# The Forward Eagle

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#### **Current events**

1.

Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu called on Qatar and other nations that harbor terrorists to expel them or bring them to justice, adding that if they do not, "we will."

On Tuesday 9/9/25 Israeli forces fired on a target in Doha, Qatar. At least six people were killed in the attack, including five low-ranking Hamas members.

"Like with 9/11 in America, we went after masterminds who committed the massacre in Israel on 10/7/23," said the Prime Minister.

2.

The conflict between Russia and the West is becoming increasingly dangerous. Drones, piloted by Russian forces, have been shot down over Poland by NATO forces. The incident fits the pattern of a "hybrid war" that Moscow is waging against NATO countries with increasing brazenness.

3.

The relationship between gold and the U.S. dollar has historically been inverse; when the dollar strengthens, gold typically weakens, and vice versa.

Globally gold is priced in US dollars. When the dollar is strong, it takes more of a foerign currency (like the euro or yen) to buy the same amount of gold.

Thus gold is more expensive for international buyers, which lowers demand and puts downward pressure on the price of gold.

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Vice President JD Vance gave a speech at a plastics factory in Michigan in March, saying the Trump administration would "make it easier and more affordable to make things in the United States."

"Then they walked the factory floor," said one observer in the audience. "And we had our experts look at the equipment: Virtually none of it was American made."

5.

The U.S. labor market was far weaker during much of 2024 and early 2025 than data initially showed, a new government report indicated Tuesday — injecting more uncertainty into the economy and fueling a raging debate over the figures that analysts use to understand it.

In the largest preliminary revision to jobs data on record, the Bureau of Labor Statistics said employers had created 911,000 fewer positions from April 2024 to March 2025 than previously reported. That's less than half as many as the agency had initially indicated. The data will be revised again and finalized early next year.

The revision adds more evidence that the economy was already slowing even before the 2024 election and the new tariffs and immigration policies that followed.

6

A federal appeals court on Monday upheld a jury's \$83.3 million judgment against the POTUS in a defamation lawsuit brought by the writer E. Jean Carroll, who has said she experienced harassment and threats as a result of Trump's comments.

A three-judge panel with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 2nd Circuit concluded that "the



The Man with the Golden Helmet (c. 1650), formerly attributed to the Dutch painter Rembrandt van Rijn, is in the collection of the Gemäldegalerie, Berlin. In 1985, Berlin-based art expert Jan Kelch announced that important details in the painting's style did not match the style of Rembrandt's known works, and that the painting was probably painted by one of Rembrandt's students.

jury's damages awards are fair and reasonable" and that there was "ample evidence that Trump was recklessly indifferent to Carroll's health and safety."

The judges dismissed the plaintiff's efforts to appeal the case by invoking presidential immunity. A Supreme Court decision last year found that presidents were broadly immune to prosecutions for official acts only.

7.

WGBH, the bellwether public TV station in Boston, has laid off the 13 people who worked on the history series "American Experience' and announced that no new documentaries will be produced for the show until further notice.

"American Experience" has produced award-winning documentaries for 37 seasons. The topics of terminated programs included the national highway system, the G.I. Bill, birthright citizenship and Puerto Rico's history as a U.S. territory.

8.

Prostrate cancer diagnoses have been rising in recent years, with a sharp increase in cases diagnosed at advanced stages, when it is harder to treat, according to the American Cancer Society. Many experts have attributed the increase to guideline changes made over a decade ago that discouraged routine screening for the common cancer.

9.

New York investigators are pursuing the arrest of a California collector who they say illegally possesses a 2,000 year old looted bronze statue of a Roman emperor.

The collector, Aaron Mendelsohn, 74, of Santa Monica, a philanthropist and former medical technology venture capitalist, bought the statue in 2007 from a gallery in New York City.

10.

Nature's first green is gold, her hardest hue to hold. Her early leaf's a flower; but only so an hour. Then leaf subsides to leaf. So Eden sank to grief, so dawn goes down to day. Nothing gold can stay.

### Word of the week

### polytemporal

/pälēˈtemp(ə)rəl/ *Adjective* 

"Polytemporal" is not typically found in standard English dictionaries. It is a recognized technical term used in specific academic fields, such as music and the humanities.

In music: *Polytemporal* describes music in which two or more independent tempos (the speed at which a piece of music is played) occur simultaneously. It is also known as *polytempic*.

In critical theory and the humanities: Polytemporal refers to the dynamic and multidirectional nature of historical time. It describes a view of history that acknowledges the interweaving of different temporal strands, suggesting that the past, present, and future can exist in synchrony.

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