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Grand Canyon Uranium Mining Set to Go Ahead Despite Ban from Obama Read the Article at Talking Points Memo

The Life and Death of Words, People, and Even Nature

Eduardo Galeano, Op-Ed: Reality paints still-lifes. Disasters are called natural, as if nature were the executioner and not the victim. Meanwhile the climate goes haywire and we do, too. Today is World Environment Day. A good day to celebrate the new constitution of Ecuador, which in the year 2008, for the first time in the history of the world, recognized nature as a subject with rights. It seems strange, this notion that nature has rights as if it were a person. But in the United States it seems perfectly normal that big companies have human rights. They do, ever since a Supreme Court decision in 1886.

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Federal Water Tap, April 29 All Muddied

The justices on the United States Supreme Court pondered water law last week, as <u>Oklahoma</u> and a Texas water district presented arguments about water allocations under the Red River <u>Compact</u>. The justices asked many questions about the compact's language and the intent behind

an equal rights provision. They also dipped into matters of engineering, state borders, and accounting for water use.

At times the justices seemed puzzled by the whole affair. Responding to the representative of the U.S. solicitor general, who supports Texas's position, Justice Elena Kagan said, "You think of all the issues that you laid out that are going to have to be decided and the difficulty of those issues – I mean, you read this brief that you submitted, it gives you kind of a headache." The court is expected to issue a ruling in June. Background on the case is here.

EPA Keystone Comment

The Environmental Protection Agency judged that the State Department's draft environmental review of the Keystone XL pipeline had "<u>insufficient information</u>." The EPA criticized the review for not properly analyzing an route that parallels the existing Keystone pipeline through Nebraska and would reduce the risk to groundwater from a spill. The EPA also recommended that the State Department require a series of water-monitoring wells along the length of the route.

Toxic Sludge Is Held Behind Poorly Constructed Barriers

The contaminated residue from coal mining is not good for you, nor is the sludge good for rivers, critters, or communities when a containment dam breaks. And the risk of a break is a real concern, according to a summary of an engineering study obtained by the *Washington Post*. All seven of the sites that the Interior Department's mining office examined in West Virginia failed performance tests, according to the unreleased report.

Drought in the U.S.

Congress's research arm wrote a <u>report on the U.S. drought</u>. The report, which was made public by the Federation of American Scientists <u>Secrecy blog</u>, was written to keep representatives abreast of issues they might be voting on. Several drought bills have been introduced in Congress.

Drought Bills

Last Thursday the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources held a hearing on how drought affects the energy sector. Several witnesses urged the committee to continue supporting federal programs dealing with drought and water resources. The Western Governors Association wrote in support of the National Integrated Drought Information System, the authorization for which expired last year.

Newlands Project

The Bureau of Reclamation's oldest water project can <u>both meet water demand while reducing</u> <u>the risk of flooding</u> from an aging canal system, according to a report that studied seven options for meeting the twin goals. But the bureau warns that these options for the Newlands project involve tradeoffs that appeal to different stakeholders in the canal system shared between California and Nevada.

Gateway West Transmission Line

The Bureau of Land Management submitted its final environmental review of a proposed 1,000-mile high-voltage transmission line from Wyoming to Idaho. The public comment period for the <u>Gateway West project</u>, which will balance the western electrical grid and open new markets for wind energy, closes on June 28. Comments can be emailed to <u>Gateway West WYMail@blm.gov</u>.

Colorado River Forecast

It is a drop in a rather dusty bucket, but the U.S. Southwest will take any water it can get. The April to July forecast for runoff into Lake Powell rose by three percentage points in April, to 41

<u>percent of normal</u>. Under the basin's operating agreement, water releases from Lake Powell will not change.

Natural Catastrophe Insurance

A law passed last year to modify the National Flood Insurance Program requires a study of the current state of the market for natural catastrophe insurance. The Federal Insurance Office, which is leading the study, is soliciting information or research papers that would help it do a knock-out job. Submissions can be made via www.regulations.gov by June 24.

Houston's Most Polluted Neighborhood Draws the Line at Alberta Tar Sands

Kristin Moe, News Analysis: The Alberta tar sands and the Keystone XL pipeline have taken on a monumental significance for the North American environmental movement. It's not just another pipeline; former NASA climate scientist James Hansen famously referred to it as "the fuse to the biggest carbon bomb on the planet." In February, it was a rallying point for the largest demonstration on climate change in U.S. history. Over 60,000 people have already signed a pledge to engage in civil disobedience should the final leg of the pipeline be approved.

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The Times's John M. Broder takes a challenging hike with new Interior Secretary Sally Jewell as she tackles her new government role.

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Our thanks to Pfizer, Inc for helping make this program possible and the American Heart and American Lung Associations for joining us.

Thank you for your attention and response,. We look forward to seeing you at the May 18 A B C's of Diabetes.

Sincerely,

Mylan Hawkins, Nevada Diabetes Association, ndaca@diabetesnv.org, 800-379-3839

I am currently putting the May issue of Indian Voices together. Best regards, Rose Davis

"Under the Sky All Living Things Are One"

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<u>ChallengeHER: Creating Procurement Access and Opportunity for Women-Owned</u> Small Businesses

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How does technology impact international trade? How can it help your small business? This year's World Trade Day on May 16, 2013 lets businesses ask just that and to discover how recent innovations in technology can facilitate their operations and bolster their bottom line.> Read more

8 Things you Can Do to Be Taken Seriously as a Young Entrepreneur

Are you a teenager or in your early 20s with a great business idea? Perhaps you're already making headway towards starting your own business. But how do you get others to believe in you and your business idea? Here are eight ways to help you be taken seriously as a young entrepreneur. > Read more

The Importance of Business Planning

Are you still on the fence about the importance of a business plan? Wonder if it's worth it for your business, when so many variables can potentially change? Guest blogger Tim Berry offers insight about the value of a business plan to guide your business throughout its lifecycle.>

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What Kind of a Setup is This??

Edmonton's new Remand Centre only opened a few weeks ago. It houses about 1100 prisoners, many still awaiting trial. With Alberta having the highest Indigenous population in "Canada", Alberta's prisons also house a very high percentage of Indigenous people, our estimate as much as 80% of the total (and growing) prison population.

On Friday past, the AUPE Correctional Services Workers, aka prison guards, went on strike over health and safety issues at the new centre. Part of their concern, though not stated in any news reports we have yet seen, is that they must move among the prisoners unarmed. The prison, probably Canada's largest, is designed to reflect the new "open" concept where prisoners and guards mingle.

If the picture at the aupe web site is any indication, the majority of the guards are "white" males. Do you see any visibly Native person among them??

Now, with the prison under lock down and a skeleton staff including Saskatchewan Mounties RCMP (Royal Canadian Mounted Police) trying to maintain order, food is a significant problem. Prisoners not fed properly tend to riot. Do you see the setup taking shape here?

The Alberta gov claims the tab is costing them \$1.5million per day.

Keep in mind a few things about Alberta: the multi billion dollar economy generated by the oil sands. Alberta wants to let the world know they have us under control, both Indigenous and workers. Already not very popular with working class people, the Premier has so far refused to show her face during this crisis.

Deputy Premier Thomas "Little Prick" Lukaszuk is right in there provokingeveryone and doing everything wrong. Or is he?? Depends on whose agenda you look at. His high handed refusal to negotiate until the workers went back to work is typical. He basically calls the prison guards liars.

Tom is MLA for Edmonton-Castle Downs and Minister of Enterprise and Advanced Education. Among other distinctions, Tom is a Knight of Columbus. What may be more important is his role as Ministerial Liaison to the Canadian Forces. Does Tom have his hand on the phone ready to call the army in??

Needless to say, the media is doing its part to inflame a volatile situation. With over-worked social workers, sheriffs and others now joining the strike of justice and law enforcement workers, the newscasts all report this as an "illegal" strike. How unnerving to those tasked with law and order jobs.

Yesterday, the AB government was in court. "J.D. Rooke, the associate chief justice of the court, slapped a \$100,000 fine on the union, but said it would rise by an additional \$250,000 if the strike was not over by noon Tuesday. An additional \$500,000 would be added if the strike was not over by noon Wednesday, and would continue adding up at that rate every day until workers return to their jobs."

Will the strike be over by the end of the day, today, Tuesday? Or will itcontinue to ramp up the tensions until someone explodes, most likely the prisoners. That will be a good excuse to bring in the army so AB can show potential investors that they have us under control.

Stay tuned for more details. Kittoh

Some Links

http://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/alberta-court-finds-striking-guards-in-contempt-union-fined-100k-1.1259822

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http://alberta.ca/cabinet.cfm

http://www.aupe.ca/

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http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/story/2013/03/07/canada-aboriginalprison-population-report.html

http://www.edmontonsun.com/2013/03/09/gunter-aboriginal-populations-in-prisons-on-the-rise

http://www.vancouversun.com/life/Soaring+aboriginal+prison+population
+national+disgrace/8168948/story.html

Health, Crime, and Doing Time: Potential Impacts of the Safe Streets and Communities Act on the Health and Well-Being of Aboriginal People in B.C., a new report by provincial officer of health Dr. Perry Kendall, says the Tory administration's approach will exacerbate what is already a crisis.

In B.C., aboriginal women account for 26.4 per cent of the women in custody, according to Kendall. Native girls account for 56 per cent of juvenile females in custody.

Native youth make up only about eight per cent of the provincial juvenile cohort, he added, but 142 of the 325 juveniles in custody are aboriginal.

Read more:

http://www.vancouversun.com/life/Soaring+aboriginal+prison+population +national+disgrace/8168948/story.html#ixzz2RyXL45du

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We need the help of all Community Anchor Institutions (CAI) in Nevada to answer a short questionnaire regarding broadband adoption. Institutions include K-12 schools, universities, libraries, hospitals/emergency medical facilities, and public safety facilities, and the information you provide will allow us to add data to our map.

We made it easy for you too - just click here!

2013 Nevada Broadband Summit: Learning in the Digital Space - Monday, November 18, 2013 - Reno, NV - Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details!

If you have a broadband meeting or event that you would like us to present or help publicize, please contact Lindsey Niedzielski, <u>Iniedzielski@connectnv.org</u>.

Pro-gun billboard featuring Native Americans draws ire By Holly Yan and Carma Hassan, CNN, Tue April 30, 2013

Is this gun control billboard racist? STORY HIGHLIGHTS

• Some say the billboard makes light of the atrocities faced by Native Americans

- Local resident: Even though it happened in the past, "people are still living that"
- The group behind the billboard wants to stay anonymous
- Gun owners' representative: "Where can we send a check to support more?"

(CNN) -- A pro-gun billboard that features images of Native Americans is drawing both contempt and support in Colorado.

"Turn in your arms. The government will take care of you," the sign says.

While the sarcasm is evident, the group behind the message is not.



Lamar Advertising, the company that owns the billboard, told <u>CNN affiliate KUSA</u> that the group who paid for the message wants to remain anonymous.

Regardless, the billboard has outraged some residents in Greeley, about 50 miles north of Denver.

"I think it is insensitive, because even though it is what may have happened in the past, people are still living that. Relatives are still living that," Kerri Salazar, a Greeley resident and Native American, told KUSA.

"I personally do not own a gun. I don't feel the need to, but for those that do, that is their right," Salazar said.

"My hope would be is that they can just take the picture down, leave the saying. ... Believe me, I get it."

But Dudley Brown, executive director of Rocky Mountain Gun Owners, told CNN he supported the billboard.

"Where can we send a check to support more?" he asked.

Some say the billboard makes light of the cruelties the federal government inflicted on Native Americans.

Maureen Brucker told the <u>Greeley Tribune</u> the billboard reminded her of the horrors of the Wounded Knee Massacre on the Pine Ridge Reservation in 1890.

<u>According to a historical reports</u>, a few hundred Sioux left their reservation to visit a dying chief. The Sioux surrendered quietly to troops, who disarmed almost all of them.

But a scuffle broke out over one man's rifle. A shot rang out from the group of struggling men, and soldiers with machine guns fired into the Native Americans, who were armed only with clubs and knives. An estimated 150 to 200 Native Americans were killed, including dozens of women and children -- some miles away from the camp. A few dozen soldiers were reportedly killed.

Brucker told the Tribune she thinks those behind the billboard should talk about their views openly.

"I thought it was pretty cowardly that someone would put something like that up and spend the money for a billboard but didn't have the courage to put their name on it," she said.



Oh dear, the cut line

disappeared but I know you recognize the characters! sdc

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