

Decision No. 13159

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the application
of T. J. CRONIN, operating and
doing business under the name and
style of MADERA-WAWONA STAGE LINE,
for a certificate of public con-
venience and necessity to operate
a freight line and an express line.)

ORIGINAL

Application No. 9396

Fee and Ring by W. C. Ring for Applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

T. J. Cronin, operating under the fictitious name of the Madera-Wawona Stage Line, has made application to the Railroad Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a freight line between Raymond and Awahnee, Nipinnawasee, Cedar Brook, Miami Lodge, Fish Camp and Wawona, and an express service in connection with his passenger service between Madera, Raymond, Awahnee, Nipinnawasee, Cedar Brook, Miami Lodge, Fish Camp and Wawona.

A public hearing herein was held by Examiner Williams at Madera.

At the hearing applicant amended his application, verbally, in order to request consolidation of all his rights between Madera and Raymond, and Raymond and Wawona, and also to correct certain details of his proposed express rate structure.

By Decision No. 5971 on Application No. 4234, applicant herein was granted a certificate to transport passengers, baggage and express matter between Raymond and Wawona. By Decision No. 7336

on Application No. 5261, applicant was granted a certificate to transport passengers, baggage and express between Madera and Raymond. By Decision No. 12484 on Application No. 8774 as modified by supplementary order No. 12756 applicant was granted a certificate to transport freight between Raymond and Wawona inclusive of all intermediate points. No further consideration of freight operation between Raymond and Wawona, therefore, appears necessary.

Applicant also requests permission to carry express matter upon his passenger stages but as this privilege has already been granted through previous decisions we can find no necessity for reiterating it. Applicant does, however, ask a certificate to maintain express service in connection with his passenger service between Madera and Wawona and intermediate points as a continuous operation. Because of this request he deemed it proper verbally to amend his application in order to consolidate his operations between Madera and Wawona into one continuous service. Raymond is served by rail via Southern Pacific Railway by its branch line from Berenda. Express matter is handled in the same manner. The consolidation of the certificate rights heretofore granted applicant by Decisions Numbers 5971, 7336, 12484 and 12756 would not, in our judgement, be to the injury of any other rail or stage service and would be to the advantage of the public in operating efficiency and through service. By such a consolidation applicant would have continuous passenger, baggage and express service in his passenger vehicles.

between Madera and Wawona and intermediate points and would have freight service between Raymond and Wawona and intermediate points but no freight carrying privilege between Madera and Raymond; nor would the consolidation include the certificate granted under Decision No. 12484, for passenger, baggage and express service between Raymond and Knowles.

While applicant did not produce any witnesses other than himself it appears that the relief sought by him is a readjustment of his operations that will better meet public needs. The service has been long established and is without competition except as heretofore indicated. The present application was without protest from any source.

O R D E R

T. J. Cronin, operating under the fictitious name of the Madera-Wawona Stage Line having made application to the Railroad Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a freight line between Raymond, Awahnee, Nipinnawasee, Cedar Brook, Miami Lodge, Fish Camp and Wawona and an express service in connection with his passenger service between Madera, Raymond, Awahnee, Nipinnawasee, Cedar Brook, Miami Lodge, Fish Camp and Wawona, and for a consolidation of all his rights between Madera and Wawona into one continuous operation, a public hearing having been held, the matter having been duly submitted and now being ready for decision,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that public necessity and convenience require the operation by applicant of an express service in connection with

his passenger service between Madera, Raymond, Awahnoe, Niyinnawasee, Cedar Brook, Miami Lodge, Fish Camp and Wawona said express service to be conducted upon the passenger stages of applicant only and,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FURTHER DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the consolidation of all the rights of said applicant as heretofore granted by Decisions No. 5971, 7336, 12484 and 12756 and that a certificate therefor be and the same hereby is granted, provided, however, that such consolidation of rights in no way authorizes the transportation of freight between Madera and Raymond.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in all other respects the application be and the same hereby is denied.

The certificate herein granted is granted subject to the following conditions:-

- I. - That applicant, T. J. Cronin, shall file within fifteen (15) days with this Commission, his written stipulation accepting the certificate herein granted.
- II. - That applicant, T. J. Cronin, shall file within twenty (20) days from the date hereof, duplicate tariff of rates and time schedules, in accordance with General Order No. 51 of the Railroad Commission, and that operation of such service shall begin within a period of thirty (30) days from the date hereof.
- III. - That applicant, T. J. Cronin, shall not sell, lease, assign, or discontinue the service herein authorized, unless such sale, lease, assignment, or discontinuance shall have been authorized by the Railroad Commission.
- IV. - That no vehicle shall be operated by applicant unless such vehicles are

owned by said applicant, or are leased
under an agreement satisfactory to the
Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 15th
day of February, 1923.

C. Seaver

H. B. Boudige

J. Whitney

Commissioners.