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Elon Musk keeps tweeting that he loves free speech. So here's a thread with just a few of the countless examples showing he couldn't care about it less (■)

1. There's the time he called Vernon Unsworth, the man who helped rescue 12 boys trapped in a mine in Thailand, a “pedo guy” and paid $50,000 to an investigator to dig up Unsworth’s life. Why? Because Unsworth called his failed attempt help the boys himself a “PR stunt.”

2. Then there's the story of John Bernal, who was fired six days after posting a YouTube video of a Tesla accident.
https://t.co/6AKY0EDwTV

3. Then, there's Martin Tripp, a technician at a Tesla plant in Nevada who blew the whistle on the company. Musk allegedly hired people to hack and spy on Tripp after he cast doubts on Tesla’s environmental credentials.
https://t.co/K5wG6kRrBh

4. Musk also is anti free-speech when it comes to labor organizing. Tesla worker Richard Ortiz was fired for trying to organize with the United Auto Workers, a move that was declared illegal by a labor board.
https://t.co/eo6XbYxxn5

5. Then there's the time Tesla asked China to censor comments that were critical of the company.
https://t.co/9b8cJEWtty

6. There's also the time Musk tried to out an anonymous Tesla critic, and skeptical investor who goes by "Montana Skeptic" to their employer.
https://t.co/hgmIMnkD2O

7. He also has tried to use Twitter itself to suppress worker speech and organizing, a move deemed illegal by the NLRB.
https://t.co/xkew2BGiXE

These are just a few examples, we're sure to see many more soon as he takes over Twitter. His free speech bravado is just a mask to hide the ways he suppresses speech that goes against his interests. More below.
https://t.co/MPVUK0YUft