

Decision No. 19365.**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application  
of YOSEMITE VALLEY RAILROAD  
COMPANY for permission to close  
Agency Station at Barrett, Cal-  
ifornia.

Application No. 14298.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

Yosemite Valley Railroad Company, a corporation, has filed with the Commission an application for an order authorizing the closing of its agency at the station of Barrett on its line of railroad in Mariposa County, State of California.

Applicant alleges that \$155.70 passenger business was transacted at the agency station of Barrett during the annual period ending December 15, 1927; that \$907.88 less than carload business was transacted at said station during said annual period; that carload freight business in amount of \$45.00 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 Barrett station is not necessary for the business of the applicant or for the public. The California Farm Bureau Federation has been consulted in the matter and through its manager, J. J. Deuel, advises that it has no representations to make regarding the granting of this application.

Investigation by the transportation division of the engineering department of the Commission discloses that there is no business house or industry located at or near Barrett Station and no population at that point; that all business transacted at said station is by the residents and business men of Coulterville, a small town located fifteen miles by dirt highway from Barrett Station; that the total passenger and less than carload freight revenue for this station for the annual period ending December 15th, 1927, amounted to \$1,063.58 and the expenses of maintaining said agency for the same annual period was \$1,329.31; that Coulterville is an old mining town with a population of about 100, two general merchandise stores, one billiard and pool room and one hotel, and is served by the United States Mail Stage operating between Coulterville and Barrett Station. The Commission's engineer recommends the granting of the application.

Applicant advises that freight and express will be placed in the freight warehouse and that the driver of the United States Mail Stage will be furnished with a key.

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 Yosemite Valley Railroad Company, a corporation, to close its agency station of Barrett located on its line of railroad in Mariposa 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 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1928.

Leon Whitell  
C. Kearney

Chas. D. ...  
M. A. ...  
 Commissioners.