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Decision No. 13133.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the matter of the application)
of Hodge and Santen for certi-)
ficate of public convenience and)
necessity to operate passenger ser-)
vice between Victorville and Oro)
Grande.)

Application No. 9754

BY THE COMMISSION

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Carl D. Hodge and Joseph E. Santen, co-partners, doing business under the name of Hodge and Santen, have filed an application with the Railroad Commission applying for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the operation of an automotive stage service between Victorville and Oro Grande. Applicant at the present time holds a certificate authorizing operation of passenger stage service between San Bernardino and Victorville, and the present application is in effect for an extension of this service to and including Oro Grande, a point situated approximately five miles north of Victorville.

The applicant sets forth as a justification for granting the certificate herein sought the allegation that there is located at Oro Grande a cement and lime plant which employs a large number of men, that the train service to and from Oro Grande is not sufficient to meet the transportation needs of the people employed there, and that a necessity exists for the service proposed. Accompanying the application are two communications, one from The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company, the other from the Union Pacific Railway Company, in which they state that they are not opposed to the granting of certificate herein sought.

In view of the above we are of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

HEREBY DECLARES, that public convenience and necessity require the operation by Carl D. Hodge and Joseph E. Santen, copartners, of an automotive stage line as a common carrier of passengers between Victorville and Oro Grande, as an extension of and in connection with their existing automotive stage service between San Bernardino and Victorville.

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

1- Applicant shall file its written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period not to exceed ten days from date hereof, and shall file within a period not to exceed twenty days from date hereof, in duplicate, tariff of rates and time schedules identical with the tariff of rates and time schedules attached to the application herein, and shall commence operation, under the certificate herein granted, within a period not to exceed thirty days from date hereof.

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, Carl D. Hodge, and Joseph E. Santen, co-partners, unless such vehicle is owned by said applicants or is leased by them under a contract or

agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11th day
of February, 1924.

C. Seaver

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J. T. Whittlesy
Commissioners