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Otsuka Chemical to open headquarters in Spalding County

Staff reports that Gov. Nathan Deal announced today that Japan-based Otsuka Chemical Co., Ltd. will establish its North American headquarters at Georgia's first eco-friendly park, creating 32 jobs. "I'm thrilled that this state-of-the-art chemical company has chosen Georgia to establish its North American headquarters," said Deal. "We have a longstanding, mutually beneficial relationship with Japan, and our top-ranked business climate will continue to carry global companies such as Otsuka Chemical toward success."

May 13, 2014 Atlanta Business Chronicle

Emory lands \$108K HIV research grant

Ellie Hensley reports that AmfAR's Research Consortium on HIV Eradication will hand out \$703,000 in research grants, including \$180,000 to Emory University. With the money, Emory's Dr. Ann Chahroudi will work with Dr. Una O'Doherty of the University of Pennsylvania to study the decline of the virus in various T cell subsets, as well as which subsets the virus persists in, after maximal suppression has been reached, in a monkey model of HIV infection.

May 13, 2014 Atlanta Journal-Constitution

Equifax CFO to retire

Arielle Kass reports that the chief financial officer of Atlanta-based Equifax is retiring. Lee Adrean, 62, will be replaced by 51-year-old John W. Gamble Jr. Since 2005, Gamble has been executive vice president and CFO of printer and document company Lexmark International.

May 13, 2014 Covington News

Newton Co. closing in on two industries

Gabriel Khouri reports that business activity is picking up in Newton County as eight industries, totaling 2,000 jobs, are considering locating in Newton County, industrial recruiter Dave Bernd said Friday. He said Newton County is close to landing two particularly large industries that would provide a big boost to the local job market, though neither deal has yet been finalized.

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Debate Attacks On Nunn Hint At What's To Come

Jeanne Bonner reports that Michelle Nunn is facing criticism that she's light on experience, she's riding her father's coat-tails and that she's aloof. And that's just from her fellow Democrats. In one of the nation's most-watched political contests of 2014, Nunn squared off against fellow Democrats seeking Saxby Chambliss's U.S. Senate seat in a debate that will be broadcast Monday on GPB-TV.

May 13, 2014 Atlanta Journal-Constitution - Political Insider

About John Barrow's bill to require Congress to fly coach

Jim Galloway reports, yes, it's an election-year gimmick. And no, it has no chance of passing. Still, it may be the best, and most shameless, name for a bill since - well, since ever: "If Our Military Has to Fly Coach Then so Should Congress Act" (H.R. 4632). U.S. Rep. John Barrow, D-Augusta, who may not know the identity of his GOP opposition until July, is one of the four authors. (Two are Republicans.)