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THE WEATHER
Oregon: Cloudy and mild, probably rain in the extreme west portion tonight and Wednesday. Fresh southerly winds.

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## ROBINSON IN CITY ON WAY TO THE EAST

### Democratic Vice Presidential Nominee's Next Stop at Boise

### 300 WELCOME HIM TO THIS VALLEY

### Attacks Republican Administration in a Brief Talk Made from Observation Car of Train 21

Senator Joseph T. Robinson, of Arkansas, democratic vice presidential nominee, was enthusiastically acclaimed by a crowd of some 300 La Grande citizens this morning when he appeared on the platform of the east bound passenger train at 11:30 o'clock, en route to Boise. Mrs. Robinson and Mr. Robinson's niece, who are accompanying the senator on his campaign tour, also greeted the crowd from the train.

"I am very glad to have the opportunity of stopping at the home town of the gentleman who introduced me," Mr. Robinson said. Martin King, of La Grande, who accompanied the democratic group from Portland, was the man to whom he referred.

**Calls it "Cruel War"**

"I would like to pause in this beautiful environment and let the world go by," he said with a genial smile upon his face. "When this cruel war is over, I would like to come back here and rest among these hills." Mr. Robinson is making the longest campaign tour ever made by any candidate for public office, he said.

Getting to the main purpose of the speech, Mr. Robinson in a brief talk told something of the work of Al Smith, presidential democratic nominee.

"He is entitled to the recognition and support of the citizenry of this nation," he declared. "Mr. Smith has instituted more good measures than any other living statesman. What he has done for the state of New York in efficient service and progressive government, he will do for the United States if elected to the office which he seeks.

He is endorsed by labor and by many other organizations.

"Nine times Mr. Smith ran for office in the state of New York and was defeated but one time.

"Now more than ever before does this country need an efficient chief executive," he said vehemently. "Al Smith will provide both an honest and an efficient government."

**Attacks Republicans**

"Herbert Hoover must have a peculiar view of what constitutes a good government," Mr. Robinson said, "for he states that the past several years have seen an era of good and efficient government in the United States.

"The fact is, it has been one of the most mismanaged governments during that time that we have ever known. The administration has given away the resources which belong to the people."

At the close of the talk, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson shook hands with members of their audience and greeted most cordially Mr. and Mrs. L. L. McKennon, of La Grande. Mr. McKennon's brother, Dr. A. M. McKennon, of Clarksville, Ark., is a very special friend of Mr. Robinson.

"Good-bye, old timer," said Mr. Robinson, as he was greeted by a man introduced as an old stage driver.

"Good-bye and good luck," he and Mrs. Robinson called as they

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## *TWO HUNTERS SHOOT THREE DEER SUNDAY*

Three deer, one with a set of horns that had 15 points on one side and 12 on the other, were brought into La Grande this morning by Jay and Chet Mileering. They shot the deer on Hawkleberry mountain on Sunday and packed them out yesterday, through torrents of rain.

"We had all our fun Sunday and all our misery yesterday," one of the brothers said this morning.

This is one of the largest kills of deer made in Eastern Oregon this year.

The deer season ends Saturday, Oct. 20.

**WEATHER TODAY**

7:30 a. m.—56 above.
Highest: 48 above.
Condition: cloudy.

**WEATHER YESTERDAY**

Maximum 63, minimum 46 above.
Condition: rain .47 of inch.

**WEATHER OCT. 16, 1927**

Maximum 79, minimum 39 above.
Condition: clear.

## Halsey Is Freed While Partner Pleads Guilty

### Jury Out All Night in Liquor Case—Edens Sentenced to Penitentiary and Then Paroled.

After an all-night session the circuit court jury in the case of the state vs. Halsey, charged with possession of a still, returned a verdict of not guilty.

Shortly afterwards the defendant in the case of state vs. Coulter changed his plea to guilty and was fined $50 and sentenced to 90 days in jail by Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles.

Coulter and Halsey were jointly indicted by the county grand jury at the same time on the same charge and both originally pleaded not guilty. However, one was acquitted and the other pleaded guilty and received sentence.

**Edens Sentenced**

In court this afternoon Robert Edens, who was indicted Sept. 26, on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, was sentenced to the state penitentiary without limitation of time for a maximum of three years, but was granted a parole on the condition that he repay the amount of the checks which he wrote while not having sufficient money to cover them.

## Forty-Nine Show Opening Is Set For Wednesday

The 16th annual Days of '49 show, given by the La Grande lodge of B. P. O. Elks No. 422, will begin in the Sacajawea fun ballroom tomorrow night at 8 o'clock, starting four nights of fun, proceeds of which will be used by the lodge to finance its baskets for the needy and a Christmas tree for the kiddies in December.

The show, patterned after the life in a dance hall three quarters of a century ago, will feature dancing and games, the latter—about 15 in number—including beano, blackjack, roulette, craps, etc. The games will be in charge of Elks attired as old-time characters such as Dead-Eye Dick, Two-Gun Tom or what have you.

Each night will formally start off with a parade, forming at the Elks temple at 7:45 o'clock and marching down Adams avenue to the entrance to the Sacajawea ballroom. The La Grande band will be in the lead and forty-niners, in their loudest shirts and ten-gallon hats, will form the main line.

Each evening door prizes, two in number, will be given away. Dancing will continue each night from 8 to 12 o'clock.

The committee in charge consists of Harry Hoffman, chairman; R. J. Kitchen, secretary; Marcus Roesch, Herbert Browning, C. L. Berry, Otto and Arnold Gerber and Ed Meyersick.

## *La Grande Women To Attend Meeting*

A group of La Grande women are leaving by automobile in the morning for Salem where they will attend the annual meeting of the Presbyterian synodical. Those who are making the trip are: Mrs. A. T. Hill, Presbyterial president; Mrs. George Baker, treasurer; Mrs. Ray Murphy, secretary of young people's work; Mrs. Harry Cleaver, educational secretary and Dr. Margaret Inzle, corresponding secretary.

The meeting is to be held Thursday and Friday. Speakers from the home and foreign missionary fields will be in attendance. The La Grande women expect to be back by Sunday.

## *Pastor Conducts Special Services*

Evangelist E. H. Ahrendt, formerly pastor of the First Church of God in Spokane and now pastor of the La Grande Church of God, is conducting special services this week in his church.

His topic for tonight is: "Does Man Have a Soul? What is the Soul? What is Made in the Image of God?"

Tomorrow night's subject will be "Where Does Man Go at Death? Does He Know What is Happening on Earth."

## *CLAUDE PRATT AND FAMILY ON WAY TO DENVER*

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Pratt with their family of ten children left La Grande early this afternoon by automobile en route for Denver, Colo., where they will make their home. Mr. Pratt says that he expects to come back for a visit sometime. "I expect to open a new lumber yard in Denver on the wholesaling construct plan and expect a large volume of business. We will use the same class of advertising that we used in La Grande."

Mr. Pratt's children's names are: Victor, Ray, Irene, Charlotte, Freida, Ethel, Clifford, Florence, Bobby and Claude Jr.

## HOOVER BACK FROM VISIT TO BOSTON

### Republican Nominee Welcomed by 250,000 Persons in Massachusetts

### DISCUSSES TARIFF IN MAIN SPEECH

### Declaration Brings Most Vociferous Applause—Virginia Greets Senator Curtis Today.

By James L. West
(Associated Press Staff Writer)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16—(AP)—Herbert Hoover returned to Washington today from his trip to Boston, where he spoke last night. He went directly to his home to work on the address soon to be delivered in New York City.

The day spent in New England was Hoover's most strenuous day of campaigning since his nomination as the republican presidential candidate for president.

Invading Massachusetts, which the democrats have claimed as their territory, Hoover was greeted by enthusiastic crowds from the time he entered the state in the early morning hours until he boarded his special train for the return trip to Washington late last night.

**250,000 See Hoover**

Leaders of the republican party estimated that upwards of a quarter of a million people saw him in the more than a dozen cities through which he passed. These leaders said that the visit of Hoover not only should stimulate the party organization to greater efforts but also would have its effect on the fight to keep Massachusetts in the republican column.

During his day in the Bay state Hoover traversed almost the entire length of the state and delivered six speeches in addition to talking briefly to ten different delegations that called upon him at the home of Governor Alvin T. Fuller whose guest he was while in Boston.

**Touches on Tariff**

His principal speech—the third he has delivered east of the Mississippi—was made at the arena in

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## STATE MASONIC OFFICERS HERE

### Grand Master, Deputy Master, Grand Secretary to Conduct Meet

Masons of this district are preparing for one of the most important lodge gatherings in La Grande in many months. Friday evening, beginning with a dinner, a district meeting will be held at which time grand lodge officials will be in attendance.

The dinner starts at 6:15 o'clock at the Masonic hall, after which the meeting will be in charge of the visiting officials—Rex W. Davis, grand master of Oregon, M. L. Meyers, of Salem, deputy grand master, and D. E. Cheney, grand secretary.

More than 200 Masons are expected.

Mr. Davis, Mr. Cheney and Mr. Meyers are in La Grande today visiting at the M. L. Meyers home here before going to Baker for a meeting tonight. M. L. Meyers and L. D. Meyers are brothers.

## Smith Expects To Carry Ohio, Pennsylvania

### Encouraging Reports Received by Governor on Flying Trip Across the State of Missouri.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 16 (AP)—Governor Smith of New York will come to Philadelphia on October 27 and speak in the arena in West Philadelphia. When word was received here today to this effect arrangements for the mass meeting were at once set in motion.

SEDALIA, Mo., Oct. 16 (AP)—Republican claims of economy in the administration of governmental affairs will be the target here tonight of Governor Smith in launching his single speech campaign in this border state.

In addressing an audience in the huge livestock pavilion at the state fair grounds a few miles from Sedalia, the democratic presidential nominee will take as his text a single sentence in his acceptance speech in which he asserted that the "claim of governmental economy is as baseless as the claims that general business prosperity exists and that it can exist only under republican administration."

Thousands of Missourians are expected to come here to hear the speech, which will be broadcasted over a nation wide radio chain beginning at eight o'clock, Central time.

Encouraging reports on the presidential outlook in this state were made to the New Yorker by democratic leaders during his flying visit across Missouri.

During the conference, the nominee made the prediction that he would carry both Ohio and Pennsylvania in November, and characterized as "stupid" the comment on his Louisville tariff speech made by Senator Moses, republican, New Hampshire.

The forecast as to Ohio and Pennsylvania, republican bulwarks, came during the course of questioning as to the nominee's speech plans in Ohio. He said he had no speaking engagement in that state either on this trip or on the final one, he would speak in Pennsylvania, he added, but in which city he did not know.

The governor said he had received many telegrams congratulating him on his Louisville address.

**ROBINSON SWINGS INLAND**

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 16 (AP)—Senator Joseph T. Robinson be-

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## *MRS. MIXER IS MAIN SPEAKER AT LUNCHEON*

A plea that the chamber of commerce sponsor a chautauqua in La Grande was made at today's forum luncheon in the La Grande hotel by Mrs. Charles Mitchell Mixer, of Chicago, main speaker of the meeting. Mrs. Mixer, formerly Lucile Dunlap, was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. F. D. McCully, of Joseph. She is a daughter of Mrs. McCully.

Mrs. Mixer, after describing the chautauqua she represents, gave three monologue numbers which were generously applauded.

H. E. Brady, president, asked the entertainment and educational committees and a special committee, consisting of F. A. Epling, R. F. Tyler, Dr. Ray Murphy and the Rev. Oliver Riley, to meet and consider the chautauqua proposition. Dr. Murphy spoke briefly after Mrs. Mixer, touching upon past experiences here with chautauquas. He also announced the Shaver Juliet singers entertainment to be given tomorrow night sponsored by the American Legion.

## La Grande Teacher Visits Italy And Has Audience With The Pope

EDITOR'S NOTE—This is the third of a series of interviews with La Grande teachers describing interesting vacation experiences. Because of the length of this interview, it is given in two installments, one today and the other tomorrow.

By Frances Cherry

When a Venetian boy bringeth a Venetian maiden to go for an automobile ride he says, "Will you go for a ride in my gondola?" That, however, is the exception, says Miss Alice Klippel, teacher of English in the La Grande High school, who this summer spent two months in Europe. Most travelling in Venice is done in public gondolas and their station is like a shelter to the street car in the United States. "Any adventure through Europe without an anchorage in the city which has inspired painters, poets and musicians throughout the ages, is impossible," Miss Klippel says enthusiastically.

"The City of Venice rising out of the waters—the most triumphant city I have ever seen," said Philippe de Commines when he set eyes upon her in the fifteen hundreds. To Byron it was the amphi city. He saw "from out the waves her structures rise as at a stroke of the magician's wand." And so to Miss Klippel too, was the city of myriad reflections and illusive colors one of the most fascinating in all of Italy and all of Europe.

Even now, she found, the tinkle of the guitar, the thrum-thrum of the mandolin and the delicate tones of the violin to serenade on moonlit waters echo the dreaming splendor which was Venice.

**Funerals in Gondolas**

In Italy Miss Klippel saw everything—everything from weddings to funerals. "Funerals are conducted in gondolas in Venice and the bodies are buried on one of the few islands there."

At St. Peter's church in Rome she and her party of six other adventurers had the privilege of hearing and listening in on a wedding. It was an early morning mass affair, Sunday. "The bridal party consisted of the girl carrying a train, fair haired blue eyed, looked very much like any American bride," Miss Klippel said. "Later, after the religious ceremony, we saw them coming out of the stick of fices where the civil ceremony had been performed. And so they were married twice."

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SPEAKS HERE THIS MORNING

Senator Robinson, democratic vice presidential nominee, spoke briefly in La Grande this morning from the observation car on train No. 24, en route to Boise from Portland. Mr. Robinson is making the longest campaign journey yet undertaken in the present campaign.

## Blizzard Lashes Colorado, Other Nearby States

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 16 (AP)—Denver's first snowfall of the season, expected for three days, arrived last night and early today. Snow fell heavily near midnight last night but the flakes melted as they reached the ground and winter left no traces of its first call.

From other Colorado towns, located at higher altitudes than the capital city, however, came reports of heavy snow storms throughout the day yesterday. In the vicinity of Grand Junction on the western slope of the Rockies, several inches of snow fell.

Several parties of hunters were known to be snowbound and rescuers were endeavoring to reach them today.

A storm of blizzard proportions lashed that portion of Wyoming between Cheyenne and Laramie yesterday and made automobile roads impassable. State motoring associations and authorities warned would-be travelers between the two cities against starting out over the road in cars and as a result, it was not believed that any were stranded.

Snow fell at Santa Fe, N. M., yesterday and low temperatures prevailed throughout that state.

Weather forecasts today held hope to warm weather soon. The forecast for the entire mountain region was for warmer weather and fair.

## *Shaver Singers Concert Tomorrow*

The doors of the L. H. S. tabernacle will be open at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday night for the Shaver Juliet concert and the concert will begin promptly at 8 o'clock, Dr. Ray Murphy announced today. Tickets may be obtained at the door. About 20 members of the American Legion, which is sponsoring the concert and the American Legion auxiliary, members selling tickets for the performance and those wishing to receive them ahead of time may buy them from them and auxiliary members.

The performance is said to be exceptionally high class, and a large crowd is expected.

**REG. YOUR PARDON**

In the Cary Furniture company advertisement in yesterday's Observer it was incorrectly stated that a trade allowance of 25 per cent would be made on old ranges. This 25 should have read that an allowance of $25 would be made on old ranges. This error occurred through failure to make proper proof corrections in the mechanical department. An advertisement giving the correct details is carried today.

## RECEIVER ASKED FOR KU KLUXERS

### Petition Presented in U. S. District Court in Atlanta Alleging Insolvency

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 16 (AP)—The Constitution today said a receiver had been asked for the 1924 Klux Klan in a petition presented in United States district court here alleging that expenditure of money by high officials of the organization had caused it to become insolvent.

The petition, presented yesterday to Judge Samuel H. Sibley, of the federal court, who ordered it filed, charged that Hiram W. Evans, imperial wizard of the order, and other officials, had spent klan funds in opposing the candidacy of Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York, democratic nominee for president, because of his religion.

**Insolvency Alleged**

It was alleged that the organi-

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## *PHILADELPHIA INVESTIGATION INVOLVES MORE*

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 16 (AP)—A special grand jury investigation in ten months has resulted in the arrest of half a dozen district commanders of police and more than 28 detectives and patrolmen on charges of accepting bribes from saloon keepers.

And the end is not in sight, District Attorney Monaghan, who is conducting the investigation, said today.

The latest squad to be arrested of patrolmen charged with collecting bribes for permitting the bootleggers to operate is unit No. 1, organized especially for liquor raiding by Schoolboy General Smedley D. Butler, when he was director of police, safely here and disbanded when Mayor Mackey went into office last January. Three former members of the unit are already under arrest.

Testimony that one of the six groups of this unit received more than $25,000 in six weeks during 1926 was given by Eugene T. Talbott, a patrolman and former member of the raiding squad.

## *Washington State Senator Killed*

COLFAX, Wash., Oct. 16 (AP)—State Senator William H. Kirkman, of Walla Walla, was killed and several members of his family injured at 10:45 o'clock this morning when his automobile was wrecked on the state highway near Pasco.

## Curtailment Of Spending Asked Of State Heads

### Governor Patterson and Budget Director Kozer Discuss Financial Problem in Salem Session.

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 16 (AP)—To several hundred state department heads and executive officers, gathered here yesterday to hear specially prepared messages from Governor Patterson and budget director, Sam A. Kozer, concerning the state's delicate financial condition, the governor recalled his campaign statement of 1926 that "if elected to the office of governor said it is my intention to bring about a reduction in taxes." The governor said he believed many persons voted for him because of this statement, and he expressed the conviction that he will be able to accomplish his purpose if "elective and appointive officials alike will exert their utmost efforts to the carrying out of a unified policy, having for its objective efficiency in all public matters accomplished through the expenditure of the smallest amount of the public moneys."

Both the governor and Mr. Kozer mentioned that the revenues of the general fund will be insufficient by about $1,500,000 to meet authorized state obligations for the present biennium ending December 31 next. Both urged a curtailment of departmental expenses.

**Urges Less Spending**

The governor urged the department heads to "curtail public expenditures to the minimum—to spend less." To that end he urged them to review carefully with the budget director their budget estimates for the biennium of 1929 and the governor asked in particular that no salary increases be asked in the budgets.

Kozer mentioned legislative appropriations made by the 1927 legislature in excess to revenues accruing under existing laws, and the intention to meet them by revenue measures submitted to the people at a special election. This program was not approved by the people.

"Inasmuch as appropriations had been authorized by the legislature which were assumed by it would be covered by the added revenues," Kozer said, "We are now confronted with a glaring deficit in our general fund of between a million and a half and two million dollars by

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## Governor Young Refuses To Stop Hickman Hanging

SACRAMENTO, Oct. 16 (AP)—Governor C. C. Young today refused to interfere in the execution of the death sentence of William Edward Hickman, sentenced to hang Friday next for the murder of 12-year-old Marion Parker, Los Angeles school girl.

The governor announced that he would not extend executive clemency, following a conference with the young slayer's lawyer, Jerome K. Walsh, of Kansas City, and Thomas Hickman, of El Paso, Texas father of the youth.

## *Episcopalians Visit Coolidge*

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (AP)—President Coolidge received today in the south grounds of the White House the house of bishops of the Episcopal church and others attending the general Episcopal convention now in session here. He was photographed with them.

## *Woman Divorces Rabbi Wise's Son*

RENO, Nev., Oct. 16 (AP)—Mrs. Louise Joan Hahn Wise was granted a divorce in the district court here today from James W. Wise, son of Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, of New York.

Mrs. Wise charged her husband with desertion and the action was not contested.

## *Mystery Man Case Declared Solved*

PUEBLO, Colo., Oct. 16 (AP)—Police officers today announced they definitely identified Pueblo's "mystery man" as Russell Wilson of Newmarket, Ont., and branded his tale of war experiences as a product of imagination.

The authorities said they had satisfied themselves that Wilson has been the victim of a "peculiar mental twist" for many years.

## *Lady Nancy Astor Visits Coolidge*

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 (AP)—Lady Nancy Astor, British member of parliament, called upon President Coolidge at the White House today.

## MIGHTY GRAF ZEPPELIN IN HUGE HANGAR

### Largest Airship Ever Built Berthed at Lakehurst with Los Angeles

### MAINTAIN SILENCE AS TO OCEAN TRIP

### Naval Officers and Others Irritated at "News Monopoly" Obtained by American Syndicate.

By W. W. Chaplin
(Associated Press Staff Writer)

LAKEHURST, N. J., Oct. 16—(AP)—The largest airship ever built, its silver envelope containing inflammable hydrogen, was berthed today at the United States naval air station after completing the longest commercial flight from Europe. Three other dirigibles, inflated with non-inflammable helium, huddled in the hangar close beside the Graf Zeppelin.

Smoking was sternly prohibited, and in certain places no one was allowed except with rubber soled shoes lest so small a thing as a spark from a nailed heel cause disaster.

The mighty Graf Zeppelin, which floated up from the Zeppelin works at Friedrichshafen last Thursday morning with a crew of 40 men and a passenger list of 20, landed here at 5:38 p. m. yesterday after playing tag with the elements over a zig zag course estimated at 6,200 miles requiring 111 hours, 38 minutes. It was berthed at 3 a. m. this morning after spending most of the night attached to a mooring mast.

**Large Crowd on Hand**

The other dirigibles in the hangar were the Los Angeles and two comparatively tiny non-rigid blimps.

The Graf Zeppelin arrived as day was dropping away into the dusk just four years to a day after the arrival of the navy LZ Angeles from the same starting point.

Crowds had gathered for three days in hopes of witnessing the arrival.

Yesterday, however, there were not many more than 5,000 on hand when a gray smudge appeared on the darkening north horizon and expanded to the proportions of a gigantic fish that swam the skies with a stupendous majesty. It had already thrilled millions in Washington, Philadelphia, New York and other seaboard cities.

As the great dirigible, now the greatest in the world and yet soon to be eclipsed by three other greater ships, crossed the boundary of the air station and dipped toward the flying field the crowd broke into a spontaneous cheer.

**One Woman Passenger**

With no light showing except from the yellow plane of one cabin window, from which the only woman passenger waved a greeting to the groundlings below, the sky ship moved slowly and almost silently with muted motors to a position almost above the towering mooring mast.

Then with a roar like the tramplinz of celestial cavalry—and the strength of 2700 horses represented in the five engines swung in gondolas beneath the silver bag the motors were cut wide open and the ship was driven downward toward the earth.

Lines were dropped and caught by the waiting hands of more than 100 sailors. The ship was drawn deftly down and the gumpy bumper under the control cabin rested on solid ground.

As the dirigible settled on American soil the enthusiasm of the crowd broke all bounds and police lines went down with a rush as the erstwhile patient waiters threw patience to the winds and surged close about the dirigible.

**Crowd Pushed Back**

State police were momentarily helpless but they struggled hard to restore order, and many a blow was struck before the crowd was at last pushed back safely from the explosive wanderer of the uncharted

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## *RATE REVISION HEARING HELD IN PORTLAND*

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 16 (AP)—Railroad attorneys today cross-examined two Washington state witnesses before the interstate commerce commission which is investigating the petitions of Washington, Oregon and Idaho for reclaim of rates on shipments of apples and pears.

Both witnesses had submitted exhibits and data in support of the claims of the fruit interests that rates on apples and pears from the Pacific northwest were out of line with rates on similar products from California. They also contended that fruit rates have not decreased since post-war days as have rates on other products.

Maximum of not to exceed $1.50 per hundred is demanded by the petitions in place of present rates of $1.87½ and $1.92½.