

G-LIBER students travelling to Georgia Logistics Summit ; April 10th-11th; Atlanta

• **Software Firm FoodLogiQ Raises \$19.5 Million in Funding Round Including Tyson Ventures**

Tougher food-safety demands are drawing technology and funding into farm-focused supply chains. FoodLogiQ LLC, which develops supply-chain software to track food safety, raised \$19.5 million in a new funding round including backing from the venture-funding arm of Tyson Foods Inc. The interest from Tyson is a sign of the growing attention food distributors are paying to suppliers, and of the heightened role that traceability has in supply chains that stretch from far-flung growers to food-processing companies and, finally, to restaurants and supermarkets.

Source: The Wall Street Journal March 29, 2018

• **Hospitals fear competitive threat from potential Walmart-Humana deal**

Epidemic change is underway in hospital-focused medical supply chains. The early-stage deal talks between Walmart Inc. and Humana Inc. mark the latest sign of consolidation that's taken in distributors, pharmacy operators and benefits managers. The shifting landscape is triggering deepening anxiety in the hospital sector where operators have been grappling with sluggish growth and competition from cheaper health-care options.

Source: The Wall Street Journal/ Logistics News April 1 2018

• **Trump-Led antitrust case against Amazon**

Amazon.com Inc. carries outsized weight in digital sales, and new attention from the White House raises new questions of whether that scale eliminates competition. President Donald Trump put a harsh eye on the e-commerce giant with a series of Twitter posts that continued over the weekend, and the comments are reviving investor concerns that antitrust action could be brought against Amazon.

Source: The Wall Street Journal/ Logistics News April 1 2018

• **China retaliates against Trump tariffs with duties on American meat and fruit**

The volleys in a trans-Pacific trade war are starting to fly. China imposed its promised tariffs on a range of U.S. goods starting today, the WSJ's Charles Hutzler reports, following through on a promise to retaliate against American penalties on imports of Chinese steel and aluminum.

Source: The Wall Street Journal/ Logistics News April 1 2018

• **Uber to shutter rush delivery service**

Creating a parcel delivery service to compete with the big private carriers turns out to be more difficult than some have imagined. Uber Technologies Inc. is shuttering the same-day parcel and package delivery service called Rush.

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