



When Teamsters like Hoffa say, "Take out these SOB's," you should worry

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. . .the National Labor Relations Board required the Teamsters union to post a sign to remind Hoffa's army of what not to do. Here's a small part of the four-page document:

WE WILL NOT threaten to kill or inflict bodily harm, make throat slashing motions, make gun pointing motions, challenge or threaten to fight or assault employees, threaten to sexually assault non-striking employees or their family members, threaten to follow non-striking employees to their homes . . .

Right to Work Texas: Income rose 3.7%. Forced-Unionism Illinois: income fell 7/3%

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The Wall Street Journal recently published a piece that USA incomes have fallen for the past three years and are now at 1996 household income levels. The National Institute of Labor Relations Research looked at Texas and Illinois to see how far those states have fallen. And, what probably comes as no surprise to most, Texas has not fallen while Illinois significantly dropped. Illinois takes a dive (-7.3%) as Texans' income rose (3.7%) when compared to 1996 household incomes.

Federal judge rules ILWU in contempt of court

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U.S. District Court Judge Ronald Leighton also said he would fine the union, the amount to be determined by a company analysis of vandalism from a Sept. 8 raid at the terminal. EGT officials said they expect to have a damage estimate by the end of the month.

Some Union Fees Illegal, Calif. Workers Tell High Court

Law 360 Online, 9/14/2011

"It is unconscionable for a court to force employees who want nothing to do with the union or its so-called representation to subsidize union political activities," said Mark Mix, the president of the National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation, which represents the class.

Former three-term Wyoming U.S. Sen. Wallop dies

The Casper Star-Tribune, Casper, WY, 9/15/2011

In Washington, Wallop established a reputation as being one of the most conservative members of the U.S. Senate: a staunch anti-communist, pro-defense libertarian who opposed government regulations -- including environmental regulations -- and championed states' rights.

Ninth Circuit Breaks Long NLRB Deadlock On Dues Checkoff in Right-to-Work States

Daily Labor Report Online, 9/14/2011

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit Sept. 13 ended a 15-year dispute over an employer's unilateral termination of union dues checkoffs in a right-to-work state, ruling that the expiration of a collective bargaining agreement did not give a group of Nevada employers the right to stop honoring employees' voluntary checkoff authorizations (*Local Joint Exec. Bd. of Las Vegas v. NLRB*, 9th Cir., No. 10-72981, 9/13/11).

Boeing ULP Hearing Considers Restrictions On Company Documents Provided to Union

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SEATTLE—The battle over Boeing's creation of a second, 787 Dreamliner assembly line at a nonunion plant in South Carolina moved into a new phase Sept. 14 as a National Labor Relations Board administrative law judge began considering whether access by union attorneys to specific company documents should be restricted (*Boeing Co.*, NLRB ALJ, No. 19-CA-32431, *hearing* 8/23/11).

Why the United Auto Workers may become obsolete

The Daily Online, 9/15/2011

But will the union regain its influence? Or is this loss permanent? There is reason to believe the latter.

Since when do kids Benefit from being out of school? Teacher union official admits union advocates for itself

Education Intelligence Agency, Intercepts, 9/16/2011

“I think it sends a message that we advocate for ourselves,” said [Tacoma Education Association vice president Adrienne] Dale, adding, “we do what is right and what’s best for kids. We’re doing what’s best for teachers. This is why we’re here. We’re working to get a fair settlement that’s going to be best for those kids.”

Former MEA Local Prez: Union May Lose 40% of Members – Including Him – if Teacher Right to Work Passes

Michigan Capitol Confidential ONline, 9/16/2011

The reason? He says some don't think they are getting real value from the \$90 per month in union dues he says they pay.

House Votes 238-186 for NLRA Amendment Cutting Board Power to Order Job Restoration

Daily Labor Report Online, 9/15/2011

The House Sept. 15 voted 238-186 mostly along party lines to limit the authority of the National Labor Relations Board to restore, reinstate, relocate, or transfer employment as a remedy for an employer's unfair labor practice under federal labor law.

Romney Camp Adds Labor Advisers

Wall Street Journal Online, 9/14/2011

The choice of Mr. Kilberg, a partner at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher and Boeing Co.'s lead counsel in the ongoing National Labor Relations Board case, suggests the Romney camp will make a big issue of what it sees as job-killing regulatory overreach by the Obama administration.

Editorial: Right to work? Yes, for all of Michigan

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Richardville is targeting the MEA because it is an egregious example of a union straying from a pro-worker mission. However, he and other state lawmakers can do better by broadening their focus.

Move beyond the teaching profession. Give all workers the option of whether they want to belong to unions.