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Fact Check: Syria Gas Attack, World Awaits What Kind of Leader Syria Will Be

The situation in Syria also raises questions about Trump's support for autocracies and authoritarian regimes — and whether he can lead the world with moral clarity and authority.

72 Killed In Attack In Syria Where Toxic Chemicals And Shelling Were Reported

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

'Up First' Podcast: Does Trump Have Any Choice But To Act After Chemical Attack In Syria?

MEDIA

As Scandals Crest, Fox News Once More Under Siege

Advertisers are beginning to pull their commercials from Fox News star Bill O'Reilly's flagship broadcast as allegations of sexual harassment continue to grow.

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Image of Bill O'Reilly

Fresh Lawsuit Against Ailes Slams Fox News' Response To Harassment Claims

Federal Inquiry Said To Focus On Whether Fox News Broke Law In Harassment Payouts

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Joe Arpaio's Infamous Tent City Jail In Maricopa County Will Shut Down

The former Maricopa County sheriff routinely pointed to the notorious outdoor facility as a symbol of his "tough on crime" stance. The new sheriff says it is costly and not a deterrent.

Image of the tent city jail

POLITICS

Fact Check: Trump's Claim That The 2009 Stimulus Built Nothing

Trump claimed on Tuesday before a group of CEOs that the Obama administration's stimulus package was a failed "infrastructure bill." That's not true.

Image of Barack Obama at a podium

SHOTS - HEALTH NEWS

Do U.S. Troops Risk Brain Injury When They Fire Heavy Weapons?

Some modern shoulder-fired weapons produce blast waves powerful enough to rattle the brain. A \$30 million study aims to help the military figure out how much blast exposure, over time, is too much.

Image of soldiers in a desert environment

Spec. Justin Young/U.S. Department of Defense/DVIDS

PARALLELS - WORLD NEWS

As Thousands Flee South Sudan, Ugandan Refugee Camp Becomes World's Largest

People fleeing South Sudan's brutal civil war have streamed across the border to Uganda, where the Bidi Bidi camp now hosts more than 270,000 people. It's become the biggest refugee camp in the world.

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Image of a large crowd of refugees

NPR ED

Teachers, Lawyers And Others Worry About The Fate Of Student Debt Forgiveness

Borrowers are "frightened," "anxious," "betrayed," at the suggestion that a federal student loan forgiveness program could be taken away.

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Image of hands reaching out of a pool

THE SALT

Judges Take Up Big Soda's Suit To Abolish Philadelphia's Sugar Tax

An appeals court hears arguments Wednesday on the future of Philly's landmark tax on sweetened drinks. The money is funding preschool for low-income kids, but the soda industry says it's losing jobs.

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Image of Coca-Cola cans

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Kansas City Voters Approve \$25 Fine In Easing Of Marijuana Law

Nearly 75 percent of voters approved the ballot initiative, which stands in stark contrast to current Missouri law. The change applies to people caught with 35 grams or less of marijuana.

Image of marijuana buds

POLITICS

How A Divided Upstate New York Views Trump Amid His Sliding Approval Ratings

"Not my president." "Give him time." "Focus on the governance." These are the reactions from voters in the western edge of New York state, a region that reflects polarization found across the country.

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Image of a man holding a photo of Trump

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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.

Image of Mike Pence

ALL TECH CONSIDERED

Yahoo And AOL Move In Together Under 'Oath,' Verizon's New Digital Arm

The digital-content mashup of Internet elders will be led by Tim Armstrong, AOL's CEO. Though the Yahoo deal was widely panned, it gives Verizon a vast subscriber base appealing to advertisers.

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Image of Tim Armstrong

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Bidding Begins For Building President Trump's Border Wall

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.

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

Image of a border wall

Rodrigo Abad/AP

SWEETNESS AND LIGHT

Let's Ring In Spring With The Masters Golf Tournament

We've passed the vernal equinox and baseball's Opening Day was Monday, but Frank Deford argues that there's really only one true first day of spring: the arrival of the Masters golf tournament.

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Image of a golfer swinging a club

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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.

Image of Merrick Garland

LAWS

Shoelace Viewers Of Facebook Live Gang Rape Face Charges?

Authorities say that about 40 people may have watched the rapes of a 15-year-old girl that were streamed on the social media platform — and that none of them reported the crimes.

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Image of a police station

THE SALT

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.

Image of a cartoon illustration of people and bones

Alex Reynolds/NPR

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LGBT Employees Protected By Federal Civil Rights Act, Appeals Court Rules

The 7th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled 8-3 that denying a teacher a job because she is lesbian violates the Civil Rights Act. It's the first time the law has been found to cover the LGBT community.

Image of a woman in a blue shirt

AUTHOR INTERVIEWS

'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.

Image of Garson O'Toole

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.

Image of Beyoncé

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."

Image of a group of people

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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Image of a funeral procession

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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.

Image of Xi Jinping and Donald Trump

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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Image of Aimee Mann

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