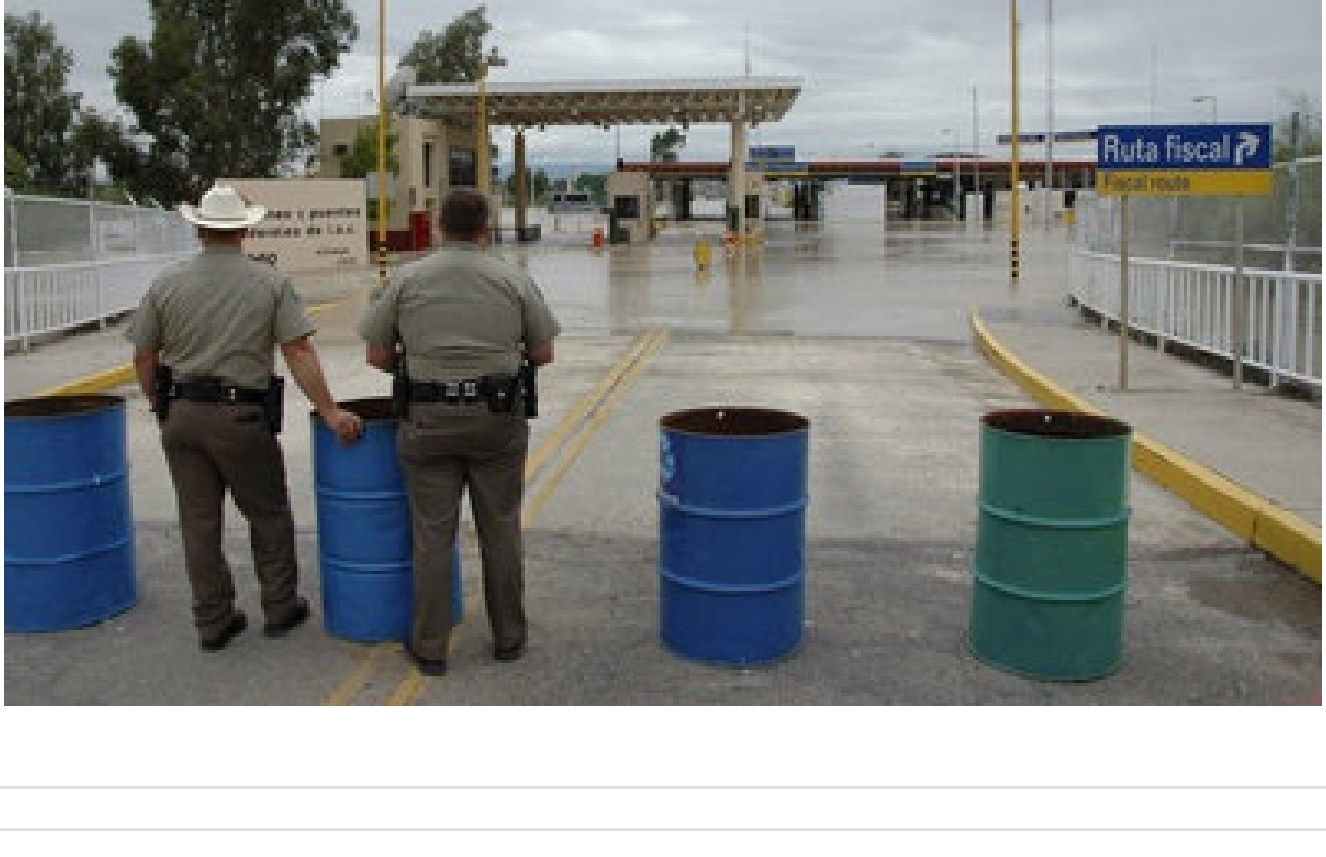


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## Mexico Worries That A New Border Wall Will Worsen Flooding

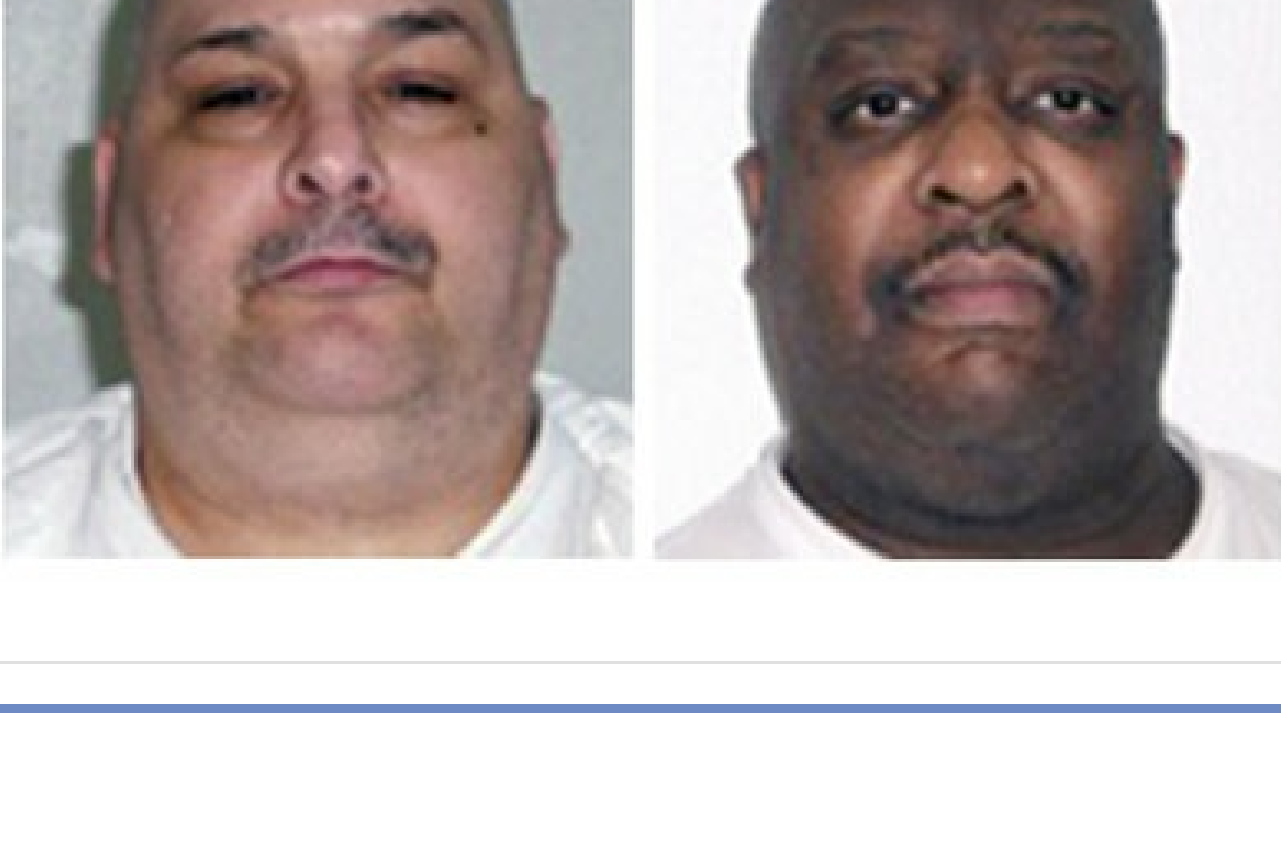
The 1970 Boundary Treaty requires U.S. and Mexican officials on the International Boundary and Water Commission be in agreement before building structures that might affect the flow of the Rio Grande.



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## Arkansas Carries Out First Double Execution In U.S. Since 2000

Jack Jones Jr. and Marcel Williams were executed hours apart Monday night, the second and third of six inmates slated to get the death penalty in the state in an 11-day span. Arkansas' supply of lethal injection drugs is set to expire at the end of the month.



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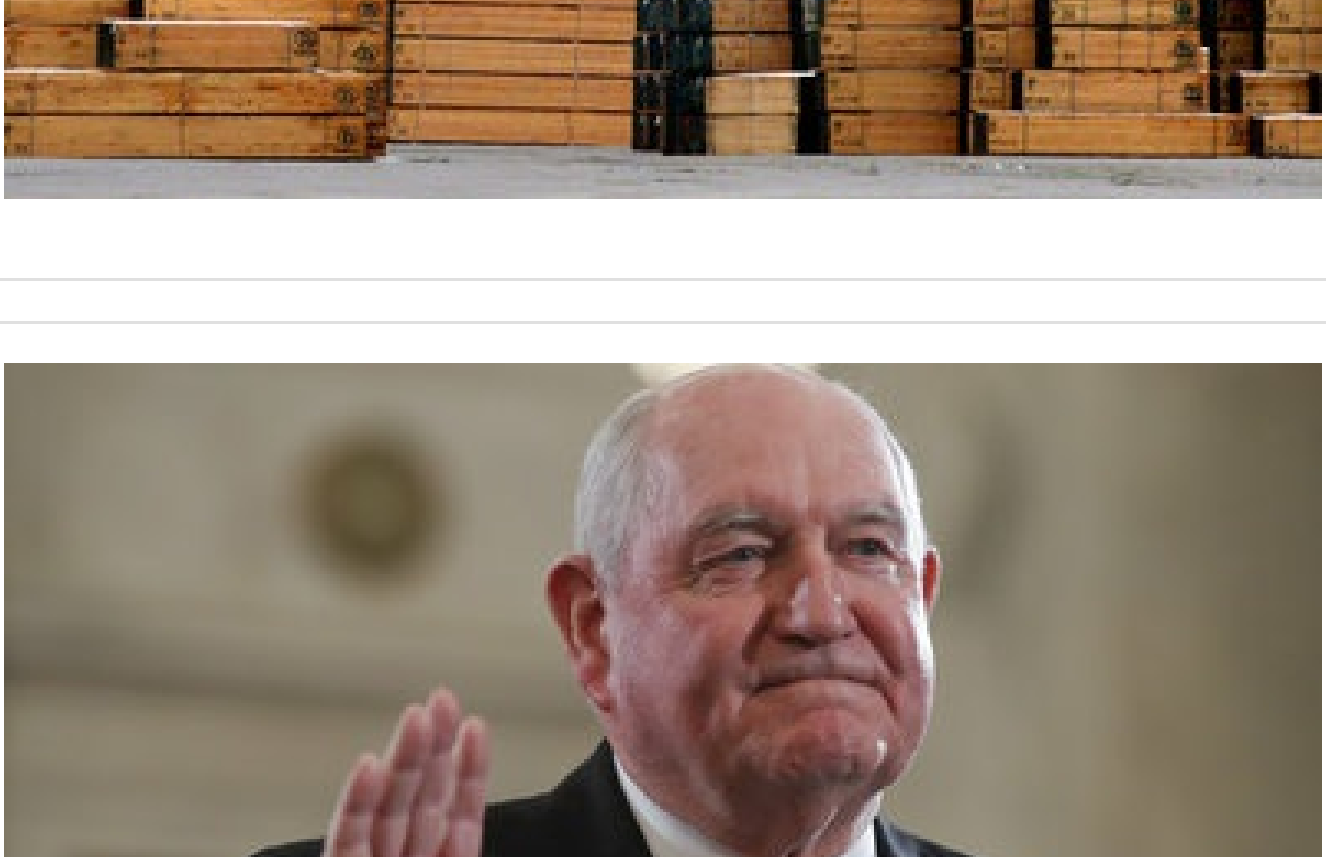
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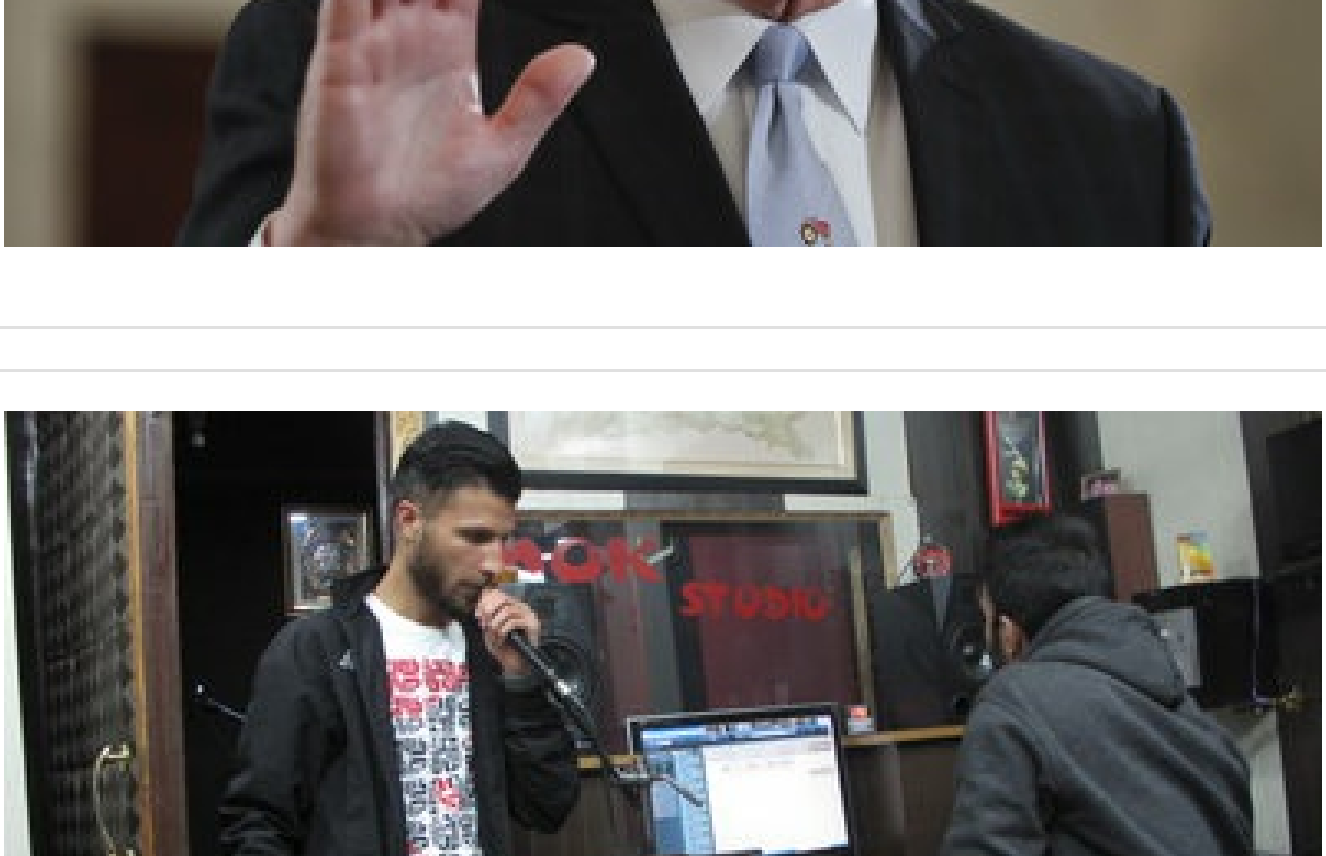
In a dispute that dates back decades, the Trump administration announced it will levy a 20 percent tariff on imports of softwood lumber from Canada, which is used primarily in housing construction.



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## Senate Confirms Ex-Georgia Gov. Sonny Perdue As Agriculture Secretary

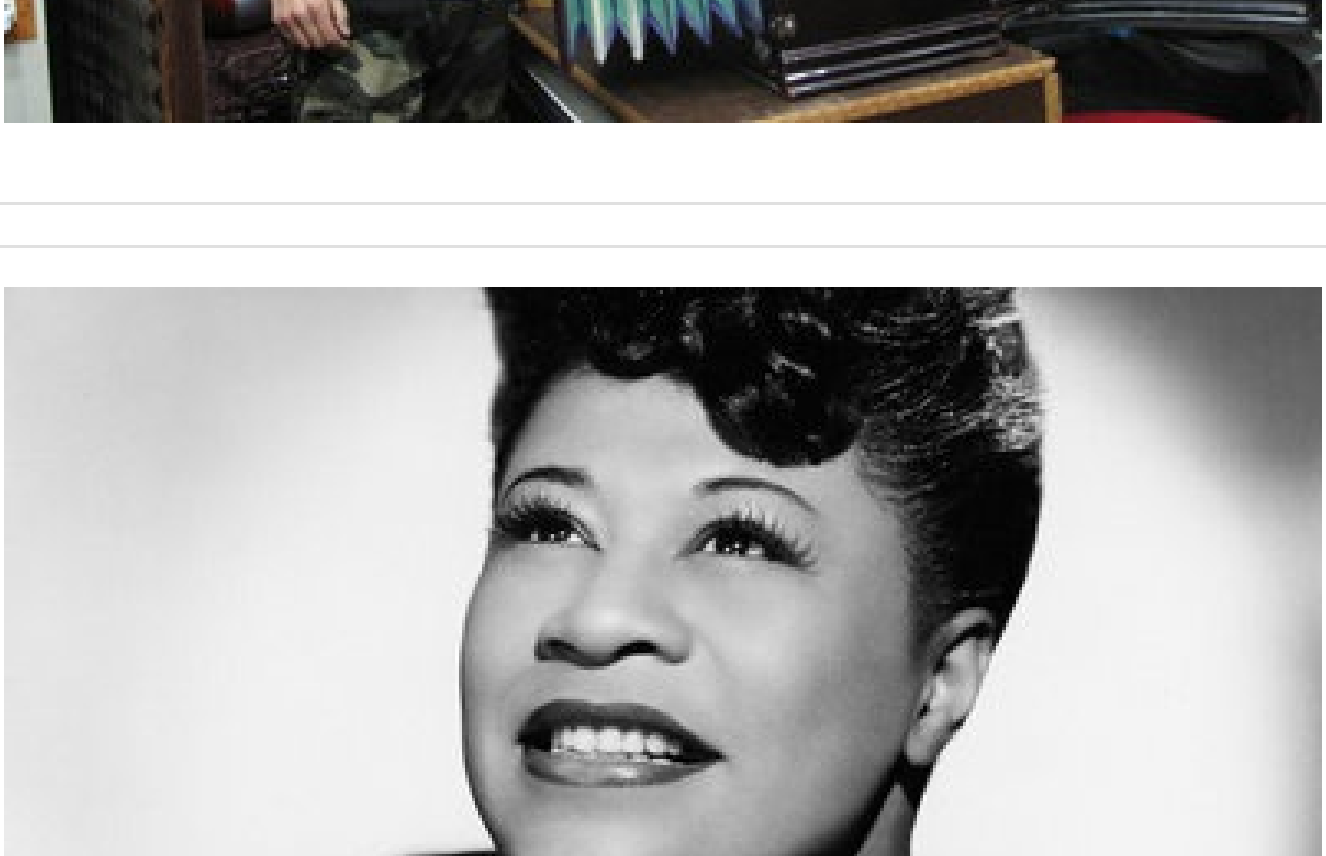
Sonny Perdue grew up on a farm in central Georgia and has owned several agriculture companies. He is not associated with the food company Perdue or the poultry producer Perdue Farms.



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## A New Generation Of Kashmir Rappers Vents Its Rage In The Valley

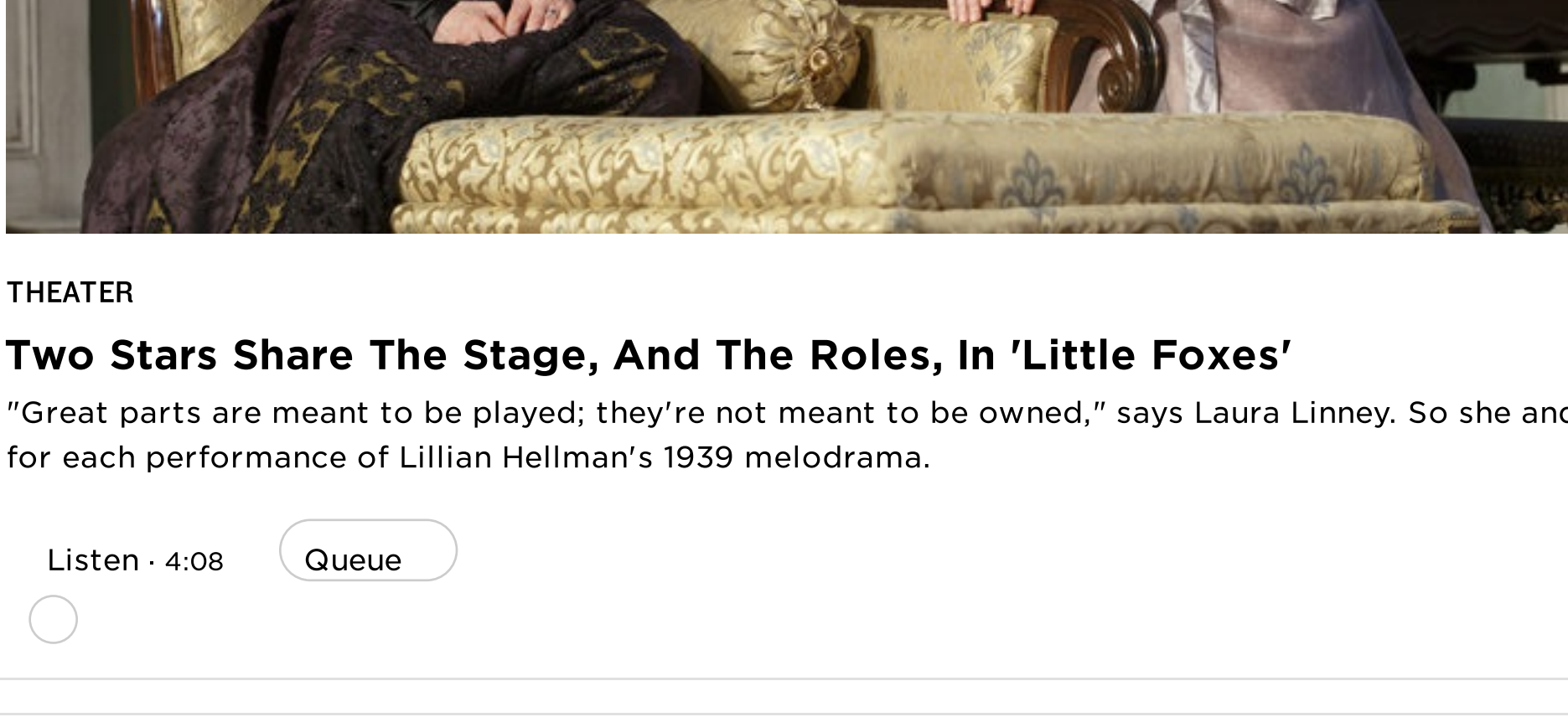
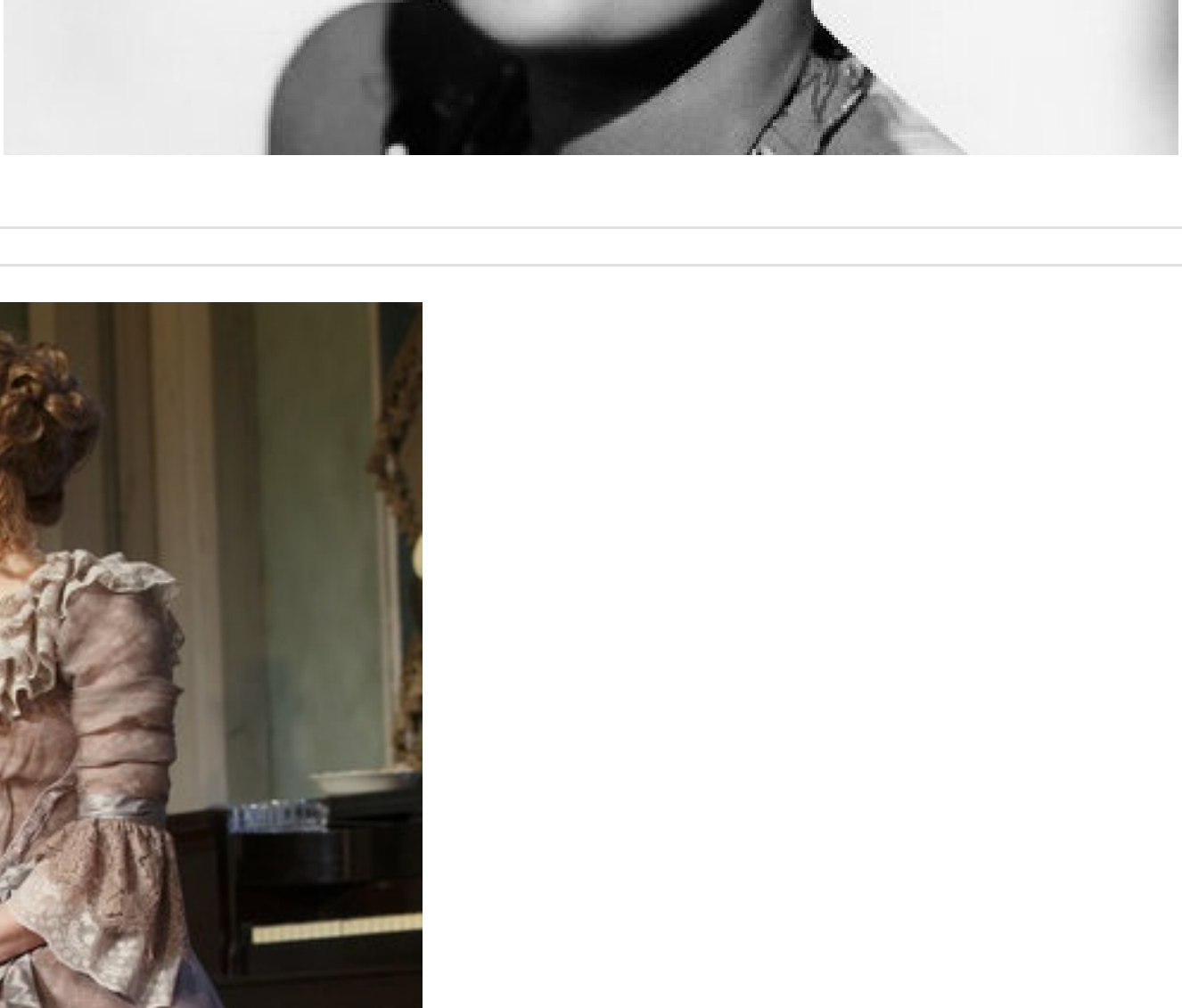
Rappers like Aamir Ame and MC Kash make music that channels political protest and alienation from the Indian state.



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## Early Hardship Couldn't Muffle Ella Fitzgerald's Joy

Before she became First Lady of Song, Fitzgerald navigated childhood loss, poverty and homelessness — always with music as her refuge.



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## Two Stars Share The Stage, And The Roles, In 'Little Foxes'

"Great parts are meant to be played; they're not meant to be owned," says Laura Linney. So she and Cynthia Nixon have agreed to switch roles for each performance of Lillian Hellman's 1939 melodrama.

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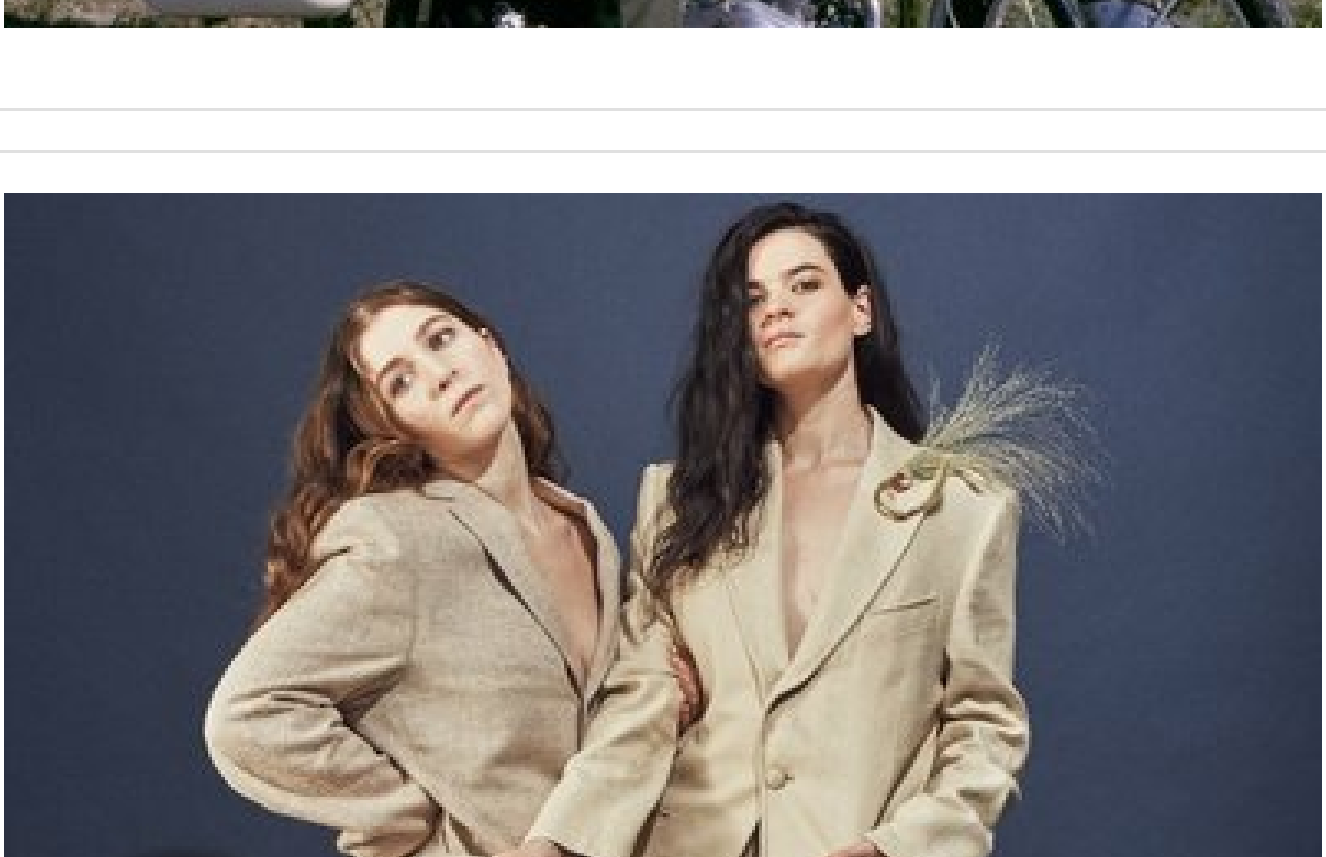
It's the first time since 2008 that the federal government has released its assessment of U.S. eighth-graders in the arts. While there are some signs of progress, troubling achievement gaps remain.



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## 'Zen And The Art of Motorcycle Maintenance' Author Robert M. Pirsig Dies At 88

Zen was published by William Morrow in 1974, after being rejected by 121 publishing houses. The book has endured as a work of popular philosophy, and inspired many a road trip across the West.



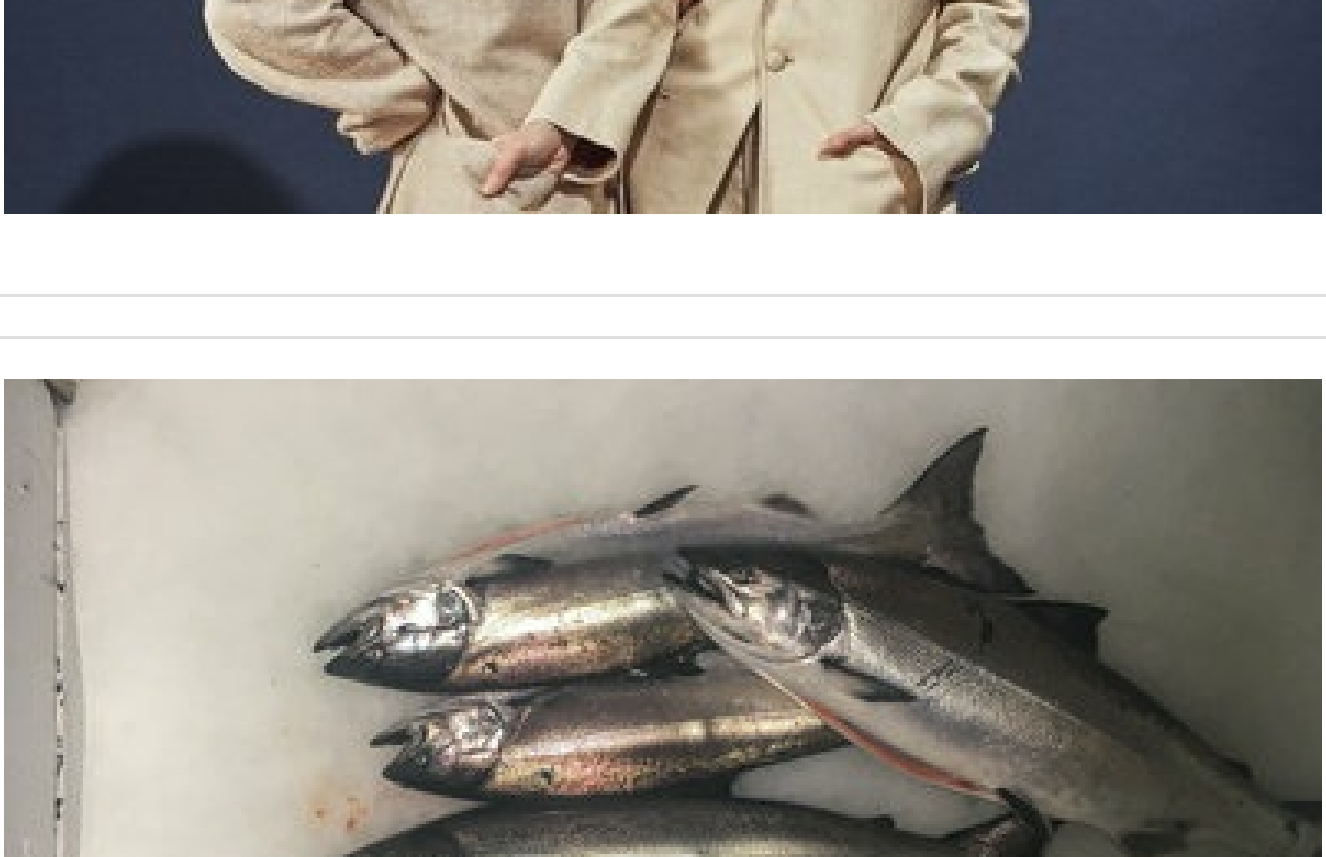
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## Listen: Overcoats Perform Music From 'Young,' Plus A Little Amy Winehouse

The duo met in college and loved right away how their voices "cradled one another." They speak with NPR's Ari Shapiro about learning to work together, and perform selections from their debut.

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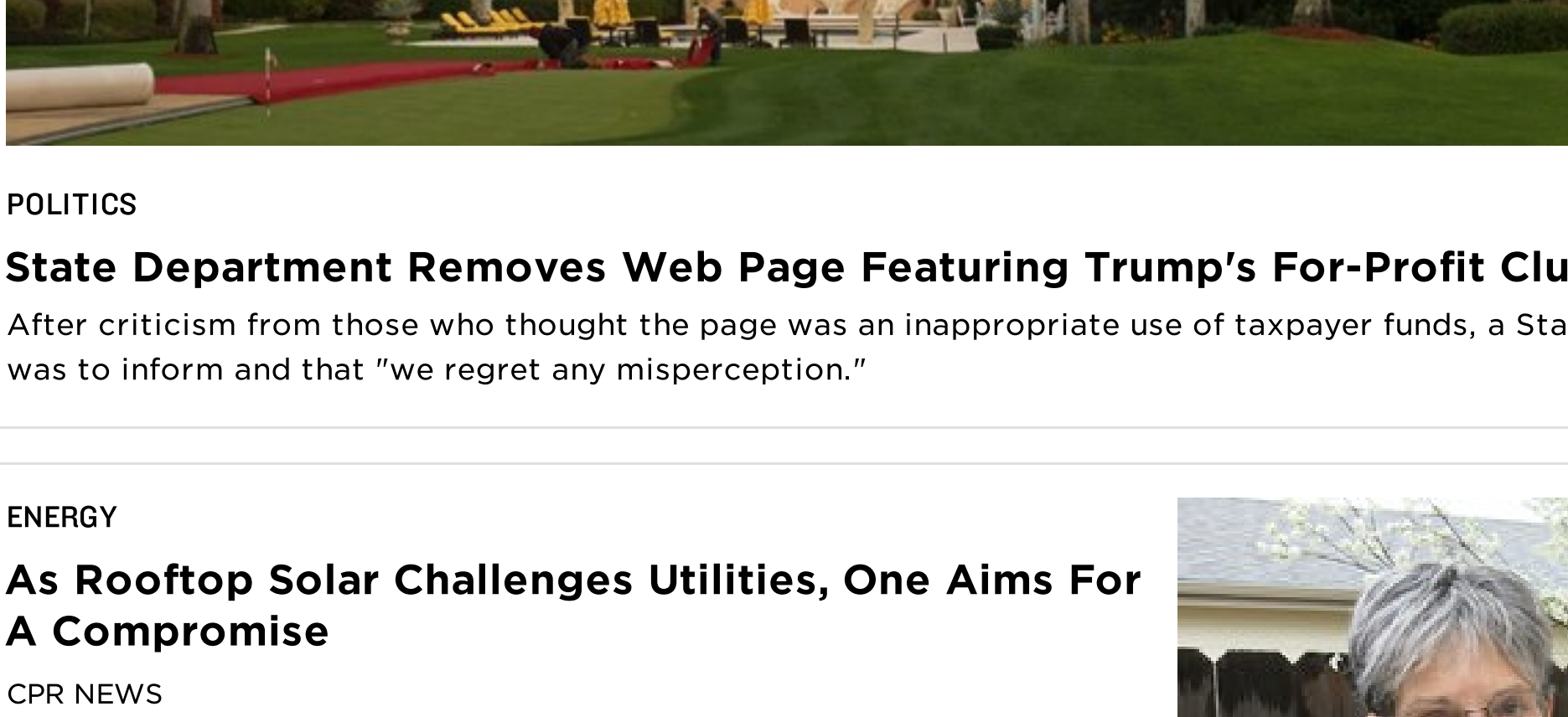
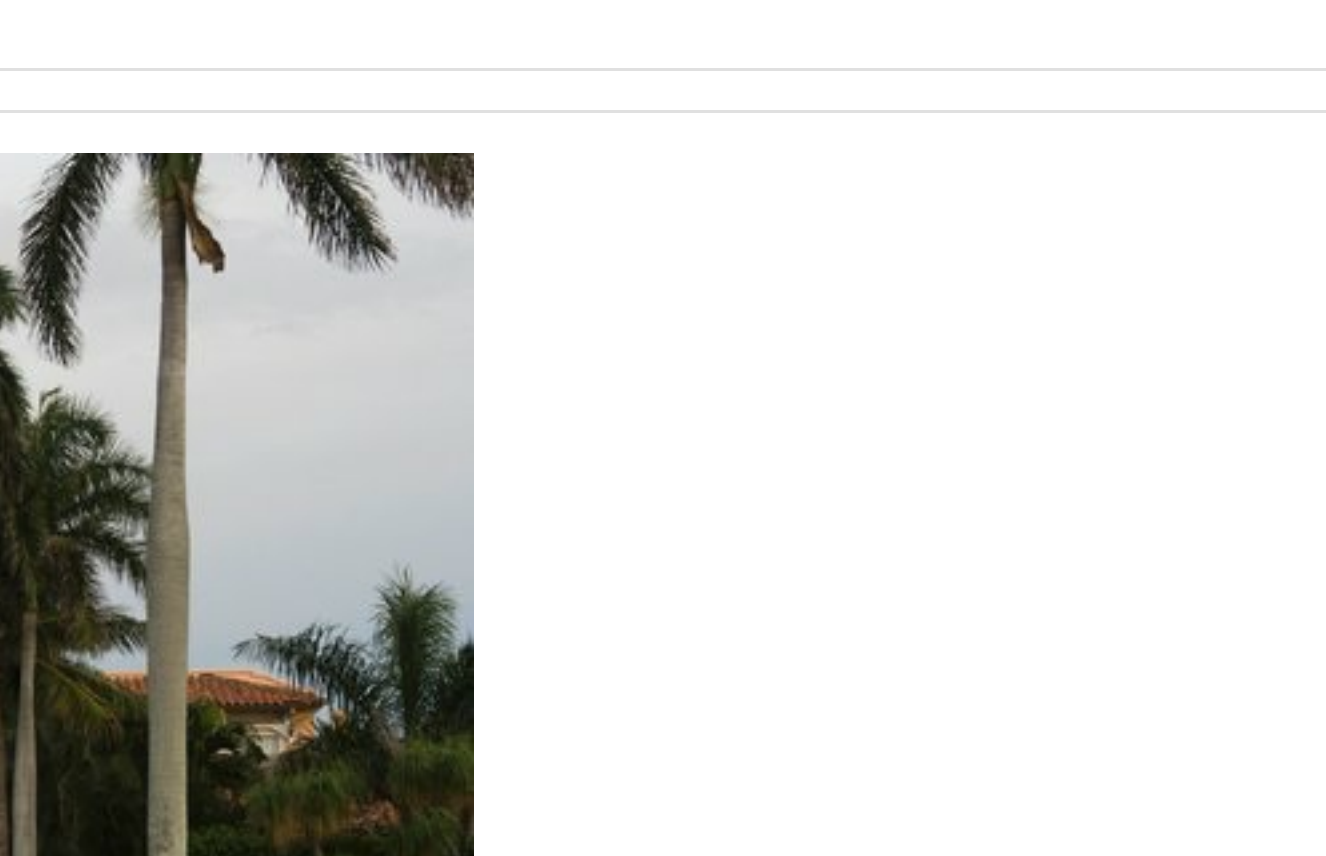
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## What Fish Is Good For Me And The Planet? New Documentary Explores

In order to investigate how eating fish affects our health as well as the oceans, author and fisherman Paul Greenberg spent a year eating fish every day.



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POLITICS

## State Department Removes Web Page Featuring Trump's For-Profit Club, Mar-A-Lago

After criticism from those who thought the page was an inappropriate use of taxpayer funds, a State Department official said that the intention was to inform and that "we regret any misperception."

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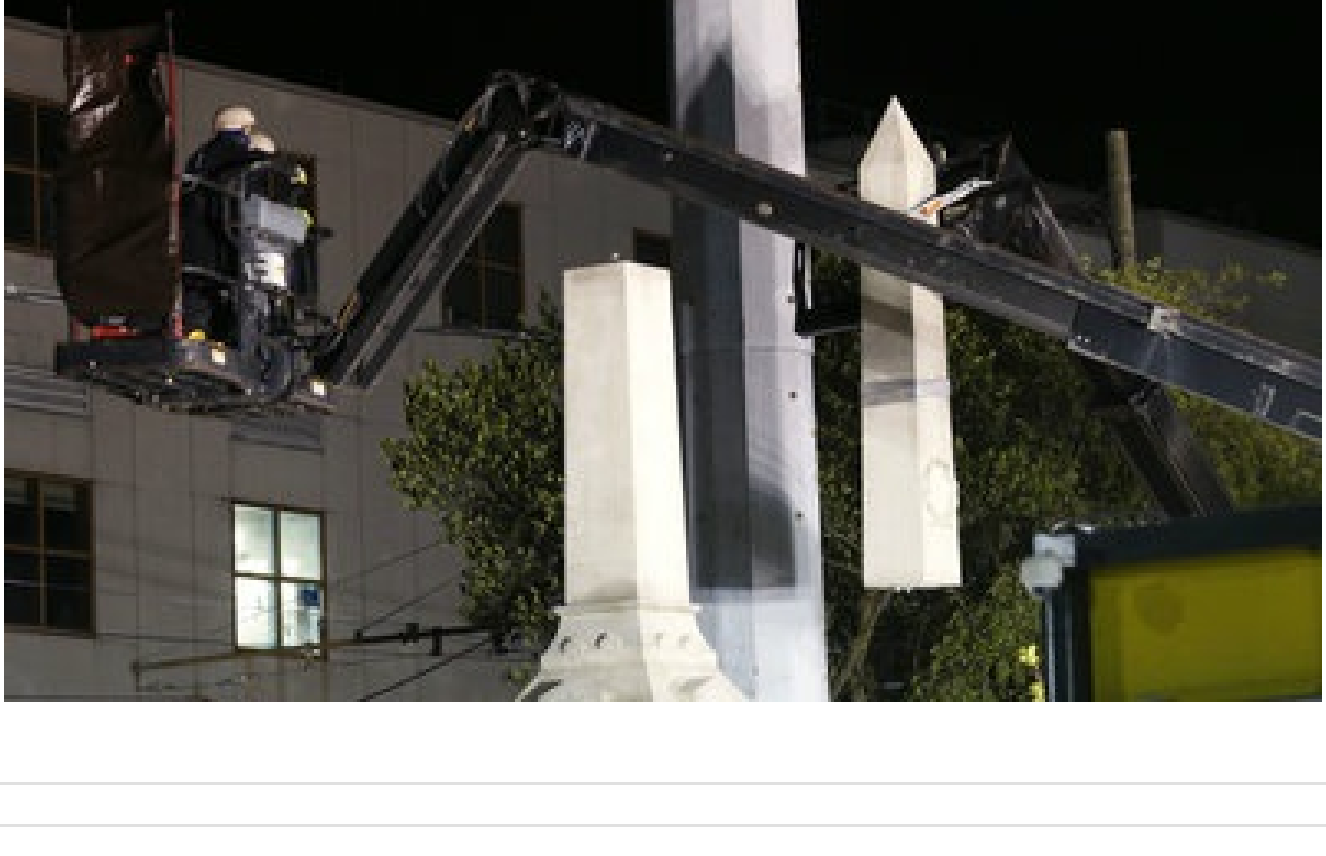
## As Rooftop Solar Challenges Utilities, One Aims For A Compromise

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As more homeowners install solar they're using less energy from their utilities, which in turn hurts their business. One utility in Colorado has forged a deal that may be a model for other states.

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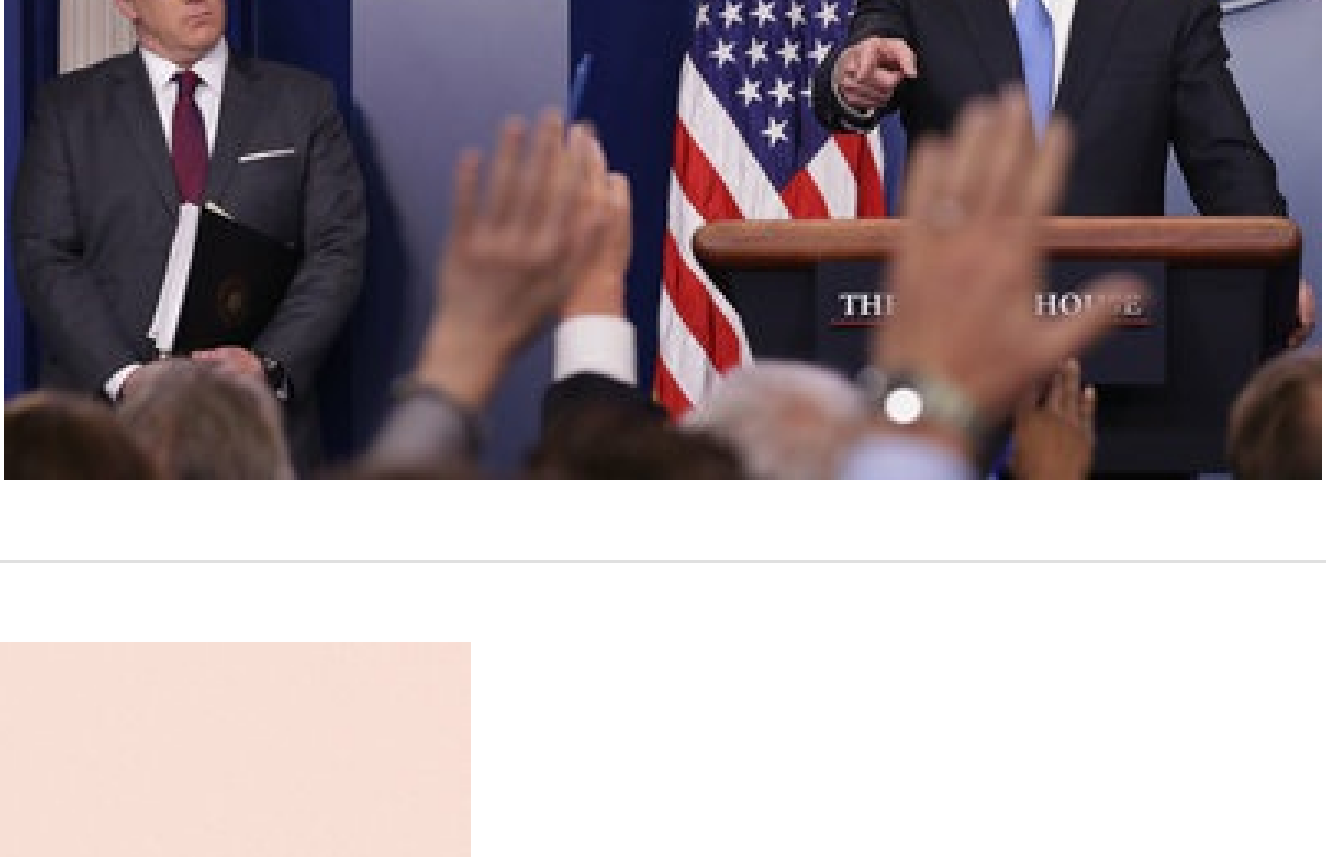
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## Under Cover Of Night, New Orleans Begins Dismantling Confederate Monuments

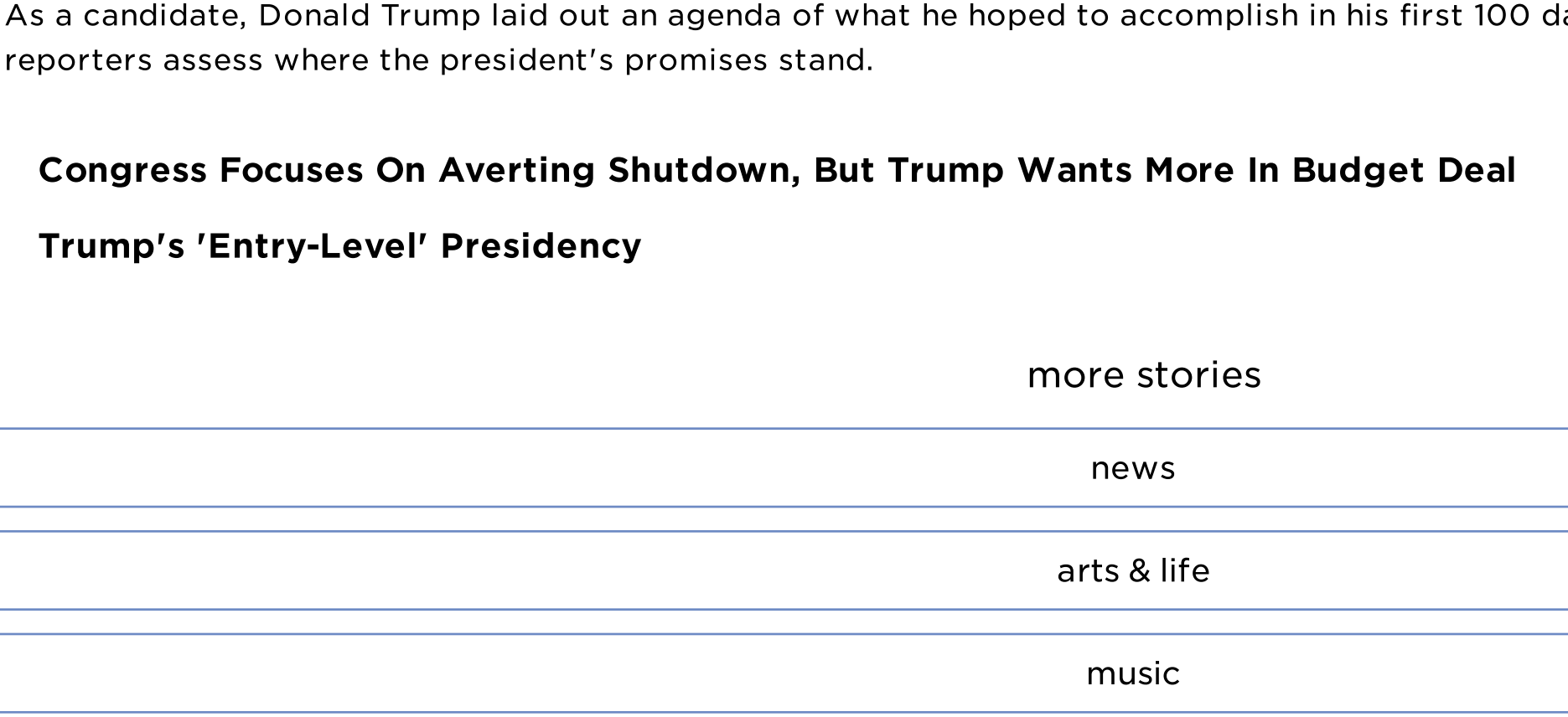
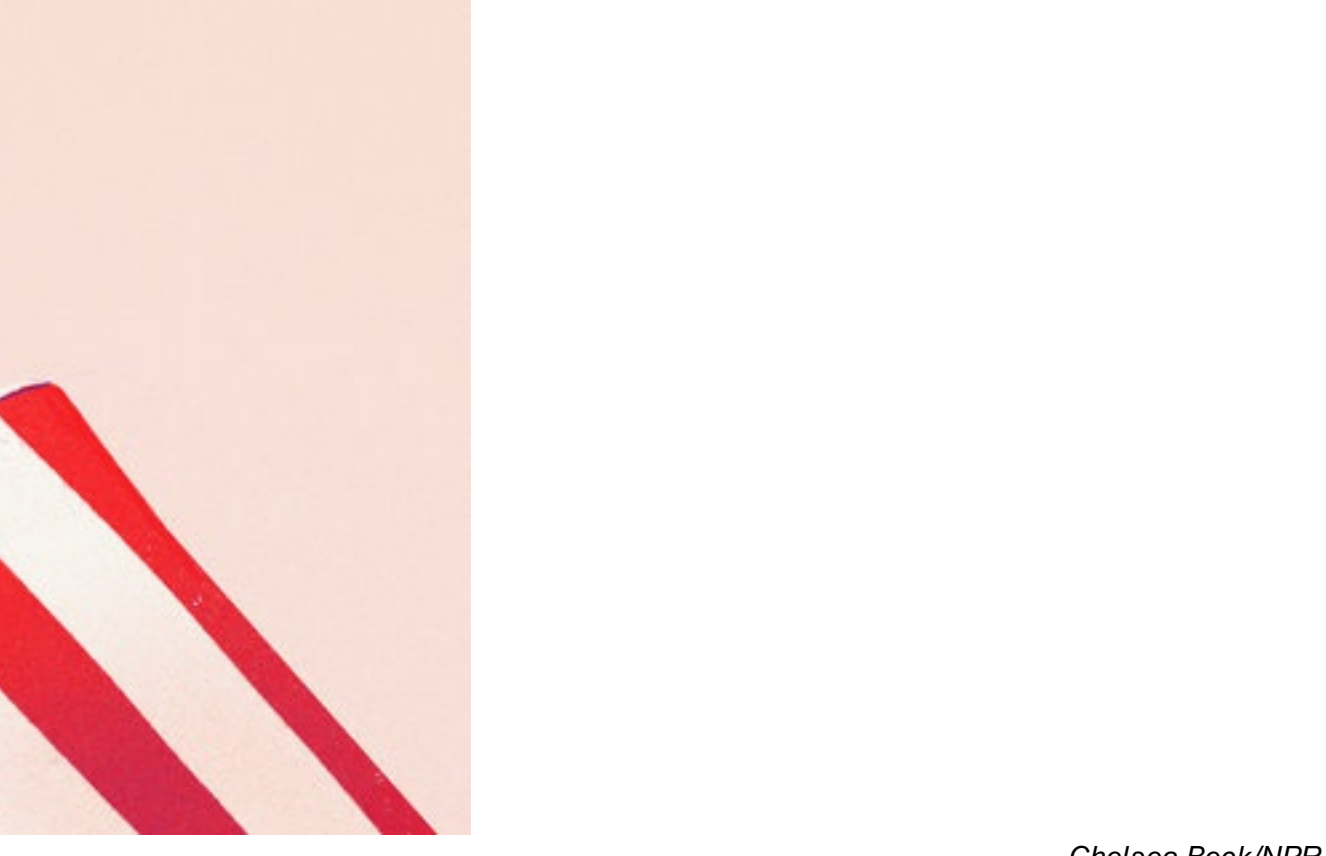
Following death threats, the contractors wore flak jackets and helmets as they dismantled a monument to members of a white supremacist group who attacked the city's racially integrated police force.



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## U.S. Announces Sanctions On 271 Syrians Over April 4 Chemical Attack

The blacklisted people work on weapons development for Syria, the administration says. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin says the sanctions "target the scientific support center" for the attack.



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## Revisiting Trump's 100-Day Plan: Where His Promises Stand

As a candidate, Donald Trump laid out an agenda of what he hoped to accomplish in his first 100 days in office. As that mark approaches, NPR reporters assess where the president's promises stand.

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