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Quarterly Issues Report, 1/01/2020 through 3/31/2020

There follow a listing of the most significant issues responded to by Station WSKG-TV, Binghamton, New York and WSKA-TV, Corning New York, along with typical and illustrative programming on these topics for the period January 1, 2020 through March 31, 2020. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority.

QPTR Category: Abortion

NOLA: MLNH 012779
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 3/5/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:04:26

In our news wrap Thursday, Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer insisted he had not threatened two Supreme Court justices on Wednesday, but he did voice regret. Schumer said he "shouldn't have used the words" he had chosen when talking about the Court and abortion rights. Also, Sec. of State Mike Pompeo pressed the Taliban to call off attacks on Afghan forces so a peace process could move forward.

QPTR Category: Agriculture

NOLA: PNWE 001271

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend

Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 3/7/2020 5:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Segment Length: 00:03:56

Each year, produce like corn and soybeans are grown on millions of acres of Iowa farmland. While the bulk of the farming is conducted by men, roughly half of the state's farmland is owned, or co-owned, by women. Mark Bittman recently spoke with farm owner Jean Eells about the role women are playing in sustainable agriculture as part of our "Future of Food" series with Pulitzer Center support.

QPTR Category: American History/Biography

NOLA: FIYO 000604

Series Title: Finding Your Roots Episode Title: This Land is My Land

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 1/14/2020 8:00:00 PM

Service: PBS Format: Other

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. reveals the unexpected family trees of entertainer Queen Latifah and actor Jeffrey Wright, redefining their sense of the black experience -- and challenging preconceptions about America's past.

QPTR Category: Arts

NOLA: VEBR 000101

Series Title: Very British Romance with Lucy Worsley; A

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 2/9/2020 8:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Celebrate love with Lucy Worsley as she delves into the seductive history of British romance, uncovering the social, political and cultural forces that shaped ideals of romantic love during the Georgian era, including the novels of Jane Austen.

QPTR Category: Business/Industry

NOLA: FRON 003814
Series Title: Frontline
Episode Title: Plastic Wars
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 3/31/2020 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Did the plastic industry use recycling to sell more plastic? With the industry expanding like never before and the crisis of ocean pollution growing, FRONTLINE and NPR investigate the fight over the future of plastics.

QPTR Category: Community Politics, Government

NOLA: MLNH 012778
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 3/4/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:04:53

In our news wrap Wednesday, hopes for Israel to end months of political deadlock have dimmed, as Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu appears to be short of a parliamentary majority. The result could mean a fourth election within a year. Also, both Turkish and Syrian soldiers were killed amid fighting in northwestern Syria. Turkey is trying to stop a Syrian offensive driving refugees to its border.

QPTR Category: Consumerism

NOLA: FRON 003812 Series Title: Frontline

Episode Title: Amazon Empire: The Rise of Jeff Bezos

Length: 120 minutes

Airdate: 2/18/2020 9:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Examining Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos' ascent to power and the global impact of the empire he built. The film also investigates the darker side of the company's rapid growth and the challenge of trying to rein in the power of the richest man in the world.

QPTR Category: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement

NOLA: FIYO 000610
Series Title: Finding Your Roots
Episode Title: Criminal Kind
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 2/25/2020 8:00:00 PM

Service: PBS Format: Other Henry Louis Gates, Jr. explores the roots of actor Laura Linney and journalists Lisa Ling and Soledad O'Brien, telling them stories of tricksters, scoundrels, and outright criminals, who nevertheless laid the groundwork for their success.

QPTR Category: Culture
NOLA: WSKGLP

NOLA: WSKGLP Series Title: Let's Polka!

Episode Title: Squeezebox Featuring Mollie B & Ted Lange - Part 2

Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 03/21/2019 6:30:00 PM

Service: WSKG Format: Other

Let's Polka! is full of bona fide polka fun hosted by local polka impresario Bill Flynn. Tap your toes to the polka beat or dance along in your living room with our live studio audience. Plus, you'll really get to know the music and musicians as each episode contains an interview with Bill Flynn and the leader of the band! The new musicians featured this quarter were The Boys, Squeezebox Featuring Mollie B & Ted Lange, and Lenny Gomulka & Chicago Push.

QPTR Category: Disabilities

NOLA: PNWE 001268

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend

Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 2/23/2020 5:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Segment Length: 00:08:41

Millions of senior citizens in America are living with dementia, with the heavy burden of caregiving often left to family members. But a new adult daycare center for those with dementia, called Town Square, may serve as a model for helping families cope with the costs and stresses that can come along with caregiving. Special correspondent Karla Murthy reports from San Diego.

QPTR Category: Economy

NOLA: MLNH 012743
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 1/15/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:12:03

After two years of escalating threats and tariffs, the U.S. and China have signed a trade deal. In what is known as Phase 1 of a larger agreement, Beijing pledged to increase purchases of U.S. goods, while U.S. tariffs remain on \$360 billion of Chinese imports. Nick Schifrin reports and Judy Woodruff talks to Peter Navarro, director of the White House Office of Trade and Manufacturing Policy.

QPTR Category: Education

NOLA: MLNH 012764
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 2/13/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:07:08

Active shooter drills have become nearly ubiquitous in American schools. Although they are intended to prepare students and teachers to protect themselves in case of an armed intruder, the largest education unions in the U.S. say there's little evidence they are effective -- and that they can traumatize children. Randi Weingarten of the American Federation of Teachers joins Amna Nawaz to discuss.

QPTR Category: Employment

NOLA: MLNH 012739 Series Title: PBS NewsHour Length: 60 minutes

1/9/2020 7:00:00 PM Airdate:

PBS Service:

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:09:35

Organized labor in the American workforce has declined since the 1980s, with many unions struggling to attract workers as companies voice opposition to them. But in Las Vegas, one union has broken through to much of the city's hospitality sector -- and done so by involving its membership in all of its operations. Paul Solman reports on how this new model of organization is driving results.

QPTR Category: Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters

NOLA: EXSB 000103

Series Title: Expedition with Steve Backshall

Episode Title: Suriname - Lost World

60 minutes Length:

Airdate: 1/29/2020 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Travel to the Guiana Shield with Steve Backshall, whose mission is to discover its abundance of wildlife and natural wonders. He travels deep into the untouched jungle, finding animals that have never encountered humans.

QPTR Category: Family/Marriage

INLE 002106 NOLA: Series Title: Independent Lens Episode Title: Accept the Call 90 minutes Length:

Airdate: 1/26/2020 11:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Yusuf Abdurahman, who left Somalia as a refugee 25 years ago, has his worst fear realized when his son is arrested in an FBI counterterrorism sting. Follow Yusuf as he strives to understand why his child would leave America and attempt to join ISIS.

QPTR Category: Health/Health Care

NOLA: COCV 000000

Series Title: Confronting Coronavirus: A PBS NewsHour Special

60 minutes Length:

Airdate: 3/19/2020 8:00:00 PM

Service: PRS

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review This special focuses on health precautions for individuals and the public-at-large as well as the pandemic's economic impact in both the United States and globally. Anchored by NewsHour's managing editor Judy Woodruff, it includes interviews with officials; reporting from NewsHour's bench of special correspondents throughout the world; and a virtual town hall with curated questions from people across America, to be moderated by NewsHour correspondents Amna Nawaz and William Brangham.

QPTR Category: Homosexuality

NOLA: PNWE 001266

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend

Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 2/16/2020 5:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:02:19

For the last several weeks, PBS NewsHour Student Reporting Labs' "No Labels Attached" series has explored how stereotypes are impacting young people through race and culture and in sports. The latest installation looks at misconceptions about LGBTQ youth.

QPTR Category: Housing, Shelter

NOLA: EALM 000000

Series Title: East Lake Meadows: A Public Housing Story

Length: 120 minutes

Airdate: 3/24/2020 8:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Learn the history of East Lake Meadows, a former public housing community in Atlanta. Stories from residents reveal hardship and resilience, and raise critical questions about race, poverty and who is deserving of public assistance.

QPTR Category: Immigration/Refugees

NOLA: NOPS 000203

Series Title: No Passport Required

Episode Title: Houston Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 1/27/2020 9:00:00 PM

Service: PBS Format: Other

Join Chef Marcus Samuelsson in Houston -- America's most diverse city -- to explore the food and culture of its Nigerian and West African community. Along the way, Samuelsson cooks with cutting-edge chefs as well as traditional home cooks.

QPTR Category: Media

NOLA: MLNH 012749
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 1/23/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:15:44

It is impossible to quantify Jim Lehrer's influence on this news program, American journalism, presidential debates or the lives of so many of us. He was an extraordinary journalist, writer, collaborator and friend. Robert MacNeil, Lehrer's NewsHour

co-founder, longtime Lehrer friend Justice Stephen Breyer and Sharon Percy Rockefeller, president and CEO of WETA, join Judy Woodruff to remember him.

QPTR Category: Minorities/Civil Rights

NOLA: INLE 002107 Series Title: Independent Lens

Episode Title: The First Rainbow Coalition

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 2/02/2020 11:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

In 1969, Chicago community-based groups formed alliances across lines of race and ethnicity to confront issues like police brutality and substandard housing. Hear the movement's little-known story through archival footage and interviews with members.

QPTR Category: National Politics/Government

NOLA: FRON 003808

Series Title: Frontline | America's Great Divide: Obama to Trump

Episode Title: Part 1 Length: 120 minutes

Airdate: 1/13/2020 9:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

This episode traces how Barack Obama's promise of unity collapsed as increasing racial, cultural and political divisions laid the groundwork for the rise of Donald Trump.

QPTR Category: Nuclear Issues/WMD

NOLA: MLNH 012747
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 1/21/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:04:33

In our news wrap Tuesday, an outbreak of viral pneumonia in China has spread to the United States. Federal health officials confirmed a Seattle-area man, now hospitalized in good condition, brought the virus back from a trip to China, where it has killed six people. Also, North Korea is warning it no longer feels bound to refrain from testing nuclear weapons and long-range missiles.

QPTR Category: Poverty/Hunger

NOLA: INLE 002109 Series Title: Independent Lens

Episode Title: Cooked: Survival by Zip Code

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 2/9/2020 11:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Learn the story of a heatwave that overtook Chicago in July 1995, killing 739 residents, most of them poor, elderly and African American. The heatwave revealed a long-term crisis of poverty, racism, and economic and social isolation in the city.

QPTR Category: Recreation/Leisure/Sports

NOLA: EXSB 000101

Series Title: Expedition with Steve Backshall

Episode Title: Oman - Desert Canyon

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 1/15/2020 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Follow Steve Backshall to Oman, where he plans to drop nearly 400 meters into the deepest canyon in Southern Arabia. In the scorching desert heat, Steve and his team will explore an area where no human has ever set foot.

QPTR Category: Religion/Ethics

NOLA: INLE 002110
Series Title: Independent Lens

Episode Title: We Believe in Dinosaurs

Length: 90 minutes

Airdate: 2/23/2020 11:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

We Believe in Dinosaurs tells the story of the building of an enormous, \$120 million Noah's Ark at the Creation Museum in rural Williamstown, Kentucky, an exhibit designed to prove the Bible is scientifically and historically accurate. Along with detailing the Ark's preparation, the film follows several Kentuckians: Doug and his team of artists and designers who create lifelike animals; Dan, a geologist who blows the whistle on the Ark's hiring practices; David, a former creationist and lifetime museum member who blogs critically about beliefs he once held; and atheist activist Jim Helton, co-founder of Tri-State Freethinkers, who leads a protest rally outside the Ark on opening day. As the citizens of Williamstown wait for the economic boon promised by the Ark's founders, creationists spread the gospel of a 6,000-year-old Earth. We Believe in Dinosaurs explores the roots of our beliefs.

QPTR Category: Science/Technology

NOLA: NOVA 004704

Series Title: NOVA

Episode Title: Mysteries of Sleep

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 2/26/2020 9:00:00 PM

Service: PBS Format: Other

Like virtually every other animal, humans need sleep to survive. But why? Scientists peer into the brain to see what happens while we snooze and understand the powerful role that sleep - or lack of it - plays in memory, trauma and emotion regulation.

QPTR Category: Transportation

OLA: MLNH 012755 Series Title: PBS NewsHour Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 1/31/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:06:03

On Friday, the Trump administration announced new restrictions on travel to the U.S. from six countries: Eritrea, Kyrgyzstan, Myanmar, and Nigeria. It is also barring people from Sudan and Tanzania from participating in the U.S. Diversity Visa Program,

which awards green cards to immigrants. Amna Nawaz reports and talks to Farhana Khera, president, and executive director of Muslim Advocates.

QPTR Category: Urban Development/Infrastructure

NOLA: MLNH 012763
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 2/12/2020 7:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:05:25

There's a dire need to repair an aging infrastructure in the U.S., and an innovative building material could be a game-changer. Embedded with steel fibers, ultra-high performance concrete is about five to 10 times stronger than standard concrete -- and unaffordable for most government-funded projects. Special correspondent Cat Wise reports from Iowa on how researchers are working to bring costs down.

QPTR Category: War/Veterans/National Security

NOLA: SEDE 001802

Series Title: Secrets of the Dead Episode Title: Bombing Auschwitz

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 1/21/2020 9:00:00 PM

Service: PBS Format: Other

Join historians, survivors, and experts as they consider one of the great moral dilemmas of the 20th century. Should the Allies have risked killing Auschwitz prisoners and bombed the camp to stop future atrocities?

QPTR Category: Women

NOLA: FRON 003810
Series Title: Frontline
Episode Title: Taliban Country

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 1/21/2020 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

On the ground in Afghanistan with exclusive access to ISIS, the Taliban and its top peace negotiator. Amid peace talks with the U.S., an exclusive report on the Taliban's control and the threat from ISIS. As part of a worldwide investigation with the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists that draws on a trove of more than 700,000 leaked documents, FRONTLINE examines how Africa's richest woman, Isabel dos Santos, built a business empire with access to state funds from one of the poorest countries on earth — and the role U.S. companies have played in helping her amass her fortune.

QPTR Category: Youth

NOLA: FRON 003813
Series Title: Frontline
Episode Title: NRA Under Fire
Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 3/24/2020 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary

Once an unrivaled political power, the NRA is facing challenges from all sides. How the NRA aligned with President Trump and his base but is under attack ahead of the 2020 election.