



Monday, December 15, 2025

1. The death toll rose to 15 in an attack on a Hanukkah celebration in Australia.

Yesterday: Two gunmen opened fire near a beach in Sydney. Authorities called it an act of terrorism targeting the city's Jewish community and accused a father and son of the attack.

What we know: Videos verified by The Post show how the attack unfolded, including the moment a bystander tackled and disarmed one of the shooters.

2. Authorities are still searching for the Brown University shooter.

On Saturday afternoon: A gunman opened fire inside a building on the Providence, Rhode Island, campus. At least two students were killed and nine were injured.

The latest: Officials detained and then released one person of interest yesterday, saying evidence now "points in a different direction."

3. Director Rob Reiner and his wife, Michele Singer Reiner, were found dead, officials said.

The details: Paramedics responded to a call from their Los Angeles home yesterday. Authorities are investigating the deaths as homicides but have not identified a suspect.

Their legacy: Rob Reiner, 78, directed films, including "The Princess Bride" and "When Harry Met Sally..." and was an actor. Michele Singer Reiner, 68, was a photographer.

4. MAGA leaders are warning President Donald Trump his base is checking out.

Why? Some allies say he's focusing too much on foreign affairs, failing to address the high cost of living and aligning himself too closely with billionaires — and think that will hurt him.

One problem: Nearly 1 in 4 Americans say the U.S. health care system is in crisis, a new poll shows. Republicans are feeling the heat on expiring Obamacare subsidies.

Another ongoing issue: House Democrats released photos Friday from the late sex offender Jeffrey Epstein's estate, including some of Bill Clinton, Woody Allen, Trump and others.

5. Trump has big plans for his future library.

The vision: A potentially privately funded "iconic building" in Miami with a "fake news wing." Meanwhile, a group sued on Friday to stop construction of Trump's White House ballroom.

In other Trump news: Our reporters explained the MAGA-fication of rapper Nicki Minaj. And SNL had Trump blow up Santa's sleigh.

Over in Illinois: Governor JB Pritzker is gearing up for a presidential run.

6. Supersized data centers are set to transform America.

By 2030: Projections show data centers could account for more than 10 percent of U.S. power usage.

More tech news: Whistleblowers in the industry are facing million-dollar debts and job losses for speaking out. Plus: Trump's tech advisers avoided a MAGA rebellion over AI.

7. Be nice to any Kansas City Chiefs fans in your life today.

Why? The Chiefs were eliminated from NFL playoffs contention yesterday, after winning three of the last six Super Bowls. Plus, star quarterback Patrick Mahomes tore his ACL.

Feeling better this morning: The L.A. Rams and Denver Broncos both won at home yesterday, becoming the first teams to clinch postseason berths. Also, the Bills denied the Patriots.



Vocabulary 15/12/25

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| 1. | Anthony Albanese - | Australian Prime Minister |
| 2. | campus - | the buildings and premises of a college or university |
| | Brett P. Smiley - | Mayor of the City of Providence, Rhode Island |
| 3. | acclaimed - | attracting public praise |
| | Rob Reiner - | US American film director and actor |
| | homicide - | the crime of killing a person, murder |
| | legacy - | money or property that you receive from somebody after they die |
| 4. | the late - | someone who has died |
| | to tout - | to advertise or praise something |
| 6. | to sprout up - | to suddenly appear |
| 7. | ACL - | anterior cruciate ligament (Kreuzband) |
| | to clinch - | to finally get or win something |
| | berth - | (here) the right to take part in a competition |

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