

Noncon Nonsense

Working in Noncon is no joke. We know about the back breaking work we do every day, lifting everything from bags of golf clubs, oil barrels, huge wooden crates and hazardous materials. If we are lucky enough, the person next to us is available to lend a hand, otherwise we are stuck on our own.

Sometimes, everyone gets slammed with everything at the same time. Some of us are even responsible for as many as three different cans at once! We have no idea the weight, crazy shapes or frequency of the packages. On top of this, we are told to not stop the belt when we need to.

Noncon doesn't have to be backbreaking if we ran it differently. It's time to bring in more people, slow down the belt and let us stop it when we need, because this is a bunch of nonsense!

R-E-S-P-E-C-T!

For some reason, management at FedEx doesn't seem to get it. We are grown adults, not children. We know how to our jobs and what needs to get done because we do it everyday. We don't need to be yelled at or told what to do because we know it better than most of them ever could. It's time they start singing a different tune.

Postal Service For Sale!

Recently the US Postal Service, the second largest employer in America, announced their plans to eliminate 35,000 jobs by October and close nearly half of the processing facilities by May. Over 1,000 workers will be forced to relocate. The politicians want to dismantle our public services to sell to the highest bidder.

So far this election year, FedEx has given over \$609,409 and UPS has given \$1,050,663 to both parties in congress. It's clear who stands to benefit from tearing down the Postal Service.



Workers Fight Back In India

On February 28th, tens of thousands of workers went on strike to demand more jobs, establishing a minimum wage, and job security. It was the largest strike in India since 1947. People organized across ethnic groups as well as different sectors such as bank employees, dockworkers, postal workers and transportation workers. What would it look if workers were to shut down the Bay Area for a day?

Enslaved to Debt

Tuition for schools has continued to skyrocket at a pace faster than we can afford and more cuts are constantly being announced. Since 2000 tuition in the CSU's and UC's has increased 290% and 330% and Community Colleges have raised fees by nearly 40% this year alone. Our pay has obviously not kept up the same pace – meaning even more debt to seek an education for ourselves or our children. Student loan debt has doubled in the last five years alone and is on track to pass \$1 trillion this year.

The Democrats promise to keep the doors of education open by slightly adjusting interest rates for loans, but the problem is that we needed to borrow the money in the first place! This is all just another way of enslaving us to debt.

The Rich Get Even Richer

When Forbes Magazine first started its billionaire list 25 years ago, it was 140 names long. As everything has gotten even worse for us the list has only gotten longer. Now, not only are there a record 1,226 billionaires on the list, but also their combined wealth has gone up too.

As millions of people have been kicked out of their homes, can't find jobs and are going broke at the gas pump with no relief in sight we don't need to guess where this extra wealth came from – us!

By The Billions:

- Fred Smith made the list with \$2.1 billion.
- 86 of 400 of the worlds billionaires live in CA.
- The top ten in CA have over \$125 billion, they could pay the entire California deficit 13 times with money to spare.

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