

Decision No. 10802

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application
of ALBERT A. BELIN for certificate
of public convenience and necessity
to operate passenger, baggage and
freight service between Olancha
(Railroad Siding or Station) and
Darwin.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 7963

W.A. Lamar, Attorney, for Applicant
Frank C. Scherrer, for J. Romero, operating
Olancha-Darwin Stage, Protestant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

A public hearing was held by Examiner Westover at Lone Pine on the above entitled application for authority to operate passenger, baggage and freight service between Olancha, on the Southern Pacific Railroad, and Darwin, both in Inyo County.

Mr. Romero has for several years operated such a service, which the testimony shows has been entirely satisfactory, except for July 4th and 8th, 1922, when he did not make the trip because of illness, but authorized applicant to do so, and that he is able to handle more traffic if, and when it is offered.

The ground of the application is that applicant secured the government mail contract for four years from July 1, 1922, that it will not prove profitable without

passenger and express service, and that good freight and passenger service cannot be given by one not carrying mail also, but only because it would not pay.

There is no showing that public convenience and necessity require additional service, or that present service is not adequate or will not be so in the future. Possession of a mail contract is not sufficient showing to entitle one to operate freight or passenger service.

O R D E R

Albert A. Belin having applied to the Railroad Commission for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate passenger, baggage and freight service between Olancho and Darwin, a public hearing having been held on the application, the matter having been duly submitted, and now being ready for decision,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY CERTIFIES that public convenience and necessity do not require Albert A. Belin to operate automotive passenger, baggage or freight service between Olancho and Darwin, both in Inyo County.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 1st day of August, 1922.

H. H. Boarding
Wm. M. Martin
Chas. H. Howell

Commissioners.