Decision No. 23912.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of Application of the NORTHWESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY for authority to close the agency at Fort Seward, County of Humboldt, State of California.

Application No. 17402.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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ORDER

Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company, a corporation, on May 26, 1931, applied for authority to abandon its agency at Fort Seward Station on its Main Line in Humboldt County, State of California.

Applicant alleges that \$82 passenger business was transacted at said agency station during the year ending March 31, 1931; that \$1,724. less than carload and \$4,724 carload freight business was transacted during the same period; that the nearest agency to the north is at South Fork, a distance of 20.7 miles, and to the south at Alderpoint, a distance of 7.5 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 is not necessary for the business of applicant or for the public.

The California Farm Bureau Federation and W. J. Wallace, an interested shipper, signified, in writing, that they do 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 Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company is hereby authorized to abandon its agency at its
station of Fort Seward, located on the Main Line in Humboldt
County, and to change its station records and tariffs accordingly, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Applicant shall give the public ten (10) days notice of said abandonment by posting notice at said station.
- 2. Applicant shall continue said station as a non-agency station and maintain a caretaker thereat to care for L.C.L. shipments.
- 3. Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the abandonment of the facilities authorized herein and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.
- 4. 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 authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24th day of ______, 1931.

Commissioners.