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Labor Leaders say unions are important

The Daily Item, Sunbury, PA
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LEWISBURG — Interestingly, the president of the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO and the president of the National Right to Work Committee agreed that unions were necessary.

Citizens have the power to fight court corruption

Washington Examiner Online
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However, Manship pointed out that Wetsel had become "actively involved" with a previous request for a special grand jury submitted by the National Right to Work Legal Defense Fund in a 1996 case involving a severed cow's head that was dumped on a car hood during a United Auto Workers strike.

Shucheng Huang, a Vietnamese mother of four, was targeted by union thugs for crossing a picket line; they even sent a photo of her face superimposed on the cow's to intimidate her family. Huang and other victimized workers eventually settled a lawsuit NRTW filed against UAW. Either Judge Wetsel "forgot" about the cow's head -- or he was deliberately misleading grand jurors.

Schoeller: Right to work will bring jobs to Missouri

News-Leader.com
Springfield, MO
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Right to work is about putting workers back in control and creating competition. Giving workers the freedom to choose whether to have union representation will compel unions to be accountable to their members and work in their best interests.

According to the National Institute for Labor Relations Research, from 2000 to 2009 Missouri's manufacturing GDP decreased by 12.9 percent while it increased by over 14.7 percent in right to work states.

Politics Behind Attacks on Public Workers In Numerous States, IAFF Conference Told

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Conservative lawmakers, emboldened by the results of the 2010 federal, state, and local elections, are attacking public employees in an effort to strike a fatal blow against unions, Naomi Walker, AFL-CIO director of state government affairs, said March 14 at the International Association of Fire Fighters' annual legislative conference.

Wis. unions rush deals ahead of bargaining law

Greenwichtime.com
3/14/2011

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — School boards and local governments across Wisconsin are rushing to reach agreements with unions before a new law takes effect and erases their ability to collectively bargain over nearly all issues other than minimal salary increases.

Thrasher's union bill eeks out of Senate committee; Northeast Florida politics enter the debate

Politicjax.com
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State Sen. John Thrasher says a bill he is sponsoring would "empower" union members by prohibiting state and local governments from directly taking union dues out of their paychecks. Union officials from the law enforcement community lined up during a Senate hearing Monday to trash that logic.

Amicus Briefs 3-1 Favor NLRB Dismissal Of Representation Petition at Charter School

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Four briefs were filed last week in response to the National Labor Relations Board's invitation to file amicus briefs on the issue of whether a Chicago charter school is a "political subdivision" outside the board's jurisdiction, and three of them agreed that it is (Chicago Mathematics & Sci. Acad. Charter Sch. Inc. v. NLRB, NLRB, No. 13-RM-1768, amicus briefing closed 3/11/11).

Public Sector Unions Must Focus on Quality, Acknowledge Financial Issues, Professors Say

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Public sector unions need to take advantage of the surge in popular support following the recent legislative standoff in Wisconsin by being more “forthcoming” about financial issues and the need to improve the quality of public services, Richard Hurd, a professor of industrial and labor relations at Cornell University's ILR School, said March 15.

Protection Racket

New York Post Online
3/16/2011

In 2009 alone, the Times reported, there were 13,000 allegations of abuse in state-operated and licensed homes -- with fewer than 5 percent referred, as required by law, to the police.

But blame also the Civil Services Employees Association, the powerful union that regularly sabotages efforts to discipline even the worst offenders

Crowd rallies to oppose union, bargaining rights legislation

The Tennessean Online
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. -- Troopers at the Tennessee Capitol have forcibly carried out seven union supporters after their protest disrupted a Senate committee hearing.