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[20350001]

A NEW MINIMUM-WAGE PLAN has been worked out by Congress and Bush , opening the way for the first increase in over nine years .

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The compromise proposal , ending a long impasse between Democrats and the president , would boost the minimum wage to \$ 4.25 an hour by April 1991 from \$ 3.35 now .

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The legislation also includes a lower " training wage " for new workers who are teen-agers .

[20350004]

The Big Board is considering reviving a curb on program trading when the market is volatile .

[20350005]

The exchange , which abandoned such a " collar " last year because it did n't prevent sharp price swings , has been under attack recently for not taking action against program trading .

[20350006]

Great Northern Nekoosa reacted coolly to Georgia-Pacific 's takeover bid of \$ 58 a share , or \$ 3.19 billion , though the suitor said all terms are negotiable .

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Great Northern 's stock soared \$ 20.125 , to \$ 62.875 , on speculation that a higher bid would emerge .

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Stock prices rallied as the Georgia-Pacific bid broke the market 's recent gloom .

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The Dow Jones industrials finished up 41.60 , at 2645.08 .

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The dollar and bond prices also closed higher .

[20350012]

Meanwhile , new-home sales plunged 14 % in the month .

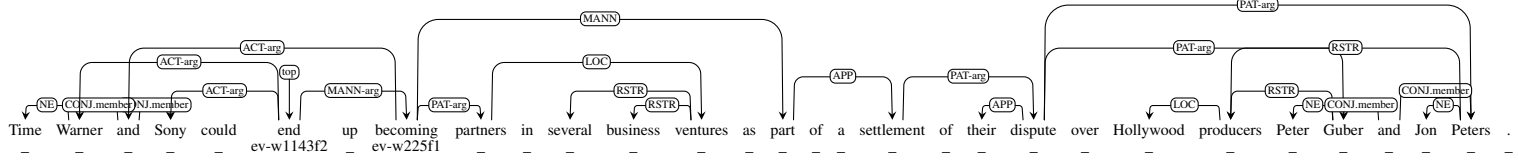
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Labor costs climbed 1.2 % in private industry during the third quarter , matching the second-quarter rise .

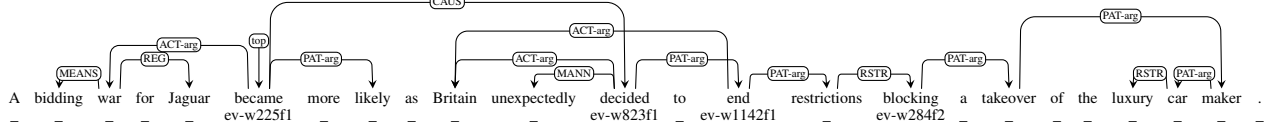
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Health-insurance costs soared .

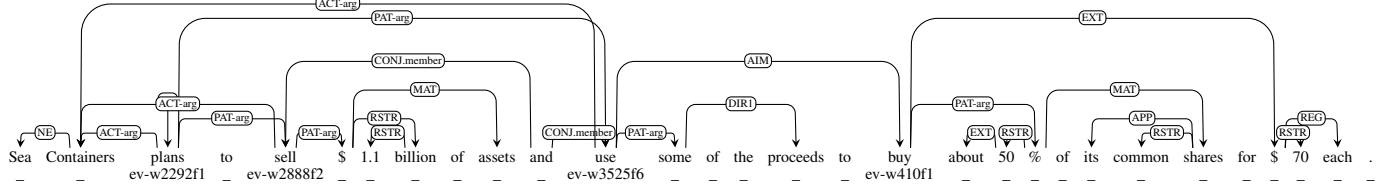
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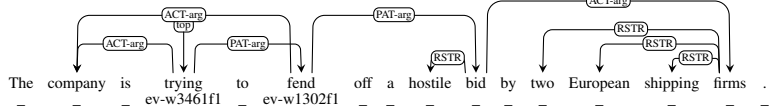
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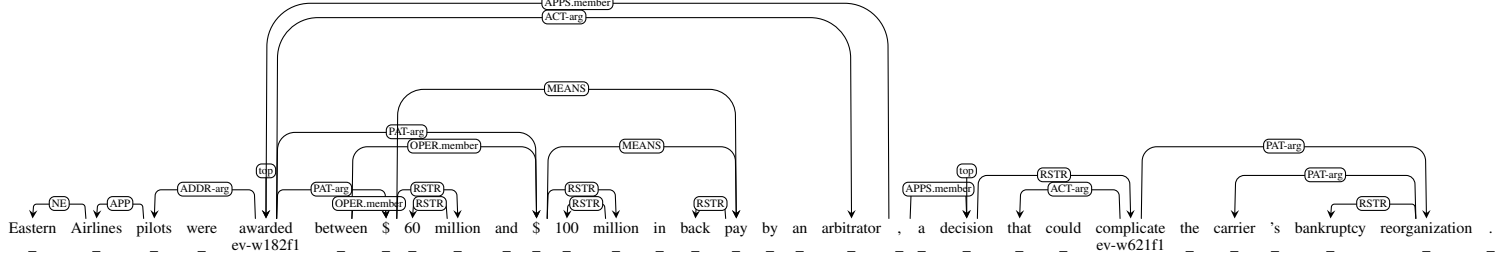
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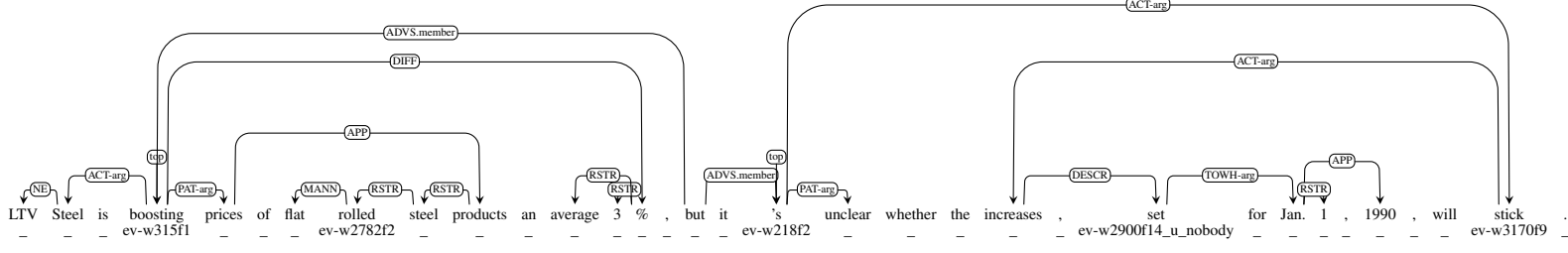
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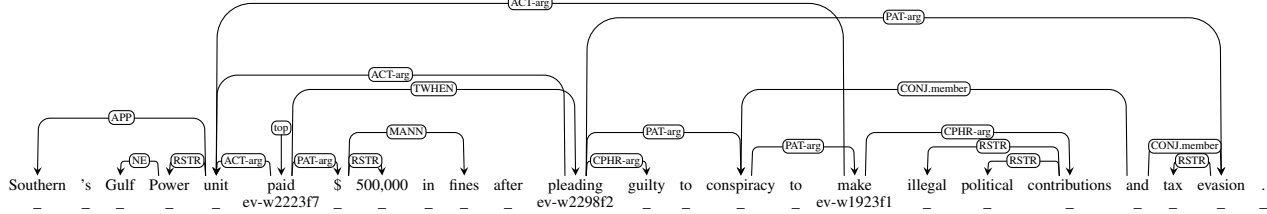
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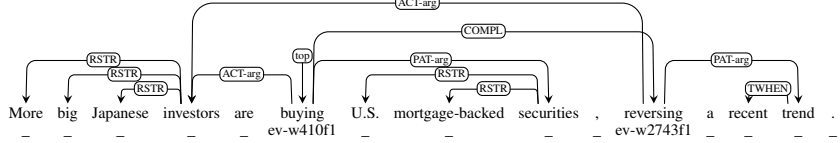
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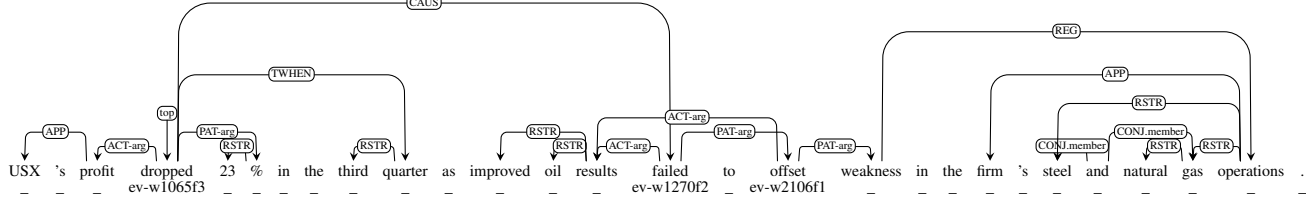
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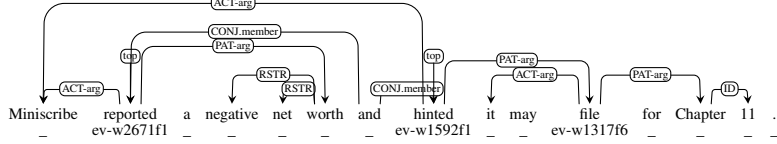
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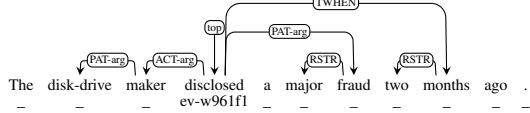
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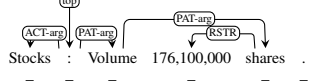
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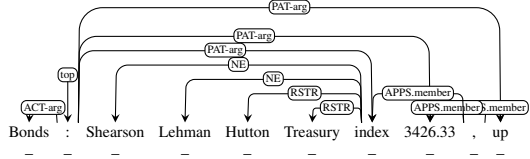
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