

ST. LOUIS-SAN FRANCISCO RAILWAY COMPANY

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Claim Agent

April 8, 1971

DI 00007 - Rusty Frisco

Mr. Jack E. Pavey, Locomotive Engineer 3001 North Mosley Avenue, Wichita, Kansas

Dear Mr. Pavey:

I have been advised that you represent Rusty Frisco, Assistant to Lead Car Inspector at Wichita Yards, relative injury sustained at or near Wichita Roundhouse at about 3:00 a.m., on March 2, 1971.

I rather question the Railway's responsibility and/or liability in this instance as the weather conditions would, of course, be considered an act of God; also, the purpose or intent of Rusty's activities at this hour of morning could hardly be considered Railway connected.

However, inasmuch as understand that primarily through your care and consideration, Rusty has for all practical purposes recovered, and with hope of making amicable disposition of the matter, am in position to offer three juicy bones and a pound of "ground round" in settlement of this entire matter.

If you and your client are agreeable, please have Rusty bark twice, softly, upon my arrival at the Yards on next trip to Wichita and will arrange to consummate settlement.

Very truly yours,

Bale A. Sweet

Background: "Rusty", an abandoned mixed-breed dog was adopted by yard crews and hung out at the Frisco Yards, Wichita, being fed and nurtured by all. Rusty was injured while in the yards and taken to a local Vet for treatment, with the yard crews chipping in to pay the Vet bills. Jack Pavey, who provided the primary care for Rusty at the Frisco yards, brought humor to Rusty's situation with a claim letter to the Frisco Claims Agent, with the Claim Agent's follow up response above.