Aid Attendants' work, including duties related to safety.

### 56.2 Part-Time First Aid Attendants

Part-time First Aid Attendants exclusively engaged in first aid work may be employed by the Railway to work on an "as and when required" basis. Such part-time First Aid Attendants shall be paid the applicable rates as set forth in this Agreement for hours worked but shall not accumulate seniority as full-time First Aid Attendants. A "work week" for a part-time First Aid Attendant shall mean a period of seven (7) consecutive days starting with Sunday. Hours worked by part-time First Aid Attendants in excess of eight (8) hours in any one day or in excess of forty (40) hours in a work week shall be paid at the appropriate overtime rate.

### 56.3 Applicable Rules

The following rules only as contained in the Collective Agreement shall apply to full-time "First Aid Attendants":

Rule 1 (Rules 1.1 to 1.2.5 inclusive)

Rule 2

Rule 3

Rule 4

Rule 5

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Rule 12
Rule 13
Rule 14
Rule 15
Rule 16
Rule 18
Rule 19
Rule 20.3
Rule 24
Rule 25
Rule 26
Rule 29.3
Rule 30
Rule 31
Rule 32
Rule 33
Rule 35
Rule 42
Rule 43 (Rules 43.1 to 43.2.2 inclusive)
Rule 44
Rule 45
Rule 46
Rule 47
Rule 48
Rule 49
Rule 56
Rule 58
Rule 60
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Rule 63
Rule 64
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### 56.4 Seniority

In addition to the provisions contained in the above itemized Rules, the parties agree to revise and amend Rule 20, Seniority for the

purpose of providing applicable seniority rules for fulltime First Aid Attendants.

### 56.5 Reimbursement Of Course Fees

Full-Time First Aid Attendants required to take certificate renewal courses as prescribed by the Workers' Compensation Board in order to maintain their certificates in good standing shall be reimbursed the fees for such courses. Attendance at certificate renewal courses is subject to the approval of the appropriate Railway Officer at Squamish. *It* is understood that certificate renewal courses shall be taken on the employee's own time.

### RULE 57 LABOURERS SPECIAL RULES

### 57.1 Application

The subsections of **this** Rule will apply to the following classifications:

Steam Plant Operators Degreaser Operators Labourers (Locomotive and Car Departments)

### 57.2 Seniority

57.2.1 Should an employee enter the service in the classification of a Steam Plant Operator, he shall be accorded a seniority date in the lower classifications according to such date of entry into service.

**57.2.2** An employee promoted from a lower to a higher classification as outlined in Rule 57.1, shall retain and continue to accumulate

seniority in the classification from which promoted.

57.2.3 Employees accepting promotion to the Helpers' classification will have their names retained on the seniority list from which promoted and will continue to accumulate seniority. Upon accepting promotion to the Helpers' classification, such employees will be obliged to continue in the Helpers' classification as long as their seniority permits them and will only be allowed to revert and exercise their seniority for medical reasons or upon reduction of staff.

- **57.2.4** Labourers hired after January 1, 1982 and promoted to Helpers' classification shall, after ninety (90) consecutive calendar days **as** a Helper, forfeit their seniority as a Labourer.
- **57.2.5** Labourers represented by the U.A. Local 170 in the Railway's Locomotive and Car Departments will be given the following protection:
  - (a) they will not be replaced by labourers represented by any other constituent union of the Council.
  - (b) their rates of pay will be maintained in accordance with the rates provided for in this Agreement.

# **RULE 58**

#### SCOPE OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL RULES

**58.1** Except as provided for under the special rules of each craft, the general rules shall govern in all cases.

# RULE 59 RAILWEST OPERATION

59.1 After the closure & the Railwest Manufacturing Company Plant, should the Railwest building be used by the Railway as a car repair facility or car manufacturing plant, the Collective Agreement between the Railway and the Council of Trade Unions of behalf of the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada, Local No. 170, Metal Trades Division, will apply.

# RULE 60

# JURISDICTIONAL UNDERSTANDING

60.1 It is understood and agreed between the parties signatory hereto that any alterations or amendments herein proposed in work classification are for the purposes of clarification and rate fixing only, and shall not be interpreted as affecting or disturbing in any manner the jurisdictional understanding and practices hetween the signatory unions, parties to this Agreement, as now exists, or may hereafter be agreed between the unions themselves.

#### RULE 61

#### RECOGNITION OF UNION OFFICERS

61.1 For the carrying out of this Agreement, the Railway will deal only with the officers duly authorized to act on behalf of the Council of Trade Unions signatory to this Agreement.

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Grievances or the application or interpretation of the provisions of this Agreement will initially be handled by the officers duly authorized to act on behalf of the Council of Trade Unions signatory to this agreement.

# RULE 62 CONTRACTING OUT

- **62.1** When the Railway decides to contract out on a regular basis work that is presently and normally performed by employees covered **by** the Council's certification, the union(s) involved will be advised as far in advance as is possible of the date contracting out is contemplated.
- **62.2** If the union representatives request a meeting to discuss matters relating *to* the contracting out. the Railway will meet promptly with them for that purpose.
- **62.3** If the union representatives can demonstrate that the work could be performed **just** as efficiently and economically by the Railway forces as by contract, every consideration will be given by the Railway to having the work performed by its own forces.
- **62.4** Except in cases of emergency: the union(s) involved will be consulted in advance **of** the implementation **cf** a decision **to** contract out work which could be performed by unionized employees.
- **62.5** Subject *to* the above, the foregoing shall not restrict the right of the Railway to contract out work.



# RULE 63 AMENDMENTS TO THE COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT

63.1 Nothing in this Agreement prevents the addition. deletion or revision of any provision thereof during the term of the Agreement and the representatives of the Railway and of the employees shall meet within thirty (30) days at the request of either party for that purpose. If mutual agreement cannot be reached on any addition, deletion or revision of any particular provision, consideration of the proposed change in the provision shall be deferred for the term of the Collective Agreement.

# RULE 64 TERM OF AGREEMENT

- 64.1 This Agreement shall be in full force and effect from the sixth day on February A.D. 1984 until the thirtieth day of June, A.D. 1987 and shall remain in full force and effect from year to year thereafter PROVIDED THAT—either party may not less than ninety (90) days—and not more than one hundred and twenty (120) days immediately preceding the thirtieth day of June, A.D. 1987 or immediately preceding any succeeding thirtieth day of June thereafter, by written notice to the other party:
  - (a) require the other party to commence collective bargaining with a view to the conclusion of a renewal or revision of the Collective Agreement, or a new collective agreement.

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- (b) terminate the Agreement on the next succeeding anniversary date thereof, and require the other party to commence collective bargaining with the view aforesaid; or
- (c) terminate the Agreement on the next succeeding anniversary date thereof.
- **64.2** Except where an article indicates its effective date, all revisions from the previous agreement and all new Rules will become effective on the 11th day of February. 1986.
- 64.3 Should either party give written notice to the other Party pursuant to 64.1 (a) hereof, this Agreement shall thereafter continue in full force and effect until the Council shall give notice of strike, or the Railway shall give notice of lock out, or the parties shall conclude a renewal or revision of the Agreement or a new collective agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF duly authorized officers and/or representatives of the parties hereby affix their signatures to this Collective Agreement, this 4th day of June, A.D. 1986.

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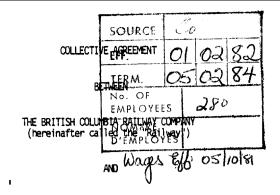
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#### HOURS OF WORK AND MEAL PERIOD

1.1 Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, eight (8) hours shall constitute a day's work. All employees coming within the provisions of this Agreement, shall be paid on the hourly basis.

#### Work Hours for Main Shops:

- 1.2 where one (1) shift is employed, except Saturdays and Sundays, the starting time shall be 8:00 a.m., unless otherwise mutually agreed, working eight (8) consecutive burs, with an allowance of a thirty (30) minute paid meal period within the limits of the fifth hour.
- 1.3 where two (2) shifts are employed the starting time of the shift other than the day shift shall be 4:00 p.m. or 12:00 midnight, working eight (8) consecutive hours, five (5) nights per week with an allowance of thirty (30) minutes for lunch within the limits of the fifth hour. Such starting times may be changed by mutual agreement.
- 1.4 where three (3) shifts are employed, for those employees working on three (3) shift basis, the starting time of the first shift shall be as may be mutually agreed and the starting time of each of the other shifts shall be regulated accordingly. Each shift shall consist of eight (8) consecutive burs, including an allowance of thirty (30) minutes for lunch within the limits of the fifth hour.
- 1.5 At main shops shifts shall be designated within a 24-hour period as follows:

- (i) Midnight shifts shall be recognized as the first shift.
- (ii) Day shifts shall be recognized as the second shift.
- (ii.i) Afternoon shifts shall be recognized as the third shift.
- 1.6 The starting time must be uniform for all employees m each shift, except as may be mutually agreed for the protection of the health of other employees.

# Wak Hours for Running Work

- 1.7 where three (3) eight hour shifts are worked, the hours for commencing duty shall be between 7 am and 8 am., 3 p.m. and 4 p.m., and 11 p.m. and midnight.
- 1.8 At running points, shifts shall be designated within a twenty-four (24) hour period as follows:
  - (1) Midnight Shifts shall be recognized as the first shift;
  - (ii) Day shifts shall be recognized as the second shift;
  - (iii) Afternoon shifts shall be recognized as the third shift.
- 1.9 where me (1) or two (2) shifts per twenty-four (24) hours are worked: Day work eight (8) burs between 7 am. and 5 p.m. Night work eight (8) hours between 7 p.m. and 7 am.
- 1.10 The starting time for any portion of the staff working on a one or two shift basis at any point may be arranged to commence within the limits named.

- 1.11 The starting time for each employee shall be fixed and shall not be changed without at least twenty-four (24) hours' notice.
- 1.12 Where me (1), two (2) or three (3) shifts are employed, a meal period of thirty (30) minutes will be allowed without deduction in pay, commencing within the fifth hour of duty on each shift.
- 1.13 It is recognized that all employees in the same train yard should work the same number of hours per week
- 1.14 When at a particular point the regular arrival or departure times of trains make these hours not appropriate to the requirements of the service a regular assignment of the necessary number of men may, subject to mutual agreement between the Business Manager and the proper officer of the Railway, be arranged to meet these local conditions.

# OVERTIME

- 2.1 All overtime continuous with regular bulletined hours will be paid for at the rate of time and one-half until relieved, except as may be provided in rules hereinafter set out.
- 2.2 Double time tor overtime (except as provided in Rule 6 for wrecking service) shall apply after an employee has actually performed sixteen (16) burs service in any one (1) 24 hour period, computed from the time the employee actually commences work; straight time allowance again becoming effective at the starting time of an employee's regular shift.
- 2.3 Except as may be **provided** in **rules** hereinafter set out, work in excess of forty (40) straight time hours or five (5) days in any work week shall be considered overtime and paid at one and are-half times the basic straight time rate, except where such work is performed by an employee due to moving from me assignment to another or to or from a laid off list, or where rest days are being accumulated under Rule 3.3(c).
- 2.4 There shall be no overtime M overtime; neither shall overtime hours paid for, other than hours not in excess of eight (8) paid for m holidays or for changing shifts, be utilized in computing the forty (40) burs per week, nor shall time paid for in the nature of arbitraries or special allowances such as attending court, deadheading, travel time, etc., be utilized for this purpose, except when such payments apply during assigned working hours in lieu of pay for such hours, or where such time is now included under existing rules in computations leading to overtime.

2.5 The term "work week" for regularly assigned employees shall mean a week beginning on the first day on which the assignment is bulletined to work.

# Work on Assigned Rest Days

- 2.6 Employees required to work on regularly assigned rest days except when these are being accumulated under Rule 3.3(c) shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half.
- 2.7 The overtime period for assigned rest days shall be from the conclusion of the employees regular work week until the starting time of his regular work week.
- 2.8 Sunday work shall be required only when absolutely essential to the continuous operation of the Railway.

#### ASSIGNMENT OF REST DAYS

- 3.1 Except as my be provided in Rules 9 and 57.11 employees shall be assigned two (2) rest days in each seven (7). The rest days shall be consecutive as far as is possible consistent with the establishment of regular relief assignments and the avoidance of working an employee on an assigned rest day. Preference shall be given to Saturday and Sunday and then to Sunday and Monday. The work weeks may be staggered in accordance with the Railway's operational requirements.
- 3.2 In any dispute as to the necessity of departing from the pattern of two (2) consecutive <code>rest</code> days or for granting rest days other than Saturday and <code>Sunday</code> or <code>Sunday</code> and <code>Monday</code> for <code>employees</code> covered by <code>Rule 3.1</code> it shall be incumbent on the <code>Railway</code> to <code>show</code> that such departure is necessary to <code>meet</code> operational requirements and that otherwise additional relief service or working an <code>employee</code> on an assigned rest day would be involved.
- 3.3 In the event that a situation arises which makes it impracticable to assign consecutive rest days to all employees covered by Rule 3.1 at a particular point the following procedure shall be observed by the Local Committee and Local Management. Where arrangements are made under (c) and (d) of this Rule 3.3 the Business Manager will be advised.
- (a) All possible regular relief positions shall be established pursuant to Rule  $4_{\bullet}$
- (b) Possible, use of rest days other than Saturday, Sunday or Monday, where these may be required under this Agreement, to be explored by the parties.

- (c) Accumulation of rest days shall be considered. Where it is not reasonably practicable to provide regular relief each week, the rest day or days for which relief is not provided may be accumulated and granted at a later date. Such accumulation shall not exceed five (5) days and rest days so accumulated shall be allowed consecutively when five (5) days have been accumulated. However, the accumulation of a greater number of rest days and their allowance at longer intervals may be arranged by mutual agreement between officers of the Railway and the Business Manager.
- (d) Other Suitable or practicable plans which may be suggested by either of the parties shall be considered and efforts made to care to an agreement thereon.
- (e) If the foregoing does not solve the problem, then some of the relief men may be given non-consecutive rest days.
- (f) If after all the foregoing has been done there still remains service which can only be performed by requiring employees to work in excess of five (5) days per week, the number of regular assignments necessary to avoid this may be made with two (2) non-consecutive days off.
- (g) The least desirable solution of the problem would be to work some regular employees on the sixth or seventh days at overtime rates and thus withhold work from additional relief men.

# RELIEF ASSIGNMENTS

- 4.1 All possible regular relief assignments with five (5) days' work per week and two (2) consecutive rest days (subject to Rule 3) shall be established to perform necessary relief work or to perform relief work on certain days and such types of other work on other days as may be assigned under this Agreement.
- **4.2** Where situations exist making it impracticable to establish relief assignments in accordance with the above, the officers of the Railway and the Business Manager rmy, by mutual agreement, arrange for relief assignments on such other basis as may be suitable. Consent to such proposed arrangements shall not be unreasonably withheld in cases where otherwise employees would be required to work on assigned rest days or unreasonable travel time would be involved.
- 4.3 Regular relief assignments may on different days have different starting times, duties and work locations provided such starting times, duties and work locations are those of the employee or employees relieved.

# OVERTIME AND CALLS

- 5.1 For continuous service after regular working hours, employees will be paid time and one-half on the actual minute basis, with a minim of one (1) hour at straight time rates for any such service performed.
- **5.2** Employees shall not be required to work more than two (2) hours without being permitted to go to meals. After the ninth hour it is optional with the employee as to whether he continues work without going for a meal. Time taken for meals will not terminate the continuous service period and will be paid for up to thirty (30) minutes at time and me-half.
- **5.3** Employees called or required to report for work and reporting but not used will be paid a minimum of three (3) hours at the prevailing overtime rate.
- 5.4 Employees called or required to report for work and reporting will be allowed a minimum of three (3) hours for three (3) hours work or less at prevailing overtime rate, and will be required to do only such work as called for or other emergency work which may have developed after they were called and cannot be performed by the regular work force in time to avoid delays in train movement.
- 5.5 Employees will be allowed for services performed continuously in advance of the regular working period a minim of two (2) hours at straight time rates the advance period to be not more than one (1) hour.
- **5.6** The right of an employee to go for a meal after having performed an hour's work after the completion of

his regular shift is unquestioned.

- 5.7 Should an employee continue to work for more than one (1) bur without going for a meal this shall not debar him from being allowed to go for a meal thereafter, but after the ninth bur it is optimal with the employee as to whether he continue to work without going for a mal.
- 5.8 Employees called or notified to return for work in other than their regular assigned hours will, on responding to calls, be advised the emergency for which called. This will not, however, prevent employees being used for other emergency work which night develop subsequent to the time called.
- 5.9 Employees will only be required to attend investigation outside their working hours. Men the requirements of the service will not permit the taking of statements during regular working hours.
- 5.10 Insofar as practicable helpers shall not be employed or advanced temporarily to do mechanics work when mechanics are available to avoid the necessity of payment for overtime.

# Work on Saturdays and Sundays

5.11 Employees regularly assigned to work on Saturdays and Sundays or those called to take the place of such employees, will be allowed to complete the balance of the day, unless released at their own request. Those who are called will be advised as soon as possible after vacancies become known.

# Equalizing Overtime:

- **5.12 When it becomes necessary** for employees to work overtime they shall not be laid off during regular working hours to equalize the time.
- 5.13 At points where sufficient number of employees are employed, employees shall not (except as provided for in Rule 5.11) work two (2) consecutive rest days (holidays to be considered as rest days).
- **5.14** Record **will** be kept of overtime worked and **men** called with the **purpose** in view of distributing the overtime equally.

# Banking Overtime

- 5.15 Effective January 1, 1982 employees desiring to accumulate overtime hours worked in excess of two (2) hours in any calendar day my do so under the following conditions:
- (a) employee must declare his intention prior to January 1 of each year.
- (b) a maximum of 80 straight time hours only will be permitted in any calendar year.
- (c) accumulated hours must be taken within the year in which they accrued.

- (d) overtime worked during the month of December  $\ensuremath{\mathrm{will}}$  not be accrued.
- (e) accumulated hours at the accrued rate of pay will be allotted to the smoloyee.
  (f) such accumulated time will be taken consistent with the efficient operation of the Railway.

# EMERGENCY CALLS AND WRECKING SERVICE

- 6.1 Employees regularly assigned to work at a shop, engine house, repair track or inspection point, when called for emergency work away from such shop, engine house, repair track or inspection point, will be paid from the time ordered to leave hone statim until his return for all time worked, in accordance with the practice at home statim, and all time waiting or travelling shall be paid for at straight time rates for straight time hours and time and one-half for overtime hours.
- **6.2** In no case shall he be paid for a total of less than eight (8) hours each calendar day, when such irregular service prevents the employee from making his regular daily hours at home statim. Where meals and lodging are not provided by the Railway, actual necessary expenses will be allowed.
- **6.3** Employees will **be** called as nearly as possible one **(1) bur** before leaving time and on their return will deliver tools at points designated.
- **6.4** If required to leave home statim, during overtime hours, they will be allowed one (1) bur preparatory time at time and one-half.
- 6.5 If during the time m the road, men in emergency service are relieved from duty between the hours of 9 μ.m. and 7 am. and permitted to go to bed for five (5) hours or more, such relief time will not be paid for, provided suitable sleeping accommodation is available.
- 6.6 Employees engaged in wrecking service shall be

paid under this Rule, except that all time working, waiting or travelling on assigned rest day(s) including holidays that fall on a rest day shall be paid for at the rate of time and one-half, and all time working, waiting or travelling on week days after the recognized straight time hours at home station shall also be paid for at the rate of time and are-half. Time working, waiting or travelling on a holiday which is on a regular work day shall be paid for under Rule 46. Their pay shall be continuous including meal period during the first twenty-four (24) hours.

- **6.7** If employees engaged in wrecking service are relieved from duty and permitted to **go** to bed for five (5) hours or more, such relief time Will not be paid for.
- **6.8** Wrecking service will commence at time called.
- **6.9** Employees who are called for wrecking service, and rho, on responding to call, are not sent out of terminal, will be paid a minimum of two (2) hours straight time.
- **6.10** The minimum call, provided in Rule 5 does not apply to wrecking or mad energency work paid under the provisions of this Rule. It is, however, understood that a minimum of two (2) hours straight time will be paid for a call under this Rule.

# TEMPORARY TRANSFERS

- 7.1 Employees sent  $\alpha h$  to temporarily fill vacancies at an outlying point or shop, or sent  $\alpha h$  on a temporary transfer to an outlying point or shop will be paid continuous time from time ordered to leave haw statim to time of reporting at point to which sent, straight time rates to be paid for straight time hours at home statim and far all other time, whether waiting or travelling. If on arrival at the outlying point there is an opportunity to 90 to bed for five (5) hours or more before starting work, time will not be allowed for such hours.
- 7.2 While at **such** ahlying pints they will **be** paid straight **time** and **overtime** in accordance with the bulletin hours at that **pint**, and will **be** guaranteed not less than eight (8) hours for **each** day.
- 7.3 where meals and lodging are not provided by the Railway, actual necessary expenses will be allowed.
- 7.4 On the return trip to the hone statim, straight time for waiting or travelling will be allowed up to the time of arrival at the home statim.
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- 7.2 While at such outlying points they will be paid straight time and overtime in accordance with the bulletin nours at that point, and will be guaranteed not less than eight (8) hours for each day.
- 7.3 Where meals and lodging are not provided by the Railway, actual necessary expenses will be allowed.
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- 7.5 If required to leave hone statim during overtime hours, they will be allowed one (1) hour preparatory time at straight time rate.

- by the Railway, employees will be paid actual expenses. If lodging is not available at point where work is performed, employees will be paid according to Rule 6 until they reach lodging, home statim or boarding car.
- 8.7 Roadcar repair men sent out on the road will receive pay at straight time rates for waiting and travelling from time called until they reach the first point at which they have to work and will compensated for any additional expenses they necessarily incur.
- **8.8** Employees sent out on road repair work under this Rule on regularly assigned rest days shall be paid time and one-half for working, waiting and travelling with a minimum of eight hours at time and one-half.
- **8.9 Employees sent** out **on** a holiday **which** is the **employee's** regular rest day shall **be** paid in accordance with **Rule 46.**
- **8.10** Employees sent out on a holiday which is the employee's regular work day shall be paid in accordance with Rule 46 with a minimum allowance of eight (8) hours at the appropriate rate.

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# RULE 11

# TEMPORARILY REPLACING OTHER EMPLOYEES

11.1 When an employee is required to fill the place of another employee receiving a higher rate of pay, he shall receive the higher rate but if required to fill, temporarily, the place of another employee receiving a lower rate, his rate will not be changed.

# WORKING MASTER MECHANICS AND FOREMEN

12.1 Master mechanics or foremen shall not be allowed to do mechanics' work when mechanics are working on a reduced hourly basis and are available. This is not intended to restrict the use of working foremen in accordance with established practice at small paints.

# **RULE 13**

# PROMOTION TO POSITION OF FOREMAN

13.1 Mechanics in the service, if qualified, well be given preference for promotion to position as foreman when vacancies occur.

# Temporary Foreman:

13.2 If this position is of a temporary nature, such employee shall be paid the rate and work under the conditions applying to the position.

# DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

# OF LEADING HANDS

14.1 A leading hand, when 50 designated, is defined as a mechanic, having necessary qualifications and experience in his trade, to be able to direct and supervise the work of a group of employees under the supervision of a recognized assistant foreman or departmental foreman.

The duties of such leading hands are: To carry out instructions of his immediate supervisor as to workmanship on the tasks involved, supervise tools and other equipment for the gang under him, assist his immediate supervisor in the ordering and seeing that material is made available for the work handled, and where necessary and practicable, assist in the preparation of time sheets for the approval of supervising assistant foreman or foreman. In other words, the responsibility of a leading hand is exclusively confined to the work involved in his gang as a leader, and not as a supervisory officer in charge of a department.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- 15.1 When the requirements of the service will permit, employees will be granted leave of absence, not to exceed ninety (90) days, with the privilege of renewal by consent of the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Union Committee concerned.
- 15.2 Any employee hereunder on leave of absence engaged in gainful employment prior written permission from both the Railway and the Union shall forfeit his seniority and his name will be stricken from the seniority list and will no larger be considered as an employee of the Railway.
- 15.3 The arbitrary refusal of a reasonable amount of leave to employees when they can be spared, or failure to handle promptly cases involving sickness or business matters of serious importance to the employee, is an improper practice and may be handled as unjust treatment under this Agreement.

# **RUE 16**

#### ABSENCE FROM WORK

16.1 In case an employee is unavoidably kept from work he will not be discriminated against. An employee detained from work m account of sickness or for any other good cause, must, if possible, advise the foreman in time so he can arrange for relief, and in all cases men will make arrangements with the foreman to lay off.

# FAITHFUL SERVICE

17.1 Employees who have given long and faithful service in the employ of the Railway and who have become unable to handle heavy work to advantage will be given preference of such light work in their line as they are able to handle (subject to pension regulation age limits).

# RULE 18

# ATTENDING COURT

18.1 When attending Court as witnesses for the Railway, or a Coroner's Inquest in which the Railway is involved, employees will receive pay for all time lost at home statim, with a minim of eight (8) hours' time each week day and eight (8) hours at time and one-half for assigned rest days, either at hone statim, away from home or travelling. On holidays specified in Rule 46 employees shall be paid a minim of eight (8) hours at the appropriate rate. Time and one-half will be paid for travelling during overtime hours, where employees are unable to secure sleeping car accommodation. Actual expenses will be allowed when away from home station, and necessary expenses will be allowed when at home. When necessary the Railway will furnish transportation, and will be entitled to certificate for witness fees in all cases.

# PAY PROCEDURES

- 19.1 Employees will be paid of-weekly during regular working hours.
- **19.2** Should the regular pay day fall on a holiday or days when the shops are closed down where practicable men will be paid on the preceding day.
- 19.3 Where there is a shortage equal to one (1)day's pay or more in the pay of an employee, a voucher will be issued to cover the shortage.
- 19.4 Smoloyees leaving the service of the Railway will be furnished with a time voucher covering all time due within twenty-four (24) hours at points where discharge cheques are issued, and within forty-eight (48) nours at other points, or earlier when possible. The time specified shall be exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.
- 19.5 Ouring inclement weather provision will be made where buildings are available to pay employees under shelter.

# SHOP CLOSE DOWN

20.1 Regular employees including millwright gang employees assigned to shop maintenance shall be considered as a subdivision of a Department and shall be worked as such on maintenance work during periods when shops are closed down, at straight time rates for straight time hours and overtime rates for overtime hours.

#### RULE 21

# LAID OFF EMPLOYEES SECURING WORK ELSEWHERE

20.1 Employees laid off account staff reduction who desire to secure employment within the Railway will upon application be furnished with free rail transportation in accordance with the service provisions of the Railway's pass regulations.

# RULE 22

EMPLOYEES REQUIRED TO WORK WHEN SHOP CLOSED DOWN DUE TO BREAKDOWN IN MACHINERY, ETC.

22.1 Employees required to work when shops are closed down due to breakdown in machinery, floods, fires, and the like, vviil receive straight time for regular hours, and overtime for overtime hours.

#### SENIORITY

- 23.1 A new employee shall not be regarded as permanently employed until he has completed forty-five (45) working days cumulative service. In the meantime, unless removed for cause which, in the opinion of the Railway renders him undestrable for its service, the employee shall accumulate seniority from the date he entered the classification in the craft, and shall be regarded as coming within the terms of this Agreement.
- **23.2** Basic seniority territory shall be defined as the <math>system.
- 23.3 Seniority of employees in each of the following crafts covered by this Agreement shall, except as otherwise provided herein and in the respective craft special rules, be confined to the seniority terminal at which employed and to the date of entry into their respective classifications:

Boilemakers Helpers
Blacksmiths Helpers
Electrical Workers Helpers
Machinists Helpers
Pipefitters Helpers
Sheet Metal Workers
Steam Plant Operator
Degreaser Operators
Classified Labourers
Full-time First Aid Attendants

**Except as may** be **otherwise mutually** agreed **between** the **Union** and the Railway, the main **Shop** is designated as **Squarmish** and will be regarded **under** this clause as a

separate seniority  $\operatorname{terminal}$  for the  $\operatorname{purpose}$  of Seniority.

The seniority of employees for purposes covered by this Agreement is independent of the provisions of provident or insurance fund regulations.

When two (2) or more individuals are employed on the same date, their seniority standing will be determined by the hour they start work. In the event of the starting time being the same, the date and time of application for employment will be the determining factor.

- 23.4 Seniority lists will be open for inspection and copies shall be furnished by the Railway to the local committee and the Business Manager.
- 23.5 Seniority lists shall be compiled and posted in January of each year. If exceptions are taken or requests made for corrections, same must be made in writing to the immediate officer in charge, with copy to the Local representative and the Business Manager.
- 23.6 Employees at outside points where no immediate supervisor or foreman is located shall be placed on the seniority lists and retain their seniority at the seniority terminal where such immediate supervisor or foreman is located who has jurisdiction over such outside points. If not working under the jurisdiction of an immediate supervisor or foreman they shall retain seniority at the seniority terminal from which sent.
- 23.7 An employee temporarily set up as mechanic shall retain and continue to accumulate seniority on the helpers' seniority list from which set up while working in the capacity of mechanic. Such a helper will not be

recognized as holding any seniority as mechanic. A helper governed by this Rule 23.7 shall not be promoted to the permanent mechanics' seniority list of his craft except as may be provided for in the respective craft special rules.

- 23.8 (a) Should it be necessary to hire a mechanic rho is not fully qualified, or should it be found after a mechanic is hired that he is not fully qualified, such mechanic shall be discharged from the mice or a suitable helper is available to be promoted to the position of mechanic in training.
- (b) A newly hired mechanic who fails to pass the qualifying tests (within a maximum of forty-five (45) cumulative working days) will be released from the service, or if the exigencies of the service so require such mechanic will be retained in the service up to one hundred and thirty (130) working days from date of last entry into service. If necessary, this one hundred and thirty (130) working day period may be extended by mutual agreement between the proper officer of the Railway and the Business Manager.
- (c) "Fully Qualified Mechanic" shall mean a mechanic who has successfully completed the Railway apprecticeship training program or a mechanic who has not completed such apprentice training program but who has, through on-the-job training within or outside the Railway industry and/or outside vocational training in his craft, become fully qualified. Mutually agreed upon objective tests shall determine whether or not a mechanic rho has not served a Railway apprenticeship program in his craft has become a fully qualified mechanic as specified above.

23.9 (a) (1) An employee promoted in a craft to the classification of trainee mechanic, and who, under Craft Special Rules is engaging in a training procedure toward ultimate establishment on the permanent seniority roster of the craft concerned, shall be periodically tested during such training period, and if, at any time, it is found that such employee is not progressing satisfactorily toward the ultimate aim of becoming a fully qualified mechanic in accordance with the definition of a "fully qualified mechanic" as contained in Rule 23.8(c) he shall, subject to Rule 23.9(b) hereof, be required to revert to the group from which promoted, provided there is another employee available who possesses the necessary aptitudes to justify his promotion to mechanic with a view to becoming fully qualified. No employee who is not fully qualified shall be established on the permanent mechanics' seniority list in any craft.

(ii) When necessary the Railway will institute training program after due consultation with Business Manager of the Union.

The consent of the Business Manager to such training programs shall not be unreasonably withheld. Employees shall not be promoted or hired to a trainee mechanic position in a craft prior to agreement being reached, by the parties concerned, for the implementation of a training program in the craft.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in the Craft special Rules an employee who enters the training program and who fails at any stage to met the requirements of the trade tests in his craft my continue to be employed in the position of mechanic if necessary to met operational requirements in accordance with Rule 23.7.

- (c) Positions requiring considerable skills shall, to the extent possible, be filled by fully qualified mechanics. In following this principle, both parties will give full recognition to operational requirements of the Railway and to any employee training arrangements that may be mutually agreed upon in respect of any craft.
- 23.10 (a) When vacancies occur in a designated work a m for which replacements are required, or new jobs are created or additional staff is required in a classification in a craft for an expected period of ninety (90) calendar days or more such vacancies or new jobs shall be bulletined for a period of not less than seven (7) calendar days to employees in the classification at the seniority terminal where they are created, and will be awarded to the senior employees, subject to the following rules, the local committee to be consulted.
- (b) An employee claiming a position in the exercise of seniority, who in the judgment of the Railway cannot reasonably be expected to qualify to perform the duties required within a period of thirty (30) calendar days or less, shall not be denied such position by appropriate officer of the Railway without prior consultation with the local representative of the Union.
- (c) An employee exercising seniority, who, in the judgment of the Railway can reasonably be expected to qualify for the position claimed, shall be allowed a trial period which shall not exceed thirty (30) calendar days, except that by mutual agreement between the Business Manager and the proper officer of the Railway, such period my be extended up to ninety (90)

calendar days, in order to demonstrate his ability to perform the work required.

- (d) Should an employee be denied a position being claimed in the exercise of seniority, or should he fail to qualify during a trial period, he and his authorized representative will be entitled to receive an explanation in writing from the appropriate officer of the Railway, including the reason for the decision rendered, which shall be subject to appeal in accordance with the applicable grievance procedure.
- 23.11 When vacancies occur or new jobs are created or additional staff is required in a classification, in the respective crafts for an expected period of less than ninety (9U) calendar days, such vacancies or new positions may be claimed by the senior qualified employees from the respective point within the home seniority terminal desiring same; the local committee to be consulted in each case.

Employees assigned to fill positions under this clause shall be considered as temporarily assigned and on completion of such temporary positions they shall be returned to their former basic regular assignments. For the purpose of this clause annual vacation relief, leave of absence, sickness, injury, etc., shall be positions caning under the scope of this rule.

23.12 If a vacancy or new position of expected duration of ninety (90) calendar days or more requiring additional staff is not filled by an employee in the classification at a home seniority terminal, it shall be bulletined for not less than seven (7) calendar days to the employees holding seniority in the classification in a craft on the system. subject to qualifications, seniority will govern.

Employees who transfer under this rule shall, after ninety (90) calendar days forfeit their seniority at the seniority terminal from which transferred and shall carry their seniority rights to the new seniority terminal; except that an employee on laid off status at his tune seniority terminal may exercise his rights under this rule without forfeiting his seniority at his tune seniority terminal. The Business Manager shall receive a copy of all such bulletins as soon as practicable.

For the purpose of this rule the number of employees to be transferred and the method to be used shall be mutually arranged between the proper officer of the Railway and the Business Manager in order to meet the requirements of the Railway service.

23.13 The exercising of seniority within a seniority terminal to displace a juntor employee shall not be permitted except when positions ape abolished, or rate of pay or hours of work or days off ape changed. The affected employee shall have the right to displace the junior employee in the designated work area of his choice with the shift, days off, hours of work and rate of pay of his choice except as my be provided in the Craft Special Rules.

For the purpose of this rule the designated work area shall be as defined in bulletining position in accordance with Rule 23.10(a).

Such **employee** initially affected shall be given, during his regular working hours, as much advance notice as possible but, in any event, not less than twenty-four (24) hours. The affected employee shall make his intentions known within forty-eight (48) hours of

notification and subsequent displacement shall be made without undue delay. The Local Committee shall be consulted.

23.14 When it becomes necessary to lay off employees for any recenn, the force shall be reduced in reverse seniority order as per Rule 23.3 unless otherwise provided in craft special rules.

**23.15** When it becomes necessary to make a reduction in staff at any seniority terminal. at least four (4) working days' notice shall be given the men affected before reduction is made, and lists shall be furnished to the Local Committee and Business Manager without  $d\ u\ e$  delay.

This does not apply in laying off men who have been temporarily employed for a duration of less than forty-five (45) working days to meet special requirements. In the event that a strike or work stoppage by employees in the Railway industry is called on less than four (4) days' advance notice, a shorter notice may be given under this rule. In reducing forces, the ratio of apprentices shall be maintained.

23.16 When lay-offs occur, an employee laid-off from his respective classification at his seniority terminal, may, within thiry (30) calendar days, displace the junior employee in his respective classification on the system carrying his seniority in that classification with him except as may be provided in the respective craft special rules. An employee who declines to displace the junior employee in his respective classification on the system under this clause, shall be laid-off subject to recall to his hone seniority terminal.

Note: For the purpose of payment of benefits from the Job Security Fund, an employee must exercise seniority on the system.

- 23.17 An employee who transfers in accordance with Rule 23.16 shall hold seniority rights at only two seniority terminals on the system, that is, at his hone seniority terminal and at the seniority terminal to which he last transferred, except as provided in Rule 23.18.
- 23.18 A laid-off employee who displaces another employee on the System, shall retian his seniority rights at his hone seniority terminal in accordance with Rule 23.15 and shall be subject to recall to his home seniority terminal in seniority order for vacancies of expected duration of ninety (90) calendar days or more. An employee who declines to accept such recall within seven (7) calendar days shall forfeit his seniority rights at his home seniority terminal and shall retain his seniority rights at his new seniority terminal. An employee who accepts recalls to his home seniority terminal within seven (7) calendar days will return thereto within fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of his acceptance.
- **23.19** Where an employee is on leave of absence, annual vacation, or absent because of illness or injury, the periods prescribed in Rules 23.16 and 23.18 shall begin on the date of his return to service.
- 23.20 In the restoration of forces, employees laid-off shall be given preference of re-employment in seniority order. A laid-off employee shall be notified by registered mail at his last known address and he shall be returned to his former classification. Local Committees shall be furnished with a list of men to be

restored to service. Where Royal Mail is used, postmark will determine date of advice to employee.

- 23.21 It shall be incumbent upon the employee an lay-off, and the employee who has displaced an the system in accordance with Rule 23.16 to register his current address with the appropriate officer at his tune seniority terminal.
- 23.22 A laid-off employee who has not displaced in accordance with Rule 23.16 shall retain his seniority rights in his respective classification at his tune seniority terminal and shall be subject to recall to his home seniority terminal in seniority order. If the employee declines to accept recall to vacancies of an expected duration of sixty (60) calendar days or more at the end of seven (7) calendar days, unless satisfactory reason is given therefor, shall forfeit his seniority and notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 23.27, his name will be stricken from the seniority list and he will no longer be considered as an employee of the Railway.
- 23.23 When through an unusual development it becomes necessary to transfer work from a seniority terminal to another seniority terminal, not more than a sufficient number of employees to perform such work shall, in seniority order be given the opportunity to transfer, carrying their seniority rights with them. The appropriate officer of the Railway and the Business Manager shall co-operate to determine the number of employees who shall transfer.

Employees who transfer, under this rule, shall after ninety (90) calendar days lose their seniority at the seniority terminal they left.

- 23.24 Employees in service rho, through bona fide medical or physical reasons, have become unable to handle certain classes of work in their respective classifications may by mutual agreement between the appropriate officer of the Railway and the Business Manager transfer from one seniority terminal to another with a view to accepting a permanent transfer. They shall after ninety (90) calendar days, lose their seniority at the seniority terminal they left and will be allowed to carry their seniority rights with them to the seniority terminal to which transferred.
- **23.25** An employee accepting an official position will have his seniority protected and his name shown on the seniority list with proper standing unless the employee ceases to pay full Local 170 union dues.

If released from such official or excepted position, the employee must within thirty (30) days after such release, either displace the junior employee in his seniority group on his basic seniority territory or exercise his seniority to a vacancy or a newly created position at his home seniority terminal; if he fails to do so he shall forfeit his seniority. The Business Manager shall be advised.

An employee temporarily promoted to an official or excepted position will, within seven (7) calendar days of release from such temporary employment, exercise his seniority in his craft at his home seniority terminal. The appropriate officer of the Railway shall advise the local representative of the Union of such promotions, including the expected duration thereof.

23.26 For employees on leave of absence, annual vacation or absence because of illness or injury, the time limits specified in this Agreement shall begin on

the date of the employees' return to service.

- 23.27 An employee with more than forty-five (45) working days cumulative service shall not be discharged without being given a proper investigation.
- 23.28 When a vacancy occurs that Is not filled by bid procedure or from within the Railway, the Union will be notified and requested to send suitable applicants for consideration.

#### RULE 24

#### ASSIGNMENT OF WORK

24.1 Mechanics or apprentices regularly employed as such shall do mechanics' work as per special rules of each craft.

#### RULE 25

# LABOURERS PERFORMING HELPERS' WORK

25.1 Labourer, or similar class of workmen, shall not be permitted to do helpers' work as outlined in Craft Rules, if regular helpers are available, but if so used one hour or more, shall be paid at helpers' rate for all work performed as helpers.

## ELECTRIC AND OXY-ACETYLENE WELDERS

26.1 Employees engaged on electric or oxy-acetylene process will be VVen from the craft that would have handled the work had it been done by former mehods, and vviil be confined to work pertaining to their trade when there is sufficient of this work to keep than employed. At outside points where there is not sufficient work to require a man from each craft, the Foreman shall select a man from the Shop Crafts to perform all the work to be done by these processes.

RULE 27

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#### GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

28.1 Whenever any dispute arises between the Railway and the Union or between the Railway and one or more employees, the dispute shall be adjusted in accordance with the following procedures:

lime limit to institute this grievance procedure:

- (a) Termination or lay-off ten (10) calendar days.
- (b) All other grievances thirty (30) calendar days.

Time limit shall be calculated from the date the employee receives a statement or is given proper notification.

#### Step 1

Any grievance of an employee shall first be taken up between such employee and the Railway Supervisor, however, the employee will be entitled to be represented by a Shop Steward or a Union representative.

#### Step 2

Failing Settlement under Step 1, such grievance shall be taken up between a representative of the Union or a Shop Steward and the Railway supervisor.

#### Step 3

Failing Settlement under Step 2. such grievance and any dispute arising between the Union and the Railway over the interpretation or the application of the provisions

of this Agreement including any dispute as to whether a matter is subject to this grievance procedure, shall be referred to two (2) authorized representatives of the Union and two (2) authorized representatives of the Railway. The representatives of the Union and the Railway shall exchange statements in writing setting forth their respective positions relative to the matter(s) in dispute not later than at their initial meeting.

#### Step 4

when a grievance is not settled at Step 3 of the grievance procedure, either party may refer the matter to an Arbitrator for final and binding settlement. The party requesting arbitration must serve written notice on the other party within sixty (60) calendar days of the date the grievance was instituted at Step 1 of the grievance procedure. Any grievance not progressed to arbitration within the sixty (60) day time limit shall be considered settled on the basis of the decision rendered at Step 3 of the grievance procedure, and will not be subject to further appeal.

- 28.2 If the parties fail to agree upon a neutral arbitrator within five (5) days (excluding Saturdays. Sundays and General Holidays) after one party has served written notice on the other party of its intention to refer the matter to a neutral arbitrator, the Minister of Labour will be requested to appoint a neutral arbitrator.
- 28.3 The Arbitrator shall be required to hand down his decision within fourteen (14) days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and General Holidays) following completion of the hearing and his decision will be final and binding on the two parties to the dispute

and shall be applied forthwith.

The decision of the Arbitrator shall be specifically limited to the matter submitted to him and he shall have no authority in any manner to amend, alter or change any provisions of this Agreement.

- 28.4 The cost of the Arbitrator will be borne equally by the Union and by the Railway.
- 28.5 Under Step 3, the Railway will act as Recording Secretary and will furnish the Union with a copy of any such minutes. All copies of minutes will be signed by both the Union and the Railway representative(s). Under Step 3, the meting chairman will be rotated between the Union and the Railway.

#### WRITTEN REPRIMANDS AND/OR WARNING LETTERS

An employee will receive a copy of any written reprimend or warning letter placed on his/her file. Such written reprimend or warning shall become a permanent part of the employee's personal work history.

#### RULE 30 JURY DUTY

- **30.1** An amployee who is summoned for jury duty and is required to lose time from his assignment as a result thereof, shall be paid for actual time lost with a minimum of one (1) basic day's pay at the straight time rate of his position for each day lost, less the amount allowed him for jury duty for each such day excluding allowences paid by the court for meals, lodging or transportation, subject to the following requirements and limitations:
  - (a) An employee must furnish the Railway with a statement from the court of jury allowances paid and the days on which jury duty was performed.
  - (b) The number of working days for which jury duty pay shall be paid is limited to a maximum of sixty (60) days in any calendar year.
  - (c) No jury duty pay will be allowed for any day for which the employee is entitled to vacation or general holiday pay. An employee who has been allotted his vacation dates will not be required to change his vacation because he is called for jury duty.

#### **APPRENTICES**

- 31.1 Apprentices will be selected from those applicants who successfully pass Railway entrance examinations, including a mechanical aptitude test. All other basic qualifications being equal, sons and daughters of employees will be selected as apprentices in preference to other applicants.
- 31.2 Except as otherwise provided, regular apprenticeship in a craft shall be four (4) years, made up of eight (8) terms of nine hundred (900) hours each or a total of seven thousand two hundred (7200) hours. Paid meal periods will be included in the accumulation of hours. Overtime hours shall be credited to the apprentice's time. Provided that other entrance requirements are met, applicants who have successfully completed training courses in recognized schools or institutes may serve a reduced apprenticeship, if such training is equivalent to the training received in their respective crafts under the Railway apprenticeship program. The appropriate officer of the Railway in consultation with the Business Manager shall determine if such training is equivalent or comparable, but in no case shall the reduction in the length of apprenticeship exceed two (2) years.
- **31.3** On completion of apprenticeship, they shall be paid the basic rate of pay established for fully qualified mechanics of their respective crafts, and they shall receive a certificate stating that they have successfully completed their apprenticeship.
- 31.4 The number of apprentices in any one craft shall be determined by the number of fully-qualified

mechanics on the permanent seniority list in that craft on the system, including main shops. The ratio, unless otherwise mutually agreed, shall not be more than one to every four fully-qualified mechanics on the permanent seniority list.

- 31.5 Apprentices shall upon completion of their apprenticeship be placed on the Journeymen Mechanics' seniority list of their craft at the home seniority terminal at which they began their apprenticeship and be credited with seniority from date of entry into apprenticeship in their craft.
- 31.6 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this rule, apprentices in each of the crafts covered by this Agreement, who transfer to other points on the Railway for the purpose of acquiring further training or experience as outlined in 31.7(a) will continue to accumulate seniority at their home seniority terminal.
- (b) Apprentices shall only be permitted to exercise their seniority in the event of a reduction of staff in the classification of apprentice. An apprentice laid off at his seniority terminal my within thirty (30) calendar days from date of layoff exercise his seniority to displace the junior apprentice in his respective craft on the system.
- (c) Apprentices may during the last six (6) months of apprenticeship be permitted in seniority order to transfer to any point on the system providing that on completion of their apprenticeship their seniority will permit then to fill a permanent vacancy as per Rule 23.12 or displace an unqualified employee who is not on the permanent list of his craft. If by mutual agreement between the proper officer of the Railway and the Business Manager this application is

accepted, the apprentice shall complete his apprenticeship at the point to which he has been transferred and receive his seniority at that paint and in accordance with the conditions as defined in this Agreement.

31.7 (a) The opportunity shall be provided for the apprentice to secure a complete knowledge of the trade as poer the agreed upon apprenticeship training programs. Such apprenticeship programs shall not alter the jurisdictional understanding as per Rule 61.1. It will be compulsory for apprentices from line points to transfer to main shops and where practicable within the craft for apprentices at main shops to transfer to line points for the purpose of acquiring further experience.

where such an apprentice is transferred for training purposes from main shops to line points and vice versa under the provision of this tule for a temporary period, he shall be allowed Thirteen Doilars (\$13.00) per calendar day for living expenses for each calendar day required away from main shops, up to but not exceeding three (3) months that such expenses are incurred away from main shops.

- **31.8** An apprentice must **throughout his** apprenticeship **continue** to display the desire and aptitude to learn the trade or he will not be retained **as** an apprentice.
- 31.9 Apprentices will not be maintained at points where there are no adequate facilities for learning the trade, beyond the time that can be properly applied on their apprenticeship. The distribution of apprentices among shops where general repairs are performed shall be as nearly as possible in proportion to fully qualified mechanics on the permanent seniority list in the respective crafts employed at that location.

- 31.10 Accrentices shall not be assigned to work other than the day shift during their first year of apprenticeship, except for special technical training. They shall not work on expectatione, electric, or other welding processes until they had proper training in the use of this equipment.
- 31.11 Apprentices shall not displace Mechanics or Helpers when sent out for experience with the wrecking gang or on emergency work, but will be in addition to the normal complement of the work gang sent out.
- 31.12 **During** their final year of apprenticeship, **apprentices** may work alone under the guidance of a mechanic of their craft, in order to increase their **knowledge** and **experience** in their trade.
- ${\bf 31.13}$  Apprentices  ${\bf shall}$  not be permitted to work as partners.
- **31.14** Apprentices given **credit** for technical training **under** the provision(s) of Rule 31.2 shall **be paid** the rate applicable to the term in which **they enter** the apprenticeship.

 $31.15\,$  Regular Apprentices,  ${\it engaged}$  to serve a four-year apprenticeship, shall be paid as follows:

# **RATES OF PAY**

# **EFFECTIVE**

	October 5 1981	January24 1983
1st Term ( 1 to 900 hours inclusive	e) \$11.04	\$12.64
2nd Term ( 901 to 1800 hours inclusive	e) 11.35	13.00
3rd Term (1801 to 2700 hours inclusive	11.69	13.39
4th Term (2701 to 3600 hours inclusive	12.03	13.77
5th Term (3601 to 4500 hours inclusive	e) 12.40	14.20
6th Term (4501 to 5400 burs inclusive	e) 12.74	14.59
7th Term (5401 to 6300 burs inclusive	á) 13.08	14.98
8th Term (6301 to 7200 hours inclusive		15.38

31.16 The hourly rates of pay for helpers entering the apprentice training program shall be as follows:

# **EFFECTIVE**

	October 5 1981	January24 <u>1983</u>
Credit given for 1st and 2nd terms:		
3rd Term - Helper's rate	\$12.71	\$14.55
4th Term - Helper's rate	12.71	14.55
5th <b>Term</b> - Helper's rate	12.71	14.55
6th Term - Regular Apprentice rate	12.74	14.59
7th <b>Term -</b> Regular <b>Apprentice</b> rate	13.08	14.98
8th Tem - Regular Apprentice rate	13.43	15.38

# **RATES OF** PAY

32.1 WAGES	Effe	<b>Effective</b>	
<u>Classifications</u>	October 5 1981	January 24 1983	
Machinists	\$14.45	\$17.00 *	
Machinists' Helpers	12.71	14.55	
<b>Botlermakers</b>	14.45	17.00 *	
Boilermakers' Helpers	12.71	14.55	
Blacksmiths	14.45	17.00 •	
Blacksmiths' Helpers	12.71	14.55	

Rule 32.1 - WAGES - continued	<u>effective</u>	
	October 5 1981	January 24 1983
Pipefitten, including Coppersmiths (pipework) Plumbers, Steamfitters, Superheater Pipefitters, Gas Fitters & Pipe Threaders	14.45	17.00 •
Freight Car Pipefitter (air brake piping only)	14.12	16.17
Pipefitten' Helpers	12.71	14.55

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# 32.1 <u>WAGES</u> - continued

# **EFFECTIVE**

Classifications	0ctober 5 1981	January 24 1983
Sheetmetal Norkers Sheetmetal Norkers' Helpers Electrical Norkers Electrical Norkers' Helpers	\$14.45 12.11 14.45 12.71	\$17.00 * 14.55 17.00 • 14.55
Unclassified Mechanics, including frog act switch fitters, rail saw operators and rail benders	14.12	16.17
Unclassified Helpers, including Burner (Scrap in dock and yard); Hydrant Inspectors ad Scrap Cutters	12.71	14.55

# Rule 32.1 - WAGES - continued

## **EFFECTIVE**

	October 5	January 24
	1981	1983
other Mechanics	14.01	16.04
Trainee Mechanics	13.55	15.51
Helpers (covered by Rule 32,2 (b))	13,55	15.51
Steam Plant Operators	14.45	17.00 *
Degreaser Operators	12.44	14.24
Labourers	11.55	13.22
Full-Time First Aid Attendants with a		
"C" Certificate	13.97	16.00
Full-Tim First Aid Attendants with a		
"B" certificate	14.12	16.17
Full-Time First Aid Attendants with a		
"A" Certificate	14.27	16.34
Full-Tim First Aid Attendants with a		
"AA" Certificate	14.45	17.00 *

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates 40 cents skill differential.

#### Saturday and Sunday Premium

Employees working their regular shift assignment in which Saturday and/or Sunday fall within their regular work week shall, effective the first pay period following the date of signing, be paid fifty (50) cents per hour for work performed on a Saturday or Sunday except where overtime rates apply. This premium shall be paid in addition to the hourly rate and in addition to any shift differential. This premium will not be paid for paid absence from duty such as vacations and general holidays. Effective January 24, 1983 the premium shall be five percent (5%) of the employee's basic burly rate instead of fifty (50) cents.

#### Fort Nelson Allowance

Employees assigned at Fort Nelson will receive twenty-five (25) cents per hour above the rates provided for their respective crafts.

Overtime shall not be calculated on this allowance nor shall this allowance be paid for paid absence from duty such as annual vacation, general holidays, etc.

#### Shift Differential

Employees whose regularly assigned shifts commence between 1500 and 2259 shall receive a shift differential of thirty (30) cents per bour and employees whose regularly assigned shifts commence between 2300 and 0559 shall receive a shift differential of thirty-five (35) cents per hour. Overtime shall not be calculated on the shift differential nor shall the shift differential be paid for paid absence from duty such as vacations, general holidays, etc.

The application of shift differentials will apply in the following manner:

- (1) A regular day shift employee tho is required to double onto the afternoon shift to relieve another employee tho is off work will receive the differential rate of thirty (30) cents per hour as wall as the time and one-half rate of pay.
- (2) A regular day shift employee the is required to cover the night shift to relieve another employee the is off work will receive the differential rate of thirty-five (35) cents per hour as well as the time and one-half rate of pay.
- (3) Similarly, a regular afternoon shift employee the doubles onto the night shift to relieve an employee the is off work would receive the thirty-five (35) cents per hour differential plus the time and one-half rate of pay.
- (4) A regular night shift **employee** rho is required to **simply** work **overtime** for a certain **time** will **continue** to receive the **thirty-five** (35) cents per **hour** differential rate in addition to the **time** and **one-half** rate of pay for all time **worked on** the day shift.
- (5) A regular night shift employee who is required to double onto the day shift will not receive the differential for the extra shift.
- (6) However, a regular afternoon shift employee the simply works overtime onto the night shift would only continue to receive the thirty (30) cents per hour differential rate in addition to

tine and one-half rates for all time worked on the night shift.

- (7) A regular day shift employee who is simply required to work overtime on the afternoon or night shift for a certain time would not receive the shift differential rate in addition to the time and one-half rate of pay.
- (8) Overtime rates are calculated on regular rates of pay not on regular rates plus a shift differential fate.
- 32.2 (a) An employee who is promoted to a mechanic's position or a newly hired mechanic shall mil such time as he becomes a fully qualified mechanic and is placed an a permanent craft seniority list, be paid the "other Mechanics" rate as shown in Rule 32.1.
- (b) A helper who is promoted In a craft for the first time to a mechanic's position shall until qualified for a higher rate under the terms of this Agreement be paid at the Trainee Mechanic's rate as shown in Rule 32.1 except as otherwise provided for in Craft Special Rules.
- (c) An employee who is certified as fully qualified as a Mechanic but elects of his own accord not to be placed on the mechanic's permanent seniority roster in his craft shall be paid the other Mechanic's rate as shown in Rule 32.1 until he can be replaced by a qualified mechanic, unless otherwise provided in special craft rules.
- (d) Employees governed by Rules 23.8(a), 23.8(b), 23.9(b) shall be paid the "Other Mechanics" rate as shown in Rule 32.1.

- **32.3** Leading hands paid on an hourly basis will receive fifty (50) cents per hour above the rates provided for their respective crafts.
- 32.4 Men assigned to operate tractors and portable cranes, such as the Elwell Parker, Ransome-Rapier, and other portable crares of a similar nature, in the Motive Power and Car Departments, when and where there is sufficient work to require that a man be assigned for the purpose, will be paid at the established helpers' rate for the class of helper used.
- **32.5** Rates of pay established in certain classifications or positions at each point on the Ratiway for helpers in their basic trades and for wheel pressers in excess of the rates specified above shall be maintained as the minimum rate of pay for such classification at such point.
- **32.6** A helper used as a wheel puress operator will receive fifty (50) cents per hour in excess of the helpers specified rate for that time actually used as a wheel press operator.
- 32.7 Labourers when assigned will receive fifty (50) cents per hour in excess of the Classified Labourers rate of pay when steam cleaning with chemicals.
- 32.8 Heavy Fire Blacksmiths will receive two (2) percent in excess of the Blacksmith's basic rate.
- 32.9 Heavy Hammer Operator will receive one (1) percent in excess of the Blacksmith's Helper's rate.

#### CONDITIONS OF SHOPS ETC.

- 33.1 Good drinking water and toe where required will be furnished. Sanitary drinking fountains will be provided where necessary. Pits and floors, lakers, toilet and washrooms will be kept in good repair and in a clean, dry and sanitary condition.
- 33.2 Shops, locker rooms and washrooms will be lighted and heated in the best manner possible consistent with the source of heat and light available at the point in question.

## RULE 34

## PERSONAL INJURIES

34.1 Employees injured while at work will not be required to make accident report before they are given medical attention, if required, but will make them as soon as practicable thereafter. Proper medical attention will be given at the earliest possible moment.

#### RULE 35

#### BULLETIN BOARDS

35.1 A bulletin board will be provided at all shops where proper notices of direct interest to employees may be posted by shop committees.

#### SAFETY CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR ALLOWANCE

36.1 Effective January 1, 1982 employees who perform compensated service in January of any year shall be allowed sixty (60) dollars in lieu of safety clothing and footwear. The allowance shall be paid in the first pay period of February each year. Separate cheque will be issued for this amount. The Railway policy on safety footwear will be continued.

#### COVERALLS

**36.2** The Railway will supply two (2) sets of coveralls to each employee per year. Boilermakers will be supplied with fire resistant coveralls.

#### RULE 37

#### FREE TRANSPORTATION

**37.1 Employees,** those dependent upon then for **support** and **Union** representatives representing employees covered by this **Agreement** will be granted free rail transportation in accordance with the **Railway's regulations.** 

#### PROTECTION OF EMPLOYEES

- 38.1 Employees will not be required to work on engines or cars outside of shops during inclement weather, if shop room and pits are available. This does not apply to work in engine cabs or emergency work on engines or cars set art, or attached to trains.
- **38.2** When it is necessary to make repairs, parts of engines, boilers, tanks and tank cars shall be cleaned before mechanics are required to work on same. This will apply to cars undergoing general repairs.
- 38.3 Employees will not be required to expose themselves to sand blast and paint blowers while in operation. Employees operating these machines will be supplied with masks and goggles.
- **38.4** All acetylene **or** electric **welding or** cutting will be **protected** by a suitable screen **when** its **use** is **required.**

#### RULE 39

#### EMERY WHEELS AND GRINDSTONES

**39.1 Emery wheels** and **grindstones** installed in the **shop** will be kept true and in order.

#### RULE 40 ADDITIONAL HELP

- 40.1 Mechanics and apprentices will be furnished sufficient competent help, when needed to handle work, if available. When experienced helpers are available they will be employed in preference to inexperienced men.
- 40.2 Material carriers responsible for the selection of special materials for mechanics' use will be classified as helpers.

#### RULE 41 SCRAPPING WORK

41.1 work of scrapping engines, boilers, tanks and cars or other machinery will be done by crews under the direction of a mechanic. Torch work as now performed by mechanics shall continue to be so performed.

## RULE 42 SIGNAL PROTECTION

42.1 No employee will be required to work on a locamotive or car outside of shops without being protected by proper signals. Where the nature of the work to be done requires it, locamotives or passenger cars will be placed over a pit, if available.

# EXHAUSTING OF STEAM & FUMES FROM LOCUMOTIVES

43.1 In shops not now equipped with connections or jacks for blowing steem and exhausting fumes from engines, arrangements will be made to equip them so that steam and fumes from locamotives will not be blown off inside the shop. All engines will be placed under smoke jacks where practicable. Locamotives will not be left running unnecessarily in the shops.

# Lighting Equipment

43.2 Electric light globes and extensions will be kept in tool rooms and available for use.

#### RULE 44

#### TOOL BOXES

44.1 The Railway will provide an adequate tool box for the use of the electricians.

#### BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

45.1 Upon the death of an employee's spouse, or any of his children, of either of his parents or step-parents, or his nother-in-law or father-in-law, or his brother(s) or sister(s), the employee shall be entitled to three (3) days' bereavement leave without loss of pay provided he has not less than six (6) months cumulative compensated service.

**45.2** It is the intent of this rule to provide for the granting of leave from work on the occasion of a death as aforesaid and for the payment of his regular wages for that period to the employee to whom leave is granted.

#### GENERAL HOLIDAYS

- **46.1** The following general holiday provisions shall be applicable In respect of general holiday entitlement:
- 46.2 An employee who qualifies in accordance with Rule 46.4 shall be granted a holiday with pay on each of the following general holidays. When a general holiday falls on an employee's rest day, such holiday shall be moved to the normal working day immediately following the employee's rest day.

New Year's Day Good Friday Easter Monday Victoria Day Dominion Day B.C. Day Labour Day Thanksgiving Day Remembrance Day Christmas Day Boxing Day

Heritage Day will be granted as an additional general holiday when proclaimed by the Federal Government.

- **46.3** When any of the above holidays falls on Sunday or Saturday the day observed by the Federal Government in respect of its employees as the holiday shall be recognized.
- **46.4** In *order* to qualify for pay for any one of the holidays specified in Rule 46.2 an employee:
  - (a) must have been in the service of the Railway and available for duty for at least thirty (30) calendar days;
  - (b) must be available for duty on such holiday, if

it occurs on one of his work days excluding vacation days. When an employee is required to work on such general holiday he shall be given an advance notice of four (4) calendar days except for unforeseen exigencies of the service in which case he will be notified not later than prior to the completion of his shift or four to duty immediately preceding such holiday that his services will be required. This Rule 46.4(b) does not apply in respect of an employee the is laid off or suffering from a bona fide injury, or the is hospitalized on the holiday. Eligible employees not available for work the are on weekly indemnity, or subsequently qualify therefor, will not be disqualified, provided that all other qualifications are met; and

- (c) must have rendered compensated service on at least twelve (12) of the thirty (30) calendar days immediately preceding the general holiday. This Rule 46.4(c) does not apply to an employee rho is required to work on the holiday.
- 46.5 A qualified employee whose vacation period coincides with any of the general holidays specified on Rule 46.2 shall receive an extra day's vacation with the pay to which the employee is entitled for that general holiday.
- 45.6 An employee the does not qualify under Rule 46.4(a) with respect to pay for a general holiday and who is required by the Railway to work on that day shall be paid at the time and one-half rate for all time worked with a minimum of three (3) hours, for which the equivalent hours of service may be required, but employees called for a specific purpose shall not be required to perform routine work to make up such

minimum time.

- **46.7** An employee qualified **under** Rule **46.4** and who is not required to work on a general holiday shall be paid eight (8) hours pay at the straight time rate of his regular assignment.
- 46.8 An employee qualified under the Rule 46.4 and who is required to work on a general holiday shall be paid, in addition to the pay provided in Rule 46.7 at a rate equal to one and one-half times his regular rate of wayes for the actual hours worked by him on that holiday with a minimum of three (3) hours service my be required, but an amployee called for a specific purpose shall not be required to perform routine work to make up such minimum time. When more than one shift is worked by an amployee on a general holiday, the provisions of this Rule 45.8 shall apply to the first shift only.
- **46.9** Shift commencing between 12:00 midnight on the eve of the general holiday and 11:59 p.m. on the night of the general holiday, both times inclusive, shall be considered as work on that holiday.
- 46.10 Employees regularly assigned to work on holidays, or those called to take the place of such employees, will be allowed to complete the balance of the day unless released at their can request. Those who are called will be advised as soon as possible after vacancies become known.
- 46.11 Holiday work shall only be required when absolutely essential to the operation of the Railway.
- 46.12 Employees qualified under the rules for a General Holiday who work as a relieving forenen part of the

work week (dual positions) shall be paid a portion of the eight (8) tours for each paid General Holiday on the basis of time worked during their work week in the hourly rated position.

Example: An employee who worked two (2) shifts out of five (5) as relieving foreman, would be paid three-fifths (3/5ths) of eight (8) hours for the paid General Holiday or four (4) hours Forty-Eight (48) minutes.

46.13 Employees in the Locomotive Running Repeir shops and Car Department at all pints, who are represented by the Union and who are required to work a tour of duty on one of the General Holidays specified in Rule 46.2 of the Collective Agreement, my, if they so choose, be allowed to accumulate the time required to be paid in accordance with the provisions of Rule 46.8.

Accumulation of time for work on a General Holiday will be limited to eight (8) hours for each General Holiday.

The use of accumulated time will be limited to a unit of five (5) days at any given time.

An employee will be required to indicate in writing, prior to January 1 of each year, whether he chooses to accumulate time as described above, or whether he chooses to be paid in accordance with the terms of the Collective Agreement.

It is understood that time so accumulated my be util lized:

(1) to provide full wages in the event of short term Illness to a limit of five (5) days;

(11) to supplement Annual Vacation to a limnit of five (5) working days;

(iii) to **provide** a lump sum payment at the end of the calendar year if not used as provided in Clause (i) or Clause (ii) of this paragraph.

It is understood that this Article is subject to the provisions of Rule 46 in respect of qualification for General Holidays.

# ANNUAL VACATIONS

For the purpose only of computing annual vacation service requirements, in order for an employee to qualify for vacation entitlement in excess of two (2) weeks, the following will apply:

Any employee commencing service on or before June 30 of my calendar year will be considered as having commenced service as at the preceding January 1st, and any employee commencing service on July 1st or later of any calendar year will be considered as having commenced service as at the following January 1st.

A calendar year means a period of one (1) year commencing January 1st.

## Section 1

- 47.1 (a) An employee who at the beginning of the calendar year has not less than thirty (30) days employment relationship, shall be entitled to one (1) working day's vacation with pay far each twenty-five (25) days' cumulative service, or major portion thereof, during the preceding calendar year, with a maximum of ten (10) working days until qualifying for further vacation under Clause (b) of this Section 1. This clause is only applicable to employees who have entered service between duly 1st and December 31st of the calendar year.
- (b) Effective January 1, 1982, an employee who, at the beginning of the calendar year, has maintained a continuous employment relationship for at least one (1) year shall be allowed one (1) working day's vacation

with pay for each sixteen and two-thirds (16 2/3) days' cumulative cumpensated service or major portion thereof, during the preceding calendar year, with a maximum of fifteen (15) working days, until qualifying for further vacation under Clause (c) of this Section 1.

- (c) Effective January 1, 1982, an employee who, at the beginning of the calendar year, has maintained a continuous employment relationship for at least nine (9) years shall be allowed one (1) working day's vacation with pay for each twelve and one-half (12 1/2) day's cumulative compensated service or major portion thereof, during the preceding calendar year with a maximum of twenty (20) working days until qualifying for further vacation under Clause (d) of this Section 1.
- (d) Effective January 1, 1982, an employee who, at the beginning of the calendar year, has maintained a continuous employment relationship for at least seventeen (17) years shall be allowed one (1) working day's vacation with pay for each ten (10) days' cumulative compensated service, or major portion thereof, during the preceding calendar year, with a maximum of twenty-five (25) working days until qualifying for further vacation under Clause (e) of this Section 1.
- (e) Effective January 1, 1982, an employee who, at the beginning of the calendar year, has maintained a continuous employment relationship for at least twenty-four (24) years shall be allowed one (1) working day's vacation with pay for each eight and one-third (8 1/3) days' cumulative compensated service, or major portion thereof, during the preceding calendar year, with a maximum of thirty (30) working days.

- (f) In computing continuous employment relationship referred to in clauses (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) of this Rule, time worked in any position covered by similar vacation agreements will be accumulated for the purpose of qualifying for vacation with pay.
- (g) Time off duty on account of bona-fide illness, injury, to attend committee meetings, called to court as a witness, or for jury duty, not exceeding a total of one hundred (100) days in any calendar year, shall be included in the computation of service for vacation purposes.
- (h) An employee shall be compensated for vacation at the hourly rate of pay he would have earned had he been working during the vacation period.
- (i) In the application of this Section 1, employees on a monthly guarantee will be paid for vacation of the basis of such guarantee.

#### section 2

- 47.2 (a) An employee terminating his employment for any reason at a time when an unused period of vacation with pay stands to his credit shall be allowed vacation calculated to the date of his leaving the service, as provided for in Section 1, and, if not granted shall be allowed pay in lieu thereof.
- (b) An employee who is laid off shall be paid for any vacation due him at the beginning of the current calendar year and not previously taken, and, if not subsequently recalled to service during such year shall upon application, be allowed pay in lieu of any

vacation due him at the beginning of the following calendar year.

(c) Individual rho is dismissed for cause and not reinstated in his former standing within two (2) years of date of such dismissal shall, if subsequently returned to the service, be required to qualify again for vacation with pay as provided in Section 1.

#### section3

- 47.3 (a) An employee who has become entitled to a vacation with pay shall be granted such vacation within a twelve (12) month period immediately following the completion of the calendar par of employment in respect of which the employee became entitled to the vacation.
- (b) Applications for vacation from employees at other than main shops filed between December 15 of the previous year and January 31, shall insofar as is practicable to do so be given preference in order of seniority of the applicants. Such applicants will have preference over later applicants. Applicants will be advised in February of the dates allotted them and unless otherwise mutually agreed employees must take their vacation at the time allotted. Notices of vacation periods will be posted prior to December 15. The dates mentioned in this Clause 3(b) may be changed by mutual agreement between the Local Committee and the proper officer of the Railway.
- (c) unless otherwise mutually agreed, employees rho do not apply for vacation prior to February 1st shall be required to take their vacation at a time to be prescribed by the Railway.

#### section 4

47.4 (a) The officer in charge and the recognized representative of the employees will, as far as practicable. make mutual arrangements to carry on the work while members of the staff are on vacation with the object of avoiding additional expense to the Railway, but if this is not practicable, employees engaged temporarily, or employees temporarily promoted from one position to another, to provide vacation relief, will, if definitely assigned to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of a higher rated position, be paid the schedule rate applicable to such position.

#### Main Shops

- (b) At the main shops when it is intended to close the shops for the annual vacation period, the appropriate officer of the Railway and duly authorized representatives of the employees will agree prior to March 1st the date of which the various shops will close for the vacation period.
- (i) Those main shop employees desiring special consideration for vacations at a time other than the main shop closure, will make their intentions known to the Railway at least two months prior to such closure. By agreement between the appropriate officer of the Railway and the duly authorized representatives of the employees, this two month period may be shortened.
- (ii) The appropriate officer of the Railway and the union will then met for the purpose of considering the merits of each case.

- (111) Compassionate grounds, seniority and personal business matters will be factors to be considered.
- (c) The period of closedown for annual vacation at main shops will not exceed four (4) weeks in each year.
- (d) The appropriate officer of the Railray and the Local Committees will co-operate with a view to providing staff to make repairs to machinery, etc., and to giving employment to as many as possible of the employees nho are not entitled to full vacation. Such skilled employees as are necessary to balance the staff will be allowed vacations to which they are entitled at a mutually satisfactory date.
- (e) **Employees** in main shops the are entitled to a Vacation of three (3) weeks **or more may** be permitted, **upon** request, to take a portion of their vacation at a time **other than during** the closedm for **annual vacations providing** there is no increased **cost** to the Railray and subject to the right of the Railway to balance staff in order to ensure adequate productivity.
- (f) During the annual vacation closedown, main shap employees whose maximum vacation entitlement is less than the period of closedown shall, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Collective Agreement, only be entitled to fill vacancies temporarily at running points service for which they are fully qualified.
- (g) The appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager will co-operate in an effort to ensure that as many employees as possible whose maximum vacation entitlement is one (1) week or more less than the period of closedown, will be given the opportunity

to fill vacancies at running points for which they are fully qualified to immediately perform the work involved.

- (h) An employee who undertakes to transfer to a running point for a temporary period under this rule and who has been cleared to do so shall, if he later declines to exercise his seniority and fill the position without just cause, be debarred from the benefit of this rule in the following year.
- (1) Employees working in main shops during vacation period will be compensated during regular shop hours at pro rata rates.

## Running Work

(j) Where employees' vacations as requested cannot be accommodated due to the lack of additional relief or the requirements of the service, the appropriate officer of the Railway and Local Committee will work art a practical arrangement.

# RULE 48

## EMPLOYEES' BENEFIT PLAN

Details of the respective Plans are set out in the British Columbia Railway Booklet entitled "Employee Benefits - Schedule". A copy of the booklet will be furnished to all employees upon request.

## DEDUCTION OF UNION DUES

- 49.1 The Railway shall deduct on the payroll for the pay period which contains the 24th day of each month from wages due and payable to each employee coming within the scope of this Collective Agreement an amount equivalent to the uniform monthly union dues of the Union, subject to the conditions and exceptions set forth hereunder.
- 49.2 The amount to be deducted shall be equivalent to the uniform, regular dues payment of the Union and shall not include initiation fees or special assessments. The amount to be deducted shall not be changed during the term of the agreement excepting to conform with a change in the amount of regular dues of the Union in accordance with its constitutional provisions. The provisions of this rule shall be applicable to the Union on receipt by the Railway of notice in writing from the Union of the amount of regular monthly dues.
- 49.3 Membership in the Union shall be available to any employee eligible under the constitution of the Union on payment of the initiation or reinstatement fees uniformly required of all other such applicants by the Union. Membership shall not be denied for reasons of sex, race, national origin, colour or religion.
- **49.4 Deductions** for **new employees** shall **commence on** the payroll for the **first** pay **period which contains** the 24th day of the **month.**
- 49.5 If the wage of an employee payable on the

payroll which contains the 24th day of any month are insufficient to permit the deduction of the full amount of dues, no such deduction shall be made from the wages of such employee by the Railray in such month. The Railray shall not, because the employee did not have sufficient wages payable to him on the designated payroll, carry forward and deduct from any subsequent wages the dues not deducted in an earlier month.

- **49.6 Employees** filling positions coming within the scope of more than one wage agreement or filling positions caning within the Union jurisdiction of more than one Union in the pay period in which deduction is made shall have dues deducted for the Organization or Union under which the preponderance of their time is worked in that period. Not more than one deduction of dues shall be made from any employee in any month.
- **49.7** Only payroll deductions now or hereafter required by law, deduction of monies due or owing the Railway, pension deductions and deductions for provident firms shall be made from wages prior to the deduction of dues.
- 49.8 The amounts of dues so deducted from wages accompanied by a statement of deductions from individuals shall be remitted by the Railway to the Officer or officers of the Union concerned, as may be mutually agreed by the Railway and the applicable Union, not later than forty (40) calendar days following the pay period in which the deductions are made.
- **49.9** The Railray shall not be responsible financially or otherwise, either to the Union or to any employee, for any failure to make deductions or for making improper or inaccurate deductions or remittances.

However, in any instance in which an error occurs in the amount of any deduction of dues from an employee's wages, the Railway shall adjust it directly with the employee. In the event of any mistake by the Railway in the amount of its remittance to the Union, the Railway shall adjust the amount in a subsequent remittance.

The Railway's liability for my and all amounts deducted pursuant to the provisions of this rule shall terminate at the time it remits the amounts payable to the designated officer or officers of the Union.

- 49.10 The question of what, if any compensation shall be paid the Railway by the Union in recognition of services performed under this agreement shall be left in abeyance subject to reconsideration at the request of either party m fifteen (15) days' notice in writing.
- 49.11 In the event of my action at law against the parties hereto or any of them resulting from any deduction or deductions from payrolls made or to be made by the Railway pursuant to Rule 49.1 of this rule, all parties shall cooperate fully in the defence of such action. Each party shall bear its own cost of such defence except that if at the request of the Union counsel fees are incurred, these shall be borne by the Union. Save as aforesaid the Union shall indemnify and save hamless the Railway from any losses, damages, costs, liability or expenses suffered or sustained by them or any of them as a result of any such deduction or deductions from payrolls.
- **49.12 T4** slip issued to all **employees** will **show** the **amount** deducted **from employees** as union dues paid to their Union during *the* year.

# AUTOMOBILE MILEAGE

Employees who are authorized to use privately owned vehicles in Railway service will be compensated according to current Railway policy.

Monthly report of mileage claims must be made on the prescribed form,  $\mathbf{duly}$  authorized.

# RULE 51

# JOB SECURITY

#### BLUE FLAG RULES FOR PROTECTION OF EMPLOYEES WORKING ON OR ABOUT TRAINS, ENGINES OR CARS IN YARDS OR ON REPAIR TRACKS

# 52.1 Purpose

The purpose of this regulation is to outline the procedures which must be adapted to ensure the protection of employees working on or about trains, engines or cars in yards or on repair tracks.

# 52.2 General

This regulation conforms to Rule 26 of the Uniform Code of Operating Rules, Revision of 1962.

# 52.3 Application of Blue Signals

# (a) Regular Repair Tracks

- (1) Where repair tracks are connected both ends, a standard Blue Flag suspended from a staff clamped on the rail by day and Blue Light hung on same staff by night must be displayed at both ends of each track and, in addition, the switches at both ends of each track must be lined to prevent movement onto the track, and secured with a special lock other than the standard switch lock before men commence work.
- (2) Where repair tracks are connected one end only, the same protection is required at the

end of each track that is connected to the lead

(3) Foreman or other assigned responsible employees in charge must personally ensure that track protection is arranged including the application and removal of locks and Blue Signals. When it becomes necessary to remove same to permit switching operations during working hours, the party in charge must see that all employees are notified and out of danger before removing locks and Blue Signals. Protection must be applied before resuming work.

## (b) Shop Tracks

- (1) On tracks which provide entrance or exit from repair buildings, employees must not commence repairs which make it necessary to work in a dangerous position on equipment outside the building until the track has been protected as described in Rule 52.3(a).
- (2) Within buildings, it is the responsibility of the Supervisor or other designated person, before requesting a movement of equipment, to ensure that no employees are working on equipment on the track on which the movement will occur.

# (c) Flat Traffic Yards (Manually operated and Automatic Switches)

(1) Employees before making inspection, servicing equipment or performing minor repairs on or about cars or engines on tracks

equipped with Manually operated or Automatic switches, must display the Blue Flag by day and Blue Light by night at a distance visible to all concerned in advance of both ends of such cars or engines until all work is completed, after which Blue Flags and/or Lights must be removed. Each time prior to placing Blue Signals as described above, the Supervisor in charge of switching and train operations must be notified.

(2) All equipment requiring extensive repairs which makes it necessary for employees to work in a dangerous position should be placed on repair or shop tracks; however, if circumstances are such that this is impracticable to do, the Supervisor in charge of switching and train operations, must be notified so track can be removed from service if equipped with automatic switches. When possible, switches must be lined and locked with special locks to prevent movement onto the track. After completion of repairs the Blue Signals and locks, if any, must be removed by the workmen and the Supervisor in charge of switching and train operations must be advised that repairs have been completed and track released.

**Note:** Supervisor in Charge of switching and train operations includes:

Co-ordinators
Terminal Supervisors and Assistants
Car Movement Supervisors and
Assistants, where applicable.

#### (d) <u>Hump Yards</u> (Manually operated switches)

(1) Work performed on tracks equipped with manually operated switches will be governed by safety regulations as applicable in Flat Traffic Yards.

#### (e) Humo and Flat Traffic Yards (Equipped with remotely controlled power switches)

(1) The Supervisor or other designated responsible person who assigns workmen to work on cars or engines on any track must determine with the Yard Supervisor that the switches are lined away so as to prevent movement onto that track, operating levers are blocked or marked so that they cannot be used, and will remain this way until notified by the same person that the work is completed. Employees mat be made fully aware of the protection provided.

# (f) Siding or other Tracks at other than Terminal Points

(1) Employees making repairs to CAID, engines or other units of work equipment, on a siding or other track, at other than Terminal Points must first display a Blue Signal at ends of additional trackage and at both ends of sidings and take any other precaution deemed necessary to ensure their maximum safety. Before undertaking this work, they must notify the Train Dispatcher and secure assurance that any instructions to train crews which may be necessary have been issued. Upon completion

of work, Blue Signals must be removed and Train Dispatcher notified that repairs have been completed.

# (g) Night Work

(1) When repairs have to be made after sunset or during weather conditions in which a Blue Flag cannot be plainly seen, a Blue Light must be displayed hung on same staff.

# 52.4 Display of Blue Signal

#### Class of Workmen

- (1) Each class of workmen must display Blue Signals and the same class of workmen are alone authorized to remove same.
- (2) Within each class of workmen the foreman or other responsible person as designated by the Supervisor in charge will display and remove Blue Signals.
- (3) Before removing Blue Signals the responsible person mat ensure himself that all employees working under the protection of his Blue Signal have completed their work and are made aware of the removal of this protection.

## 52.5 Blue Signal

# Requirements

Display the Blue Flag by day and the Blue Light by night at a height of five (5) feet

above rail level on a steel fame secured to the rail; the day signal must be of rigid material of not less than eighteen (18) inches by twenty (20) inches, and preferably twenty-two (22) inches by twenty-eight (28) inches, with rounded corners, painted on both sides, royal blue with a border of white one and one-half (11/2) inches in width.

## 52.6 Application of Rules

#### Responsibility

Supervisors who assign employees to perform work under any of the circumstances outlined in the foregoing rules must provide proper instructions to ensure that such employees comply with these regulations. All employees are required to adhere to these regulations and to give close personal attention to the protection of themselves and other employees.

# 52.7 Violatian

## (a) Reporting

(1) Violation of Blue Signal rule or any action or condition that is likely to result in injury to anyone must be promptly reported to the Supervisor of *other* responsible person, so as to ensure maximum protection of all concerned.

## MACHINISTS' CRAFT SPECIAL RULES

#### Machininists' Qualifications

53.1 Any person holding proof of an appropriate mechanical apprenticeship, or four years experience in a tradesman capacity in one of the appropriate mechanical trades, or the equivalent, and who can demonstrate competence in the trade, will be recognized as a machinist and will be shown on the permanent Machinist seniority list.

## Machinists' work

53.2 Machinists' work shall consist of all machine shop processes on metals used in maintaining or overhauling locomotives, tools or shop machinery. Wheel turning or truing, axle turning and wheel and gear pressing. All work on locomotive air brakes, air brake components including related locotrol air equipment and air compressors. Locomotive and diesel engine mechanical inspection work, and the removal, overhaul and reinstallation of all major locomotive components. Oxy-acetylene and electric welding work generally recognized as machinists' work. Track work and gears for locomotives, millwrighting, installing and repairing shop machinery mobile equipment and all other work generally recognized as machinists' work.

## Machinist Apprentices

53.3 Include regular apprentices in connection with the work defined by Rule 53.2.

## Machinists Helpers' Work

53.4 Machinists' helpers' work shall consist of helping machinist and apprentices, attending tool room, wheel presses, fork lift truck and mobile crane operation in shop areas and all other work generally recognized as helpers' work.

#### Machinists Assigned to Running Repairs

53.5 Machinists assigned to running repairs shall not be required to do work on back shop work at points where back shop forces are maintained.

## Back Shop and Running Repair Forces

53.6 Back shop forces will not be assigned to perform running repair work, except when the regularly assigned running repair forces are unable to get engines out in time to prevent delay to train movement.

#### Work at Wrecks

53.7 In case of wrecks where engines are disabled, machinist, and helper if required (more if necessary), shall accompany the wrecker. They will work under the direction of the wreck foreman. They will be paid tor wrecking service as outlined in Rule 6 while working at wrecks or in charge of wrecked engines.

## Machinist Helpers

**53.8** A helper when used in any way in connection with machinists' work, shall in all cases work under the orders of the machinist, both under the direction of the foreman.

53.9 When vacancies occur under classification of machinist helper (temporary or permanent), machinist helpers in the service will be given preference in promotion to position paying either same or higher rate at shop employed, seniority to govern.

#### Machinist Helpers Entering Apprentice Training Program

53.10 (a) Helpers who have worked in the craft on the Railway for not less than three (3) years consisting of a total of seven hundred and twenty-six (726) working days may, if able to met other entrance requirements for regular apprentices, apply tor apprentice training in the craft. If selected they shall be given a credit of one (1) year and serve an apprenticeship of three (3) years made up of six (6) terms of nine hundred (900) hours each or a total of tive thousand four hundred (5400) hours. No other credits will be allowed. In the went two (2) or more applications an? received, preference will be given tirstly to applicants from the seniority terminal and secondly to applicants from the System, except as may be mutually agreed between the appropriate Officer of the Railway and The Business Manager.

(b) A helper entering the apprentice training program will have his seniority as a helper protected during his term of apprenticeship but shall not be permitted to return to helper's status except in the case of reduction of staff, or if unsuitable as an apprentice in accordance with Rule 31.8.

An apprentice who due to a reduction in staff is returned to a helper's status will, when an increase in staff permits, be obligated to resume his apprentice training. A helper refusing to resume his apprentice training will retain his helper's seniority but shall

not thereafter  ${\bf b}$  permitted to re-enter the apprentice training  ${\bf program}_{\bullet}$ 

- (c) Except as otherwise provided for nerein the apprentice rules covering regular apprentices shall also apply to these apprentices.
- 53.11 In the event of not being able to employ journeymen qualified in accordance with Rule 53.1 and the regular apprenticeship schedule is not providing enough men to carry out the work, the work force may be increased by promoting other employees within the craft to temporarily fill such positions until such time as qualified journeymen become available.

An employee from within the craft promoted to temporary mechanic my, after having accumulated four (4) years experience as a mechanic, be given a qualifying test and if successful will be placed on the machinists' permanent seniority list and will be credited with one (1) year's seniority as of the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience and will forfeit all seniority rights in the classification or classifications from which promoted as of that date.

#### BUILERMAKERS' CRAFT SPECIAL RULES

#### Boilermakers' Qualifications

54.1 Any person who has served an apprenticeship or who has had four (4) years' experience at the trade who can with the aid of tools, with or without drawings, and is competent to either lay out, build or repair boilers. tanks and details thereof, and complete same in a mechanical manner shall constitute a boilermaker.

#### Boilenmakers' Work

54.2 Boilermaker's work shall consist of laying-out, cutting apart, building or repairing boilers, tanks and drums; inspecting patching, rivetting, chipping, caulking, flanging and flue work; building, repairing, removing and applying steel cabs and running boards; laying out and fitting up any sheet iron or sheet steel work made of sixteen (16) gauge or heavier; (present practice between boilermakers and sheet metal workers on railroads to continue relative to gauge of iron), oxy-acetylene and electric welding, on work generally recognized as boilermakers' work, and all other work generally recognized as boilermakers' work on steam, electric or diesel locomotives. It is understood that present practice in the performance of work between boilermakers and c a m will continue.

#### Boilermaker Apprentices

54.3 Include regular apprentices in connection with the work as defined by Rule 54.2.

## Boilermakers' Helpers' Wak

54.4 Employees assigned to help Boilermakers and their apprentices; operators of drill presses and bolt cutters in boiler shop. boiler washers and helpers, employees cutting only bar stock and scrap, flue cleaners. As far as practicable, regularly assigned helpers will be used on flange fires. Classified boilermakers' helpers will attend tool rum in boiler shop where regular attendant is employed. Holding on all stay bolts and rivets, striking chisel bars, side sets and backing out punches, scaling boilers and heating rivets, (except when performed by apprentices) and ail other work properly recognized as boilermakers helpers' work.

#### Temporary Botlermaker

54.5 In the event of not being able to employ qualified boilemaker with four (4) years' experience, and the regular apprenticeship schedule 1s rut providing enough men to carry cut the work, the work force my be increased by promoting helpers to temporarily fill such positions, until such time as qualified mechanics are available.

A helper promoted to temporary boilermaker may, after having accumulated four (4) years' service as a temporary mechanic, request to be given the qualifying test of the craft, and if successful, will be placed on the mechanic's permanent seniority list and will be credited with one (1) year's seniority as of the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience and will forfeit all seniority rights in the helpers' classification as of that date.

#### Boilermakers Assigned to Running Repairs

**54.6** Bailermakers assigned to running repairs may be used to perform other boiler work.

Botlemakers assigned to locomotive general repair work may be used to perform running repair work when the regular assigned running repair forces are unable to get engines out to meet service requirements.

Bailermakers who have been working m hot work will not be required to work m cold work until given sufficient time to cool off.

## Protection of Boilenmakers, Apprentices & Helpers

- 54.7 Oxy-acetylene welding or cutting operator or electric operator will be furnished with helper when necessary or when it is essential for personal safety.
- 54.8 Should it become necessary to send oxy-acetylene welder or cutter or electric operator at of the shop in cold weather, he will be given ample time to dry off before being sent out.
- 54.9 When necessary, boilermakers shall be furnished with experienced helpers when sent out m the road or called in to work.

# Boilenmaker Helpers Entering Apprentice Program

54.10 (a) Helpers who have worked in the craft m the Railway for not less than three (3) years consisting of a total of seven hundred and twenty-six (726) working days may, if able to meet other entrance requirements for regular apprentices, apply tor apprentice training in the craft. If selected they shall be given a credit

- of one (1) year and serve an apprenticeship of three (3) years made up of six (6) terms of nine hundred (900) hours each or a total of five thousand four hundred (5400) hours. No other credits will be allowed. In the event two (2) or more applications are received, preference will be given firstly to applicants from the seniority terminal, and secondly to applicants from the System, except as may be mutually agreed between the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager.
- (b) A helper entering the apprentice training program will have his seniority as a helper protected during his term of apprenticeship but shall not be permitted to return to a helper's status except in the case of reduction of staff, or if unsuitable as an apprentice in accordance with Rule 31.8.

An apprentice who due to a reduction in staff is returned to a helper's status will, when an increase in staff permits, be obligated to resume his apprentice training.

(c) Except as otherwise provided for herein the apprentice rules covering regular apprentices shall also apply to these apprentices.

## BLACKSMITHS' CRAFT SPECIAL RULES

## Blacksmiths' Qualifications

55.1 Any person who has served an apprenticeship, or has had four (4) years varied experience at the blacksmiths' trade shall be considered a blacksmith. He must be able to take a piece of work pertaining to his class, and With or Without the aid of drawings, bring it to a successful completion within a reasonable length of time.

#### Blacksmiths' Work

55.2 Blacksmiths' work shall consist of welding, forging, heating, shaping and bending of metal; tool dressing and tempering; springmaking, tempering and repairing, potashing, annealing, case and bichloride hardening; operating furnaces, bulldozers, forging machines, drop-forging machines, bolt machines and Bradley hammers; hammersmiths, drop hammermen, trimmers, rolling mill operators; automatic hammermen; spring plate operators, (except shearing and punching cold); bolt and nut makers; bending machine men; car brake gear repairers; operating punches and shears, doing shaping and forming in connection with blacksmiths' work; forging stay bolts, oxy-acetylene and electric welding on work generally recognized as blacksmiths' work, and all other work generally recognized as blacksmiths' work.

#### **Blacksmith Apprentices**

55.3 Include apprentices in connection with the work as defined by Rule 55.2.

# Blacksmiths' Helpers' Work

55.4 Employees assigned to helping blacksmiths and apprentices; heaters, harmer operators, machine helpers, drill press and bolt cutter operators, punch and shear operators (cutting only bar stock and scrap) in connection with blacksmiths' work; flue end piecers; flue end cutters; flue saw operators; cold saw operators (rails and bar stock only); iron choppers; and all other work generally recognized as blacksmith helpers' work.

## Temporary Blacksmiths

55.5 In the event of not being able to employ qualified blacksmiths with four (4) years' experience, and the regular apprenticeship schedule is not providing enough men to carry out the work, the work force may be increased by promoting helpers to temporarily fill such positions, until such time as qualified mechanics are available.

A helper promoted to temporary blacksmith may, after having accumulated four (4) years' service as a temporary mechanic, request to be given the qualifying test of the craft, and if successful, will be placed on the mechanic's permanent seniority list and will be credited with one (1) year's seniority as of the date he accumulated the four (4) year's experience and will forfeit all seniority rights in the helpers' classification as of that date.

## Rate to be Maintained

55.6 When the performance of a certain class of work

is transferred and performed by a different process the rate established under this Agreement for the work being transferred shall be paid for the time occupied in the performance of the work under the new process.

#### Rates for Blacksmith Helpers Building Fires

**55.7** Blacksmith **helpers** required to prepare heavy furnace or **build** fires **on** their **own** time shall be paid time and **one-half** on a minute basis with a daily **minimum** of twenty (20) **minutes** on that basis.

#### Heaters

**55.8** Furnace operators (heaters) will be assigned to operate furnaces making or working material the equivalent of six (6) inches square or over and heating it for hammersmiths.

Heaters will be assigned to operate furnaces used in connection with forging machines four (4) inches and over, or to heat any material the equivalent of four (4) inches square and over to be forged.

Heaters will be assigned to heavy blacksmith fires and drop harmer furnaces.

When heaters are required on other furnaces helpers will be used.

## Hanner Drivers

55.9 Competent steam harmer drivers will be furnished.

## Blacksmiths Assigned to Road Work

55.10 Blacksmiths sent out on the road to do

blacksmiths' work will be accompanied by a helper when such work requires a helper.

#### Blacksmith Helpers Entering Apprenticeship Program

- 55.11 (a) Helpers who have worked in the craft on the Railway for not less than three (3) years consisting of a total of seven hundred and twenty-six (726) working days may, if able to meet other entrance requirements for regular apprentices, apply tor apprentice training in the craft. If selected they shall be given a credit of one (1) year and serve an apprenticeship of three (3) years made up of six (6) terms of nine hundred (900) hours each, or a total of five thousand four hundred (5400) hours. No other credits will be allowed. In the event two (2) or more applications are received, preference will be given firstly to applicants from the seniority terminal and secondly to applicants from the System, except as may be mutually agreed between the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager.
- (b) A helper entering the apprentice training program will have his seniority as a helper protected during his term of apprenticeship but shall not be permitted to return to a helper's status except in the case of reduction of staff, or if unsuitable as a apprentice in accordance with Rule 31.8.
- An apprentice who due to a reduction in staff is returned to a helper's status will, when an increase in staff permits, be obligated to resume his apprentice training.
- (c) Except as otherwise provided for herein, the apprentice rules covering regular apprentices shall also apply to these apprentices.

# SHEET METAL WORKERS' AND PIPEFITTERS' CRAFT SPECIAL RULES

#### Sheet Metal Workers' and Pipefitters' Qualifications

56.1 Any person who has served an apprenticeship or has four (4) or more years' experience in the various branches of the trade, who is qualified and capable of doing sheet metal work or pipework as applied to buildings, machinery, locomotives (steam or diesel), cars, etc., whether it be tin, sheet iron or sheet copper, and capable of bending, fitting and brazing of pipe, shall constitute a sheet metal worker or pipefitter.

## Sheet Metal Workers' Work

56.2 sheet metal workers' work shall consist of silversmithing, tinning, coppersmithing, metal spray gun work in shops, yards, buildings, on passenger coaches, motor coaches and engines of all kinds including tenders; lead burning; babbitting (not scrap reclaimer); the building, erecting, assembling, installing, dismantling (for repairs only), and maintaining parts made of shed copper, brass, tin, zinc, white metal, lead, black, planished, pickled and galvanized iron, sheet aluminum of ten (10) gauge and lighter (present practice between sheet metal workers and boilermakers to continue relative to gauge of iron), including brazing, soldering, tinning, leading and babbitting (except car and tender truck journal bearings), the operation of babbitt fires (in connection with sheet metal workers' work); oxy-acetylene and electric welding on work generally

recognized as sheet metal workers' work, and all other work generally recognized as sheet metal workers' work.

## Pipefitters' Wak

56.3 Pipefitters' work shall consist of pipefitting in shops, yards and buildings, power houses, locomotives and engines of all kinds, tenders, motor coaches, passenger coaches and work equipment units of all classes, and all piping carrying steam, air, oil, gas, water, or any liquids above or below ground; cutting, threading, welding, brazing, bending, flanging, connecting and disconnecting all pipe work by whatever process and all work recognized as pipefitters' work.

#### **Sheet** Metal Worker and Pipefitter Apprentices

56.4 Include regular apprentices in connection with the work as defined by rules 56.2 and 56.3.

## Sheet Metal and Pipefitter Helpers' Work

- **56.5** (a) Employees regularly assigned as **sheet** metal **workers**' helpers shall assist sheet **metal workers** and apprentices.
- (b) Employees regularly assigned as pipefitters' helpers shall assist pipefitters and apprentices.
- (c) In the event of not being able to employ qualified pipefitters with four (4) years' experience, and the regular apprenticeship schedule 1s not providing enough men to carry out the work, the work force my be increased by promoting helpers to temporarily fill such positions until such time as qualified mechanics are available.

A helper promoted to temporary pipefitter my, after having accumulated four (4) years' service as a temporary mechanic, request to be given the qualifying test of the craft, and if successful, will be placed on the mechanic's seniority list, and will be credited with one (1) year's seniority as of the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience, and will forfeit all seniority rights in the helpers' classification as of that date.

#### Sheet Metal Workers Assigned to Road Work

56.6 Sheet metal workers will be sent out on line and to outlying points, when their services are required, but not for small, unimportant running repair jobs.

#### Assignment of Running Repair Force to Dead Work

56.7 The assignment of running repair sheet metal workers and pipefitters to back shop work shall not be the recognized practice; but at points where no back shop sheet metal workers or pipefitten are employed, they may be so assigned if the needs of the serioce require it.

## Assignment of Dead work Force to Running Repairs

**56.8** Back shop forces will not be assigned to perform running repair work. except when the regularly assigned running repair forces are unable to get engines out in time to prevent delay to train movement.

# Sheet Metal Worker and Pipefitter Helpers Entering Apprenticeship Program

**56.9** (a) Helpers who have worked in the craft on the Railway for **not** less than three (3) years' consisting

of a total of seven hundred and twenty-six (726) working days my, if able to meet other entrance requirements for regular apprentices, apply for apprentice training in the craft. If selected they shall be given a credit of one (1) year and serve an apprenticeship of three (3) years' made up of six (6) terms of nine hundred (900) hours each, or a total of five thousand four hundred (5400) hours. No other credits will be allowed. In the event two (2) or more applications are received, preference will be given firstly to applicants from the seniority terminal and secondly to applicants from the System, except as may be mutually agreed between appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager.

(b) A helper entering the apprentice training program will have his seniority as a helper protected during his term of apprenticeship but shall not be permitted to return to a helper's status except in the case of reduction of staff, or if unsuitable as an apprentice in accordance with Rule 31.8.

An apprentice who, due to a reduction in staff is returned to a helper's status hill, when an increase in staff permits, be obligated to resume his apprentice training.

(c) Except as **otherwise** provided for herein, the apprentice **rules covering** regular apprentices shall **also** apply to these apprentices.

## ELECTRICAL WORKERS' ORAFT SPECIAL RULES

# Electricians' Qualifications

57.1 Any person who can produce documentation showing proof that he has completed am electrical apprenticeship or that he has had four (4) years' occupational or on the job training equivalent to that of an electrician and is competent to execute the work to a successful conclusion will be rated as a journeyman electrician.

## Electricians' Work

57.2 Electricians' work shall include electric wiring, maintaining, rebuilding, repairing, inspecting and installing all generators, switchboards, meters, motors and controls, motor generators, magnetos, igniters, electric welding machines, electric headlights and headlight generators, storage batteries, axle lighting equipment, and welding on work generally recognized as electricians' work. electricians' work. Locomotive remote control equipment, fire alarms, electric clocks, electric lighting fixtures, winding armatures, fields, magnet ails, rotors, transformers and starting compensators. Inside and outside wiring of shops, buildings,, yards and on structures, all electric wiring and conduit work in connection therewith, including steam, gas electric, diesel electric and electric locamotives, passenger trains, motor cars, electric tractors and trucks and buses. Repairs to wiring of ignition for internal combustion engines, magnetic, electronic and all other types of electric control. Electric cable splicers, and all other work generally recognized as being electricians' work.

An electrician will not necessarily be an armature winder or lineman.

**57.3** Include regular apprentices in **connection** with electrical workers.

# Electricians' Helpers

57.4 Helpers work shall consist of helping electricians' and apprentices in regular electrician work, and such battery work as may be agreed upon. The helper will work under the direction of the electrician or apprentice when assigned to then by the supervisor concerned.

When no experienced electrical helpers are available or cannot be called, helpers from other classification, if available, will be used.

57.5 An electrical employee from within the craft promoted to temporary electrician may, after having accumulated four (4) years' experience as an electrician, be given the qualifying test of the craft and if successful will be placed on the electricians' permanent seniority list and will be credited with one (1) year's seniority as of the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience and will forfeit all seniority rights in the classification or classifications from which promoted as of that date.

57.6 In the event that the foregoing does not provide enough electricians to met the requirements of the service, other employees my be transferred or hired as temporary electricians in training subject to their ability to successfully complete the required entrance examination in accordance with the provisions of Rule 23.

Such employees shall have their names included on the electricians' helpers seniority list as of the date they became trainee electricians and will be subject to displacement as qualified electricians become available. Upon completion of four (4) years' service as an electrician such employee will be required to pass the craft qualifying test and if successful will have his name included on the permanent electricians' seniority list and will be credited with one (1) year's seniority from the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience and will forfeit all seniority in the helper's classification as of that date.

57.7 In the application of Rules 57.8 and 57.9 an employee shall within thirty (30) days after the date he accumulated the four (4) years' experience as an electrician be required to sign an option to either accept or decline permanent promotion as an electrician. In the event that such employee declines promotion or fails to pass the craft qualifying test he shall be required to revert to the former classification from which promoted.

As the exigencies of the service dictate, an employee who previously declined promotion my be given the opportunity to sign an option to accept permanent promotion as an Electrician. Such employee will be required to pass the craft Qualifying test and if successful shall have his name included on the

Electricians' permanent seniority list. He will be credited with me (1) year's seniority from the date he completed the test and will forfeit his seniority in the classification or classifications from which promoted as of that date.

#### Electrical Workers Assigned to Work at Wrecks

57.8 In cases of wrecks where electric or diesel electric locomotives are disabled, an electrician, if required, shall accompany the wrecker. They shall work under the direction of the wreck foreman. They will be paid as per Rule 6 while working at wrecks, or in charge of wrecked engines.

## Protection of Employees

- **57.9** Men engaged in the handling of storage batteries and mixing acid must be provided with acid-proof rubber gloves, hip boots and aprons. Men who clean parts in lye vats will be supplied with gloves.
- 57.10 When it becomes necessary to work on live wires or apparatus in excess of three hundred (300) volts electrician shall not work alone. Where practicable two (2) qualified electricians shall work together. Rubber gloves, splicing hoods, and other protective mats and sticks shall be supplied.

## Electrical Workers Entering the Apprenticeship Program

57.11 (a) Electrical workers who have worked in the craft for not less than three (3) years consisting of a total of seven hundred and twenty-six (726) working days may if able to meet the other entrance requirements for regular apprentices apply for apprentice training in the craft. If selected they

shall be given a credit of one (1) year and serve an apprenticeship of three (3) years made up of six (6) terms of nine hundred (900) hours each, or a total of five thousand four hundred (5400) hours. No other credits will be allowed. In the event two (2) or more applications are received. preference will be given firstly to applicants from the seniority terminal and secondly to applicants from the System, except as may be mutually agreed between the appropriate Officer of the Railway and the Business Manager.

- (b) An electrical worker entering the apprentice training program will have his seniority protected in the classification from which promoted during his term of apprenticeship but shall not be permitted to return to his former classification except in the case of reduction of staff or if unsuitable as an apprentice in accordance with Rule 31.8. An apprentice who due to a reduction in staff is returned to his former classification will, when an increase in staff permits, be obligated to resume his apprentice training.
- (c) Except as otherwise provided for herein, the apprentice rules covering regular apprentices shall also apply to these apprentices.

#### FULL-TIE FIRST AID ATTENDANTS' SPECIAL RULES

- 58. Full-Tim First Aid Attendants' work shall consist of First-Aid work commensurate with the Workers' Compensation Board First-Aid regulations. Full-Tim First Aid Attendants shall perform all clerical duties necessary to complete accident and first-aid reports and maintain the required records. Full-Tim First Aid Attendants are required to do all other work generally recognized as Full-Tim first Aid Attendants' work, including duties related to safety.
- 58.2 Part-time First Aid Attendants exclusively engaged in first-aid work may be employed by the Railway to work on an "as and when required" basis. Such part-time First Aid Attendants shall be paid the applicable rates as set forth in this Agreement for hours worked but shall not accumulate seniority as full-time First Aid Attendants. A "work week" for a part-time First Aid Attendant shall man a period of seven (7) consecutive days starting with Sunday. Hours worked by part-time First Aid Attendants in excess of eight (8) hours in any one day or in excess of forty (40) lours in a work week shall be paid at the appropriate overtime rate.
- 58.3 The following rules only as contained in the Collective Agreement shall apply to full-time First Aid Attendands"

Rule 1 (Clause 1.1 to 1.6 inclusive) Rule 2 Rule 3

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58.4 In addition to the provisions contained in the above itemized rules, the parties agree to revise and amend Rule 23 - Seniority for the purpose of providing .
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applicable seniority rules for  $\ensuremath{\text{fulltime}}$  First Aid Attendants.

**58.5** Full-Tim First Aid Attendants required to take certificate renewal courses as prescribed by *the* Workers' **Compensation Board** in order to **maintain** their certificates in **good** standing shall **be reimbursed** the fees for **such** courses. Attendance at certificate **renewal** courses is **subject** to the approval of the appropriate Railway Officer at **Squamish.** It is understood that certificate **renewal** courses shall be taken on the employee's own time.

## LABOURERS' SPECIAL RULES

**59.1** The subsections of this Rule **59** will apply to the **following classifications**:

Steam Plant Operators
Degreaser Operators
Labourers (Locomotive and Car Departments)

- 59.2 Should an employee enter the service in the classification of a Steam Plant Operator, he shall be accorded a seniority date in the lower classifications according to such date of entry into service.
- **59.3** An employee promoted from a lower to higher classification as outlined in Rule **59.1**, shall retain and continue to accumulate seniority in the classification from which promoted.
- 59.4 Employees accepting promotion to the Helpers' classification will have their names retained on the seniority list from which promoted and will continue to accumulate seniority. Upon accepting promotion to the Helpers' classification, such employees will be obliged to continue in the Helpers' classification as long as their seniority permits then and will only be allowed to revert and exercise their seniority for medical reasons or upon reduction of staff.

"Labourers hired after January 1, 1982 and promoted to Helpers' classification shall, after ninety (90) consecutive calendar days as a Helper forfeit their seniority as a Labourer".

59.5 Labourers represented by the U.A. local 170 in the Railway's Locomotive and Car Departments will be giver the following protections:

- (a) They will not be replaced by labourers represented by any other constituent **Union** of the **Council**.
- (b) Their rates of pay will be maintained in accordance with the rates provided far in this agreement.

## GENERAL

60.1 After the current closure of the Railwest Manufacturing Company Plant, should the Railwest building be used by the B.C. Railway as a car repair facility or car manufacturing plant, the collective agreement between the Railway and the Council of Trade Unions of behalf of the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada, Local No. 170, Metal Trades Division, will apply.

## RULE 61

## JURISDICTIONAL UNDERSTANDING

**61.1** It is understood and agreed between the parties signatory hereto that any alterations or amendments herein proposed in work classification are far the purposes of clarification and rate fixing only, and shall not be interpreted as affecting or disturbing in any manner the jurisdictional understanding and practices between the Signatory Unions, parties to this Agreement, as now exists, or may hereafter be agreed between the Unions themselves.

## **PROCEDURE**

62.1 For the carrying cut of this Agreement the Railway will deal only with the officers duly authorized to act on behalf of the Council of Trade Unions signatory to this Agreement. Grievances or the application or interpretation of the provisions of this Agreement will initially be handled by the officers duly authorized to act on behalf of the Council of Trade Unions signatory to this agreement.

## RULE 63

# ADDITION, DELETION OR REVISION OF RULES

63.1 Nothing in this Agreement prevents the addition, deletion or revision of any provision thereof during the ten of the Agreement and the representatives of the British Columbia Railway Company and of the employees shall met within thirty (30) days at the request of either Party for that purpose. If mutual agreement cannot be reached on any addition, deletion or revision of any particular provision, consideration of the proposed change in the provision shall be deferred for the term of the collective agreement.

## SCOPE OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL RULES

**64.1** Except as provided for **under** the special **rules** of each craft, **the** general rules shall govern in all cases.

## RULE 65

## COVERAGE

Employees tho were in the service of the Railray on October 5, 1981 ar who were employed subsequent thereto, shall, providing they have not been dismissed from the service or left the service of their own accord prior to date of signing this Agreement be entitled to any amount of increased compensation that my be due them under the terms of this Agreement for time worked subsequent to October 4, 1981.

Employees the rare in the service of the Railray on October 5, 1981, or who were employed subsequent thereto and who have been dismissed from the service or left the service of their own accord prior to signatory date of the Agreement, shall be entitled to any amount of increased compensation that may be due than under the terms of this Agreement for the time worked subsequent to October 4, 1981, providing they make application to the Railway within ninety (90) days following signatory date of this Agreement.

## TERM OF AGREEMENT

Except for the wage increase coming into effect on October 5. 1981, and except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall be in full force and effect from the first day on February A.D. 1982 until the fifth day of February, A.D. 1984 and shall remain in full force and effect from year to year thereafter PROVIDED THAT either Party may, not less than ninety (90) days and not more than one hundred and twenty (120) days immediately preceding the fifth day of February

A.D. 1984 or immediately preceding any succeeding fifth day of February thereafter, by written notice to the other Party:

- (a) require the other Party to commence collective bargaining with a view to the conclusion of a renewal or revision of the Collective Agreement, or a new Collective Agreement.
- (b) terminate the Agreement on the next succeeding anniversary date thereof, and require the other Party to commence collective barganining with the view aforesaid; or
- (c) terminate the Agreement on the next succeeding anniversary date thereof.

The benefits provided in item 5 (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) on page 2 and page 3 of the memorandum of settlement dated October 16, 1981 are effective January 1, 1982.

Except where an article indicates its effective date, all revisions from the previous agreement and all new rules will become effective on the 16th day of November, 1981.

Should either Party give written notice to the other Party pursuant to subsection (a) hereof, this Agreement shall thereof continue in full force and effect until the Council shall give notice of strike, or the Railway shall give notice of lock at, or the Parties shall conclude a renewal or revision of the Agreement or a new Collective Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF duly authorized officers and/or representatives of the parties hereby affix their signatures to this Collective Agreement. this day of 1982 A.D., FOR THE COUNCIL OF TRADE UNIONS ON THE BRITICH COLUMBIA

RAILWAY:

FOR THE UNITED ASSOCIATION JOURNEYMEN AND APPRENTICES

FOR TE BRITISH COLUMBIA RATEWAY:

OF THE PLUMBING AND PIPEFITTING INDUSTRY OF

THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA,

LOCAL NO. 170, METAL TRADES

DIVISION:

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## LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

June 24, 1971

Mr. J.H. Clark,
President & Secretary-Treasurer,
Division No. 4 Railway
Employees' Dept. - A.F.L. - C.I.O.
1410 Stanley Street, Rooms 313-314
Montreal 110, Quebec.

Dear Sir:

The following letter will be sent to line management:

"During the negotiations with the Shopcraft Unions pertaining to their demand on restricting the right of the Railray to contract out work, the Unions were informed that the Railway was not prepared to accede to their demand.

In the course of the discussion the Railway agreed to issue instructions to all Company Officers concerned to the effect that when the Railway decides to contract  $\alpha t$  work on a regular basis that is presently aid normally performed by employees covered by Wage Agreement No. 15, the Union would be advised when practicable as far in advance of the date contracting is contemplated as is possible.

# Letter of Understanding - cont'd

If the Union representative requests a meeting to discuss matters relating to the contracting, the Company shall promptly meet him for that purpose.

The purpose of this understanding io to provide that the Company advise the Unions of Contracting whenever practicable and if the Union and demonstrate that the work could be performed just as efficiently and economically by Railway forces as by contract the matter of contracting out the particular work concerned would tie reviewed."

The foregoing shall not restrict the right of the Company to contract out work."

Yours truly,

"R.E. Richmond R.E. Richmond Chief Industrial Relations Officer

## LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

Squarmish, 8.C.

78-07-25

File: 8325

Mr. N.D. Farley, Business Representative, Local Union 170 5170 Victoria Drive, Vancouver, B.C.

V5P 3V3 Dear Sir:

Please be advised that grievances submitted an behalf of employees within the jurisdiction of your organization, for non-payment of the 30 minute lurch period, will be settled on the same basis as provided for in the understanding reached with the Brotherhood of Railway Cam, on July 12th, 1978, that is:-

"In Main Shops it will be necessary for an employee to be an duty for five (5) hours to qualify for the thirty (30) minute paid lurch period. It is understood that the five (5) hours on duty will include the thirty (30) minute paid lunch period."

The above  ${\it understanding}$  will also apply in future instances.

SJP/hs cc: M. Suter G.L. Kelly T. Teichman "S.J. Pudney"
S.J. Pudney,
Personnel Resources
Officer - Mechanical
Division - System,

# LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

Mr. N.D. Farley, Business Agent, Local Union 170, 310 - Clyde Avenue West Vancouver, B.C.

Metal Trades Div. of the Plumbing & Pipefitting Ind Vancouver. B.C. May 12, 1981

Dear Sir:

The letter of Understanding dated May 6, 1977 is withdrawn.

This will serve to confirm our understanding that the provisions of Rule 23.13 of the Collective Agreement is interpreted to mean that an apprentice who has completed his apprenticeship shall have the right to exercise his seniority at his seniority terminal to displace a junior employee of his craft in the designated work area of his choice.

Employees who commence an apprenticeship after January 1. 1982 will upon completion of their apprenticeship. be only allowed to displace the juntor employee of their craft at their seniority terminal.

Please indicate your concurrence by signing in the place provided.

Yours truly, I CONCUR:

"P.A. MacDonald" "N.D. Farley"

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Vice President

Labour Relations :g1

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## LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

Mr. N.D. Farley,
Business Agent,
local Union 170,
Metal Trades Div. of the
Plumbing & Pipefitting Ind.
5170 Victoria Drive,
Vancouver, B.C.
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Ste. 210-545 Clyde Ave.
West Vancouver, B.C.

USA Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

This will serve to confirm our understanding reached at our meting of July 11, 1977, that the provisions of Rule 23.26 of the collective agreement is interpreted to mean that employees within seven (7) calendar days after their return from approved leave of absence, including annual vacation or absence because of illness or injury my exercise their seniority rights if qualified to any position bulletined during their absente.

Yours truly,

I CONCUR:

T. Teichman,

Manager - Labour Relations

N. D. Farley