

Decision No. 28824.

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of Application of
SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for au-
thority to abandon operation of
mixed trains Nos. 444 and 445 be-
tween Avon and San Ramon, Cali-
fornia.

Application No. 19269.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, on January 20, 1934, applied for authority to abandon the operation of mixed trains Nos. 444 and 445 between Avon and San Ramon, County of Contra Costa, California.

Applicant alleges that said mixed trains operate on two days a week; namely, Tuesdays and Fridays; that the business on said trains is not sufficient to defray the expense of operation thereof; that two passengers were handled in a forty-two day test period; that no U. S. mail is handled and that the estimated express received from the operation of said trains is \$72.00 per annum.

Applicant proposes to operate such freight trains between said points as may be necessary to handle carload freight. Under such an arrangement it is expected that as good, if not better, carload freight service can be rendered as by said mixed trains.

The California Farm Bureau Federation has signified, in writing, that it will not oppose the granting of this application.

It appearing that a public hearing is not necessary

herein and that the application should be granted,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Southern Pacific Company is hereby authorized to abandon the operation of mixed trains Nos. 444 and 445 between Avon and San Ramon on its San Ramon Branch, in the County of Contra Costa, State of California, and to cancel, in conformity with the rules of this Commission, all passenger tariffs and time tables at stations affected, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Applicant shall give not less than ten (10) days' notice to the public of said train abandonment by posting notice in said trains and at agency stations affected.
- (2) Applicant shall continue to perform freight service on said Branch as necessity demands.
- (3) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify the Commission, in writing, of the abandonment of train service herein authorized and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.
- (4) The authorization herein granted shall lapse and become void if not exercised within one (1) year from the date hereof, unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

The authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 26th day of February, 1934.

C. Deane
Leon G. Quinn

W. J. Ann

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Commissioners.