

at any particular building should avoid grouping themselves together. They should not.....even singly.....place themselves in any doorway.

7. Pickets must remember that when on duty they represent the union, and that if their behaviour is objectionable, the entire union may be held responsible and suffer accordingly. Therefore, whatever their personal feelings may be, they must be careful that their conduct is at all times above reproach, and in every way a credit to the organization they represent.

"CONGRESS BLASTS GOV'T ON VOTE CALL - Union Representation Issue at Stake"

- telegram sent by A. M. Morrison, B.C., vice-president of the CLC.
- it reads as follows "Gordon G. Cushing, executive vice-president Canadian Congress of Labour, is protesting the proposed supervised vote by B.C. Labour Relations Board to Chairman William Sands."
- "We recommend with confidence that all workers repeat all endorse authority of their congress." As a result of this telegram, the "independent" FFVWU has called a special meeting tonight in its board office at 227 Main Street, Penticton.
- attending meeting will be board of the organization which will represent its nine locals in Penticton, Kaleden, Naramata, Oliver, Creston, Summerland, Kelowna, Vernon and Oyama.
- "A direct challenge of a provincial government's authority to call a referendum as a means of settling a jurisdictional dispute between rival unions was telegraphed today from Canadian Labour Congress to the office of the Federation of Fruit and Vegetable Workers' Union, here."
- "Canada's newly formed central labour body, the Canadian Labour Congress, disputes the right of B.C. Labour Minister Lyle Wicks to call a referendum vote among packinghouse workers in the Okanagan Valley to decide which union FFVWU, "independents" and FFVWU "Teamsters" will be their spokesman."

"-BACKGROUND TO TELEGRAM" "The telegram stems from a meeting in Kelowna, September 18 at which the investigating committee of the CLC came into the Okanagan and interviewed both parties to the jurisdictional dispute. At that meeting the "independent" FFVWU was informed that the original charter of the packinghouse bargaining union had been revoked, but at present is suspended. Since that time the "independents" have applied to the CLC for restoration of the charter, jurisdictional rights in the Okanagan and Kootenays, and asked for affiliation with the CLC."

"LABOUR CONGRESS BACKS TEAMSTERS IN OKANAGAN"

- Kelowna-CCL has stated it supports the Teamsters Union in its jurisdictional fight with the FFVWU formerly an affiliate of the Trades and Labour Congress of Canada.
- CCL says the position of the Congress has always been that the FFVW should now be a part of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters
- reasons for this position are: in October and November, 1955, 9 out of 12 locals of the Federation voted to transfer to the Teamsters, Locals at that time were advised that a resolution would be submitted to the January convention to ratify this procedure.