

What's News

U.S. Firms Expected to Post Strongest Quarter Since 2011

U.S. companies are poised to report their strongest earnings in years, but disappointing results could reignite concerns stock gains have outpaced earnings growth.

- Manufacturing Sector Helps to Buoy Stocks

Fed's Lacker Resigns Over Leak, Dealing Blow to Bank's Credibility

Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond President Jeffrey Lacker said he was stepping down effective Tuesday in a letter that revealed his involvement in an alleged 2012 leak of confidential Fed information.



House Panel Wants Obama Aide to Testify, as Russia Probe Widens

The House Intelligence Committee wants former Obama White House official Susan Rice to testify in a probe of alleged Russian election interference.



- Former Trump Adviser Acknowledges Involvement in Russian Spy Case

Sessions Presses Shift at Justice Department

Attorney General Jeff Sessions's decision this week to review concessions by local police departments accused of misconduct is part of a seismic shift at the Justice Department.



- Court Says Gay Employees Can Sue Under 1964 Civil Rights Act



U.S. President Donald Trump promises tough trade negotiations this week with Chinese President Xi Jinping to stop American job losses. What's at stake in Mar-a-Lago? WSJ's Jason Bellini has #TheShortAnswer. Photo: Getty

U.S., China Tap Back Channels Before Summit

Donald Trump and China's leader Xi Jinping meet this week at the president's Mar-a-Lago estate, with both men invested in dreams of national greatness. Their meeting's success hinges in part on the groundwork laid by aides.

- North Korea Launches Projectile Off Korean Peninsula
- Trade Deficit Shrinks as Gap With China Narrows
- Leaders Aim to Air, Not Resolve, Issues, White House Says

U.S. Considers Far-Reaching Steps for 'Extreme Vetting'

Foreigners who want to visit the U.S. could be forced to disclose contacts on their mobile phones, social-media passwords and financial records, and to answer probing questions about their ideology.



- Travel Ban Triggers Wave of CEO Activism

Chemical Attack in Syria Puts Focus on Trump Policy

Graphic images of dead and dying Syrian children after a suspected chemical attack are forcing the U.S. administration to confront the war days after signaling it would no longer demand that Bashar al-Assad leave power.



- Dozens Dead in Syria Chemical Attack



Companies Lay Out Visions of Trump's Border Wall



More Brands Withdraw From O'Reilly's Show on Fox News



Judge Halts Rules Allowing Uber, Lyft Union Vote



Amazon Reaches Deal to Stream NFL Games

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The Etiquette Minefield at the Company Gym

U.S.  
New Mariposa County Sheriff Shuts Down Tent Jail

THE A-HED  
When It Comes to Romance, a Hagfish Never Tells —and That's a Serious Problem

Business

Staples Explores Sale After Failed Office Depot Deal

Staples is exploring a sale, less than a year after its effort to merge with rival retailer Office Depot failed on antitrust grounds. The one-time “category killer” office-supplies seller is in talks with a small number of possible private-equity bidders, according to people familiar with the matter.

Top Russian Space Official Praises Reusable Rocket Technology

Igor Komarov, director general of Roscosmos, lauded Elon Musk's SpaceX for developing reusable rockets and said his country has been working on a variant of that approach to remain competitive.

Sprint to End 50% Discount Plan

Sprint Corp. is dropping one of its most aggressive promotions: a long-running offer to charge half the price of certain rival plans to get customers to switch.

McDonald's U.S. Marketing Chief to Leave

Deborah Wahl, McDonald's top marketer in the U.S., will leave the company as part of another management shakeup aimed at reviving the burger chain's fortunes.

- McDonald's Bringing in Fresh Beef as It Competes With Rivals (March 30)
- From French Fries to the Big N'Tasty: Hits and Misses on McDonald's Menu (March 30)

Markets



A Pimco Fund Just Became the Biggest Active Bond Fund, and It Wasn't Bill Gross's

Pimco's Income Fund had \$79.1 billion in assets under management as of March 31, one of several recent victories for the \$1.5 trillion money manager as it tries to move beyond the most tumultuous period in its history.



Jamie Dimon: Time to 'Open Up the Rulebook'

J.P. Morgan Chase CEO Jamie Dimon laid out his wishlist of regulatory changes in his annual shareholder letter, calling for simpler and better-coordinated rules that could help to spur more lending.

Fed's Tarullo Opens Door to Changes in Stress Tests

Daniel Tarullo, the Federal Reserve's regulatory guru, opened the door to significant policy changes on his penultimate day in office, outlining how the oversight regime might be altered to lower costs for large banks without endangering the economy.



House Approves Bill to Ease Employee Stock Rules

Startups and other privately held companies would have greater flexibility in awarding stock to employees without triggering what critics say are overly intrusive reporting requirements, under legislation passed by the U.S. House Tuesday.



Politics

Battle Over Gorsuch Is Set to Hit Senate Floor

The Senate is barreling toward a showdown over the confirmation of Supreme Court nominee Neil Gorsuch, as Republican Leader Mitch McConnell said Tuesday he has enough votes to change the Senate rules and eliminate the filibuster.

- Recap: Court Confirmation Fight
- Democrats Say Window for Bipartisan Action Is Closing

U.S.

Pell Grant Eligibility Restored for Some Students

The Department of Education will restore Pell Grant eligibility to students who attended but didn't graduate from shuttered colleges like ITT Technical Institute.

GOP Is Testing Health-Law Tweaks for Conservative Appeal

Republican legislators are weighing a health-care proposal aimed at winning over House conservatives that would allow states to opt-out of some requirements in the Affordable Care Act.

Ecuador National Electoral Council Says Vote Results Are Irreversible

Ecuador's national electoral council said Tuesday that the results of the country's presidential vote are irreversible, giving thousands of police officers and soldiers across the capital against an opposition march.

Barred From Passing Laws, Venezuelan Opposition Lawmakers Take to the Streets

After revoking a takeover of congress, President Nicolás Maduro celebrated Venezuela as “a powerful democracy.” But on Tuesday, he doubled down on political foes, deploying thousands of police officers and soldiers across the capital against an opposition march.

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Journal Reports

When Colleagues Can Praise Each Other at the Push of a Button

With new digital products, employees can give each other kudos for the entire office to see.

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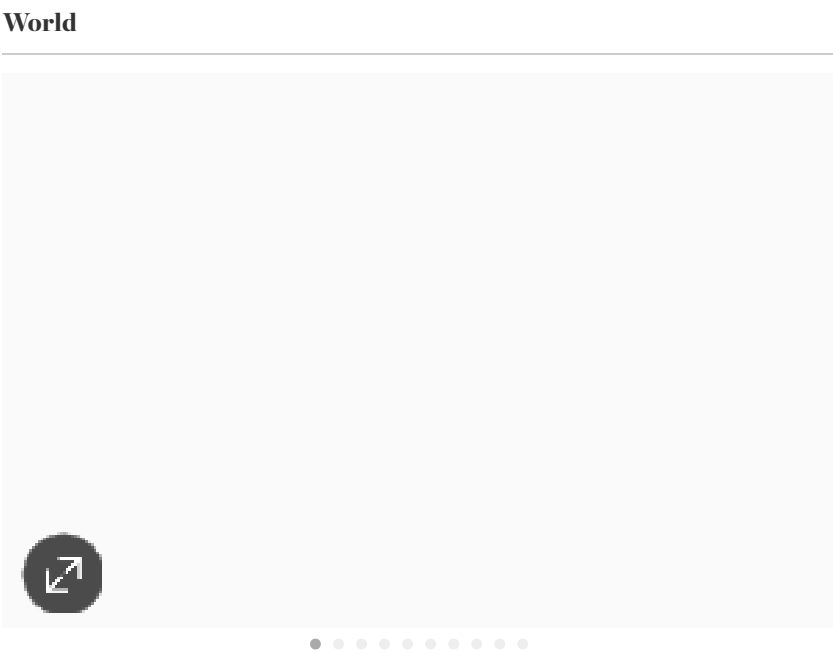
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Capital Journal Daybreak

Two reasons it matters that Supreme Court nominee Judge Neil Gorsuch's confirmation has become a partisan brawl, and more in our newsletter.

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A man reflects next to a memorial for the victims at Technological Institute station in St. Petersburg, R...

Suicide Bomber Identified in Russia Subway Blast; Death Toll Raised to 14

Russian authorities said the suicide bomber in the deadly St. Petersburg subway-train blast, Akbarjon Jalilov, was a native of Kyrgyzstan; authorities raised the death toll to 14.

- Russian Probe of Subway Blast Focuses on Terror

**Alliance for ‘Many Generations’** ➦

President Trump’s son-in-law Jared Kushner arrived at a military base about 10 miles south of heavy fighting in Mosul to tell the Iraqis he hopes the partnership between the U.S. and Iraq endures for years to come.

Video →





**'Extreme Vetting' Would Target Foreigners' Cellphones**  
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**Trump's Trade Promises On the Line With China**  
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**Meet the Would-Be 'Carrot King'**  
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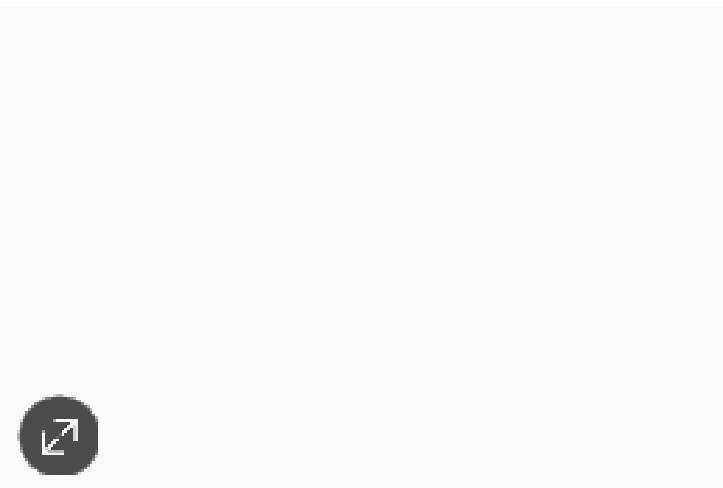
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**Grandma's Corvette: Star of the Family** ➦

A Sting Ray bought new in 1964 that ventured to Route 66 and Watkins Glen wins over a third generation.

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A Desert Escape to a Renowned Texas Town


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