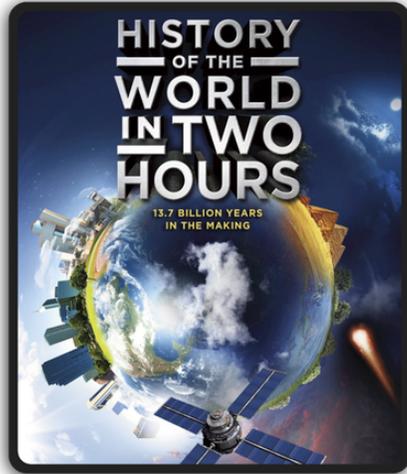


1 **Weekly news fragments**

2 "In today's ever changing world, you can't meet the responsibilities of leadership unless you keep up with the times."



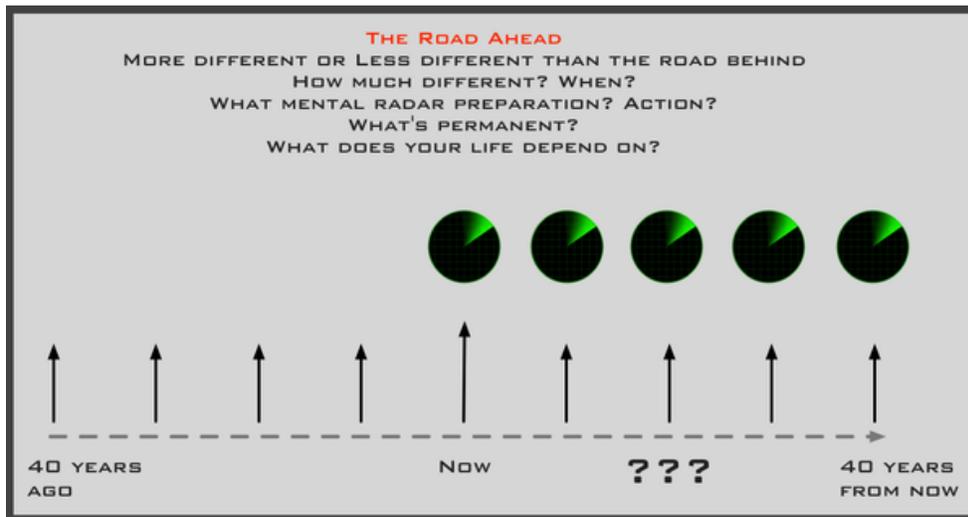
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Evidence wall



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Timeline

8 **# 170 Awareness**

9 Wisdom is about awareness.

- 10 If you **know** the road, life is easier.
- 11 If you **can see** the road, life is easier – [The History of the World in Two Hours](#).
- 12 If you can **discover new roads**, life is richer.
- 13 If you **know you have a choice of roads**, life is richer. ¶¶¶

14 **# 171 Perception**

- 15 Perception is not what the 'eye' sees but **what the 'brain' sees**. ...
- 16 When you see a train pulling out of a railway station your perception is very different according to whether it is **the train you have just missed** or if that train had no relevance for you. ¶¶¶

17 **#172 Broad**

- 18 Cleverness is **sharp focus**, wisdom is **wide angle**.
- 19 Wisdom is largely about **'broadening' perception**.
- 20 Most of the mistakes in thinking are mistakes in perception.
- 21 **Seeing only part of the situation.**
- 22 **Jumping to conclusions.**
- 23 **Misinterpretation caused by feelings.** ¶¶¶
- 24 Helicopters that report back to local radio stations on traffic conditions at peak hours get a broad view of what is going on.
- 25 No motorist stuck in the traffic could possibly get this view.
- 26 With wisdom we seek to climb into a helicopter to get a broad overall view. ¶¶¶
- 27 There are **three types** of 'broad'. ¶¶¶
- 28 The first type of broad is to do with **'width'**.
- 29 How widely do we see?
- 30 This means taking into account different factors, different people, different values and different needs.
- 31 This is the closest to the helicopter analogy.
- 32 We look around in all directions, not just where we are next going to place our feet. ¶¶¶
- 33 The second type of broad is to do with **'depth'**.
- 34 This means **looking** forward and **looking** backwards.
- 35 We look **backwards in time to seek explanations** and reasons for **what is before us**.
- 36 We look backwards **to examine past experiences**, both our own and those of other people.

37 We look **forward** to see the **consequences** of what is before us.
38 This might be **prediction** in terms of what may happen.
39 It may also be **looking for the consequences** of **any action we are contemplating**.
40 We look forward from the immediate consequences to the long-term consequences. ¶¶¶

41 The third type of broad is to do with '**richness**'.
42 Here we open up **alternatives** and **different ways of looking at things**.
43 We **seek** out the **existing alternatives**.
44 We **imagine** the **different viewpoints of other people**.
45 We **make an effort** to **generate further alternatives**.
46 These are **alternatives of perception** and **alternatives of action**.
47 We look for '**might be**' and for '**possibly**'.
48 We go beyond '**what is**'. ¶¶¶

49 So the **aim** of wisdom is to end up with a **perception** that is **wider, deeper** and **richer**. ¶¶¶

50 There is a considerable element of **creativity in broadening perception**.

51 We need creativity to **direct our attention** to areas we might have overlooked.
52 We need creativity to **generate alternatives**.
53 We need creativity to **put things together in different ways**.
54 We need creativity to **link up with past experiences** **which are not so obviously relevant**.
55 Creative perception **is part of** perception. ¶¶¶

56 One shoe salesman reported back that there was no market because no one wore shoes.
57 His companion reported back that it was a fantastic market because no one wore shoes.

58 More [Wise about Wisdom](#)

59

60 *What do these areas of awareness, these work areas, and these potential horizons [mean for me](#)?*

61 *What **unexpected** event did I notice today? Add to ~/Dropbox/Private/MD-OPML-TP-TXT/Text/news/Blog topics.txt*

62 [Successful careers are not planned](#)

63 [The return on luck](#)

64 *"Your first and foremost job as a leader is to [take charge of your own energy](#) and then help to orchestrate the energy of those around you."*

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We collectively and individually can only work toward the horizons on our mental radar at a point in time

"We surely are nowhere near the end of the turbulences, the transformations, the sudden upsets, which have made this century one of the meanest, cruelest, bloodiest in human history" – Peter Drucker

"The twenty-first century will surely be one of continuing social, economic, and political turmoil and challenge, at least in its early decades. The Age of Social Transformations is not over yet. And the challenges looming ahead may be more serious and more daunting still than those posed by the social transformations that have already happened, the social transformations of the twentieth century" – Peter Drucker

Henry Jones' Grail diary guided his thoughts and actions.

From concepts to daily action

The Road Ahead
 WHAT DIFFERENCE WILL YOUR FUTURE MAKE TO THE WORLD BEHIND YOU?
 HOW MUCH DIFFERENCE? SHOULD I?
 WHAT WILL MY FUTURE BE? SHOULD I?
 WHAT'S THE POINT? SHOULD I?
 WHAT WILL YOUR LIFE BE? SHOULD I?

100 YEARS AGO NOW 777 100 YEARS FROM NOW

A static view of the economy

Content and structure of the economy – a launching pad toward tomorrow's

Individual time log and calendar. Things a person did and things they are going to do – horizons.

The basic organization of today's century's economy

Family Weekly Ten-day Weekend Monthly Daily Saturday

7.7 billion

Amazon.com rlaexp.com A topic of interest The topic dissected and commented Converted into a mind map for operacy thinking Converted into a work plan

68 For each thought fragment, concept, illustration, link, or text block you encounter ask yourself [what does this mean for me?](#) Also try a [PMI](#), [dense reading and dense listening](#), [thinking broad and thinking](#) detailed plus visualizing the [operacy](#) involved.

69 **News Sources**

- 70 ▪ Instapaper groups
- 71 ❖ CNN (CNN, NYT, Post Reports)
- 72 ▪ DEVONthink To Go
- 73 ❖ List of Articles.scriv
- 74 ❖ List of other L4 (Articles still in DEVONthink Pro)
- 75 ❖ Little picture article titles
- 76 ❖ Added this week
- 77 ❖ Important article titles (L3+)
- 78 ▪ Mailboxes
- 79 ▪ Articles.scriv
- 80 ▪ SnipNotes
- 81 ▪ Day One
- 82 ❖ Annual journals
- 83 ❖ Thoughtscapes
- 84 ❖ Travel
- 85 ❖ Horizons
- 86 ❖ New synopses
- 87 ▪ Contents of iCloud Drive
- 88 ▪ Castro
- 89 ▪ Atlas Obscura
- 90 ▪ iOS News apps
- 91 ❖ Flipboard
- 92 ❖ Quora
- 93 ▪ [The memo they don't want you to read](#)
- 94 ▪ [Thoughtscapes, brainroads, and brain addresses for navigating a changing world](#)
- 95 ▪ [Supplemental PDFs](#)
- 96 ▪ [Peter Drucker's view of developmental directions](#)
- 97 ▪ [Wise about wisdom](#)

98 **Weekly list**

99 **Monday, August 19, 2019 news**

100 article-titles-daily

101 **NPR**

- 102 A suicide bombing at a wedding in Kabul killed 63.
- 103 The Islamic State in Afghanistan claimed responsibility.
- 104 This comes amid peace negotiations between the United States and the Taliban.
- 105 What does this mean for the security of Afghan citizens?
- 106 In California, the shooting of Stephon Clark last year led to widespread demonstrations.
- 107 Now, a new law there will raise the bar for when it is reasonable for the police to use deadly force.
- 108 Could it be adopted nationwide?
- 109 And there are changes coming for reproductive health clinics.

110 As of today, if they want federal money, they can't refer patients to abortion providers.

111 What does this mean for the low-income women who rely on these clinics?

112 **Article titles**

- 113 ■ Health in Africa: 5 priorities for the G-7 Biarritz Summit
- 114 ■ A record 768 million US vacation days went to waste last year, a study says
- 115 ■ Make a habit/break a habit
- 116 ■ "What's their phone number again?"
- 117 ■ How to re-create the magic of a hotel bed at home
- 118 ■ Buying a Home, No Matter the Market
- 119 ■ Remembering the Miracle of 1989
- 120 ■ How to Schedule IGTV Videos from Your Desktop in 9 Steps
- 121 ■ Europe Must Oppose Trump
- 122 ■ Forgetting Palestine
- 123 ■ How long can U.S. consumers hold up the world's economy-
- 124 ■ Small Companies Play Big Role in Robocall Scourge, but Remedies Are Elusive
- 125 ■ The Danger of Climate Doomsayers
- 126 ■ An 'Old-School Hacker' Fights Cybercrime
- 127 ■ This is your brain on nature
- 128 ■ A lesson of the Trump, Tlaib, Omar, Netanyahu affair

129 **Articles**

130 **Remembering the Miracle of 1989**

131 *Carl Bildt - Aug 19, 2019 at 8:16:18 AM*

132 Thirty years ago this month, a series of peaceful demonstrations in Eastern Europe set off a chain of events that culminated in the collapse of the Soviet Union.

133 Looking back, it is now clear that Europe experienced a miracle in 1989: the story could have had a much darker and bloodier ending.

134 **The Danger of Climate Doomsayers**

135 *Bjørn Lomborg - Aug 19, 2019 at 7:15:48 AM*

136 We need to solve climate change, but we also need to make sure that the cure isn't more painful than the disease.

137 Abandoning fossil fuels as quickly as possible, as many environmental activists demand, would slow the growth that has lifted billions of people out of poverty.

138 **Forgetting Palestine**

139 *Shlomo Ben-Ami - Aug 19, 2019 at 6:52:18 AM*

140 The two-state solution is virtually dead in the water, and the international community has largely abandoned the Palestinian cause.

141 At this point, there is little to stop Israel from cementing the one-state reality that its right-wing government has long sought, regardless of whether that leads to a permanent civil war.

142 **Europe Must Oppose Trump**

143 *Jeffrey D. Sachs - Aug 19, 2019 at 3:44:44 AM*

144 European leaders should recognize that a significant majority of Americans reject Trump's malignant narcissism.

145 By opposing Trump and defending the international rule of law, Europeans and Americans together can strengthen world peace and transatlantic amity for generations to come.

146 **How long can U.S. consumers hold up the world's economy-**

147 **Buying a Home, No Matter the Market**

148 An analysis of the top seller's, buyer's and second-home markets in the country, plus expert advice from real-estate agents and house hunters

149 Is luxury real estate up or down?

150 Hot or cold?

151 Buyer's market or seller's market?

152 These are questions that seem impossible to answer, given the old truism that all real estate is local.

153 The Wall Street Journal decided to crack the code, working with Realtor.com to identify the top 10 buyer's, seller's, and second-home luxury home markets around the country.

154 Active players in those markets – brokers, agents, buyers and sellers – offered their best strategies for buying smart.

155 The result is the first annual Buyer's Guide, a supply of current insight into today's chart-topping areas, as well as some examples of effective buying strategies to deploy in any market.

156 **How to re-create the magic of a hotel bed at home**

157 Between the Irish hospitality and the Irish whiskey that flows accordingly, it can take a miracle to wake up feeling well rested after having a big night out in Dublin.

158 But despite the good times, I awoke feeling rejuvenated at the Merrion Hotel there, and that was because they had one of the best hotel beds I'd ever crawled into.

159 I am not the only one blown away by the Merrion's bed and its custom 500-thread count Egyptian cotton linens that are designed to be devastatingly soft.

160 It turns out, when a hotel bed is good – and I mean really, really good – it's not uncommon for guests to request information about how to buy them from the hotels.

161 "A good indication of how popular the mattress is, is how much people ask to buy them from us," says Peter McCann, general manager at the Merrion.

162 "It's got to the point now where we refer them to the manufacturer."

163 **Small Companies Play Big Role in Robocall Scourge, but Remedies Are Elusive**

164 'Carriers that knowingly allow the origination of billions of illegal robocalls should be held accountable,' says a robocall-tracing group

165 The billions of illegal robocalls inundating Americans are being facilitated largely by small telecom carriers that transmit calls over the internet, industry officials say, but authorities are at odds over what – if anything – they can do to stop them.

166 These telecom carriers typically charge fractions of a cent per call, making their money on huge volume.

167 Their outsize role in the robocall scourge has become apparent as large telecom companies get better at tracing robocalls to their source, spurring calls for regulators to hold them accountable.

168 "There are definitely repeat offenders who keep showing up as the sources of illegal robocalls," said Patrick Halley, a senior vice

169 **An 'Old-School Hacker' Fights Cybercrime**

170 After five years in prison, Kevin Mitnick put on a 'white hat.'

171 Now he has advice for companies – and for you – about staying safe online.

172 Las Vegas

173 You probably know better than to plug a USB flash drive from an unknown source into your computer.

174 It could infect your machine with malicious code.

175 But would you think twice about a cord?

176 You should.

177 Kevin Mitnick hands me an iPhone charging cable.

178 Like a magician, he asks me to inspect it.

179 It looks kosher.

180 He plugs it into a laptop.

181 Then he picks up a different computer and commandeers the laptop, including its web camera.

182 Unlike a magician, he shows me how he did it.

183 The USB end of the cable has been retrofitted with a tiny hardware implant.

184 With a Bluetooth transmitter in his hand, he injected keystrokes into the "victim's" computer, which downloaded and installed malware from the internet.

185 **This is your brain on nature**

186 When we get closer to nature – be it untouched wilderness or a backyard tree – we do our overstressed brains a favor.

187 This story originally appeared in the January 2016 issue of National Geographic magazine.

188 When you head out to the desert, David Strayer is the kind of man you want behind the wheel.

189 He never texts or talks on the phone while driving.

190 He doesn't even approve of eating in the car.

191 A cognitive psychologist at the University of Utah who specializes in attention, Strayer knows our brains are prone to mistakes, especially when we're multitasking and dodging distractions.

192 Among other things, his research has shown that using a cell phone impairs most drivers as much as drinking alcohol does.

193 Strayer is in a unique position to understand what modern life does to us.

194 An avid backpacker, he thinks he knows the antidote: Nature.

195 **How long can U.S. consumers hold up the world's economy?**

196 American consumers are increasingly propping up the global economy, an enduring source of strength that is helping keep the United States out of recession and drawing a sharp contrast with the rest of the world.

197 But as a number of signs point to a possible downturn in the United States, economists are growing more skeptical that consumers will continue to open up their wallets as freely.

198 A failure to do so could hasten the arrival of the first U.S. recession in a decade.

199 Low unemployment, rising wages and easy credit have given consumers the confidence and ability to spend in recent months.

200 That has proved crucial as spending by U.S. businesses has declined, U.S. manufacturing has fallen into a funk, and the economies of many other large countries, including Germany, have begun to shrink.

201 The strength of the consumer has convinced many business leaders that the U.S. economy won't go into recession anytime soon, and it is the

202 **Buying a Home, No Matter the Market**

203 The result is the first annual Buyer's Guide, a supply of current

204 **"What's their phone number again?"**

205 *Seth Godin - Aug 19, 2019 at 3:38:39 PM*

206 For more than a decade, I've been working with the fine folks at 800 CEO READ (and yes, that's their phone number, and yes, people have asked me how to reach them.)

207 It's where I exclusively sell my book What To Do When It's Your Turn.

208 It's the place my project ChangeThis is still happily thriving.

209 And it's the place that makes it easy to buy a big box of books for an event or organization.

210 If you need more than three copies of a title, give them a call and ask.

211 You already know the number.

212 I've never said 'thank you' to them here on the blog, so today's a fine day to do that.

213 They're changing their name and their website today: PorchlightBooks.

214 Thanks to the entire team for making the world of books a whole lot easier and more friendly

215 **Make a habit/break a habit**

216 *Seth Godin - Aug 19, 2019 at 8:53:25 AM*

217 If you're trying to help yourself (or those you serve), the most effective thing you can do is create long-term habits.

218 They become unseen foundations of who we will become.

219 The goal of running a marathon in six weeks is audacious, but it's not a habit.
220 You might succeed, but with all that pressure, it's more likely you'll simply abandon the project.
221 On the other hand, the goal of running to the mailbox (at least) and back for 50 days in a row is the sort of habit that might stick.
222 The same goes for education ("we do flashcards every day" is very different from "I need to cram to learn quantum mechanics for the test.")
223 And it goes double for our lifestyles.
224 If you can replace a bad habit with a good one, you'll live with the benefits for decades.
225 The challenge is to set up systems that are likely to create habits, not sprints that lead to failure.

226 **A record 768 million US vacation days went to waste last year, a study says**

227 CNN · by Allen Kim · August 16, 2019

228 (CNN) – Workers in the United States left a record number of vacation days on the table last year, equating to billions in lost benefits, according to research from the U.S. Travel Association, Oxford Economics and Ipsos.

229 A total of 768 million days went unused in 2018, a 9% increase from 2017.

230 Of those, 236 million were completely forfeited, which comes out to \$65.5 billion in lost benefits.

231 Related content

232 The most overworked cities in the US might surprise you

233 Fifty-five percent of workers reported that they did not use all of their vacation days.

234 If American workers used their time off to travel, the study says, the economic opportunity amounts to \$151.5 billion in additional travel spending and would create 2 million American jobs.

235 One of the main culprits for the increase in unused vacation days is that the number of earned days off is increasing faster than workers are using them.

236 Workers did not use an average of

237 **CNN Monday 8.19.19**

238 It's officially back-to-school time.

239 But it's a tough time for the 5 million school children who don't have money for supplies.

240 [Here's how you can help them.](#) And here's what else you need to know to **Get Up to Speed and Out the Door.**

241 **Potential mass shootings arrests**

242 Authorities in three states say they [stopped three potential mass shootings](#) over the past few days.

243 All three cases were brought to their attention thanks to tips from the public.

244 - In Connecticut, 22-year-old [Brandon Wagshol](#) was arrested after he allegedly expressed interest on Facebook of committing a mass shooting.

245 Authorities got a tip that he was trying to buy large capacity rifle magazines from another state and discovered he was trying to build his own rifle.

246 - In Florida, 25-year-old [Tristan Scott Wix](#) was arrested after he sent his ex-girlfriend disturbing text messages in which he allegedly threatened to commit a mass shooting, the Volusia County Sheriff's Office said.

247 - In Ohio, 20-year-old [James Patrick Reardon](#) was arrested after he allegedly threatened to shoot up a Jewish community center in Youngstown.

248 A video on a social media account belonging to Reardon showed a man firing a gun.

249 The community center was tagged in the video.

250 **Afghanistan wedding attack**

251 Even in a place like Kabul, long-accustomed to such violence, this weekend's suicide bomb attack on a wedding there was a shocker.

252 At least [63 people were killed](#) (and almost 200 injured) after someone detonated an explosive vest at a wedding hall.

253 ISIS claimed responsibility for the attack.

254 All this happens as the US tries to finalize a peace plan with the Taliban that could end America's 18-year-war there.

255 On Sunday President Trump said he didn't want Afghanistan to become [a "laboratory for terror."](#)

256 **Hong Kong protests**

257 Another weekend, another massive protest in Hong Kong.

258 [Hundreds of thousands of people marched](#) through Hong Kong's streets yesterday in the 11th straight weekend of mass anti-government demonstrations.

259 The protest movement has been tested as of late by police bans and threats from the Chinese government.

260 It rained during the marches, so much of the city center turned into a sea of slow moving umbrellas.

261 The protests, which began in June over a now-shelved extradition bill, has since expanded to include calls for greater democracy and government accountability.

262 **Brexit**

263 The dreaded no-deal Brexit is staring the UK right in the face – and a government report leaked to a newspaper predicts it [will be as disastrous as everyone fears](#).

264 The report, printed in The Sunday Times, says the UK will face food, fuel and medicine shortages if it leaves the European Union without a trade deal.

265 It added that the public and businesses were unprepared for a no-deal Brexit.

266 A British official responsible for planning for a no-deal Brexit said the report represents the "worst-case scenario."

267 The UK is due to leave the EU on October 31.

268 **Climate crisis**

269 It's been a hot summer in Alaska.

270 So hot that it's [killing large numbers of salmon](#).

271 One scientist told CNN that she and a group of colleagues on an expedition along the Koyukuk River counted 850 dead salmon, although they estimated the total was likely four to 10 times larger.

272 None of the fish showed signs of lesions, parasites and infections, so the scientists concluded the die-off is connected with the heat wave.

273 *People are talking about these.

274 **Fast and furious**

275 If you want to roll through the streets of San Francisco like Steve McQueen, now's your chance.

276 The 1968 Ford Mustang GT he drove in "Bullitt" is [going up for auction](#).

277 **The big chop**

278 He grew his hair out for 15 years.

279 But he [cut it all off](#) so he could enlist in the Army and serve his country.

280 **'Hotel of Doom'**

281 Want to visit the [world's tallest unoccupied building](#)?

282 You'll need to go to North Korea to look inside the Ryugyong Hotel.

283 **Later, gator**

284 Alligators [swimming across roads and climbing fences](#)?

285 Maybe humanity should just leave the Sunshine State to those bad boys.

286 **It's a delicacy**

287 If you happen to be in Cape Town, South Africa you can check out the pop-up restaurant that focuses on [insect cuisine](#).

288 Yeah, you read that right.

289 **Trial begins**

290 The "Stand Your Ground" manslaughter trial, in a case involving a shooting that happened after a [dispute over a handicap parking spot](#), starts today in Florida.

291 **22**

292 The [number of hearses](#) used to deliver thousands of flower arrangements to the makeshift memorial at the El Paso Walmart.

293 Twenty-two people were killed there in a mass shooting earlier this month.

294 **Greenland is not for sale.**

295 Greenland is not Danish.

296 Greenland belongs to Greenland.

297 Danish Prime Minister **Mette Frederiksen**, [reacting](#) to President Trump's [interest in buying](#) the autonomous Danish territory

298 **Ice, ice baby**

299 Meet the Brazilian artist who makes monuments that melt away.

300 ([Click to view](#))

301 **Wednesday, August 21, 2019 news**

302 article-titles-daily

303 **NPR**

304 The Trump Administration insists that the U.S. economy is in great shape.

305 But the White House is exploring tax cuts – a move often used when an economy is struggling.

306 So why these cuts and what could they look like?

307 The U.S. has promised to continue its economic sanctions on Iran.

308 With no end to the sanctions in sight, how are U.S. pressure tactics effecting everyday life in Iran?

309 And Syrian opposition fighters are facing defeat in a key strategic town they've held for years.

310 This comes after a major offensive carried out by Assad's government forces and backed by Russia.

311 What's the humanitarian impact on civilians living there?

312 **Article titles**

313 ■ Bees Are Dropping Dead in Brazil and Sending a Message to Humans

314 ■ Apple Card vs Citi, Chase, and Capital One: Is Apple's new credit card as good as it seems?

315 ■ Americans want federal action on election security ahead of 2020, per new Brookings survey

316 ■ This is the best-kept secret in air travel

317 ■ How Memphis, Tennessee is transforming its riverfront to work for all

318 ■ The diversity opportunity for new CEOs

319 ■ The Philly Fed's Patrick Harker on the US Economy Today

320 ■ How Radical Self-Inquiry Can Create a Thriving Workplace

321 ■ The Trump vs. Obama economy – in 15 charts

322 ■ New Census Scientific Advisory Committee Members Announced

323 ■ Apple Card is now available – with even better rewards than we thought

324 ■ How to Use LinkedIn Live: The Complete Guide for Marketers

325 ■ Asia's energy transition

326 ■ A Geoengineering Trojan Horse

327 ■ Widest common denominator

328 ■ People Are Celebrating The Work That Went Into This Woman's Subway Selfie Photo Shoot HuffPost

329 ■ Chemicals manufacturing 2030 : More of the same...but different

330 ■ Latin America's Missing Middles

331 ■ What Russia Thinks About Multilateralism

332 ■ Debate: Will delivery UAVs scale by 2030?

333 ■ The Real Obstacle to Climate Action

- 334 ■ Five questions to ask yourself before you apply for an Apple Card
- 335 ■ The human side of digital supply chains
- 336 ■ Decoding digital transformation in construction
- 337 ■ Shareholder Value is No Longer Everything, Top C.E.O.s Say
- 338 ■ The Fall and Rise of Public Heroism
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- 342 ■ Is the Next Recession Looming?
- 343 ■ Trump's War on Evidence
- 344 ■ Beating the Giants: Zhongliang's Strategy for Growth
- 345 ■ Don't Bet on Trump Rescuing the Stock Market
- 346 ■ What Will it Take for Uber to Become Profitable?
- 347 ■ Historic Rise of College-Educated Women in Labor Force Changes Workplace
- 348 ■ Innovating business models to support India's economic growth
- 349 ■ Inside the Hong Kong Protests
- 350 ■ Is Britain Becoming a Failed State?
- 351 ■ How to use Google Maps' re-routing option on the iPhone
- 352 ■ How to opt out of forced arbitration on the Apple Card
- 353 ■ Best Apple Card alternatives: 5 existing credit cards that outdo the new kid
- 354 ■ 16 Free Facebook Ad Templates to Create the Perfect Ad in Minutes
- 355 ■ Apple Arcade FAQ: Games, price, compatibility, and everything else you need to know

356 **Articles**

357 **Beating the Giants: Zhongliang's Strategy for Growth**

358 *Knowledge@Wharton - Aug 20, 2019 at 6:47:14 PM*

359 Stories of success in China's real estate market invariably come from the country's largest firms.

360 But not always.

361 The stunning rise of China's Zhongliang Group Limited is one such exception.

362 Its triumph is a reminder that strategy, not scale, anchors a firm's competitiveness.

363 Zhongliang, founded in China's entrepreneurial heartland of Wenzhou, experienced rapid national expansion

364 **What Will it Take for Uber to Become Profitable?**

365 *Knowledge@Wharton - Aug 20, 2019 at 5:30:23 PM*

366 Uber needs to ensure that its core business of ride-hailing is profitable before diversifying into areas like bike rentals, say experts.

367 **Wharton's Jeremy Siegel: Prepare for a Slowdown, Not a Recession**

368 *Knowledge@Wharton - Aug 20, 2019 at 4:58:29 PM*

369 While many investors are concerned that the next recession is on the horizon, Wharton's Jeremy Siegel says a slowdown is more likely in the short term.

370 **Is the U.S. Economy Solid?**

371 Ask the Philadelphia Fed's Patrick Harker

372 *Knowledge@Wharton - Aug 20, 2019 at 3:58:41 PM*

373 Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia president Patrick Harker discusses interest rate policies, recession fears and whether central banks are ready to introduce a stablecoin cryptocurrency, among other issues.

374 **Why 'Radical Self-inquiry' Can Create a Thriving Workplace**

375 *Knowledge@Wharton - Aug 19, 2019 at 4:28:50 PM*

376 Leaders should stop focusing on output and achievement alone, and work on building the maturity required to lift up others, not just themselves, notes the author of a new book.

377 **Chemicals manufacturing 2030+: More of the same...but different**

378 *Aug 20, 2019 at 12:00:00 PM*

379 A decade from now, chemicals plants may look similar from the outside.

380 But the inside will be very different.

381 **Debate: Will delivery UAVs scale by 2030?**

382 Unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), commonly known as drones, are a hot topic of debate.

383 McKinsey asked two professionals close to the issue to weigh in on whether they believe UAVs will gain traction and claim a significant share of urban deliveries by 2030.

384 **Decoding digital transformation in construction**

385 Few engineering and construction companies have captured the full benefit of digital.

386 Five practices can help E&C companies move beyond isolated pilots and unlock digital's value across their enterprises.

387 **The human side of digital supply chains**

388 On its own, technology won't be enough to fix your supply chain.

389 **The diversity opportunity for new CEOs**

390 *Aug 19, 2019 at 12:00:00 PM*

391 New McKinsey research has uncovered a fascinating correlation between gender diversity and corporate performance.

392 **Asia's energy transition**

393 The future of the energy sector in Asia will likely be driven by renewables and innovative energy technology.

394 **Innovating business models to boost India's economy**

395 Many Indian companies need to transition from being founder-led to more effectively
implementing professional processes, improving corporate-governance standards, and
devising new business models.

396 **Latin America's Missing Middles**

397 *Jaana Remes - Aug 21, 2019 at 4:25:24 AM*

398 Decades of weak growth in Latin America have left large parts of the population
economically vulnerable.

399 But by taking advantage of digital disruption, the region has a golden opportunity to
nurture faster growth that benefits everyone.

400 **The Real Obstacle to Climate Action**

401 *Kemal Derviş - Aug 20, 2019 at 9:09:45 AM*

402 Distributional issues - not aggregate costs - are the real obstacle to the ambitious policies
needed to avert possibly catastrophic climate change.

403 Progressives everywhere must therefore unite in support of a rapid green transition that is
feasible and desirable for all.

404 **Is Britain Becoming a Failed State?**

405 *Chris Patten - Aug 20, 2019 at 8:11:07 AM*

406 Failed states used to be largely the preserve of the developing world, where the
institutions of democracy do not have deep roots.

407 But given the extent to which the Brexit campaign has undermined Britain's institutions
through lies, it is reasonable to worry that the country will soon come to resemble a tinpot
dictatorship.

408 **Trump's War on Evidence**

409 *Anne O. Krueger - Aug 20, 2019 at 7:05:43 AM*

410 US President Donald Trump has made no secret of his disdain for experts and evidence-
based policymaking.

411 Yet by attempting to gut the US Census Bureau and two key agencies within the
Department of Agriculture, he is undercutting the data-gathering institutions upon which
broad sectors of the US economy rely.

412 **What Russia Thinks About Multilateralism**

413 *Alexander Gabuev - Aug 20, 2019 at 3:42:01 AM*

414 While many in the West wring their hands over the plight of the postwar rules-based
international order, it is often assumed that Russia would welcome a new era of
unilateralism and great-power politics.

415 But in reality, the Russian leadership's perspective on multilateralism is more complicated
than that.

416 **A Geoengineering Trojan Horse**

417 *Silvia Ribeiro - Aug 19, 2019 at 10:17:40 AM*

418 For fossil-fuel companies, the promise of geoengineering is the ideal excuse to continue with business as usual.

419 Rather than allow the industry to continue to act in its own interest, the world must establish a strong, democratic regulatory mechanism, which includes the option to ban certain technologies outright.

420 **Hispanic Heritage Month 2019**

421 *Aug 20, 2019 at 10:06:19 AM*

422 September 1968: Congress authorized President Lyndon B. Johnson to proclaim National Hispanic Heritage Week.

423 **New Census Scientific Advisory Committee Members Announced**

424 *Aug 19, 2019 at 3:08:29 PM*

425 The U.S. Census Bureau named eight new members to the Census Bureau's Census Scientific Advisory Committee (CSAC).

426 **Americans want federal action on election security ahead of 2020, per new Brookings survey**

427 *Darrell M. West - Aug 20, 2019 at 5:11:53 PM*

428 By Darrell M. West

429 Election security has been a topic of considerable discussion given foreign interference in recent elections.

430 A U.S. Intelligence Committee report found that Russia gained illegal entry into numerous voter registration data bases in the American states.

431 In addition, Special Counsel Robert Mueller warned in testimony before Congress that Russia represented a major threat leading into the 2020 elections.

432 Despite these concerns, the U.S. Senate has not enacted any election security legislation.

433 There has been no vote on a bill already passed by the U.S. House, and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) has indicated having such a vote is a non-starter for him.

434 So far, he has delivered on that sentiment and no Senate votes on campaign security have taken place or been scheduled.

435 **Apple Arcade FAQ: Games, price, compatibility, and everything else you need to know**

436 Macworld · by Leif Johnson

437 Sega

438 Apple announced its new Apple Arcade gaming subscription service at its March 25 "It's show time" event, and it'll launch sometime this fall.

439 It's basically Apple's way of helping customers sort through the chaff in the App Store, as the highly curated service will feature premium games that are untainted by in-app purchases and ads.

440 If it works as well as it sounds, it could elevate the perception of mobile gaming in general.

441 Many questions remain, but fortunately we already have plenty of answers.

442 Here's everything we know about Apple Arcade so far.

443 What is Apple Arcade?

444 Apple Arcade is a gaming subscription service for iOS, macOS, and tvOS

445 **Five questions to ask yourself before you apply for an Apple Card**

446 Macworld · by Jason Cross

447 Apple

448 The Apple Card is now available to tens of millions of U.S. consumers.

449 And it's definitely getting plenty of hype.

450 With that slick white titanium card, the purchase tracking, the security features... it's easy to understand why you might want it.

451 But it's ultimately still a MasterCard credit card backed by a big multinational bank, and before you apply for it, you should really ask yourself these five questions.

452 Can you always pay it off?

453 Do you intend to fully pay off your Apple Card every month, or will you run a balance?

454 The Apple Card interest rate is between 12.99 and 23.99 percent, and that's low for a cash back card, but it's not at all low compared to

455 **Apple Card vs Citi, Chase, and Capital One: Is Apple's new credit card as good as it seems?**

456 Macworld · by Alaina Yee

457 Apple might not be turning into a bank, but it wants to handle your money.

458 At its March announcement of Apple Card, we heard a lot about financial health, low interest rates, cash-back percentages, and zero fees.

459 Details were fairly light then, as Apple emphasized the card's simplicity, security, and ease of use while taking broad digs at the competition.

460 Now that the card has launched, we finally have all the hard numbers, too.

461 Those final details let us stage a proper showdown between Apple and its most popular cash-back rivals, because formidable opponents do exist – as our dive into the nitty-gritty details of cash-back percentages, interest rates, and fees shows.

462 Editor's note: This article originally published March 26, 2019.

463 We

464 **Best Apple Card alternatives: 5 existing credit cards that outdo the new kid**

465 Rob Schultz / IDG

466 Your financial situation should dictate which credit card is right for you.

467 And the Apple Card – even with its tidy package of features – might not be it.
468 Sure, as a starter card, it's hard to beat.
469 People mastering the basics of paying statement balances on time each month get a more generous deal than with a big bank: bigger rewards, a break on foreign transactions fees, and more leeway if they forget to pay on time.
470 But perhaps you're only concerned about cash back, low interest rates, or a specific combination of benefits that the Apple Card just doesn't nail.
471 You can do better, and I've sifted through multiple cards with no annual fees to find those best alternatives to the Apple Card – be

472 **How to opt out of forced arbitration on the Apple Card**

473 Should you apply for an Apple Card, one would hope that nothing will happen that leads you to want to sue Apple or Goldman Sachs.
474 Should that happen, however, the customer agreement mandates something called forced arbitration.
475 What's that?
476 The customer agreement states that you "knowingly and voluntarily waive the right to be heard in court or have a jury trial on all Claims subject to this Agreement."
477 Essentially, when you get an Apple Card you agree to have any agreements settled by arbitration rather than the courts.
478 Any disputes you have will be brought before an independent third-party panel (these are usually chosen by the companies to which you agreed to arbitration, in this case Apple and Goldman Sachs).

479 **Apple Card is now available – with even better rewards than we thought**

480 Macworld · by Jason Cross and Michael Simon
481 After a slow rollout over the past few couple of weeks, Apple Card is now available for any U.S. iPhone user who wants to apply.
482 You can find the application inside the Wallet app, where you'll be able to begin the approval process.
483 While technically an Apple product, Apple Card is a MasterCard backed by Goldman Sachs.
484 Apple has given it a hefty dose of smarts and iOS integration, however, with an emphasis on privacy and security features, and cash-back rewards delivered daily into your Apple Pay Cash balance.
485 As a launch-day surprise, Apple has announced that Uber and Uber Eats can take advantage of the 3 percent rewards tier that was originally reserved solely for Apple purchases.
486 To apply for the Apple Card, you must be 18 or older and a U.S.

487 **This is the best-kept secret in air travel**

488 After a long-haul flight home from abroad, it is soul-crushing to see a long, snaking line to get through customs when you land at an American airport.

489 If you're lucky, maybe it moves quickly.
490 If you're smart, you have Mobile Passport downloaded on your phone.
491 I should not be telling you about Mobile Passport.
492 The app is a gift for frequent and infrequent fliers alike.
493 Telling more people about it will mean more people using the line-cutting service.
494 But I'm a fool and telling you anyway.
495 Although not new, Mobile Passport seems to be under the radar for many Americans traveling internationally.
496 The service gives travelers access to a U.S. Customs and Border Protection express lane, getting you through to baggage claim in minutes.
497 All you have to do is input your passport information, take a selfie and answer the same questions you'd encounter at the standard customs kiosk.
498 The service is fast,

499 **Historic Rise of College-Educated Women in Labor Force Changes Workplace**

500 Companies are restructuring their compensation and benefits packages to attract these qualified women
501 This year is shaping up to be the first year that women make up the majority of the college-educated labor force, a milestone that is already altering benefits packages offered by companies and one that could influence family sizes in the future.
502 Women make up only 46.6% of the overall labor force, but they first reached 45% of the college-educated labor force at the turn of the century.
503 Since 2013, the female share of college-educated workers has been around the 49% mark, with 2019 being the year that women cross into a very slight majority.
504 Nicole Smith, chief economist at Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce, said this development overall is a positive one.

505 **Don't Bet on Trump Rescuing the Stock Market**

506 If the president cares so much about the stock market, why is he pursuing trade policies that are anathema to Wall Street?
507 Should investors rely on Donald Trump underpinning the stock market by backing away from trade threats as stocks fall?
508 In short: not as much as they seem to.
509 Many market watchers believe the pattern of the administration announcing progress on trade talks after falls in the S&P 500 amounts to a "Trump put," similar to a derivative that pays out when prices drop to a certain level.
510 The Trump put was on full display last week, when Mr. Trump delayed some tariffs due to be imposed on China next month, pushing up the S&P by 1.5%.
511 The move followed a tumble in stock prices that had briefly taken the S&P down more than 6%— although the fall was triggered by his own action in imposing those tariffs in the first place.

512 **Ask a busy person**

513 *Seth Godin - Aug 21, 2019 at 9:48:00 AM*

514 You might know one.

515 The busy person has a bias for action, the ability to ship, and a willingness to contribute more than is required.

516 The busy person is wrong more than most people (if you get up to bat more often, you're going to have more hits and more strike outs, right?).

517 Those errors are dwarfed by the impact they create.

518 Being a busy person is a choice.

519 It might not work for you, but you could try it out for a while.

520 We need more busy people.

521 **Widest common denominator**

522 *Seth Godin - Aug 20, 2019 at 8:47:32 AM*

523 If you're creating something where widespread inputs, usage and adoption lead to significant benefits, it's worth considering who you're excluding.

524 The curb cut turned out not simply to be a boon for wheelchair users.

525 At low cost, it opened the sidewalk to a significantly larger audience of strollers, delivery people and skateboarders, too.

526 Often, we make the mistake of focusing on too broad an audience.

527 Obsessing about the minimum viable audience forces us to make something that's truly better.

528 But once we identify those we seek to serve, broadening access is a powerful way to add impact.

529 This isn't a matter of high or low, more or less.

530 It's the power of thinking hard about who it's for and what it's for.

531 **How to use Google Maps' re-routing option on the iPhone**

532 Macworld · by Glenn Fleishman

533 I use my phone constantly for directions, as I'm sure millions of drivers do.

534 And one of the primary situation I and others run into is that the chosen route turns out to be a bad one due to traffic, road closures, or accidents.

535 Apple Maps in iOS only lets you pick among possible routes when starting, although it will warn you and re-route while you're underway.

536 Google Maps for iOS has an in-progress re-routing option that isn't as obvious, based on reader email.

537 While you're actively following a route, tap the icon at the bottom of Google Maps that looks like a fork in the road with the left path dotted and one right path in black.

538 It brings up an overview of the map showing alternatives and the estimated time difference compared to the current map.

539 [Further reading: Everything you need to know about iOS 12]

540 These alternatives are highlighted in gray and using a thinner line compared to the blue
(and traffic-colored) thicker main path.

541 Tap a gray path and it becomes your route

542 **The Trump vs. Obama economy – in 15**

543 charts

544 Is a recession coming in 2020 or 2021?

545 Experts continue to debate the conflicting signals (https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trump-banking-on-strong-economy-to-win-reelection-frets-over-a-possibledownturn/2019/08/15/04a85352-bf67-11e9-b873-63ace636af08_story.html), but an equally telling question might be: How does the “Trump economy” compare to Barack Obama’s?

546 President Trump constantly refers to the economy as “strong,” “terrific” and the “greatest in the history of our country (<https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2018/09/07/president-trumpsrepeated-claim-greatest-economy-history-our-country/>),” but a closer look at the data shows a mixed picture in terms of whether the economy is any better than it was in Obama’s final years.

547 The economy is growing at about the same pace as it did in Obama’s last years, and unemployment, while lower under Trump (<https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/2019/08/02/us-hiring-remainssolid-with-jobs-added-july-unemployment-rate-holds-steady-percent/>), has continued a trend that began in 2011.

548 **Shareholder Value is No Longer Everything, Top C. E.O.s Say**

549 The New York Times · by David Yaffe-Bellany · August 19, 2019

550 Chief executives from the Business Roundtable, including the leaders of Apple and JPMorgan, argued that companies must invest in employees and deliver value to customers.

551 “The American dream is alive, but fraying,” said Jamie Dimon, chief executive of JPMorgan Chase and the chairman of Business Roundtable.

552 For major corporations, shareholders used to be everything.

553 No more.

554 A coalition of executives representing some of America’s largest companies issued a statement on Monday that redefines “the purpose of a corporation.”

555 No longer should the primary job of a corporation be to advance the interests of shareholders, the coalition, known as the Business Roundtable, said in a statement.

556 Now, companies must also invest in employees, deliver value to customers and deal fairly and ethically with suppliers.

557 The statement was signed by nearly 200 chief executives, including the leaders of Apple, American Airlines, Accenture, AT&T, Bank of America, Boeing and BlackRock.

558 “While each of our individual companies serves its own corporate purpose, we share a fundamental commitment to all of our stakeholders,” the statement said.

559 “We commit to deliver value to all of them, for the future success of our companies, our communities and our country.”

560 This article will be updated

561 **The Fall and Rise of Public Heroism**

562 *Robert Skidelsky - Aug 21, 2019 at 9:25:37 AM*

563 The value of heroism is again on the rise, especially in countries where undemocratic regimes can no longer be relied on to deliver economic prosperity.

564 The future may well lie not with politicians and diplomats, but with those men - and women - who are willing to die.

565 **Inside the Hong Kong Protests**

566 *Sławomir Sierakowski - Aug 21, 2019 at 8:54:14 AM*

567 The Communist Party of China would like the mainland Chinese population and the rest of the world to believe that the ongoing, sometimes violent protests in Hong Kong pose a threat of "terrorism."

568 But the truth is that China has only itself to blame for pushing the city's idealistic youth into the streets once again.

569 **Planetary Thinking**

570 *Erik Berglöf - Aug 21, 2019 at 8:11:07 AM*

571 As policymakers, academics, and activists prepare for next month's United Nations climate summit in New York, they should consider precisely what it will take to build a truly sustainable global economy.

572 First and foremost, the world needs a new multidisciplinary approach that is broad enough to tackle the challenge.

573 **How Memphis, Tennessee is transforming its riverfront to work for all**

574 *Carol Coletta - Aug 20, 2019 at 3:32:47 PM*

575 By Carol Coletta

576 The storied Mississippi River is at its widest and wildest in Memphis.

577 Rising and falling 55 feet a year, the river is the city's birth place.

578 It runs alongside the city's historic downtown, serves as a global hub for trade and transportation, and connects residents to industry and opportunity.

579 But despite the many economic benefits the river brings, Memphis remains one of the nation's poorest metropolitan areas, divided by significant racial and socioeconomic disparities.

580 And even with new investments and a real-estate rebirth in the riverfront city, significant barriers remain for Memphians living in high-poverty, segregated, and systematically devalued neighborhoods.

581 Given these inequities, developers in Memphis must remember that investing in the people of Memphis means investing in a community that is 63% African American.

582 There is no path to success for Memphis that doesn't lift up black neighborhoods, black businesses, and black people.

583 And building a riverfront city that works for everyone has to be more than a slogan.

584 It's a mandate.

585 Toward a riverfront that works for everyone
586 The most prominent 250 acres of riverfront property are managed by the Memphis River
Parks Partnership, a nonprofit that works with and for the people of Memphis to harness
the transformative power of the river.
587 In our role as place managers, we're responsible for cleaning, maintaining, and activating
the riverfront.
588 But most importantly, we're tasked with planning and building a riverfront that brings
economic and social gains for all Memphians

589 **CNN Wednesday 08.21.19**

590 Ladies, listen up.
591 A panel of experts has recommended that [more women should get tested for the harmful
BRCA gene mutations](#) that can increase the risk of certain cancers.
592 Here's what else you need to know to **Get Up to Speed and Out the Door.**

593 **President Trump**

594 The President [has canceled his trip to Denmark with less than two weeks to go](#) because
Denmark's Prime Minister, Mette Frederiksen, will not entertain the idea of selling
Greenland, an autonomous Danish territory, to the US.
595 Trump mentioned the non-negotiation as the reason for postponing the trip, though he
called Denmark a "special country" and promised to reschedule.
596 Trump [has brought up buying Greenland](#), and the White House counsel's office has
looked into it.
597 But Frederiksen called the idea "an absurd discussion" and told a local paper, "Greenland
is not for sale."
598 Greenland is not Danish.
599 Greenland belongs to Greenland."
600 Elsewhere in the world, Trump [raised hackles yesterday after criticizing Jewish Americans
who vote for Democrats](#), saying "it shows either a total lack of knowledge or great
disloyalty."
601 The remark led critics to argue the President was politicizing anti-Semitism by flirting with
the anti-Semitic trope of "dual loyalty," which questions the loyalty of Jewish citizens.

602 **Italy**

603 Italy's Prime Minister, Giuseppe Conte, [has resigned after losing support from the
country's far-right leaders](#).
604 Conte has been involved in a feud with Interior Minister Matteo Salvini over how much
power their movements hold in parliament.
605 Salvini is the leader of the far-right, hard-line anti-immigrant League party, and [he has
called for a new round of elections](#) to re-establish a ruling party majority.
606 Their recent clashes have centered on a [Spanish humanitarian ship carrying migrants that
had been stranded off the coast of Italy](#) for more than three weeks.
607 Salvini had refused to let the ship dock, despite a court ruling saying the boat should be
allowed.

608 Yesterday, an Italian court seized the rescue vessel and ordered all the migrants to disembark after an investigation found health and sanitary conditions on the ship had deteriorated.

609 At least 10 people were reported to have jumped overboard as the vessel languished at sea.

610 Italy's Transport Minister has blamed Spain for the situation, while Spain says Italy "failed to follow the law" in refusing to allow the ship to dock.

611 **China**

612 An employee of the British consulate in Hong Kong [who'd been missing for almost two weeks has been detained in China](#).

613 Chinese officials said 28-year-old Simon Cheng has been put in administrative detention for 15 days for violating China's Security Administration Punishment Law, which covers offenses deemed too minor to be crimes.

614 Cheng works for a British agency that promotes trade between Scotland and other countries, and is often required to go to mainland China for work.

615 He reportedly traveled from the special administration region of Hong Kong to a border city in mainland China while carrying out his duties.

616 Because he is a Hong Kong citizen, Chinese officials say this was a problem.

617 The situation has the potential to cause serious tension between the UK and China.

618 Top British diplomats they're "extremely concerned" by Cheng's detention and will help his family.

619 Chinese officials say that since Cheng is not a UK citizen, it is a purely Chinese matter.

620 **Immigration**

621 A series of developments could make life even harder for migrants in the US.

622 Trump is expected today to announce a new regulation [that would allow migrant families to be detained beyond the 20-day limit for holding children](#).

623 Administration officials say the move aims to keep families from exploiting the loophole, since they know if they come into the US with children, they will be released sooner.

624 The decision would replace the so-called Flores agreement, which not only limits the detention time of a minor to 20 days but also outlines minimum standards of care for immigrants in detention centers.

625 Speaking of minimum standards of care, US Customs and Border Protection [has confirmed it will not vaccinate detained migrants against the flu](#), even though three children who'd been in US custody died after contracting the flu.

626 **NRA**

627 There's more turmoil brewing at the National Rifle Association.

628 [Three more NRA leaders have stepped down in a growing exodus](#) amid controversy over the group's spending.

629 These are pretty famous faces, too: Country music singer and NRA board member Craig Morgan resigned this week, as did NASCAR team owner Richard Childress.

630 Also jumping ship is David Lehman, the deputy chief at the NRA's political arm.

631 Over the last few months, [several high-profile NRA leaders have left or been effectively forced out](#), including former NRA President Oliver North, chief political strategist Chris Cox, and recognizable media faces, like Dana Loesch.

632 Recently, it looked like President Trump may have broken rank with the organization by suggesting the possibility of more firearms background checks.

633 However, [the President has seemed to cool on the idea of tighter gun legislation in the last few days](#).

634 *People are talking about these.

635 **A little exotic kinkajou attacked a Florida man in his own home**

636 [Of course this would happen to a poor guy from Florida](#) (I was born in Florida, so I'm allowed to say that).

637 **A program to help prisoners learn horticulture skills will be renamed after Bob Ross**

638 [Inspiring people with happy little trees, even from the next life](#).

639 What a legend.

640 **Life may have existed on warm, rainy ancient Mars before winter came**

641 [Sci-fi writers, here's your next prompt](#).

642 **Dozens of air mattresses blew away in Colorado after an ill-advised outdoor movie event**

643 [Horror writers, here's your next prompt](#).

644 **The internet is beefing over who has the best chicken sandwich, and it's frankly exhausting**

645 Great, [now we'll all be craving chicken sandwiches for a week](#).

646 **78**

647 The recommended Fahrenheit temperature, in degrees, at which you should keep your house in the summer, [according to a new federal program for energy efficiency](#).

648 As a fan of all 3 of these amazing women, I can't wait to watch.

649 **Brad Paisley**, who was replaced as host of the [Country Music Association Awards after 11 years in favor of Reba McEntire and Dolly Parton](#).

650 The two country legends will join Carrie Underwood, who has shared hosting duties with Paisley for years, for a special edition of the ceremony honoring women in the genre.

651 **Boop. Boop Boop!**

652 This machine is completely useless, and yet it almost seems like it's alive.

653 Pixar, here's your next animated short.

654 ([Click here to view](#).)

655 **Thursday, August 22, 2019 news**

656 article-titles-daily

657 **NPR**

658 More red ink is being predicted by congressional budget forecasters – nearly a trillion dollars this year alone.

659 What does the growing deficit tell us about the economy's health?

660 The detention of migrant families and children has been one of the defining and most controversial policies of the Trump administration.

661 Now a new rule would end time limits on detentions.

662 Is this a shift toward holding migrant families indefinitely?

663 And NPR gains exclusive access to a lab in New York where researchers are zapping sperm.

664 What would lead them to do that in the name of science?

665 **Article titles**

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685 **Articles**

686 **How insurers should think about digital in distribution**

687 *Aug 21, 2019 at 12:00:00 PM*

688 In this video, McKinsey partner Sumit Popli discusses the role bancassurance, digitization, and digital distribution have been playing in Asia and what this means for insurers.

689 **How customs agencies can help special economic zones succeed**

690 When agencies have a seat at the table and participate in areas such as governance and stakeholder relations, these zones have the best chance of promoting economic growth.

691 **The evolution of healthcare-provider profit pools**

692 Why nonhospital-provider segments are primed for growth – and why that matters.

693 **Getting personal about change**

694 The need to shift mind-sets is the biggest block to successful transformations.

695 The key lies in making the shift both individual and institutional – at the same time.

696 **Why the Middle East is Betting on China**

697 *Galip Dalay - Aug 22, 2019 at 10:55:33 AM*

698 Chinese foreign policy in the Middle East is highly transactional, focusing on energy and economics, and avoiding sensitive geopolitical issues.

699 In a region as volatile as the Middle East, however, the question is how long such an approach can be sustained.

700 **Turkish Democracy is Down, But Not Out**

701 *Javier Solana - Aug 22, 2019 at 10:20:55 AM*

702 Relations between Turkey and the West are damaged, but not irreparably, and the same is true of Turkish democracy.

703 Although President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan seems to believe that his country's geostrategic importance gives him carte blanche, the fact is that Turkey needs the West, and the West needs Turkey.

704 **Will Democracy Die Last?**

705 *Dominique Moisi - Aug 22, 2019 at 9:53:42 AM*

706 These days, liberal democracy and authoritarianism seem to be engaged in a process of competitive decay, the outcome of which remains uncertain.

707 But it is never wise to write democracy off, much less act in ways that hasten its downfall.

708 **The Anatomy of the Coming Recession**

709 *Nouriel Roubini - Aug 22, 2019 at 9:33:52 AM*

710 Unlike the 2008 global financial crisis, which was mostly a large negative aggregate demand shock, the next recession is likely to be caused by permanent negative supply shocks from the Sino-American trade and technology war.

711 And trying to undo the damage through never-ending monetary and fiscal stimulus will not be an option.

712 **Managing the Next Gold Rush**

713 *Sharon E. Burke - Aug 22, 2019 at 4:21:51 AM*

714 The seafloor is rich in rare-earth elements and other sought-after minerals, but it also contains barely understood components of the global ecosystem.

715 In pursuing these precious resources, the international community must proceed with care, so as not to trigger an environmental catastrophe.

716 **Google Lens, Augmented Reality, and the Future of Learning**

717 Wired · by Lauren Goode · August 20, 2019

718 Did you know that the painter Rockwell Kent, whose splendid *Afternoon on the Sea*, Monhegan hangs in San Francisco's de Young Museum, worked on murals and advertisements for General Electric and Rolls-Royce?

719 I did not, until I visited Gallery 29 on a recent Tuesday afternoon, phone in hand.

720 Because the de Young's curators worked with Google to turn some of the informational placards that hang next to paintings into virtual launchpads, any placard that includes an icon for Google Lens – the name of the company's visual search software – is now a cue.

721 Point the camera at the icon and a search result pops up, giving you more information about the work.

722 (You can access Google Lens on the iPhone within the Google search app for iOS or within the native camera app on Android phones.)

723 **Slavery, black history, DNA genealogy: Learnings from a trip to Africa**

724 USA Today · by Deborah Barfield Berry and Kelley Benham French, USA TODAY

725 Hundreds of thousands of Africans were enslaved in America.

726 Wanda Tucker believes her relatives were the first

727 LUANDA, Angola - Wanda Tucker stepped off the plane to a sky so gray it blended into the tarmac.

728 She inhaled, balanced her new bag with the straw handle, then step-by-step-by-step made her way down the metal stairs.

729 It had been 40 hours since she left Virginia.

730 Her 61 years had caught up.

731 Something about flying over that wide, dark water, watching the low tin roofs rise to meet her, had brought home the reality of what she had come here to do.

732 The plane hissed.

733 The faces around her were brown like hers, but their words were a scramble of sound.

734 **Ex-RNC Chair Makes Ominous Prediction About Trump's 2020 Tactics**

735 huffpost.com · August 21, 2019

736 Former Republican National Committee chair Michael Steele has warned voters what to expect from President Donald Trump in the run-up to the 2020 election.

737 And in light of Trump's controversial claim that Jewish Americans who vote for Democrats are disloyal or uninformed, Steele predicted the president's tactics and rhetoric will be "in stark contrast to what we saw in 2016."

738 "As abhorrent and disrespecting as it is, we need to just settle in because this is just the warmup of what will be a series of narratives created by the president around particular interest groups," Steele said on Tuesday's broadcast of MSNBC's "Hardball with Chris Matthews."

739 "When you sit down and you say this about the Jewish community, then what about African Americans, what about Hispanics, how they vote?" he

740 **Getting Attacked by Robotexts?**

741 Here's What to Do

742 As if all unwanted robocalls weren't bad enough, now there are spam texts to contend with

743 The first text came through shortly before 7 a.m. Then another 15 minutes later.

744 And at around 11:30 a.m. And at 12:10 p.m. In a mere 30 hours, I'd qualified for a credit consultation, won some kind of contest, scored part-time flexible work and was alerted to the existence of a three-bedroom apartment I could own for \$429 a month.

745 I was being attacked by robotexts.

746 Some were sent from legitimate-looking numbers and mentioned household names, like Amazon and Walmart.

747 Other messages could, at first glance, pass for someone merely texting the wrong person.

748 ("This is the info I was telling you about last week.") What most had in common were creepy-looking links, encouraging me to, for instance, track delivery of my "AMX" gift card.

749 **Sooner or later, the shark gets jumped**

750 *Seth Godin - Aug 22, 2019 at 8:19:16 AM*

751 Short-term thinking repeated again and again doesn't lead to long-term thinking.

752 Rand Fishkin shares a thoughtful analysis about a trend that now affects just about everyone: Google is hoarding more and more traffic.

753 When I worked at Yahoo, there were 183 links on our home page.

754 The stated strategy of the company was to build more and more internal content and services (Yahoo mail, Yahoo!igans, Yahoo Finance) to keep as many surfers on their site for as long as they could.

755 The math was simple: if you're getting paid by the impression, having someone stay for twenty or thirty clicks is way more profitable than encouraging them to leave and go to another site.

756 Google blew this status quo wide open.

757 Their model was very different: "come here on your way to somewhere else."

758 There were only two links on their home page, because the only place they wanted to encourage you to go was wherever a good search led you.

759 If you were a company or an individual with something to say, this hub and spoke model

760 **Parks make great places, but not enough Americans can reach them**

761 *Joseph Kane, Adie Tomer - Aug 21, 2019 at 6:34:57 PM*

762 By Joseph Kane, Adie Tomer

763 Summer offers a time to relax and recharge, and that often includes a chance to connect with nature.

764 Getting outside in the warmer months reminds us how important green space is to our individual health and community well-being, especially for city and suburban residents who may be more detached from nature.

765 This is the vital role parks play in metropolitan America.

766 They are one of the country's most foundational civic assets, providing many environmental, social, and economic benefits.

767 Investments in parks – through improved infrastructure, community engagement, and other place-based strategies – can also address long-standing social and economic divides.

768 The fact that knowledge workers and young jobseekers want to live near parks only reaffirms the importance of these investments.

769 Park access should be a driver of more livable and equitable communities across the country, supporting common spaces for recreation, interaction, and trust.

770 But parks can only reach their peak potential if every household can access such green space, and that access shouldn't be tied to a private vehicle or an unreasonable walking distance.

771 At the city level, researchers have long confirmed that park access is unequal.

772 The size and location of parks can vary greatly from place to place, and a third of Americans in the 100 largest cities are more than a 10-minute walk from a park.

773 City residents may also remain disconnected from parks depending on their income, education, and race.

774 By using park data organized by the National Environmental Public Health Tracking Network, we can see the share of residents living within half a mile of a park in metropolitan areas.

775 These regional analytics confirm unequal park access extends beyond city borders, creating another form of environmental injustice.

776 Among the 100 largest metro areas, almost 54% of residents live within half a mile of a park, but there is considerable range depending on the market.

777 On the high end are western metro areas such as Denver, Portland, Ore., and Provo, Utah, where more than two-thirds of residents live near abundant natural amenities.

778 Also ranking high are metro areas such as Washington and Minneapolis, both known for having extensive park systems.

779 On the low end are sprawling metro areas concentrated in the southeast, including Atlanta, Birmingham, Ala., and Knoxville, Tenn., where under a third of residents live close to parks.

780 There are several spatial and economic factors at play here, but these factors are highly specific to individual regions, in line with previous research on this topic.

781 Consider population density and age, for instance.

782 Regions with greater density foster closer civic connections and intensify the need for walkable access to nature.

783 As shown below, population-dense counties located in the urban core of the country's largest metro areas tend to deliver the greatest park access (nearly 64%).

784 Access begins to decline in smaller metro areas and older suburbs, before dropping even further in the newest suburbs and exurbs.

785 Clearly, older and denser counties put people in closer proximity to parks.
786 However, job-dense metro areas do not display the same consistency.
787 As a recent Brookings report has shown, job concentration is increasing, especially in large metro areas, where there are nearly 26,000 jobs per square mile, up 30% since the early 2000s.
788 Job-dense metro areas such as San Francisco (54,375 jobs per square mile), Chicago (42,428 jobs), and Seattle (35,122 jobs) all have high shares of residents with park access (over 70% each), but the same isn't true in other job-dense metro areas such as Pittsburgh (46%) and New Haven, Conn. (48%).
789 Generally, there is a positive relationship between job density and park access, but the scatterplot below displays some of this variability across the country.
790 Another potential trend: regions with lower park access tend to have higher poverty rates.
791 Nearly 14% of residents in the 100 largest metro areas live in poverty, and many live far away from parks and remain disconnected from opportunity.
792 In fact, the 10 metro areas with the lowest park access all have above-average poverty rates.
793 McAllen, Texas has both the lowest park access (11%) and highest poverty rate (32%), but several other metro areas don't fare much better, including Greenville, Ala., Jackson, Miss., and Scranton, Pa.
794 Still, there can be variability depending on the particular market, as demonstrated below.
795 These examples only scratch the surface of how park access varies nationally, but the findings highlight the urgency to understand park access at the metropolitan scale.
796 With suburbs once again growing faster than their city peers, and suburbs hosting the majority of people living in poverty, limited park access along the metropolitan fringe is a genuine barrier to household well-being for too many people.
797 In response, metropolitan areas need regional plans to bring parks closer to all residents.
798 Fortunately, the shift toward placemaking principles offers a powerful solution.
799 Increased walkability and urban connectivity, for instance, has jumpstarted planning efforts (and market demand) in dense, mixed-used neighborhoods.
800 These kinds of neighborhoods tend to put residents in close proximity to parks.
801 Moving forward, local planners and real estate developers can use placemaking principles to reduce spatial and economic barriers tied to park access.
802 Parks should represent a bridge – not a gap – in supporting great places for everyone.
803 Image credit: Selavie Photography

804 **Getting beyond the myths: What Americans really think about mass shootings and gun legislation**

805 *William A. Galston, Clara Hendrickson - Aug 22, 2019 at 6:23:32 PM*

806 By William A. Galston, Clara Hendrickson

807 The recent spate of mass shootings has propelled gun safety to the center of public concern, and the share of Americans demanding swift action has increased substantially.

808 But discussion of this issue has been pervaded by myths about what the American people want, and why, and these misperceptions have made an inherently divisive debate even more difficult to resolve.

809 Fortunately, recent survey research helps us clarify this murky issue.

810 In sum: Most Americans are dissatisfied with the status quo and want to do something about it.

811 Although they are divided as to the causes of gun violence and the ability of legislation to reduce it, they come together on a number of options for addressing it.

812 But they don't expect Congress to act, no matter how urgent the need.

813 Here, in greater detail, are eight facts about the state of public sentiment on this life-and-

814 **CNN Thursday 08.22.19**

815 ****Oh, no!**

816 It looks like something went wrong with our e-mail delivery this morning.** If you missed today's 5 Things, we sincerely apologize!

817 Here's a copy.

818 We ironed out the kinks, so everything should be back to normal tomorrow.

819 Thank you for your understanding.

820 Here's what else you need to know to **Get Up to Speed and Out the Door.**

821 **President Trump**

822 Donald Trump's week of unusually controversial and contradictory statements rolls on.

823 The President yesterday [told reporters he is "seriously" considering ending US birthright citizenship](#), even though such a move would face immediate legal challenge and is at odds with Supreme Court precedent and, well, the 14th Amendment.

824 This is [far from the first time](#) Trump has talked about ending the [process by which babies born in the country automatically become citizens](#), and such hard-line anti-immigration proposals are popular with his base.

825 What might not play as well?

826 [Using messianic language – about yourself](#). Speaking to reporters at the White House about trade relations with China, Trump paused and pointed to the heavens, saying, "I'm the chosen one."

827 He'd earlier thanked a [conspiracy theorist](#) who described him as being like the King of Israel and said Jews "love him like the second coming of God."

828 He also joked to a group of veterans about giving himself the Medal of Honor, which recognizes the highest levels of military valor.

829 **Foiled mass shootings**

830 The aftershocks of this month's mass shootings in Dayton and El Paso [continue to reverberate in frightening ways](#).

831 At least 28 people have been [arrested over threats](#) to commit mass attacks since the pair of shootings a few weeks ago.

832 A significant number of these threats have come from teenagers making violent promises from the perceived anonymity of the internet, and several more credible threats were racially motivated: A 35-year-old man was arrested in Seattle after threatening to kill people and calling for the “extermination” of Hispanics, and a self-described white nationalist threatened to attack an Ohio-area Jewish center.

833 After the two shootings in early August, the FBI [announced it would ask agency offices nationwide to conduct new threat assessments](#) to hopefully thwart more mass attacks.

834 The agency said in a statement it was concerned extremists would see the attacks as an opportunity to “engage in similar acts of violence.”

835 Rudy Giuliani

836 It appears Rudy Giuliani is still invested in getting the Ukrainian government to investigate President Trump’s political enemies.

837 The former New York City mayor said he spoke with a Ukrainian official about [2020 presidential candidate Joe Biden’s possible role in that government’s dismissal of a prosecutor who investigated Biden’s son](#).

838 Giuliani has directly pursued Ukrainian investigations into American politics for the better part of a year now, although he claims he hasn’t done so at Trump’s request.

839 As for how that relates to the Biden situation, Giuliani [has long been pressuring Ukraine](#) to investigate a 2016 call Biden made to remove a prosecutor who at one point had been investigating a Ukrainian natural gas company connected to Biden’s son, Hunter.

840 Officer shootings

841 In the last seven days, [there have been several shootings of police spanning five states](#), from California to Pennsylvania.

842 Luckily, none was fatal, but the cases have caught national attention and demonstrate the range of dangers officers face.

843 The incidents unfolded in varying ways: a routine traffic stop in Texas, a deputy targeted by a sniper in California, a standoff in Missouri and a search warrant execution gone wrong in Illinois.

844 Last week, [police serving a narcotics warrant in Philadelphia](#) were ambushed by a barrage of gunfire that left six officers wounded and sparked an eight-hour standoff; the suspect was eventually arrested.

845 Wildfires

846 Forest fires are ravaging two very different parts of the world.

847 In Alaska, [the McKinley Fire has now spread to more than 4,300 acres](#) and destroyed at least 80 structures.

848 It’s one of more than 50 wildfires burning throughout the country right now (summer is [peak wildfire season in the US](#).)

849 An even more ominous blaze is [tearing through the Amazon rainforest in Brazil](#).

850 Fires are raging at a record rate in the region, and scientists warn that it could [strike a devastating blow to the fight against climate change](#).

851 The Amazon is the largest rainforest on the planet and produces 20% of the oxygen in the Earth’s atmosphere.

852 As trees fall to the fires, so too does the source of that oxygen.

853 The forest is also home to uncountable species of plants and animals, all threatened by the blaze.

854 There have been 72,843 fires in Brazil this year, with more than half in the Amazon region.

855 That's more than 80% more than the same period last year.

856 *People are talking about these.

857 **People are irked that ex-Trump press secretary Sean Spicer will be on 'Dancing with the Stars'**

858 Something tells us [it's not because they're concerned about his foxtrot.](#)

859 **Bird or bunny?

860 Optical illusion stymies the Internet**

861 Or at least, [the part of the internet that definitely needs glasses.](#)

862 **Don't bother sharing that message warning people about an Instagram privacy policy change**

863 [It's a hoax.](#)

864 **The XFL releases 8 new team names and logos**

865 You could probably tell a lot about a person by [which logo they pick as their favorite.](#)

866 (The Dragons, obviously!)

867 **Crazy cat ladies are not actually a thing, says study**

868 Don't listen to them, crazy cat ladies.

869 [You are real, and you are fabulous.](#)

870 **A New Hampshire town opened a 50-year-old time capsule to reveal absolutely nothing**

871 Why is this headline [so bleak yet so relatable?](#)

872 **\$1 trillion**

873 The [federal budget deficit](#) the Congressional Budget Office predicts Americans will be facing in the fiscal year 2020

874 Corporate leaders have a responsibility to protect their employees, their customers and their communities.

875 There should never be any misunderstanding again of what the intention is of someone who walks into Walmart with a gun.

876 **Shannon Watts**, founder of Moms Demand Action, encouraging companies like Walmart to [stop allowing open carry of firearms in their stores](#)

877 **From guitars to goals in less than 3 days**

878 Behold, a stadium's incredible transformation – and the staggering number of people that are needed to pull it off.

879 ([Click here to view.](#))

880 **Friday, August 23, 2019 news**

882 **NPR**

883 Brazil's indigenous women are marching.

884 They're fighting to protect the Amazon rainforest, which has been engulfed in flames.

885 Who's to blame for the fires?

886 France's president Emanuel Macron is calling the Amazon fires an "international crisis".

887 He wants it to top the agenda at this weekend's G-7 summit.

888 But will concerns over the global economy steal the limelight?

889 And we will go to the streets of Tehran where U.S. sanctions are hitting Iranians hard.

890 In a country where free speech is normally stifled, we hear some candid talk from Iranians about who they blame for the sanctions.

891 **Article titles**

- 892 ■ Instead of bemoaning wealth work, make it better
- 893 ■ Unlocking access to the gene therapy market in the United States
- 894 ■ The federal-state disconnect in securing the 2016 election and how not to repeat it
- 895 ■ Charts of the Week: Recessions
- 896 ■ Make sure you save your data before deleting an Apple ID account Macworld
- 897 ■ Trump is doing what Obama couldn't
- 898 ■ David Koch, billionaire businessman and influential GOP donor, dies
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- 905 ■ Reckless, fearless and generous
- 906 ■ Why Do Women Send Nudes? Why Do Men? It's Complicated, A New Study Finds. – HuffPost
- 907 ■ Nashville
- 908 ■ GOP groups fundraising with T-shirts showing Greenland as part of America
- 909 ■ The Unsustainability of Inequality
- 910 ■ Whither Central Banking?
- 911 ■ Rethinking procurement in retail

912 **Articles**

913 **Unlocking market access for gene therapies in the United States**

914 *Aug 22, 2019 at 12:00:00 PM*

915 Gene therapy holds great promise for treating a variety of diseases, but without changes, today's payment system could limit the number of patients who benefit.

916 **Rethinking procurement in retail**

917 For retailers, procurement is no longer solely a matter of negotiating "A" brands.

918 Private labels and verticalization are trending.

919 Advanced approaches and tools help get procurement in shape for the future.

920 **Is Peace with the Taliban Possible?**

921 *Amin Saikal - Aug 23, 2019 at 10:10:44 AM*

922 US President Donald Trump desperately wants to disentangle America from a seemingly unwinnable war in Afghanistan, preferably through a political settlement with the Taliban.

923 But it is doubtful that the Taliban would be able to control other armed opposition groups or enlist the support of a cross-section of Afghanistan's diverse population.

924 **The Power of Cash for Refugees**

925 *David Beasley - Aug 23, 2019 at 7:07:08 AM*

926 The delivery of cash assistance has already proved invaluable to Syrian refugees in Jordan, Lebanon, and Turkey.

927 In particular, Turkey's EU-funded Emergency Social Safety Net has enabled some 1.6 million refugees to meet their own essential needs and empowered them to participate in the local economy.

928 **Whither Central Banking?**

929 *Lawrence H. Summers - Aug 23, 2019 at 6:19:31 AM*

930 In an environment of secular stagnation in the developed economies, central bankers' ingenuity in loosening monetary policy is exactly what is not needed.

931 What is needed are admissions of impotence, in order to spur efforts by governments to promote demand through fiscal policies and other means.

932 **The Unsustainability of Inequality**

933 *James K. Galbraith - Aug 23, 2019 at 5:47:47 AM*

934 Rising inequality is symptomatic of a wide range of economic and political problems that are standing in the way of achieving a just and sustainable society.

935 But for all the concern about the income and wealth gap within countries in recent years, there has been surprisingly little acknowledgement of the forces actually driving the trend.

936 **Reckless, fearless and generous**

937 *Seth Godin - Aug 23, 2019 at 1:31:29 PM*

938 I did a live QA and rant today at 10 am NY time.

939 Topic: there's a difference between reckless, fearless and generous, and once you see it, it'll help you move forward.

940 You can watch (and chime in) live, or see it once it's archived (the insta version is only available for 24 hours).

941 You can follow me on Instagram (Check it out... Taylor and the team are working with me to do some innovative things in this medium) and we'll be simulcasting on Facebook as well.

942 Also, as long as we're talking about other places, don't forget to check out my podcast Akimbo, now in its fifth season.

943 Here are some examples of favorite episodes.

944 Thanks for tuning in, wherever and however.

945 **What does it feel like when you say "later"?**

946 *Seth Godin - Aug 23, 2019 at 8:22:47 AM*

947 What does it sound like when you put something off?

948 All of us have a catalog of voices in our head.

949 We've got the one for feeling behind, the one for not feeling good enough, the one we use when we're trying to avoid a sore spot.

950 There are good reasons to decide to wait until later.

951 Waiting for later keeps our options open.

952 Waiting for later helps us avoid the short-term hustle.

953 Waiting for later feels safer.

954 Too often, waiting for later also keeps us from leaping, from leading and from making a difference.

955 It keeps us from moving on, moving forward.

956 The feeling of "later" doesn't go away. It actually gets harder and harder to leap as the time goes by.

957 It's easy to turn waiting for later into a habit.

958 It's a great way to hide from the work we truly care about, especially if it's uncomfortable.

959 **Should Investors Fear The Inverted Yield Curve?**

960 *Aug 22, 2019 at 4:00:00 PM*

961 Plenty of investors focus on economic news.

962 They worry about where stocks are headed.

963 They want a quick heads-up so they can bob or weave in case stocks hit the skids.

964 But investors usually make more money if they do three things:

965 They invest every month.

966 They build diversified portfolios of low-cost index funds

967 They ignore investment news.

968 Warren Buffett says investing is simple, but it isn't easy.

969 The toughest part might be ignoring economic news.

970 Consider the latest: Many are worried about the inverted yield curve.

971 On Wednesday, August 14th, the interest yield on 2-year U.S. treasury bonds inched higher than the interest yield on 10-year treasury bonds.

972 That rarely happens.

973 Usually, the yield on longer-term bonds is higher than the yield on short-term bonds.

974 After all, if people are going to park their money for a long period, they want to be compensated more for doing so.

975 Now here's the part that gives investors chills.

976 In 2018,

977 **To succeed in the global economy, cities must invest in what makes them unique**

978 *Rachel Barker, Marek Gootman, Max Bouchet - Aug 22, 2019 at 7:26:36 PM*

979 By Rachel Barker, Marek Gootman, Max Bouchet

980 In a converted parking garage turned business incubator and accelerator in downtown Syracuse, N.Y., entrepreneurs and inventors from as far away as Italy and Switzerland are hard at work developing software applications, power systems, and imaging technology for the emerging unmanned systems industry.

981 The presence of these global innovators represents an early win in a regional strategy to establish the central New York region as a global industry hub, leveraging historic local advantages in electronics, sensors, and defense applications to meet the growing global demand for drones, "internet-of-things" platforms, and other data-driven technologies.

982 To prosper in the global economy, midsized city-regions are increasingly focused on establishing these distinctive, world-beating industry specializations that leverage local strengths.

983 This includes investing in these specializations, as well as the industrial

984 **Instead of bemoaning wealth work, make it better**

985 *Mark Muro, Robert Maxim, Jacob Whiton - Aug 23, 2019 at 3:35:18 PM*

986 By Mark Muro, Robert Maxim, Jacob Whiton

987 Last month we noted that in our current Gilded Age of inequality, catering to the wealthy – manicuring them, massaging them, feeding them, gardening for them – has become one of the fastest-growing sources of work in America's "superstar" metro areas and resort towns.

988 For example, the number of manicurists and pedicurists doubled between 2010 and 2017, while the number of fitness trainers and dog walkers grew by two and three times the rate of the overall employment base, respectively.

989 **Which is a sign of our times.**

990 No wonder the resulting Twitter traffic from our piece made clear that many readers were concerned that some three million workers in many of America's richest cities now earn a living by helping the well-off walk their dogs, clean their houses, cook their dinners, and stay fit.

991 **Why Do Women Send Nudes?**

992 Why Do Men?

993 It's Complicated, A New Study Finds. – HuffPost

994 huffpost.com · by Brittany Wong · August 21, 2019

995 AleksandarNakic via

996 A new study looks at the sexting habits of men and women.

997 Sexting is a universal language: Jeff Bezos does it (albeit awkwardly; remember that “I love you, alive girl” text?), Rihanna does it, teens do it (though it’s a smaller percentage than you’d think, given the worried headlines).

998 The question of why we send dirty images and texts doesn’t have an easy answer: Can it all be chalked up to sheer horniness, or is there some deeper ulterior motive that drives us to tap “send” on that nude?

999 In a new study, University of Arizona researcher Morgan Johnstonbaugh asked that very question: What motivates young people to send an explicit text in the first place — and does the motivation differ for

1000 **New Species of Stegosaurus Unearthed in Mountains of Morocco – Smithsonian Magazine**

1001 Smithsonian · by Jason Daley · August 22, 2019

1002 Stegosaurus is one of the most popular and well-known dinosaurs, identifiable by the diamond-shaped plates marching down its back from the base of its neck to the end of its spiky tail.

1003 A new specimen unearthed in the mountains of Morocco shows that the prehistoric species is much older and more geographically wide-ranging than paleontologists previously believed.

1004 The specimen, which is thought to represent a new species and genus of stegosaurus, was identified by a team led by Susannah Maidment of the Natural History Museum in London, reports the Press Association.

1005 The fossils found in Morocco’s Middle Atlas Mountains only include a few vertebrae and an upper arm bone, but it was enough to identify the bones as belonging to one individual stegosaurus.

1006 The team has named the

1007 **GOP groups fundraising with T-shirts showing Greenland as part of America**

1008 USA Today · by Savannah Behrmann, USA TODAY

1009 WASHINGTON – The National Republican Congressional Committee, which is charged with helping elect and re-elect Republicans in the House, is fundraising with shirts that promote President Donald Trump’s desire to buy Greenland, an autonomous territory of Denmark.

1010 The limited-edition T-shirt features a map of the United States, showing Greenland as of part of the U.S., patterned with the American flag.

1011 The caption supporting the promotion reads, “Support President Trump and his efforts to help America grow!”

1012 As of Thursday evening, the NRCC was providing the shirts to anyone who donated \$25 or more.

1013 In initial media reports, it was not clear how serious Trump was in

1014 **Trump is doing what Obama couldn't**

1015 CNN · by Analysis by John Blake, CNN

1016 (CNN) Some Democratic voters are looking for a candidate who can restore the optimism of the Obama era.

1017 But what if the progressive champion they're looking for is already sitting in the White House?

1018 Call it the audacity of President Trump: He is bringing more hope and change than Obama ever could.

1019 I know, I know.

1020 For some people, this is blasphemy.

1021 Yet one of the biggest ironies of Trump's presidency is that he has become a more effective catalyst for progressive social change than Obama.

1022 He has discredited core conservative beliefs, boosted the popularity of left-wing causes and caused millions of Americans to face ugly truths about racism and bigotry that they used to deny.

1023 I never thought I'd say this.

1024 As an African-American man, I felt pride

1025 **David Koch, billionaire businessman and influential GOP donor, dies**

1026 CNN · by Fredreka Schouten, CNN

1027 Washington (CNN) Conservative billionaire David Koch, who became a household name through the policy and political empire he created with his older brother, Charles, has died.

1028 He was 79.

1029 Charles Koch, the CEO of the family's industrial conglomerate Koch Industries, announced the death Friday.

1030 "It is with a heavy heart that I announce the passing of my brother David.

1031 Anyone who worked with David surely experienced his giant personality and passion for life," the elder Koch said in a statement.

1032 David Koch retired from the company and the Koch political operations in 2018, citing health reasons.

1033 This story is breaking and will be updated.

1034 **Nashville**

1035 The world has discovered what locals knew all along: Nashville isn't just a country music mecca – it's a multifaceted jewel of great food, warm weather, affordable living and music that spans multiple genres.

1036 Following an avalanche of "it"-city publicity in recent years, you probably already know that rockers like Jack White and the Black Keys join country stars in calling Music City home.

1037 And there's the fantastic fact that country-folk legend John Prine and outlaw-country wrecker Sturgill Simpson share a dingy basement office.

1038 You may have even heard of our hot chicken.
1039 "A big city that feels like a small town": These days, that once-common local refrain is heard less frequently, but Nashville's down-home Southern heart can still be found, especially in its neighborhoods.
1040 So get off Lower Broadway, grab a bushwacker to wash down your meat-and-three lunch, and don't be afraid to dive deep.
1041 You

1042 **CNN Friday 08.23.19**

1043 Hop to it!
1044 A new study shows higher levels of physical activity at any intensity [lowers the risk of early death in middle-age and older people](#).
1045 Here's what else you need to know to **Get Up to Speed and Out the Door**.

1046 **Ex-Overstock CEO**

1047 Patrick Byrne, the CEO of online discount retailer Overstock, resigned yesterday [after publishing a news release this week titled](#), "Comments on Deep State."
1048 In it, Byrne claimed he helped the FBI carry out "political espionage" and referred to an undefined entity called the "Men in Black."
1049 Unsurprisingly, Overstock shares plummeted after the bizarre missive, but just because Byrne is out doesn't mean he's done talking.
1050 After his departure, the ex-CEO appeared on CNN and said the FBI directed him [to pursue a "romantic relationship with Maria Butina" in the summer before the 2016 election](#).
1051 Butina is the Russian woman who has been accused of seeking to win influence in powerful Republican circles at the direction of her country's government.
1052 None of this has been verified, and former FBI Director James Comey told CNN the claims are "ridiculous."

1053 **G7 Summit**

1054 The G7 summit convenes this weekend in France, and all eyes, as usual, will be on President Trump.
1055 Let's start with the good: Though the US economy is not as strong as it has been, it's still better off than most of the declining economies in Europe, so Trump is expected to do a little boasting about that.
1056 But [recent divisive comments could cause some discomfort among the world leaders](#).
1057 The whole buying Greenland discussion and [Denmark trip cancellation](#) could sow some discord, as could Trump's outspoken support of Brexit.
1058 In fact, French President Emmanuel Macron has elected to forego the customary signing of an agreement by all the leaders at the end of the summit.
1059 Trump refused to sign the deal at the end of last year's summit in Canada and left the gathering early.

1060 **Japan and South Korea**

1061 The feud between Japan and South Korea is getting worse, and it looks like China and North Korea could come out as winners.

1062 Japan and South Korea are engaged in a bitter trade dispute, and South Korea took the tension up a notch yesterday by [scrapping its military intelligence-sharing agreement with Japan](#).

1063 The conflict has threatened global tech manufacturers and important alliances, but [China and North Korea have seen incidental benefits](#).

1064 The breakdown of communication between Japan and South Korea means security cooperation and monitoring of North Korea has diminished.

1065 It also alienates the US, which holds a strong military alliance with South Korea and Japan.

1066 With those links weakened, China may move to increase its influence in the region.

1067 **Nigerian scams**

1068 Federal prosecutors have charged 80 people, most of them Nigerian, [in a web of scams that the US claims has robbed millions of dollars from businesses and elderly people](#).

1069 Seventeen so far have been arrested.

1070 [Two of the men indicted allegedly ran a romance scam out of California](#).

1071 In this kind of scheme, scammers reach out to women online and start relationships via emails and messages.

1072 Those usually escalate to outrageous claims of hardship and requests for money.

1073 In one scam said to have been perpetrated by the men, a Japanese woman sent her online love interest – really a scammer – several payments to help him smuggle a bag of diamonds out of Syria.

1074 US prosecutors estimate the suspects together have bilked \$6 million.

1075 All will face charges of conspiracy to commit fraud and to launder money, plus aggravated identity theft.

1076 Some also will face fraud and money laundering charges.

1077 **Rohingya**

1078 This week marks the two-year anniversary of the campaign of violence started by Myanmar's military [against the Rohingya people](#), an ethnic Muslim minority.

1079 In that time, hundreds of thousands of Rohingya people have been left effectively stateless and many have had to seek refuge in camps along the border with Bangladesh.

1080 [The two countries yesterday were supposed to start repatriating about 3,450 of the Rohingya refugees](#), but there's a problem: Some of the refugees don't want to be repatriated for fear of further violence and oppression.

1081 International human rights organizations have expressed concern about the planned repatriation, saying the Rohingya people would be walking right back into the persecution that drove them out in the first place.

1082 *People are talking about these.

1083 **The first Titanic dive in 14 years shows how the ocean floor is swallowing up the wreck**

1084 So ... [no movie sequel, then?](#)

1085 **US travel to Canada is at its highest since 2007**

1086 [We just love our northern neighbors](#) (and readers!) so much!

1087 **Former US Rep. Mark Sanford calls Iowa ‘the Buckeye state’ ahead of a political visit**

1088 [Ohio would like a word.](#)

1089 **Apple advises people not to put its new credit card near denim, leather or loose change**

1090 Oh, [the three things credit cards touch the most?](#)

1091 Got it.

1092 **Kim Kardashian gathers all 4 kids for ‘impossible photo’**

1093 Proving that [all the money and fame in the world can’t convince a toddler to stand still.](#)

1094 ****Quiz time!**

1095 After a historic run, Lil Nas X’s hit song, “Old Town Road,” was knocked off the top spot on the Billboard Hot 100 chart this week by what song?

1096 A. “Talk” by Khalid

1097 B. “Truth Hurts” by Lizzo

1098 C. “Senorita” by Shawn Mendes and Camila Cabello

1099 D. “Bad Guy” by Billie Eilish

1100 Play [“Total Recall,”](#) CNN’s weekly news quiz, to see if your answer is correct.

1101 **54**

1102 The average number of hours [American commuters spent stuck in traffic in 2017](#), according to a new report.

1103 In some of the most congested areas of the country, that figure was more than double.

1104 Our house is burning.

1105 Literally.

1106 The Amazon rainforest – the lungs of our planet which produces 20% of our oxygen – is on fire.

1107 It is an international crisis.

1108 French President **Emmanuel Macron**, who [also encouraged leaders to take up the topic during this weekend’s G7 summit.](#)

1109 Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro called Macron’s claims “sensationalist” and said calling for G7 talks was “reminiscent of a colonial mindset.”

1110 **If I fits, I sits**

1111 It’s Friday, and I think we all deserve a classic cat video.

1112 ([Click here to view.](#))

1113 **Saturday, August 24, 2019 news**

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1115 **Article titles**

- 1116 ■ For growth and well-being, climate crisis overshadows all else
- 1117 ■ Doctors do too much - and too little - testing of emergency-room cardiac visits
- 1118 ■ Macroeconomic And Structural Sources Of Imbalance
- 1119 ■ Elizabeth Warren Has Spent Her Adult Life Repeating A Lie. I Want Her To Tell The Truth
- 1120 ■ Building agile capabilities to drive business transformation
- 1121 ■ How Can Hospitals Best Manage the Uneven Flow of Patients?
- 1122 ■ Chart of the week: Women on track to be the majority of the college-educated labor force in 2019
- 1123 ■ Food retail: The path to autonomous planning
- 1124 ■ Amazon rainforest fire a 'crisis', Macron says, but Brazil pushes back: What we know
- 1125 ■ Barriers to moving prevents low-income families from moving to better neighborhoods
- 1126 ■ Biotech in Europe: A strong foundation for growth and innovation
- 1127 ■ 10 Tips to Protect Your Dog's Paws from Hot Pavement Benny's PET DEPOT Blog
- 1128 ■ Foreign-owned multinationals in the US pay more than US-owned counterparts
- 1129 ■ What Makes People Charismatic, and How You Can Be, Too
- 1130 ■ Is Data Privacy Real? Don't Bet on it
- 1131 ■ Veterans Technology Education Courses Veterans Affairs
- 1132 ■ A disturbance in the Force: President Trump, DOD's JEDI procurement, and the Old Post Office

1133 **Articles**

1134 **Is Data Privacy Real?**

1135 Don't Bet on It

1136 *Knowledge@Wharton - Aug 23, 2019 at 7:10:09 PM*

1137 Companies often claim individuals' data can be kept private if personally identifiable information remains hidden.

1138 But being anonymous is not easy, say experts from Penn's Warren Center for Network and Data Sciences.

1139 **How Can Hospitals Best Manage the Uneven Flow of Patients?**

1140 *Knowledge@Wharton - Aug 23, 2019 at 6:05:56 PM*

1141 Wharton's Hummy Song examines the common hospital practice of capacity pooling and whether it's the best way to manage the mismatch between the number of patients and available beds.

1142 **Building agile capabilities: The fuel to power your agile 'body'**

1143 *Aug 23, 2019 at 12:00:00 PM*

1144 To move your organization from targeted experimentation to driving agility at scale, it's crucial to focus on agile capability building.

1145 **The invisible hand: On the path to autonomous planning in food retail**

1146 It's not news to food retailers: sometimes your stocks are too high, sometimes they're too low.

1147 Advanced planning now gives them entirely new options for solving the expensive problem – and cuts costs in the process.

1148 **Biotech in Europe: A strong foundation for growth and innovation**

1149 European companies have an opportunity to play a stronger role in the industry by focusing on three factors.

1150 **What Makes People Charismatic, and How You Can Be, Too**

1151 Simple tips to break through your social anxieties and make real, genuine connections with others.

1152 Alex Kiesling

1153 By Bryan Clark

1154 Ask people to name someone they find charming and the answers are often predictable.

1155 There's James Bond, the fictional spy with a penchant for shaken martinis.

1156 Maybe they'll mention Oprah Winfrey, Bill Clinton or a historical figure, like the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. or Mahatma Gandhi.

1157 Now ask the same people to describe, in just a few seconds, what makes these charmers so likable.

1158 It's here, in defining what exactly charisma is, that most hit a wall.

1159 Instinctually, we know that we're drawn to certain people more than others.

1160 Quantifying why we like them is an entirely different exercise.

1161 The ancient Greeks described charisma as a "gift of grace," an apt descriptor

1162 **Elizabeth Warren Has Spent Her Adult Life Repeating A Lie.**

1163 I Want Her To Tell The Truth.

1164 huffpost.com · August 23, 2019

1165 Elizabeth Warren, apologizing to Native leaders on Monday, said, "I know I've made mistakes.

1166 I am sorry for harm I have caused."

1167 For many people, that apology put the issue to rest.

1168 But many Native advocates, myself included, were not satisfied.

1169 Warren still has work to do, and demanding she do what's left is beyond reasonable.

1170 In all of her apologizing, Warren has never let go of her family story.

1171 After spending her entire adult life repeating a lie, I simply want Warren to tell the truth.

1172 In 1836, Warren's great-great-great-grandfather, a white man named William Marsh, enlisted himself in a Tennessee militia to fight in the "Cherokee War," an occupation of Cherokee land in the lead-up to the Trail of Tears.

1173 Decades later, his grandson John Houston Crawford moved his family onto Indian Territory and squatted on Cherokee land in a move that, with no record of a permit, was almost certainly illegal.

1174 The Crawfords were just some of the tens of thousands of white squatters who outnumber

1175 **Doctors do too much - and too little - testing of emergency-room cardiac visits**

1176 When patients show up in the emergency room with symptoms that suggest they may be having a heart attack, are physicians conducting costly, invasive tests for the right cases?

1177 Sendhil Mullainathan of University of Chicago Booth School of Business and Ziad Obermeyer of University of California at Berkeley investigate this question by using machine learning techniques on 20 million Medicare claims.

1178 They find that many patients with the lowest risk are being unnecessarily tested while many patients with the highest risk are under-tested.

1179 The untested high-risk group was twice as likely to suffer a heart attack and require additional intervention following an emergency room visit when compared to the sample average; 1.5% of them died within a month.

1180 Using a conservative measure of the value of life, the authors find welfare gains from dropping tests for half the low-risk group and increasing tests of the high-risk group by 18%.

1181 **Foreign-owned multinationals in the US pay more than US-owned counterparts**

1182 Communities often go to great lengths to lure foreign firms.

1183 Bradley Setzler and Felix Tintelnot of University of Chicago suggest the effort is generally worthwhile.

1184 They find that foreign-owned multinational corporations operating in the US pay 25% higher wages than comparable US-owned firms in the same industry and location, much of that because they tend to hire more high-skilled workers.

1185 Adjusting for that, the authors find that the same worker moving from a domestic to a foreign-owned firm earns 7% more.

1186 They also find substantial indirect effects – knowledge spillovers, competitive pressure, and increased efficiency of local suppliers – and find that increases in employment at foreign-owned firms significantly raises value added, employment, and wage bill at domestic firms in the same community.

1187 Considering these direct and indirect effects, every additional job created by a foreign-owned company in a community is worth \$16,000 per incumbent worker.

1188 **Barriers to moving prevents low-income families from moving to better neighborhoods**

1189 Recipients of government housing vouchers that allow them to move often don't choose to move to high opportunity neighborhoods, those where their children are likely to do better.

1190 In a randomized control trial in Seattle and King County, Wash., Peter Bergman of Columbia University and coauthors find that when low-income families are provided with assistance to navigate barriers to moving, such as customized housing search, landlord

engagement, and short-term financial aid, they tend to move to neighborhoods where upward mobility is greater.

1191 The share of families who leased units in high-opportunity neighborhoods increased from 14 percent for the families who did not receive assistance to 54 percent for the families who did.

1192 “These findings imply that most low-income families do not have a strong preference to stay in low-opportunity areas; instead, barriers in the housing search process are a central driver of residential segregation by income,” the authors conclude.

1193 (For a short video on the paper by Harvard University’s Raj Chetty, [click here](#))

1194 **Chart of the week: Women on track to be the majority of the college-educated labor force in 2019**

1195 **Macroeconomic and structural sources of imbalances**

1196 “Both [current-account] deficit and surplus countries should tackle the underlying macroeconomic and structural sources of imbalances rather than adopt ineffective, or even counterproductive, measures such as tariffs.

1197 Deficit countries, like the U.S. and the U.K. should reduce budget deficits without sacrificing growth and strengthen the competitiveness of their export industries; options include investing more in skills of workers and encouraging old-age saving.

1198 Surplus countries, like Germany and Korea, should use fiscal policy where possible to invest more in infrastructure and adopt reforms that encourage private investment....

1199 [In] China... further structural reforms are needed to ensure a lasting external rebalancing, as it gradually addresses vulnerabilities from the high levels of private and public debt....” writes Gustavo Adler, Luis Cubeddu, and Gita Gopinath, economists at the International Monetary Fund

1200 “[B]oth surplus and deficit countries must recognize that they share the responsibility to secure a stronger and more balanced global economy.

1201 That means finding durable solutions to trade disputes to address concerns about export subsidies and weak intellectual property protection, while also modernizing the international trade system in

1202 **A disturbance in the Force: President Trump, DOD’s JEDI procurement, and the Old Post Office**

1203 *Dorothy Robyn - Aug 23, 2019 at 8:06:26 PM*

1204 By Dorothy Robyn

1205 President Trump’s animus toward Washington Post owner Jeff Bezos appears to have led the Department of Defense (DoD) to delay its \$10 billion cloud computing procurement, in which Mr. Bezos’s Amazon is the front-runner.

1206 Before the president upends the competition altogether, he should motorcade five blocks east on Pennsylvania Avenue to the Old Post Office-turned-Trump International Hotel.

1207 This historic landmark bears his name precisely because of the insulation of federal procurement decisions from politics – a bedrock principle of U.S. governance and one that has helped us to combat cronyism and corruption around the world.

1208 The Pentagon's potentially massive contract (\$10 billion is the ceiling, not the floor) is designed to bring the military into the modern era of cloud-based data storage and analysis.

1209 Named with a nod to the fictional heroes of "Star Wars," the Joint Enterprise

1210 **For growth and well-being, climate crisis overshadows all else**

1211 *Vinod Thomas - Aug 23, 2019 at 8:47:44 PM*

1212 By Vinod Thomas

1213 As the G-7 members meet in Biarritz, France this weekend, the top concern for economic growth and people's well-being – in developed and emerging countries alike – must be runaway climate change.

1214 CO2 emissions, the main source of human contributions to global warming, continue to rise among the top emitters, China, the U.S., and India (in that order)– largely driven by emissions from fossil fuels.

1215 And in Brazil, under the direction of President Jair Bolsonaro, there has been unprecedented deforestation of the Amazon rainforest, and an "international crisis" of devastating wildfires.

1216 The crucial question is what the G-7 can do to arrest and reverse these trends as scientists warn that time is running out.

1217 In Brazil, the global community should support and press for a change of course on the environment from within Brazil itself.

1218 Brazilians must offset the efforts of their president who is bent on promoting deforestation to benefit mining, logging, and cattle ranching.

1219 The entry point for a popular pushback is that Mr. Bolsonaro was elected – much like Donald Trump – on the false premise that reckless "deregulation" of the environment will boost economic growth.

1220 **Amazon rainforest fire a 'crisis', Macron says, but Brazil pushes back: What we know**

1221 USA Today · by Adrianna Rodriguez, USA TODAY

1222 As the wildfires rage in the Amazon rainforest, growing global attention has ignited a bitter dispute about who is the blame for the threat to "the lungs of the planet."

1223 The fires have become a political debate as Brazil's government complained Thursday that it is being targeted in a smear campaign by critics and traded jabs on social media with international leaders.

1224 French President Emmanuel Macron called the wildfires an "international crisis" and on Friday accused Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro of lying about his commitment to curbing climate change.

1225 "Our house is burning.

1226 Literally.

1227 The Amazon rain forest – the lungs which produces 20% of our planet's oxygen – is on fire," Macron tweeted Thursday, urging said the leaders of the Group of 7 nations to

1228 **Sunday 8.25.19**

1229 The Burning Man gathering [begins today](#) in the Nevada desert.

1230 It's been called the world's "[biggest and most bizarre party](#)," with clothing sometimes optional.

1231 Here's what else you need to know to **Start Your Week Smart**.

1232 ■ President Trump [claims the "absolute right" to order US companies](#) to stop doing business with China.

1233 ■ Brazil [plans to deploy the army](#) to tackle wildfires raging in the Amazon rainforest.

1234 ■ A Florida man said he was standing his ground when he killed Markeis McGlockton.

1235 A [jury didn't buy it](#).

1236 ■ A California sheriff's deputy said he was shot by a sniper.

1237 ■ Now authorities say [he made it all up](#).

1238 ■ One of the NFL's best quarterbacks [called it quits at just 29](#).

1239 Andrew Luck blamed injuries.

1240 **The G7 summit continues in France**

1241 World leaders meet again **today** in Biarritz to discuss economic and global security.

1242 The biggest question going into the sessions was [whether President Trump would bring his recent erratic mood](#) to the gathering a year after he [threw a tantrum](#) and [left it early](#).

1243 The meetings end **Monday**.

1244 **A ruling in the opioid lawsuit is expected**

1245 An Oklahoma judge [reportedly is due](#) to rule **Monday** on whether Johnson & Johnson must pay \$17 billion [for stoking the state's opioid epidemic](#).

1246 The company argues its drugs didn't cause the crisis and it's been made a "scapegoat."

1247 The case could lay a road map for other states and municipalities that want to hold drugmakers responsible for the opioid fallout.

1248 **Lori Loughlin is due in court**

1249 The "Full House" actress is expected **Tuesday** at a hearing related to [the college admissions scandal](#).

1250 She and her husband, fashion designer Mossimo Giannulli, are among dozens of wealthy parents accused of [using bribes to game](#) the competitive college entrance process for their kids.

1251 **Dems must meet thresholds for the next debates**

1252 **Wednesday** is the deadline for [Democratic candidates to qualify](#) for the [September 12 and 13 debates](#) in Houston.

1253 Beyond reaching a high bar for donations, candidates must hit 2% in at least four party-approved polls.

1254 **A key economic forecast drops**

1255 Another estimate of second quarter gross domestic product is [set to be revealed Thursday](#), as analysts warn of [a looming global recession](#).

1256 The first GDP snapshot, released last month, indicated that consumers are powering the US economy, though [growth was slower than in the first quarter](#).

1257 **POTUS and FLOTUS head to Poland**

- 1258 Donald and Melania Trump [are set to take off](#)** Saturday **for a visit to Warsaw memorial sites to mark 80 years since the start of World War II.
- 1259 The first couple then was supposed to head to Denmark, but the President [nixed that trip](#) after the Prime Minister dismissed his [interest in buying Greenland](#).
- 1260 **Happy New Year!**
- 1261 Muslims on **Saturday** evening are due to [mark a new year](#), 1441 AH.
- 1262 The calendar flip dates to when the prophet Mohammed fled from Mecca to Medina to escape religious persecution.
- 1263 [Muharram Mubarak!](#)
- 1264 **'They were all impressed with your Halston dress'**
- 1265 Ride the rise and fall of America's first superstar fashion designer.
- 1266 "Halston," executive produced by CNN Films, [premieres](#) at 9 ET/PT on CNN.
- 1267 **Democratic candidates hit the CNN town hall stage**
- 1268 Montana Gov. Steve Bullock and New York Mayor Bill de Blasio [step into the spotlight tonight](#) at 6 and 7 ET, respectively.
- 1269 Watch [on CNN](#).
- 1270 **The VMAs honor music's best**
- 1271 Shawn Mendes and Camila Cabello are the latest additions to a [star-studded MTV Video Music Awards](#).
- 1272 **Monday's** event is also slated to feature Big Sean with A\$AP Ferg, H. E.R., Normani and Ozuna.
- 1273 Get the full list of nominees [here](#).
- 1274 Watch at 8 p.m. ET on MTV.
- 1275 **Go ahead. Take a binge day**
- 1276 Season 3 of "13 Reasons Why," the [controversial Netflix show](#), just released, with the kids of Liberty High still obsessed with the killing of Bryce Walker.
- 1277 Also streaming is "This Way Up," Hulu's comedy about a woman rebounding from a nervous breakdown.
- 1278 **The US Open begins**
- 1279 [North America's Grand Slam](#) kicks off **Monday**, serving up two weeks of tennis thrills at [Billie Jean King](#) National Tennis Center in New York.
- 1280 Watch this week [on ESPN channels and the Tennis Channel](#).
- 1281 **College football Week 1 is here**
- 1282 [The biggest games](#) launching the season include Georgia Tech at Clemson on **Thursday**, and Auburn versus Oregon and Northwestern at Stanford on **Saturday**.
- 1283 [Here's how to watch](#) every NCAA matchup.
- 1284 **Dale Earnhardt Jr. gets back to the track**
- 1285 The NASCAR star [plans to drive](#) one of his favorite tracks **Saturday** when the Xfinity Series goes to Darlington Raceway in South Carolina.
- 1286 Earnhardt this month [survived a plane crash](#), along with his wife, his daughter and two pilots.

1287 **'Nothing but a hound dog'**

1288 No shade to the King, but we're gonna mark [National Dog Day](#) on **Monday** - which also happens to be [Women's Equality Day](#) - with Big Mama Thornton's version of the early rock classic.

1289 ([Click here to rock 'n' roll.](#))