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"When Christopher Columbus stumbled upon the New World in 1492, it vaulted Spain, already a significant power, to the upper tier of world powers. Then, much to Spain's delight, that discovery led to the further discovery of stupendous, almost incomprehensible amounts of silver and gold in its colonies, especially Mexico. But Spain squandered that treasure and fell from its perch as a world power in spite of, or perhaps because of, this staggering wealth:

"During the 1540s, rich veins of silver were discovered in the provinces of Zacatecas and Guanajuato, several hundred miles north of Mexico City From that point onward, the obsessive focus of the Spanish government was on getting silver out of American ground and into Spanish coffers, while losing as little as possible along the way. To that end, the Spanish regime devised an oppressively rigid system of trade, only to squander much of its windfall defending the Catholic Church during the religious wars over the next century and a half. Meanwhile, Spain's elites stubbornly adhered to the medieval notions that God was the source of all truth, that science was pernicious, that war was the only fitting ooccupation for a gentleman, and that productive labor was for rubes.

"Spain's ruling class was, by most measures, the most parasitic, intellectually bankrupt, and resolutely mediocre in Europe, helping to ensure that Spain fell further and further behind the rest of Europe in developing its productive capacities. During the seventeenth century, while England was laying the groundwork for the industrial revolution, Spain seemed to be moving backward. Although Spain jealously guarded its absolute monopoly on trade with its American colonies, it could not begin to supply the sorts or goods that colonists needed, wanted, or demanded. In exchange for American silver, the Spaniards were able to ship a handful of agricultural products -- wine and olive oil, raw wool -- along with some iron implements and crude textiles. The bulk of what they sent -- products that the colonists, a captive market, had to purchase at often scandalously inflated prices -- was in fact produced in the countries of northern Europe and reexported from Spain. By 1680, fully two-thirds of Spain's silver was being sent directly to foreigners to pay for these products, and foreigners exercised nearly complete, albeit indirect, control over Spain's colonial commerce.

"By the mid-1600s, Spain seemed to have entered into a mortal decrepitude. It had been defeated in war; lost portions of its vast empire to the English, French, and Dutch; had primitive agriculture and little industry, a shaky currency, and a demoralized population ravaged by wars and plagues. Nothing symbolized Spain's decline more poignantly than the king himself. Charles II, who inherited the throne in 1665, suffered from mental retardation and bone disease, and was so feeble that he had to be breast-fed for his first six years. In later life, he was subject to convulsive seizures that experts reckoned to be the result of demonic possession, the province not of doctors but of exorcists, wizards, and visionary nuns. His sad, elongated face; his jutting lower jaw (a common characteristic of the Spanish Habsburgs, of whom Charles was the last); his oversized tongue, which made it hard for him to speak and caused him to drool; his legendary lethargy and ignorance; and his inability to produce an heir all made him the perfect symbol of the decaying empire.

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Resisting GMOs and Preserving Indigenous Culture in Rural Mexico

Timothy A. Wise, YES! Magazine

Wise writes: "In Cuetzalán, a collection of remote villages in the northeastern corner of the Mexican state of Puebla, I visited a remarkable union of cooperatives that is achieving food sovereignty through agroecology." <u>READ MORE</u>

Long Island University (LIU) has been approved to open the first Veterinary

College of Medicine in the New York Metropolitan area, and we are accepting applications for students to begin the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) program, Fall 2020. Earning designation as one of 32 veterinarian schools in the country is a tremendous accomplishment that aligns to LIU's focus on high quality academics and cutting-edge research. There are only four Veterinarian Schools in the Northeast-Cornell, University of Pennsylvania, Tufts, and now Long Island University.

Dr. Carmen Fuentealba, a world-renowned leader in the field, is the Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine. Dean Fuentealba has recruited an exceptional faculty who will deliver rigorous academic and research training.

The opening of the Veterinarian school further elevates LIU as a nationally recognized teaching and research institution. At full enrollment, LIU College of Veterinary Medicine will serve 400 students, with 100 in each graduating class. Students will be offered the following opportunities in veterinary medicine:

- Instruction and mentorship via dedicated and world-class veterinary medicine research faculty to ensure students fulfill and achieve required professional competencies.
- Distributed clinical education via partnerships with more than 50 affiliates, including primary care and specialty clinics, zoos, research laboratories, and shelters.
- A four-year experiential learning program grounded in surgery, diagnostic support, intensive care, public health, research and business management.

With our extensive network of research and clinical partners as well as our outstanding faculty, we are well-positioned to educate the next generation of global, practice-ready and entrepreneurial veterinarians. LIU College of Veterinary Medicine will further enhance Long Island's life-sciences research corridor and provide students and faculty the opportunity to lead and advance the important field of veterinary medicine.

LIU's century of service to Brooklyn and Long Island communities demonstrate that we are committed to providing students with a unique experience grounded in academic excellence, service to community and post-graduation success. For more information, please visit <u>www.liu.edu/vetmed</u>.

Sincerely, Kimberly R. Cline, President, Long Island University

ExxonMobil goes on trial over accusations it misled investors about climate change

costsBy Dino GrandoniTHE LIGHTBULBExxonMobil is facing one of its biggest legal threats ever as the state of New York takes the oil
and gas giant to court over accusations it misled investors about the costs of dealing with
climate change.

The case, which is set to start Tuesday in state court in Manhattan, is the culmination of years of investigation by the New York attorney general's office, which alleges the company's public estimates of the costs to reduce global warming impact were drastically inflated compared to those used in private discussions among executives.

Should it lose, Exxon faces potentially millions of dollars in penalties as well as a blow to its reputation as it tries to polish its image on climate change. A courtroom defeat may also open the door for more investigations and lawsuits against Exxon and other oil majors over public disclosures about climate change.

"It might encourage other states to pursue similar actions against Exxon," said Michael Burger, executive director of Columbia Law School's Sabin Center for Climate Change Law.

But a win by Exxon could stymie efforts by state and local governments to hold oil companies accountable for the damage the use of their products brings to Earth's climate system.

New York's lawsuit against Exxon doesn't deal directly with the rise of Earth's temperature, or Exxon's contributions to it. It's ultimately a case about accounting.

Letitia James, New York's attorney general, alleges that Exxon keeps two sets of numbers — one presented to investors and another used internally by planners — for calculating how greenhouse gas regulations around the world could cut into the company's bottom line.

When talking to investors, the company estimated that the regulatory cost per ton of carbon would rise to \$80 per ton of carbon by 2040 in certain developed countries, according to New York's complaint <u>filed</u> in October. But inside the company, when planners were deciding where to invest, they pegged that cost at just \$40 per ton.

Using a lower internal cost estimate when making investment decisions made certain extracting and refining projects look more financially attractive than the public-facing numbers would suggest. In the case of 14 oil sands projects in the Canadian province of Alberta, the attorney general's office says Exxon underestimated the regulatory cost by more than \$25 billion.

Exxon is not disputing the fact that it used dual accounting When we heal ourselves, we heal the next generation that follows. Pain is passed through the family line until someone is ready to feel it, heal it, and let go.



methods, but argues that it was not duping investors by doing so. Company spokesman Scott J. Silvestri dismissed the allegations as "false" and called the investigation "politically motivated."

"We are confident in the facts and look forward to seeing our company exonerated in court," Silvestri said in a statement. "The New York Attorney General's case is misleading and deliberately misrepresents a process we use to ensure company investments take into account the impact of current and potential climate-related regulations."

New York is invoking a particularly powerful anti-fraud statute called the Martin Act. The 98year-old state law has a lower standard of proof than most other securities law, including federal law. Under it, New York prosecutors do not need to show that a company intended to deceive investors — only that it misled them about something material to their interests.

"Some people think it's very heavy-handed," Pat Parenteau, an environmental law professor at Vermont Law School, said of the Martin Act. "And maybe it is. But the state is really good at enforcing it."

The Martin Act is so strong that companies often choose to settle with New York rather than go to trial. That is what Peabody Energy <u>did</u> in 2015 after a years-long probe into its disclosures about climate change, though the coal giant ultimately did not have to pay any fines.

Since 2007, Exxon has acknowledged the role people play in accelerating global warming. But that has not always been the case. For decades company executives publicly denied the role their products played in accelerating climate change even as its own scientists in the 1980s did cutting-edge climate research.

The suit alleges that higher-ups within the company, including former chief executive Rex Tillerson, knew about the alleged fraud. Tillerson left his post at Exxon in 2017 to become President Trump's secretary of state.

The Exxon case will be decided not by a jury but by New York Supreme Court Judge Barry Ostrager, who according to Parenteau as a reputation of being "a real taskmaster."

New York's lawsuit against Exxon is hardly the only climate-related court cases with which the oil company is contending. Exxon and several other oil firms are facing a slew of state-level lawsuits from Democrat-led state, county and city governments, which claim the petroleum industry has created a "public nuisance" by peddling products that have led to rising seas, drier weather and other effects that are hurting residents from Rhode Island to California.

The oil companies are asking judges to put those public nuisance cases in federal courts, where past efforts to hold oil firms accountable for the effects of climate change have been dismissed. So far different federal district courts have ruled in different ways, at times dismissing the cases and other times letting them proceed in state court.

In a series of three emergency requests this month, lawyers for Exxon, BP and Suncor Energy

have asked the Supreme Court to stall those cases making their way through state courts.



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Since every day is Indigenous Day, here's some more "catch up" articles. sdc



Toni Burton

The City of Fallon, NV has joined the list of 100's of US cities to honor Indigenous Peoples Day. Thank you so much to Mayor Ken Tedford & his staff for making this day happen! It's a good day to be Indigenous

Goodbye, Columbus

https://www.dailykos.com/story/2019/10/14/1892382/-Goodbye-Columbus



Travis Blue

To finish off this day celebrating indigenous people, the first people of this continent, I share this photo from circa 1918. It was taken centuries after that lost Italian washed up on our shores to wage war through guns, disease and even religion. I love the thought that these precious souls, now on the other side of the veil, may have walked up to old Chris and said, "You tried to destroy us, but you failed!"

Ye Iswa...The River People



~We are still here.

Occupy Alcatraz: Native American Activism in the Modern Era

Fifty years ago, Native American activists occupied Alcatraz Island, an act of defiance against a government that had trampled their rights. To honor their ancestors and the anniversary, Indigenous people from the United States and Canada recently gathered in San Francisco to paddle around the island for a symbolic canoe journey. <u>Read more from the New York Times.</u>

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National Opportunities

Support for Innovative Human Services Organizations

The MENTOR Network Charitable Foundation seeks to enhance the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, or brain and spinal cord injuries; youth facing emotional, behavioral, and medically complex challenges; and elders in need of support.

Children's Oral Health Initiatives Funded

The AAPD (American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry) Foundation is committed to supporting community-based initiatives throughout the United States that provide Dental Homes to children whose families cannot afford dental care.

Grants Promote Human Progress and Independent Media

The Glaser Progress Foundation aims to build a more just, sustainable, and humane world by supporting nonprofit organizations with a national focus and a strong history of success and recognized leadership within its field.

Scholarships for Youth Addressing Hunger Issues

The Stephen J. Brady Stop Hunger Scholarships, funded by the Sodexo Stop Hunger Foundation, recognize student innovation and youth-led solutions to fight hunger across the country.

Regional Opportunities

Minnesota Nonprofits Eligible for Technology Support

The Shavlik Family Foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations in Minnesota with the goal of enhancing their ability to leverage technology to help fulfill their missions.

Funds for Programs Serving Alabama's Youth

The mission of the Malone Family Foundation is to promote positive changes in the lives of people, who in turn can build and enhance the communities in which they live.

Grants Foster Anti-Racism Throughout New England

The Haymarket People's Fund is committed to strengthening the movement for social justice throughout the six states of New England.

Support for Legal Aid Organizations in Montana

The Montana Justice Foundation is dedicated to achieving equal access to justice for all Montanans.

Federal Opportunities

Program Funds Small or Rural Libraries

The Accelerating Promising Practices for Small Libraries program supports projects that strengthen the ability of small or rural libraries and archives to serve their communities.

Historic Properties and Collections Preserved

The Save America's Treasures program helps preserve nationally significant historic properties and collections that convey the nation's rich heritage to future generations of Americans.

Brazilians Clean up Oil by Hand Amid 'Disgust' Over Bolsonaro's Inaction https://www.ecowatch.com/brazil-oil-spill-2641078682.html



Justin J. McAffee is with Christian F Gerlach.October 22 at 5:25 PMMy buddy took me out to Hot Creek, Nevada. We've been checking out various spots where theBLM is looking to sell off an area of Nevada the size of Delaware to ...See More

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Environmental Groups Sue Over Trump Rollback of Waters Rule

By Bloomberg Environment, 10/23/19

Environmentalists have taken their first legal shot at the Trump administration's repeal of a landmark Obama-era water regulation. The National Wildlife Federation, Natural Resources Defense Council, and nine other groups sued Oct. 23 in the U.S. District Court for the District of South Carolina, accusing the federal government of breaking the law in its rollback of the 2015 Clean Water Rule.

Text Messages Sent by Roaming Eagles Bankrupt Scientific Study



This Native American Has The Oldest DNA Found In North America allthatsinteresting.comIBy Marco Margaritoff



Native American woman is Arizona's 2020 Teacher of the Yearkvoa.comA woman who teaches third-graders from the Salt River Pima-Maricopa...kvoa.com



Native American woman seeks GOP nomination for New Mexico House seat krqe.com

Federal Judge Allows North Dakota Republicans to Block Native Americans From Voting



Mike Williams recaptured the attention of BRANDY YANCHYK an award winning independent documentary filmmaker and journalist from Canada. She is working with PBS on a piece that will be shown internationally. And if you haven't seen Travel Nevada magazine Fall issue **Mike is dubbed as our "Living Legend."** Proud of you Mike for representing our Paiute culture in a good way. (Donna Cossette)

Exciting News!!!!

Join us for the Unveiling of the Specialty License Plate Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of Women's Suffrage in the United States

Saturday, November 2, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at the Nevada State Library Atrium Lobby

Please see the attached invitation for more information or visit www.nv19thamendmentcentennial.com

Following the unveiling from 1-5 p.m., the Nevada State Library, Archives & Public Records will be hosting <u>"Preserving Nevada's Environment" Summit</u> 2019.

<u>New Music and Dance</u> <u>Fusions Kick Off Native</u> <u>American Heritage Month</u>

Funeral Services for John Snooks April 4, 1947 - October 25, 2019

John will be brought to the Snooks home Wednesday, October 30 at 5 pm to midnight for visitation and gathering of friends and family. Funeral will be held at the Dresslerville Gym on Thursday at 11am, he will be buried in the Happy Hunting Grounds. Dinner to follow at the Gym. Food donations are greatly appreciated.