02/28/2020

HI I'M KATHERINE BIEK BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES

HEADLINE: AMAZON CRACKS DOWN OVER CORONAVIRUS

HEADLINE 2: THE SITE IS DEALING WITH FAKE PRODUCTS, PRICE GOUGING

AMAZON HAS REMOVED MORE THAN A MILLION PRODUCTS FROM ITS ONLINE STOREFRONT OVER FALSE CORONAVIRUS CLAIMS.

THE TECH GIANT HAS TARGETED ITEMS THAT CLAIM TO CURE OR PREVENT COVID-19.

AMAZON SAYS MERCHANTS ARE ALSO SELLING PRODUCTS FOR UNREASONABLY HIGH PRICES, INCLUDING FACE MASKS, DISINFECTANT AND EVEN BOOKS ABOUT VIRAL INFECTIONS.

THE COMPANY SAYS IT'LL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE PRICE SPIKES ON ITS SITE.

https://www.reuters.com/article/us-china-health-amazon-com/amazon-bars-one-million-products-for-false-coronavirus-claims-idUSKCN20L2ZH

https://www.bbc.com/news/technology-51675183

HEADLINE: CLEARVIEW AI'S CLIENT LIST IS REVEALED

HEADLINE 2: CUSTOMERS INCLUDE BEST BUY, WALMART, AND THE NBA

CLEARVIEW AI'S FACIAL RECOGNITION SOFTWARE HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN USED BY COMPANIES AROUND THE WORLD.

DOCUMENTS OBTAINED BY BUZZFEED NEWS SHOW COMPANIES LIKE BEST BUY, MACY'S, WALMART, AND THE NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION ALL USED CLEARVIEW AI'S TECHNOLOGY.

THE COMPANY CLAIMED PREVIOUSLY THAT IT ONLY WORKS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

THE NEWS COMES JUST DAYS AFTER HACKERS STOLE CLEARVIEW AI'S ENTIRE CLIENT LIST.

https://www.buzzfeednews.com/article/ryanmac/clearview-ai-fbi-ice-global-law-enforcement

https://www.cnet.com/news/clearview-ai-facial-recognition-customers-reportedly-include-ice-justice-department-fbi-macys/

https://www.businessinsider.com/clearview-ai-reportedly-sold-tech-to-fbi-other-enfocrement-agencies-2020-2?op=1

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02/27/2020

HI I'M AUSTIN KIM BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES:

HEADLINE: DOORDASH FILES CONFIDENTIAL IPO

HEADLINE 2: DOORDASH HAS LARGEST SHARE OF THE FOOD DELIVERY MARKET

DOORDASH IS PREPARING TO GO PUBLIC, AS IT CONFIDENTIALLY FILES INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING DOCUMENTS WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION.

THE FOOD DELIVERY COMPANY SAID IT SENT A DRAFT S-1 FILING TO THE S-E-C AND BROUGHT ON GOLDMAN SACHS AS AN UNDERWRITER.

DOORDASH BECAME THE LEADER IN DIGITAL FOOD DELIVERY SERVICES IN 2019.

BLOOMBERG REPORTS IT WAS VALUED AT 13 BILLION DOLLARS IN NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR.

ONE OF ITS COMPETITORS--POSTMATES-- SUBMITTED ITS OWN DRAFT S-1 LAST YEAR, BUT HASN'T MADE ITS PUBLIC DEBUT.

https://www.cnbc.com/2020/02/27/doordash-ipo-company-confidentially-files-documents-with-sec.html

https://techcrunch.com/2020/02/27/doordash-ipo/

HEADLINE: CLEARVIEW AI HAD ITS CLIENT LIST STOLEN

HEADLINE 2: MOST CLIENTS ARE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

CLEARVIEW AI SAYS HACKERS HAVE STOLEN ITS ENTIRE CLIENT LIST.

THE FACIAL RECOGNITION COMPANY TOLD CUSTOMERS AN INTRUDER WAS ABLE TO ACCESS ITS CLIENT LIST, AS WELL AS INFORMATION LIKE THE NUMBER OF ACCOUNTS CREATED AND NUMBER OF SEARCHES RUN.

MANY OF CLEARVIEW AI'S CLIENTS ARE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WHO HAVE CONTRACTS TO USE ITS FACIAL RECOGNITION SOFTWARE.

THE COMPANY WAS CRITICIZED IN JANUARY FOR SCRAPING PUBLIC PHOTOS FROM THE INTERNET.

SOCIAL MEDIA COMPANIES LIKE FACEBOOK AND GOOGLE SENT CLEARVIEW A CEASE AND DESIST LETTER OVER THE PRACTICE.

https://www.cnn.com/2020/02/26/tech/clearview-ai-hack/

https://www.thedailybeast.com/clearview-ai-facial-recognition-company-that-works-with-law-enforcement-says-entire-client-list-was-stolen

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HI I'M JOSH KRANZBERG BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES:

HEADLINE: AMERICANS DON'T TRUST BIG TECH FOR 2020

HEADLINE 2: 75 PERCENT DON'T TRUST SOCIAL MEDIA DUE TO PLATFORM MISUSE

A BIPARTISAN MAJORITY OF AMERICANS WORRY TECH COMPANIES WON'T BE ABLE TO PREVENT MISUSE OF THEIR PLATFORMS DURING THE 2020 ELECTION.

THE PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOUND 75 PERCENT OF AMERICANS DON'T THINK COMPANIES LIKE FACEBOOK, TWITTER, OR GOOGLE WILL DO ENOUGH TO STOP EXPLOITATION OR MISINFORMATION ON THEIR SERVICES.

ABOUT 75 PERCENT OF RESPONDENTS SAID THESE COMPANIES HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT THEIR PLATFORMS.

OLDER ADULTS WERE SOMEWHAT MORE LIKELY TO SAY COMPANIES SHOULD BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE.

https://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2020/02/24/few-americans-are-confident-in-tech-companies-to-prevent-misuse-of-their-platforms-in-the-2020-election/

https://techcrunch.com/2020/02/25/three-quarters-of-americans-lack-confidence-in-tech-companies-ability-to-fight-election-interference/

HEADLINE: FACEBOOK BANS FALSE CORONAVIRUS ADS

HEADLINE 2: ADS CANNOT CLAIM TO CURE OR TREAT COVID-19

FACEBOOK HAS TAKEN MORE STEPS TO BAN MISLEADING CORONAVIRUS ADS ON ITS PLATFORM.

THE SOCIAL MEDIA GIANT IS BANNING ADS THAT PROMISE TO PREVENT OR CURE THE DISEASE, AS WELL AS ADS THAT "CREATE A SENSE OF URGENCY" ABOUT THE CORONAVIRUS.

THE BAN COMES WEEKS AFTER THE COMPANY SAID IT WOULD REMOVE CORONAVIRUS MISINFORMATION FROM FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM FEEDS.

FACEBOOK HAS SIMILAR BANS FOR ITS MARKETPLACE E-COMMERCE STORE, WHERE USERS CAN BUY AND SELL PRODUCTS.

https://www.theverge.com/2020/2/26/21154069/facebook-coronavirus-advertising-ban-misinformation-sense-of-urgency

https://www.businessinsider.com/facebook-corona-virus-cracks-down-ads-2020-2?op=1&r=US&IR=T

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02/25/2020

HI I'M JOSH KRANZBERG BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES:

HEADLINE: TSA BANS EMPLOYEES FROM USING TIKTOK

HEADLINE 2: TIKTOK'S TIES TO CHINA POSE A SECURITY RISK

THE TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION HAS BANNED ITS EMPLOYEES FROM USING TIKTOK.
THE TSA DOESN'T WANT ITS EMPLOYEES USING THE POPULAR APP TO CREATE CONTENT FOR THE AGENCY'S USE.
THE APP HAS TIES TO CHINA, AND OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES HAVE WARNED ITS DATA COLLECTION PRACTICES POSE A NATIONAL SECURITY RISK.
THE NEW BAN COMES AFTER SEN. CHUCK SCHUMER CRITICIZED THE TSA FOR CONTINUING ITS USE OF THE APP, AND PUTTING ITSELF AND THE PUBLIC AT RISK.
A TSA SPOKESPERSON TOLD ABC NEWS SOME EMPLOYEES HAD USED TIKTOK ON THEIR PERSONAL DEVICES TO POST VIDEOS FOR TSA BEFORE THE BAN WENT INTO EFFECT.
THE PENTAGON AND DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY ALREADY BAN THEIR EMPLOYEES FROM USING THE APP.
https://abcnews.go.com/Business/tsa-bans-employees-tiktok-create-content-agency/story?id=69175777
https://www.ibtimes.com/tsa-employees-forbidden-use-tiktok-creating-content-2928452

HEADLINE: AMAZON LAUNCHES A FULL-SIZE GROCERY STORE
HEADLINE 2: CAMERAS AND COMPUTER VISION SOFTWARE TRACK PURCHASES

AMAZON HAS LAUNCHED ITS FIRST FULL-SIZE CASHIERLESS SUPERMARKET, IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.
THE NEW STORE CARRIES THE SAME WIDE VARIETY OF GROCERY ITEMS THAT YOU MIGHT FIND AT WHOLE FOODS, BUT SHOPPERS DON'T HAVE TO STOP AND PAY FOR THEIR BASKET.
INSTEAD, THE STORE USES SMARTPHONES, OVERHEAD CAMERAS AND COMPUTER VISION SOFTWARE TO TRACK SHOPPERS AND ITEMS THROUGHOUT THE STORE.
THIS SYSTEM IS SAID TO BE ABLE TO HANDLE TRICKY SITUATIONS, LIKE RECOGNIZING ODDLY SHAPED PRODUCE, OR KEEPING ACCURATE RECEIPTS FOR SHOPPERS WHO PUT ITEMS BACK ON THE SHELVES.
SMALLER AMAZON GO CONVENIENCE STORES ARE ALREADY OPEN IN OTHER CITIES, INCLUDING NEW YORK AND SAN FRANCISCO.
https://www.theverge.com/2020/2/25/21151021/amazon-go-grocery-store-expansion-open-seattle-cashier-less
https://www.forbes.com/sites/krisholt/2020/02/25/amazon-opens-its-first-cashierless-supermarket/#5c4640365baf
https://techcrunch.com/2020/02/25/amazon-opens-its-first-cashierless-grocery-store/

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02/24/2020

HI I'M CAITLIN BALDWIN BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES:

HEADLINE: TWITTER SUSPENDS 70 PRO-BLOOMBERG ACCOUNTS

HEADLINE 2: CAMPAIGN ACCOUNTS VIOLATE TWITTER'S SPAM POLICY

TWITTER HAS SUSPENDED 70 ACCOUNTS THAT SUPPORT FORMER NYC MAYOR AND CURRENT PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE MIKE BLOOMBERG.

TWITTER SAYS THE ACCOUNTS VIOLATE ITS POLICY ON PLATFORM MANIPULATION.

IT SAYS THE BLOOMBERG CAMPAIGN DIRECTED MULTIPLE ACCOUNTS TO POST DUPLICATE CONTENT AND IDENTICAL TWEETS AND HASHTAGS.

THE CAMPAIGN HAS ALSO HIRED TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES, PAYING THEM $2,500 A MONTH TO SPREAD CAMPAIGN MESSAGES ON SOCIAL MEDIA AND THROUGH TEXT MESSAGES.

TWITTER SAYS THAT SOME OF THE AFFECTED ACCOUNTS WILL BE PERMANENTLY SUSPENDED. OTHER ACCOUNT OWNERS WILL HAVE TO PROVE THEY CONTROL THEIR ACCOUNT.

TWITTER DEBUTED ITS PLATFORM MANIPULATION AND SPAM POLICY IN SEPTEMBER IN RESPONSE TO RUSSIA'S INTERFERENCE IN THE 2016 U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

https://www.latimes.com/business/technology/story/2020-02-21/twitter-suspends-bloomberg-accounts

https://www.technologyreview.com/f/615278/twitter-has-suspended-70-pro-bloomberg-accounts-for-platform-manipulation/

https://www.usatoday.com/story/tech/2020/02/23/twitter-removed-70-pro-michael-bloomberg-accounts-breaking-its-rules/4851424002/

HEADLINE: GOOGLE WARNS AGAINST SIDELOADING ITS APPS

HEADLINE 2: UNOFFICIAL APPS FOUND ONLINE MAY BE COMPROMISED

GOOGLE HAS WARNED OWNERS OF ANDROID PHONES MADE BY HUAWEI NOT TO SIDELOAD GOOGLE APPS.

GOOGLE REMINDED ITS ANDROID USERS THAT HUAWEI DEVICES AREN'T ALLOWED TO DOWNLOAD GOOGLE APPS LIKE GMAIL, YOUTUBE, OR GOOGLE MAPS.

BUT SINCE ANDROID PHONES ALLOW USERS TO INSTALL APPS FROM UNCONFIRMED SOURCES, GOOGLE IS CONCERNED THAT HUAWEI USERS MIGHT ADD COMPROMISED PROGRAMS AND FILES TO THEIR PHONES.

THE BAN DATES BACK TO MAY 2019, WHEN THE US GOVERNMENT DECLARED THAT HUAWEI COULD NOT COLLABORATE WITH U.S. COMPANIES BECAUSE IT POSED A NATIONAL SECURITY RISK.

https://www.bbc.com/news/technology-51613577

https://www.techradar.com/news/google-officially-warns-huawei-device-owners-not-to-sideload-its-apps

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