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Decision No. 35300

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
ORVILLE C. HEAD for a certificate of)
public convenience and necessity to)
operate as a common carrier between)
Oxnard, California and Camarillo)
State Hospital, Ventura County,)
California.

Application No. 24793

DE WITT M. MANNING, for applicant.

C.C. JENSEN, for Pacific Greyhound Lines, interested party.

FRED A. ZITKOWSKY, for Harbor Transit, interested party.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION

This is an application by Orville C. Head for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a passenger stage service as a common carrier between Ownerd and Camarillo State Hospital and intermediate points.

A public hearing was held at Oxnard by Examiner Gannon on March 27, 1942.

Camarillo State Hospital is located 10.3 miles in a southeasterly direction from Ownard. The application sets forth that a large percentage of the employees of this institution, who are presently using their own automobiles for transportation between Ownard and the Hospital, would avail themselves of the proposed service should this application be granted.

Three daily schedules each way are proposed, leaving

from a central point in Obmard at 6:00 A.M., 2:00 P.M. and 10:00 P.M., and leaving the Hospital at 7:10 A.M., 3:10 P.M. and ll:10 P.M. The proposed one way and round trip fares are respectively fifteen cents and thirty cents. The present equipment consists of one 30-passenger 1931 Dodge bus.

At the hearing the applicant testified that he had interviewed a large number of employees of the Hospital and he was satisfied that 60 per cent of them would ultimately use the service. This applied more particularly to those living in the city of Oxmard.

Cross-examined by C. C. Jensen, appearing on behalf of Pacific Greyhound Lines, an interested party, applicant testified that the proposed fifteen cent fare applied to and from any intermediate point as well as to and from Oxnard. Applicant stipulated that no tickets would be sold between Oxnard and any point intermediate between Oxnard and the intersection of Hueneme Road and Roosevelt Boulevard, designated officially as U.S. Highway No. 101.

Pacific Greyhound Lines operate easterly from Ommard to the community of Camarillo and southerly on Roosevelt Boulevard over the same route that would be traversed by applicant coming out of Ommard, as far as the intersection of Roosevelt Boulevard and Hueneme Road.

Dr. Thomas W. Hagerty, Superintendent of the Hospital, and Dr. Robert V. Baker, staff physician, both testified on behalf of the applicant. It was their testimony that since the opening of the institution the transportation problem for employees has been a serious one. Of the 475 employees some 150

live on the grounds and there is no available room for additional employees. Facilities for the transportation of visitors, running as high as 400 on Sundays, are limited to those who have their own cars or use taxicabs. The taxi fare from Oxnard is \$1.50 each way and from Commillo, 50 cents. The only remaining method of getting to the Hospital from Oxnard is by means of a bus from the intersection above referred to and thence by taxi, or by walking.

Further testimony, largely of a corroborative nature, was offered by the business manager of the Hospital and by various employees. Their testimony showed that it was the policy of the institution to encourage employees to live off the grounds, and that those residing in Oxmard and using their own cars would soon be facing a tire problem.

No one appeared in protest against the granting of the application. The record herein appears to be conclusive as to the necessity for the proposed service and the application will be granted.

ORDER

A public hearing having been held in the above entitled proceeding, evidence having been received, the matter having been duly submitted and the Commission being duly advised,

IT IS ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Orville C. Head, authorizing him to operate as a passenger stage corporation, as defined by section 21

of the Public Utilities Act, between Oxmard and Camarillo State Hospital and intermediate points subject to the following conditions:

- 1. No passenger may be transported whose point of origin or point of destination are both between Oxmard and the intersection of Roosevelt Boulevard (U.S. Highway No.101-A) and Hueneme Road, or points intermediate thereto.
- 2. Orville C. Head, his successors or assigns may never claim before this Commission, or any court or other public body, a value for the authority hereby granted in excess of the actual cost thereof.

IT IS FURTHER OPDERED that in the operation of said service Orville C. Head shall observe the following service regulations:

- (1) File a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from the effective date hereof.
- (2) Comply with the rules of the Commission's General Order No. 79 and Part IV of General Order No. 93-A by filing, in triplicate, and concurrently making effective tariffs and time schedules satisfactory to the Commission within sixty (60) days from the effective date hereof.
- (3) Conduct said passenger stage service over and along the following route subject to the authority of the Railroad Commission to change or modify them at any time by further order.

Beginning at terminal First and D Streets, Oxnard, thence easterly along First Street to First and B Streets, thence southerly on B Street to 3rd Street, thence westerly on 3rd Street to C Street, thence southerly on C Street to 8th Street, thence easterly on 8th Street to A Street, thence southerly on A Street to Ownard Boulevard, thence southerly and southeasterly on Oxmard Boulevard to Roosevelt Boulevard (U. S. Highway No. 101-A), thence southerly on Roosevelt Boulevard to Hueneme Road, thence easterly on Hueneme Road to West Road, thence southerly to Camarillo State Hospital, unloading and turning within grounds of Camarillo State Hospital, thence returning to First and D Streets, Oxmard along same route in the reverse direction, a total distance one way of 10.3 miles.

The effective date of this order shall be the date

hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, on this 58 th day of . 1942.

COMMISSIONERS

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