

ORIGINALDecision No. 61169

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of SOUTHERN PACIFIC)
 COMPANY to discontinue the oper-)
 ation of Passenger Trains Nos.) Application No. 42686
 77 and 78 between Pacific Grove)
 and San Francisco.)

Investigation on the Commission's)
 own motion into the operation and)
 adequacy of passenger service of) Case No. 6999
 Southern Pacific Company between)
 Pacific Grove and San Francisco.)

ORDER AUTHORIZING FILING OF CHANGE IN PASSENGER
 TRAIN SERVICE ON EXPERIMENTAL AND TRIAL BASIS,
 SUSPENDING INVESTIGATION AND CANCELING HEARINGS

On the 22nd day of September, 1960, the Southern Pacific Company filed its application with this Commission requesting authority to abandon trains Nos. 77 and 78, operating between San Francisco and various points on the Monterey peninsula and points intermediate thereto. Said application is numbered 42686 on the docket of the Commission. Thereafter, and on the 18th day of October, 1960, the Commission instituted an investigation concerning the service and operations of said trains Nos. 77 and 78, broadening the issues in said application numbered 42686 with a view to determining whether or not the service provided by said trains should be continued or be modified in any respect. Said investigatory proceeding is Case No. 6999 on the docket of the Commission.

Public hearings of the above matters have been scheduled for December 21 and 22, 1960 at Monterey; January 4, 1961, at San Jose and January 5, 1961 at San Francisco.

Subsequent to the foregoing events, the Southern Pacific Company requested that it be permitted to file with this Commission a timetable change which seeks to modify the present service now being furnished by said trains Nos. 77 and 78 and to change the schedule thereof. A copy of the proposed timetable filing is attached hereto as Appendix A.

The Commission has investigated the matters and things appertaining to the foregoing named proceedings, as applied to the service furnished by said trains Nos. 77 and 78, and finds that the public interest would best be served by permitting the Southern Pacific Company to modify the services and schedules of said trains, as set out in said proposed timetable filing on an experimental and trial basis. Experimental operation of these trains will be calculated to test the actual public need as to the schedules required. It is our belief that this procedure will produce more realistic results than would a public hearing of these matters because of the many diverse and conflicting interests of the patrons of these trains. If future experience under this changed schedule demonstrates that further modification or change should be made regarding the service performed by said trains and the schedules thereof, such will be authorized or ordered by the Commission. This procedure, in our judgment, is the most efficacious way of disposing of the problem involved in this matter.

In the special circumstances of this case, we find that a public hearing is not necessary.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED:

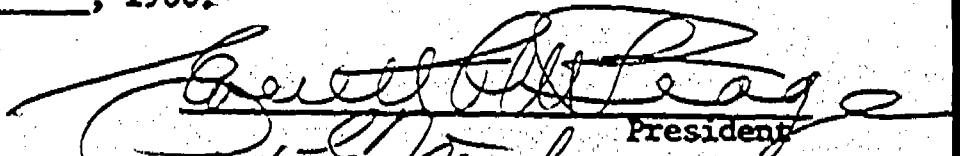
1. That on or after January 4, 1961, and on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public, Southern Pacific Company is authorized to file a changed schedule respecting trains Nos. 77 and 78 as set forth in proposed timetable filing attached hereto as Appendix A on an experimental basis.

2. That Southern Pacific Company shall post notice of the new time schedule in trains Nos. 77 and 78 and in all stations along the line affected for a period of at least ten days prior to the effective date of the proposed change in service.

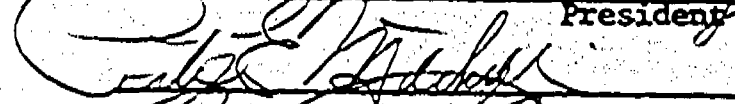
4. That hearings heretofore set in the above-entitled matters are hereby canceled and these proceedings are hereby removed from the calendar.


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


Dated at San Francisco, California, this 12th day of DECEMBER, 1960.

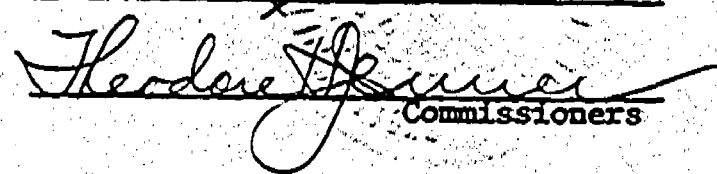


President









Commissioners

APPENDIX A

"DEL MONTE" Schedules

4:50 PM	Lv	San Francisco	Ar	9:55 AM
4:54 PM	Lv	23rd Street	-	-
4:58 PM	Lv	Paul Avenue	-	-
5:09 PM	Lv	San Bruno	-	-
5:14 PM	Lv	Millbrae	-	-
-		Broadway	Lv	9:33 AM
5:19 PM	Lv	Burlingame	Lv	9:30 AM
-		San Mateo	Lv	9:27 AM
5:28 PM	Lv	San Carlos	Lv	9:19 AM
-		Redwood City	Lv	9:16 AM
5:36 PM	Lv	Atherton	Lv	9:11 AM
-		Menlo Park	Lv	9:08 AM
5:41 PM	Lv	Palo Alto	Lv	9:05 AM
-		California Avenue	Lv	9:02 AM
5:50 PM	Lv	Mountain View	Lv	8:56 AM
-		Sunnyvale	Lv	8:51 AM
6:00 PM	Lv	Santa Clara	-	-
6:05 PM	Ar	San Jose	Lv	8:40 AM
6:10 PM	Lv	San Jose	Ar	8:34 AM
6:41 PM	Lv	Gilroy	Lv	8:03 AM
7:07 PM	Ar	Watsonville Jct.	Lv	7:36 AM
7:09 PM	Lv	Watsonville Jct.	Ar.	7:34 AM
7:23 PM	Ar	Castroville	Lv	7:19 AM
7:25 PM	Lv	Castroville	Ar	7:17 AM
7:40 PM	Ar(F)	Ord	(F) Lv	7:02 AM
7:50 PM	Ar(F)	Seaside	(F) Lv	6:51 AM
7:53 PM	Ar(F)	Del Monte	(F) Lv	6:48 AM
8:00 PM	Ar	Monterey	Lv	6:45 AM
8:10 PM	Ar	Pacific Grove	Lv	6:30 AM

(F) Flag stop.