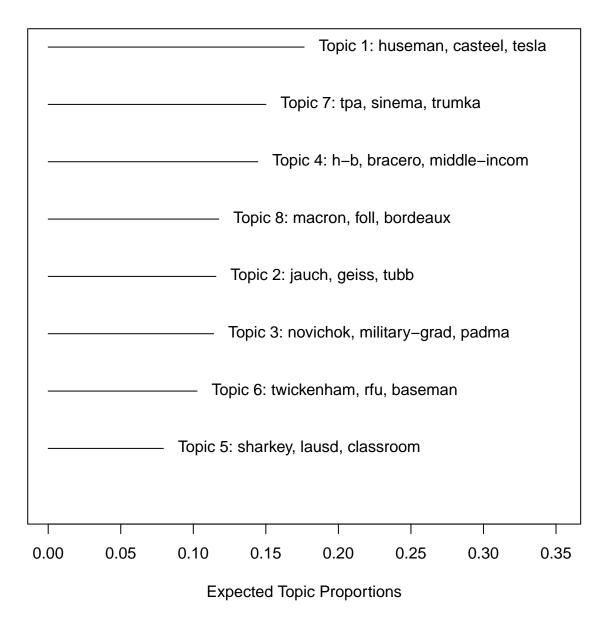
#### **Top Topics**



#### Topic 1: huseman, casteel, tesla, uaw, osterloh

For decades now, the Supreme Court has ...countenanced a significant impingement on First Amendment rights... of employees who choose not to join the union that represents the bargaining unit in which they...re employed. Specifically, the Court has ruled that the government may compel nonmembers of a union (under so-called ...union shop,... ...agency shop,... or other ...union security... arrangements) to pay fees to the union to support the union...s activities related to collective bargaining, and that the government may place the burden on objecting nonmembers to affirmatively opt out of paying the costs of the union...s political and ideological activities. The passage quoted in the first sentence of this post is, in fact, from a nearly unanimous Supreme Court ruling in 1984 that stated that ...[i]t has long been settled that such interference with First Amendment rights is justified by the governmental interest in industrial peace... (emphasis added)...and that leveraged that existing ...interference with First

Organized labor, already reeling from a potentially major financial hit thanks to a Supreme Court ruling last week that could result in millions of public–sector workers cutting off funding, could be subject to another blow from the justices: class–action suits from those workers seeking to get paid back from the unions. In a little–noticed action, the Supreme Court invalidated a ruling last week by the 7th Circuit Court denying class–action certification in a case called Riffey v. Rauner. The case involved nonunion state–subsidized Illinois home healthcare workers seeking to be repaid the funds that for years they were forced to give to the union that ostensibly represented them. The justices in effect told the lower court to do it again in light of their ruling last week in the case Janus v. American Federation of State, County and

Municipal Employees. Janus found that coerced dues from nonunion public–sector workers were unconstitutional. The lower court could simply reaffirm its earli

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Important First Amendment Ruling in Knox v. SEIUPart 1
Supreme Court throws out ruling in case protecting unions from class-action lawsuits
Janus and the Free-Rider Myth - The American Spectator
Supreme Court: Public Union Can't Make Nonmembers Pay Fees
Teamsters launch massive nationwide effort to unionize Amazon workers
12 Things You Need To Know About Government Unions
Sweeping class–action lawsuit could force unions nationwide to refund millions in fees
The Latest: GM, UAW to resume talks; strike still planned
Deprived of Mandatory Dues, Public Sector Unions Come After Your Tax Dollars
Supreme Court Petitioned to Decide if Forced Union Dues Must Be Refunded Following Landmark 2018 Janus Decision

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#### Topic 2: jauch, geiss, tubb, kloppenburg, doma

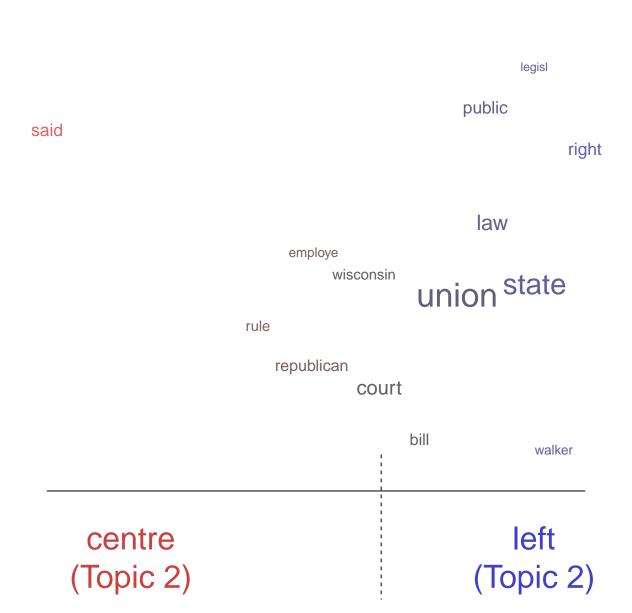
Advertisement Police guarded the property of Officer Kimberly Potter as Daunte Wright protests turned violent Tuesday night, with demonstrators clashing with police in Minneapolis while Portland's police union building was set on fire. Potter's five-bedroom house was surrounded with protective fencing after protesters leaked her address online as outrage mounts against the veteran cop who allegedly mistook a taser for a gun when she fatally shot Wright, 20, a black man. Wright's killing, just 10 miles from the scene of George Floyd's death last May in Minneapolis, led to unrest in Minnesota and nationwide. The trial of Derek Chauvin, the first of four police officers charged in Floyd's death, is ongoing in the city. At least 60 people were arrested at protests in Portland, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia and Chicago overnight on Tuesday. Curfews had been in place for Brooklyn Center, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Crystal, Columbia Heights, New Hope and Maple Grove from 10pm local time, but had

LANSING, MI, – DECEMBER 11: Union members from around the country rally at the Michigan State Capitol to protest a vote on Right–to–Work legislation December 11, 2012 in Lansing, Michigan. Republicans control the Michigan House of Representatives, and Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder has said he will sign the bill if it is passed. The new law would make requiring financial support of a union as a condition of employment illegal. (Photo by Bill Pugliano/Getty Images) LANSING, MI, – DECEMBER 11: Union members from around the country rally at the Michigan State Capitol to protest a vote on Right–to–Work legislation December 11, 2012 in Lansing, Michigan. Republicans control the Michigan House of Representatives, and Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder has said he will sign the bill if it is passed. The new law would make requiring financial support of a union as a condition of employment illegal. (Photo by Bill Pugliano/Getty Images) Protesters gather for a rally at the State Capitol in Lansing, Mich., Tues

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Minneapolis cops arrest at least 60 as they clash with protesters
Big 3 Automakers Reportedly Worried About Michigan Right To Work Legislation
Jon Stewart Knocks 'Right To Work' In Michigan: 'It's Really A Right To Work AROUND The Unions' (VIDEO)
New Emergency Manager Law Signed By Michigan Governor Rick Snyder
Obama Expected To Weigh In On Michigan Right-To-Work Battle In Detroit Speech
Supreme Court Deals Public Employee Unions Another Defeat
Judge voids Wisconsin's anti-union law
Supreme Court halts same–sex marriages in Utah pending appeal
Supreme Court Deals Blow To Government Unions
NYPD officers are said to 'feel abandoned by everyone' as officers come in for even greater scrutiny





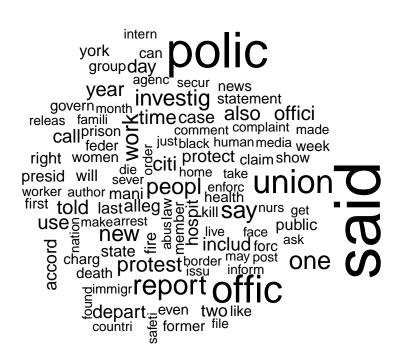
#### Topic 3: novichok, military-grad, padma, bangkok, carmodi

Thousands gather outside Buckingham Palace as Queen arrives home to await news of royal birth after Kate goes into labour Duchess of Cambridge was admitted to hospital at around 5.30am and arrived in car with Prince William Royal sources tell MailOnline: 'Kate went into labour naturally and things are progressing well' The 31–year–old is planning to give birth to the royal baby naturally and she was not induced into labour Future king or queen will be born at hospital in Paddington where Princess Diana had Princes William and Harry Prince William is by his wife's side at the Lindo Wing at St Mary's Hospital in London He will take two weeks' paternity leave when the baby is born and accept the full entitlement of £136.78 per week The Queen arrives back at Buckingham Palace and has asked to be kept informed of Kate's condition Prince Charles is on two–day trip to Yorkshire and told crowds the Royal Family are 'excited' about the birth As Prince of Wales left a function in Leeds tonight he said he

The Duchess is thought to be one week overdue with her second child who will be fourth in line to the throne Around two hours after being admitted today a palace source confirmed her labour was 'progressing normally' Kate, 33, was driven from apartment at Kensington Palace accompanied by the Duke of Cambridge this morning The Duchess of Cambridge was admitted to the private Lindo Wing of St Mary's Hospital in Paddington at 6am Advertisement The Duchess of Cambridge is 'progressing normally' in the early stages of labour after being admitted to hospital at 6am ahead of the birth of her second child. A Kensington Palace spokesman provided the update at around 8am, some two hours after Kate was driven to the Lindo Wing at St Mary's Hospital with the Duke of Cambridge. The Duchess was around a week overdue, with speculation that she may have to be induced rife. However a spokesman for the couple this morning confirmed her birth was 'progressing normally' as the world's media and well–wishers bega

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Kate Middleton goes into labour: 'Duchess of Cambridge and Royal baby progressing well'
Royal Baby girl born after Kate Middleton goes into labour
Police accidentally shot man in North Miami, union says
Video shows distress of puppies and kittens waiting to be dissected at animal testing laboratory
Woman who posted video of officer punching a suspect becomes target of Miami police union
Prominent police union leader charged in rape of co-worker after officers ball
A Black man risks all to clear his name
Bullet that struck caregiver was meant to protect him, police union president says
Albuquerque Police Were Paid 'Bounty' For Shootings Claims Victim's Father Mike Gomez
Police took a Black toddler from his familys SUV. Then, the union used his photo aspropaganda, attorneys say.



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#### Topic 4: h-b, bracero, middle-incom, peri, turbin

KENNY MALONE, HOST: Professor Shierholz, can you hear me? HEIDI SHIERHOLZ: Yes. And I'm going to just warn you, I'm, like, on the very, very tail end...

MALONE: Of a cold. SHIERHOLZ: ...Of a cold. MALONE: I am on the end of a cold as well. SHIERHOLZ: (Laughter). MALONE: Welcome to two people with colds talking. SHIERHOLZ: Excellent. MALONE: Heidi Shierholz was chief economist at the Department of Labor for a good chunk of the Obama administration. She's with a think tank now called the Economic Policy Institute, which is partially funded by labor unions. And I wanted to talk to her about something that is happening in the job market right now. Unemployment has hit 3.6%, which means that of all the people who want to work and are able to work in the United States, just 3.6% do not have a job. That is the lowest unemployment rate in almost 50 years. And Heidi says because unemployment is so low, workers are starting to find themselves with this almost, like, superpower. SHIERHOLZ: The quit threat. M

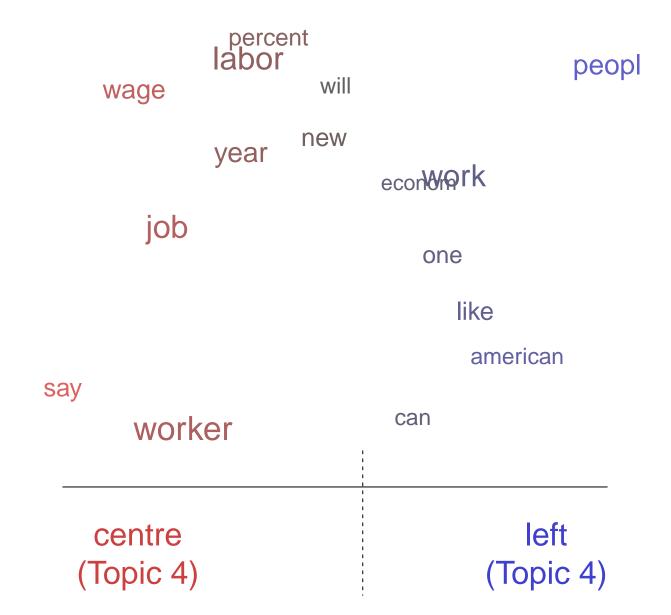
the form of wages and benefits, and money that goes to owners of capital, in the form of corporate dividends, bond payments, rent to landlords, etc. And according to a number of different data sources, the share going to workers is on the downswing, and has been for decades: This isn't the only reason inequality is growing in the United States. Inequality in wages themselves ... between highly paid executives and low–income workers ... has grown a lot, as has inequality in capital income. But given that capital income has always been less equally distributed than wage income, if more money is going toward capital, that's going to exacerbate the inequality problem. And according to the Economic Policy Institute's Lawrence Mishel, the declining labor share was the single most important factor driving inequality growth from 2000 to 2011. A declining labor share of income also makes it possible for labor productivity to

You can divide up the economy into two parts: money that goes to workers, in

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Episode 917: Quit Threat!
Robots, trade, and four other things that might be keeping you from getting a raise
The real reason youre not getting a pay raise
The Great Recession Is Still With Us
Capital inequality: It's bigger and a bigger deal than labor inequality.
Robots Won't Steal Your Job Next Decade (They'll Just Steal Your Raise)
U.S. jobs openings increase in June, layoffs near two-year low
Obama's Minimum Wage Hike: A Case Of Zombie Economics
Trade & Jobs: Is Free Trade Hurting the American Economy?
U.S. economy hits soft patch in fourth quarter as inventories, trade weigh

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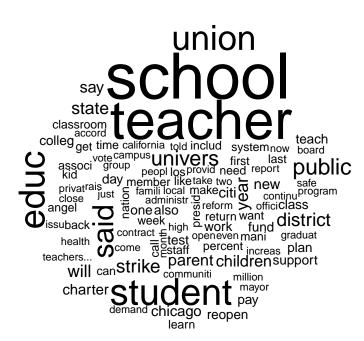
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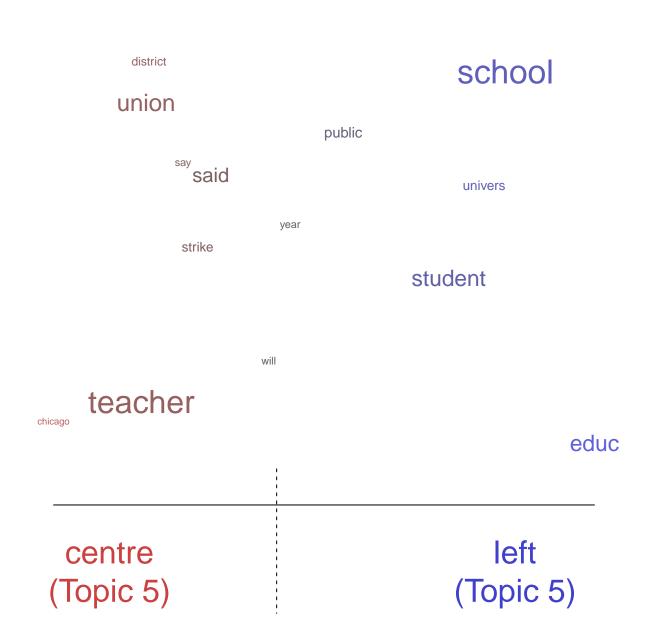
The president of a California teacher's union has been branded a hypocrite after he was caught dropping off his two-year-old daughter at her private preschool – despite saying it was unsafe for kids to be in classrooms. Matt Meyer, president of the Berkeley Federation of Teachers, has fought for what he called the 'gold standard' for educators in his district – insisting public schools should reopen for in-person learning only when the teachers are vaccinated, among other criteria, according to KQED. However, he has since come under fire from angry parents after a group known as Guerrilla Momz followed Meyer and his daughter to her pre-school, where they captured him dropping her off for in-person lessons on February 18. 'Meet Matt Meyer. White man with dreads and president of the local teachers... union,' the group wrote on Twitter. 'He...s been saying it is unsafe for \*your kid\* to be back at school, all the while dropping his kid off at private school.' In a separate post to YouTube, the gr

A Los Angeles mom pushing for schools to reopen has accused a teachers union of racial profiling after they asked for her ethnicity in an email and later blamed 'white wealthy parents' for a 'rushed return' to classrooms. Maryam Qudrat, who is of Afghan descent, says she received an email from United Teachers Los Angeles (UTLA), the union which represents staff in the LA Unified School District, asking how she identifies after she spoke with the press. Cecily Myart–Cruz, head of UTLA, then slammed a reopening plan proposed Monday, arguing it was being driven largely by 'white wealthy parents'. In January – shortly before Qudrat received her email – Myart–Cruz said union members have been 'stalked on social media by wealthy white and Middle Eastern parents' about the reopenings. Qudrat, whose son is in seventh grade, told Fox11: 'Their conclusion is if you want schools to reopen right now, then that means you are racist against African Americans and Latinos.' She was emailed by the union, wh

## Topic 5: sharkey, lausd, classroom, ctu, lausd...

California teachers' union president is blasted as a 'hypocrite' for dropping daughter off at school
LA mom calling for schools to reopen says she was 'racially profiled' by teachers union
Chicago mayor touts deal with union to reopen schools
Los Angeles teachers approve contract, end strike
Chicago schools extend talks with union over in-person class
Union approves deal with Chicago schools to return to class
Chicago teachers vote to teach from home, defying district
LAUSD teachers' strike has cost \$125.1 million. Now both sides are negotiating again
San Francisco schools 're–open' for just ONE day so the district can get \$12million in funding
Chicago, Teachers Union Reach Tentative Deal To Reopen Public Schools





#### Topic 6: twickenham, rfu, baseman, regular-season, mahal

FILE – In this Aug. 29, 2019, file photo, the sun sets behind Citi Field during a baseball game between the New York Mets and the Chicago Cubs in New York. Major League Baseball players ignored claims by clubs that they need to take additional pay cuts, instead proposing they receive a far higher percentage of salaries and a commit to a longer schedule as part of a counteroffer to start the coronavirus–delayed season. (AP Photo/Kathy Willens, File) FILE – In this Aug. 29, 2019, file photo, the sun sets behind Citi Field during a baseball game between the New York Mets and the Chicago Cubs in New York. Major League Baseball players ignored claims by clubs that they need to take additional pay cuts, instead proposing they receive a far higher percentage of salaries and a commit to a longer schedule as part of a counteroffer to start the coronavirus–delayed season. (AP Photo/Kathy Willens, File) NEW YORK (AP) ... If Major League Baseball and its players take the field for a coronanvirus–delay

NEW YORK (AP) ... Details of the agreement Thursday between Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association, as obtained by The Associated Press: STARTING SEASON There must be no government restrictions on mass gatherings or travel restrictions throughout the U.S. and Canada, provided the commissioner will consider ...appropriate substitute neutral sites where economically feasible.... The commissioner must determine, after consulting with the union and medical experts, ...that it does not pose an unreasonable health and safety risk to players, staff or spectators to stage games in front of fans in each of the 30 clubs... home ballparks.... MLB and the union will discuss the economic feasibility of playing games at neutral sites or without fans. The commissioner has the right to suspend or cancel games after the start of the season if government restrictions or travel conditions change. SEASON The sides will discuss ...the possibility of playing a reasonable number of regular sea

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MLB rejects 114–game schedule, threatens plan of about 50
Details of MLB-players union agreement on 2020,21 seasons
AP source: MLB owners OK plan that could lead to July start
MLB players say pay shouldnt be cut if empty ballparks
Major League Baseball owners approve July season start plan
MLB Commissioner Warns 2020 Season Could Be Canceled Amid Players Testing Positive for COVID-19
NFL preseason expected to be shortened; expanded playoffs more likely than 18-game season
MLB final pitch could be closer to Christmas than Halloween
MLB thinks Manfred has framework with Clark, union stays mum
AP source: Players ask MLB for slew of financial documents

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#### Topic 7: tpa, sinema, trumka, toomey, sander

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) ... The Latest on the 2020 Democratic presidential contest and the New Hampshire primary (all times local): 12:15 a.m. Wednesday Nevada...s most influential union is sending a warning over the heath care stances of the two most progressive Democratic contenders, including the current front–runner in the primary race. The casino workers... Culinary Union, a 60,000–member group made up of housekeepers, porters, bartenders and more who work in Las Vegas... famed casinos, is distributing leaflets that highlight that the health plans of Bernie Sanders and Elizabeth Warren would eliminate the union...s health care plan. ADVERTISEMENT The leaflets went out to union members on Tuesday night before New Hampshire...s first–in–the–nation primary was called for Sanders. Warren finished a distant fourth. Health care is one of the biggest issues for the union, whose members have fought and negotiated for robust plans. The union has not yet endorsed a candidate. Nevada...s Democratic caucuses are F

Calls are growing for Labor Secretary Tom Perez to enter the race for chairman of the Democratic National Committee. Perez has several close allies among the state Democratic chairmen who are privately urging him to run for party leader, along with support from parts of the labor movement. Some leaders in the AFL–CIO, the nation...s largest labor federation, are furious about the group...s early endorsement of Rep. Keith Ellison (D–Minn.) for DNC chairman and are looking to Perez for an alternative. ADVERTISEMENT Perez is believed to be weighing other career options, including a run for governor in his home state of Maryland in 2018. His decision on the DNC race is expected soon. Two sources close to Perez told The Hill that President Obama and Vice President Biden have privately encouraged Perez to seek the position. Obama and Perez are expected to meet in person next week, the sources said. "As the President has said, Democrats have many important decisions to make and some soul searching to d

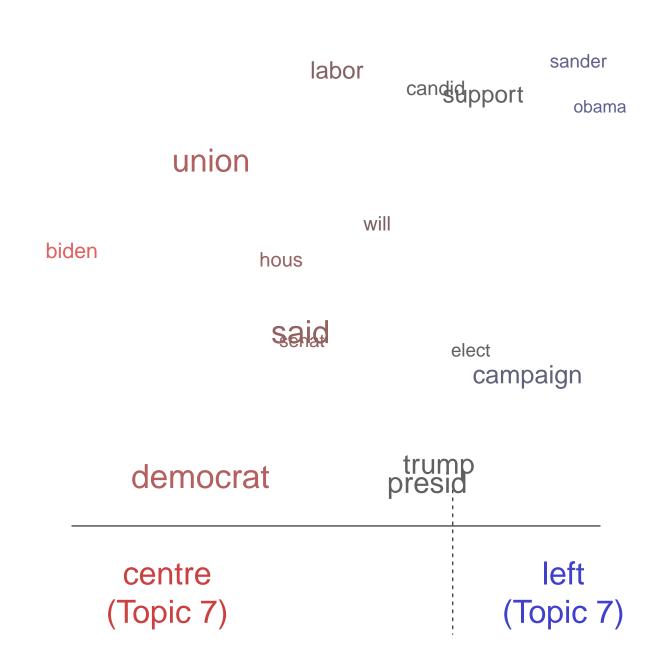
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The Latest: Top Nevada union warns about Sanders, Warren
Pressure grows on Perez to enter DNC race
Labor Secretary Tom Perez announces a bid for Democratic National Committee chair
AFL-CIO leader tries to quell pro-Sanders revolt
Biden backs Perez in race to lead Democratic Party
Joe Biden backs Thomas Perez for DNC chair
Bernie Sanders Wants Unions To Run Their Own Democratic Debates
Nurses union vows to continue backing Bernie Sanders through its super PAC, despite his anti-super PAC stance
Biden's launch riles up Trump
Progressive group frustrated with DNC over transition team

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#### Topic 8: macron, foll, bordeaux, cgt, dabi

Workers in several different countries took to the streets to march for the rights of labourers around the world Demonstrators in Paris, France, destroyed shops and threw rocks at police who responded with tear gas Protests in Istanbul, Turkey, took an ugly turn as demonstrators clashed with armoured riot police officers Workers in Sri Lanka, the Philippines, Cambodia, Russia and even England also held celebrations of the day Protest marches have been held around the world to mark International Workers' Day, and while some remained peaceful parades, others escalated into violent clashes and destruction. Riot police in Paris arrested more than 200 anti–capitalist demonstrators today as they went on the rampage to mark May Day. ADVERTISEMENT Water cannon and tear gas were used against the protestors, many of whom were anarchists belonging to the Black Bloc movement. ...They have mainly targeted places of business, including branches of McDonalds and banks,... said a Paris police spokesman. ...More than

Jeremy Corbyn and his team are facing strong criticism from their MPs over briefings against Tom Watson after the deputy Labour leader spoke out against the influence of the grassroots movement Momentum and the leader of the Unite union, Len McCluskey. At an angry parliamentary Labour party meeting, senior figures including John Cryer and John Spellar said the party...s deputy leader was being wrongly vilified in anonymous attacks from sources close to the leader...s office. It followed a day of accusations and counterclaims by Watson and Corbyn allies over whether Momentum has a plan to increase its influence with the help of Unite. On Monday morning, Watson spoke to the media about comments by Momentum...s founder, Jon Lansman, who was secretly recorded addressing supporters at a meeting of a new branch in London this month. Watson had demanded that McCluskey respond to a secret recording claiming that the union would fund an expansion of activities by Momentum if he were re–elected as genera

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Paris burns as rioters attack buildings and vehicles on May Day
Corbyn and team criticised for briefing against Watson over Momentum row
Labour Fudges Brexit Referendum Pledge For European Parliament Elections
Len McCluskey 'Rebuked' John McDonnell For Backing Pro–Remain Brexit Policy
Brexit: Crabb and Fox out of Tory race after May wins first round of voting – As it happened
Secret tape reveals Momentum plot to seize control of Labour
Labour proposals 'all-but guarantee leftwing Corbyn successor'
Len McCluskey Backs Emily Thornberry To Be Labour's First Woman Leader
Angela Eagle to announce Labour party leadership bid on Monday
Labour leadership: Yvette Cooper rejects poll predicting Jeremy Corbyn victory

