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Facebook's News section launch means Facebook is actually a newspaper | Vox

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Facebook's News section, which launches Friday, is a big deal for newspapers, because <u>Facebook is finally going to start paying them for their work</u>.

It is also an interesting, tacit admission from Facebook: The best way for Facebook to act like a newspaper, it turns out, is for Facebook to actually behave like a newspaper.

Facebook isn't changing its main "News Feed" — an almost-anything-goes jumble of dog pictures, rants from your uncle, and whatever news stories you and your friends want to share with each other. That one is run almost entirely by Facebook software, powered by free contributions from the platform's 2 billion-plus users, and from people who want to reach them.

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