**Modern History Notes 7th 3-5-20**

**Presidency**

* Donald Trump’s political operation is shifting its focus to apparent Democratic frontrunner Joe Biden. With Biden suddenly vaulting to the front of the Democratic pack with his array of Super Tuesday wins, Republicans are intensifying their attacks on the 77-year-old former vice president.
* Trump flames and screams at Pence for not praying hard enough to make Biden loose. After Biden wins state after state that Trump fully blamed him for his lack of praying efforts.
* Donald Trump claims he’s worthy of the Nobel Peace Prize, but says he may never get it because the selection process is unfair. Trump described himself as an “extremely good arbitrator” who was worthy of the prize for “a lot of things”.
* Antonio Sabato Jr. supported Donald Trump in the 2016 election and was one of the few actors who publicly supported him. After the public found this out he had to pay all his debts, was blacklisted and many of his representatives left him.
* The Supreme Court agreed to decide a lawsuit that threatens the Obama-era health care law. The decision is not likely until after the 2020 election.
* Pete Buttigieg will choose to drop out of the presidential race for the Democratic Party. He was the first gay major presidential candidate.

**California**

* Rafia Sultana Shareef pleaded guilty to destroying the evidence of her sons mass shooting in San Bernardino killing 14 people. The shooting happened in 2015 at a Christmas party. She destroyed a map containing the details of his plan on the shooting.
* Hercules police recover untraceable assault rifle during traffic stop. Federal prosecutors have charged a man with being a felon in possession of ammunition after police found in possession of an AR-15 style rifle with no serial number
* California police arrest UPS worker accused of sending out multiple threats to cause a mass shooting. They found over 20,000 rounds of ammunition and several weapons including tactical-style rifles. Thomas Andrew, 32 sent several long threatening messages to his employer describing the lives he was going to take.
* California homeowner uses motion-activated sprinkler with impressive pressure in it to stop thieves from breaking and entering or just robbing. Homeowners says that he’s just wanting to “flush” out criminals from his property. He’s done this due to a recent outburst of people coming and stealing tools in the back of people’s cars.
* Police shoot and kill armed man I Catholic Church in Santa Ana they think the armed man was worked up over a relationship and was fatally shot Sunday afternoon by Santa Ana police.

**International**

* A Syrian father taught his daughter to laugh when bombs fall. Idlib a province in northwestern is the last opposition-held stronghold in the war torn country. Abdullah Mohammed and his family have been on the move for a while and he has taught his daughter to laugh when bombs fall to take the edge off of it.
* Authorities tracked down the suspect who killed a woman in 1973. But he's been dead for over 2 decades. His name was Robert Dale Edwards.
* Virus ravaging Iran kills confidant of its supreme leader. A member of a council that advises Iran's supreme leader died Monday from the new corona virus, becoming the highest ranking official in Iran to die to the illness ravaging the country.
* A transgender woman’s brutal murder has shocked Puerto Rico and renewed a conversation. A loved one said, "they killed Alexa, not some man in a skirt".
* Half of the world’s beaches could disappear by the end of the century. Study's say, Climate change poses an existential threat to the worlds sandy beaches.
* Nigeria confirms first case of coronavirus. An Italian citizen who traveled to Lagos, Nigeria. That was the first case and now its spreading.
* 14 children among dozens killed in Cameroon attack. Un says at least 14 children were among 22 people killed by armed men.
* School resource officer caught praying for students at the schools flagpole every day. The moment was caught by the officer’s daughter she later posted it on Facebook and it went viral.
* Iran has tripled its stockpile of enriched uranium since November In violation of its deal with world powers U.N. atomic watchdog agency said Tuesday, while raising new questions about possible nuclear related activities.
* Clashes erupt on Greece-Turkey border as migrants seek entry.
* Greek authorities fired tear gas and stun grenades to drive away a crowd of migrants making a push to cross the border from Turkey on Wednesday, as pressure on Greece continued after Turkey declared its previously guarded gateways to Europe open.
* New York has 6 coronavirus cases and city officials are trying to figure out who else has it. These are one of the first cases of the virus in NY. Most of the people who have the virus are in there 50's.

**Business**

* The LEGO business is planning on opening 150 stores around the world in 2020 having opened the same amount last year the toy market estimates that it dropped by 3% in 2019
* In Italy all universities and schools are closing through March 15 since of coronavirus deaths is growing. There were 2,502 coronavirus case.
* Waymo is starts a delivery service after raising 2.25 billion. He using class B trucks to deliver goods.
* At the age of 84 Jack Welch a business man who transformed General Electric died from diarrhea and the manager of the century.
* Due to the corona virus this will be the slowest year the global economy will grow but it said more intensive could halve growth to 1.5
* Twitter told the Hong Kong japan and South Korea to work from their home the company said it was strongly encouraging all of its 5000 employees around the world to come into work.

**Sports**

* Islanders defenseman Johnny Boychuk needed 90 stitches after taking a skate to the eyelid. This took place Tuesday night against the Montreal Canadiens no damage to the eye Johnny is okay.
* FIBA postpones the 3v3 Olympic qualifiers in India due to outbreak of the corona virus the march 18-22 one is being moved
* Top jockeys will be restricted in their use of the whip in a new $2.3 million horse racing series. The racing series will attract $63.000 dollars a race.
* The national basketball association or NBA has advised players to stop giving out high fives in fear that this can spread the corona virus.
* **J**oe burrow made it clear he needs some help and needs A.J Green to stay. He told the Bengals they need to find a way to keep A.J for joe to stay and be able to make a difference in the team.

* Jr Smith with workout with the Lakers after not playing it getting any offers to work out with any other teams for 6-8 months last time he played for the Cleveland cavaliers in the 2018 NBA finals his teammate from that team Lebron James is also on the Lakers now.

**National**

* IKEA is recalling 820,000 dressers because the dressers could tip over and crush small children. At least 9 children have been killed and dozens more have been seriously injured. Multiple people have already sued IKEA for injuries to their children and dressers are being returned very frequently.
* A 2 million dollar bond was set in a fatal stabbing of 3 year old and pregnant woman in Wisconsin. Demetrious Williams who is 25 years old stabbed his pregnant ex-girlfriend and her 3 year old daughter. He was charged of 1st degree intentional homicide and 2 accounts of attempted first degree international homicide. He was upset the woman didn’t want to be with him. The 3 year old was not his kid but the unborn baby was his child.
* A killer of a Texas police officer David Sherrad Is sentenced to the death penalty. Farifax County Police kept the fatal shooting a secret. Hetle was charged with second degree murder and use of a fire arm in the commission of a felony. He was being held without bond and is now getting the death penalty.
* The death toll increases to 22 after 3 tornadoes rolled through Tennessee. All 3 tornadoes hit overnight and almost nobody was expecting it. At least 48 buildings have collapsed and at least 73,000 people are without power authorities say.
* A recruiter at Oklahoma Christian University was fired. Due to him having 11th grade students line up by skin color and the texture of their hair. It was considered “Inappropriate and hurtful statements.”
* A 6 year old in South Carolina was struck and killed by a truck while holding her grandmother's hand, waiting for the bus. The child's grandmother said they stood at the same spot everyday while waiting for the bus. Authorities are not sure if the 39 year old driver will face charges.

**Odd**

* Spirit, a 24 year old family horse fell into her owner’s pool in California. The report said that the family tried to coarse Spirit out of the freezing cold water but then called 911 when their attempt failed. The wife wanted to use a crane to get their horse out but the husband said to just tear town the fool and the small deck.
* A guy went into his gyms sauna, after 15 minutes of not sweating he made it hotter. He poured water on hot rocks raising temperature. It made the sauna much hotter and people ran out of it wheezing and coughing. The people described that their eyes and lungs were on fire.
* A priest from South Africa convinced his church followers that they were invincible. Forced them all to drink rat poison so that they died and then said that “none of it was his fault”.
* A YouTuber blocked up his whole neighborhood sewage system. He filled his bathtub with orbees which ended up going down the drain into the sewage. He ended up overflowing his toilet and sink and flooded his house with them.
* Two Pennsylvanian women who have been friends for the past 16 years just found out that they are actually sisters. The two met in middle school and have been inseparable ever since. Apparently their father was a known person to “sleep around”.
* A 600 pound sea lion was found wandering in a forest in Washington. Authorities said that it was pretty far away from any water. The sea lion was found on a state forest road right above the Oregon border.

**Technology**

* General Motors Launches Ultium batteries to power its upcoming line of electric vehicles. Popular brands such as Chevrolet, Cadillac, GMC, and Buick will be launching electric vehicles this year.
* The dating site Tinder, released a statement saying “while we want you to continue to have fun, protecting yourself from the coronavirus is more important”. The company has added a warning to the site for all users to read. It pops up so that people read the warning before swiping on potential matches.
* In china, robots were/are being deployed to disinfect surfaces and deliver medicine to people infected with the corona virus. Colin Angle, the CEO of iRobot said robots are hard at work helping infected and delivering supplies.
* The U.S. Army  is working on a new futuristic tank that is supposed to be lightweight, take enemy fire, maneuver fast and easily, and to offer the same or more protection as the 70 Ton Abram Tank. The tank is going to be a part of the new Next-Generation Combat Vehicles, a “family” of new and more futuristic combat vehicles.
* The email addresses and travel details of about 10,000 people who used free WiFi at UK railway stations have been exposed online. The database found by an online researcher, contained 146 million records including dates of birth and personal contacts.

**Florida**

* Police are investigating jars of human remains under a Florida house. The remains were found when they were doing inspection for the foundation on the house.
* Early Tuesday after the Suwannee county sheriff’s office telecommunications center received a 911 call from a frantic mother who’s 3 year old son was playing outside with his sibling was wondering away. A random dog started following the little child by its side
* The parents of a 4 year old Florida boy who shot his 2 year old sister are facing charges them self’s. The Ocala star banner reports that the parents each face culpable negligence charges in January shooting