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This week the Fed is holding their annual Jackson Hole symposium — although it will be virtual again because of the Delta variant. Media coverage has built expectations of a sharp internal debate around tapering. The recent minutes show some in favor of reducing the Fed's bond buying program this year. Boston Fed president Eric [...]

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Paul Kennedy's The Rise and Fall of the Great Powers coined the term "imperial overstretch". Throughout history, the decline of every great power has coincided with military commitments beyond its means. Such cycles last many decades, and Kennedy's 1987 book speculated that Japan was the new rising power about to overtake America. That call was [...]

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