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French presidential election could bring a jolt to Western security

Victory for either the far-right or the far-left would have a profound impact on NATO and other elements of Western defense. "No matter who wins," one analyst concluded, "France's security and defense policy will not be the same, and some candidates would bring revolutionary changes."

By Griff Witte

- Trump predicts Paris attack will help Le Pen in French vote**
- Analysis: Is Trump supporting Le Pen? It's starting to sound that way.**

Sessions takes step toward enforcing threat to strip funding from 'sanctuary cities'

The attorney general demanded proof from nine jurisdictions that they are complying with a law on sharing information with federal authorities about undocumented immigrants.

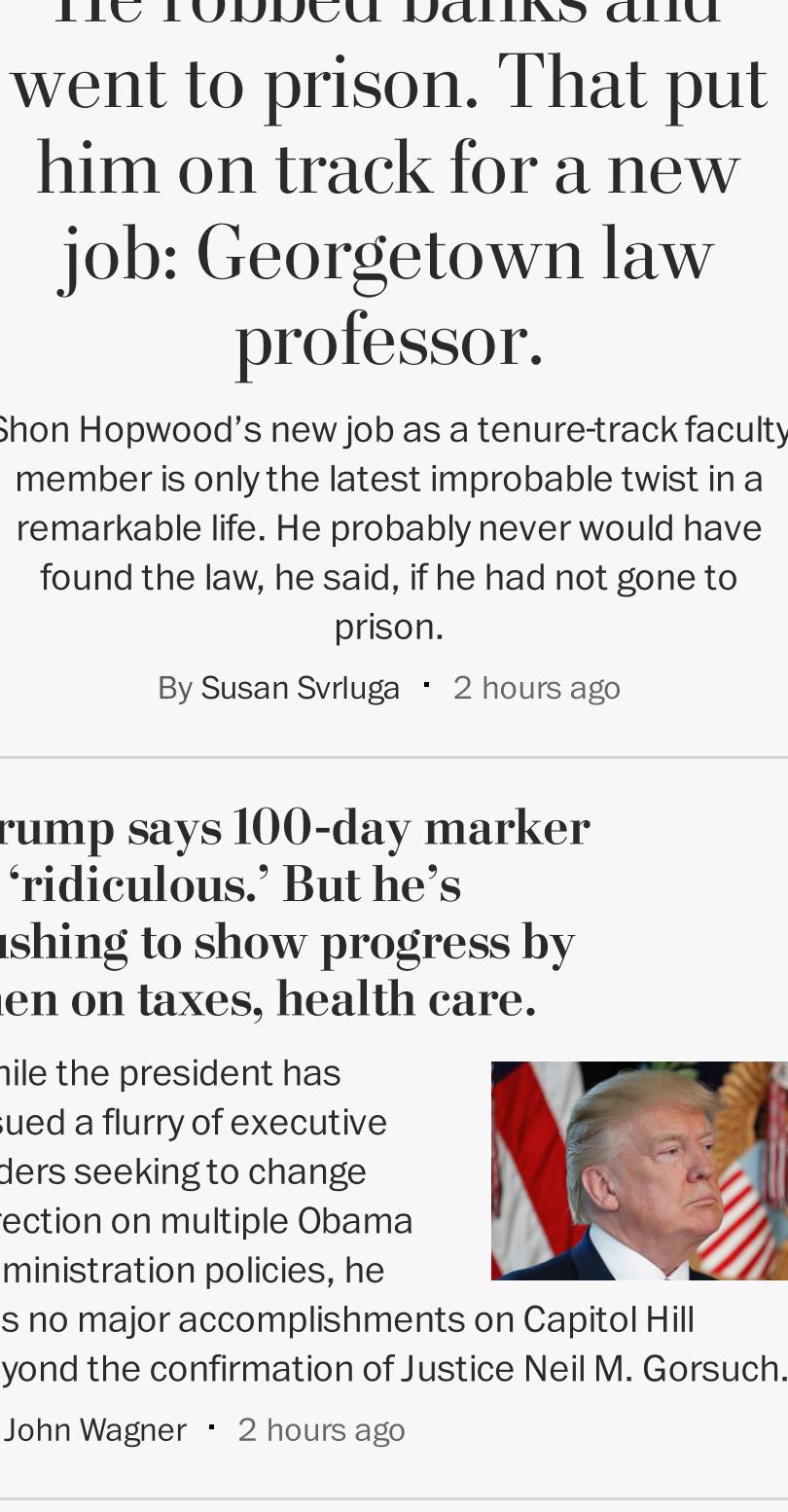
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Gorsuch casts death-penalty vote in one of his first Supreme Court cases

The newest justice cast his first consequential vote Thursday night, siding with the court's other four conservatives in denying a stay request from Arkansas death row inmates facing execution.

By Robert Barnes

- Arkansas carries out first execution since 2005 after Supreme Court denies stay requests**



Shon Hopwood, a former federal inmate, is joining Georgetown University Law Center. (Courtesy of Shon Hopwood; Linda Davidson/The Post)

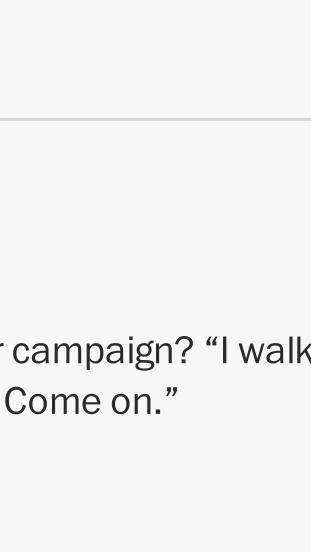
He robbed banks and went to prison. That put him on track for a new job: Georgetown law professor.

Shon Hopwood's new job as a tenure-track faculty member is only the latest improbable twist in a remarkable life. He probably never would have found the law, he said, if he had not gone to prison.

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Trump says 100-day marker is 'ridiculous.' But he's rushing to show progress by then on taxes, health care.

While the president has issued a flurry of executive orders seeking to change direction on multiple Obama administration policies, he has no major accomplishments on Capitol Hill beyond the confirmation of Justice Neil M. Gorsuch.



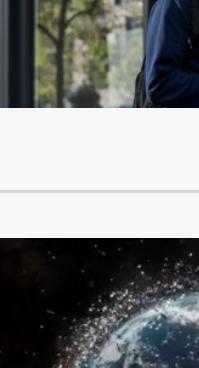
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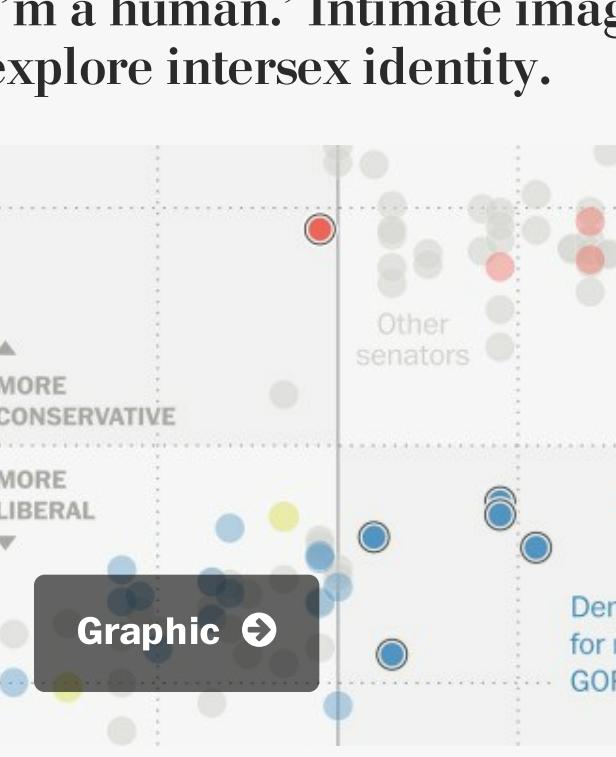
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Why the French elections are more important than Brexit

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Ann Coulter rejects Berkeley's new invite; GOP students threaten to sue college

The conservative political pundit said the university was adding "burdensome" conditions to her speech and that she already had another event scheduled for the new date. Instead, she vows to speak next week, as originally planned, with or without the school's cooperation.

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The Daily 202 Analysis: What Trump's giving to charity — or lack thereof — foreshadowed about his presidency

Trump's list of presidential achievements so far looks like the policy equivalent of two theater seats and a park bench.

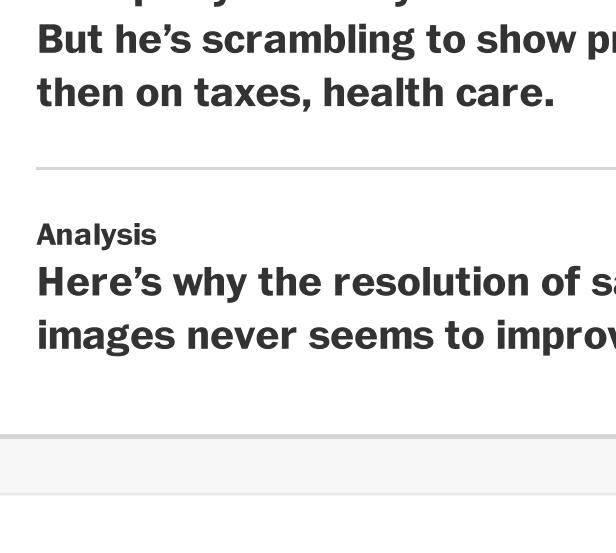
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Obama to make first post-presidency public appearance in Chicago next week

The town-hall-style event will be the first in a series of public appearances by the former president, just as President Trump approaches his 100th day in office.

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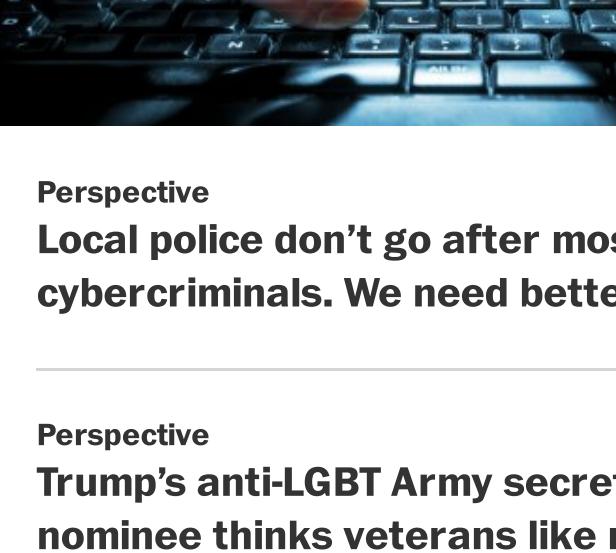


As scientists erupt in protest, a volcanologist runs for Congress

Is Jess Phoenix intimidated by the prospect of a bitter campaign? "I walk into active volcanic eruptions," she says. "Congress? Come on."

By Sarah Kaplan

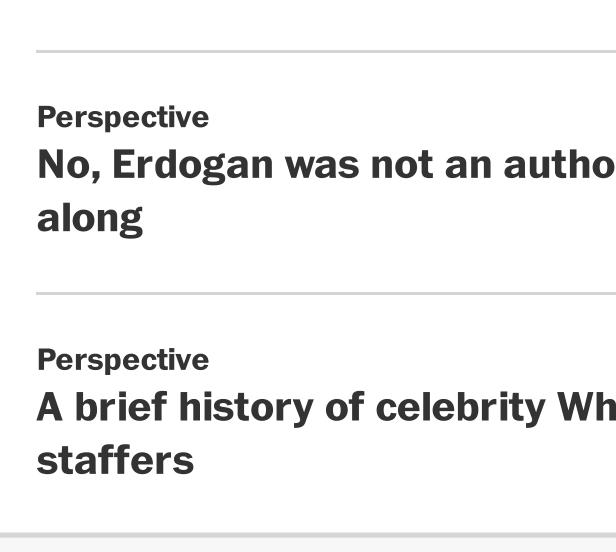
- Why scientists are marching on Washington and more than 400 other cities**



The curious political effect of men losing their breadwinner role

One researcher thinks his findings could help explain the growing political polarization over the past decade and could have been a factor in the last election.

By Jena McGregor



The Fix: Did Sarah Palin, Ted Nugent and Kid Rock go too far in mocking Hillary Clinton's portrait?

The photo, posted on Sarah Palin's Facebook page without a caption, has ricocheted around social media, thrilling Clinton haters and upsetting others who have called it "disrespectful" and "straight up classless."

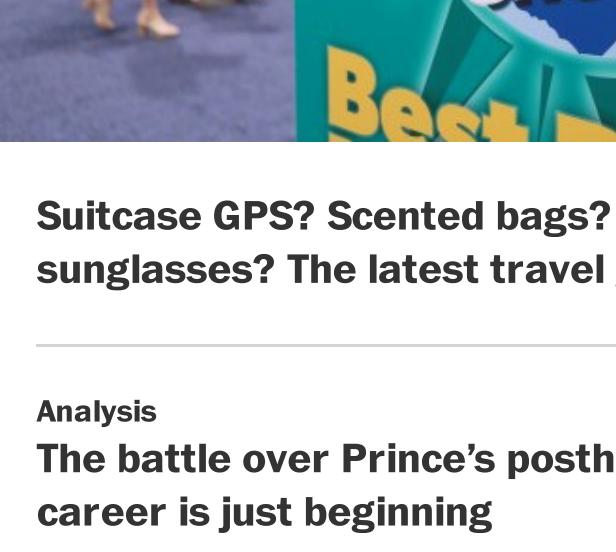
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The company lost nearly 400,000 wireless subscribers in the first six weeks of the year, and things could have been worse without the re-introduction of unlimited data plans, according to Verizon's earnings numbers.

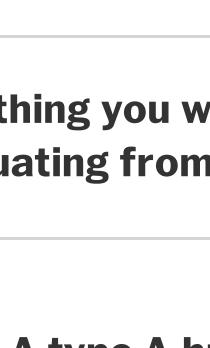
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Thousands of tiny satellites are about to go into space and possibly ruin it

Space is a mess. And the problem is about to get worse, experts say, as cheap, tiny satellites are shot through the stratosphere in unprecedented numbers.

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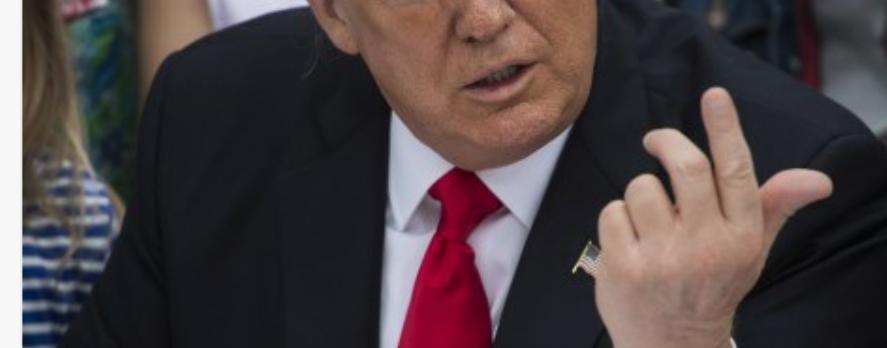
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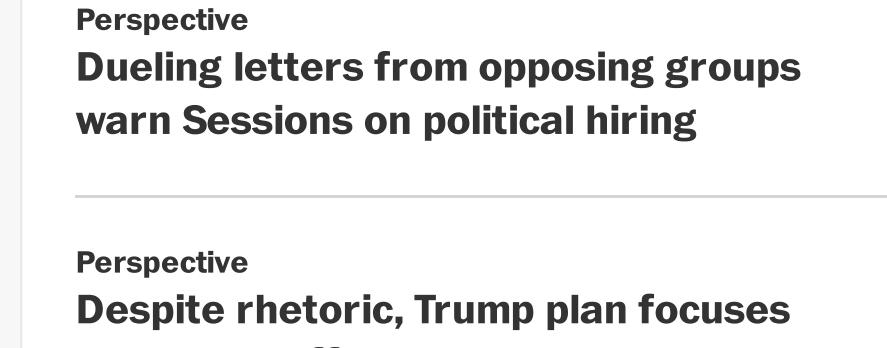
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What's the likelihood of a government shutdown?



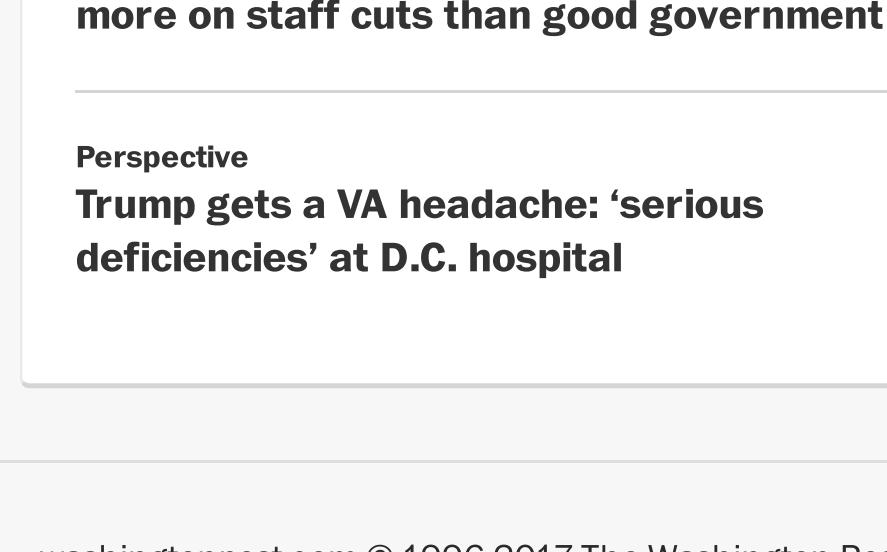
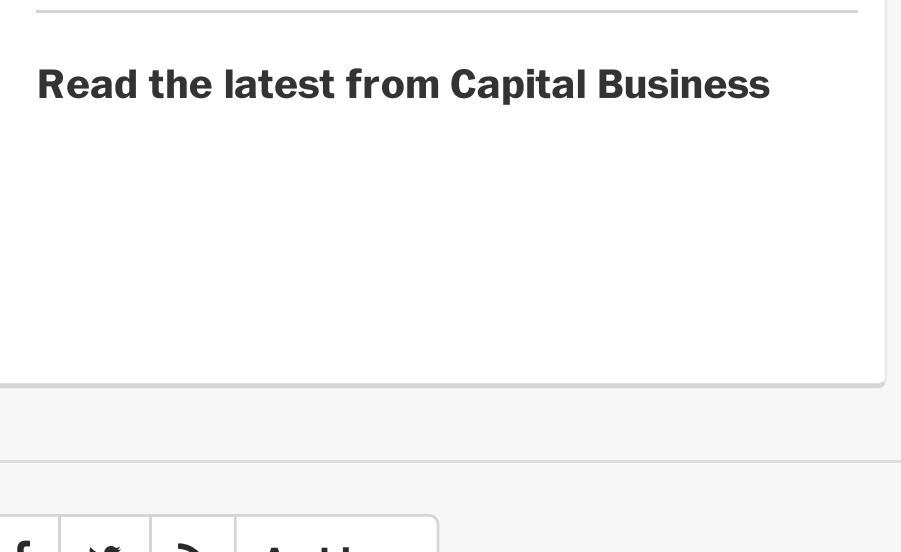
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Experts say it's 50/50 the government will shut down next week



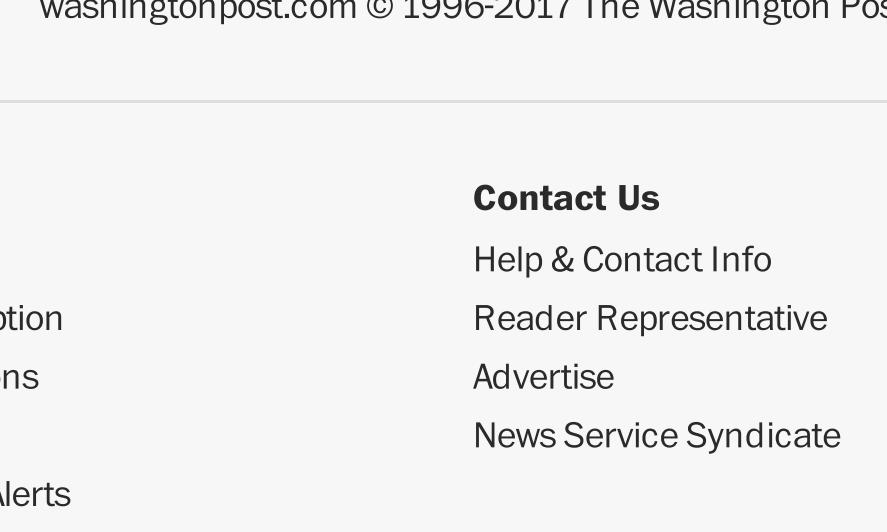
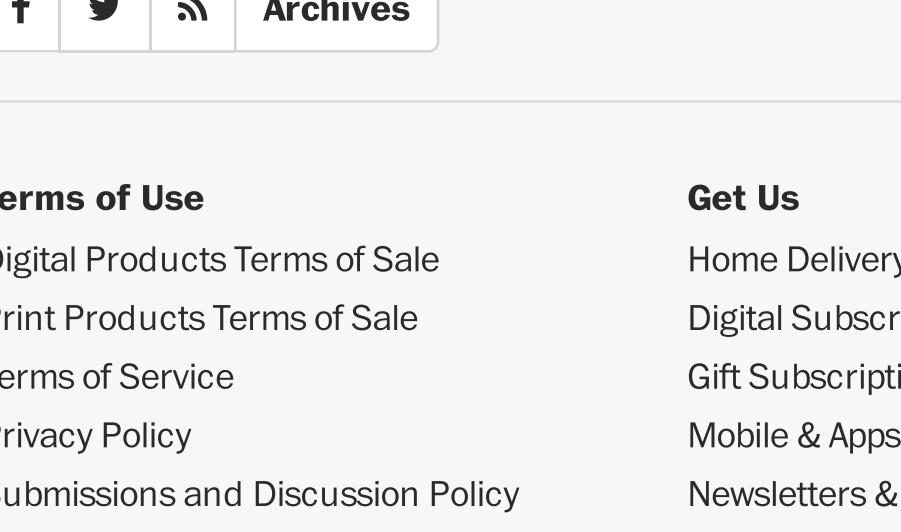
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Here are 20 of the week's best photos



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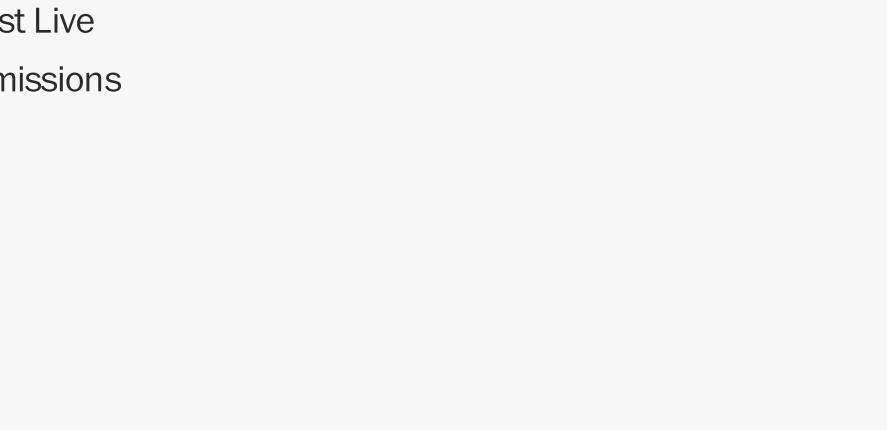
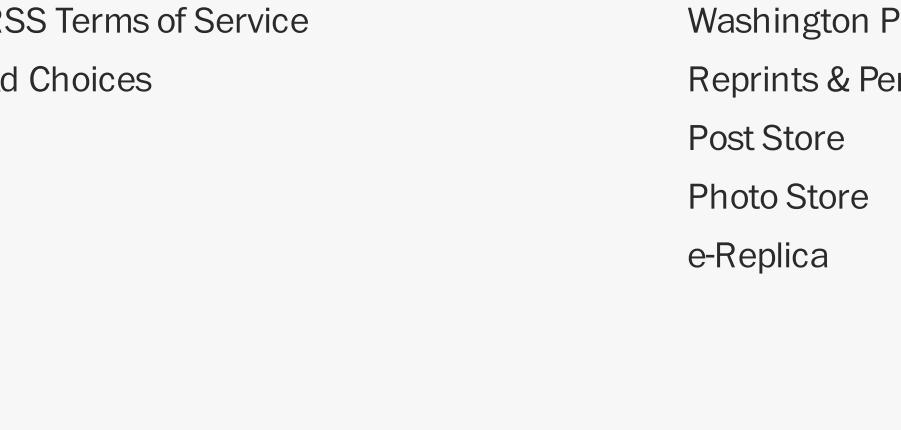


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