

Decision No. 23884

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application  
of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa  
Fe Railway Company, for authority  
to discontinue its station at  
Sultana, California, as an agency  
station for the six months period  
beginning December 1st, of one year,  
and ending May 31st, of the follow-  
ing year, and to operate said sta-  
tion as a blind siding during said  
months.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 17397.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, a corporation, on May 25, 1931, applied for authority to abandon its agency at Sultana Station, in Tulare County, State of California, during a six-month period beginning approximately December 1st of each year and ending about May 1st of the following year.

Applicant alleges that \$228 passenger business was transacted at said agency station during the six-month period ending May 1st, 1931; that \$352 less than carload and \$175 carload freight business was transacted during the same period; that the nearest agency to the north is at North Dinuba, a distance of 3.4 miles, and to the south at Cutler, a distance of 3.2 miles; that the abandonment of said agency will not involve the abandonment of any facilities; that the station will be continued as a non-agency station; and that, in applicant's opinion,

the continued maintenance of the agency during the period mentioned is not necessary for the business of applicant or for the public.

The California Farm Bureau Federation, on June 23rd, 1931, signified, in writing, that it does not object to the granting of this application.

It appearing that a public hearing is not necessary herein and that the application should be granted,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company is hereby authorized to abandon its agency at its station of Sultana, in Tulare County, during the period from approximately December 1st of each year to May 1st of the following year, and to change its station records and tariffs accordingly; provided that said station be continued as a non-agency station during such period and as an agency station during the remainder of the year.

In operating this agency station on a seasonal basis, before the station is closed each year, the public shall be given not less than ten (10) days' notice by posting notice in the station building at Sultana. The Commission also shall be notified of such closing at least ten (10) days before the effective date thereof.

The authorization herein granted shall lapse and become void if not exercised within one (1) year from the date hereof unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

The Commission reserves the right to make such fur-

ther orders in this proceeding as to it may seem right and proper and to revoke its permission if, in its judgment, public convenience and necessity demand such action.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1931.

Ch. Seaver  
Leon A. Williams  
W. J. Cox  
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Commissioners.