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The Senate Could Go 'Nuclear' This Week. What Does That Mean?

A potentially historic and consequential week lies ahead in the United States Senate, where Republicans stand ready to invoke the "nuclear option" to confirm Neil Gorsuch to the Supreme Court.

DEVELOPING STORY

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At Least 10 Killed In Deadly Blast In Russian Metro, Governor Says

The explosion occurred in St. Petersburg, the country's second-largest city. The cause wasn't immediately clear. A spokesman for the governor told state media that about 50 others were injured.

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Currently, insurance rates are calculated based on drivers' claims histories and driving records. Driverless cars are expected to shift the liability toward carmakers. But it won't happen all at once.

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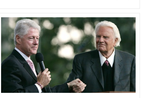
Ecuador's Election Ends In Close Result, And Accusations Of Cheating

The race has been widely watched in part because it could affect the future of Julian Assange. Candidates had differed on their plans for the WikiLeaks founder's spot in Ecuador's London embassy.



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What Do Hanson And Madonna Have In Common? Hits Ideal For Saving A Life

A New York City hospital has created a playlist of songs with the ideal tempo for CPR, although previous research suggests there is more to good chest compressions than just the right tempo.

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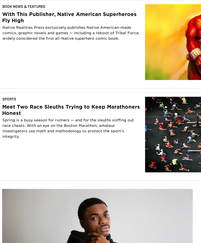
The Jewish Food Society Wants To Save The Recipes Of Grandmas Everywhere

A new project aims to celebrate Jewish food and culture in all its diversity. Organizers are hosting dinner parties in people's homes and staging public events where stories behind the recipes are the stars.



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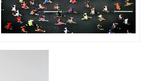
South Carolina Takes Its First Women's NCAA Basketball Title

The lady Gamecocks earned their first national basketball title with a 67-55 win over Mississippi State. It's also a first for former college player, Coach Dawn Staley.

POLITICS

Beyond The Mike Pence Misogyny Debate, The 3 'Billy Graham Rules' You Haven't Read

Like the famous preacher, the vice president won't dine alone with a woman other than his wife. But Graham, pastor to the presidents, had other rules, like don't inflate the size of your crowds.



LIFE CODWORD AND CULTURE

Calling Someone A 'Skeptic' Can Be A Term Of Praise Or Condemnation

Skepticism is a crucial tool in science, it reads, the technique we should world be upholding — and for which skepticism is only an obtuse guide — are truth-tracking and humility, says Tania Lombrozo.

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Noname: Tiny Desk Concert

The power of language to ceremonize a difficult subject, and the power of performance to share that language, are the gifts Noname brought to the Tiny Desk.

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'Brave New Workers': A Burning Desire To Get A Medicinal Marijuana License

What happens to workers when an industry falls, new technology takes off? NPR brings you stories of Americans adapting to a changing economy. This week: Learning the black cannabis market to go legal.

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With This Publisher, Native American Superheroes Fly High

Native Realities Press exclusively publishes Native American-made comics, graphic novels and games — including a reboot of Tribal Force, widely considered the first all-Native superhero comic book.

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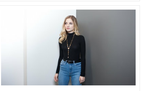
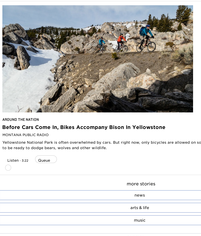
Meet Two Race Sleuths Trying to Keep Marathoners Honest

Spring is a busy season for runners — and for the sleuths sniffing out cheaters. With an eye on the Boston Marathon, amateur investigators use math and methodology to protect the sport's integrity.





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MUSIC INTERVIEWS

Vince Staples: 'We Live In A Space Where Your Name Isn't Enough'

"You can't find a Jay Z article where they don't speak about him selling drugs," the Long Beach rapper says. "You can't find a Vince Staples article where it doesn't say 'ex-gang member.'"

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#NPRpoetry Month: Vince Staples Reads His Favorite Twitter Poems

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A Presidency Stalled And Sputtering

President Trump hasn't moved beyond executive actions, something a president normally resorts to when he can't get anything done legislatively. That's not a good sign for Trump's agenda.

Republicans 'Turn The Cannons On Each Other' In Week Of Public Feuding

Judge Approves $25 Million Settlement Of Trump University Lawsuit

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Why The Freedom Caucus Shouldn't Worry About Primary Threats From President Trump

The caucus is not behaving as incumbent is hard work — it not only backs President Trump's agenda but helping them with fundraising and campaign infrastructure.

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With Obamacare Here to Stay, Some States Revive Medicaid Expansion

The failure of the Republican health care plan gave new energy to state-level efforts to expand Medicaid. We look at three states where that has happen — Kansas, Maine and Virginia.

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Jackie Evancho On Speaking Out Through Music

Since her performance at President Trump's inauguration, the 16-year-old vocalist has advocated for transgender rights and released Two Hearts, which includes some of her first original songs.

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AROUND THE NATION

Before Cars Come In, Bikes Accompany Bison In Yellowstone

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