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Decision No. 14521

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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J. W. HOUK and J. H. SMITH, co-
partners doing business under the
name of CHICO-WESTWOOD-SUSANVILLE
AUTO STAGE,

Complainants

vs.

W. C. LAWRENCE and MRS. W. C. LAWRENCE,

Defendants.

Case No. 2022

In the Matter of the Application of
GEORGE A. SCOTT for certificate of public
convenience and necessity to operate
passenger service between Westwood,
California and Crescent Mills, Indian
Valley, California.

Application No. 9879

In the Matter of the Application of
W. C. LAWRENCE (Lawrence Stage Co.)
for a certificate of public convenience
and necessity to operate automobile
stage line between Crescent Mills and
Keddie and intermediate points, etc.

Application No. 9898

In the Matter of the Application of IRA
N. SEORT for the extension of his
present certificate of public con-
venience and necessity.

Application No. 10068

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER DENYING REHEARING

On December 8, 1924, the Railroad Commission issued
its Decision No. 14338 in the above entitled proceedings. On
January 6, 1925 and January 10, 1925 petitions for rehearing
were filed on behalf of George A. Scott, Indian Valley Railroad

and Houk and Smith, co-partners.

After careful review of the argument as set forth in said petitions for rehearing, the Commission is of the opinion that said petitions do not set forth facts sufficient to warrant a rehearing in the above entitled proceedings. The Commission, however, in giving further consideration to the facts and evidence in this matter deems it advisable to remind defendants in Case No. 2022 that in its opinion the provisions of the Public Utilities Act, Section 17, subsection 4, should not be interpreted as meaning that discriminatory practice in the giving of transportation free or at reduced rates to men seeking employment can be classified as transportation for charitable purposes. Such practice in the Commission's opinion constitutes a violation of the law as provided in Section 6 "b" of Chapter 213, Statutes of 1917, as amended, and if persisted in will render the violator liable under the provisions of Section 8 of the same Act and further liable to the suspension of his certificate.

Good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the petitions for rehearing filed in the above entitled matters be and the same hereby are denied.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 30th day
of January, 1925.

H. A. Bourdige
Chas. A. O'Sullivan
Eugene A. Shore
George D. Squires
Ernest C. Cook
Commissioners