...Discord in the Fields

The pioneering farm labor law that brought peace to California's fertile valleys has been nullified through a cut-off in enforcement funds, thus raising anew the danger of violence in the fields and of consumer boycotts that would inflict damage on merchants and other non-combatants all over the country.

The law was passed only a few months ago after patient negotiations by Governor Brown had produced agreement on its terms among all the warring factions in agricultural labor and management. It provided machinery for ordering state-sponsored elections to determine the preference of field workers in the contest for dominance between...