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FACEBOOK USERS AROUND the globe began to notice something strange happening on their feeds Tuesday night. Links to legitimate news outlets and websites, including *The Atlantic*, *USA Today*, the *Times of Israel*, and BuzzFeed, among many others, were being taken down en masse for reportedly violating Facebook's spam rules. The problem impacted many people's ability to share news articles and information about the developing [coronavirus pandemic](#). Canadian pundit and podcast host [Andrew Lawton](#) said he was shocked to find that Facebook had wiped his episode archive and was barring him from sharing updates about Covid-19. "This is unreal," he wrote in a since deleted tweet.

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