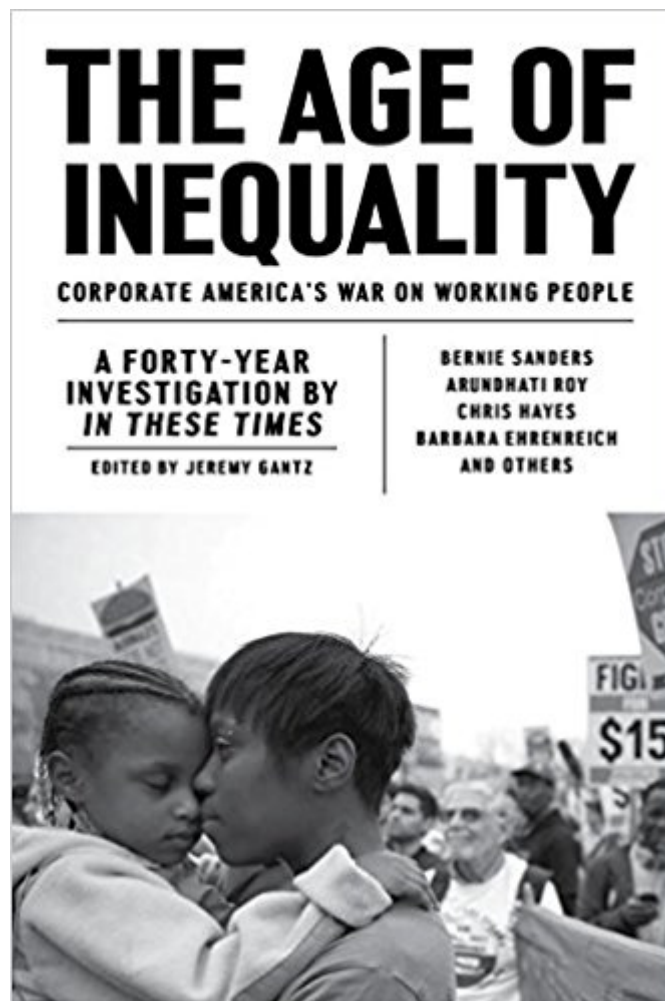




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The Age Of Inequality: Corporate America's War On Working People



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results of that investigation.â • â "Naomi Klein â œlf we canâ ™t address the gross unfairness thatâ ™s come to mark our economic life, we probably canâ ™t address our other problems either. These are some of the planetâ ™s sharpest minds, and what they say must be heard.â • â "Bill McKibben, author of Eearth: Making a Life on a Tough New Planet

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This book is the culmination of over 40 years of written coverage on the war of inequality we have in America. The artful manner in which the reprinted articles are aligned in succession gives us the timeline of how we got here. It is a road map on how we can chart our path out of this inequality. In These Times magazine and reporters are par none with any progressive news outlet. This should be a primer used in all schools for High School history. This is a book you have to have.

Manufacturing U.S. jobs are being evaporated due to automation, outsourcing, and migration to nonunion states, all the while the 1% is getting richer and the inflation adjusted American family income is dropping. Naturally, the ability to outsource for lower wages allows corporations to gut out the remainder of American unions. There is not a surplus of high skilled jobs awaiting trained or retrained workers. Union busting Republicans/corporations have been very successful. While union density declined, many union members actually have begun to vote Republican! Discussions of predatory lending, vampire market, credit scams, graduating student debts, the devastation of McJobs, and privatization were discussed by various authors. The "free market," perhaps the most insidious of all fiscal lies, was not discussed. The section on dairy farming was especially appalling, although the current state of Iraq created by the U.S. is even more terrible and involves humans. All this is news we knew. A myriad of social ills is examined with suggestions and methods for coping. I am giving this book, although I still suggest you read every word, merely a 4 star simply because it was published too early to examine the disaster November 8, 2016 has given us. However, the moral of the story is that big money wins.

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