

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 25800.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of Application of
SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY to dis-
continue the operation of mixed
Trains Nos. 436 and 437 between
Galt and Ione.

Application No. 18741.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, on March 1, 1933, applied for authority to abandon its daily (except Sunday) mixed trains Nos. 436 and 437 operating on its Ione Branch between Galt, Sacramento County, and Ione, Amador County, California. This branch connects with the Stockton-Sacramento main line at Galt and extends east to Ione, a distance of 27 miles.

Applicant alleges that an average of one passenger per day was handled in the month of November, 1932, and that during the month of February, 1933, only one round trip passenger was handled by said mixed trains and that the business does not warrant the expense of operating said passenger service.

A representative of the Commission's Engineering Department made an investigation of this matter and his report indicates

that only 41 carload shipments were handled during the month of February, 1933, or an average of two carloads per trip. Furthermore, the principal patrons of said branch were interviewed and they signified that they have no objection to the discontinuance of passenger service, provided reasonable and adequate freight service is performed.

The Stockton-Amador passenger stage line connects with Southern Pacific Company and Pacific Greyhound Lines at Stockton and performs two round trips between Stockton and Ione daily; Pacific Motor Transport Company handles express and less-than-carload business serving said territory daily except Sunday.

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

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern Pacific Company is hereby authorized to abandon passenger service between Galt, in Sacramento County, and Ione, in Amador County, State of California, and to cancel, in conformity with the rules of this Commission, all passenger rates, tariffs and time schedules effective between said points; subject, however, to the following conditions:

- (1) Applicant shall give not less than ten (10) days' notice to the traveling public of the abandonment of said service by posting notice of such abandonment in Trains Nos. 436 and 437 and at the stations of Galt and Ione.
- (2) Applicant shall continue to provide reasonable and adequate freight service between said stations of Galt and Ione.
- (3) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the abandonment of the passenger service herein authorized 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.

- (5) The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders in this matter 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 2nd day of April, 1933.

C. L. Seavey
Leon Whitney
W. J. Lee
W. B. Lang
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Commissioners.