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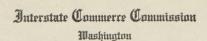
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March 19, 1931. Finance Docket No. 8715

To His Excellency,
The Governor of Kansas,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

You are respectfully notified that an application has been received by this Commission from THE HUTCHINSON AND NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the construction by it of certain tracks in Hutchinson, Reno County, Kansas. The total mileage of the new tracks which have been constructed and those proposed will be approximately $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

A copy of said application is enclosed herewith for filing in your office.

The Railroad Commission, Public Service or Utilities Commission or other appropriate authorities of your State have the right to make before this Commission such representations as they may deem just and proper for preserving and conserving the rights and interests of the State and its people.

In order that this Commission may without delay proced to carry out the provisions and intent of the law relating to the application above referred to, you are respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt of this notice and of the enclosed copy of application, using the accompanying blank form for that purpose and also to notify this Commission, or have it notified by other appropriate authority of your State, whether any representations will be made in the premises on behalf of the State or its people. It is particularly requested that this Commission be promptly advised whether a formal hearing is desired.

If within 10 days from the date hereof no response is received with respect to representations or hearing it will be assumed that no hearing is desired and that no representations will be made and this Commission will accordingly proceed with the consideration of the said application.

Very truly yours,

Commissioner.

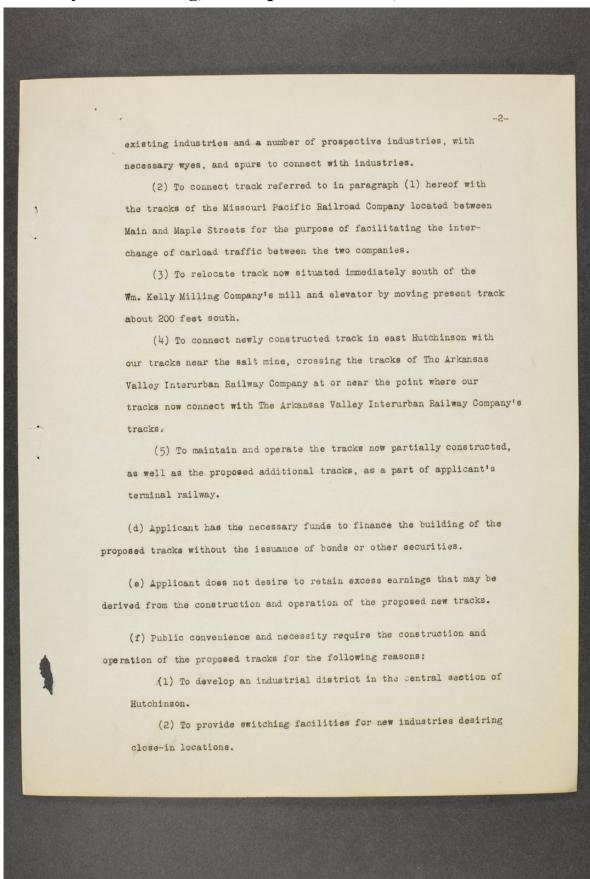


THE STATE OF KANSAS
Office of the Governor
,1951.
Interstate Commerce Commission Bureau of Finance Finance Docket No. 8715
To the Interstate Commerce Commission, Washington, D. C.
Receipt is hereby acknowledged of a copy of an appli-
cation filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission by
THE HUTCHINSON AND NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY
for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authoriz-
ing the construction by it of certain tracks in Hutchinson,
Reno County, Kansas. The total mileage of the new tracks
which have been constructed and those proposed will be approxi-
mately $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles.
accompanied by the Commission's letter dated March 19, 1931,
giving notice of such application and requesting advice as to
the desires of the State with respect to representations and
formal hearing in connection therewith.
Governor of the State of
Kansas
Per.



Before the
Interstate Commerce Commission 8715
FINANCE DOCKET NO.
In the Matter of the Application of The Hutchinson and Northern Railway Company) for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Construct Additional Tracks in and near Hutchinson,) Finance Docket No
Kansas, and to Operate Recently Constructed,) as well as Proposed Additional Tracks, under) Paragraphs 18 to 21, Inclusive, of Section 1) of the Interstate Commerce Act.
Application of The Hutchinson and Northern Railway Company.
The application of The Hutchinson and Northern Railway Company respect-
fully shows:
(a) The exact corporate name of the applicant is The Hutchinson
and Northern Railway Company.
(b) Applicant is a carrier by railroad, subject to the interstate
commerce act.
(c) It is proposed:
(1) To connect two partially constructed tracks west of our
present connection with the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway in the city of Hutchinson with the present line of The
Hutchinson and Northern Railway lying east of the Chicago, Rock
Island & Pacific Railway, and to extend such tracks approximately
four-fifths of a mile in a westerly direction to a point near Main and Avenue B, as an industrial and team track to serve
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- (3) To furnish more efficient and satisfactory service for industries now located in the central portion of Hutchinson.
- (4) To afford better team track facilities for loading and unloading carload freight in the central section of Hutchinson.
- (5) To provide additional facilities for handling carload and trap-car freight between all points on The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway and all connections, industry and team tracks of the lines entering Hutchinson under contract entered into with The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company on the first day of July, 1925, providing that The Hutchinson and Northern Railway Company shall serve as an intermediate carrier for a period of 20 years.
- (6) To give industries on applicant's rails in East Hutchinson direct connection with the central business section of Hutchinson.
- (7) To encourage the location of new manufacturing enterprises in Hutchinson and to further develop the existing electric terminal railway so as to better serve shippers and carriers.
- (g) To facilitate the handling of freight between industries and all rail connections in Hutchinson,
- (9) To meet public demand at Hutchinson for enlarged switching service.
- (10) To comply with grant made on the 12th day of December, 1930, authorizing the use of certain streets and alleys for the construction of certain tracks in the city of Hutchinson, Kana.
- (g) Correspondence in regard to this application should be addressed to E. H. Hogueland, Attorney, Board of Trade Building, Kansas City, Mo.
- (h) The Hutchinson and Northern Railway Company was incorporated as an electric railway on March 21, 1912, under the laws of the State of Kansas



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(i) Construction of the proposed tracks was authorized by the Board of Directors at a meeting held in Hutchinson, Kans., on the 15th day of August, 1930.

Applicant was authorized to make and file this application by action of the Board of Directors at a meeting held in Hutchinson, Kans., on the 7th day of March, 1931.

- (j) Proposed new tracks and facilities will be situated in Reno County, Kans.
 - (k) (1) Under authority of grant by the city of Hutchinson on the 12th day of December, 1930, applicant has constructed a track about three-fifths of a mile long, extending from a point just east of Brown Street to a point midway between Severance and Pershing Streets, which track it is proposed to construct in a westerly direction about four-fifths of a mile to a point immediately east of the intersection of Main Street and Avenue B to serve as an industrial and team track for present and prospective industries in the city of Hutchinson, Kans. Before this track can be connected up with the present tracks of The Hutchinson and Northern Railway Company it will be necessary to cross the tracks of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Company to the east, where connection will be made.
 - (2) It is proposed to make a connection with the Missouri Pacific tracks between Maple and Main Streets for the purpose of facilitating the interchange of carload traffic between the two companies.
 - (3) The track now located immediately south of the Wm. Kelly Milling Company's mill and elevator is to be moved about 200 feet south.
 - (4) Applicant has already constructed approximately 4800 feet of track in an easterly direction from a point about 300 feet east of



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-5where the present line of The Hutchinson and Northern Railway Company crosses the half section line of section 17 to a point approximately 100 feet west of a line drawn north and south through the center of section 16. It will be necessary to cross the tracks of The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company at or near the point where the present tracks of The Hutchinson and Northern Railway Company connect with the tracks of The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company near the salt mine, so that the eastern and western lines of The Hutchinson and Northern Railway Company may be connected. (1) The total number of miles of new tracks which have been constructed recently, and those proposed, will approximate $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles. (m) Applicant desires a hearing in connection with Finance Docket No. 8692, filed by The Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway Company for authority to build tracks in Hutchinson, Kans., which would parallel applicant's proposed tracks. (n) Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof is a map showing the location of applicant's present tracks in and adjacent to Hutchinson, the tracks now partially constructed, and the additional tracks referred to herein. Applicant further shows that the spur, industrial, team, switching, and side tracks referred to herein will be located wholly within Reno County, State of Kansas, and are within the exemption of paragraph (22) of section 1 of the interstate commerce act providing that the authority of the Commission shall not extend to the construction or abandonment of spur, industrial, team, switching, or side tracks, located or to be located wholly within one state.

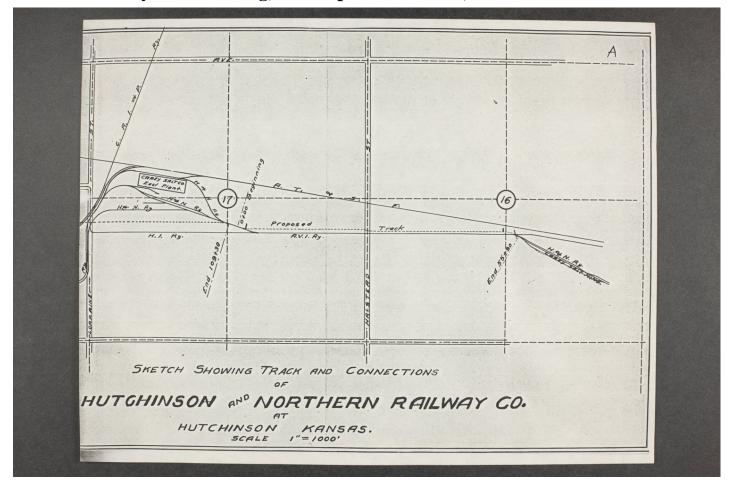


2.62	WHEREFORE, applicant prays that the Interstate Commerce Commission will issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing it to construct and operate the additional tracks and terminal facilities referred to in the foregoing application.
	THE HUTCHINSON AND NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY,
	By H. J. Carey. President.
	State of Kansas) SS Reno County
	H. J. Carey, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is
1	president of The Hutchinson and Northern Railway Company; that he is the
	executive officer duly designated by said company to make, verify and file
	this application; that he has read the foregoing application and knows the
	contents thereof, and that the same are true to the best of his knowledge,
	information and belief.
	H. J. Carey
	Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of March, 1931.
	SEAL Mrs. D. E. Wiebe, Notary Public.
	My commission expires October 12, 1931.



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At a General Session of the INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION, held at its office in Washington, D. C. on the 30th day of March, A. D. 1931

No. 13535 et al.

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CONSOLIDATED SOUTHWESTERN CASES

SUPPLEMENTAL FOURTH SECTION ORDER NO. 9500

SUPPLEMENTAL FOURTH SECTION ORDER NO. 9600

RATES FROM, TO, AND BETWEEN POINTS IN SOUTHWESTERN TERRITORY

Upon further consideration of the records in the above-entitled proceedings in No. 13535 et al., being the proceedings, except Nos. 15217 and 15231, listed in the first paragraph in the margin of the first page of the report of the Commission made and filed in said proceedings on April 5, 1927, as said report is published and appears in volume 123 of the Interstate Commerce Commission Reports at page 203 et seq., and upon consideration of a telegraphic petition, dated March 14, 1931, filed in said proceedings by southwestern carriers defendants therein, and good cause therefor appearing:

It is ordered, That the orders heretofore entered in said proceedings, including the above-designated supplemental fourth-section orders Nos. 9500 and 9500, which by their present terms will become effective on May 9, 1931, in so far as they require or pertain to establishment of rates for application to the transportation of the commodities below named from points in the Southwest, in Texas and Oklahoma differential territories, and in Kansas-Missouri territory to the southwestern gateways, Missouri River cities, and points in defined territories, as said territories, gateways, and cities are defined in said proceedings, be, and they are hereby, further amended so that as to said rates they shall become effective on June 8, 1931, instead; said commodities being as follows:

Cotton fabrics (in the original piece, but not finished articles ready for immediate use, in burlapped bales or in boxes); back bands (cotton fabric, padded or not padded, in bags or boxes); cotton waste, in bags; cotton yarn; window hollands and shade cloth, plain, uncut and undecorated; cotton knit fabrics; hosiery; rayon, rayon yarn and dry goods as described under that heading in Consolidated Classification No. 6 at pages 180-181; any quantity.

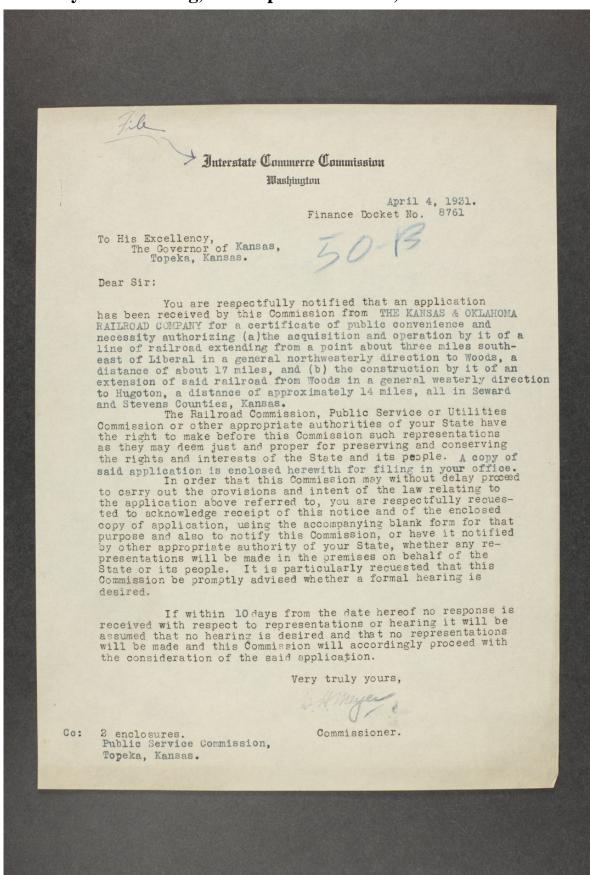
By the Commission.

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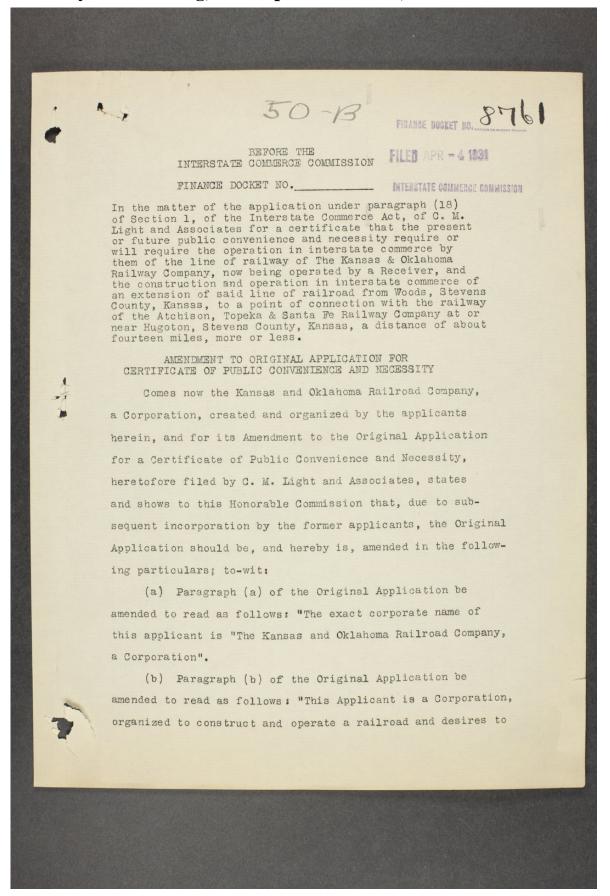
GEORGE B. McGINTY,

Secretary.

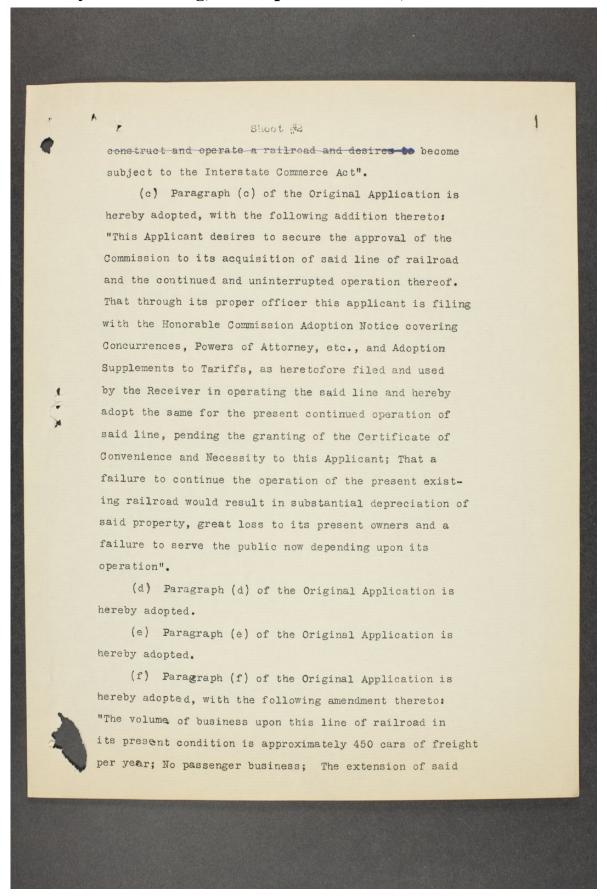














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line as herein prayed will furnish a connection with two trunk line railways and it is estimated will increase the volume of business of this applicant's railway to approximately 2000 cars per year. The principal part of said increased business will originate from the industrial plant and additional elevator sites upon this applicant's proposed right-of-way". (g) Paragraph (g) of the Original Application is

- hereby adopted.
- (h) Paragraph (h) of the Original Application be amended to read as follows: "This Applicant was incorporated under the laws of the State of Kansas, on the 23rd day of March, 1931.

"This Applicant is not incorporated, nor authorized to operate, in any other state".

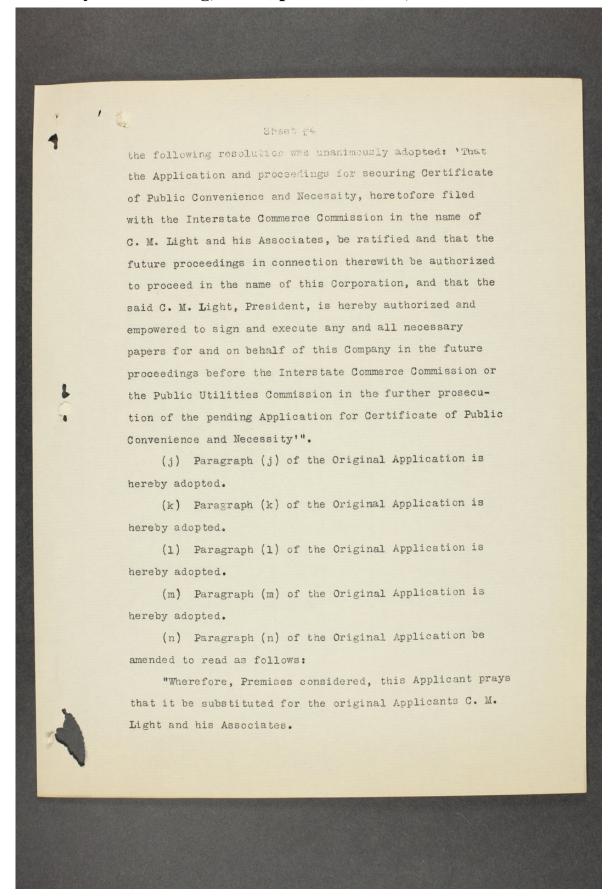
(i) Paragraph (i) of the Original Application be amended to read as follows; "The Original Application of C. M. Light and Associates was adopted, and the filing of this amendment thereto was duly authorized at a meeting of all the stockholders and directors held at Liberal, Seward County, Kansas, on the 16th day of March, 1931, at which time Articles of Incorporation were duly adopted and officers of said Corporation elected, as follows:

· President C. M. Light . • Vice President • 2nd Vice President N. Bert Smith Joe E. Smith. Secretary W. E. Bush. . . Treasurer; W. E. Bush .

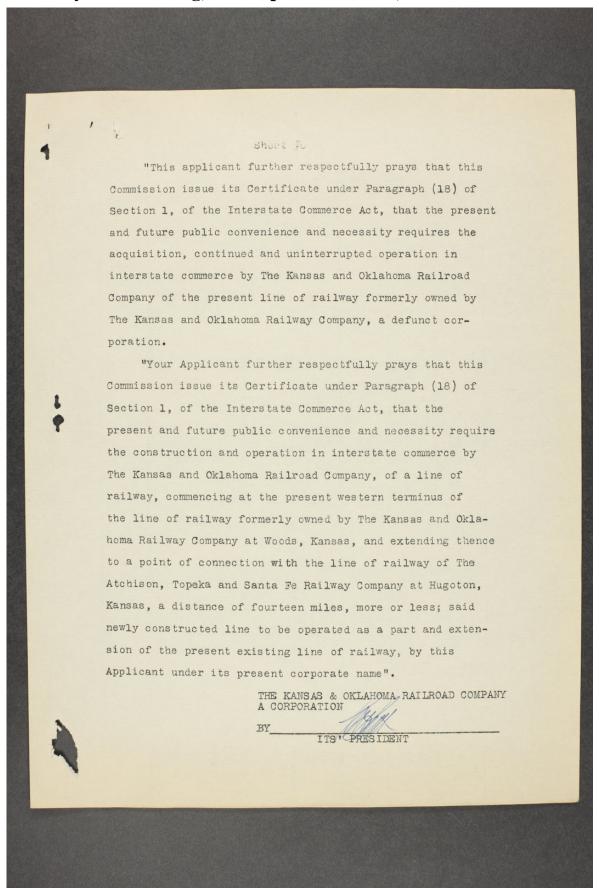
other directors being C. J. Turpin and G. L. Light. The capital stock of the Corporation was fixed at \$200,000.00. At this meeting, and after the organization was completed,



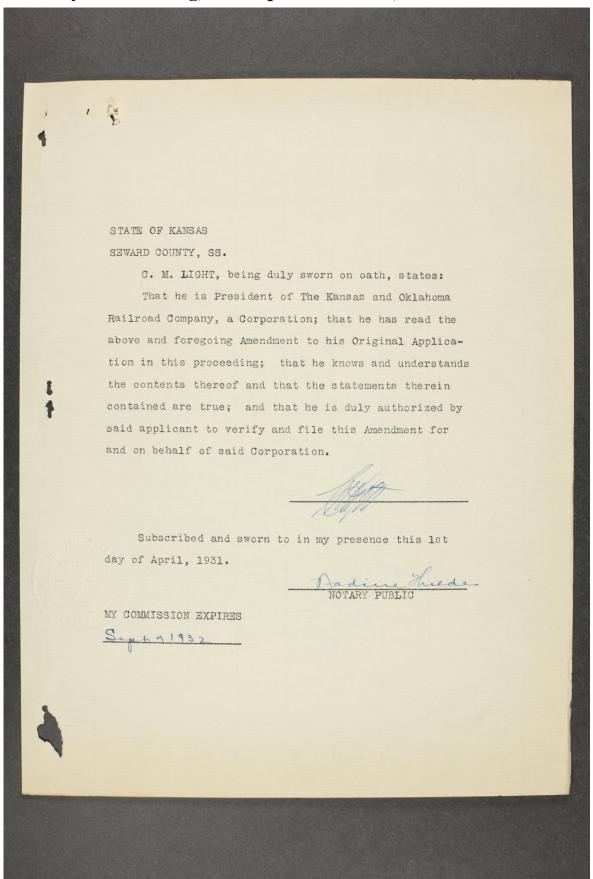




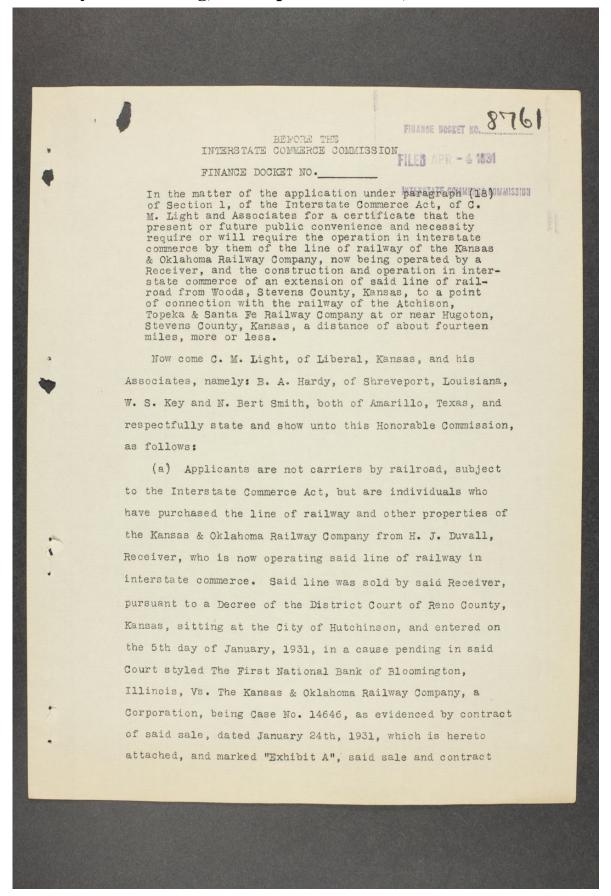














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thereafter being confirmed and approved by said Court in said cause, on the ____ day of January, 1931, as evidenced by copy of the Order of said Court confirming said sale, which is hereto attached and marked "Exhibit B". Said contract of purchase is made in the name of C. M. Light, of Liberal, Kansas, for and on behalf of himself and his said Associates, who are the applicants herein. (b) Applicants are not carriers by railroad, subject to the Interstate Commerce Act at this time but under their contract of purchase of the said Kansas & Oklahoma Railway Company properties, they are required to accept delivery thereof on March 1st, 1931, and they are desirous of continuing the operation of said railway under the name of The Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad Company, and desire authority to construct an extension thereto as hereinafter described. (c) It is proposed to secure the approval of the Commission for the continued operation in interstate commerce of said line of railway now being operated by said Receiver and for the construction and operation by applicants of an extension of said line of railway beginning at its present western terminus at or near the Station of Woods, Stevens County, Kansas; thence continuing in a westerly direction to a point of connection with the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, at, or near Hugoton, Stevens County, Kansas. (d) The general plan of financing the proposed extension is private financing by applicants, with such local assistance as may be voluntarily rendered by the community served. Applicants desire to issue Bonds at a



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later date, provided due authority be granted by the Commission. Applicants have no relation, traffic or financial, with any operating or non-operating railroad corporation, or corporations, other than such traffic contracts and relations as now exist between H. J. Duvall, Receiver, and The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway, which may pass to these applicants from said Receiver.

- (e) Permission is desired under paragraph 18 of Section 15-A of the Interstate Commerce Act to retain the excess earnings received from such line of railway and extension.
- (f) Your applicants further state that the present or future public convenience and necessity require or will require the operation in interstate commerce of the present line of railway and the construction and operation of the proposed extension. Briefly stated, the reasons in support of the proposed construction of the extension are that it will enable applicants to serve a territory in which the agricultural and commercial developments have been very repid during the past several years, more especially during the past two years and at the present time, and which is not now served by any railroad connection between the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Company at Liberal, Kansas, and the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company, at Hugoton, Kansas; two trunk line railroads.

The present line of the Kansas & Oklahoma Railway Company connects with the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway at Liberal, Kansas, and from there extends in a northwesterly direction to Woods, Kansas, about seventeen miles, and in a southeasterly direction from Liberal, about three miles to



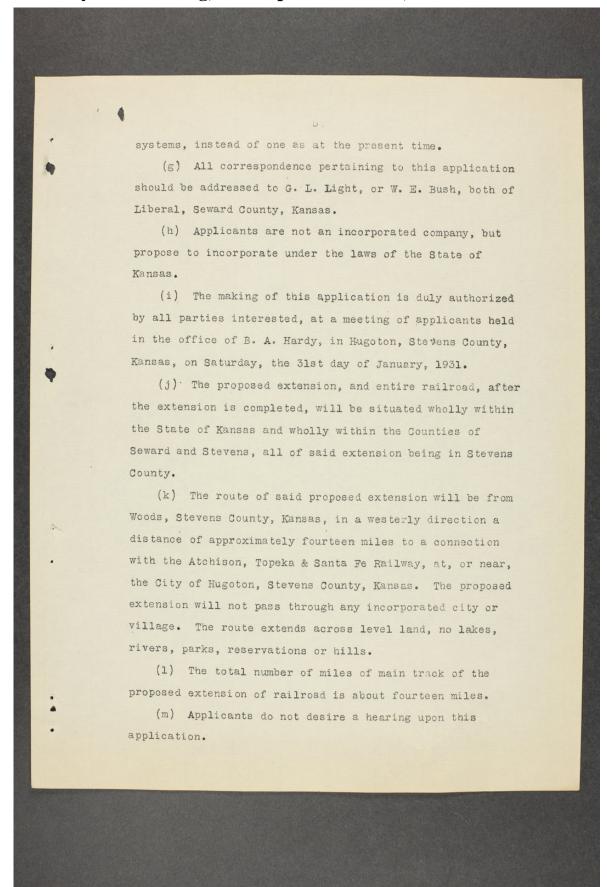
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the Kansas and Oklahoma state line, making no connection with any other railroad, center of population, or industrial plant, therefore being of little value to the territory, and less profitable than it otherwise would be. (The territory through which it now extends has aided it in the sum of \$145,000.00 in bonds, now being paid.)

That Hugoton, Stevens County, Kansas, is the center and head-quarters of a large gas producing area, which has been developed within the past two years; that there is now being constructed by gas companies operating in said field, a large plant for the purpose of refining by-products from the gas produced in said territory. Said proposed plant will represent an expenditure or investment of approximately \$750,000.00 and is located three miles east of the City of Hugoton, upon, or very near, applicant' proposed line of extension. The construction of said plant and the products therefrom, after it's completion, will furnish a large amount of tonnage, all of which will move over applicants' line to either the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway, at Hugoton, Stevens County, Kansas, or the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway, at Liberal, Seward County, Kansas.

The country which said proposed extension will serve is also a very rich and largely productive agricultural district, produces a large amount of freight from these products, such as wheat, corn, broom corn, and other sorghum grains, all of said territory being at this time in a highly developed stage, the extension herein prayed for giving a direct connection to two trunk line railway







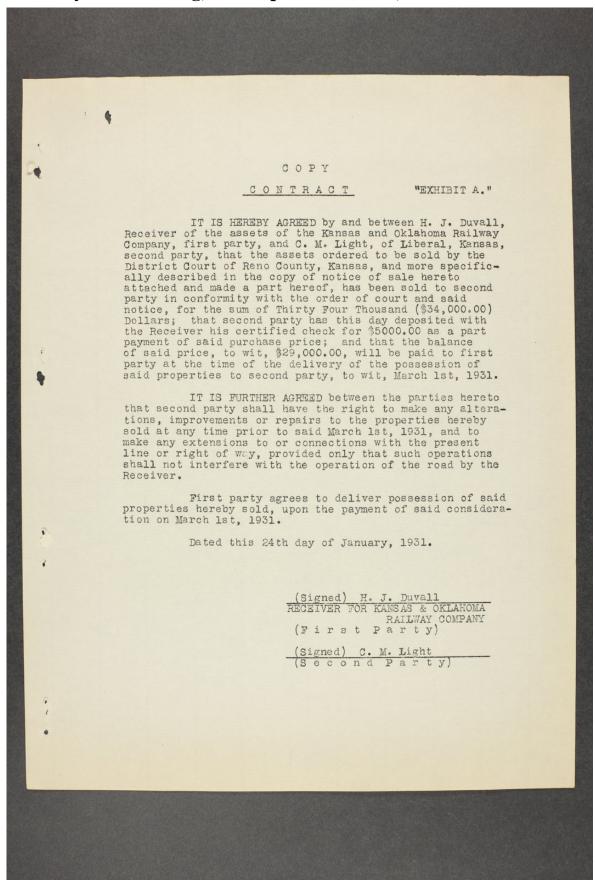
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(n) Wherefore, premises considered, applicants respectfully pray that this Commission issue its Certificate under paragraph 18 of Section 1, of the Interstate Commerce Act, that the present and future public convenience and necessity require the operation in interstate commerce, by C. M. Light, B. A. Hardy, W. S. Key and N. Bert Smith, applicants, under the name of The Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad Company, of the line of railway formerly owned by The Kansas & Oklahoma Railway Company, now being operated by H. J. Duvall, Receiver, and described in this application. Applicants further respectfully pray that this Commission issue it's Certificate under paragraph 18 of Section 1, of the Interstate Commerce Act, that the present and future public convenience and necessity require the construction and operation in interstate commerce by C. M. Light, B. A. Hardy, W. S. Key and N. Bert Smith, of a line of railroad, commencing at the present western terminus of the line of railway formerly owned by The Kansas & Oklahoma Railway Company, at Woods, Kansas, and extending thence to a point of connection with the line of railway of The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, at Hugoton, Kansas a distance of fourteen miles, more or less, said newly constructed line to be operated as a part of, and under the name of The Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad Company.

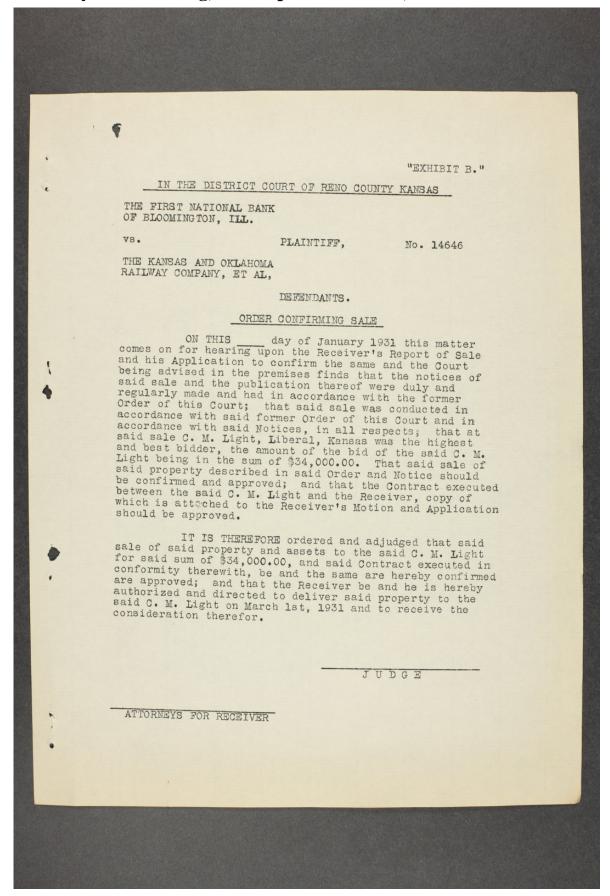


	STATE OF KANSAS
	SEWARD COUNTY, SS.
	C. M. Light, being first duly sworn,
	Deposes and Says:
1	That he is one of the applicants herein,
	in whose name the properties have been purchased and
*	that he has personal knowledge of the matters and things
	set forth in the foregoing application; that the state-
	ments contained therein are true, and that this affiant
	is duly authorized by his associates named in said
	application to verify and file this application, for
	and on behalf of himself and his said Associates.
	Subscribed and sworn to before me this
	27 day of Febru, 1931.
	My Commission Expires: Madius Skieke Sy, NOTARY PUBLIC
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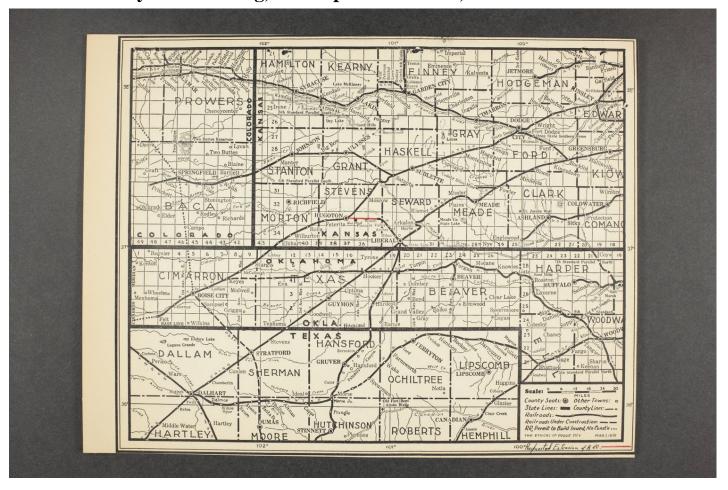














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INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

FINANCE DOCKET NO. 8584

ELDORADO & SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY BOND

Submitted April 4, 1931.

Decided April 11, 1931

Authority granted to issue a registered first-mortgage 6 per cent gold bond, series B, for \$1,100,000, to be delivered to the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company in satisfaction of a like amount of indebtedness to that company for advances for capital purposes.

S. T. Bledsoe for applicant.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION

DIVISION 4, COMMISSIONERS MEYER, EASTMAN, AND MAHAFFIE

BY DIVISION 4:

The Eldorado and Santa Fe Railway Company, a corporation organized for the purpose of engaging in transportation by railroad subject to the interstate commerce act, has by its application as amended duly applied for authority under section 20a of that act to issue a registered first-mortgage 6 per cent gold bond, series B, for \$1,100,000. No objection toothe granting of the application has been presented to us.

The applicant is controlled through stock ownership by The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company, hereinafter called the Santa Fe, and its properties are operated by that company under a lease dated January 1, 1924. Construction by Eldorado & Santa Fe, 72 I.C.C. 229.

The applicant shows that since December 31, 1923, the Santa Fe has advanced to it more than \$1,200,000 for additions and betterments. A statement was submitted with the application showing that during the period January 1, 1924, to September 30, 1930, there was expended for additions and betterments to applicant's properties \$1,142,770.76, which, added to \$377,186.28 of uncapitalized expenditures shown in a previous application, makes \$1,519,957.04 of expenditures offered in support of the proposed bond. From our examination of these expenditures it appears that there have been included therein the following items that are not acceptable as a basis for the issue of the proposed bond: Land for other than transportation purposes \$18,709.60, land donations \$1,353.60, rental and repair to ballast cars where train haul was charged \$12,457.43, total \$32,520.63. Deducting this amount from \$1,519,957.04 leaves \$1,487,436.41 of expenditures as support for the wind. The applicant's general balance sheet as of September 30, 1930, shows its investment in road and equipment to be \$5,069,957.04, against which there will be outstanding after the issue of the proposed bond \$50,000 of capital stock and \$4,600,000 of funded debt, a total capitalization of \$4,650,000.



