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Apple Pickers Protest Low Wages

Apple pickers were joined by members of the United Farm Workers of America at Pike Place Market in Seattle on Wednesday to protest low wages. In a labor standoff that could threaten 94% of all U.S. apple exports, more than 1,000 farm workers in Washington state have walked off the job over some orchards' recent wage rollbacks and elimination of the practice of rewarding premium pickers by paying them according to the amount they harvest.

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