

Decision No. 35126**ORIGINAL**

## BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of  
 MRS. ANNIE VANDEGRIFT, owner of Court  
 Flight Incline Railroad for permission  
 to abandon service and cancel tariffs  
 of Court Flight Incline Railroad,  
 operating between Broadway and Hill  
 Streets, City of Los Angeles.

Application No. 25370

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

By this application, Mrs. Annie Vandegrift, an individual, as owner of the Court Flight Incline Railroad, seeks authority to abandon service on Court Street, between Broadway and Hill Street in the City of Los Angeles.

The abandonment is made necessary because of the lack of patronage and inability to obtain qualified operators. Much of applicants patronage was formerly obtained from the patrons of low-priced parking lots who drove their automobiles to these lots and then rode into the civic center area over the incline railroad, the combination fare and parking lot charge being much less than could be obtained in the downtown area. Since the tire situation became acute, and more particularly with the advent of gasoline rationing, this type of patronage has almost, if not completely, disappeared and, as alleged in the application, revenues are insufficient to pay out-of-pocket operating costs.

This does not appear to be a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and the application will be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Mrs. Annie Vandegrift is hereby authorized to abandon and discontinue the operation of the Court Flight Incline Railroad, operating on Court Street between Broadway and Hill Street in the City of Los Angeles, and to cancel, upon not less than one (1) day's notice to the Commission and the public in conformity with the Commission's rules any and all passenger fares, rules and regulations and all time schedules

relating to said service over said incline railroad.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated, ~~San Francisco~~, San Francisco, January 26 1943.

Francis A. Hubert  
J. H. [unclear]  
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