

INSPECTION TRIPS ON MILWAUKEE ROAD St. Paul - Seattle and Return

TC 261, St. Paul, Wed., Aug. 22, 1973 1st 262, Othello, Thurs., Sept. 6, 1973

St. Paul, Minnesota August 15, 1973

Mr. L. W. Menk Mr. R. W. Downing Mr. N. M. Lorentzsen

Mr. W. H. Lang

Mr. Parker Gilbert

Mr. A. L. Stott

Plans are now firmed up for your forthcoming trip over the Milwaukee Road beginning August 22, and the assignment of space on the business cars for this trip is attached.

While the train is scheduled to depart from Daytons Bluff Yard at 10:00 P.M. on August 22, it is very likely that the departure will be significantly earlier than that time. It is my recommendation that you be on board the train by 7:00 P.M. Possibly you will want to have dinner on board and I will alert the crews of these cars to be prepared to serve dinner Wednesday evening for you.

It is my understanding that Messrs. Downing, Stott, Gilbert and Lorentzsen will detrain at Othello where transportation will be available on Friday, August 24 to take you to Moses Lake to board the Jet-Star for return to Minneapolis.

On arrival at Black River, the business car YELLOWSTONE RIVER will be handled by a switch engine for delivery to King Street Station where the car will be set for occupancy by Mr. Menk until 8:00 A.M., Sunday, August 26. The MILWAUKEE and KOOTENAI RIVER will continue on Advanced 261 to Tacoma where they will be set out on the business car track in the Tacoma Shop area. Any transportation required from these business cars will be available at Tacoma.

The Milwaukee Road train at Daytons Bluff will be made up on Track 3. There is a roadway along this track that will facilitate your boarding the

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business cars and getting your luggage on board. Representatives of the Milwaukee Road and Burlington Northern will be available to assist.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Thomas J. Lamphier

Attach.

cc:

Mr. L. V. Anderson Mr. J. T. Hayes Mr. R. G. Johnson Mr. W. R. Allen Mr. R. A. Beulke

Mr. William J. Quinn:

Mr. Downing phoned this morning about the trip west.

Mr. Lamphier's wife is having an operation and he will not be available to go west. Mr. Downing said they would like to take advantage of the opportunity to invite their new finance chairman, Mr. Alex Stott to come on the trip and they have done so.

The BN does not plan to bring any secretary on the trip and Mr. Downing wondered if you would like to have John come along.

Mr. Downing is also thinking of the possibility of himself and Mr. Lorentzsen, and thought you might also be interested, in leaving the trip Friday night, probably at Othello. He would have their plane at Moses Lake to fly to the Twin Cities and he thought they could be back there by 11:30 p.m. or midnight. He thought that this would be preferable to a Saturday morning trip and that there would be nothing to see particularly after Othello where the train is due at 6:00 p.m. He is arranging to have the plane available and will discuss it with you when you return.

Original Signed By
J. T. Hayes

Chicago - August 3, 1973 PERSONAL Mr. G. H. Kronberg Mr. E. J. Stoll Messrs. Villiam J. Quinn and L. V. Menk are planning a trip out of St. Paul about August 22 through to Seattle. Attached is a statement that Mr. Cullen prepared for a trip made early this year with the BN Committee. Would appreciate it if you would review it and make any corrections necessary to bring it up to date and add mything that you think would be of interest. I believe it will be quite a group, including our financial advisors on this trip. Original Signed By J. T. Hayes cc-Masers. F. G. McGinn L. V. Anderson

J. T. Hayes:

Mr. Menk and Mr. Quinn are planning to make a trip west, probably on Twin City 261, from St. Paul to Seattle, on August 21, 22 or 23. They will be taking two business cars and at this time it is not known whether they will be using one Milwaukee business car and one Burlington Northern business car, or two Burlington Northern business cars. The Burlington Northern business cars are equipped with cushion underframes which, of course, are more suitable for riding on the rear of freight trains.

If convenient, you should plan to make the trip. I also suggested that possibly Vince Anderson should be included in the party.

Tom Lamphier is expecting a call from you on this, probably tomorrow. However, in the event you might be planning to contact Tom today in connection with some other matter, you could discuss the proposed trip at the same time.

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YELLOWSTONE RIVER

A - L. W. Menk

B - W. J. Quinn

C - Parker Gilbert

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MILWAUKEE

A - N. M. Lorentzsen

B - L. V. Anderson

C - John Guest

D - Milwaukee Mechanical Supervisor

KOOTENAI RIVER

A - R. W. Downing

B - W. H. Lang

C - J. T. Hayes

D - A. L. Stott

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ADVANCE #261

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23 Ar. Lv.	Miles City Miles City	3:00 3:30		
23 Ar. Lv.	Harlowton Harlowton	8:30 9:00	_	
24 Ar.	Deer Lodge Deer Lodge	4:15 4:45		
ZY Ar.	Avery Avery	11:15 10:30		-
24 Ar.	Othello Othello	6:00 6:30	_	
25 Ar. Lv.	Black River Black River	1:00 1:30		
Sat W Ar.	Tacoma	4:00	a.m.	

WALWORTH, WIS.

Kikkoman International, Inc., is building a large food processing facility at this location. This will be one of the largest Japanese investments in the United States with the cost estimated in excess of \$12 million. Grand opening ceremonies are scheduled for Saturday, June 16. Traffic figures for this facility are still incomplete; however, we anticipate handling a substantial amount of inbound and outbound traffic from this plant.

RED WING, MINN.

On February 15 fire destroyed the Bay State Milling Company's flour mill at Red Wing. During 1972 we originated 1,231 carloads of flour mill products for an estimated \$106,477 in revenue and terminated 838 carloads of grain for \$245,096. Bay State Milling Company hope to meet their production requirements from their flour mills at Winona, Minn., and Leavenworth, Kan. In our contacts with Bay State Milling they felt that we should not suffer any appreciable losses in traffic and that every effort would be made to overcome our Red Wing traffic loss from their Winona mill.

RENVILLE, MINN.

Southern Minnesota Beet Growers Association announced on February 15 that they would begin construction of a \$40 million beet sugar processing plant at Renville on our line. Construction will start in the near future and is scheduled for completion in time to handle the 1974 beet crop. Preliminary traffic estimates indicate a net revenue to the Milwaukee Road of \$2,000,000 annually.

BIG STONE CITY, S.D.

Otter Tail Power Company is constructing a major power plant at Big Stone City which is scheduled for completion in the fall of 1974. When completed the Milwaukee Road will be operating daily unit trains of coal which will originate at Gascoyne, N.D.

ABERDEEN, S.D.

The Aberdeen Development Corporation has an Industrial Park consisting of over 100 acres which will be served exclusively by the Milwaukee Road. Thus far they have located two industries on this facility: Hub City Iron Company, who manufacture automobile parts, and Farmhand Industries, who manufacture agricultural implements.

ROUNDUP, MONTANA

At this location we have several coal mining operations that are in the developmental stages: Consolidated Coal Co. and Square Deal Co. both have extensive interests in this area. We have not handled any coal from Roundup mines since last fall due to many difficulties the operators had encountered account ecological restrictions and marketing problems.

Louisiana Pacific Co., headquartered at Portland, Ore., recently purchased the Midstates Development Co. at Roundup. Preliminary indications are that they will begin a major expansion of the present mill which will result in increased movement of lumber to eastern markets.

BUTTE, MONT.

The Butte Local Development Corporation is developing a 40-acre site located in the Butte Industrial Park which is served by the Milwaukee Road. This corporation has formed an organization known as the Port of Butte and has been working closely with the Port of Seattle for the handling of import and export traffic as well as domestic traffic. They plan to perform a storage service, re-loading from containers into cars and transferring merchandise from cars into overseas containers. This organization has just recently completed their first warehouse facility and several other facilities are in various planning stages. At present they are actively contacting possible users of thifacility and indications are that this will be a major development for the City of Butte and our railroad. We also might mention that the UP and BN will have access to this facility through a reciprocal switching agreement.

DEER LODGE, MONT.

Louisiana Pacific Co., headquartered at Portland, Ore., has purchased the Northern Timber Co., Deer Lodge. In our contacts with Louisiana Pacific Co. we are advised that they are studying plans to begin a major expansion of the facility at Deer Lodge, which will increase their production of finished lumber.

BONNER, MONT.

About a year ago, U.S. Plywood Corp. purchased from Anaconda Co. their mill at Bonner, Mont. They have since begun construction of the largest plywood mill in North America. Production is to begin at this new plant in the late fall of 1973. They also intend at a future date to construct a particle board plant at the same site. This plant is served by the Milwaukee Road and is open to reciprocal switching to the BN.

MOSES LAKE, WASH.

The Moses Lake Port District is actively attempting to attract new industries to their facility, which is the former Larson Air Force Base at Moses lake and is served exclusively by the Milwaukee Road. To date they have not attracted any major accounts; however, they are embarked upon a very extensive campaign and we are hopeful that this will result in a major development that will be mutually beneficial to Moses Lake and our railroad.

OTHELLO/McDONALD, WASH.

This area has enjoyed a very substantial growth in food processing plants. Major developments of importance have been the location of the American Potato Company's dried potato plant at McDonald and the continued expansion of Chef Reddy Foods at Othello.

ROYAL CITY, WASH.

The Milwaukee Road Land Company has an industrial park area located at Royal City which is in the developmental stages. Several small industries have located in this park and our Industrial Development people and Sales Department are continually working with various parties to attract new industry to this industrial park.

MORTON, WASH.

U.S. Plywood Company recently announced plans to build a new veneer plant to be located at Morton. Construction costs of this new plant are estimated at \$4 million and they hope to have this mill in production by the fourth quarter of this year.