

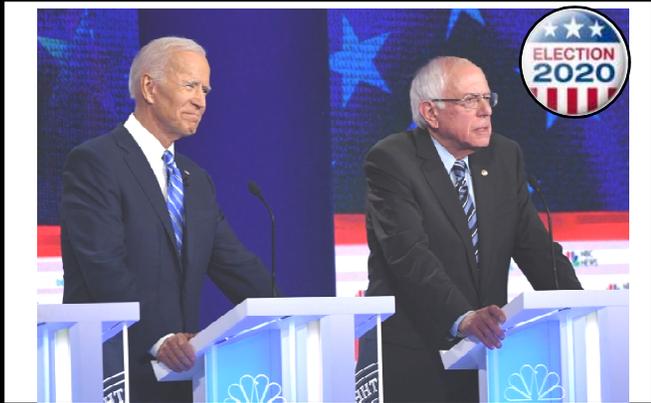
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## NEWS AROUND THE WHITE HOUSE



## DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES END CAMPAIGNS



Many Democratic candidates ended their campaigns last week. They realized that if they weren't winning yet, they didn't have a good chance to run for president as the Democratic candidate.

Tom Steyer, Pete Buttigieg, Amy Klobuchar, Mike Bloomberg, and Elizabeth Warren all dropped out of the race. Many of them told their voters to vote for Joe Biden.

Now there are just three candidates in the race:

Former Vice President **Joe Biden**

Vermont Senator **Bernie Sanders**

Representative **Tulsi Gabbard** from Hawaii

Gabbard isn't doing well in the race but she still wants to run and talk to voters, about her ideas for the country.



## WORLD NEWS



# FREE TRANSPORTATION IN LUXEMBOURG



Luxembourg is a country between Belgium, France, and Germany. It's one of the smallest countries in the world.

Even though it's a small country, Luxembourg has a big traffic problem. During rush hours, the roads are jammed. Some trips that should take 30 minutes can take an hour or longer.

Luxembourg has an exciting new law! The country has made all its trains and buses free. They did this in order to cut down on traffic and pollution.

The government hopes that by making transportation free, more people will start taking buses, trains, and trams instead of driving. This would cut down on traffic and pollution. Luxembourg will have cleaner air.

What an interesting idea!



# Winter at Yellowstone National Park



Steve Fuller is in charge of taking care of ***Yellowstone National Park***. All winter, he stays there by himself, in a small cabin on a hill.

At night, his many books keep him company, as well as his cats. His kitchen is crammed with just enough food to make it through the winter. The closest town is at least two hours away.

Steve has been living there by himself for 47 years! Steve says he never gets lonely or bored. There is a lot to keep him busy.

Steve also enjoys taking beautiful pictures of the park in the winter. Soon summer will come once again, and Steve will be busy getting the park ready for the 3 million visitors who come each summer.

**Yellowstone** is mainly in the state of Wyoming. The park is also in the state of Montana and a small part of Idaho.



## NEWS TIDBITS

### KINDNESS AT ITS BEST IN OKLAHOMA



A woman in Oklahoma sent a public thank-you letter to state trooper Chris Hanover, after he was kind to her.

Andrea Derksen sent a letter to the department saying she was having a tough day when her tire popped on the way to work. She wrote, "An officer stopped to help, but ... my spare was not in much better condition than my blown tire. He took me to a local tire shop and not only helped me get my blown tire fixed, but he also bought two other tires that I desperately needed."

"Officer Chris Hanover, what you did for me was a big deal, and I can't thank you enough!" her message said. Many people shared their own stories of how officers helped them when they were in need.

Police officers help out in more ways than we know!



# DEADLY TORNADOES IN TENNESSEE



Tornadoes in Tennessee killed at least 24 people. Hundreds of people were left homeless. A total of six tornadoes caused 158 miles of destruction.

In the past few years, scientists have noticed more and more tornadoes in the Southeast of the U.S.

In these areas, tornadoes are harder to spot and often come at night, when people are less prepared.

The storm hit after midnight and moved so quickly that many people sleeping didn't have time to take shelter.

The storms blew down walls and roofs, snapped power lines, and broke huge trees. Police and fire crews spent hours pulling survivors from wrecked buildings.

Millions of dollars have been raised to help the people of Tennessee rebuild. Most of that money is from private citizens and major businesses.



## WINE FLOWS FROM THE SINK

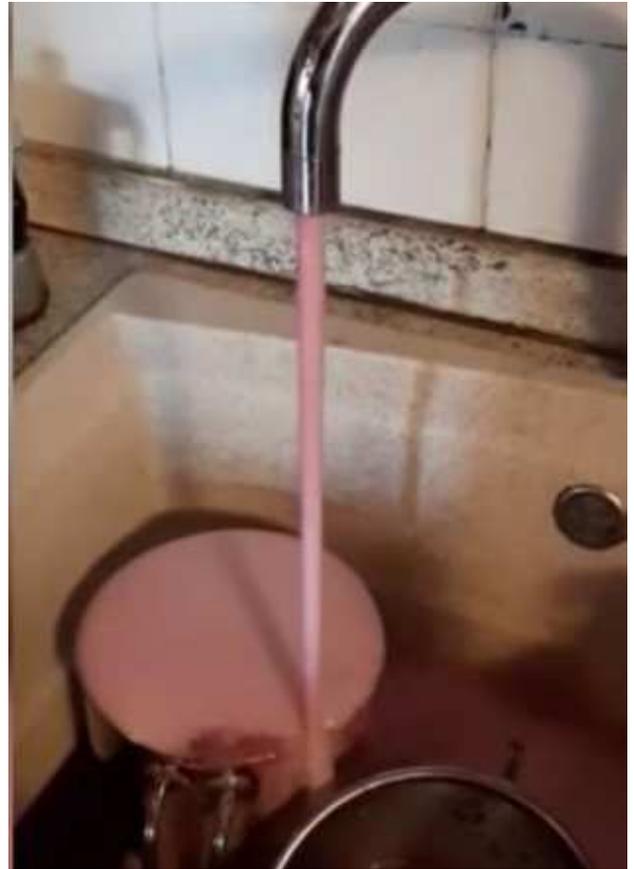
Who wouldn't love it if red wine started flowing from their kitchen sink?

For a few hours one day, residents of Castelvetro, a town in Italy, realized they could have their wine not just from bottles, but also from their faucets.

A leak in a local wine factory caused 1,000 liters of good wine to flow into the town's water pipes.

The mistake lasted about three hours and brought wine to 20 homes.

People were excited with the mistake. They filled bottles of wine in their own kitchens and bathtubs!





## AVOCADO ART



Daniele Barresi was born in Italy and has been carving ever since he was just seven years old.

Daniele Barresi is a young food sculptor who specializes in turning avocados into real works of art that look too good to eat.

He uses many materials for his designs, but his avocados always get the most attention. Looking at the designs he can carve into an avocado, it's easy to see why so many people are excited by Barresi's avocado art.

Like apples, avocados turn brown pretty quickly. The food artist has to work fast to create his designs before the avocado turns brown.



# CORONAVIRUS HITS THE U.S.



You have surely heard all about Coronavirus. It is the sickness that is spreading around the world. Here are some ways to help you stay safe.

- Don't touch your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue. Then throw the tissue away.
- Clean areas or items which you touch often.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If you don't have soap and water use hand sanitizer.
- Always wash up before eating, after going to the bathroom, blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing.
- If you're sick with anything, don't come to school or work.



# NEW YORK STATE BANS PLASTIC BAGS



On March 1, New York's new law against shopping bags started. Stores can't pack your shopping in plastic bags.

Before this law, people in New York used 23 billion single-use plastic bags each year. Many of the bags ended up in the garbage or in nature.

Animals could choke on or be poisoned by them. The bags landed in rivers and oceans. This is why New York made the new bag law.

With the new law, the government hopes that people will buy strong cloth bags which they'll re-use again and again. Besides that, the stores will be able to use paper bags. There will be a five cent charge for each paper bag.

New York is not the first state to make this law. California and Oregon already have such laws.



Spring is the season between winter and summer. It's the time of year when life begins again in nature. Spring begins on Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.

In the Northern Hemisphere, spring begins on the day the center of the sun is directly over the equator. In the Southern Hemisphere, spring begins in September and ends in December.



The first day of summer, which is the longest day of the year, is on June 20<sup>th</sup>. After that, the days start getting shorter.



*On March 16, 1802*, Congress established the United States Military Academy at ***West Point***. It is located on the west bank of New York's Hudson River, 50 miles from Manhattan.

What do you think military training is like at West Point? YES, SIR! That's what West Point teaches its officers-in-training called ***cadets***.

Life at the United States Military Academy with four thousand students is busy. Classes and study, military duties and exercises, fill many hours of the day.

Cadet barracks are modern and comfortable. There are two or three cadets in each room, with space for desks, closets, and beds. You learn how to properly wear the cadet uniforms. You practice drill and learn how to prepare for inspections.

***Have you ever visited West Point?***



Why would someone want to join the U.S. Military?

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