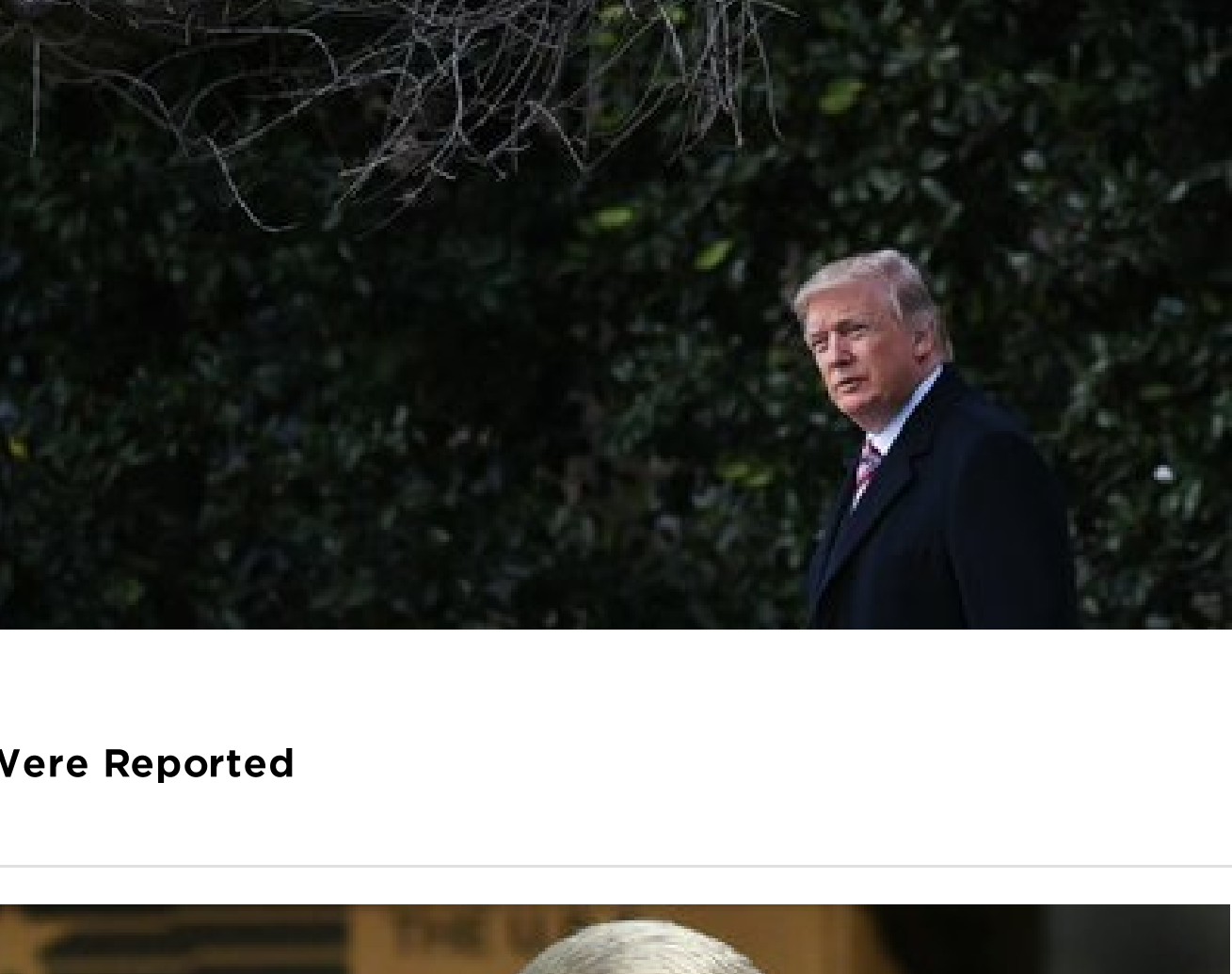


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On The Record: President Trump Vs. Private Citizen
Trump On Syria

In a statement on Tuesday, President Trump condemned the chemical attack in Syria and blamed his predecessor. In past tweets, Trump offered then-President Obama advice about the Syrian situation.

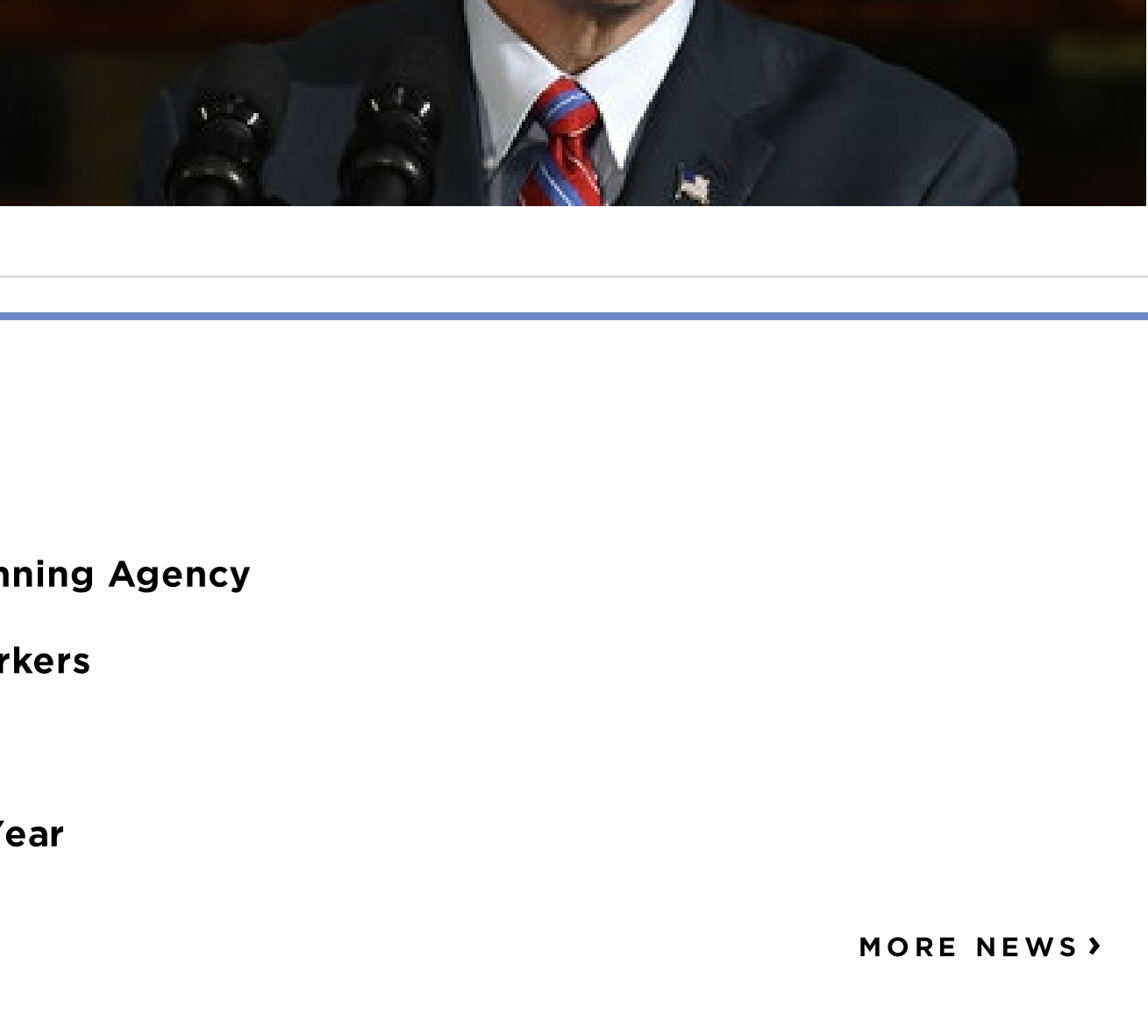


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Pulse Check: Can The GOP Health Care Bill Be Saved?

The same House conservatives who helped defeat the bill are now trying to revive it, just ahead of their two-week recess to go home and face constituents.



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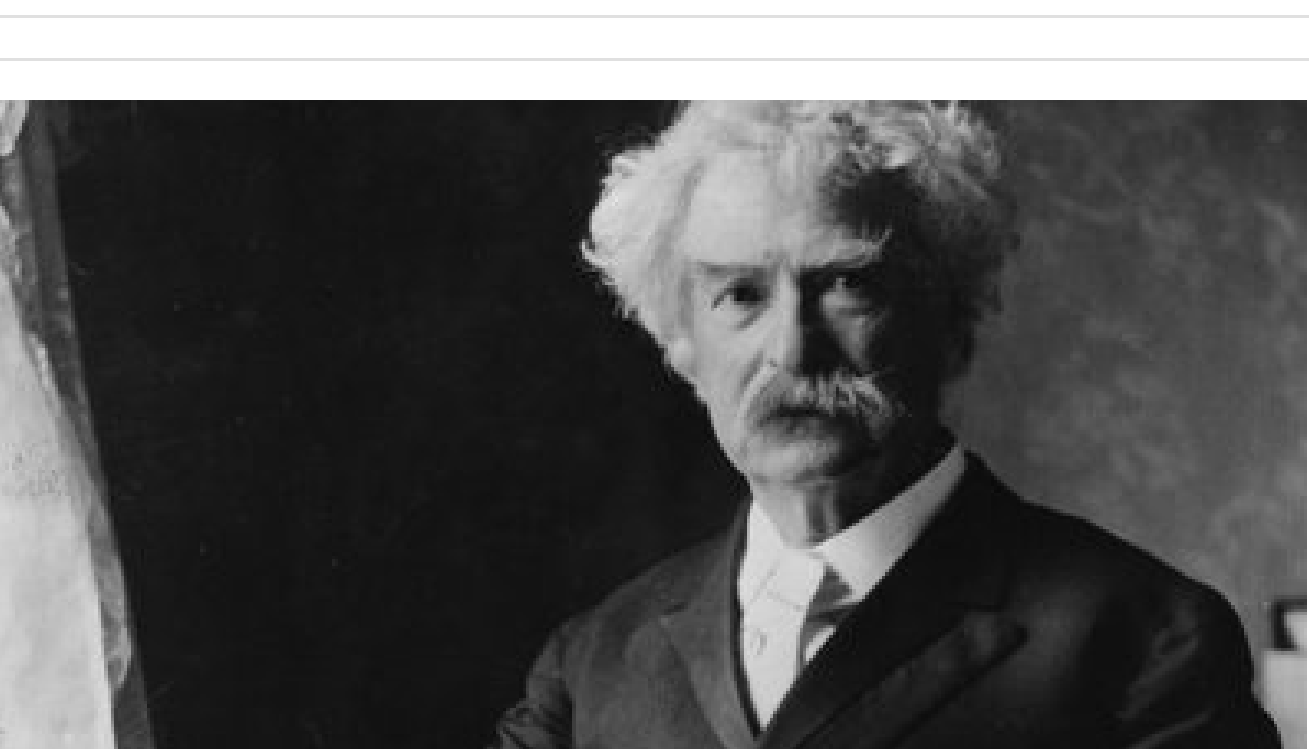
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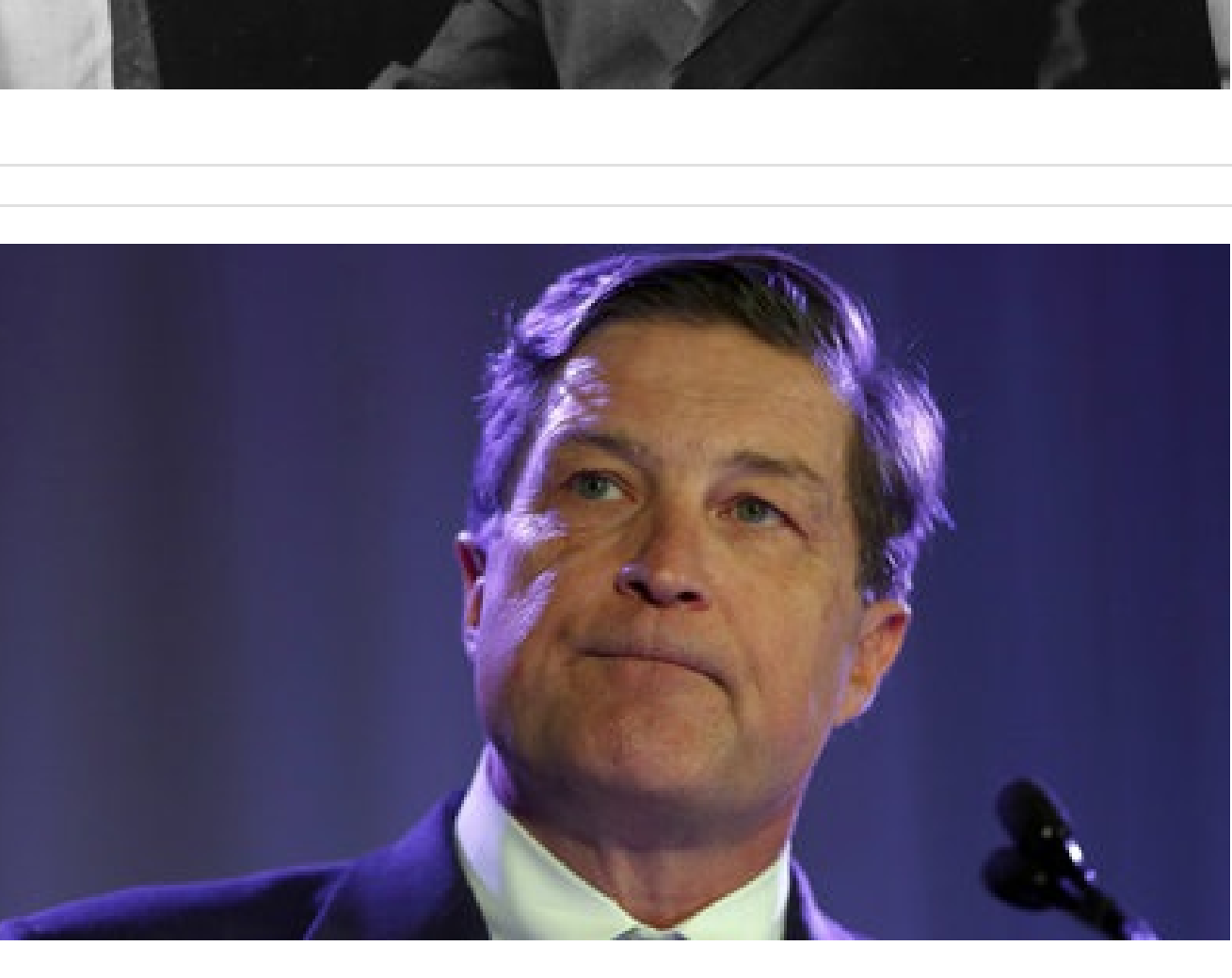
The opening stage for construction of the U.S.-Mexico border wall has begun with contractors offering their prototype designs and lawmakers debating over funding the project.



POLITICS

Going 'Nuclear': How We Got Here

From Robert Bork to Merrick Garland and the use and overuse of the filibuster in between, the list of grievances between both parties is long. It's all led to the point of forever changing the Senate.



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'Hemingway Didn't Say That' (And Neither Did Twain Or Kafka)

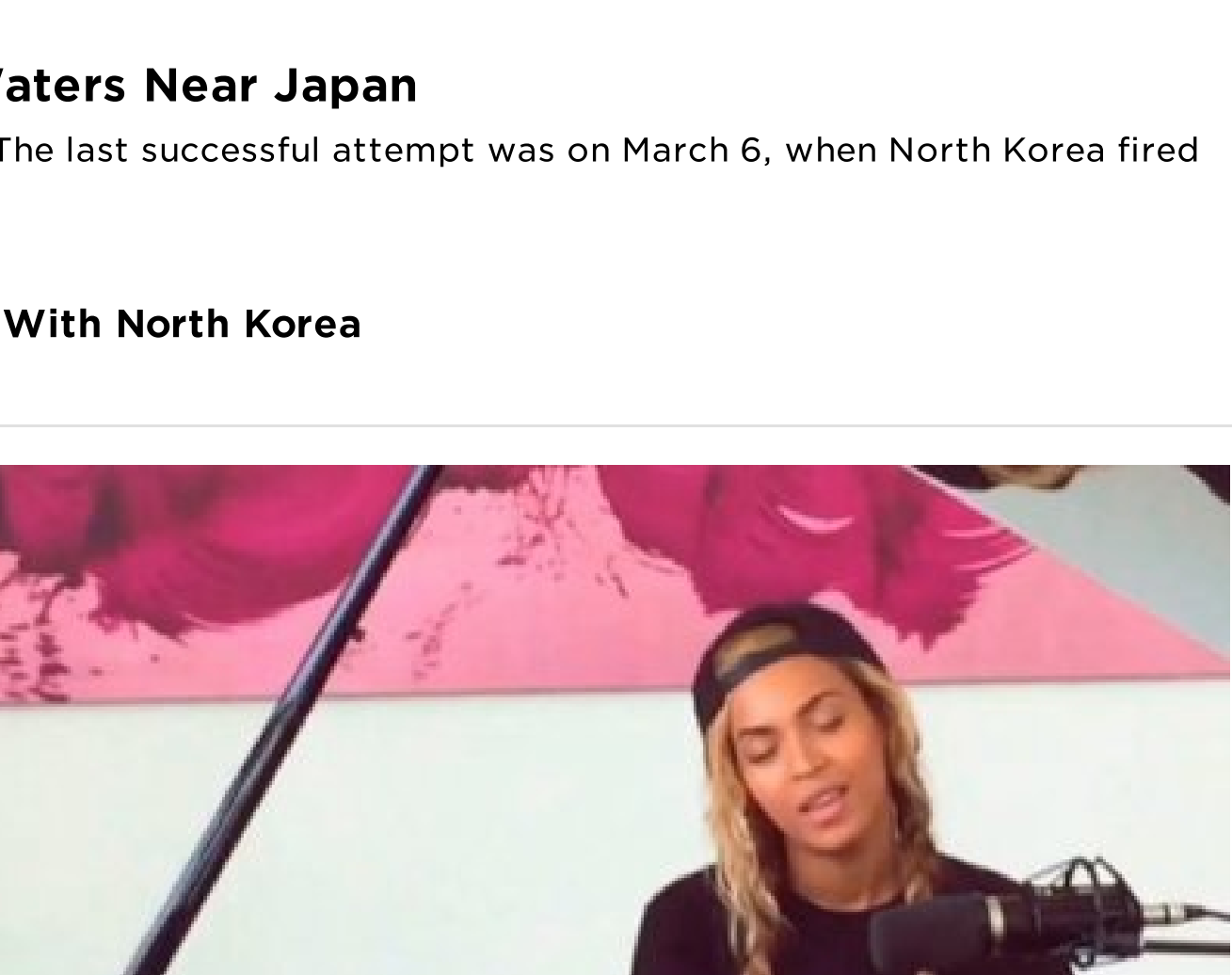
There are tons of quotes from famous people out there — and a lot of them are just plain wrong. Author Garson O'Toole has dedicated himself to setting the record straight.



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Head Of Federal Reserve's Richmond Bank Resigns Over 'Improper Disclosure'

Jeffrey Lacker was under investigation for possibly disclosing confidential information to a Wall Street analyst in 2012. The Virginia bank president now says he regrets the role he "may have played."

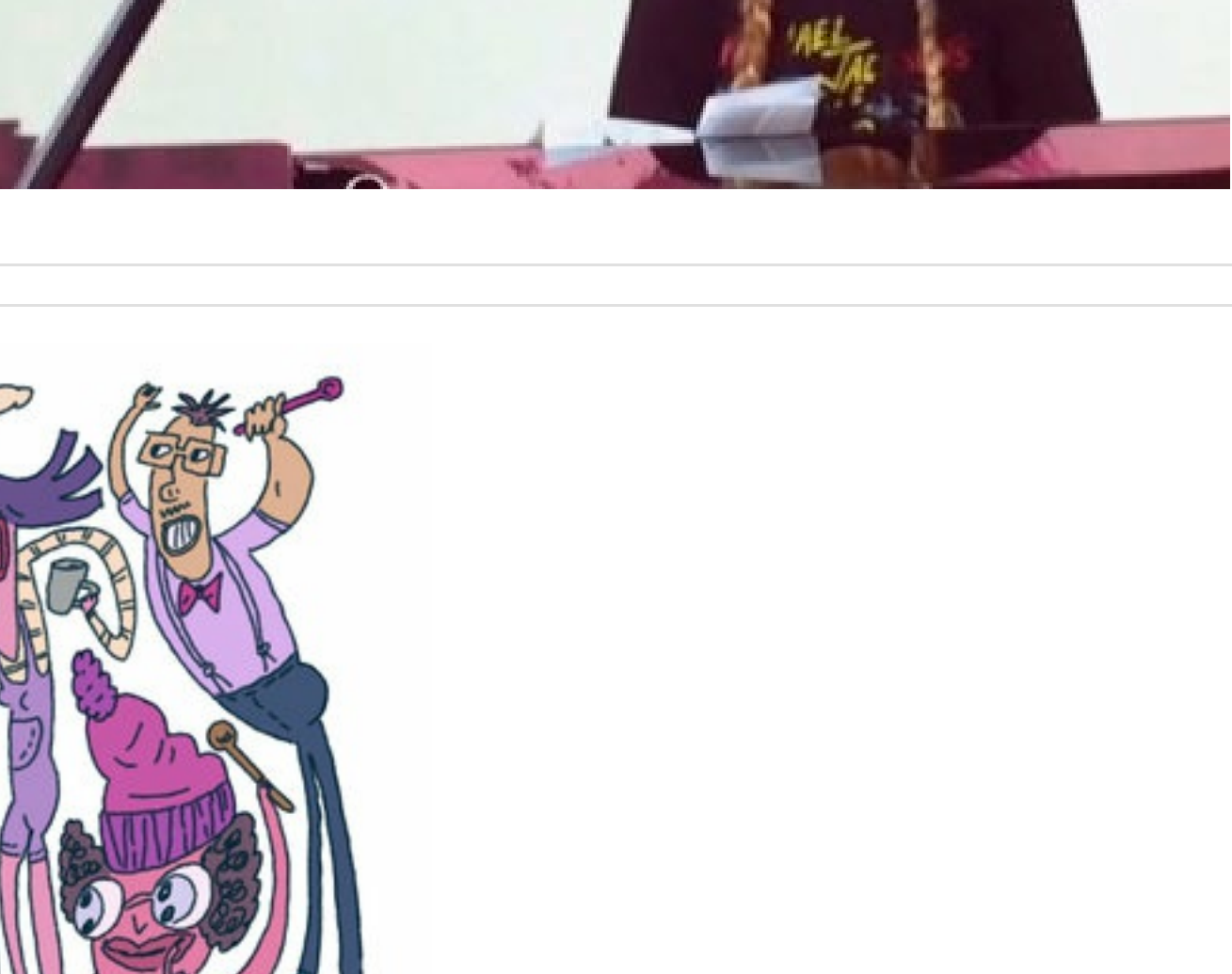


PARALLELS - WORLD NEWS

With Murders On The Rise, 2017 On Track To Be One Of Mexico's Deadliest Years

In January alone, 1,938 people were killed. Poor security, the proliferation of drug gangs, corruption and lack of opportunities are among the factors causing the violence.

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North Korea Launches Another Ballistic Missile Into Waters Near Japan

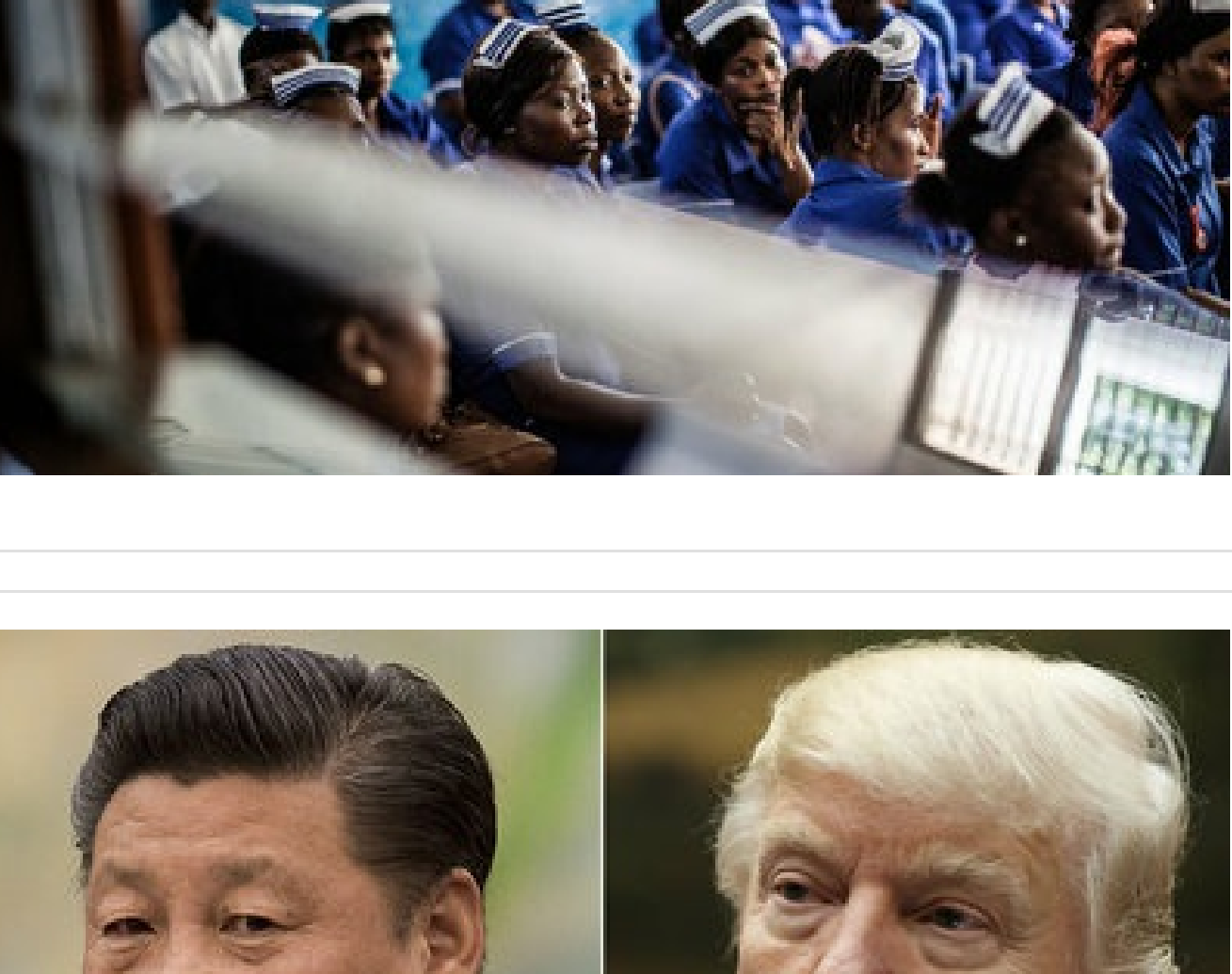
It was North Korea's fourth attempted launch of the year. The third failed. The last successful attempt was on March 6, when North Korea fired four missiles into the same waters.

Tillerson Says 'All Of The Options Are On The Table' In Dealing With North Korea

ALL SONGS CONSIDERED

Hold Up: Beyoncé Just Released A New Thing For Us All To Obsess Over

"Die With You" has been around since 2015, but it's newly packaged with a video depicting the endlessly dissected love affair between Beyoncé and Jay Z.



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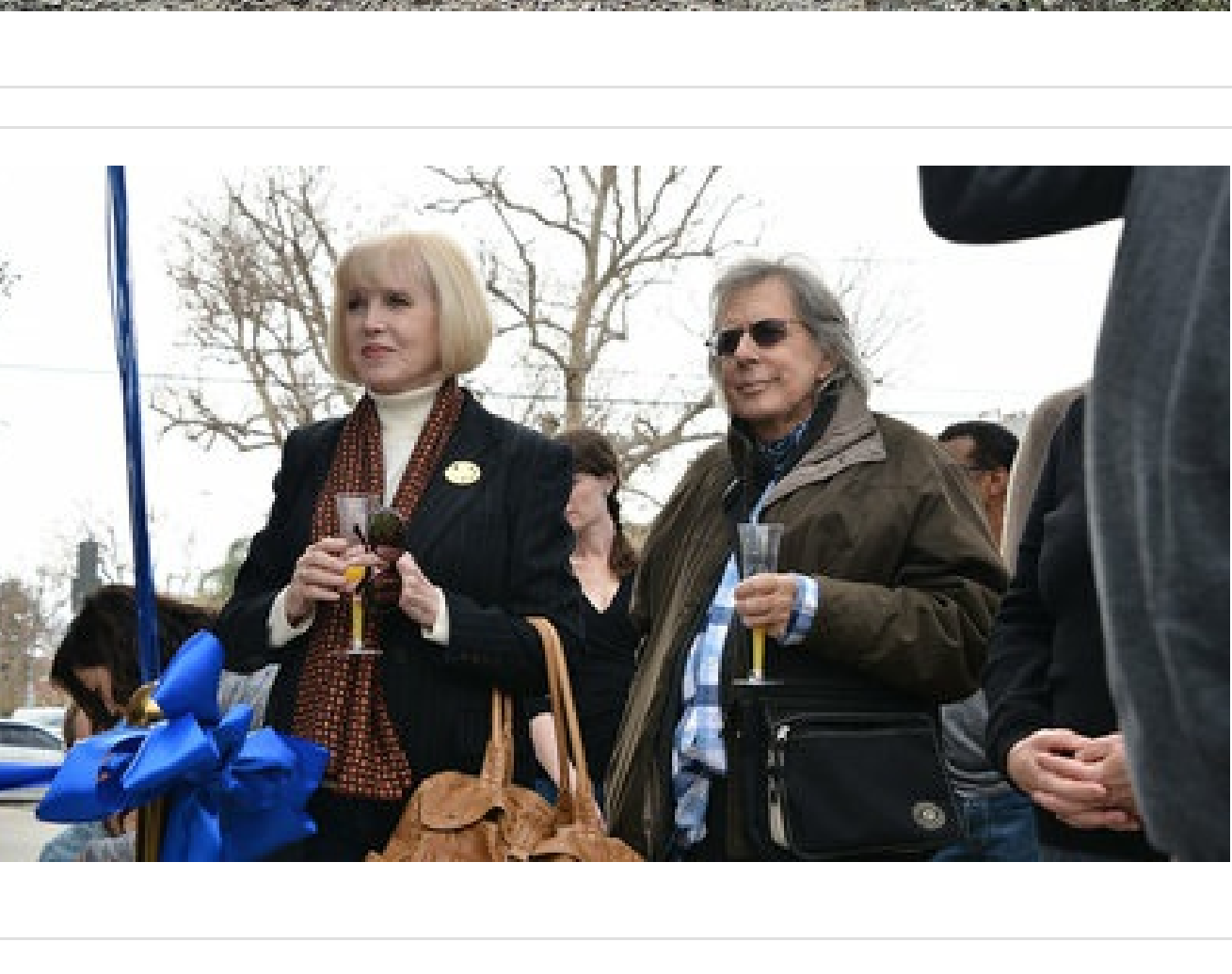
Broth-Loving Hipsters Are Pushing Up The Price Of Bones

With bone broth mania sweeping parts of the U.S. (we see you, LA), cheap bones are harder to come by. Some broth makers are moving away from the standard beef and chicken to new bones — like alpaca.

GOATS AND SODA

Citing Abortions In China, Trump Cuts Funds For U.N. Family Planning Agency

The administration claims the U.N. population agency supports China's "coercive" abortion policies. UNFPA calls the claim "erroneous."



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Trump Administration Quietly Starts Review Of China's Trade Status

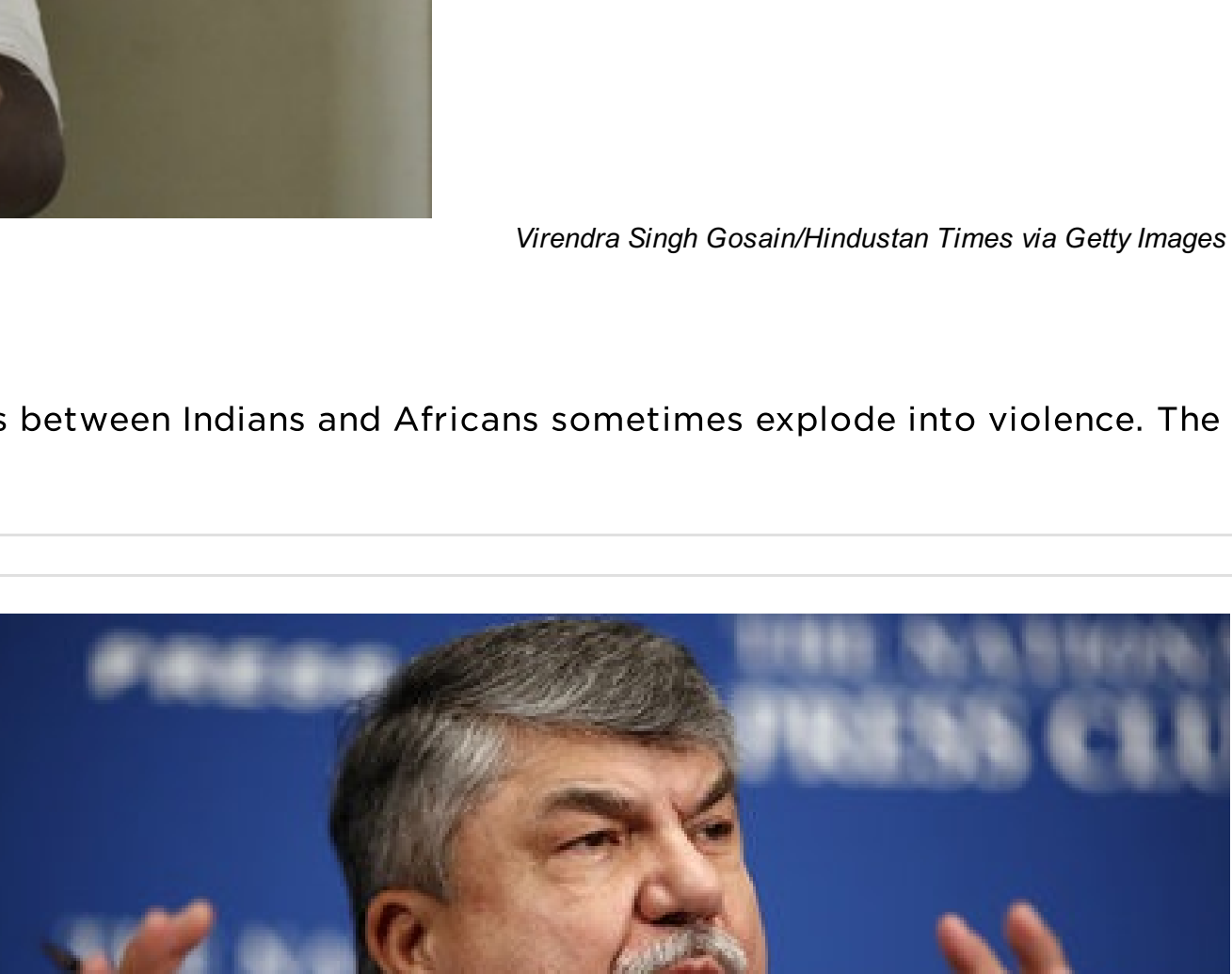
The move is surprising to U.S.-China watchers and comes just days before President Trump is set to meet with Chinese President Xi Jinping in person for the first time.



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VIDEO: Badger Burying A Cow Surprises Scientists

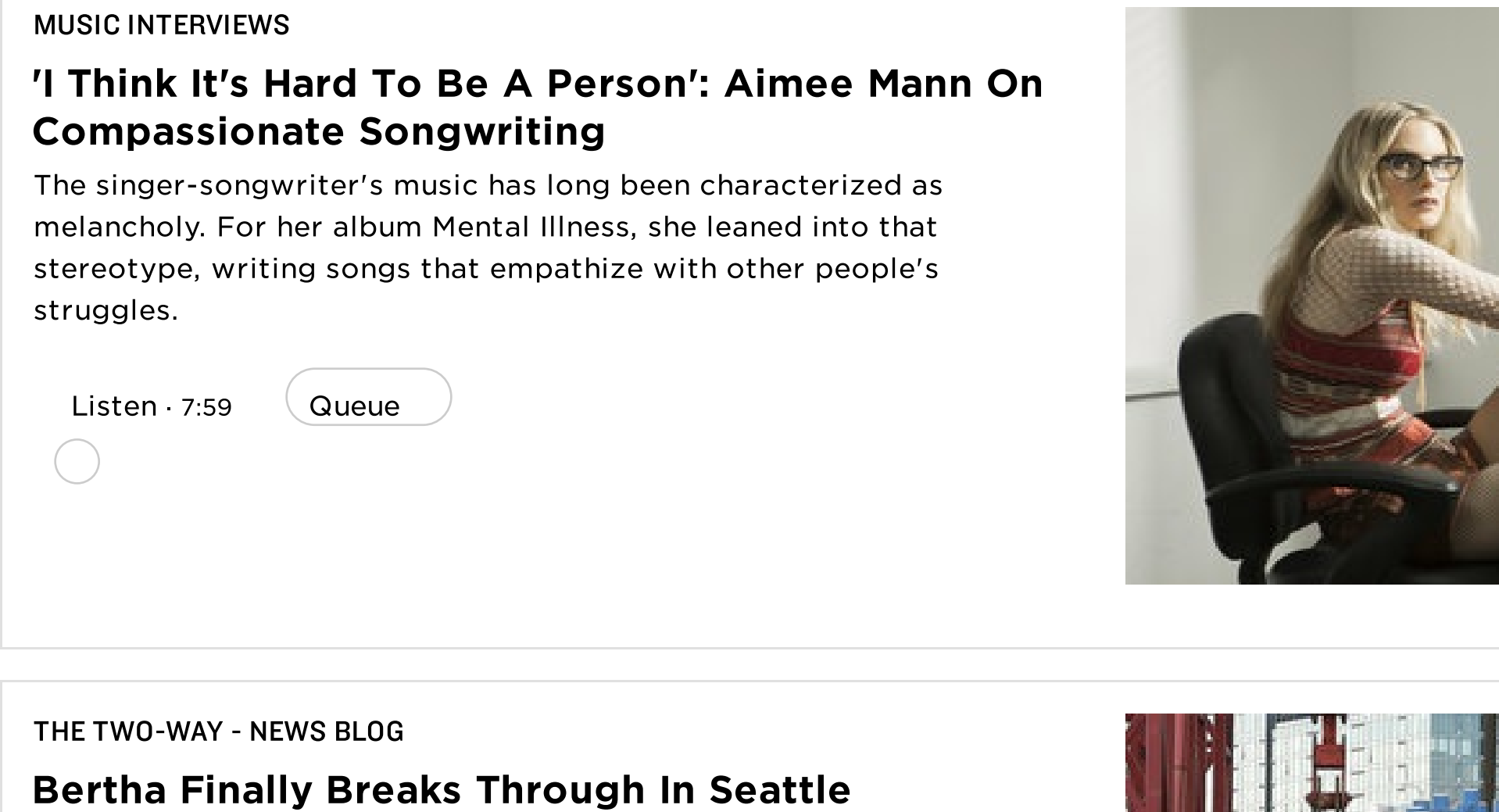
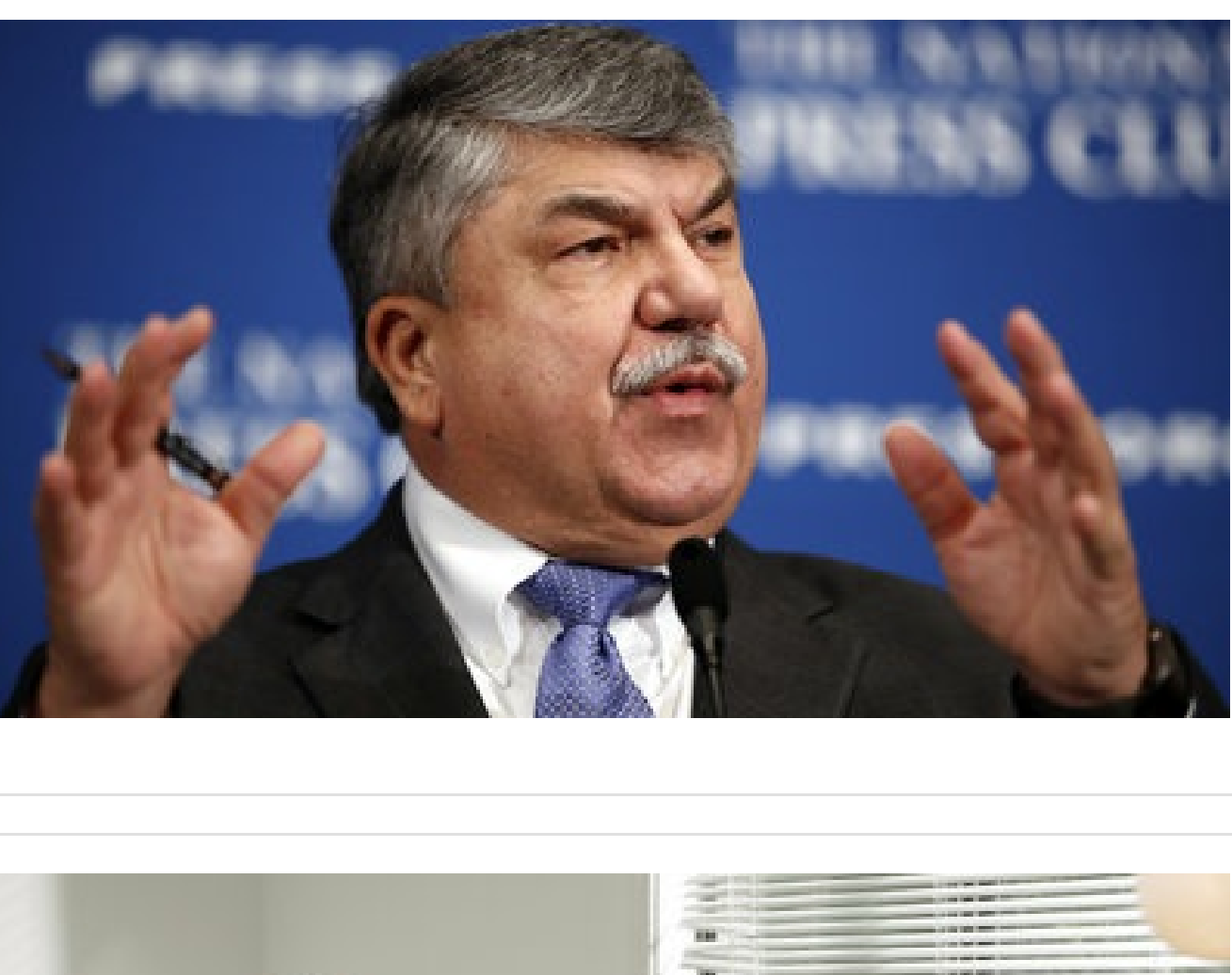
The researchers say it's the first time an American badger has been documented burying an animal larger than itself. It worked for five days and nights to accomplish the unexpected feat.



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Gary Austin, Founder of the Groundlings Improv Group, Dies

Austin, relatively unknown outside of entertainment circles, taught and inspired many big names in comedy.



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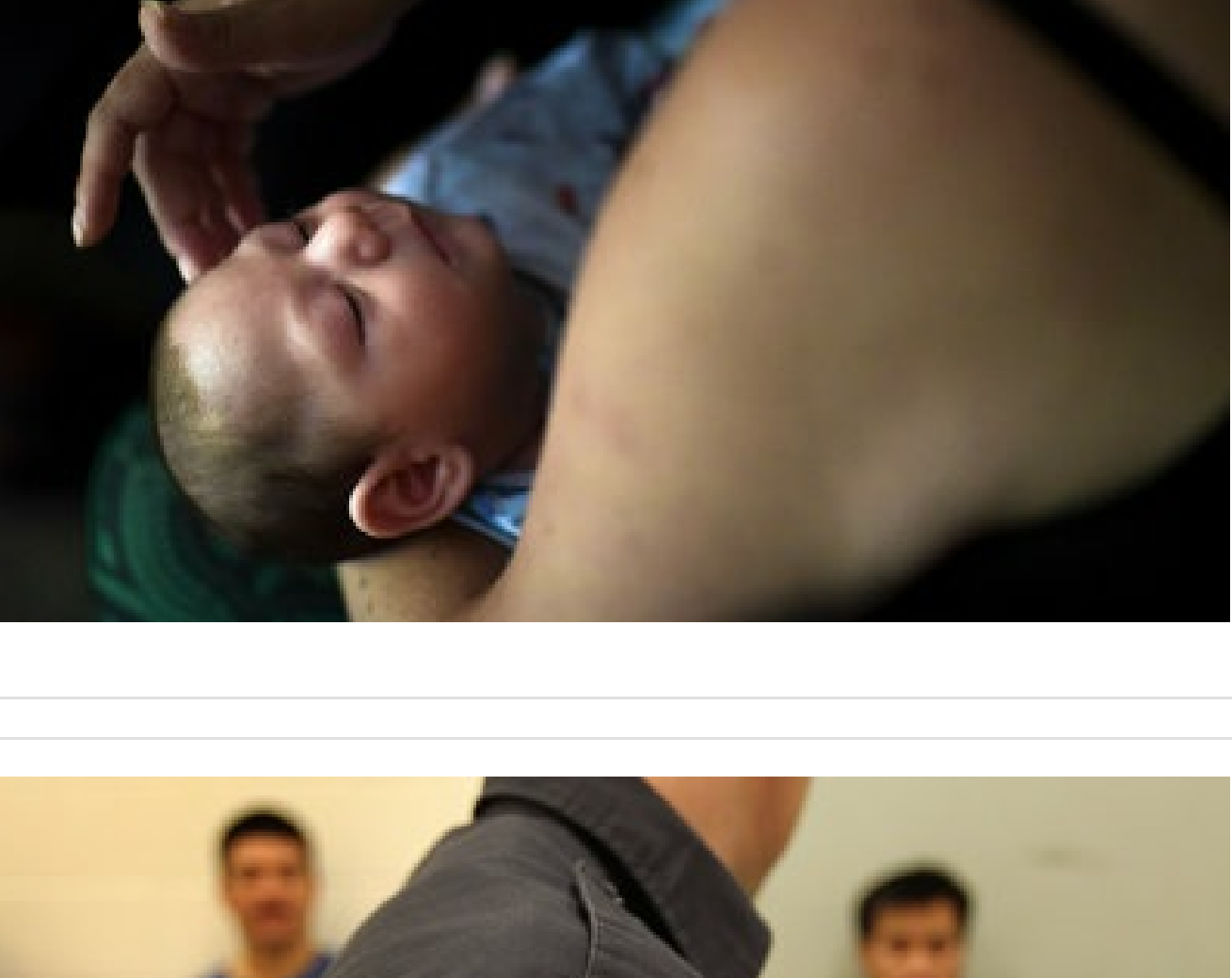
Why A Mob In India Beat Up This African Student

India is a magnet for African youth who want to study abroad. But tensions between Indians and Africans sometimes explode into violence. The latest incident took place on March 27.

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AFL-CIO Leader Says Both Parties Have Lost Focus On U.S. Workers

AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka laid out his vision for organized labor, taking on both political parties for catering to moneyed interests instead of concentrating on the plight of American workers.

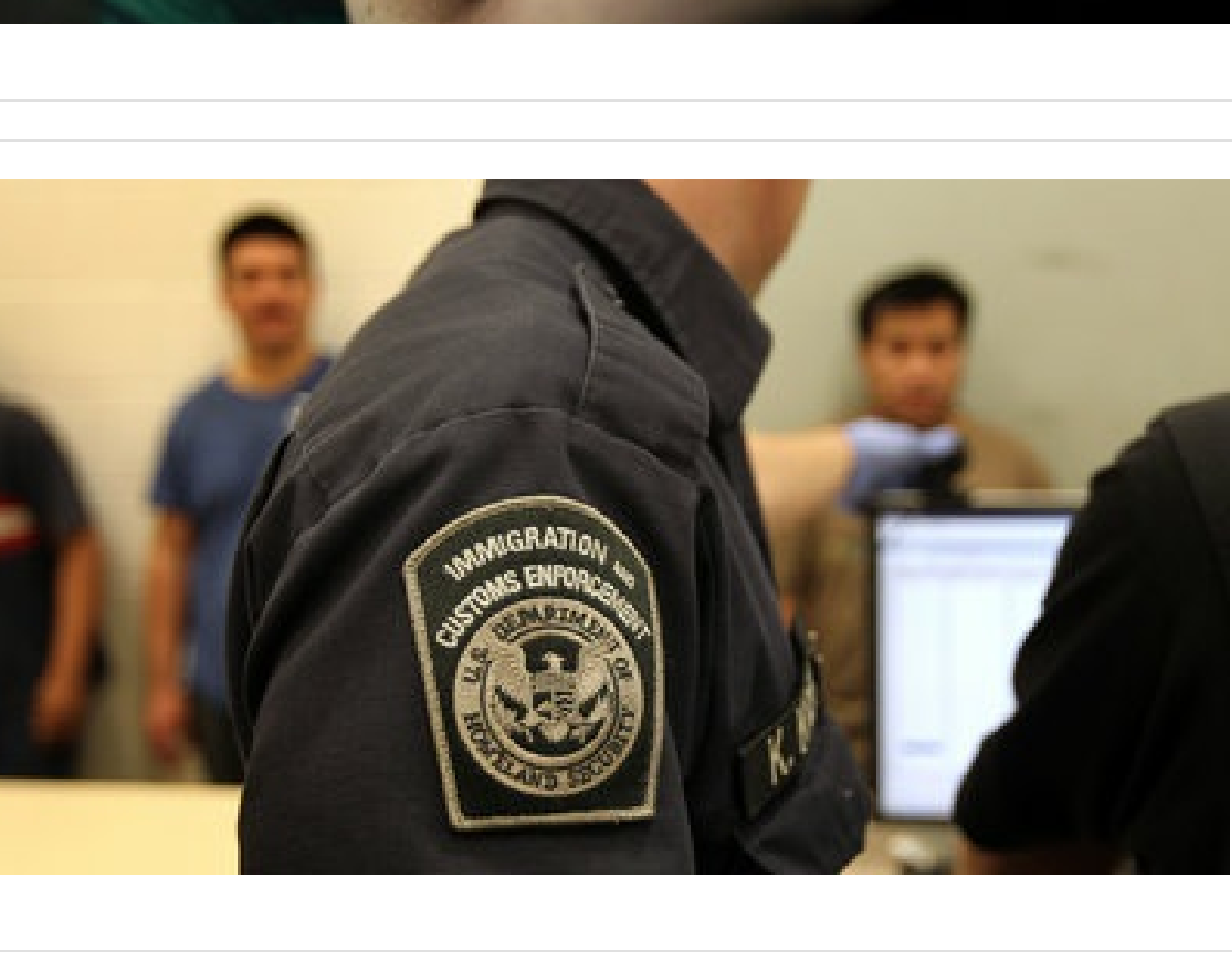


MUSIC INTERVIEWS

'I Think It's Hard To Be A Person': Aimee Mann On Compassionate Songwriting

The singer-songwriter's music has long been characterized as melancholy. For her album Mental Illness, she leaned into that stereotype, writing songs that empathize with other people's struggles.

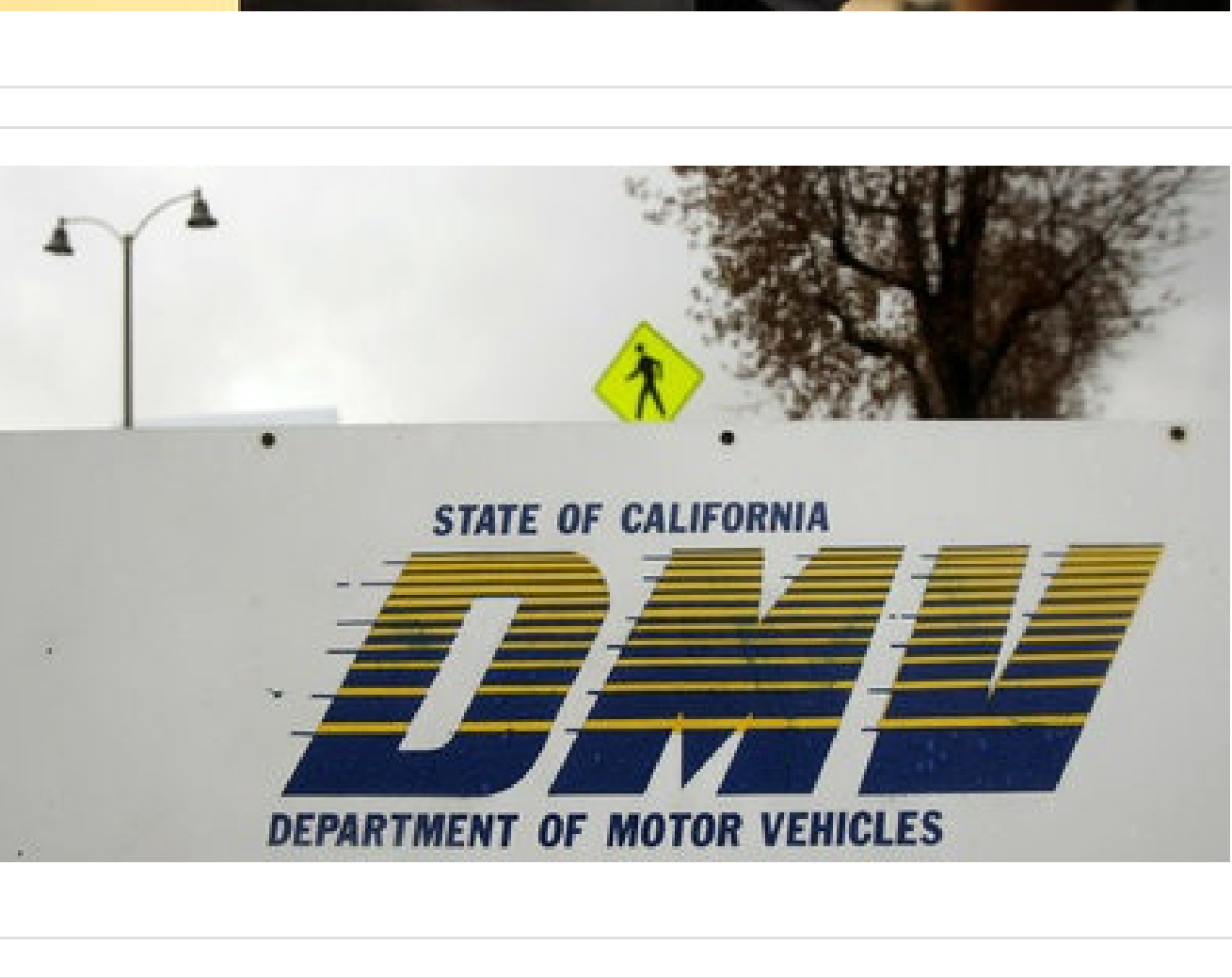
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Bertha Finally Breaks Through In Seattle

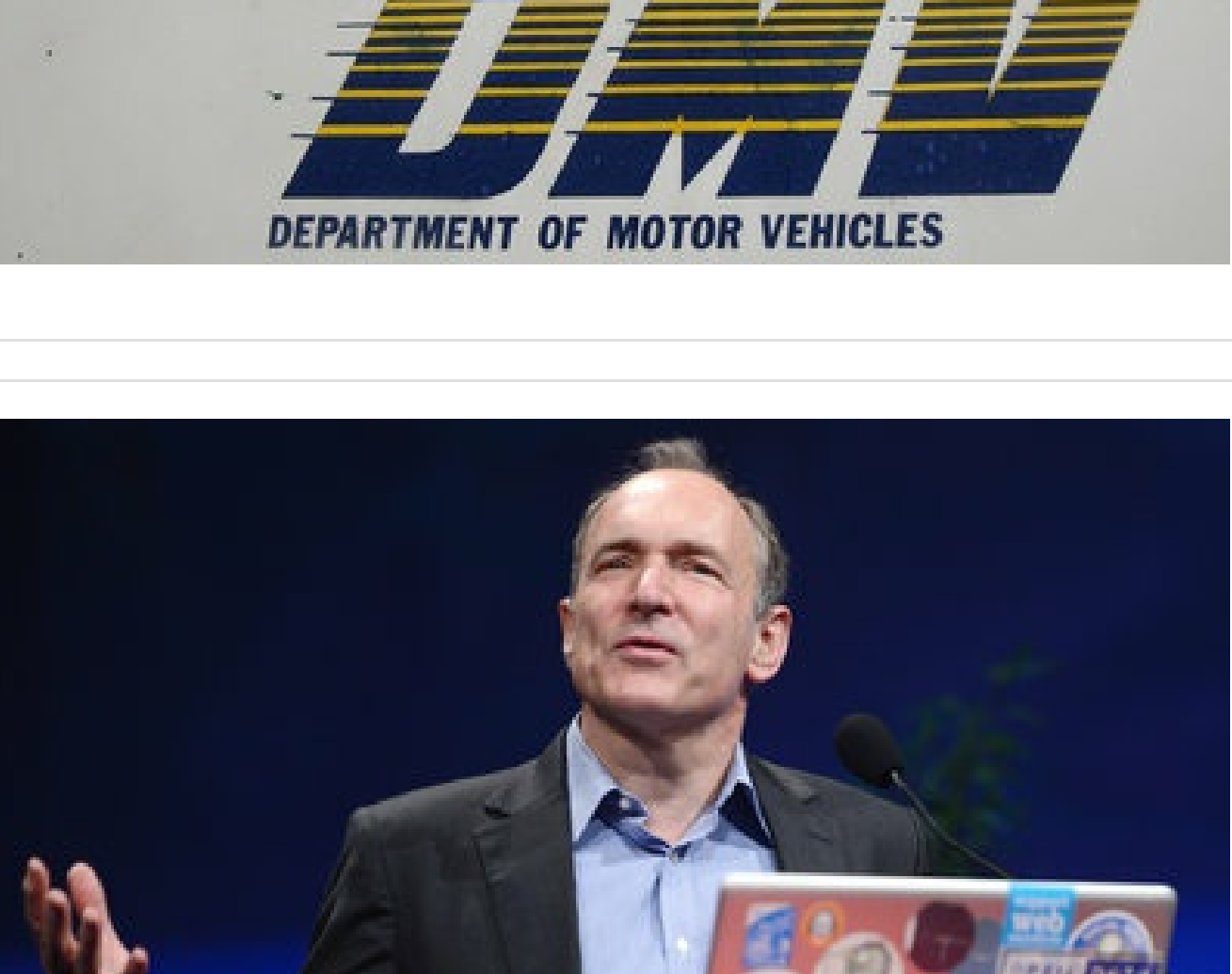
After a two-year delay for repairs, the giant tunnel-boring machine has completed its mission far beneath the city's streets.



SHOTS - HEALTH NEWS

51 Babies Born With Zika-Related Birth Defects In The U.S. Last Year

The Zika virus continues to affect a small number of pregnant women and their babies in the U.S., and there is no sign of it slowing down. "Zika is here to stay," the CDC's acting director says.



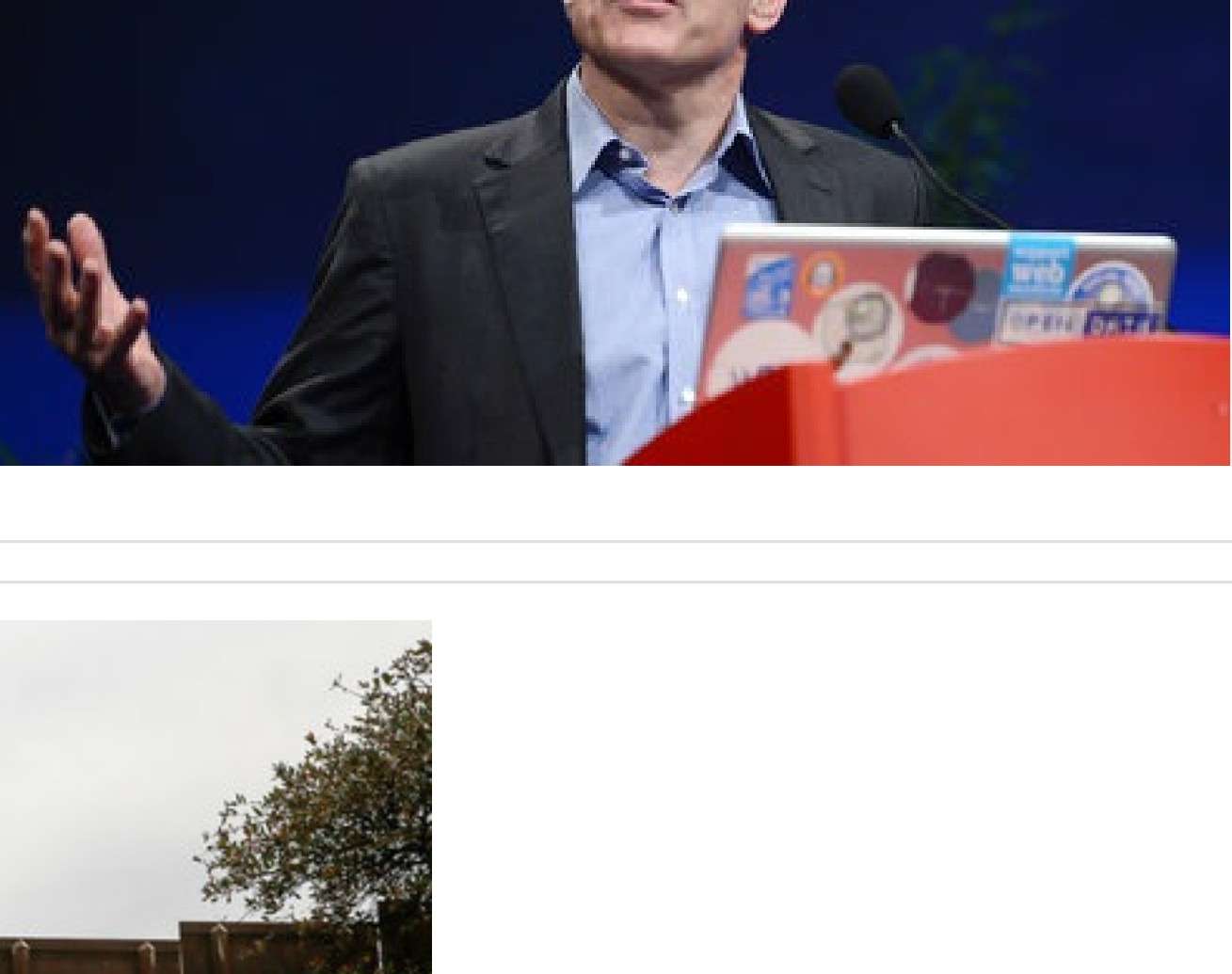
AROUND THE NATION

When Sheriffs Refuse An ICE Detainment Request, They Get Called Out

OREGON PUBLIC BROADCASTING

The federal government is issuing weekly reports that name sheriffs it says aren't cooperating with federal immigration law enforcement. Many sheriffs say what they're being asked to do is illegal.

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CODE SWITCH

How Offering Driver's Licenses To Immigrants Here Illegally Makes Roads Safer

A 2013 California law that granted driver's licenses to immigrants in the country illegally reduced hit-and-run accidents by 7 to 10 percent in 2015, meaning roughly 4,000 fewer hit-and-runs.

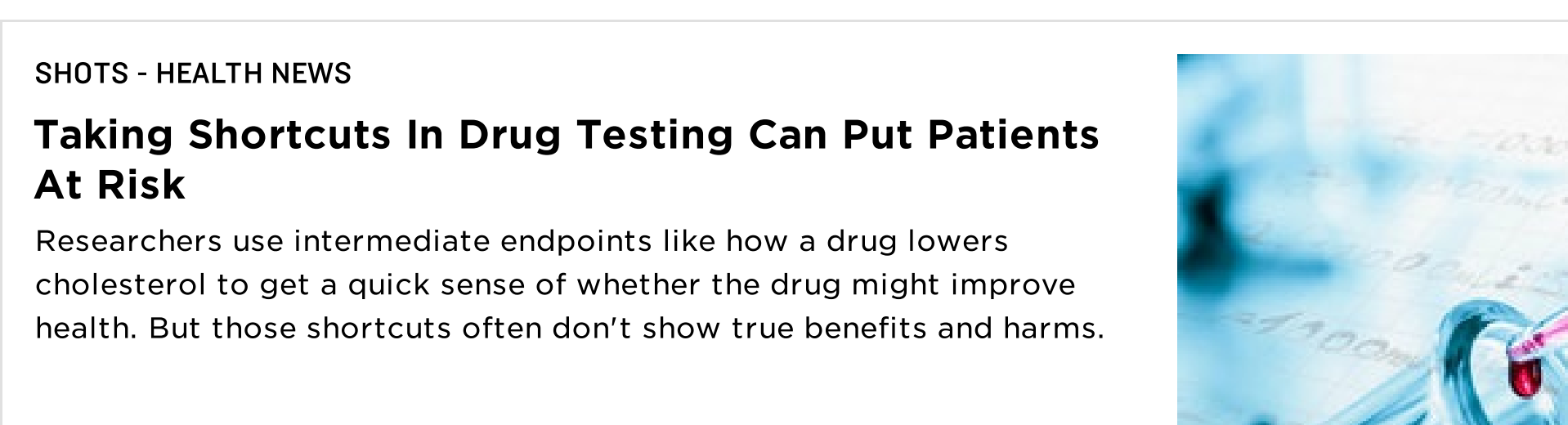


ALL TECH CONSIDERED

The Father Of The Web Is Worried About How Ugly It's Become

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When he invented the Web 28 years ago, Tim Berners-Lee saw it as a way to break apart silos and connect the world. Now he's increasingly troubled about its dark side, but he believes it can be fixed.



Elissa Nadworny/NPR

OUR LAND

When The Border Is Just Next Door, Crossing It Is A Fact Of (Daily) Life

The two Nogaleses — one in Arizona, the other in Mexico — are in separate countries, but to the people who live there, they feel like one place: a border city.

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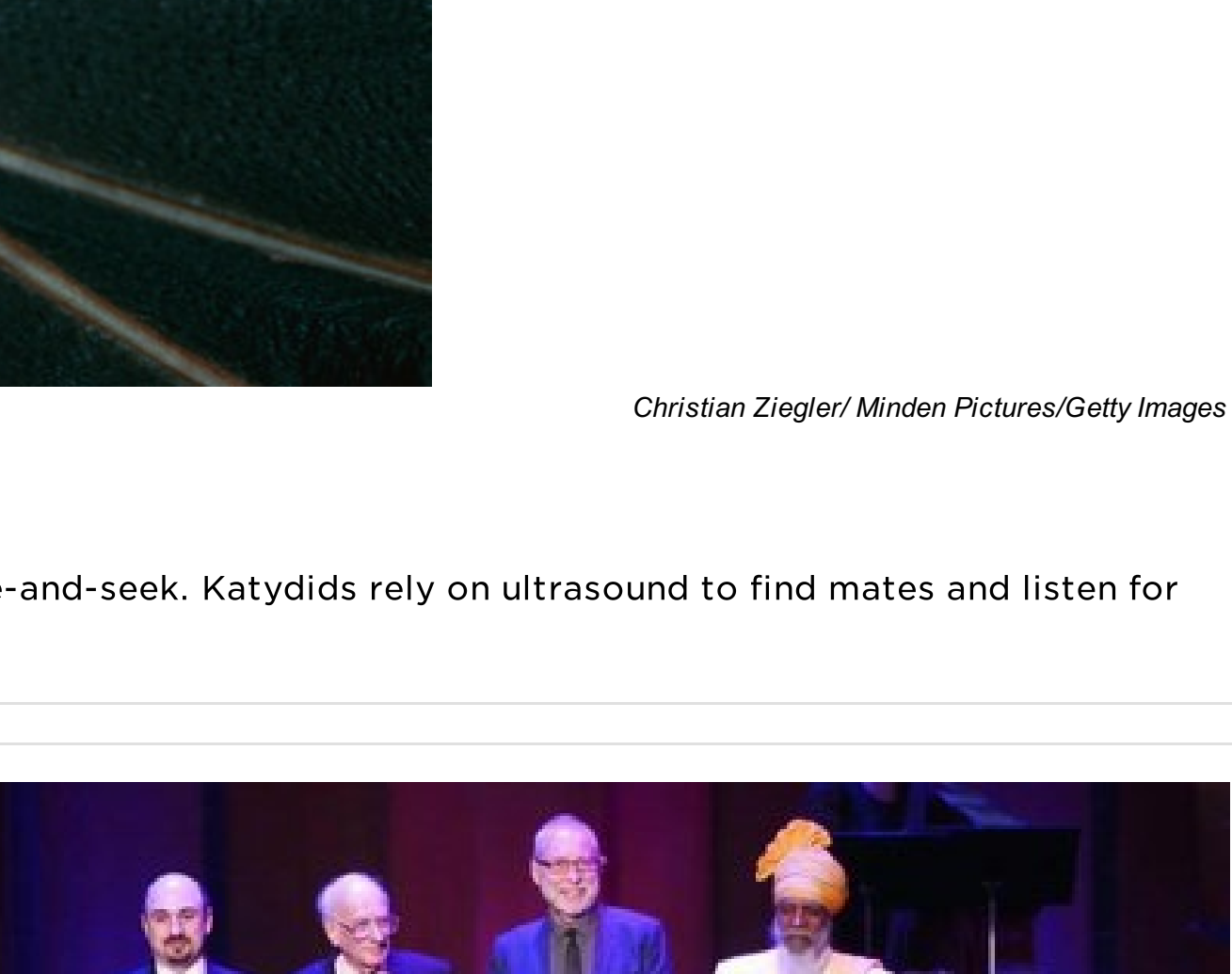
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For Laura Jane Grace, Punk Was A Form Of Armor

FRESH AIR

The founder of the band Against Me! felt so conflicted about her gender growing up that she thought she had schizophrenia. Since transitioning, she's become more in touch with herself.

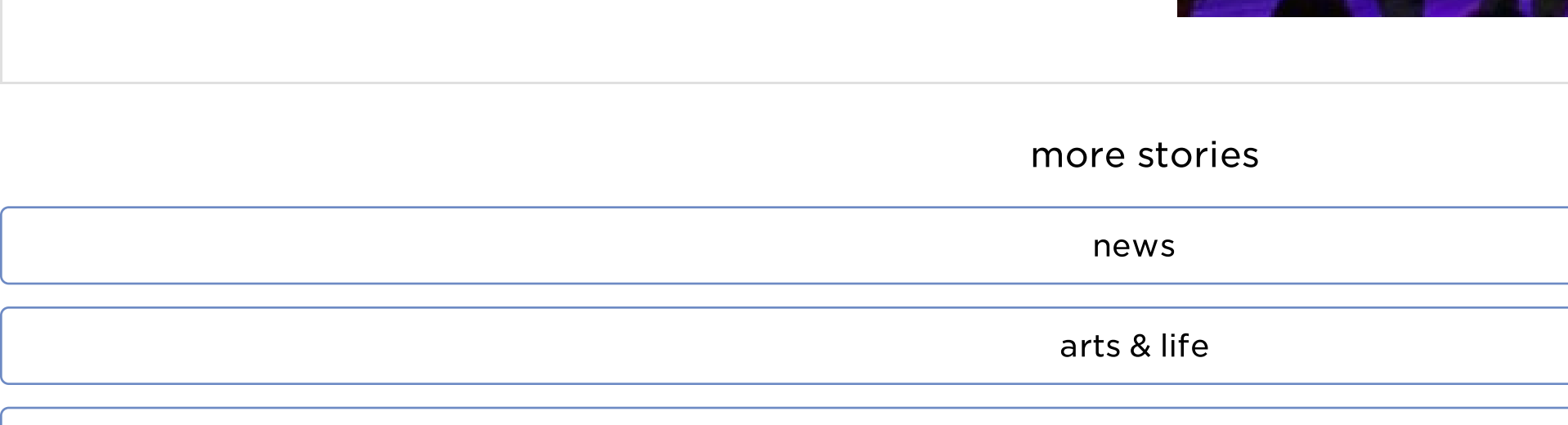
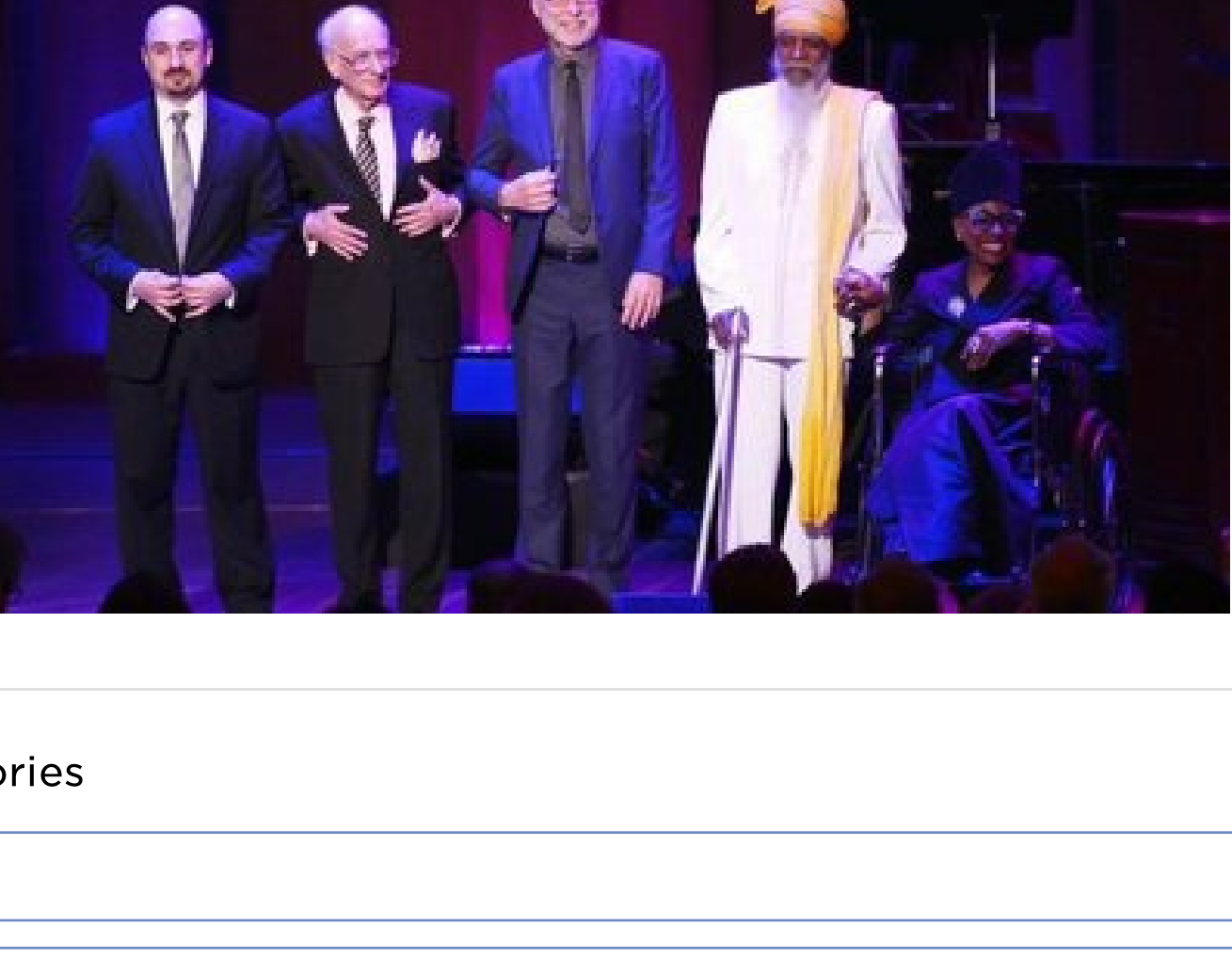
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Taking Shortcuts In Drug Testing Can Put Patients At Risk

Researchers use intermediate endpoints like how a drug lowers cholesterol to get a quick sense of whether the drug might improve health. But those shortcuts often don't show true benefits and harms.



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SCIENCE

Sound Matters: Sex And Death In The Rain Forest

Scientists eavesdropping in trees have decoded a high stakes game of hide-and-seek. Katydid's rely on ultrasound to find mates and listen for bats, which use ultrasound to find the bugs, and eat them.

JAZZ NIGHT IN AMERICA

The NEA Jazz Masters Tribute Concert Transcends Its Fraught Political Moment

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Monday night's presentation of the 2017 NEA Jazz Masters fellowships, coming under the shadow of a proposed presidential budget that would eliminate the NEA outright, mixed politics with grace.

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