Decision No. 12390

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK STAGE COMPANY of certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate passenger and express service between Three Rivers and Mineral King.



Application No. 8962

Farnsworth, McClure & Burke by H.BlMcClure for applicant.

BY THE COLMISSION:

OBINION

E. L. ASKIN and ORVAL OVERALL, doing business under the fictitious name of SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK STAGE COMPANY, in accordance with their application amended at the hearing have petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the operation by them of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and express between Three Rivers and Mineral King and intermediate points, together with the authority to link up and combine said proposed service with the stage service of said applicants now operated between Lemon Cove and Sequoia National Park.

A public hearing was conducted by Examiner Satterwhite at Visalia, the matter was duly submitted and is now ready for decision.

Applicants propose to charge rates and to operate under a time schedule in accordance with exhibits "A" and "B" attached to said application, and to use that certain equipment described

in exhibit "C". No one appeared in opposition to the granting of said application. The evidence in this proceeding shows that Mineral King is a resort which is visited during the summer period by a large number of tourists and pleasure seekers, and that there is no means of transportation save and except by private conveyance or automobile. It also appears that many campers camp along the route of this proposed service who would avail themselves of this stage line.

We are of the opinion that the application should be granted, not as a separate certificate, but as an extension of the present authorized rights of applicants, and that applicants should be allowed to combine said service with their present existing service in order that through transportation facilities may be afforded.

ORDER

A public hearing having been held in the above entitled proceeding, the matter having been submitted and being now ready for
decision.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by E.L. Askin and Orval Overall, doing business under the fictitious name of SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK STAGE COMPANY, of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and express between Three Rivers and Mineral King and intermediate points, together with the authority to link up and combine said proposed service with the stage service of said applicants now operated between Lemon Cove and Sequoia National Park, and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a cortificate of public convenience and necessity be, and the same hereby is granted, subject to the

following conditions:

- l. Applicants shall file with the Reilroad Commission within twenty days from date herein their schedule and tariffs covering said proposed service, which shall be in addition to the proposed schedules and tariffs accompanying the application, and shall set forth the date upon which the operation of the service hereby authorized will commence, which date shall be within thirty days from date hereof, unless time to begin operations is extended by formal supplemental order.
- 2. The rights and privileges herein authorized may not be discontinued, sold, leased, transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such discontinuance, sale, lease, transfer or assignment has first been secured.
- 3. No vehicle may be operated by applicants herein unless such vehicle is owned by said applicant or is leased by him under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 14 day of

1923.

Commissioners.