



Monday, March 10, 2025

1. President Donald Trump declined to rule out a recession this year.

Why? The economy is stuttering from his efforts to impose tariffs. In an interview broadcast yesterday, Trump said it will take “a little time” for his policies to start paying off.

Behind the scenes: Vice President JD Vance is trying to shape his role in a chaotic White House. We ranked 10 Republicans who could succeed Trump.

2. Tensions over the U.S. DOGE Service have begun to spill into public view.

How? Elon Musk’s team has faced weeks of negative headlines and pressure from within the Trump administration. DOGE officials are hunting for “wins” to change the narrative.

But the controversy continues: DOGE’s \$1 spending card limit is upending work across the government. And a former Social Security official described a hostile DOGE takeover.

One more thing: Anger at Musk has turned to violence at Tesla lots.

3. Mark Carney will be Canada’s next prime minister.

What to know: Carney, 59, beat three rivals yesterday in the Liberal Party’s leadership contest. He will replace Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, who announced his resignation in January.

Who is Carney? He won acclaim for steering Canada and Britain through economic turmoil as a central banker. In a victory speech, he vowed to tackle the threats posed by Trump.

4. Congress is running out of time to avert a government shutdown.

The deadline: Lawmakers have until the end of Friday to extend federal spending laws and keep the government open. This weekend, Republicans unveiled a stopgap measure.

One potential impact: The Republican bill would lead to \$1 billion in cuts in Washington, city officials said. As D.C. faces political turmoil, people are experiencing late-night dread.

5. Israel threatened to cut electricity to Gaza.

Why? It’s an apparent effort to pressure Hamas after the first phase of a ceasefire deal expired March 1. But Israel has provided almost no electricity to Gaza since the war began.

In the U.S.: A Palestinian protest leader at Columbia University was arrested by ICE. And, in Scotland, a pro-Palestinian group vandalized a Trump golf property.

6. Much of the U.S. could soon have temperatures higher than 70 degrees.

What to know: Around 170 million people across more than 30 states can expect warm weather this week.

A weird weather phenomenon: There were some strange wavy clouds over Illinois last week. It was a rare display of “asperatus undulatus”.

7. A silver coffee pot made by Paul Revere could be yours for \$1.2 million.

An amazing piece of history: In 1775, Revere rode through the night to warn Massachusetts colonists the British were coming. Experts say he made this pot that same year.

Want it? The pot is being sold by a New Orleans dealer. The sale comes as the U.S. marks the 250th anniversary of Revere’s ride and the start of the Revolutionary War next month.



Vocabulary 10/03/25:

1. to decline - to refuse
anchor - a person guiding managing a radio or TV programme
to stutter - (here) to happen in a way that is not smooth or regular
2. DOGE - Department of Government Efficiency
1\$ spending card limit - DOGE imposed a 1\$ limit on the credit cards used by federal workers
for business related transactions
3. to acclaim - public approval and praise
snap election - an election that is announced suddenly and unexpectedly
4. to avert - to prevent
stopgap - something intended for temporary use
GOP - Grand Old Party (Republicans)
dread - a strong feeling of fear or worry
5. ICE - Immigration and Customs Enforcement administration
6. 70 degrees F - approx.. 21 degrees centigrade
asperatus undulatus - a wave-like formation of clouds

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