

Decision No. 19264.**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application
of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa
Fe Railway Company, a corporation,
for authority to reduce its station
at Devore, California, from an agency
station to a blind siding.

Application No. 14249.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, a corporation, has filed with the Commission an application for an order authorizing it to reduce its station at Devore, located on the First District of its Los Angeles Division in San Bernardino County, from an agency station to a blind siding.

Applicant alleges that \$318.76 passenger business was transacted at the agency station of Devore during the annual period ending October 31st, 1927; that \$360.58 less than carload business was transacted at said station during said annual period; that carload freight business in amount of \$8,138.66 was transacted at said station during the same period; that the abandonment of said agency station will not involve the abandonment of any facilities; and that, in the opinion of applicant, the continued maintenance of the agency at Devore station is not necessary for the business of the applicant or for the public.

The California Farm Bureau Federation has been consulted in this matter and through its manager, J. J. Deuel, advises that it has no objections to the granting of this application.

Investigation by the Transportation Division of the Engineering Department of the Commission, discloses that no industries or business houses are located at Devore except a small service station which is located on the State Highway one-half mile distant and that said service station furnishes its own transportation; that examination of the station records of this agency discloses that the total passenger and less than car load freight revenue for the annual period from November 1, 1926, to October 31, 1927, was \$679.34, and the expense of maintaining said agency for the same period was \$1,925.41. There is no population at the station of Devore and no indication of future business at said point other than a few car load shipments of grapes which can be cared for by the agent at El Cajon, eight miles east of Devore, or San Bernardino, ten miles west of said station.

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 authority be and it is hereby granted to The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, a corporation, to abandon its agency at the station of Devore, located on the main line of its Los

Angeles Division in San Bernardino County, State of California, and to eliminate said agency name from its station records; provided, however, that coincident with the abandonment of said agency station 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 20th day of January, 1928.

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Paul S. Reuter

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Commissioners.