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"Citigroup Does 'Fintech'" (July 1) said incorrectly that Microsoft bought Intuit. Microsoft had a deal to buy Intuit in 1994, but the acquisition was never completed.