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Bill giving workplace protection to a million Californians moves closer to law

AB 5., which would curb the widespread use of independent contractors across the California economy, moved closer to final passage in the Legislature Friday even as Uber, Lyft and other gig economy companies mounted a campaign to sidestep its reach. The legislation could set a precedent in a national battle to improve pay and benefits for low- and middle-wage workers. It would change the employment status of more than a million Californians ...

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Experience Doesn't Predict New Hire's Success

Chad H. Van Iddekinge of Florida State University and colleagues reviewed 81 studies to investigate the link between an employee's prior work experience and performance in a new organization. They found no significant correlation between the two. Even when people had completed tasks, held roles, or worked in functions or industries relevant to their current ones, it did not translate into better performance. The conclusion: Experience doesn't predict a new hire's success

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Wine Supply is Entering Unknown Territory!

"In the past, vines could be pulled that needed replanting, moderating additions to supply. Growers could also drop fruit they might let hang in better times. And in a doubling-down approach, some growers crushed uncontracted fruit and hoped for a return when price improved in a year or two. ... This time it all depends on seeing better demand growth but making projections of increased demand in the next couple of years is becoming harder. Without that prediction, the traditional strategies won't work this time"

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Board accepts John and Michele Truchard's offer to buy Napa Opera House - NapaLife

John and Michele Truchard, whose JaM Cellars brand is white hot, made an offer to buy the Napa Valley Opera House and the board that controls the nonprofit that holds its title accepted, but it could take a few months for the process to be complete, according to report in Paul Franson's NapaLife ...

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Apothic Wines Launches Limited-Edition Sparkling Red

"Our fans love sparkling wine, but wish it could be less pretentious, less delicate and more flavorful," said Heather Austin, Apothic's Director of Marketing. "Apothic Sparkling Red is a complete departure from all things conventional sparkling wine. It's not white, it's unexpectedly red and surprisingly refreshing. It's not arrogant or pretentious; it's rocking out with friends or watching your favorite streaming show. And most importantly, it's seriously good."

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Labor Day Weekend: Taste of Sonoma returns to Sonoma State University with more music, beer and pizza

1,750 wine and food lovers attended Taste of Sonoma Saturday afternoon at the Green Music Center in Rohnert Park. ... This year, there was more

live music - five bands - and more lounges where folks could chill while drinking and eating in the shade. The temperature only hit a high of 90 degrees ...

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[2018 Oregon Wine Experience breaks records, announces Best of Show winners](#)

The 2018 Oregon Wine Experience is officially in the books, with a record number of attendees and volunteers helping to raise more than \$1,275,000 for Asante's Children's Miracle Network and other healthcare programs. This is the second consecutive year that Oregon Wine Experience® has surpassed the million-dollar mark in fundraising and a 25% increase from 2017. Oregon Wine Experience® has positioned itself as one of the top regional wine and culinary destination events in the country. Guests hailed from multiple states including California, Nevada, South Carolina, Virginia and countries as far as New Zealand

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[Santa Rosa Junior College first college in California to offer hemp cultivation program](#)

A Santa Rosa Junior College agriculture instructor and two of his students worked on a sunny afternoon last week, trimming the spiky-leafed plants and spraying them with organic fertilizer in the midst of a sprawling garden, orchard and vineyard surrounded by a 6-foot fence under 24-hour camera surveillance.

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[A Tale of Two Wine Auctions](#)

W. Blake Gray on the Douro Boys' upcoming wine auction in Portugal on October 10 and the Sonoma County Wine Auction September 21 ...

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[Davide Campari-Milano SPA making moves to take rum agricole to the broader market](#)

Earlier this summer, the Italian spirits company announced plans to purchase the French company Rhumantilles SAS, which produces three rum labels in Martinique at La Mauny distillery. According to the Distilled Spirits Council, sales of super premium rum, which encompasses rum agricole, went up 28.5% in 2018.

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[New Zealand wine still storming global markets](#)

The latest figures from New Zealand Winegrowers show that the world is still reaching for Kiwi wine.

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[Viticulture benchmarking shows profit down - again](#)

For the third year in a row, the profit before tax of the MPI/NZW Viticulture Benchmarking Marlborough model has shown a marked decrease.

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[Eight Chilean wineries in Leyda create Viñas del Valle de San Antonio association to promote cool climate coastal wines](#)

As reported by Chilean newspaper El Mercurio, the San Antonio Valley association was formerly established last week and will become an official part of the government-funded Wines of Chile.

nytimes

[From the Itata Valley in Southern Chile, Old-Vine Cinsault](#)

These vineyards comprised grapes grown in Chile long before international varieties like cabernet sauvignon came to dominate the export market. They include red grapes like cinsault, carignan and pais, known in the United States as mission. Most of them are farmed without irrigation, and most are grown on their own roots, unlike 99 percent of the world's commercial grapevines, which are grafted onto American rootstocks that are immune to the phylloxera aphid.

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[Grape growers in Catalonia have agreed to strike action in September, to protest a dramatic fall in prices for Cava grapes.](#)

Strike action has been tabled for September 5th. It comes after several hundreds of growers from three grower associations and unions took to the streets of Vilafranca del Penedès in August to protest against what they described as economically unsustainable cost-cutting measures.

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Pernod Ricard's former CEO Pierre Pringuet, to resign from board at its next annual general meeting

Aerospace technology executive Philippe Petitcolin and consumer goods executive Esther Berrozpe Galindo have been appointed to Pernod Ricard's board - a move that will be submitted for shareholder approval at the AGM.

the guardian

Scientists isolate drought-resistant gene in barley

Research led by Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh, will help crops resist global heating

decanter

Burgundy vineyards are hottest for nearly 700 years, says study

Hot summers once considered exceptional have become more normal for Burgundy winemakers, bringing harvest dates forward, says a review of data back to the 14th Century

euronews.com

Watch: Climate change hits Greek wine as grape harvest falls 30%

Climate change is creating new challenges for Greek wine producers. The grape harvest is down 30 per cent since 2018 and 50 per cent from 2017, according to one Santorini winery's chief oenologist. Increasing temperatures are also changing the character of the remaining grapes - Santorini wines are famously sharp but higher temperatures change the acidity of the grape and lead to a more fruity, sweeter wine.

Wall Street Journal (paywall)

Europe's Winemakers Break With Tradition as Temperatures Rise

Vineyards adapt by growing vines at higher altitudes or using new varieties of grape; traditionalists chafe at changes

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Major Climate Change Rules the Trump Administration Is Reversing

The move to rescind environmental rules governing emissions of methane, a powerful greenhouse gas, brings to 84 the total number of environmental rules that the Trump administration has worked to repeal

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Heatwave Shrinks Champagne Harvest By Almost 20%

Although yields in the region are officially limited by the Comité Champagne, which governs all aspects of production in the appellation, this year's vintage is being restricted by nature, not man

jamesuckling.com

A Champagne Moment: Quality Matched With Value

We tasted more than 350 Champagnes in July, visited several dozen wineries and met with many winemakers. We just couldn't get enough of

the best Champagnes we tasted this summer - we believe Champagne is delivering some of the highest quality and best value premium wines in the world at the moment.

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The Champagne brand owned by rapper and producer Jay Z will launch its "most expensive cuvée to date" next week.

Champagne Armand de Brignac is adding to its Blanc de Noirs Assemblage line with a new, expensive limited edition Champagne made from three separate vintages.

sfgate

MTV star left blind in one eye after accident with champagne cork

MTV star Theo Campbell experienced the very real danger popping a bottle of champagne can pose firsthand this week when he says an unfortunate accident with a champagne cork left him unable to see in one eye

winetitles.com.au

\$11 million in new infrastructure funding to boost Adelaide research facility

The Australian Wine Research Institute (AWRI) in Adelaide has secured a major infrastructure funding boost from a combination of Federal and State Government sources

goodfood.com.au

Testing times: the untold story behind the Master Sommelier exam scandal

Attica wine director Jane Lopes proved her mastery as a sommelier, only to have the recognition stripped away.

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The Hopeless Hunt for the Perfect Wine

Wine critics are constantly seeking the pinnacle of perfection. They shouldn't bother, Oliver Styles maintains.

daily.seventy

Managing a Wine Program That Changes Seasonally

Beverage directors share tips for organizing inventory, analyzing costs, and educating staff

cnbc

Here's a list of recession signals that are flashing red

Data is coming at investors from every angle with so-called recession indicators flashing signs of an economic slowdown brought on by slower growth abroad and the U.S.-China trade war.

jpost.com

Buzed by Hezbollah: bunkering Down with wine and cheese during attack

The windy roads to Avivim in the Upper Galilee were eerily quiet on Monday. Lone cars drove past roadblocks manned by IDF troops, and the tension felt like it could be cut with a knife.

pbs

Americans waste up to 40 percent of the food they produce

If food waste were a country, it would be the third-largest emitter of greenhouse gases behind China and the United States. NewsHour Weekend's Megan Thompson sat down with Elizabeth Balkan, director of food waste for the Natural Resources Defense Council ...

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What values are behind the wine you're drinking?

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