

Alma Faulds Scrapbook 5.

- don't want grower to pay more for labour that he cant reasonably afford believe entitled to profit but workes are also entitled to raise
- believe that growers can afford it and if not wouldnt have distprted figures presntef in negotiation and conciliation
- union wants Royal Commission to investigtae fruit industry
- growers based their profit figures on receipt for Fancy and Cee grade red delicious but delicious run to large, medium and extra large; argued women's wages on basis off champion packer made in best week and male box maker when set alltime record at Kelowna Growers' Exchange
- just as logical for uni n to base demands on the most fortunate of the region's 3500 growers
- grpwers excluded road stand pofits from their stats and said that only 30 raod stands in t e Okanagan, yet on ride to Osoyoos to garageat Ospyoos counted 44 roadstands

puls 12 signs stating that fruit for p~~k~~ sal

- wage scale presented in paper sounds good but far from reality: in fact woman receives 66 cents an hour for the first two weeks, then 75 cents till worked 60 days, often takes till second season to make 80 cents an hour; 87 cents an hour only paid to head sorters, only for apple season, many firms have no head sorters
- \$1.25 male rate only earned by rev eivng supervisor and ot er supevisor, average male rate is \$1.05 an hour, work 54 hour week, even violating union prnciples to keep long weeks in a province where the limit is 40
- question Mr. Hack's use of "grant" in realtion to holiday pay, not granted but complying with government regulations

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another Wallace Smith letter: strike could be settled by arbitration, only 52 ~~hous~~ houses in the Valley are unionized; farmers' co-ops ~~are~~ are run by farmers nad despite the strike they could be run with staff not seen as strike-breakers, the farmers themselves (and their wives implied).

- peaceful picketting ~~is~~ is allowed
- transportation of ~~gr~~ fruit would continue from non-certified houses, co-op members packing own fruit isnot "hot" fruit and unin would have to haul it
- if fruit co-op members get fruit across picket line then unions would have to haul it if no barrier of picket line

Letter from R.V. Bonnett: profits are dropping in the fruit industry, how can union expect an increase, arbitration or conciliation board could not grant increase beca se of this