Decision No. 66/7. BEFORE THE RAITROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. In the Matter of the Application of ERVIN J. ASHWORTH for permit Application No. 4848. to operate auto stage. BY THE COMMISSION. ORDER Ervin J. Ashworth has petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the operation by him of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and freight between Mariposa and Jerseydale Postoffice and intermediate points. Applicant proposes to charge rates in accordance with a schedule incorporated in the application in this proceeding and to operate on a schedule of one round trip, daily, serving the intermediate communities at Mormon Bar, Bootjack and Usona; using as equipment one Ford Touring car, five passenger capacity. Applicant is the possessor of a United States mail contract over the route for which certificate is sought and desires the privilege of carrying passengers and freight in connection with the carriage of United States mail, there being no other regular transportation service available for the public over the proposed route. We are of the opinion that this is not a matter in -1-32 which a public hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted.

THE RATIROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by Ervin J. Ashworth of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers and freight between Mariposa and Jerseydale Post-office and intermediate points; provided, however, that the rights and privileges hereby granted may not be transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such transfer or assignment has first been secured.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that no vehicle may be operated under this permit unless such vehicle is owned by the applicant herein or is leased by such applicant under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29th day of August, 1919.

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