Decision No. 37764

BEFORE THE RAILROAD CONSISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Investigation and suspension by the Commission, on its own motion, of reduced rates published by The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fo Railway Company, for the transportation of beverages and tonics, carloads, and empty beverage carriers returning, carloads, between San Diego and National City, on the one hand, and Los Angeles, Wilmington (Anaheim Boulevard) and Los Angeles Harbor, on the other hand.

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In the Matter of the Establishment of maximum or minimum, or maximum and minimum rates, rules and regulations of all common carriors as defined in the Public Utilities Act of the State of California, as amended, and all highway carriers as defined in Chapter 223, Statutes of 1935, as amended, for the transportation, for compensation or hire of any and all commodities.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

## Appearances

G. E. Duffy, for The Atchison, Topoka & Santa Fe Railway Company.

Harold W. Dill, for The Truck and Warchouse Association of San Diogo and Imperial counties.
Wallace K. Downey, for Pacific Freight Lines.

H. J. Bischoff, for Southern California Freight Lines and Southern California Freight Forwarders.

F. W. Turcotte, for California State Browers Institute, Acmo Browing Company, Bohomian Distributing Company, Eckert Browing Company, and Los Angoles Browing Company. Phil Jacobson, for La Salle Trucking Company.

## OBINION

Case No. 4524, an investigation involving the suspension of proposed reduced rates filed by The Atchison, Topoka and Santa Fo Railway Company for tho

transportation of beverages, tonics and empty carriers in carloads between Los Angeles and Los Angeles Harbor, on the one hand, and San Diego and National City on the other hand, was instituted at the request of competing highway carriers. In order that the rates and practices of both rail and highway carriers might be before the Commission for consideration, the proceeding was consolidated for the purpose of hearing and decision with Case No. 4246, a general and continuing statewide investigation involving all common and highway carriers.

Public hearings were held at Los Angeles. The proceedings were submitted on May 22, 1941.

Because of changed and abnormal transportation conditions, caused by the war, we believe it would not be in the public interest to decide these proceedings at this time. We will therefore discontinue Case 4524 without prejudice to further consideration of the matters involved if and when transportation conditions justify further action. Inasmuch as Case 4246 is a continuing proceeding, no action thereon is necessary.

## ORDER

Good cause appoaring,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Case 4524 be and it is horoby discontinued.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27 day of

March, 1945.

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