

# The Daily Wrap

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Today on the Dish, Andrew [picked apart](#) American Exceptionalism in the age of the empire. He also [expressed](#) total disbelief as our military intentions in Libya [went](#) deeper than we [thought](#).

Meanwhile Qaddafi's regime may be [collapsing](#) in on him. Andrew [recalled](#) the Constitution that tried to make war hard to declare, Larison [questioned](#) a war based on Al Jazeera's coverage, and Benjamin H. Friedman [encouraged](#) the Pentagon to find the funding for wars in its own budget. We [debated](#) arming the rebels, [tracked](#) their ties to Al Qaeda, and they continued to [suffer](#) setbacks. Greg Scoblete [wondered](#) if we could walk away, Erik Voeten [examined](#) how foreign intervention increases chances of civil war, and Doug Mataconis [likened](#) the "right to protect" crowd to the new neoconservatives. Arab Spring [arrived](#) for Angry Birds, and belt buckles [tested](#) our [fashion](#) knowledge.

The [dashed](#) DOMA news [crushed](#) Andrew, and he [battled](#) deniers that Gandhi was gay. Bernstein [looked](#) forward to crowning 2012's King Crazy, while a sane Mitch Daniels [would lose it](#) either way. Frum [frowned](#) on the GOP's climate change stance, and Christians [don't consider](#) Mormons Christian. Richard Florida [exposed](#) the conservative states of America, Ezra Klein [calculated](#) the economic cost of a government shutdown, and we [tracked](#) the reax to Obama's half-assed energy policy.

Michelle Rhee [pulled](#) a Nixon on the test scores scandal, urban legends [lived](#) on, nuclear power [is](#) a Frankenstein for our time. David Brooks [taught](#) us the Pareto Principle for everyday use, Lux Alptraum [feared](#) the fate of famous boys, and more kids [applied](#) to colleges. Julian Sanchez [considered](#) how much we deserve from the un-copyrighted inheritance we've gotten, and international media piracy [persisted](#). Readers [tried](#) out squirmish, [loved](#) the firehose, pregnant women [eat](#) dirt, and wedding dresses could be [bought](#) in bulk. Yann Arthus Bertrand [captured](#) the world from above while Matt Stopera [compiled](#) pictures from the world beyond.

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