



## KS&R's DIGITAL DISPATCH

**Week Ending:** August 3, 2018

### Top Stories This Week

#### [Prepare Yourself: Facebook Could Be The Future Of National Census](#)

Every ten years, governments around the world conduct their national census: a count of the resident population. ([msn.com](#))

#### [Nokia, T-Mobile US Agree \\$3.5 Bln Deal, World's First Big 5G Award](#)

T-Mobile US named Nokia to supply it with \$3.5 billion in next-generation 5G network gear, marking the world's largest 5G deal so far and solid evidence of a new wireless upgrade cycle starting to take root. ([cnbc.com](#))

#### [New York State Revokes Approval Of Charter-Time Warner Cable Deal](#)

The New York State Public Service Commission said on Friday it revoked its approval of the 2016 merger agreement between Charter Communications Inc (CHTR.O) and Time Warner Cable, saying Charter failed to build out its network for enough homes and that the company must end its operations in the state. ([reuters.com](#))

### Products & Services

#### [DirecTV Now Adds The NFL Network - At No Extra Cost](#)

If you're a DirecTV Now subscriber and American Football fan, you'll be happy to hear that AT&T's subscription TV platform has just added the NFL Network to its roster of channels. ([forbes.com](#))

#### [Verizon VPN App Protects Against Shady Public WiFi](#)

Add Verizon to the list of tech giants that can't resist the temptation to offer their own virtual private network services. ([engadget.com](#))

### Emerging Technology

#### [Microsoft Patent Points To A 2-Screen Device For 3-Way Video Calls](#)

Although Microsoft's two-screen pocket-sized Andromeda device appears to be dead in the water for now, the company apparently still has multi-screen devices on its radar. ([digitaltrends.com](#))

#### [Artificial Intelligence Can Predict Your Personality By Scanning Your Eyes](#)

"The eyes are the window of the soul." Cicero said that. But it's a bunch of baloney. ([cnet.com](#))

## **Mergers, Acquisitions, & Partnerships**

### [Siemens To Buy Mendix For \\$730M To Make IoT Development Easier](#)

Siemens wants to boost adoption of its industrial Internet of Things platform by making application development faster and easier with a new acquisition. ([cm.com](#))

### [IBM and FX Giant CLS Team Up to Launch Blockchain App Store for Banks](#)

Even private and permissioned blockchains need to build ecosystems and achieve network effects, just like their permissionless, public counterparts. ([coindesk.com](#))

## **Industry Reports**

### [Millions of U.S. Voter Records Exposed on Robo-Call Company RoboCent's Poorly-Configured AWS Cloud Storage](#)

A political robo-calling company called RoboCent exposed 4,500 client files to the open Internet by failing to properly configure its cloud storage on Amazon Web Services (AWS). ([spectrum.ieee.org](#))

### [Rethinking The Internet Of Things](#)

At a telecommunications conference hosted by Huawei late last year, I told a group of senior executives looking for growth opportunities in a saturated market that one billion new mobile subscribers were just waiting for their services. ([project-syndicate.org](#))