

On December 27, 1962, Centralized Traffic Control was established between Lathrop and Fresno and an agent no longer is required to prepare train orders at Manteca. All service to the public can and will in the future be performed by a clerk operating out of the Modesto office. Since he will be furnished with a radio-equipped automobile, he will at all times be in communication with the Modesto agency, approximately 16 miles distant. Manteca patrons by the use of a toll free Enterprise telephone number can thus receive a prompt and efficient service for placing orders for cars, the signing of bills of lading and other similar functions. The discontinuance of agency will enable the applicant to effect an annual saving of \$6,600.

The Commission finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require the maintenance by applicant of the station building and of an agency at Manteca.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that Southern Pacific Company is authorized to discontinue its agency and remove the station building at Manteca, San Joaquin County, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) Applicant shall maintain said station in a Class A nonagency status for the receipt or delivery of freight in any quantity, carloads or less.
- (b) Within one hundred twenty days after the effective date hereof and on not less than ten days prior to the discontinuance of the agency at Manteca, applicant shall post a notice of such discontinuance at the station and, within one hundred twenty days after the effective date hereof and on not less than ten days' notice to the public and to the Commission applicant shall file in duplicate amendments to its tariffs showing the change authorized herein and shall make reference in such notice and tariffs to this decision as authority for the changes.

(c) Within thirty days after discontinuance of service as herein authorized, applicant shall, in writing, notify this Commission thereof and of compliance with the above conditions.

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

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 7th day of May, 1963.

George A. Prover
President

Robert L. Mitchell

Fredrick B. Hallock

Hollman W. Bennett

Commissioners

Commissioner Everett C. McKeage, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.