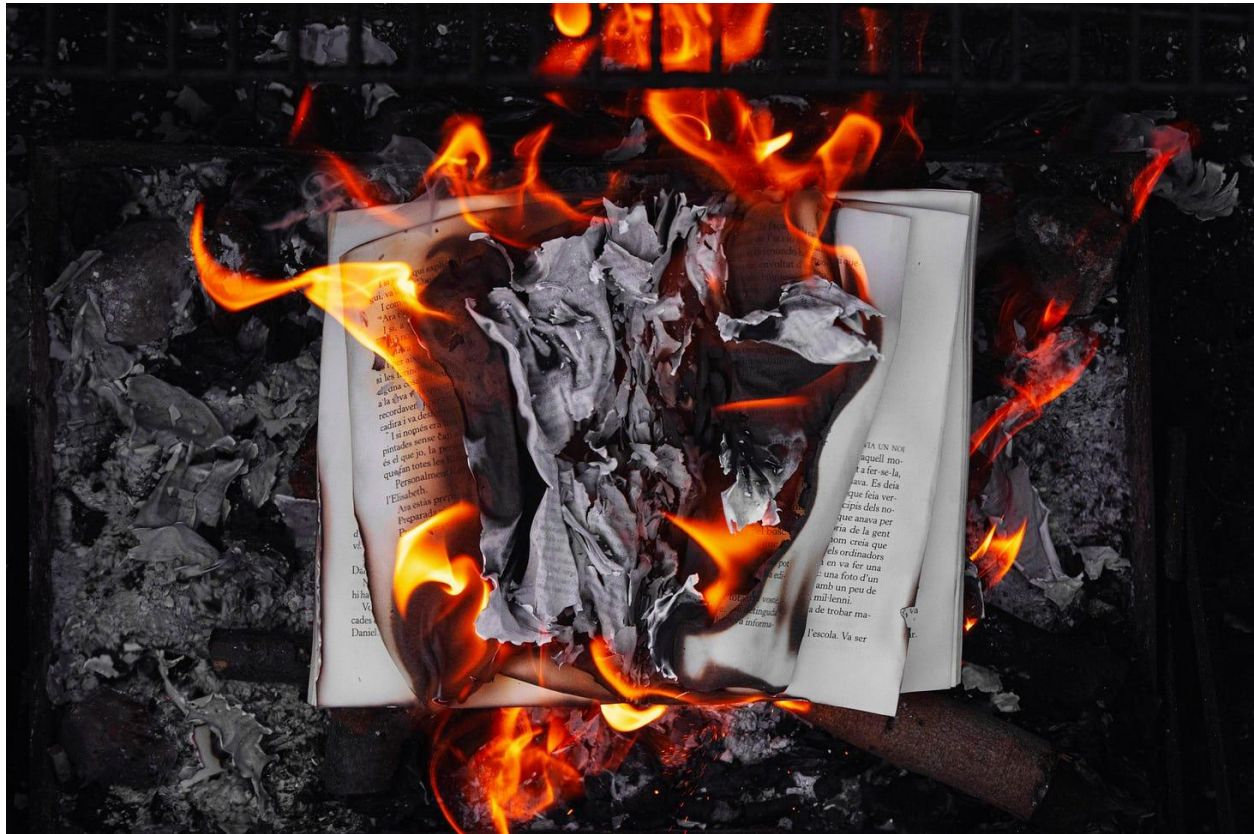


NEWS UPDATE – AUGUST 3, 2026

Leon E. Good

[AI Companies Are Buying Hoards Of Antique Books And Then Destroying Them After Extracting Their Contents](#) – The WInePress - July 31, 2026



Excerpt: We are officially in the modern era of book burning and destruction of knowledge, brought to you by artificial intelligence companies. According to reports, big-tech corporations have been on a book-buying spree, old and antique books especially, scanning their contents, and then disposing of them by putting them through giant paper shredders and into the garbage.

Previously, corporations such as Meta and Anthropic were guilty of [pirating massive troves of digital e-books](#) to train their AI models with. Authors of those books have sued the companies, and Anthropic was forced to pay-out \$1.5 billion in penalty fees, the [Associated Press](#) reported last week.

Anthropic's deputy general counsel, Aparna Sridhar, stated that the ruling represents a landmark, showing "that training AI on books is fair use under copyright law."

"We are pleased that more than 91% of authors and publishers covered by the settlement have claimed their share of the payment, and we're looking forward to bringing this matter to a close," Sridhar added in his written statement.

And as if this weren't bad enough, these companies are doing the same and more with physical books.

In 2025, [Ars Technica](#) reported that Anthropic destroyed millions of books in the process of training its LLM Claude. The tech outlet wrote at the time:

In the process, the company cut millions of print books from their bindings, scanned them into digital files, and threw away the originals solely for the purpose of training AI.

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[Fahrenheit 451 2026: AI Companies Are Secretly Shredding Burning Books](#) – News With Views - By Patti Johnson - August 3, 2026

AI companies are buying physical books by the thousands and even the millions. They cut the spines off, run the pages through high-speed scanners, and then shred or discard the paper originals. Books printed before 2022 are especially prized because they contain no AI written text: "AI Companies Are Buying Tons of Old Books Because They're Free of AI Slop"^[1]

The destruction is permanent. Once a scarce volume is gone, it cannot be replaced.

This practice troubles me deeply. I feel bad for the modern child staring at cell phones or laptops around the clock, watching short, empty video clips and talking to each other in acronyms. The younger generation does not know the thrill of going to the library and using the Dewey Decimal System to find a good book. They will never know what it feels like to get lost in a story on a rainy day. I've often said that the modern internet has been hard on the book industry, and I've wondered whether it already amounted to a quiet form of book burning.

If the internet went down, many people would be lost. My husband and I still buy both old and new books to expand our home library so we always have something worthwhile to read and share.



Most children today cannot sit still long enough to finish a book, yet they can sit for hours playing video games. Years ago, I researched how modern movies and television shows linger on one scene for only a few seconds, far less than in earlier times. I saw the same pattern in Sesame Street, where the

program jumped rapidly from one subject to another to hold children's attention. That same rapid-switching method later entered the classroom. When I served on the Colorado State Board of Education, I was asked to help select the Teacher of the Year. One classroom teacher received high praise from parents and students. When I observed her teaching, I was instantly overloaded. Pictures and objects covered every wall and hung from the ceiling. Animals sat in cages, fish swam in bowls, and plants lined the counters. Not a single space was left empty. The teacher never stayed on one subject for more than a minute or two. "Okay children stand up and let's sing this song." Then, "Okay children, let's pet and feed the animals." Then, "Okay children, sit down and draw me a picture." On and on it went. If a person did not have ADD when entering that room, they had it when they left! That teacher was extreme, but educators have reported increased difficulty in keeping children focused in the classroom. We now have several generations of young people who lack both the zeal and the attention span to read a good book. This outcome was planned long ago by certain technocrats. [I wrote about it here.](#)

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Trump EPA Says Power For Data Centers Can Sidestep Pollution Laws – The WinePress – July 28, 2026

Excerpt: Diesel generators are the main source of data center air pollution after on-site primary power generation, such as the dedicated gas generation.

As Americans continually push back against the data center rollout — whether it's because of water and noise pollution, higher utility bills, eminent domain, declining property values, etc. — the Trump administration still has not received the message: Americans don't want datacenters.

Despite various polls and reports that demonstrate that Americans across all political aisles are not fond of data centers, Trump earlier this month decided to post on Truth Social how great they are and how they are “cash cows,” and “are tremendous WINS for the States and Communities that are lucky enough to get them.”

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Sam Altman Says Elites Are Close To Creating A Genie That Can Grant Any Wish, Says We Have Reached AI Singularity - The Point Where It Becomes Irreversible And Uncontrollable – The WinePress – July 28, 2026



Excerpt: Earlier this January, [we covered how](#) xAI founder Elon Musk felt that this year was the year for the AI “Singularity,” and OpenAI co-founder Sam Altman a year prior said something similar.

So, what is the singularity? According to [IBM](#):

The technological singularity is a theoretical scenario where technological growth becomes uncontrollable and irreversible, culminating in profound and unpredictable changes to human civilization.

In theory, this phenomenon is driven by the emergence of [artificial intelligence](#) (AI) that surpasses human cognitive capabilities and can autonomously enhance itself. The term “singularity” in this context draws from mathematical concepts indicating a

point where existing models break down and continuity in understanding is lost. This describes an era where machines not only match but substantially exceed human intelligence, starting a cycle of self-perpetuating technological evolution.

The theory suggests that such advancements could evolve at a pace so rapid that humans would be unable to foresee, mitigate or halt the process. This rapid evolution could give rise to synthetic intelligences that are not only autonomous but also capable of innovations that are beyond human comprehension or control. The possibility that machines might create even more advanced versions of themselves could shift humanity into a new reality where humans are no longer the most capable entities. The implications of reaching this singularity point could be good for the human race or catastrophic. For now, the concept is relegated to science fiction, but nonetheless, it can be valuable to contemplate what such a future might look like, so that humanity might steer AI development in such a way as to promote its civilizational interests.

Well, this past week Altman revealed that he believes we have finally reached that moment: the Singularity has arrived.

In an interview with Ti Morse on the *Relentless* podcast, Altman contended that humanity has now entered the singularity.

“We are now in the singularity, this is the moment. For the last 10 years ago, this was like a kind of far-off dream at best. It seemed very improbable and now we're like actually in the moment that we used to talk about at the lunch table in a very not serious way.

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Depopulation: Deaths Now Outnumber Births In 17 US States, As IMF Touts Depopulation As Good Thing To Fight Climate Change –

The WinePress – July 28, 2026

Excerpt: As America’s population ages and birth rates remain historically low, natural population growth is becoming less common.

Migration is now the primary driver of population growth.

It is no secret that birth rates have been declining internationally around the world,



especially since 2020, and the United States is certainly no better.

But now the collapse is so bad that the number of deaths are more than births in 17 states.

[*Visual Capitalist*](#) recently reported:

According to the latest U.S. Census Bureau estimates, 17 states recorded more deaths than births between July 2024 and July 2025, up from only four states during much of the 2010s.

Using [U.S. Census Bureau](#) data, this map shows natural population change in every state. Because the measure excludes domestic and international migration, it highlights where population growth increasingly depends on people moving in.

Pennsylvania recorded the nation's largest natural decline (-10.7K), followed by West Virginia, Maine, and Michigan. Most states with natural decreases were concentrated in the Northeast and Appalachia, regions that include several states with some of the country's [oldest populations](#).

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[Sasha Latypova Was Right: The Fauci Show – Don't Take the Bait – Exposing The Darkness – July 29, 2026](#)

Excerpt: “All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players.” — William Shakespeare

I could not agree more with Sasha Latypova's latest post, [The Fauci Show: Don't Take the Bait](#).

What we are watching right now isn't justice or accountability. It's a clown show, a political circus that I have no interest in wasting my time on.

We're told this is the moment we've all been waiting for. Fauci will finally be grilled. The truth will come out. Justice will be served.

Really? How many times have we heard that before?

Sasha's message is simple: don't take the bait.

She argues that this isn't about holding Fauci accountable at all, it's political theatre. The public gets a hero, a villain and plenty of outrage, while nothing of substance changes.

As she writes:

“No matter how vile and despicable Fauci is – and he is truly vile and despicable – ‘prosecuting’ him for crimes that he didn’t commit is designed to fail. That’s exactly why Rand Paul is doing it... The goal of this cartel and Paul’s ‘investigation’ is to legitimize and forever enshrine the government’s self-assumed right to remove the civil rights and Constitutionally guaranteed protections under the doctrine of ‘pandemics’... They want to keep all the illegal-laws and pseudo-legal powers they have obtained through Operation Covid in place in order to commit the same crimes in perpetuity.”

In short, Sasha believes Fauci will walk free because:

- There was no lab leak and no gain-of-function virus.
- Fauci was not in charge of COVID policy decisions during Trump’s first administration.
- The Fauci investigation is designed to fail because it is based on a false premise.
- Fauci and Rand Paul are playing the roles of villain and hero in a political performance.
- The real objective is to preserve and legitimise the Pandemic Preparedness framework and the extraordinary powers assumed during Operation COVID.

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Trump Calls Operation Warp Speed A 'Spectacular Success' And Pretends He Was Against Fauci, Despite Him Giving Fauci A Commendation For His Work, Says He Respects Biden's Pardon –
The WinePress – July 29, 2026

Excerpts: “Operation Warp Speed” was a SPECTACULAR SUCCESS, in fact, many say, one of the most successful things ever done by an American President.”

Today, Dr. Anthony Fauci appeared before a Senate Committee hearing led by



Kentucky GOP Senator Rand Paul over the origins of Covid-19, something the two have repeatedly squared-off over before.

But before the proceedings began, Fauci announced that he would be pleading the Fifth Amendment and would not answer any questions.

...Per usual, it was a waste of time. Nothing ever happens at these things. It's good for television and viral clips, but no judgment or justice ever comes of these things.

Paul continues to beat the drum over the origins of Covid — another lie and distraction in and of itself — and has these pow-wows with Fauci.

It's all so nonsensical. I have already exposed Rand Paul for the fraud and hypocrite he is, as he too was a big promoter of the vaccines when they were being rolled out, how getting vaccinated was a great incentive to take off the masks, the only way “we are getting out of this [pandemic]” is to take the vaccine, elderly who have been vaccinated have a “twinkle in their eye” because they got their freedoms back and feel safe from the vaccine; and would then advocate for the creation of new vaccines later that year because of purported new variants rendering the first batches ineffective.

The man is a total sleaze. Why isn't he grilling Fauci, Birx, Trump, Pfizer, Moderna, J&J and more, etc. for the incalculable number of deaths and irreparable harm caused by the clot shots? *Exactly*. That's a no-go zone for these people, can't talk about that...

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Dead Internet: Over 40% Of LinkedIn Posts Are AI, As 'Agentic AI Activity Is Driving A Lot Of Browser Activity' – The WinePress - July 30, 2026

Excerpt: Rudy Yang, a financial tech analyst at Pitchbook, told Fortune: “Agentic AI activity is driving a lot of the browser activity you're seeing.”

The dead internet theory is no longer a theory, it is dead internet fact. [The WinePress has covered](#) in a number of reports that so much internet activity and content nowadays is driven by or is AI-generated.

A recent report found that LinkedIn is currently the platform saturated the most with AI content.

AI detection platform [Pangram reported](#) earlier this month that 40.5% of content on LinkedIn was AI, followed by Medium (a platform to write and share blogposts, similar to Substack) at 30%, X (formerly Twitter) at 24%, and Substack at 10%. A percentage of

other posts and content on these platforms have both AI and human-generated content as well.

Massachusetts On Verge Of Allowing Abortion Until Birth For Any Reason – Prophecy News Watch - By Dan Hart/Washington Stand July 31, 2026

Excerpt: A bill that would allow abortion for any reason up until the point of birth passed the Massachusetts House of Representatives last week and could become law by Friday if the state Senate passes the measure.

Advocates are decrying the proposed measure as inhuman and are urging the public in the Bay State to reach out to their representatives to vote the legislation down.

The bill (H.5595) passed out of the overwhelmingly Democratic state House on July 22 by a vote of 119-33, which would allow abortions to be carried out on babies at any gestational age after 24 weeks for any reason if approved by a doctor. The legislation would further loosen current state laws on abortion, which allow abortions to be committed on babies at or after 24 weeks to protect the life, physical, or mental health of the mother, or if there is a fatal or severe fetal condition.

Massachusetts Democrats justified the measure by claiming that a number of pregnant mothers have had to travel to states with no gestational limits to abort their late-term babies. "You should be able to get care that your doctors are recommending here in Massachusetts," state Rep. Christine Barber (D) argued.

The Diesel Crisis Nobody Is Talking About – Is Your Country Next? - Britt Gillette - Aug 01, 2026

Excerpts: What's Happening, Why It's Spreading, and Whether Your Country Is Next...

Diesel is the lifeblood of the global economy.

It powers the trucks that move our food, the ships that carry our goods, and the generators that keep our lights on.

Right now, we're seeing a collapse in global diesel supplies.

This isn't a theoretical crisis. *It's already hit.*

And with End Times Bible Prophecy subscribers in 128 countries, the key question is, “Which countries are next?”

Diesel is Driving a Global Fuel Crisis

According to analysts at Goldman Sachs, diesel is “at the epicenter” of a global fuel supply crunch, with July global diesel exports dropping by 35%.

This drop assures an incredibly tight market as the Northern Hemisphere moves into a seasonal October demand surge, which [the International Energy Agency anticipates](#) will spike global fuel demand “by more than 8 million barrels per day from the May low point, putting it above 2025 levels for the first time since February.”

...According to OilPrice.com, global refining output declined

6.5 million barrels per day in July 2026 compared to July 2025. For diesel specifically, that translates into 2.6 million barrels per day – *a drop in global diesel exports of approximately 35%.*

To put this in perspective, the world produced the equivalent of around 28 million barrels per day of diesel in 2025.

Losing 2.6 million barrels per day equates to 9.2% of the entire global diesel supply.

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The Impending Collapse of California's Transportation Fuel Infrastructure – News With Views - By Ronald Stein, and Mike Ariza - August 1, 2026

Excerpt: The 4th largest economy in the world is becoming a National Security Risk for America.

With the loss of transportation fuel supplies from Asian refineries resulting from the Iranian War and California's huge dependency, the 4th largest economy in the world is on the precipice of an unprecedented, self-inflicted logistical and national security catastrophe. Driven by adversarial state policies and aggressive litigation from activist groups, the state's domestic refining capacity has already been crippled, and has led to the most expensive transportation fuels in the nation for its California residents.

California is the 4th largest economy in the world and an "ENERGY ISLAND that is separated from the other 49 States by the Sierra Mountains. There are no pipelines over those prestigious mountains.

California demands 58 million gallons of transportation fuel DAILY:

- **11 million gallons/day for Jet fuel for the States' military and international airports.**
- **10 million gallons/day for Diesel for the States' trucking and construction industries.**
- **37 million gallons/day for Gasoline for the States' more than 36 million vehicles.**

If those transportation fuels are not made in California, they have to be made in refineries located in the Gulf or East Coast, or in foreign countries with gross polluting refineries and shipped across the Pacific Ocean via polluting tankers. However, the Ports of Los Angeles, Long Beach, and Oakland are NOT designed to import those humongous volumes of transportation fuels.

Without immediate federal intervention via the Defense Production Act, California, its neighboring states, and the U.S. military face the potential for a total supply chain collapse.

1. Policy-Driven Destruction: The Timeline of a Dying Industry

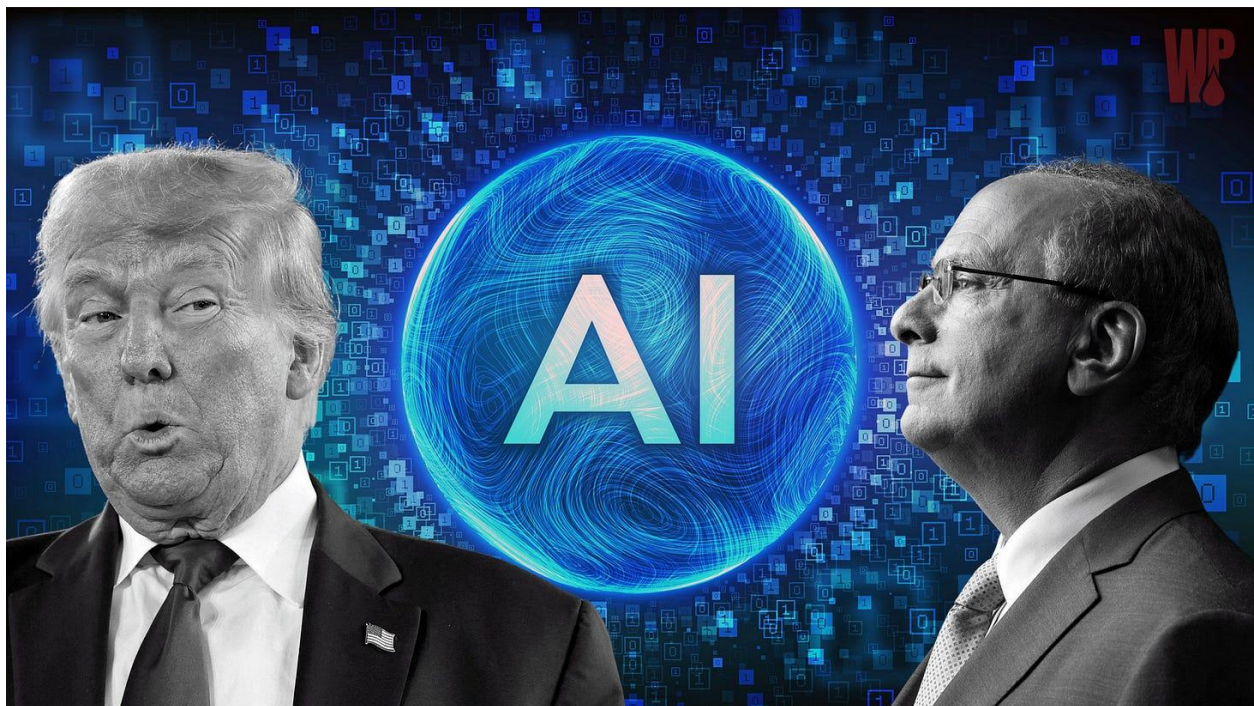
A series of aggressive, adversarial state legislative and regulatory actions have systematically dismantled California's refining sector, stripping away 35% of the

state's crude oil refining capacity and slashing gasoline and jet fuel production by 40% and 30% respectively:

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BlackRock's Larry Fink Says AI Data Centers Are Going To Be The Next Revolution In Finance,' As Trump Says 'You Can't Fight Against' Data Centers – The WinePress – Aug.1, 2026

Excerpt: "It's very important because you have to convince your community how great these things [are] — you can't fight it, you have to go with it," Trump said.



The American public-private technocracy is determined to finance and force AI into everything and upon everyone. BlackRock CEO Larry Fink has been a leading voice and major financier for this frontier.

In a recent interview with *CNBC*, Fink reiterated that the next financial revolution in the U.S. will circulate around financing AI data centers and other related data infrastructure.

“This is going to be the next revolution in finance.”

“As a big investor in data centers, the demand for compute is not slowing down. It’s growing faster. The problem we have as a country is we are not investing fast enough. [...] We’re not investing in grids fast enough.”

Russia Launches Massive Missile and Drone Attack on Kyiv After Ukraine Sinks Russian Container Ship and Hits Oil Refineries – Zelensky Demands US Patriot Missiles – Gateway Pundit - by Jordan Conradson - Aug. 1, 2026 7:40 pm



Russia launches overnight drone and missile attack in Kyiv (Screenshot via Fox)

Excerpt: Russia launched a massive missile and drone attack against Ukraine on Saturday, prompting renewed calls from Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky for American Patriot missile interceptors, which he says they’ve run out of.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky said the Russians launched 35 missiles and 185 attack drones mainly at Kyiv, but also at Dnipro, Sumy, and Kharkiv. “Only one ballistic missile was intercepted, simply because there are no interceptors for the Patriot systems,” [he said](#), demanding more Patriot missiles from the US. The shortage “only encourages Russia to launch such attacks that take human lives,” Zelensky said.

Footage from the attack in Kyiv shows massive explosions hammering the city.

‘We Are Spanish, We Are Locked in Our Homes’ — Ceuta 2026:
The Manufactured Invasion (Video) - RAIR Foundation USA. – Aug. 2,
2026



Excerpt: A Spanish government that deliberately dismantled its last border deterrent, knowing the predictable result, enabled a manufactured 60,000-strong Moroccan invasion of Ceuta that locked its own citizens in their homes amid looting and violence—the latest act in a 1,300-year pattern of conquest by settlement.

In the last week of July 2026, roughly 60,000 people crossed from Morocco into the Spanish city of Ceuta in under 48 hours. At least 67 died trying. A woman filmed inside her own home, unable to leave, gave the plainest account of what that actually looks like on the ground.

What she describes is not a humanitarian emergency that arrived by accident. It is the latest chapter of a pattern with a 1,300-year history, enabled by a government that had every reason to know what would happen.

“We Are Spanish. We Are Locked in Our Homes.”

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BREAKING: Canadian Liberal government FORBIDS military
chaplains from mentioning God at ceremonies – PM. - Canadian
News Jul 30, 2026

Excerpt: The [Canadian Armed Forces](#) has issued new guidance directing military chaplains to forbid religious-specific language, including that of Christians and including references to God, during public ceremonies and official events. This directive comes in spite of the Canadian national anthem's mention of the line asking God to keep Canada "glorious and free."

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[Ohio Democrats push resolution to lower voting age to 16 amid polls showing 62% of Gen Z favor socialism](#) – End Time Headlines – Aug. 2, 2026



Excerpt: According to a report from Ohio [News](#), Democratic state lawmakers in Ohio have introduced a resolution that would lower the voting age from 18 to 16, even as new surveys reveal that a majority of Generation Z respondents favor socialism and express deep distrust in American democracy.

State Reps. Chris Glassburn, D-North Olmsted, and Sean Brennan, D-Parma, unveiled House Joint Resolution 8 last week. The measure seeks to place a constitutional amendment on the ballot that would allow 16- and 17-year-olds to vote in state and local elections. The effort comes amid widespread concern over Ohio's educational

performance and research highlighting shifting [political](#) attitudes among young people.

The resolution is part of a broader national campaign by progressive groups aiming to expand youth voting rights. Similar statewide proposals have been filed in New York, Maine, Minnesota, Connecticut, and Kansas.

[We feared 5G for the wrong reasons, 6G could see through your walls](#) – TechNext - Mubarak Bankole – Aug. 1, 2026

Excerpt: ...Why 6G is fundamentally different

Current mobile networks, including 5G, are primarily built for one thing: moving data. Calls, messages, video streams, files, and information go from one place to another, and the network's job is to move it quickly and reliably. 6G researchers want to change that fundamental design.

The next generation of wireless technology is being built with integrated sensing capabilities. Using extremely high-frequency radio signals, a 6G network would not just carry information, it would actively sense the environment around it. And the environment it can read includes you, even if you are on the other side of a wall.

Here is how it works in simple terms. Radio waves travel through solid objects like walls and bounce back when they hit something, including a human body. By analysing how those waves return, a 6G system can determine that a person is present, where they are located, and how they are moving. The movements it can detect are not just large ones like walking. It can detect the subtle rise and fall of your chest as you breathe. In more advanced implementations, researchers believe it could detect the rhythmic movement associated with your heartbeat.

Also read: [How 5G connections in Sub-Saharan Africa are expected to grow 11x to 370 million by 2031](#)

This goes significantly beyond what current Wi-Fi sensing technology can do. Scientists have already demonstrated that Wi-Fi signals can detect movement and rough breathing patterns in controlled environments, but the results have been inconsistent, limited in range, and unable to work with multiple people at once. 6G is designed to be far more precise, work across longer distances, and handle many subjects or devices simultaneously.

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BILL GATES IS SPRAYING mRNA INTO YOUR FAMILY'S FOOD –

Exposing The Darkness – Aug. 2, 2026

Excerpt: Source: [Valerie Anne Smith](#)

The SAME mRNA playbook from the jabs — now being sprayed onto your food with ZERO labels, ZERO warnings, and ZERO consent.

He funneled \$50 MILLION into Terrana Biosciences for "biologically modified" soybeans, corn, tomatoes, and more.

No GMO sticker. Just silent genetic reprogramming straight into your grocery cart and your kids' bodies.

They call it "drought resistance." We call it a planetary-scale experiment turning your dinner into an untested mRNA delivery system.

First needles. Now forks.

Gates buys the farmland, funds the "solutions," and the captured EPA rubber-stamps it while you lose the right to know what's poisoning you.

This isn't about feeding the world. This is CONTROL.

Sterility, immune chaos, and total dependence — exactly what they tried before, now baked into every meal.

They want you sick, weak, and reliant on their next "fix."

WAKE UP BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE.

Grow your own. Buy local from real farmers. Reject their toxic agenda at every turn.

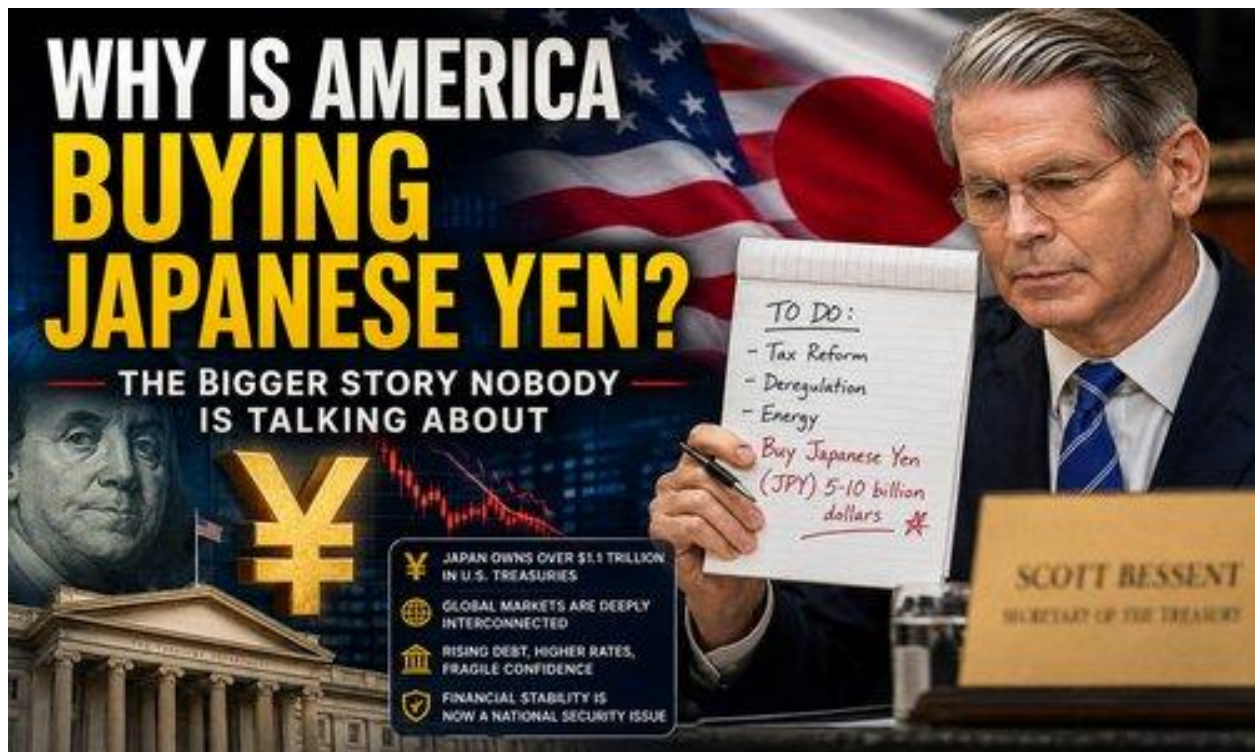
Bill Gates must be STOPPED. Your family's health depends on it.

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Why Is America Buying Japanese Yen? The Bigger Story Nobody Is Talking About – Prophecy News Watch - By PNW Staff - August 03, 2026

Excerpt: A single photograph from President Donald Trump's recent Cabinet meeting

may have revealed more about the state of the global financial system than months of carefully worded statements from central bankers.



Captured by Reuters, the image showed Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent's handwritten to-do list. Among the notes was one line that immediately caught the attention of economists: "Buy Japanese Yen (JPY) 5-10 billion dollars." Reuters later confirmed the authenticity of the image, bringing an otherwise private discussion into public view.

On its face, it seems like an obscure financial detail. Why should the average American care whether the U.S. Treasury is considering buying Japanese currency?

Because that simple note points to a much larger story--one that exposes how interconnected, fragile, and dependent today's global financial system has become.

A Currency Purchase Is Never Just A Currency Purchase

Governments do not normally intervene in foreign exchange markets without good reason. While central banks routinely monitor currencies, coordinated intervention is relatively rare and is usually reserved for periods of unusual market stress or when officials believe excessive volatility threatens broader financial stability.

The United States has intervened alongside allies before, but seeing the Treasury Secretary contemplating billions of dollars in yen purchases is a reminder that financial markets are no longer operating in isolated national silos.

When policymakers begin discussing direct currency intervention, it usually means they are concerned about consequences that extend well beyond exchange rates.

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How Gender Ideology Is Rewriting The Meaning Of Child Abuse – Prophecy News Watch - By PNW Staff - August 03, 2026



Excerpt: For generations, child abuse was understood in clear and tragic terms: physical violence, sexual abuse, abandonment, or severe neglect. Today, however, a growing ideological movement is attempting to redefine abuse itself. In some cases, a parent's refusal to affirm a child's transgender identity is no longer viewed as a moral or religious conviction--it is increasingly portrayed as psychological harm.

A lawsuit filed against Oregon's Department of Human Services (ODHS) has brought that troubling trend into the spotlight.

The case centers on a Christian family whose teenage daughter identified as transgender. After the parents rejected gender affirmation based on their biblical

convictions and sought to expose their daughter to alternative viewpoints, state officials concluded they had caused "mental injury."

Their daughter was removed from the home, and the parents were later placed on a child abuse registry. The family has now filed a federal lawsuit, arguing that state officials violated their constitutional rights to direct the upbringing of their child while targeting them for their religious beliefs.

Regardless of how the courts ultimately rule, the case raises a question that reaches far beyond one Oregon family:

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