

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 19332

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the Application of) the American Railway Express Company) for authority to abandon its agency) at Pitt, County of Shasta, State of) California.)	Application No. 14326.
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BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

The American Railway Express Company, a corporation, has filed with the Commission an application for an order authorizing the abandonment of its agency at station of Pitt on the Shasta Division of the Southern Pacific Company in Shasta County, State of California.

Applicant alleges that \$75.55 express business was transacted at the agency station of Pitt during the annual period ending October 31st, 1927; that under Decision No. 19246 of the Railroad Commission of the State of California, in Application No. 14289, the Southern Pacific Company was authorized to abandon its agency at the Station of Pitt and as the agency at this point has been conducted under the so-called Joint Agency plan, whereby the agent of the railroad company also acts as the agent of the Express Company, it becomes necessary for applicant to seek like authority; that the abandonment of said agency at station of Pitt will not involve the abandonment of any facilities; and that, in the opinion of applicant, the continued maintenance of the agency station is not necessary for the business of the applicant or for the public. The California Farm Bureau Federation, through its manager, J. J. Deuel, advises that it has no representations to make regarding

this application.

Investigation by the Transportation Division of the Engineering Department of the Commission discloses that there are no business houses or industries located at station of Pitt and no population at that point other than the agent and section crew of the Southern Pacific Company; that the business transacted at said station has consisted almost altogether of a transfer to and from the Sacramento Valley and Eastern Railway and under date of December 10th, 1927, the Commission, under Decision No. 19114, in Application No. 14141, authorized the suspension of all train operation by the Sacramento Valley and Eastern Railway and since that company ceased operation, there is not sufficient business to warrant the continued maintenance of an agency at that point by the express company.

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 American Railway Express Company, a corporation, to abandon its agency at station of Pitt, located on the main line of the Southern Pacific Company on its Shasta Division in Shasta County, State of California, and to eliminate said agency name from its station records; provided, however, that coincident with the abandonment 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 6th day
of ~~January~~ ^{February}, 1928.

Leon Whitall
Chairman
Commissioners
Thomas B. Linn
Commissioners.