

Democrats on Capitol Hill have a new and surprising weapon: Power

It turns out that Republicans need the minority party to help them avoid a government shutdown at the end of April. And Democrats have decided, for now at least, that they will use their leverage to reassert themselves and ensure the continued funding of their top priorities — by going to the negotiating table.

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Trump’s budget chief is on a collision course with former House colleagues

When the government last shut down in 2013, Mick Mulvaney was among the “Shutdown Caucus” hard-liners willing to let the lights go out. Now the director of the Office of Management and Budget is responsible for coaxing intransigent Republicans to pass a new spending bill by April 28 to avert another shutdown.

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(André Chung for The Washington Post)

How one of America’s foremost rare-book appraisers is surviving in the digital age

Allan Stypeck, owner of Washington’s Second Story Books, knows the value of just about everything. “Before the Internet, booksellers ruled,” Stypeck says. But although the Web has changed the way he does business, he still finds magic in unlikely places.

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Flynn did not initially reveal income from Russia-related entities on financial disclosure

Michael Flynn, who resigned under pressure as national security adviser, later noted the speaking fees he received from Russia-related entities in 2015 on an amended form.

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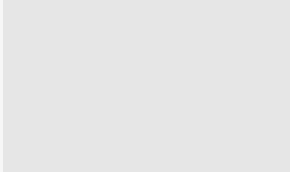
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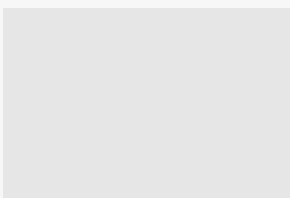
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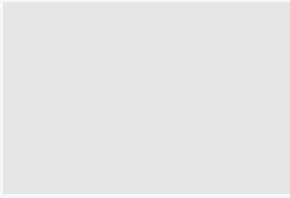
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Tina Fey tells college-educated white women who voted for Trump: ‘You can’t look away’

“A lot of this election was turned by white, college-educated women who now would like to forget about this election and go back to watching HGTV,” the actress and comedian said at an ACLU fundraiser. “It’s going to affect you eventually.”

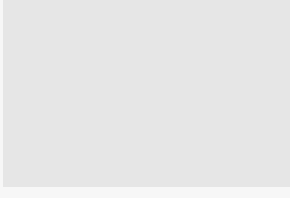
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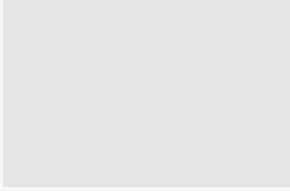
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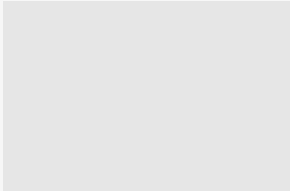
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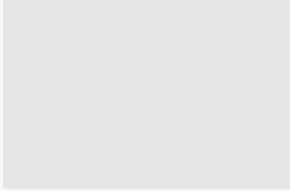
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As an investment banker in the 1980s and 1990s, Bannon represented a Saudi prince, received financing from Japanese and French banks, and lived in what looks like an alternative reality from the fiery populist of today who recently declared that “globalists gutted the American working class and created a middle class in Asia.”

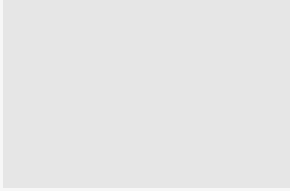
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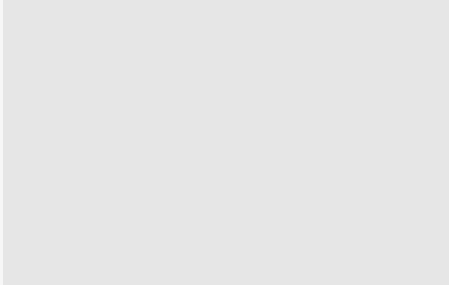
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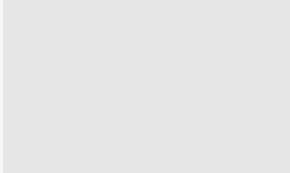
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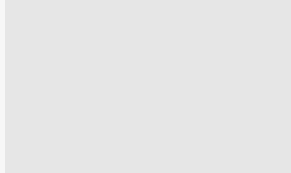
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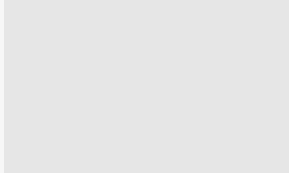
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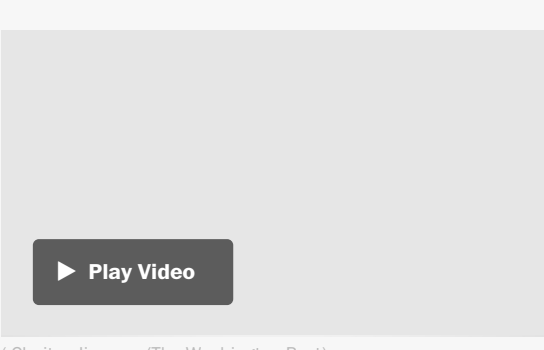


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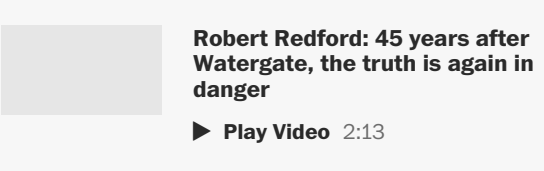
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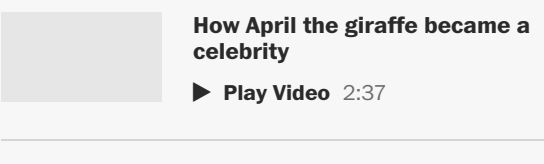
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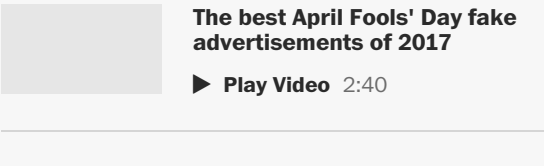
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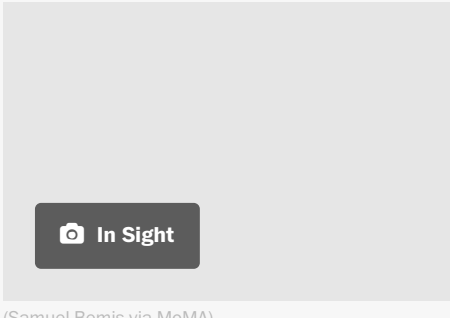
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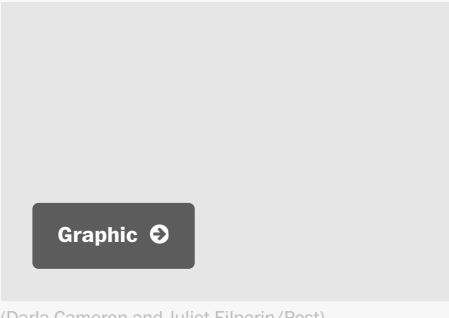
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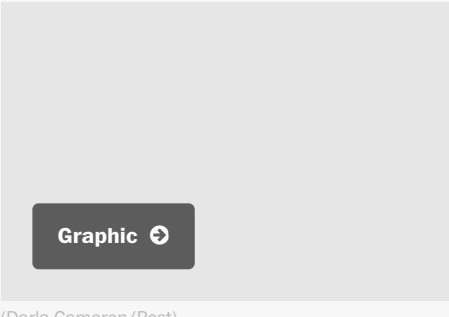
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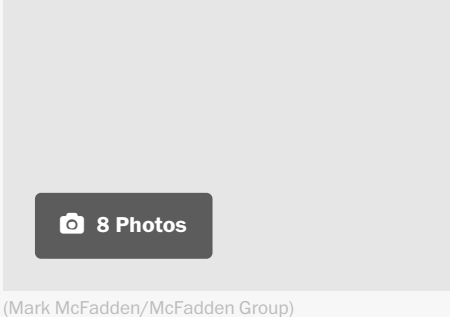
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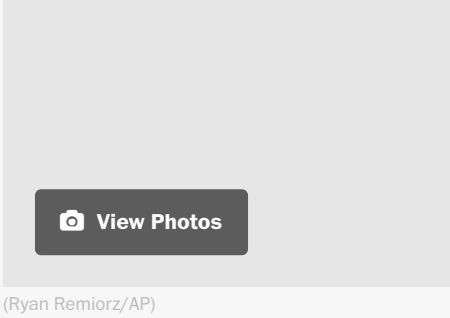
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