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U.S. Pressures Russians as Trump Warms Up to NATO

By JULIE HIRSCHFELD DAVIS and DAVID E. SANGER 9:26 PM ET

- The Trump administration publicly chastised President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia but privately worked to hash out increasingly bitter differences.

- At the same time, President Trump embraced NATO as an effective and vital force for peace and security.

- At Meeting, Putin and Tillerson Find Little to Agree On 9:13 PM ET
- Russia Vetoes U.N. Resolution Condemning Syria Chemical Attack 7:20 PM ET

Policy Shifts Hint at Wall Street Wing Eclipsing Populists

By ALAN RAPPEPORT 9:02 PM ET

President Trump backtracked from labeling China a currency manipulator, said that he no longer wanted to eliminate the Export-Import Bank, and that he might retain the chairwoman of the Federal Reserve.

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Trump Undercuts Bannon, Whose Job May Be in Danger

By JEREMY W. PETERS and MAGGIE HABERMAN 9:03 PM ET

A comment by Mr. Trump, "I am my own strategist," was taken as ominous for the president's chief strategist, Stephen K. Bannon, who is seen as increasingly isolated in the White House.

- 'Screwed Up': Spicer Apologizes for Hitler Comments
- Watch: Spicer Spinning Spicer

After Campaign Exit, Manafort Got Loans Via Ties to Trump

By MIKE MCINTIRE 6:36 PM ET

A shell company created by Paul Manafort the same day he left the presidential campaign quickly received \$13 million in loans from the businesses.

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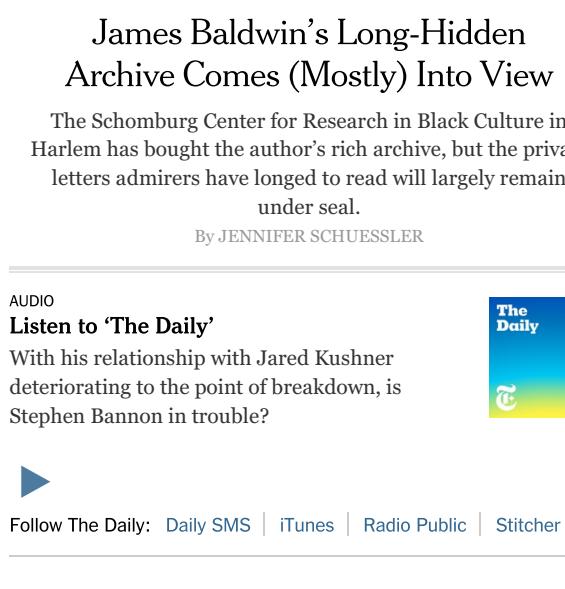
North Korea May Be Preparing Its 6th Nuclear Test

By WILLIAM J. BROAD, KENAN DAVIS and JUGAL K. PATEL

Growing evidence suggests that North Korea may soon conduct another underground detonation in its effort to make nuclear arms.

How Letterman's Mother Endearred Him to Viewers

Dorothy Mengering, who died on Tuesday, was a perfect comic foil, softening her son David's bite.



James Baldwin's Long-Hidden Archive Comes (Mostly) Into View

The Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture in Harlem has bought the author's rich archive, but the private letters admirers have longed to read will largely remain under seal.

By JENNIFER SCHUESSLER

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Trump's Fickle Diplomacy

Russians thought they would have a pal in the White House, but relations between the two countries are as tense as ever.

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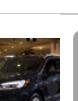
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By SARA PARETSKY

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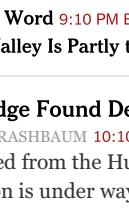
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By EMILY STEEL and MICHAEL S. SCHMIDT 9:23 PM ET

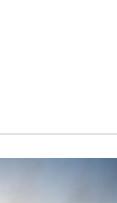
Bill O'Reilly has left Fox News for a planned vacation while his employers decide whether they should force him from the network over sexual harassment accusations.



Gray Mood in G.O.P. Suburbs: The Party Is a 'Mess'

By ALEXANDER BURNS and JONATHAN MARTIN

A narrower-than-expected victory in Kansas and an even tougher contest next week in Georgia are highlighting Republicans' troubles with affluent white voters.



- Republican's Narrow Win in Kansas Is Bad Sign for G.O.P.
- The Republican Won, but Voters Shifted Left in Kansas

Is Russell Westbrook's Season the Best Ever?

By THE NEW YORK TIMES

Westbrook's outrageous regular season, which ends on Wednesday, must be considered the single greatest season by any athlete ever, right? Here are some other contenders.



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United Airlines Offers Refunds as Outrage Continues

By LIAM STACK 8:19 PM ET

The airline offered a refund to every passenger on the flight from which a man was dragged on Sunday, and the Chicago Aviation Department placed two more officers on leave.



- Why 'Sorry' Is Still the Hardest Word 9:10 PM ET
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New York Appeals Court Judge Found Dead in River

By MATTHEW HAAG and WILLIAM K. RASHBAUM 10:10 PM ET

Sheila Abdus-Salaam was pulled from the Hudson River by police. An investigation is under way, but the police said they found no immediate evidence of criminality.



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- Sabre-toothed cats paid a stiff price for being such fearsome predators. An analysis of their bones found them to be riddled with injuries likely picked up while hunting.

- Cathay Pacific is replacing its chief executive, as losses mount. The airline has been battered by fuel prices and intense competition from low-cost carriers.

- Hungary's right-wing government is under pressure over a law that would effectively shut down a college founded by the Hungarian-American philanthropist George Soros.

- We humans think we invented farming. But we didn't. In a South American rain forest millions of years ago, ants had already figured it out. A new study explains how they did it.

- A group of political activists filed a lawsuit against Yahoo, saying the company failed to properly manage a \$17 million fund it created to help Chinese dissidents.

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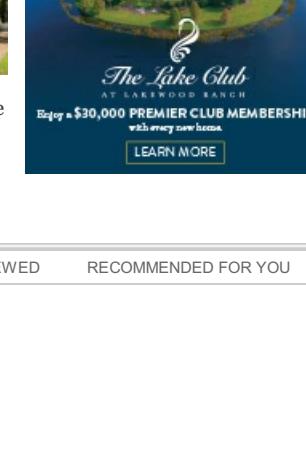
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