

And Speaking of Rodents...

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Even the workers at the Happiest Place on Earth occasionally find themselves in a labor dispute. Disneyland Resorts, which employ 2,100 workers, and UNITE HERE Local 11, which represents them, have been locked in negotiations for more than three years since expiration of the last contract. On May 25, 2011, Disneyland Resorts indicated it had enough and advised the Union that it considered the parties at an impasse and would implement the terms of its “last, best and final” offer. The Union disagreed that impasse was present and claimed that implementation of the employer offer at the Magic Kingdom would be in violation of federal labor law. In the event UNITE HERE decides to picket Disneyland Resorts, there is no word on whether Mickey Mouse will cross.