Decision No. 14-3/2,

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of A. A. CRABB, E. C. MORGAN and ERNEST CRABB to lease and sell, and PICKWICK STAGES, Northern Division, & corporation, to rent and purchase, those cortain operative rights of the former between Fresno and Clovis, California, and intermediate points.



BY THE COLMISSION:

ORDER

In this proceeding A.A. Crabb, E.C. Morgan and Ernest Crabb ask for authority to lease and transfer to Pickwick Stages. Northern Division, Inc., an operative right under which the partnership has been conducting an auto stage line for the transportation of passengers and express between Fresno and Clovis and intermediate points. Joining in the application Pickwick asks for authority to acquire the operating right and to operate thereunder.

Accompanying the application is an agreement joined in by the applicants showing that the partnership has contracted with the Pickwick Corporation to lease the operating right and to transfer certain equipment for the total rental of \$13,000 of which \$6,000 is payable within ten (10) days after the approval of the agreement by the Commission, the balance of \$7,000 to be paid at the rate of \$250 per month until said sum is fully paid. The agreement further contains an option

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to purchase said operative right upon the payment by the Pickwick Corporation of \$1.00 additional.

We believe that this application should be granted and that it is not a matter requiring a public hearing. It must be understood, however, in connection with the transfer of this operating right, that the Commission does not authorize operation by the Pickwick Corporation of any lesser or different sorvice than that now being given by Crabb, Morgan & Crabb between Fresno and Clovis nor any change in the existing service until permission to make such change has first been obtained from this Commission.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above entitled application be and the same hereby is granted, subject to the following conditions:

1. The consideration to be paid for the property herein authorized to be transferred may not be **urged** before this Commission or any other rate fixing body as a measure of value of said property for rate fixing or any purpose other than the transfer herein authorized.

2. Applicants Crabb, Morgan and Crabb, co-partners, shall immediately cancel tariff of rates and time schedules on file covering service, certificate for which is herein authorized transferred. Such cancellation to be in accordance with the provisions of General Order No. 51.

3. Applicant Pickwick Corporation shall immediately file, in duplicate, tariff of rates and time schedules, or adopt as its own the tariff of rates and time schedules as heretofore filed by the above named co-partnership covering said service. All filings by Pickwick Corporation to be identical with those of the co-partnership.

4. The rights and privileges herein authorized

transferred may not be discontinued, sold, leased, transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Commission thereto has first been secured.

5. No vehicle may be operated by the Pickwick Corporation unless such vehicle is owned by it or leased under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>FR</u> day of November, 1924.

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