Decision No. 28837

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of LEWIS H. SELL for authority to discontinue operation of an automobile service as a common carrier between Strawberry and Dardanelle____

Application No. 20596

BY THE COMMISSION:

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Lewis E. Sell, operating under the name and style of Dardanelle Stage Line, requests authority from this Commission to discontinue that portion of his common carrier automotive service, for the transportation of passengers, baggage and express, between Strawberry and Dardanelles and intermodiate points via Cow Creek. The balance of the operating right between Sonora and Strawberry via Long Barn, serving Pine Crost by diversion, will be retained and operated. Applicant also seeks a further order revoking the operating right in part.

Applicant alleges that lumbering operations in the territory specified have been discontinued due to the country being "logged off", thus eliminating an important source of revenue. He further contends that the principal travelers in the country are now campers and fishermen who travel for the most part in their own automobiles; that demand for a common carrier service is practically nil and further operation would only result in a heavy financial loss to him with no benefit to the public.

This appears to be a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary. The application will be granted.

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<u>O R D E R</u>

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Louis H. Sell, operating as the Dardanello Stage Line, be and he hereby is authorized to discontinue all automotive service, as a common carrier of passengers, baggage and express, between Strawberry and Dardanelle and intermediate points via Cow Creek as authorized by Decision No. 23839 dated June 29, 1931 on application No. 17462, provided that applicant shall immediately file and make effective, on ten (10) days notice to the Commission and the public, supplements to his tariff and a time schedule showing discontinuance of service as herein authorized.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Decision No. 23839, in so far as it refers to service between Strawberry and Dardanelle, be and the same hereby is revoked and annulled. In all other respects Decision No. 23839 shall remain in full force and effect and the operating right of applicant between Sonora and Strawberry and intermediate points, via Long Barn, with diversion to Pine Crest, shall remain unimpaired with service thereon maintained.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof. Dated at San Francisco, California, this <u>15</u> day of June, 1936.

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