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LEARNERS' PERMITS DENIED IN CHERRY PACKING

Applications for learners' certificates in the cherry-packing industry in the Northwest have been denied, Merle D. Vincent, Director of the Hearings Branch, Wage and Hour Division, advised the Division's Washington headquarters today. Mr. Vincent, after an extended study of the available data on the cherry-packing industry, has just completed an on-the-scene survey in the Northwestern States.

The season lasts but three to four weeks, and since the seasonal exemption from the hours requirements provided for in the Fair Labor Standards Act eliminates the problem of overtime pay, the applications were denied. Mr. Vincent found the packing of cherries to be a relatively unskilled operation requiring at the most a very short training period.

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