

WASH TELEGRAM

DATE: JUN 29 1965

GNP CCE JLR NJS MRC DMW JEA JAT KRP GVG JFL CHB RAY RCR VCP ASP SNE - St Paul  
 MAW JRG NHH - Spokane  
 RST VME DMC RPN MFC ACM KDR - Wenatchee  
 ANF JUL BMT - Everett  
 JWW HGW WB - Interbay  
 QMR RRS TUM WLS LJS SFM JDM HP AN DMA LGR NPK SFS LGEJ RWW RJC - Seattle  
 MAW MGC WIM CWF UD Yd WFN RJB MMS GS - Seattle  
 PSN WAS - Milw Tacoma  
 Dnprs A-B  
 SMM - Seattle EHN - Tacoma DLL - Portland

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1965 JUN 29 AM 6 01

555PM date 83-26 Eng 3035-2503-2503-3036-714 Cond'r Jensen Engr Vanderpool with  
 helper engine 4481GBA Engr Williams cut into train 37 cars ahead of caboose  
 derailed the 2 trailing units of helper engine and the following 20 cars  
 immediately behind helper engine at WP 1726.4 at Old ~~Track~~ <sup>Jorga</sup> about 4 miles east  
 of Skykomish:

- GN 71333 coke Tacoma, PRR 439983 steel beams Seattle, GN 71835 mty hopper  
 Seattle, SHPX 4896 mty tank Tacoma, GN K1360 and K1368 mty tanks Interbay,  
 GN 21601 wheat Seattle, PI 147598 wheat Seattle, ERO 331990 barley Portland,  
 GN 10753 wheat Portland, ATSF 66482 steel rods Seattle, RFTX 900638 autos Seattle  
 GN 48111 feed Portland, GN 44112 feed Tacoma, GN 12949 flour Tacoma, GN 46410  
 feed Tacoma, GN 60237 mty TOFC flat Tacoma, PLE 22858 meal Tacoma, ATSF 273806  
 wheat Portland, LV 62271 wheat Portland.

All cars went down bank except ATSF 66482 RFTX 900638 GN 48111 or 46410 and  
 GN 60237 which are crosswise to track PLE 22858 and ATSF 273806 which are  
 partially down bank but fouling track and LV 62271 which has west pair of trucks  
 derailed.

24 rail lengths of track heavily damaged. No personal injuries. Cause of  
 derailment unknown.

Derrick departed Interbay 745PM. Kalispell Divn derrick departed Milliyard 840PM.  
 Wenatchee local taking one car of ties and flat car with two D-7 cats to scene of  
 derailment. Expect to have line clear about 11AM.

83-26 with head out of 56 loads 4 mty 3192 tons departed Skykomish 830PM.

97-27 arrived Scenic 625PM pulled rear cut 17 cars #83's train back to Scenic  
 then took combined trains back to Merritt so as to leave Scenic siding clear.  
 Eastbound TOFC and 88-29 tied up at Interbay.

#27 arrived Wenatchee 650PM 3 buses with psgrs from this train departed 800PM  
 1010PM and 1015PM respectively for Seattle. Truck with mail and bags departed  
 Wenatchee 645PM. Will handle #27's equlpt from Wenatchee to Seattle after line  
 cleared.

Detouring #28 via Milw Spokane to Spokane and detouring #5 and #31 consolidated  
 via Milw Spokane to Seattle.

Psgr Dept arranging for bus to leave Seattle on #28's time and bus to leave  
 Spokane on #31's time to handle intermediate psgrs.

Weather cloudy lite west wind 64 above.  
 As of 1030PM have further information that it will now be about 500PM before  
 line can be cleared as portion of mainline grade is completely gone and will  
 require about ten cars of fill material.

Further information to follow NO-878 copy all

R H Shoher 1045PM

FAST TELEGRAM

Seattle June 30 1965

CEF CCB JLR HJS MBC DFM JTA JAT-2 RWP GVG JFL CMB RAJ ECR VCP ASP SRB -StPaul  
HAW JRG HHH NDL - Spokane  
RCT VWB DNC EPN MJC ACM KDR - Wenatchee  
ANF JJJ BEC - Everett  
JWW MGW WB - Interbay  
GMR RBS TWM WLS LJS SJM JDM HF AH FMA LGR NFK SFS LGEJ RWW RWM WAW CSB SMM  
-Seattle

FF - Interbay  
DLL - Portland  
EHN - Tacoma

Further regarding derailment east of Skykomish: In addition to LV 62271, carload bulk wheat, rerailed 5:30AM June 29, also rerailed ATSF 66482, carload steel rods, 9:45AM date. Rerailed GN 60237, empty TOFC with Van, at 1:30PM date.

Will require use of Hillyard derrick and Interbay derrick until about Friday when expect move out hospital train with damaged cars.

Using derricks during daytime, suspending train operation all possible to assist with positioning and rerailing of equipment. Also using Evacuator to transfer grain and meal to other cars, and will use slings to handle autos with some crews working at night with X-1843 in transferring and handling loadings.

Estimated damage to cars and loss of lading in air mail date to you date.

Cy all CD-26

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(NOT TO BE TRANSMITTED)

LV 62271	Lading no loss. Car OK with only minor safety appliance damage.
ATSF 273806	20% loss of lading. \$2000 damage to car.
PLE 22858	60% loss of lading. \$2000 damage to car.
GN 60237	Estimated \$1000 damage to car and estimated \$100 damage to trailer Van.
GN 46410	Estimate 50% loss of lading (Evacuator saving 50%) with car totally destroyed. Built Sept 1947 Estimate \$5000.
GN 12949	20% loss of lading with \$2500 damage to car.
GN 44112	100% loss of car and lading. Built September 1947
GN 48111	Same. <span style="float: right;">damage</span>
RTIX 900638	Autos 40% loss of lading and estimated \$13000.00/to car.
ATSF 66482	Steel rods. No loss of lading. Estimated \$2000 damage to <span style="float: right;">car</span>
GN 10753	Estimate 20% loss of lading. (Using Evacuator) Total loss of car. Built Sept. 1947
B&O 381930	Total 100% loss of car and lading. Unable locate built date.
RI 147598	Bulk wheat. 40% loss of lading (Using Evacuator) Total loss of car. Built Dec. 1941.

GN 21601 Bulk wheat. 30% loss of lading. (Using Evacuator)  
Car total loss. Built Oct. 1953.

GNX 1368 Empty tank. Total loss. Built May 1939

GNK 1360 Same

SHPK 4896 Empty tank. Built March 1952. Estimate \$4000 damage to car.

GN 71835 Empty hopper. Estimate \$6000 damage to car.

PRR 439983 Carload steel beams. Loss of lading negligible. \$2000 damage  
to car. Built Aug. 1961.

GN 71333 Estimate 40% loss of contents. Estimate \$6000 damage to car.  
Built Nov. 1962.

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PAST TELEGRAM

Seattle June

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GEF GCB JLR NJS MEC DFM JTA JAT-2 RNP GVG JFL CHB RAJ LGR VOP ASP 32-StPaul  
HAW JRG HHI - Spokane  
ROF VWB INC EPN MJC AGM KDR - Wenatchee  
ANF JJL BEC - Everett  
JWW MQW WB - Interbay  
CMR RBS TMM WLS LJS SJM JDM HF AH FWA LGR NFK SPS LAEJ RWW RJC - Seattle  
MAW MCC WDM CWT UDEJ WJN RJB HHE GS CSB - Seattle SMM  
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My NO-878 date. Hilliard Derrick arrived Scenic 6:15AM date. Derrick from Interbay arrived Scenic 12:01AM.

Diesel Units 448Dog-Charlie not derailed. Handled into Skykomish.  
Diesel Unit 448Baker rerailed 2:45AM and Unit 448Able rerailed 8:20AM  
All four units on Local Skykomish to Interbay date.

LV 62271 wheat Portland east end derailment rerailed 5:30AM and handled to Scenic.

Exact location derailment 150 feet west MP-1727 on tangent track, location old siding Tonga.

Track panels in place and shoe-fly established for service OK 1:35PM date.

Work Train and Local handling material to rebuild roadbed and track.

Expect tie up both derricks at Skykomish tonight, go to work early Wednesday morning, June 30, to rerailed cars.

Waybill reference of all cars involved by air mail date.

Cy all CD-937 R H Shoher 4 30PM

(NOT TO BE TRANSMITTED)

LV 62271 Carload bulk wheat from Farmers Union Grain Terminal Assn. Shelby, Montana. WB-2750 of June 24 to Peavy Co., Portland.

ATSF 273806 Bulk wheat from same to same except WB-2790.

PLE 22858 Bulk soybean meal from Cargill, Inc., Wichita, Kas. NO PAC WB-19627 of June 11 to Western Farmers, Tacoma, Wn.

GN 60237 Empty TOFC from Agent, G.N., Grt Falls, Montana. Memo-waybill June 25 to Agent at Tacoma, Wn.

GN 46410 Carload feed from General Mills, Grt. Falls, Montana. WB-0405 to General Mills at Tacoma.

GN 12949 Carload flour from General Mills, Great Falls, WB-C402 June 25 to General Mills, Tacoma, Wn.

GN 44112 Carload feed Montana Fir Mills, Great Falls.  
WB-0413 of June 25 to General Mills, Tacoma.

GN 44111 Bulk feed Montana Fir Mills, Great Falls. WB-0411 of  
June 25 to Western Farmers Assn., Portland.

RSTX 900638 Carload autos Ford Motor Co., Birmingham, Mo.  
Wabash WB-20955 of June 22 to Ford Motor Co., c/o Convey,  
Seattle.

AKSF 66482 Carload steel rods Colorado Fuel & Iron, Minnequa, Colo.  
Colorado & Wyoming WB-10341 of June 16 to United Inter-  
national Corp., Seattle.

GN 10753 Carload bulk wheat F.U.G.T.A., Great Falls, WB-0419  
of June 25, to Centennial Mills, Portland.

B&O 381930 Bulk barley General Mills, Great Falls, WB-0406 of June 25  
to Peavy Company, Portland, Oregon.

RI 147590 Bulk wheat, Greeley Elev. Co., Ft. Benton, Montana.  
WB-4990 of June 21 to Fisher Flour, Seattle, Wn.

GN 21601 Bulk wheat, F.U.G.T.A., Uln, Montana. WB-918 of June 23  
to Fisher Flour, Seattle, Wn.

GNX 1368 Empty tank GN Rwy., Whitefish WB-4651 of June 26 to G.N. Rwy.,  
Interbay.

GNX 1300 Empty tank GN Rwy., Whitefish WB-4652 of June 26 to G.N. Rwy.,  
Interbay.

SHPX 4896 Empty tank Hline Acid Co., Cut Bank, Montana. Memo-waybill  
dated June 25 to Reichelz Chem Corp., Tacoma, Wn.

GN 71835 Empty hopper, Agent GN-Hillyard. WB-1919 of June 26  
Consigned Fisher Flour, Seattle, Wn.

PRR 439983 Carload steel beams U.S.S. Corp., South Chicago, Ill.  
EJ&E Waybill 418678 of June 13 to Isaacsen Iron Works,  
Seattle, Wn.

GN 71333 Carload coke from Kaiser Alum Corp., Hillyard. WB-6781 of  
June 24 to Kaiser Alum, Tacoma, Wn.

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SEATTLE WASH JUNE 30th 1965

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ANF JJL BEC EVERETT  
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MAW MCC WDM CWT UDYARD WJN RJB HHB GS CSB SMM SEATTLE  
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Further my NC-878 June 28th CD-937 June 29th derailment 4 miles East of Skykomish. Shoo fly in service 135PM June 29th speed restriction of 10 MPH and all traffic moving normal except for about 30 minutes delay at Shoo fly. Expect to start rerailling derailed cars after No 31 passes Skykomish date. Copy all NC- 302.

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Seattle, July 1, 1965

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- Seattle

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Further my NC 878, after considerable inspection now determined tight air hose on RTTX 900638 autos, 12th car behind helper engine, pinched on curves causing air to set up twice subsequent to departure Scenic with two rather severe run ins. Upon approaching MP 1724 moving approximately 20 MPH with dynamic braking on all units but trailing unit of helper, appears air set up ON RTTX 900638 while traversing curve just east of old Tonga sufficient to cause heavy run in. At the same time PRR 439983 steel beams second car behind helper shows evidence of truck side dragging against rail for distance of 350 feet. Further find both center castings show evidence of old breaks. Both center castings broken loose from bolsters. Helper was cut in 37 cars ahead of caboose. Feel that intermittent air difficulty caused hard run in which in turn caused PRR 439983 to fail and this in turn caused derailment of car next ahead and trailing two units plus the balance of 18 cars trailing PRR 439983. No defects in other equipment or track. Shoo fly constructed and as of 230 PM date we have rerailed two units of helper, LV 62271, ATSF 66482, GN 60237. Also have uprighted and evacuated ATSF 273806 into CS 13764; also PLE 22858 evacuated into LNE 8255. GN 46401 and GN 48111 upright and set over on trucks readily available for rerailing. This leaves balance of 13 cars scattered various distances averaging 50 to 100 feet down bank. Using evacuator to transload grain cars involved to assist in better salvage and speed up rerailing process. Utilizing Hillyard and Interbay derricks together with two D-7 cats and one D-6 cat to rerail. Anticipate rerailing 5 cars Friday, 5 cars Saturday and complete early Sunday. Will return Hillyard derrick Saturday night if at all possible. McCorkindale advises \$40,000 total lading damage of which \$25,000 involves automobiles. Delayed in rerailing account necessary unload autos from RTTX car with slings. Likarish advises \$27,500 damage, \$50,000 destroyed, for total of \$77,500 equipment loss. Will advise re track damage and rerailing costs when available. Formal investigation set 10 AM Monday. A 22 cy all

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