

on the part of the union  
"The mere fact of frequently asking does not entitle them to a "yes" answer  
sometimes

- after 16 days the industry is now offering an increase--the union now willing to accept a five cent increase whereas before they would not
- 3 cents saved because box shock is cheaper this year
- growers throughout the Okanagan decided to carry on their operations despite the strike, to endorse their negotiating committee, very successful at maintaining operation, "XXX with a large number of growers offering their personal help or help from some member of the family, to man the packing houses and carry on during the critical peach and pear season"
- continues with crop figures for 1950-1954

Dangerous XXXX Situation at Present Between Labor and Industry here

- INDUSTRY committee stressed that they are controlled by the wishes of the growers and that stand was expressed wish of the primary producers
- in discussing situation with members of BCFGA at meetings there are few none who have heard all the details of the labour situation or asked an opinion
- negotiators have said that none happier than packinghouses to see increases in wages but producers opposed, as this in fact the case?

Fall 1955: Brian Cooney, director of organization for FFWU succeeded in that position by F-George Snowden, Cooney led strike in area August 25-Sept. 9 removed by executive council (4 members of 4 members)

Orchard Run by Wally Smith

- apologies to Snowden, business agent for newly chartered Teamsters union of fruit and vegetable workers; criticized complaints that Snowden made that packing houses not sending in check-off money, none are
- for a few weeks after Teamsters "took over" convention some houses continued to send money, however since situation confused will not send in
- lawsuit underway
- XXX Federated Shippers representing unionized packinghouses is negotiating with the old union, the FFWU as only certified bargaining agent
- teamsters are not the same old union in new paint, the teamsters have totally different way of operating, get into trouble with other unions in the US, and own members, involved in extortion, racketeering,
- old FFWU still have strong hand, suing the Teamsters, backed by Carpenters Union, deputy minister of labour concerned with disruption of labour solidarity in packing houses
- should be referendum to decide which union'

Brian Cooney Joins Teamsters Oct. 28/56: fired from his job because of role in strike, now working to organize 4,000 workers who are non-union in