

# Boycott Grapes! Boycott Lettuce!

California farm owners have joined corrupt officials of the Western Conference of Teamsters in a conspiracy to crush the infant United Farm Workers Union led by Cesar Chavez.

The unholy alliance of Teamsters and farm owners is attempting to return farm workers to the position of rented slaves. They have re-instituted child labor. Eight- and nine-year-olds are once again hauling heavy boxes eight hours per day in temperatures which are consistently above 100 degrees.

The Teamsters and farm owners have abolished union meetings and the system of elected representatives at each ranch. They have taken away the rest periods, fresh drinking water, toilets in the fields, and controls on pesticides required by United Farm Workers contracts.

Worst of all, they have re-instuted the labor contractor system. These slave masters are the last vestige of the sweatshop system in America. They act as body merchants, selling the labor of farm workers to the owners and pocketing most of the wage.

The Western Conference of Teamsters has supplied farm owners with hired thugs (armed with lead pipes, shotguns, knives and clubs) to persuade field hands to keep working under Teamsters contracts.

According to the California Supreme Court, "It appears clear that by mid-August 1970, at least a substantial number and probably a majority of field workers desired to be represented by the United Farm Workers Union and expressed no desire to have the Teamsters represent them."

In the first weeks of this year's grape harvest, the Teamster enforcers compiled a police record which includes attempted murder, kidnapping, assault with a deadly weapon, and arson.

A boycott is an effective way to win justice for farm workers and safe food for consumers, free from pesticides and filth. Please don't eat grapes or lettuce unless you see the farm workers' union label--the Aztec eagle--right on the plastic wrapper.

Please complete this pledge and return it to:  
United Farm Workers, AFL-CIO  
1915 Park Street  
Hartford, Connecticut 06106 Telephone 233-7234  
In Waterbury, call Sister Annabelle Pinto, 755-1427



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I pledge not to eat grapes or lettuce, unless I see the Aztec eagle with my own eyes.

Contact me to arrange a film or speaker at my church, school, or organization.

I will distribute leaflets in my neighborhood.

I enclose a donation.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_