PUZZLE #20 — AT THE WATER TANK



All around the water tank,
Waiting for a train;
A thousand miles away from home,
Sleeping in the rain...

We were hiking along the Denver Midland tracks south of Denver when we met five hoboes. They were sitting around a campfire near a water tank and comparing notes on their recent travels. As one might expect in a logic puzzle, each hobo was originally from a different hometown, and each traveled to Denver by riding a freight train on a different railroad (one rode on the platform at the rear of the tender; the others each rode on or in a different type of freight car). Each hopes to spend the winter in a different city where he hopes the weather will be warmer.

Match up the name, hometown, destination, and freight car type and railroad for each hobo.

- 1. The guy going to Tucumcari is either Jack or the one who traveled most recently on the Burlington. Ned is either going to Tucumcari or is the one who rode a boxcar.
- 2. The hobo trying to get to El Paso is either from Pittsburgh or is the one who got here in a gondola. Either Dan or Jack is from Indianapolis. The hobo who rode the flat car is heading for either El Paso or Albuquerque.
- 3. The hobo who got here on the Colorado & Southern was riding in either a gondola or a box-car. Pete is the hobo from Pittsburgh.
- 4. The five hoboes are Slim; the one from Detroit; the one who arrived on the Union Pacific; the one who rode a flat car; and the one trying to get to Phoenix.
- 5. Either Ned or the guy who got here on a Burlington train is the one who rode in an automobile car. The hobo who hails from Newark is either named Jack or is the one who rode the U.P.
- 6. Either Dan or Slim rode the Missouri Pacific freight. The hobo from Chicago was riding on either the C&S or the Rock Island.

Name	Destination	Hometown	Railroad	Car
Dan				
Jack				
Ned				
Pete				
Slim				