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Steven Pearlstein
The Washington Post

With ambitious scope and impressive depth, Pearlstein attempts to explain the forces that have transformed the modern economy, keeping workers' wages stagnant as pay at the top skyrockets. Pearlstein describes different industries that have been transformed by "winner-take-all" dynamics, documents the drift toward corporate giantism, and looks at why solutions to our growing economic gap are so elusive.

Kevin Corcoran
Fort Wayne News Sentinel

Business interests spent millions of dollars trying to influence Indiana's 1995 General Assembly. Corcoran's probe shows how they were rewarded by the furthering of their legislative agenda, which included gutting minimum wages on public construction projects and curbing product-liability lawsuits.

Laurie Mylroie
The National Interest

This provocative essay, a fresh look at the World Trade Center bombing, suggests that evidence points to Iraqi state sponsorship. Mylroie also found that lack of coordination between the Justice Department and national security agencies means that national security gets short shrift in dealing with domestic terrorism.

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