

BERTHOLLET'S PRESS REVIEW

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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY :

SpaceX launched its giant new rocket but explosions end the second test flight
November 18th, The Washington Post



SpaceX's recent Starship test flight captured attention as the colossal rocket, designed for lunar and Martian exploration, faced a dramatic explosion over the Gulf of Mexico. Despite the setback, the eight-minute demo provided valuable data for SpaceX's future endeavors, prompting continued interest in the ambitious space exploration project.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/2023/11/18/spacex-starship-test-flight-launch/067315ca-8608-11ee-924c-6e6807155e36_story.html

SPORT :

How LeBron James keeps raising the bar in his 21st season: 'It's me vs. Father Time'
The Athletic, Nov 21st



LeBron James, in his 21st NBA season, defies time with unprecedented efficiency. Despite a calf injury, he surpasses previous performances, adapting to an off-ball role beneficial to the Lakers. Crucial despite diminished expectations, he propels the team to success, pushing boundaries at 39.

https://theathletic.com/5079133/2023/11/21/lebron-james-age-seasons-lakers-career/?source=nyt_sports

POLITICS:

'Our lives have become a piece of hell'

BBC News, Nov 18th



In Sudan, a civil war has been ravaging the country for seven months. It is a war between the Russian-backed RSF and the US-backed state of Sudan. At the moment, Khartoum is under fire, with many deaths and deportations. Unfortunately, this conflict is likely to last as no common ground has been found.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-africa-67438018>

POLITICS:

What Geert Wilders' victory means for Dutch society

BBC News, Nov 25th



In the Netherlands, the victory of Geert Wilders' PVV is not unanimous. His far-right political stance frightens many people, particularly in Muslim communities, which he clearly wants to eradicate in the long term.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-67526768>

POLITICS:

The outsider Javier Milei won the elections in Argentina

CNN, Nov 20th



On 19th November, the Tv former pundit was elected in Argentina. A country who has known a big inflation. During his campaign he promised to close ministries of culture, education and diversity by eliminating public subsidies (for example by privatizing health sector). Milei is an opponent to the right of abortion and he said climate change is a lie of socialism. During his campaign he said he was in favor of opening a market of organ transplant but he retracted his declaration. He is often compared to Trump and Milei take Trump's slogan. To fight against inflation, Milei will dollarize the economy.

<https://edition.cnn.com/2023/11/19/world/argentina-vote-milei-massa-nov-19/index.html>

TECHNOLOGY :

Sam Altman 'was working on new venture' before sacking from OpenAI

The Guardian, Nov 19th



On November 17, a letter from OpenAI announced the forced departure of Sam Altman, the company's former president and co-founder, due to his inability to manage the company (according to the Board of Directors). This has triggered a resignation movement at this new tech giant.

<https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2023/nov/18/earthquake-at-chatgpt-developer-as-senior-staff-quit-after-sacking-of-boss-sam-altman>

POLITICS :

Israel and Hamas agree to breakthrough deal on hostage release and four-day truce

CNN, Nov 22nd



As the war is still raging between Israel and the Hamas, the two belligerents have reached a deal Wednesday; a truce will start on Thursday at 10 a.m and end four days after. It could be even extended to ten days but it is really unlikely to happen.

During this time, Hamas will have to release 50 of the Israeli hostages by the intermediary of the Red Cross, as Israel will free some of the Palestinian women and children kept in jails. However, this wonderful news can't completely erase the anxiety of the hostages' families as they are not informed on who will be liberated.

<https://edition.cnn.com/2023/11/22/middleast/israel-approves-hamas-hostage-deal-intl/index.html>