

Decision No. 24990.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of  
SACRAMENTO NORTHERN RAILWAY for per-  
mission to abandon an agency at  
Vacaville in the County of Solano,  
State of California.

Application No. 18220.

**ORIGINAL**

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

Sacramento Northern Railway Company, a corporation, on June 17, 1932, applied for authority to abandon its agency at Vacaville Station in Solano County, State of California.

Accompanying the application is a comparative statement showing the amount of business transacted at said station during the year 1931 and also for the five-month period January 1st to May 31st, 1932, as follows:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Revenue</u>
Less-than-carload shipments received,	\$428.40
Less-than-carload shipments forwarded,	24.94
Carload shipments received,	1,279.11
Carload shipments forwarded,	<u>9,029.27</u>
Total Revenue,	\$10,761.72

Applicant does not operate passenger train service to or from said station.

Vacaville is located on the Vacaville Branch of the Sacramento Northern Railway Company, a distance of 10.3 miles to the north of Fairfield and 12.1 miles to the northwest of Creed, agencies being maintained at both of these stations. The San Francisco-Sacramento highway passes through Vacaville. The city is now served by a number of other public carriers, including

Southern Pacific Company, Railway Express Agency, Inc., Pacific Greyhound Lines, Inc., Pacific Motor Transport Company and Sacramento Transport Company.

The locality surrounding Vacaville is devoted largely to raising deciduous fruit, a considerable portion of which is transported in carloads. The above tabulation shows that the less-than-carload shipments from this station are more or less negligible.

Applicant does not propose to abandon any facilities as it is proposed to continue the station as a non-agency one. The company has indicated that it has plans to take care of the less-than-carload shipments by storing them in a warehouse under lock and key and appointing a custodian of the key.

The California Farm Bureau Federation has signified, in writing, that it will not oppose the granting of the application.

A member of the Transportation Division of the Commission's Engineering Department has made an investigation of the matter and his report shows that the interested shippers and receivers of freight at Vacaville have indicated they will not oppose 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 Sacramento Northern Railway Company is hereby authorized to abandon its agency at its station of Vacaville, located on the Vacaville Branch of its First Subdivision, in Solano County, California, and to change its records and tariffs accordingly, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Applicant shall give the public at least ten (10) days notice prior to the abandonment of said agency by posting notice in a conspicuous place at said station.
- (2) Said agency is to be continued as a non-agency station.
- (3) Less-than-carload shipments shall be stored under lock and key in company's warehouse, the key thereto to be obtained from custodian located near said station; notice of which shall be maintained at the warehouse, advising patrons where key can be secured.
- (4) Applicant shall within thirty (30) days thereafter notify this Commission, in writing, of the abandonment herein authorized and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.
- (5) 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1932.

Cl. Seaver  
Leon Whitely

Fred G. Stewart  
 (Commissioners)