

Decision No. 42642

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
D. MOYERS, doing business as MOYERS)
STAGES, for authority to discontinue)
and abandon service between Sanger) Application No. 30693
and Orange Cove now being operated)
under certificate of public con-)
venience and necessity No. 38874.)

O P I N I O N

D. Moyers, doing business as Moyers Stages, is presently providing a passenger stage service transporting passengers, baggage and express between Fresno, Clovis, Del Rey, Sanger, Orange Cove and intermediate points.

In this proceeding applicant requests authority to discontinue passenger stage service between Sanger and Orange Cove and intermediate points. Beginning November 28, 1948, applicant reduced this service to three days a week with a layover at Fresno of two and one-half hours. As justification for applicant's request, it is asserted that by order of the Commission in Decision No. 42848, on Application No. 29468, applicant was directed to operate service between Fresno and Orange Cove on a basis of six days each week instead of three days with a minimum layover at Fresno of approximately five hours; that thereafter applicant established that service on that basis and has continuously to date, and is now so operating said service. It is further alleged that public convenience and necessity does not justify continuation of applicant's operations between Sanger and Orange Cove; that the service presently being rendered between such points is being conducted at a substantial loss and because of such loss, other operations conducted by applicant are thereby jeopardized.

According to Exhibit "A", attached to the application, applicant experienced a total operating loss of \$1,692.18 for the four-month period June-September, 1949, from the Sanger-Orange Cove operation. A summary of Exhibit "A", attached to the application, shows the following results of the operation between Orange Cove and Sanger during the four-month period:

<u>1949</u>	<u>No. of Passengers</u>	<u>Total Operating Revenue</u>	<u>Total Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Total Operating Loss</u>
June	537	\$300.68	\$728.02	\$427.34
July	587	318.76	736.02	417.26
August	572	320.66	758.69	438.03
September	577	323.20	732.75	409.55

According to Exhibit "B", attached to the application, the total operating income from all of applicant's operations for the twelve-month period ending September 30, 1949, amounted to \$90,086.45, and total operating expenses were \$89,703.00. This resulted in a net operating income of \$383.45. According to this same exhibit applicant estimates that if it had not been conducting the service between Sanger and Orange Cove, total system wide operating revenue for that period would have been \$86,818.69, with a total operating expense of \$83,706.00, resulting in a net income of \$3,112.69.

At the hearing in Application No. 29468, above referred to, evidence was produced by the City of Orange Cove which, in the opinion of the Commission, was sufficient to justify its order in said Decision No. 42848 that applicant reestablish service between Orange Cove, Sanger and Fresno on a six day a week basis. It is now reported to the Commission that the officials of the City of Orange Cove are well satisfied that a fair trial of the service has been offered to the city and that there is no objection to applicant's proposal to discontinue that service. We therefore

find that public convenience and necessity no longer require passenger stage operation by applicant between Orange Cove and Sanger and it will be authorized to abandon that service. No public hearing is necessary.

O R D E R

An application therefor having been filed and good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That D. Moyers is hereby authorized to discontinue passenger stage operations between Orange Cove and Sanger and intermediate points via Centerville, Minkler and Wahtoke and the operative rights therefor created by Decision No. 38874, in Application No. 27344, and Decision No. 39621, in Application No. 27795 are hereby revoked and annulled.

(2) That at least ten (10) days prior to discontinuance of the service authorized in paragraph (1) of this order, notice thereof to the public shall be posted for ten (10) consecutive days prior thereto in vehicles operating between Orange Cove and Sanger.

(3) That within sixty (60) days from the effective date hereof and on not less than one day's notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall file appropriate tariffs and time tables reflecting the authority herein granted.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20th day
of December, 1949.

R. E. Anderson
Justus F. O'Brien
Joseph L. Brown
Harold P. Kille
Frederick L. Potter
COMMISSIONERS