

Week Ending: May 24, 2018

Top Stories This Week

Comcast Is Preparing An All-Cash Bid To Break Up The Disney-Fox Marriage

Comcast Corp. confirmed that it may make an offer for the entertainment assets that 21st Century Fox has agreed to sell to Walt Disney Co., escalating a bidding war that's already underway over Fox's European satellite business. (*fortune.com*)

Qualcomm's New Hardware Will Help Mobile 5G Get Off The Ground

If mobile 5G is going to become more than a nice idea, it needs the thorough coverage you expect today -- and that means putting it in the small cell sites that boost coverage in busy areas. (engadget.com)

AP Explains: What's Changing Under New Data Privacy Rules

Europe's new data and privacy rules take effect a week from Friday, clarifying individual rights to the personal data collected by companies around the world for targeted advertising and other purposes. (abcnews.go.com)

Products & Services

Instagram Now Lets You Share Other People's Photos In Your Stories

Another day, another new Instagram feature. (dpreview.com)

AT&T Launches Its LTE-Powered Amazon Dash-Style Button

When we first told you about AT&T's LTE-M Button, the information was socked away in a deluge of AWS Re:Invent announcements. (techcrunch.com)

Emerging Technology

We've Seen The New RED Holographic Smartphone: A Sneak Peek

It looks like a smartphone, it acts like a smartphone, but once you see the screen on the RED Hydrogen One, you realize you've never seen anything like it. (<u>usatoday.com</u>)

Google Might Be Working On A Standalone AR Headset

Now that commercial VR experiences are finally picking up in popularity and receiving wider acceptance and adoption, it seems like a pretty opportune time to start pushing the boundaries further with augmented reality as well. (*gsmarena.com*)

Mergers, Acquisitions, & Partnerships

Microsoft Buys A Start-Up That Wants A.I. To Make Conversation With Humans Microsoft has bought Semantic Machines, an artificial intelligence start-up, as it looks to boost its efforts in developing conversational AI. (cnbc.com)

PayPal Expands Retail Payments With \$2.2 billion Zettle Buy

PayPal Holdings Inc has agreed to buy Swedish financial technology startup iZettle for \$2.2 billion in the U.S. online payments provider's biggest ever acquisition. (<u>reuters.com</u>)

Industry Reports

Netflix, Hulu And Other Streaming Services Trounce Pay TV On Customer Satisfaction
This won't come as a huge shock: Customers of streaming-video companies like Netflix and Hulu are far happier with their service overall than subscribers of traditional cable, satellite and telco TV operators. (variety.com)

10 Ways The Internet of Things Will Make Our Lives Better

The Internet of Things (IoT) links a wide range of devices -- including wearables, smart appliances, and driverless cars -- to each other and the cloud. (<u>fool.com</u>)

Apttus And The Rise Of Enterprise AI (Artificial Intelligence)

As seen with the offerings from mega tech companies like Microsoft, Amazon.com, Facebook and Google, AI (Artificial Intelligence) is rapidly becoming mainstream. (forbes.com)