

Decision No. 36847

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 GUY C. COYKENDALL for authority to dis-)
 continue and abandon operation of)
 automotive service as a common carrier) Application No. 25941
 of passengers, stage and highway common)
 carrier, between Belden and Chester,)
 and intermediate points.)

BY THE COMMISSION:

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O P I N I O N

In this application Guy C. Coykendall requests authority to discontinue automotive service for the transportation of passengers and property as a common carrier between Chester and Belden.

The operative right involved was originally granted to C. A. Coykendall and J. F. Morgenthaler in Decision No. 17800, dated December 23, 1926, and was acquired by Guy C. Coykendall by virtue of Decision No. 18907, dated October 8, 1927.

Applicant alleges that his reasons for desiring to discontinue service are lack of business and the unimproved condition of the roads which materially add to the cost of providing the service. This operation has been conducted on a seasonal basis beginning each year when the roads are opened in the spring and operation discontinued when they are closed in the fall.

The gross revenue accruing to applicant from his common carrier operations for four months of this year are as follows: June \$17.35, July \$40.81, August \$15.50, September \$13.50. Apparently these are the only months during which operation may be

carried on. Applicant states that his operative expenses approximate \$300 per month. In addition to his common carrier business applicant carries the United States Mail under contract with the Postal Department. The Post Office Department has advised it has made arrangements to relieve applicant from his mail contract.

In view of these circumstances, as set forth by the application, there appears no reason why applicant should not be permitted to discontinue his service. It will be so ordered. A public hearing is not required.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that Guy C. Coykendall be and he is hereby authorized to discontinue and abandon his automotive service for the transportation of passengers, freight and express as a common carrier, between Chester and Belden, California.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the operative right created by Decision No. 18907 be and it hereby is revoked and annulled, and all tariffs and time schedules filed thereunder are cancelled.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 1st day of February, 1944.

Richard L. Locke

Justus J. Cassen
Francis A. Havenner

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COMMISSIONERS