

Decision No. 15-768

## BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of  
A. E. WESTON and W. E. CURSON for a  
certificate of public convenience  
and necessity to extend and operate  
passenger service by auto stage be-  
tween Knights Landing and Robbins in  
conjunction with a regular stage ser-  
vice between Knights Landing and  
Woodland under authority of Decision  
No.12190.

ORIGINAL

Application  
No.12280

BY THE COMMISSION -

OPINION and ORDER

A. E. Weston and W. E. Curson, co-partners, have pe-  
titioned the Railroad Commission for a certificate of public  
convenience and necessity to operate an automobile service for  
the transportation of passengers between Knights Landing and  
Robbins, proposing to establish the service as an extension of  
the service now being given by the co-partnership, under  
authority of the Railroad Commission, between Woodland and  
Knights Landing.

It is proposed to charge fares in accordance with the  
schedule of rates shown in Exhibit "A" which exhibit is attached  
to the application herein and made a part thereof, and to operate  
in accordance with the time schedule shown in Exhibit "B" and to  
use the equipment listed in Exhibit "C", both exhibits "B" and "C"  
also being attached to the application herein and made a part  
thereof.

Applicants Weston and Curson have been operating a passen-  
ger and express service between Woodland and Knights Landing under  
authority of the Railroad Commission as shown in its Decision  
No.12190, dated June 9, 1923, issued on Application No.9098.

Recently they established a service for the transportation of school children between Knights Landing and Robbins, no certificate for the school bus service being required, the Legislature at its 1925 session having amended the Auto Stage and Truck Transportation Act by relieving school bus operators from the necessity of hereafter securing a certificate of public convenience and necessity for a service devoted solely to the transportation of school children. Operation of the school bus has developed a demand from the general public for transportation between Robbins and Knights Landing and it is to accommodate this traffic that the service described herein is proposed.

At present, aside from the school bus, service, there are no means of transporting passengers between Knights Landing and Robbins. The Southern Pacific Company maintains a freight service only. Applicants herein do not propose to transport any property other than hand baggage. No charge is to be made for such baggage service, and the tariff offered shows a weight limit of fifty pounds.

Robbins is located at a point formerly known as Maddock. It is a rapidly growing community, Sutter Butte Canal Company having sold considerable land in the vicinity. This company has made Robbins its headquarters and has, to meet its needs, constructed several office and other buildings there. This and prospective development makes transportation facilities a necessity.

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 of an automobile service for the transportation of passengers between Knights Landing and the community at Robbins, and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity for such a service be and the same hereby is granted to A. E. Weston and W.H. Carson, copartners, subject to the following conditions:

1- That the service herein authorized shall be operated in conjunction with and as part of the service now being given by applicants Weston and Carson between Knights Landing and Woodland; that the operating right herein authorized shall be granted as an extension to the Knights Landing-Woodland operating right of applicants and not as a separate certificate.

2- Applicants herein shall file with the Railroad Commission their written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed ten (10) days from date hereof; shall file, in duplicate, tariff of rates and time schedules within a period of not to exceed twenty (20) days from date hereof, such tariff of rates and time schedules to be identical with those attached to the application herein and shall commence operation of said service within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from date hereof.

3- 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.

4- No vehicle may be operated by applicants herein 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.

5- For all other purposes the effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16th day of December, 1925.

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COMMISSIONERS.