

ORIGINAL

Decision No. ~~36382~~

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
P. B. HACKLEY, JR., doing business	)	
as MENDOCINO TRANSIT COMPANY for a	)	
certificate of public convenience	)	
and necessity for the transportation	)	Application No. 23616
of passengers between Fort Bragg and	)	2nd Supplemental
Navarro Bridge and points inter-	)	
mediate thereto.	)	

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

The applicant P. B. Hackley, Jr., doing business as Mendocino Transit Company, holds a certificate from this Commission authorizing operation of a passenger stage service between Fort Bragg and Santa Rosa and intermediate points, exclusive of local service between Cloverdale and Santa Rosa and intermediate points, and exclusive of local service between Fort Bragg and Navarro River Junction and intermediate points.<sup>(1)</sup>

The purpose of the application before us is to remove the restriction prohibiting the transportation of passengers by applicant between Fort Bragg and Navarro River Junction and intermediate points, a distance of about 22 miles. That restriction was imposed because the Commission concluded from the evidence presented at a public hearing that the traffic could be adequately handled by the Coast Line Stages, Inc.

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(1) Decision No. 34293, dated June 10, 1941, in Application No. 23616, and Decision No. 34835, dated December 9, 1941, in Application No. 23616 (amended).

Applicant alleges that numerous requests for establishment of the service have been received by him, and that the Office of Price Administration has urged the resumption of local passenger service by applicant between Fort Bragg and Navarro River Junction as a means of conserving tires and equipment necessary to private transportation.

No additional equipment or added schedules are proposed, nor will there be any additional mileage involved. Applicant now operates three round-trips daily in his service between Santa Rosa and Fort Bragg and the proposed service will be rendered with present equipment and under present time schedules.

Coast Line Stages, Inc. operates one schedule daily, arriving at Fort Bragg from Petaluma at 4:30 P.M. and returning leaving Fort Bragg at 10:00 A.M. That carrier has advised the Commission that it does not desire to oppose the granting of the instant application, provided certain restrictions be imposed on applicant's operative right. Such restrictions are largely confined to performing the proposed service in conjunction with the through operation and at prevailing rates.

It appears that under prevailing conditions the carrier now rendering local service, with one schedule each way daily, does not meet the requirements of residents along the highway between Fort Bragg and Navarro River Junction. On the other hand, applicant operates three schedules spaced conveniently to meet public requirements for local service, but cannot render such service because of the restriction under which it operates.

It appears to us that the proposed service is necessary under present wartime conditions and that the application should be granted on a temporary basis. There is no need for a public hearing.

ORDER

Application having been made in the above-entitled matter, the Commission being duly advised, and hereby finding that public convenience and necessity so require;

IT IS ORDERED that until further order of the Commission the restriction contained in the first ordering paragraph of Decision No. 34835, dated December 9, 1941, and reading as follows:

"No local service may be rendered for the transportation of passengers and baggage locally between Fort Bragg and Navarro River Junction and intermediate points, provided, however, that service may be rendered between Fort Bragg and Navarro River Junction and intermediate points, on the one hand, and points beyond Navarro River Junction to and including Santa Rosa and intermediate points, on the other hand."

is hereby deleted therefrom, subject to the provision that local service between Fort Bragg and Navarro River Junction and intermediate points shall be provided only on through schedules operated by applicant between Fort Bragg and Santa Rosa.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the operation of said passenger stage service, P. B. Hackley, Jr. shall comply with and observe the following service regulation:

Comply with the provisions of 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 and on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public.

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

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1943.

Francis C. Haveman

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