

As Coal Jobs Decline, Solar Sector Shines

The loss of jobs has stung as the coal industry has declined. Renewable power — especially solar — is now where the jobs are. Solar jobs outnumber those in coal, but coal jobs pay more.

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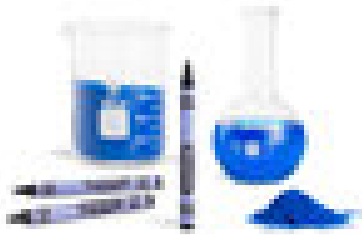


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AROUND THE NATION

Crayola Gives The People What They Want: A New Blue Crayon

After Crayola announced it was retiring the yellow crayon Dandelion, the company said its replacement would be blue, but would it be a true blue? No, it's actually an accidental blue.



Patrick Schmitt/Crayola

THE TWO-WAY - NEWS BLOG

WATCH: Deflating Pikachu Gets Tackled, Hustled Off Stage By Suited Men

A video from the Pokémon World Festival near Seoul shows 15 Pikachu dancing to a song when the ringleader's costume starts deflating. Then a group of men forcefully push the dancer away.



Screengrab by NPR



MUSIC INTERVIEWS

Feist Has A Message For Her 71-Year-Old Self

That message is embedded in the Canadian singer's new album, *Platane*. "I appreciate the perspective that 28-year-old Leslie's shed on my life," she says. "I kind of want to echo that forward."

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Crashcut of the artist

BOOK REVIEWS

'And We're Off' Proves Brevity's Not Always The Soul Of Wit

Dana Schwartz is the Twitter whiz behind the @GwynnTourPFA and @CystosianYA accounts, but she stumbles in long form. Her debut novel, *And We're Off*, is quick and compelling but needs finishing out.



David Hwang/NPR

U.S.

The Bad Grade That Changed The U.S. Constitution

NOT ASK

The 27th Amendment had languished for nearly 200 years before a Texas student made passing it a personal cause. The amendment was ratified 23 years ago this weekend.



Greg Gershberg/NPR

MOVIE REVIEWS

'Risk' Is A Messy, Ambitious Portrait Of WikiLeaks Founder Julian Assange

FRESH AIR

Laura Poitras began filming the man known for cyber-releasing classified documents in 2011. Critic John Powers says the resulting documentary is an intimate take on an enigmatic rebel.

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With National Monuments Under Review, Bears Ears Is Focus Of Fierce Debate

Bears Ears in Utah is on land considered sacred to Native Americans. But some local residents say the 1.35 million-acre national monument is being pushed by extreme out-of-state environmentalists.

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PHOTO: See The Stunning American Landscapes Under Review By Trump



Wesley Hargrett

SHOTS - HEALTH NEWS

5 Items To Watch As GOP Health Bill Moves To The Senate

KAISER HEALTH NEWS

Just three "no" votes by Senate Republicans would likely be enough to sink the GOP health bill. Democrats who lost the battle in the House are still convinced they can win the political war.



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Health Care Vote Could Threaten Republican House Majority

Here Is What's In The House-Approved Health Care Bill

White House Questions Value of CBO Analysis On Health Care Bill

AHCA Would Cut About \$765B In Taxes Over 10 Years

ALL SONGS CONSIDERED

LCD SoundSystem's Two New Songs Are Here

Have you dance and ask accordingly.



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STORYCORPS

'Why Can't We Own A Roller Coaster?' And Other Queries, Answered By A Dad

When two boys get to interview their dad they start with some basic questions about his life history, but quickly get to the tough ones: "Why can't I be in charge?"

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