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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of
C. W. HAYES, doing business as the
GOLDEN STATE TRUCK LINE, for certifi-
cate of public convenience and ne-
cessity to operate automobile freight
service between Fresno and Los Angeles,
Fresno and Wingfoot, and vice versa,
as a contract hauler, as well as be-
tween Tulare and Los Angeles.

Application No. 7371.

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Transportation Co.
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Fe Railway Co.
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Co.

BY THE COMMISSION.

O P I N I O N

A public hearing was held by Examiner Westover at Los Angeles upon the above application for authority to operate freight truck service between Los Angeles, Wingfoot, and Fresno, one round trip per week, hauling butter and glass southbound, and automobile tires, paints and oils northbound, under five contracts described, at fixed rates per hundred. Wingfoot is the location of the plant of the Goodyear Rubber Company at the southern limits of Los Angeles. These points are all served by the Southern Pacific Company, the Santa Fe system, and trucks of the San Joaquin Valley Transportation Company.

No testimony was offered tending to show any dissatisfaction with the present shipping facilities. The Santa Fe system operates a refrigerator butter service from Tulare, Hanford, and other dairy districts in the vicinity of Fresno at rates lower than those proposed. The testimony here indicates that such refrigeration is not needed during the cool winter months or during cool nights.

At a recent hearing of Application No. 7188, the record in which was placed in evidence herein by stipulation, officials of five creameries in the territory in question testified that rail service was satisfactory and that they would not patronize the truck line, applicant therein. Among them was a representative of the Dairymen's Co-operative Creamery of Tulare, which applicant claims has contracted with him to haul butter.

San Joaquin Valley Transportation Company, serving both Los Angeles and Fresno and intermediate points north of Bakersfield, including Tulare, has placed an order for six enclosed bodies, composed of three-ply wood, lined with two inches of cork and a steel lining, which it expects to have in service before the warm weather.

It appears that applicant has been operating for some months illegally, without authority of the Commission, which operation should be discontinued.

The evidence fails to show any public convenience or necessity to be served either as a common carrier or carrier under the contracts referred to. The application must be denied.

ORDER

A public hearing having been held upon the above entitled application, the matter being submitted and now ready for decision,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity do not require the service offered by applicant.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the application be and it is hereby denied.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 30th day of January, 1922.

H. T. Rundige

Wm. H. Brown

J. H. Smedley
Commissioners.