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Governor Nikki Haley News:

Associated Press: The Shipping News: Officials getting update on \$4.5B port

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SC State Wire

Gov. Nikki Haley, state and local officials are getting an update on a \$4.5 billion container terminal the state is building on the Savannah River with the state of Georgia. Haley is being joined Monday by members of Jasper County Council, the state Ports Authority and the two-state board that's developing the Jasper Ocean Terminal. Consultants from a firm helping with the planning and from the Army Corps of Engineers are providing briefings. Officials have applied for the first federal permits for the terminal to be built on the South Carolina side of the river just downstream from Savannah. They say the terminal should come on line in about 15 years when capacity at the ports in Charleston and Savannah starts to run out.

Post and Courier: Grapevine: South Carolina governor to make port call in Jasper County

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20160502/PC05/160509938>

Gov. Nikki Haley will begin her work week with a trip to Ridgeland to get a first-hand look at progress on the Jasper Ocean Terminal. She is scheduled to meet Monday morning with legislators, members of the State Ports Authority and other public officials. Engineering firm Moffatt & Nichol and representatives from the Army Corps of Engineers will give a presentation on the current status of the project and participants will hold an open discussion following the presentation. The \$4.5 billion Jasper Ocean Terminal is a joint venture of the ports authorities in South Carolina and Georgia. It will be in southern Jasper County near the Tybee National Wildlife Refuge, on a 1,500-acre site on the South Carolina side of the Savannah River.

News & Observer: Prominent Republicans in Carolinas torn as Trump nomination becomes more likely

<http://www.newsobserver.com/news/politics-government/article75082352.html>

Tim Funk

As Donald Trump keeps winning primaries and delegates, prominent Republicans in the Carolinas who had put their hopes on one or more of his rivals are now torn. They would still prefer somebody else at the top of the ticket but see little chance that Trump can be denied the GOP presidential nomination. And while they shudder at the prospect of another Clinton presidency, they're afraid Trump would lose big to the Democratic nominee in November – and possibly take down GOP candidates for Senate and governor with him.

Note: In South Carolina, Gov. Nikki Haley endorsed Rubio before her state's primary, which Trump won easily. Then, in mid-March, she told reporters she was hoping Cruz would win the nomination. And if he doesn't?

"I've always said that I would support the Republican nominee," Haley said at that March news conference.

"Ask me when the time comes again. But, as of now, I strongly believe I'll support the Republican nominee."

Aiken Standard: Guest editorial: Haley makes persuasive case

<http://www.aikenstandard.com/article/20160502/AIK0201/160509993>

The Obama administration's protracted push to close the prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and move the terror suspects detained there to a U.S. population center has always been ludicrous at best, reckless at worst. Yet the president refuses to abandon that ill-advised quest, despite bipartisan congressional prohibitions on putting those prisoners anywhere in our nation. So it was worth the trip to Capitol Hill for Gov. Nikki Haley to testify before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency on Thursday. She delivered another forceful reminder that South Carolina firmly rejects the folly of placing terror

detainees at the Charleston Consolidated Naval Brig in Hanahan – a facility within a booming tri-county area that is now home to more than 720,000 people.

Post and Courier: Jail to jobs

<http://www.postandcourier.com/20160502/160509935/the-week-in-review>

Gov. Nikki Haley told prisoners that a better life beyond the barbed-wire fencing starts with a legal job, and it's her job to help them find one. Haley's comments came as she visited the S.C. Department of Employment and Workforce's "work ready initiative" at Manning Correctional Institution in Columbia. About 450 former inmates have completed the program since its launch in November 2014. According to the agency, 98 report they're currently employed. Exact numbers and where they work are unknown. But the agency plans to cross-match wage records to better track the program's results. The goal of the program is be the link between training for a job and getting one.

General Assembly News:

Post and Courier: Dimmed hopes

<http://www.postandcourier.com/20160502/160509935/the-week-in-review>

A state Senate bill that would have let Century Aluminum buy all of its electricity on the open market failed to get past a subcommittee hearing, dimming the possibility of a last-minute deal to save the company's Mount Holly smelter and its 300 jobs. "I never want to definitively say something is dead, because as long as we're in session there's always a possibility," said state Sen. Larry Grooms, R-Charleston, one of the bill's sponsors. "But I don't see a reasonable possibility at this point." Grooms said the legislative lifeline got a late start in the session, which ends June 2, and was gaining support but ran out of time.

SC Political News:

The State: Galivants Ferry stump continues Democrat tradition

<http://www.thestate.com/news/politics-government/politics-columns-blogs/the-buzz/article75027227.html#storylink=apmobile>

Audrey Hudson

In a political landscape dominated by social media, talk radio, and cable news stations blaring the latest exploits of presidential contenders, local Democrats will take solace in their regular pilgrimage to Galivants Ferry Monday to see local candidates campaign the old fashioned way – stump speeches. Tree stumps that were used as platforms when the tradition began in 1876 with former Confederate Gen. Wade Hampton's gubernatorial campaign have since been replaced with stages. Republicans are actually encouraged to attend nowadays in the hopes they will have a change of political heart; they're just not invited to speak.

SC Elections:

The State: More Lexington County candidates rely on campaign pros

<http://www.thestate.com/news/local/article75019457.html#storylink=apmobile>

Tim Flach

Steady population growth is giving campaign consultants increasing clout in Lexington County. The influx of new residents not familiar with local politics is leading more candidates to hire experts who can craft an appeal that pays off at the polls. "Mounting a campaign with your 'kitchen cabinet' is a thing of the past," Whetsell said of just using friends and informal advisers. Advisers handle tasks that free up significant time for a candidate that can be used to try to connect with voters, some contenders say. Simply put, you need help.

Greenville News: State Senate, House and County Council candidates to talk about issues at forum Monday night

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/politics/elections/2016/05/01/state-senate-house-and-county-council-candidates-talk-issues-forum-monday-night/83639672/>

Rudolph Bell

Greenville County voters get a chance to scrutinize some of their options for state Senate and House, as well as County Council, at a forum Monday night in downtown Greenville. Journalists from The Greenville News and executives from local chambers of commerce will pose questions to candidates for Senate Districts 6 and 7, House District 22 and County Council District 25. The Senate 6 contest will likely be decided in the June 14 Republican primary. Longtime incumbent Mike Fair has competition from within the party from Johnny Edwards, a former chair of the state highway commission, and William Timmons, a former prosecutor and small business owner.

Opinion/Editorial:

Greenville News: Editorial: Clemson needs to make progress on race

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/opinion/editorials/2016/05/01/editorial-clemson-needs-make-progress-race/83610390/>

Clemson University needs to take concrete steps to heal the racial divide on its campus. End of story. A little more than a week ago, after a student-led protest disbanded because the students said they were “unwilling to wait” for administrators to answer their complaints, university officials took a first step in that direction. But it was just that: a late, first step. There need to be many more. None of these are easy issues to address, and the discussion and actions that need to happen may at times be uncomfortable. But they are discussions that are long overdue on the Clemson campus and in many institutions throughout the great state of South Carolina.

The State: Hamm: Richland District 2 is a pipeline to success

<http://www.thestate.com/opinion/op-ed/article74704057.html#storylink=apmobile>

Guest Columnist: Debbie Hamm

Recently there have been suggestions that students in Richland School District 2 are discriminated against based on their race, particularly when it comes to school discipline. I take tremendous exception to that notion. The fact is that we are on the right path and ahead of the curve when it comes to rethinking discipline in our schools. Richland 2 is coming at this multi-faceted challenge from just as many angles. This is not simply about updating policies. We have sought and continue to seek out voices and ideas from the community. We have created programs and initiatives to support our students and their families on the journey to academic success.

South Carolina News:

Associated Press: AP Exclusive: Migrant children kept from enrolling in school

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=WKb9hnyG

Garance Burke and Adrian Sainz

In Alabama, California, Florida, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, Texas and South Carolina, social workers and attorneys told AP that migrant students have been barred from enrolling, kept out of class for months due or routed to reform schools and adult programs. The full extent of how the Central American minors are faring in schools is unknown because the government does not release data on counties where fewer than 50 minors have been placed, which means information was not provided for about 25,000 of the migrants.

The State: Richland 2 graduate awarded scholarship at White House Correspondents dinner

<http://www.thestate.com/news/local/education/article75030162.html>

Vera Bergengruen

A college sophomore and Ridge View High School alum from Columbia, South Carolina was among 18 budding journalists who were presented with scholarship awards by First Lady Michelle Obama at Saturday's White House Correspondents Association dinner in Washington, D.C. Jazmin Goodwin, a sophomore at Howard University in Washington, D.C., received the one-time award of \$7,000 to continue her studies toward a bachelor's in broadcast journalism. She is currently in the university's School of Communications Annenberg Honors Program and a member of Phi Beta Kappa honor society.

Associated Press: Largest number of Baltimore orioles spend winter in SC

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=LBUvkZQz

SC State Wire

For the second year in row, a national survey shows that South Carolina had the largest number of orioles spend their winter there. The Times and Democrat of Orangeburg reports (<http://bit.ly/1W0wIFr>) the second annual Baltimore Oriole Winter Survey showed 65 reports came in from South Carolina, tallying 463 orioles. Last year, 304 orioles were tallied. The survey was conducted Feb. 12-15. Orioles were recorded in 14 South Carolina counties.

Local News:

The Herald: Parole hearing Monday for York teen who police said wanted to join ISIS, plotted to kill soldiers

<http://www.heraldonline.com/news/local/crime/article75036272.html>

Andrew Dys

The teen from York who police and prosecutors said wanted to join ISIS and plotted to kill American soldiers has a second chance at release Monday when he appears before South Carolina's juvenile parole board. Police from York and York County, including York Police Chief Andy Robinson, are again expected to oppose release. Deputies and York police told the parole board in February that law enforcement agencies believe the teen is a threat to national security.

Associated Press: SLED investigating after suspect stunned by police dies

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=FdMyDoRa

SC State Wire

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division is investigating after a suspect, who police say was intoxicated, died at a hospital after being stunned by officers during his arrest. Deputy Coroner Don McCown tells local media that 26-year-old Benston Calvin Clinkscales died Sunday at AnMed Health after being arrested. When officers arrived, Clinkscales had fallen through a glass window and was bleeding from several cuts to his arm. McCown says Clinkscales was "extremely intoxicated," belligerent and scuffled with officers before they used a stun gun on him. Clinkscales went into cardiac arrest at 12:20 a.m. and died about 30 minutes later.

Independent Mail: State investigating death of man in Anderson Police custody

<http://www.independentmail.com/news/state-investigating-death-of-man-in-anderson-police-custody-31cbe416-5ee0-5824-e053-0100007ff462-377746431.html>

Mike Ellis

A man died at AnMed Health Medical Center Sunday morning after being taken there by Anderson Police Department officers who responded to a call about him acting strange, said deputy Anderson County Coroner Don McCown. McCown said Venston Clinkscales, 26, went into cardiac arrest around 12:20 a.m. and an emergency room physician was not able to revive him. Anderson Police Department spokesman Lt. David Creamer said that the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division was investigating the death.

Greenville News: Greenville in the limelight after Amy Schumer instagram controversy

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/2016/05/01/greenville-limelight-after-amy-schumer-instagram-controversy/83798022/>

Friday night, she stopped in Greenville to perform her standup comedy show at the Bon Secours Wellness Arena. Although now, she will remember Greenville for another reason than just another stop on her spring tour. Early Friday, she posted an Instagram photo of a Greenville fan smiling with a thumbs up with the caption "This guy in front of his family just ran up next to me scared the ---- out of me. Put a camera in my face. I asked him to stop and he said " no it's America and we paid for you" this was in front of his daughter. I was saying stop and no. Great message to your kid. Yes legally you are allowed to take a picture of me. But I was asking you to stop and saying no. I will not take picture with people anymore and it's because of this dude in Greenville."

WIS: Midlands residents walk to bring awareness to homelessness

<http://www.wistv.com/story/31859501/midlands-residents-walk-to-bring-awareness-to-homelessness>

Warren Stocker

Nearly 150 people walked the path of Columbia's homeless on Saturday. The annual "Taking a Step in the Right Direction" walk, now in its 4th year, raises awareness for homelessness. The proceeds help organizations like Transitions, which supports homeless men and women who are working to re-enter the community as contributing citizens.

The State: Columbia water customers could see 4.3% increase in water, sewer bills this summer

<http://www.thestate.com/news/local/article75053007.html#storylink=apmobile>

Clif Leblanc

Columbia's 142,000 water and sewer customers are likely to see a 4.3 percent increase in their rates starting this summer if City Council adopts the rate recommendations. Customers – more than 100,000 of them located outside of city limits and already paying higher rates because they don't pay Columbia taxes – would add between \$2.26 to \$12.77 to their monthly bills. The totals would depend on whether they are residential or commercial customers and where they are located.

Post and Courier: Boeing confident Dreamliner rate increase will hold, even in downturn

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20160501/PC05/160509990>

David Wren

With a record number of airplane orders in recent years, Boeing Co. is ramping up production of its wide-body 787 Dreamliners both at its North Charleston campus and in Everett, Wash. But what happens if the order bubble bursts? Turns out Boeing has already factored that possibility into its production rates. "One of the reasons we're confident with the production rate adjustments and ramp-ups that we've already announced is that we factored in ... historical trends," CEO Dennis Muilenburg told stock analysts during a conference call last week.

Sun News: 'Tears from Heaven' give way to sunshine as city unveils Holocaust monument

<http://www.myrtlebeachonline.com/news/local/article75057492.html>

Emily Weaver

A crowd of about 200 were kissed by an unexpected rainfall the mayor described as "tears from Heaven" Sunday during an afternoon unveiling ceremony for the city's newest Holocaust remembrance monument. A few in the crowd started to leave as the light drizzle morphed into a light rain. "Don't panic and leave. Think of this as tears from Heaven of those who lost their lives as we celebrate this opportunity to unveil this memorial," said Mayor John Rhodes. The brief shower gave way to sunlight before the ceremony's end.

The State: Latin American culture celebrated at S.C. State Museum's Cinco De Mayo event

<http://www.thestate.com/news/local/article75052652.html#storylink=apmobile>

Cassie Cope

Latin American culture was celebrated at Sunday's event, which had arts and crafts, dance, music and food. Miss Teen Columbia Latina was dressed Sunday in a traditional Mexican dress, called a China poblana, to celebrate Cinco de Mayo at the S.C. State Museum. Often, those children do not know where to fit in, Mota said. For example, some children have both Caucasian and Latin American backgrounds, she said. "A lot of times, when you're half and half, you don't feel whole," Mota said. Her organization allows those children to see that they are more than whole.

Island Packet: Monkeys escape Yemassee research facility

<http://www.islandpacket.com/news/local/article75042927.html>

Rebecca Lurye

Nineteen monkeys escaped from the Alpha Genesis research facility in Yemassee on Sunday before being lured back that evening. Though the monkeys broke out of a cage around 1:30 p.m., all had been captured or returned to the facility grounds and were accounted for by 7:30 p.m., said Yemassee Police Chief Gregory Alexander, who helped patrol and search for the primates while they were on the loose. While not all of the

monkeys were caged Sunday evening — some were spotted in trees — he said they would not be able to escape the facility's property again. "It's not the first time it's happened," Alexander said. "They come back because they knew where the food's at."

National News:

Associated Press: Obama out: President closes out his run as comedian-in-chief

<http://bigstory.ap.org/article/b314205f2c2445e6a8f986c9765599be/president-barack-obamas-last-chance-zing-washington>

Kevin Freking

Even though President Barack Obama and his wife can't wait to get out of the White House, being a lame duck can hurt a guy. Obama drew plenty of laughs with his barbed remarks to a ballroom filled with journalists, politicians, and movie and television stars. It was his eighth appearance at the event and his last as president. Turning serious, the president thanked the White House press corps and praised a free press. "I just have two more words to say: Obama out." With that, he held out the mic and dropped it. Obama took a few hits, too. Preceding his remarks was a tongue-in-cheek video tribute to his seven-plus years in office that contained highlights of his verbal gaffes — his reference to "57 states" and misspelling 'rspect" among them — as well as light-hearted moments.

New York Magazine: Indiana May Be the Definitive Victory for Trump

<http://nymag.com/daily/intelligencer/2016/05/indiana-may-be-the-definitive-victory-for-trump.html>

Chas Danner

A new NBC News/WSJ/Marist poll shows Donald Trump beating Ted Cruz by 15 points in Indiana, where the vote on Tuesday is seen by many as the actual last opportunity to halt Trump's first-ballot nomination in Cleveland. FiveThirtyEight's forecast now gives Trump a 69 percent probability of winning on Tuesday, and Politico is reporting that top staff inside Cruz's campaign are beginning to see Indiana's writing on the wall as well, though Indiana's GOP elite have seemed less savvy about the situation.

Note: There do still seem to be plenty of Republicans who want little to do with Trump, however, as the Times also reports that "a remarkable range of leading Republicans, including Gov. Nikki Haley of South Carolina and Senator Jeff Flake of Arizona, have been emphatic publicly or with their advisers and allies that they do not want to be considered as Mr. Trump's running mate."

Associated Press: A confident Trump seeks knockout of Cruz in Indian

<http://bigstory.ap.org/urn:publicid:ap.org:03d221c18ea645ac9ef39c7100d37091>

Thomas Beaumont and Jill Colvin

Back in the part of the country where he last lost to Ted Cruz, Republican presidential front-runner Donald Trump is confidently pushing for a win Tuesday in Indiana that he argues ought to knock the Texas senator out of the race. Buoyed by a sweep of last week's primary elections along the East Coast, the billionaire businessman appears to have learned a few lessons from his defeat last month to the Texas senator in nearby Wisconsin. There have been no slip-ups on talk radio in recent days, nor stumbles over issues that matter deeply to Republican voters. Trump arrived in Indianapolis to start campaigning the day after winning his home-state New York primary weeks ago and began spending money on television advertising far sooner than he did in Wisconsin.

Associated Press: Fears of Trump drive immigrants to become citizens

<http://bigstory.ap.org/urn:publicid:ap.org:19d494bcbe194771864bc3961bb1498c>

Sergio Bustos

On a recent Saturday morning in South Florida, 50-year-old Edgar Ospina stood in a long line of immigrants to take the first step to become an American. Ospina has spent almost half his life in the U.S. after emigrating from his native Colombia, becoming eligible for citizenship in 1990. But with Donald Trump becoming a more likely presidential nominee by the day, Ospina decided to wait no more, rushing the paperwork required to become a citizen. "Trump is dividing us as a country," said Ospina, owner of a small flooring and kitchen remodeling company. "He's so negative about immigrants. We've got to speak up." Nationwide, immigrants

like Ospina are among tens of thousands applying for naturalization in a year when immigration has taken center stage in the presidential campaign, especially in the race for the Republican nomination.

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