

Decision No. 36599

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation)
by the Commission on its own motion)
into the operative rights of common)
carriers engaged in transporting)
property by vessel between points on)
San Francisco, San Pablo and Suisun)
Bays, and on the San Joaquin, Sacra-)
mento and Napa Rivers and Petaluma)
Creek and their tributaries.

ORIGINAL

Case No. 3824

BY THE COMMISSION:

FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

Decision No. 29778 in this proceeding (40 C.R.C. 493) defined the common carrier by vessel operating rights of Southern Pacific Golden Gate Ferries, Ltd., and A. F. Johnston, as of January 16, 1936.

Due to diversion of traffic occasioned principally by the completion of the San Francisco-Oakland and Golden Gate Bridges, Southern Pacific Golden Gate Ferries, Ltd., from time to time applied for and secured authority from the Commission to discontinue services it had rendered at the time Decision No. 29778 supra was issued. By May, 1940 discontinuance of all service other than the San Francisco-Oakland-Alameda service had been accomplished. Cessation of the

1 Southern Pacific Golden Gate Ferries, Ltd. was found to possess operating rights covering the transportation of passengers, vehicles and freight between San Francisco on the one hand and Oakland, Alameda, Berkeley, Richmond, Sausalito, Tiburon and Vallejo on the other hand. A. F. Johnston's operative rights, under Decision No. 29778 supra, authorized the transportation of a limited number of agricultural commodities between specified points on San Francisco Bay and tributary waters.

2 Service to Alameda was limited to one round-trip per day Mondays to Fridays, inclusive (Decision No. 31631 of January 9, 1939, in Application No. 22256).

latter service was effected May 17, 1940 in compliance with an order of Burton J. Wyman, Referee in Bankruptcy, In The Matter of Southern Pacific Golden Gate Ferries, Ltd., Bankruptcy Proceedings, No. 32664-W, in the United States District Court.

A. F. Johnston likewise has discontinued his common carrier operations. This discontinuance of service has not, however, left shippers without a means of transportation since other carriers serve the territory affected.

In view of the discontinuance of the operations which Southern Pacific Golden Gate Ferries, Ltd., and A. F. Johnston had previously been conducting, it appears that such operative rights as they may now possess should be revoked and their tariffs canceled.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all operative rights as a common carrier by vessel, standing in the name of Southern Pacific Golden Gate Ferries, Ltd., and A. F. Johnston, be and they are hereby revoked and annulled and that their tariffs on file with the Commission be and they are hereby canceled.

This order shall become effective twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7th day of September, 1943.

Franck D. Hevesi
H. L. Goldsmith
Justice E. C. Allen
Richard L. Nichols
Frank Clegg

Commissioners