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Decision No. 19246

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BEFORE THE BAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of Southern Pacific Company for authority) to close agency at Pitt Station, Shasta) Application No. 14289. County, California.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, has filed with the Commission an application for an order authorizing the closing of its agency at Station of Pitt, on its Shasta Division in Shasta County, State of California.

Applicant alleges that \$792.00 of passenger business was transacted at the agency station of Pitt during the annual period ending August 31st, 1927, based on the records of six alternate months; that \$896.00 less than carload business was transacted at said station during said annual period; that carload freight business in amount of \$3,056.00 was transacted at said station during the same period; that the abandonment of said agency will not involve the abandonment of any facilities; and that, in the opinion of applicant, the continued maintenance of the agency at Station of Pitt is not necessary for the business of the applicant or for the convenience of the public.

The California Farm Bureau Federation has been consulted in this matter and, through its Manager, J. J. Devel, has advised the Commission that it has no objections to the granting of this application.

Investigation by the Engineering Department of the Commission into the records of this agency, shows that the total revenue

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derived from passenger and freight business for the annual period ending August 31st, 1927, was \$4,744.00, \$3,056.00 of which was for carload lots, the remaining \$1,688.00 being the total revenue received from both passenger business and less than carload freight business, which two services comprise the essential business for which an agency is maintained.

The expense of maintaining the agency station during the year specified was \$2,171.50, which is \$483.50 more than the total revenue derived from the passenger business and less than carload freight business mentioned above.

This agency has been maintained chiefly on account of the interchange of business between the Applicant and the Sacramento Valley and Eastern Railway, but since the latter company is no longer operating, the traffic offered at the Station of Pitt does not now warrant the continued maintenance of an agency at that point.

It appears to the Commission that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that permission and anthority be and it is hereby granted to Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, to olose its agency at Station of Pitt, located on the Main Line of its Shasta Division in Shasta County, State of California, and to eliminate said agency from its station records; provided, however, that coincident with the closing of said agency at Station of Pitt, applicant will continue to serve the public at that point by means of a non-agency station.

The authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u><u>1</u> day of January, 1928.</u>

Commissioners. -2-