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Decision No. 7791

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of
TRIMMER SPRINGS STAGE and TRANSPORTA-
TION COMPANY for certificate of public
convenience and necessity to operate
an automobile stage line for the trans-
portation of passengers between the
City of Sanger and Junction Camp, Fresno
County, California.

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H. A. Savage for applicant

BY THE COMMISSION.

O R D E R

W. E. Curran, doing business under the fictitious name of Trimmer Springs Stage and Transportation Company 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 between the City of Sanger and Junction Camp, Fresno County, California, and intermediate points.

A public hearing on this application was conducted before Examiner Satterwhite at Fresno, May 14, 1920, the matter was duly submitted and is now ready for decision.

Applicant proposes to charge rates in accordance with the schedule marked Exhibit "A" filed with said application and to operate on a time schedule of one round trip daily except Sundays using as equipment one five passenger Ford and one nine passenger Ford Truck.

No one protested the granting of this application. W. E. Curran testified and called several other witnesses in support of the public necessity for this proposed service. The applicant now holds a contract with the United States Government to carry mail between the said terminals. All of the witnesses reside along the proposed route and gave evidence to the effect that the residents along or near this proposed line desired this service.

There is at present no stage line or other means of transportation between the points proposed to be served. Trimmer Springs is the last station on the wagon road from the San Joaquin Valley into the Sierra Nevada Mountains and is a transfer point for cattlemen between the cattle ranges in the mountains and the San Joaquin Valley. It was shown that these cattlemen and mining men in traveling from the mountains to the San Joaquin Valley leave their pack trains and equipment at Trimmer Springs until their return trip back to the mountains.

The San Joaquin Light and Power Company has established a large construction camp at Junction Camp and employs a large number of men on the Dinkie Project. It was shown that the farmers in this particular section desire this service.

After careful consideration of the evidence we are of the opinion that the application should be granted.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by W. E. Curran, doing business under the fictitious name of Trimmer Springs Stage and Transportation Company, of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers between the City of Sanger and Junction Camp, Fresno County, California and intermediate points.

Provided, however, that the rights and privileges herein authorized may not be transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such transfer or assignment

has first been procured.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24th day of June, 1920.

H. D. Lovy
STANLEY R. KELLY
James Martin

Commissioners