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Quick Quotes

Salon Owner Refuses to Apologize for Opening Her Business

"I have to disagree with you, sir, when you say that I'm selfish because feeding my kids is not selfish. I have hair stylists that are going hungry because they'd rather feed their kids. So, sir, if you think the law is more important than kids getting fed, then please go ahead with your decision. But I'm not going to shut the salon."

A judge told **Shelley Luther** she could avoid jail time if she admitted she was wrong and agreed to close her A La Mode beauty parlor until state officials said it was allowed to open. Sentenced to seven days in jail, she was freed after one day amid strong public outcry.

President's New Press Secretary Described as "Pugnacious"

"Leave it to the media to irresponsibly take President Trump out of context and run with negative headlines. Millions of Americans tune in each day to hear directly from President Trump and appreciate his leadership, unprecedented coronavirus response, and confident outlook for America's future."

It didn't take long for the New York Times to employ a less-than-laudatory adjective — pugnacious — to describe the president's new press secretary, **Kayleigh McEnany**. Her unwillingness to tolerate unflattering descriptions of her boss's efforts has certainly pleased Donald Trump.

New York Governor Praises President for Defunding WHO

"Whose job is it to warn us about these global pandemics? The President says it's the World Health Organization and that why he's taken action against them. It's not my field but he's right to ask the question because the WHO was too little, too late."

Angering some fellow Democrats because he supported President Trump's decision to cease funding WHO, New York Governor **Andrew Cuomo** agreed with the criticism of the UN agency.

Abortion a Defining Issue With a Growing Number of Young Voters

"I'm of the firm belief that you can't be pro-life and vote Democratic. I'm not pro-Trump. Yet I will vote Republican because I will not vote Democrat."

Interviews with college-age Republicans indicate that many aren't overwhelmingly conservative. But in a development that should please abortion opponents, they voice a hard anti-abortion stance. Recent Ohio State graduate **Autumn Crawford** is a typical example of those who consider opposition to abortion a key issue.

Special Election Sends Republican to Congress, a Rare Victory for the GOP in California

"It's clear that our message of lower taxes and ensuring that we don't take liberal Sacramento dysfunction to Washington prevailed. For too long, the people of our district have not had decent representation. It's time their voice is heard in Washington."



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Since 1998, there has been no recovery of a congressional seat from a Democrat in California. But on May 12, voters in one of the southern California districts switched from Democratic to Republican. Former military pilot and political newcomer **Mike Garcia** will have to run again in November against the Democrat he beat.

Wisconsin Ends Stay-at-home Mandate

"Isn't it the very definition of tyranny for one person to order people to be imprisoned for going to work, among other ordinarily lawful activities?"

During a hearing about the legality of the mandate, state Judge **Rebecca Bradley** quizzed the lawyer for the state's senior health official. Her clear thinking helped to sway colleagues on the bench, who voided the arbitrary rule and opened up local businesses.

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