

Amid Fears Fox News Moving Too Far Left," by Mediaite's Rachel Stockman: "On the heels of major shakeups at the Fox News Network, an alternative conservative network is being actively discussed amongst conservative fat cats. A well-placed source close to the proposal tells Mediaite that serious discussions are underway to create an alternative conservative cable network on the belief that the Fox News Network is moving too far to the left. ... The potential aim? Putting 'the old band' back together. There are certainly plenty of (out-of-work?) conservative powerhouses to pick from that could star on a new network, and perhaps even some executives from within Fox News who might be lured by the new opportunity." <http://bit.ly/2oSLE5b>

-- "Conservative Radio Host Hugh Hewitt in Talks for MSNBC Show, Sources Say," by Yashar Ali in NYMag: "MSNBC is in talks with conservative radio host Hugh Hewitt about creating a show for him on weekend evenings, four well-placed sources at the network tell Daily Intelligencer. Initially MSNBC was keen on having Hewitt host a program on weekend mornings, but that idea is off the table because Hewitt wants to be on in the evening, according to two sources. At one point, network management also floated moving Joy-Ann Reid's popular weekend program AM Joy to the afternoon to serve as a lead-in for Hewitt and help jumpstart his ratings, but that plan has seemingly been dropped." <http://nym.ag/2prAVAA>

--"Milo Yiannopoulos Is Starting a New, Ugly, For-Profit Troll Circle," by Vanity Fair's Tina Nguyen: "Milo Yiannopoulos, the former tech editor at Breitbart ... told the Hive that he would be launching a new media venture in the coming weeks with what he says is a \$12 million investment from backers whose identities he is protecting ... The business, which will be called Milo Inc., will be even more focused on stoking the sort of ugly political conflict that's closer to the surface than ever in these early months of the Trump administration." <http://bit.ly/2qgiZve>

--"Fox News Breaks With AP And Top TV Networks For Election Day Polling," by HuffPost's Michael Calderone: "Fox News has broken with the National Election Pool, a consortium of five major television networks and The Associated Press that share the costs and results of exit polls for national elections. ... According to the 2016 exit polls, Clinton was expected to win the battleground states of North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and Florida - and in effect, the presidency." <http://huff.to/2pIkRgs>

POLITICO PRO hires - Marty Kady and Carrie Budoff Brown email the staff: "Cristina Rivero, graphics reporter, joins the DataPoint team early next month to cover financial services, tax and trade. She has worked as a visual journalist for The Washington Post,

New York Times, Philadelphia Inquirer and Los Angeles Times. ... Taylor Thomas is a DataPoint reporter covering financial services, tax and trade. Prior to joining Politico, she worked in communications consulting at Hamilton Place Strategies ... Also next month, Steven Overly is joining the Pro Tech team to cover the tech lobbying and influence beat. Steven comes from The Washington Post, where he's a reporter and editor on the Post's Innovations blog."

--**DAVID ROHDE**, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist who is now Reuters' national security investigations editor and previously a foreign correspondent and investigative reporter at The New York Times, has been named news director for the New Yorker's website.

LATE-NIGHT BEST - COLBERT's "Late Show": "99 Days in 99 seconds: Here is a look back at the 99-day dumpster fire you just lived through." **2-min. video**

<http://bit.ly/2oVBvBh>

CLICKERS - "The nation's cartoonists on the week in politics," edited by Matt Wuerker - **11 funnies** <http://politi.co/2qeDRAs>

- **"The 100 most Donald Trump quotes about his first 100 days:** 'I really just see the bigness of it all,'" by Shane Goldmacher: <http://politi.co/2oSyNjI>

DATA DU JOUR -- "100 days of Trump claims" - per WaPo Fact Checker: "Trump has been in office for 100 days. As of our latest update on day 98, we've counted 452 false or misleading claims." <http://wapo.st/2pIzlo1>

GREAT WEEKEND READS, curated by Daniel Lippman:

--**"What Bullets Do to Bodies,"** by Jason Fagone in HuffPost Highline: "The gun debate would change in an instant if Americans witnessed the horrors that trauma surgeons confront everyday." <http://huff.to/2qexoZ6> (h/t Longform.org)

--**"Uber vs AirBnB: do you have to be an a**hole to found a brilliant start-up?"** by Ian Leslie in The New Statesman: "Time after time, [Uber founder Travis] Kalanick makes the risky but right decision after rejecting the advice of reasonable colleagues. It takes a certain kind of character to behave like this. Yes, it helps to be brave, resilient, and other admirable things - but it also helps to be an a***hole."

<http://bit.ly/2oSU25p>

--**"We Need Conscious Robots,"** by Ryota Kanai in Nautilus Magazine: "How