

Tuesday, June 16, 2025

1. The man suspected of shooting two Minnesota lawmakers was captured.

On Saturday: State Rep. Melissa Hortman (D) and her husband were killed and a second lawmaker and his wife were wounded, sparking a manhunt for the suspect — Vance Boelter.

Late last night: Boelter was arrested and charged with murder. Authorities said he posed as a police officer and had a list of dozens of names, including other Democratic lawmakers.

2. Iran and Israel are exchanging attacks for the fourth day.

The latest: Iran launched more missiles at Israel, and Israel expanded its targets beyond Iran's nuclear infrastructure. Israel's leader said the strikes could lead to regime change in Iran.

Zooming out: President Donald Trump, who will attend a G-7 meeting of world leaders in Canada today, once claimed he would bring peace to the Middle East. But Israel had other ideas.

3. The Trump administration is considering adding 36 countries to its travel ban.

Which ones? They include 25 African nations. This year, the U.S. may lose more immigrants than it gains for the first time in 50 years, and economists are alarmed.

What else to know: The White House wants you to laugh at its dark deportation memes.

4. Americans turned out en masse to protest Trump this weekend.

Where? More than 2,000 cities across the country. And, in a form of protest at Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles, an influencer sang the U.S. national anthem in Spanish.

In D.C.: The cleanup is underway after Trump's military parade. Trump wanted a grand spectacle, but, instead, he got a history lesson.

5. At least four people died in West Virginia flooding.

What happened? Heavy rain beginning Saturday caused flash flooding and destroyed homes, roads and bridges, officials said. Searches continued for missing people yesterday.

In other news: Alaska issued its first heat advisory, thanks to a Texas meteorologist.

6. Your flights will experience more turbulence as the world heats up.

Why? Hotter air moves faster, and typically higher, than cold air. That can cause what's known as "vertical wind shear," and planes experience this phenomenon as turbulence.

Which U.S. routes will be the bumpiest? The southwest could be at particular risk, a study found.

7. Some Meta AI users are unwittingly sharing their mortifying conversations.

Why? They don't seem to know that they're posting their talks with the AI chatbot to the app's public feed. Some are sharing intimate questions about relationships.

Be a better AI user: Watch for the option to share your chats on Meta AI — it's a little confusing.



Vocabulary 16/06/25:

1. Melissa and Mark Hortman, John and Yvette Hoffman, Vance Boelter, Tim Waltz

to apprehend - to catch and arrest someone

lawmaker - member of the Senate or the House of Representatives

2. bloodshed - killing and violence

4. "No Kings Nationwide Day of Defiance"

defiance - behaviour in which you refuse to obey someone or something

to overreach - to do more than your authority allows

5. 1 inch - 2.54 cm

6. shear - in earth science: movements in the plates in the surface of the earth

that causes them to change shape or break

here (vertical wind shear): different wind speeds in different altitudes

queasy - feeling that you want to vomit

7. to mortify - to make someone very embarrassed

Juicy - delicate (embarrassing)

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