Weekly Current Events: Posted: 4.20.2020

**[Adams A. von Spakovsky, Mail Ballot Failures, Fox News, April 18, 2020.](https://www.foxnews.com/opinion/voting-epidemic-mail-ballot-failures-christian-adams-hans-von-spakovsky)**

1. What does the author suggest about mail-in voting?
2. What is a telling statistic in his article and why?
3. What limitations to his numbers or his argument do you see?
4. What is your take on the elections this primary season?

**[Condoleezza Rice, China and COVID 19, April 16, 2020.](https://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2020/04/16/condoleezza_rice_china_wants_to_shift_the_narrative_on_covid-19_dont_let_them.html)**

1. Who is this guest, Condoleezza Rice, and why is she an authority on this topic?
2. How did Secretary Rice distinguish this crisis from the SARS outbreak?
3. How does China operate and how did that effect this pandemic according to Rice?
4. Why is “the narrative” relevant in this story?

[**Colvin, Miller, and Mulvihill, “Governors Refute Trump Claim on Authority,” TIME, Apirl 13, 2020**](https://time.com/5820342/trump-authority-states-coronavirus/)

1. What is the issue in regards to federalism in this story?
2. What did the article say about who has authority in this situation?
3. Provide a good, illustrative quote from the article, and why is that quote telling?
4. What constitutional clauses or principles are relevant here and why?
5. What is your overall opinion of the situation?