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French Election

Le Pen defeat brings Europe’s far-right wave crashing to a halt

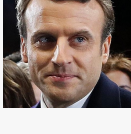
Anti-E.U. firebrand Marine Le Pen’s overwhelming loss to centrist Emmanuel Macron, whom voters preferred nearly 2-to-1, is a reality check for far-right forces. Despite victories for Brexit and Donald Trump, voters across Western Europe have since elected mainstream candidates to office, likely shutting out far-right candidates for years.

By Michael Birnbaum and Anthony Faiola

- **Trump congratulates Macron on his ‘big win’ in France**

Macron beats back populist tide to win French presidency

After a tumultuous campaign, voters turned to Macron, a political neophyte who has pledged to revive both his struggling country and the flailing continent.



By Griff Witte, James McAuley and Isaac Stanley-Becker

A political boy wonder, Macron is France’s youngest leader since Napoleon Bonaparte

A banker who has never held elected office, Macron’s rise is “entirely unprecedented” in a system that typically rewards entrenched political dynasties. He will be France’s first modern president to not belong to either the center-left or center-right parties.

By James McAuley



Nicole Kushner Meyer, third from left, the sister of White House senior adviser Jared Kushner, at an event in Shanghai Sunday. (Getty Images)

China pitch by Kushner’s sister renews controversy over visa program for wealthy foreigners

President Trump extended the EB-5 visa program, which grants fast-track immigration to those who invest \$500,000 in U.S. properties, last week as part of the federal spending bill. Federal agencies have found the program to be prone to fraud and abuse, and both Republicans and Democrats have said it should be killed or overhauled.

By Michael Kranish

Sally Yates to testify about her discussions with the White House on Russia

Lawmakers want to question Yates, an Obama administration holdover who served as attorney general for 10 days, about her conversation in January with White House counsel Donald McGahn regarding former national security adviser Michael Flynn.



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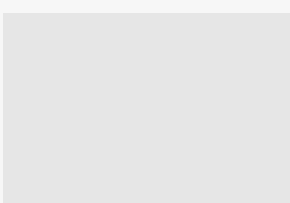
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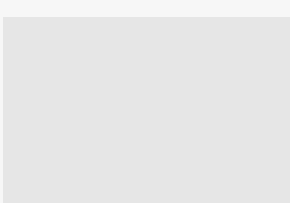


Obama calls on lawmakers to show ‘courage’ in health-care fight

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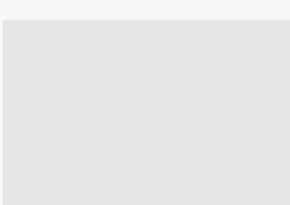
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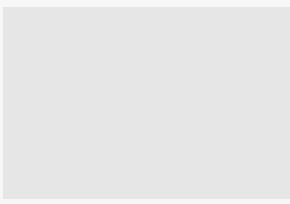
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EPA dismisses half of its scientific advisers on key board, citing ‘clean break’ with Obama administration

The move could significantly change the makeup of the 18-member Board of Scientific Counselors, which advises the EPA’s key scientific arm on whether the research it does has sufficient rigor and integrity.

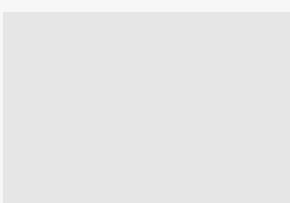
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Free-standing emergency rooms offer convenience, but may drive up costs

Standalone emergency rooms have been springing up in Texas ever since a law passed in 2009 made them legal. There’s just one problem: People assume that they’re cheap. They’re not.

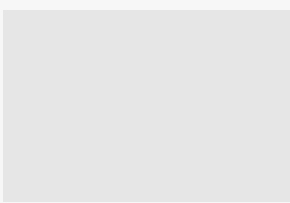
By Carolyn Y. Johnson



Texas governor signs ban on ‘sanctuary cities’

Over intense opposition from immigrant rights groups and Democrats, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott on Sunday night signed what he called a ban on “sanctuary cities” that allows police to ask about a person’s immigration status and threatens sheriffs with jail if they don’t cooperate with federal authorities.

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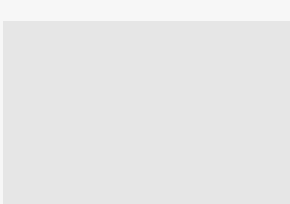
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Chris Pine’s SNL monologue reminds us how bad Hollywood’s superhero diversity problem is

Whether inadvertently or intentionally, Pine and his tongue-in-cheek comments highlighted the glaring lack of diversity in big-budget superhero movies.

By Amy B Wang

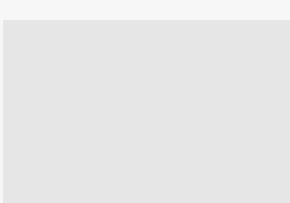
- **The Fix: SNL ridicules Kellyanne Conway in a remarkably short sketch**



True-crime duo is killing it with ‘My Favorite Murder’ podcast

Georgia Hardstark and Karen Kilgariff, the hosts of the phenomenally successful program, believe that anyone who claims not to like true crime just hasn’t found the right murder yet.

By Allison Stewart



Perspective

The U.S. government wants Julian Assange in jail. That could hurt the free press.

You may dislike the WikiLeaks founder’s methods, but prosecuting Assange could turn out to be a major move toward what President Trump has long threatened to do: punish independent media.

By Margaret Sullivan

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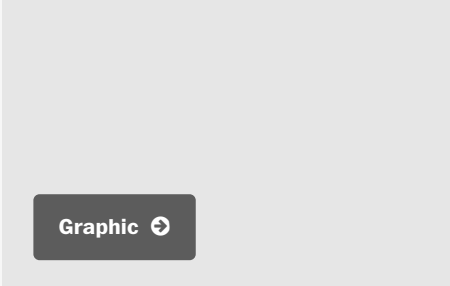
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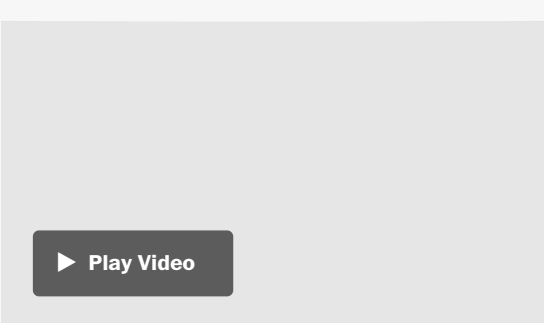
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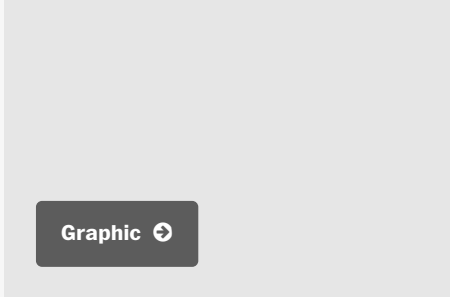
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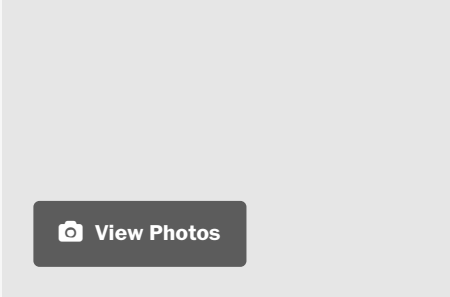
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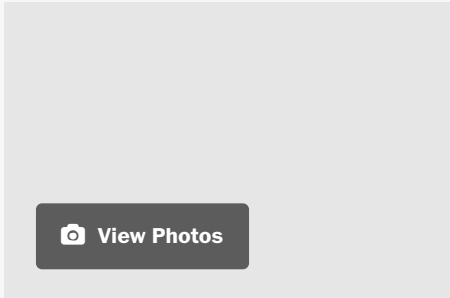
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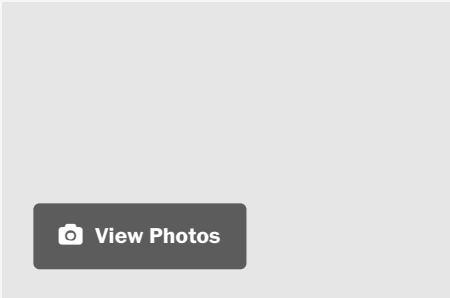
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