

Decision No. 11066

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the application of)
WOODSON BROTHERS for a certificate of)
public convenience and necessity to) Application No. 7948.
operate freight service between Peta-)
luma and Fallon and Tomales.)

G. P. Hall for applicants.
J. J. Geary for Northwestern
Pacific Railroad Co.
E. E. Maggard for Petaluma &
Santa Rosa Railroad Co.

BY THE COMMISSION.

O P I N I O N

A public hearing was held by Examiner Westover at Petaluma upon the above entitled application seeking authority to operate a freight service, two round trips a week, between Petaluma and Fallon and Tomales, respectively.

This service is designed for the special accommodation of dairies in the vicinity of Fallon and Tomales wishing to ship cream for churning purposes to the co-operative creamery at Petaluma in which shippers are stockholders. Shippers bring their cream to sheltered stations constructed by them, one in Tomales and one about a half mile from Fallon. The route is over the paved highway between Petaluma and Two Rock, thence by the most direct route to Fallon and Tomales via the junction of these two roads about three miles west of Two Rock. The present service is furnished by the Northwestern Pacific Railroad operating over a very indirect route via San Rafael, and by the American Railway Express Company operating over the railroad.

The principal objection to the present service is lack of shelter for shipments, delay in returning empty cream cans and refusal of the railroad to take chickens in wire coops.

The two railroads represented offer no objection to the service if it is confined to cream, it being stipulated by the applicant that no local service will be performed between Petaluma and Two Rock, which points are served by the Petaluma & Santa Rosa Railroad Company. It appears from the testimony that it is customary for Petaluma dealers to deliver feed by trucks at the dairies and chicken ranches in the vicinity of Fallon and Tamales, the bulk of the business appearing to move in this way.

O R D E R

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

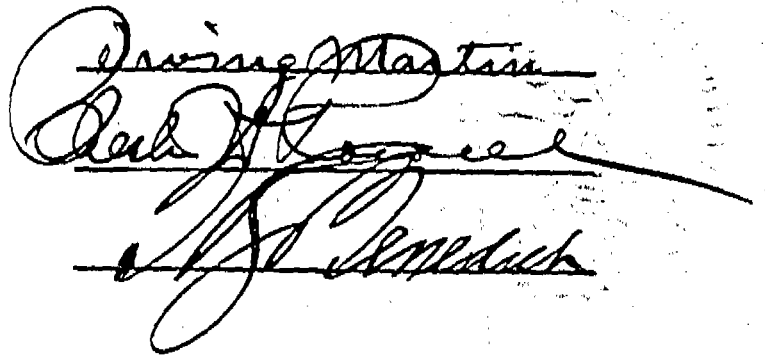
THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY CERTIFIES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by W. N. Woodson and George Woodson, partners in business under the name of Woodson Bros., of an automotive service for the transportation of cream, live chickens in crates, and feed between Petaluma and Fallon and Tamales, but it does not require any such service between Petaluma and Two Rock or points intermediate thereto.

This certificate is issued subject to the following conditions:

1. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize the transportation of any kind of freight between Petaluma and Two Rock or points intermediate thereto.
2. The operative rights and privileges hereby established may not be transferred, leased, sold nor assigned, nor the said service abandoned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission thereto has first been procured.

3. No vehicle may be operated in said service unless said vehicle is owned by the applicants herein or is leased by said applicants under a contract or agreement satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.
4. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that applicants shall, within fifteen days from the date hereof, file with the Railroad Commission schedules and tariffs covering said proposed service, which shall be in addition to proposed schedules and tariffs accompanying the application; shall show each point proposed to be served and quote rates to and from each such point; and shall set forth the date upon which the operation of the line hereby authorized will commence, which date shall be within thirty days from date hereof, unless time to begin operation is extended by formal supplemental order herein.
5. The authority herein contained shall not become effective until and unless the above mentioned schedules and tariffs are filed within the time herein limited.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24 day
of October, 1922.



Commissioners.