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PORTFOLIO

MORNING EDITION, NPR NEWS

NOTE: These are audio clips from my days overseeing and producing content for NPR's Morning Edition and Up First podcast in 2018. Click on the indented headlines to hear each piece on NPR.org.

DEVELOPING STORY: EPA Head Scott Pruitt Under Scrutiny

My role: Editor, Producer

Leading up to Pruitt's exit in July 2018, I worked to find sources closest to the embattled Trump appointee for a more personal look at Pruitt's character, career, and motivations. We also made sure to follow with analysis from our own correspondents when appropriate to put the interviews in context.

EPA Chief Pruitt's Job Isn't In Jeopardy, Former Colleague Says

Rachel Martin talks to David Rivkin, former White House counsel and longtime associate of Pruitt's, about the EPA administrator who says he has nothing to hide as he deflects Capitol Hill critics. NPR's Kelsey Snell weighs in on their discussion.

Albert Kelly, An Adviser To EPA Chief Scott Pruitt, Resigns Abruptly

Rachel Martin talks to former EPA Superfund manager Albert Kelly, who resigned Tuesday amid the investigations that continue to dog his boss, Scott Pruitt.

DEVELOPING STORY: The China Tariffs

My role: Editor, Producer

I looked for voices from local, international, political, and business stakeholders to paint a picture as broadly ranging as the story. I made sure to highlight concerns in Michigan, Indiana, and other midwestern states that lead the U.S. in pork, soybean and corn production.

Impact Of China's New Tariffs Could Be 'Huge' On U.S. Soybean Farmers

Grant Kimberly of the Iowa Soybean Association tells NPR that if long term, the effect of China's proposed tariffs on U.S. soybeans could be "devastating" to American soybean producers.

The EU Steels For Tariffs

The U.S. rebuffed EU efforts to get an exemption from steel and aluminum tariffs due to take effect at the end of this week. Rachel Martin talks with EU Ambassador to the U.S. David O'Sullivan.

Steel And Aluminum Tariffs Are On Hold For Some Trade Partners

David Greene talks to Republican Rep. Charlie Dent about what his Pennsylvania district stands to lose as the negotiations continue. Tariffs, or even the threat of them, can impact his district.

Amid Trade Dispute, G-7 Summit Will Be 'Very Awkward,' Ambrose Says

David Greene talks to Rona Ambrose, former leader of the Conservative Party of Canada who now sits on Canada's NAFTA advisory council, about the G-7 summit that opens Friday in Quebec.

BREAKING NEWS

My role: Supervising Editor, Line Editor

When news broke at Morning Edition, the supervising editor would make the call whether to disrupt the planned broadcast, even when the show was live. As line editor, I was also responsible for finding sources to interview with only minutes to air.

'It's A Huge Loss': Friend Mourns Anthony Bourdain

David Greene speaks to food writer Michael Ruhlman, who remembers his friend, Anthony Bourdain. Bourdain's employer, CNN, reports the celebrity chef is dead at 61.

National Guard Troops Sent To The U.S.-Mexico Border

The Pentagon has authorized sending up to 4,000 troops to support the security mission there. Noel King speaks to Border Patrol Agent Terence Shigg about how the extra troops will help.

FEATURE

My Role: Editor, Digital Editor

In Pixar's First Female-Directed Short, A Dumpling Child Fills An Empty Nest

Moviegoers sitting down to see Incredibles 2 are in for a tasty treat in the form of an animated short called Bao. It tells the story of an empty nester who discovers joy – and sorrow – when a steamed bun she makes comes to life.

Pulitzer Prize Winner Gilbert King's Latest Book: 'Beneath A Ruthless Sun'

In the book, a white, mentally impaired man is falsely accused of rape in Jim Crow-era Florida and a journalist pushes to uncover the story. Noel King talks to King about Beneath a Ruthless Sun.

UP FIRST PODCAST

My Role: Supervising Editor, Planning Editor

As supervising editor and planning editor for Up First, I selected which stories would air and ensured the production team met their very early deadline – while simultaneously overseeing the show's live broadcast.

Up First for Friday, June 29, 2018

A shooting at the Capital Gazette newsroom in Maryland leaves five people dead. A suspect is in police custody and has been charged with five counts of first-degree murder. The retirement of Justice Kennedy sets the stage for an abortion rights battle. And European Union leaders reach a landmark deal on migration.

Up First for Tuesday, June 19th, 2018

Outrage grows as the Trump administration uses the separation of migrant children from their parents at the border to pressure Democrats on immigration legislation. President Trump once again threatens new tariffs on more Chinese goods. And the World Health Organization has recognized a new disorder related to video games.