

Decision No. 23913.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of the Railway Express Agency, Inc., for authority to abandon its agency at SULTANA, County of Tulare, State of California.

Application No. 17486.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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Railway Express Agency, Inc., a corporation, on June 26th, 1931, applied for authority to abandon its agency at Sultana Station, in Tulare County, State of California, during the six-months' period beginning approximately December 1st of each year and ending about May 1st of the following year.

Applicant alleges that \$1,331. express business was transacted at said agency station during the year ending April 30th, 1931; that said agency, at the present time, is conducted under the so-called joint agency plan, whereby the agent of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company also acts as the agent for the express company; that since said railroad company has made application to abandon its agency at this location (Application No. 17397), it becomes necessary to seek like authority; and that the abandonment of said agency does not involve the elimination of service, for express shipments moving into or out of said point would be handled by the express messenger on trains stopping at said station.

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

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Railway Express Agency, Inc. 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 about May 1st of the following year and to change its station records and tariffs accordingly; provided, however, that express shipments moving into or out of said point will be handled by the express messenger at the car door on trains stopping at said station.

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.

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 July, 1931.

C. Seavey
M. B. Harris
Fred G. Stewart

Commissioners.