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**Canadian National Railway** made a roughly \$30 billion bid for Kansas City Southern, kicking off a bidding war for a railroad operator that has already agreed to a sale to Canadian Pacific. **A1**

◆ **Netflix** said first-quarter subscriber growth was weaker than expected. The firm's shares were 8.4% lower in after-hours trading. **B1**

◆ **Boeing** board cast a vote of confidence in CEO Calhoun by extending his job for up to five years. Boeing said CFO Smith will retire in July. **B1**

◆ **Apple** unveiled a subscription podcast service that deepens its competition with Spotify, plus upgrades to its iPad and iMac lines. **B1**

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◆ **The Daily Mail's** owner filed an antitrust suit against Alphabet's Google. **B5**

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◆ **Russia** has moved warplanes to Crimea and bases near Ukraine to an extent greater than previously disclosed, according to commercial-satellite photos. **A1**

◆ **Biden** told a group of lawmakers that he intends to propose a temporary extension of an enhanced child tax credit, rebuffing requests from some Democrats who favor making the benefit permanent. **A2**

◆ **Soaring carbon emissions** are on track to reverse a big chunk of last year's sharp reduction, with energy demand increasing as countries restart their economies. **A8**

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# Chauvin Convicted of Murder



Former Minneapolis Officer Derek Chauvin was handcuffed after Tuesday's verdict, with his lawyer, Eric Nelson, looking on.

Ex-officer faces 40 years on top count in Floyd killing, a case that incited unrest

By JOE BARRETT AND JACOB GERSHMAN

MINNEAPOLIS—Derek Chauvin was convicted of three counts, including murder charges, in the death of George Floyd, a Black man whose death last May while in police custody was captured on video that went viral and set off a summer of unrest over law enforcement's treatment of people of color.

The jury, whose members' names haven't been released, deliberated for more than 10 hours over two days. Without asking the judge a single question, they filed back into the Hennepin County Government Center on Tuesday afternoon to a courtroom under tight security and Covid-19 restrictions.

Mr. Chauvin, 45 years old, sat impassively as Judge Peter Cahill read that he was guilty of all three counts: second-degree murder, third-degree murder and manslaughter. Wearing a mask like everyone else

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## U.S. Railroad Attracts \$30 Billion Rival Bid

By CARA LOMBARDO

Canadian National Railway Co. made a roughly \$30 billion bid for Kansas City Southern, kicking off a bidding war for a railroad operator that has already agreed to a sale to another Canadian rival.

Canadian National offered \$325 for each Kansas City Southern share, including \$200 in cash and 1.059 Canadian National shares. The company said the offer represents a 21% premium to Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd.'s agreement to pay \$275 a share, including \$90 in cash, a roughly \$25 billion deal reached last month.

The move sets up a tussle for a key strategic asset poised to benefit from an expected surge in economic activity as the world emerges from the coronavirus pandemic. Either combination would create the first freight-rail network linking the U.S., Mexico and Canada by connecting ports in the three countries.

Kansas City Southern, the smallest of the five major freight railroads in the U.S., plays a big role in U.S.-Mexico trade, with a network stretching across both countries. Its

trains bring autos and other industrial products up from factories south of the border into Texas and the Midwest and haul U.S. farm goods back to Mexico. It also runs a rail link along the Panama Canal.

Canadian National anticipates the combination it is proposing would generate incremental cash flow—in the form of earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and

amortization—of about \$1 billion, mainly from increased revenue from offering lower-cost alternatives to trucking routes. The company said it is better positioned than Canadian Pacific given a larger footprint and limited route overlap with Kansas City

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## EU Urges Attaching Warning to J&J Shot

By THOMAS M. BURTON AND ERIC SYLVERS

Europe's health agency said a warning should be added to the product information of the Johnson & Johnson Covid-19 vaccine that unusual blood clots are a very rare possible side effect, but it said the benefits of taking the shot outweigh the risks.

The move by European officials comes as use of the shot has been paused in both Europe and the U.S., where an advisory committee to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is scheduled to meet Friday to advise about the next course of action.

It also comes as the number of U.S. cases of blood-clot disorders linked to the shot has risen to nine, up from six initially reported, according to a senior U.S. health official.

The nine U.S. cases, including one death, are being investigated, the official said. The instances of clots overall is still very small given that about seven million doses of the vaccine have been administered in the U.S.

The European Medicines Agency said Tuesday that it had looked at data from the U.S. in making its assessment.

Last week, U.S. health authorities, on the recommendation of the Food and Drug Administration and CDC, urged the pause in the shot's rollout. They had considered only issuing a warning but decided a

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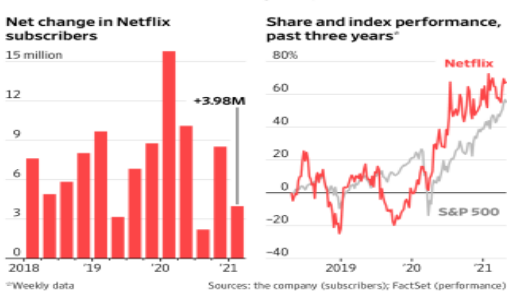
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## Netflix Subscriber Growth Slips

Netflix said first-quarter subscriber growth was weaker than expected, as consumers started to emerge from pandemic-related lockdowns and streaming competition increased. **B1**



## Strained IRS Is Key To Biden's Agenda

Administration seeks more money to step up enforcement and fix other problems

By RICHARD RUBIN

WASHINGTON—If President Biden is to implement his ambitious economic agenda, he will have to rely on a beleaguered arm of the government: the Internal Revenue Service.

The U.S. tax agency, shrunken after a decade of budget cuts, is sending \$1.4 billion in payments to most Americans, the third such logistical challenge in a year. Last month's \$1.9 trillion relief law requires the IRS to create a system outside of annual tax filings for issuing child tax credit payments.

And, further complicating an already messy filing season in which the April 15 deadline was pushed back to May

17, the agency must implement a retroactive change to taxation of unemployment benefits received in 2020.

More challenges await. The Biden administration and congressional Democrats are considering tax increases on companies and top earners that would require significant implementation and enforcement. They also hope to collect hundreds of billions of dollars by expanding the IRS and beefing up audits.

Getting all that done likely will require a transformation of the U.S. tax agency. Although the IRS still inspires fear and anger in many, it lost a net 15% of its employees between 2010 and 2020.

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## Russia Moves Forces Near Ukraine Border

Russia has moved warplanes to Crimea and bases near Ukraine to an extent greater than has previously been disclosed, adding to its

By Michael R. Gordon in Washington and Georgi Kantchev in Kyiv

capability for political intimidation or military intervention, according to commercial satellite photos of areas being used for the military buildup.

The photos, which were reviewed by The Wall Street Journal, show Su-30 fighters lined up on a runway at an air base in Crimea. The aircraft, which are shown in a satellite

photo from April 16, hadn't been there in late March.

Other Russian military units on the Crimean peninsula include airborne troops, motorized rifle and armored units, attack helicopters, smoke generators, reconnaissance drones, jamming equipment and a military hospital, the photos indicate.

Those forces and the stationing of Su-34, Su-30, Su-27, Su-25 and Su-24 aircraft elsewhere in the region, which are also depicted in the photos, have strengthened Moscow's political

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## Salesforce. #1 CRM.

Ranked #1 for CRM Applications based on IDC 2020H1 Revenue Market Share Worldwide.

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## Border threat alarms Kyiv

A Ukrainian soldier stands near the line of separation from pro-Russian rebels near Donetsk this week.

Ukraine said yesterday that Russia would soon have more than 120,000 troops on its border, as Kyiv called for new western economic sanctions to deter Moscow from "further escalation". Russia's relations with the EU and US are at low points not seen since the cold war, with German chancellor Angela Merkel expressing concern yesterday at the "extremely tense and very worrying" situation.

Russia also expelled two Bulgarian diplomats yesterday, following the expulsion of 20 Czech diplomats on Sunday and 10 US diplomats last Friday. **Tilt-for-tat measures** page 3



AP Photo/Tomasz Marek

## Xi calls for new world order in attack on US global leadership

◆ Speech points to dangers of decoupling ◆ Warning on interference in 'internal affairs'

RYAN MCMORROW — BEIJING

Xi Jinping has called for a new world order, launching a veiled attack against US global leadership and warning against an economic decoupling of the two superpowers.

"International affairs should be handled by everyone," the Chinese president told the Boao Forum for Asia, an event billed as the country's answer to the World Economic Forum in Davos. Xi did not name the US in his 18-minute speech, but he took aim at Washington's efforts to decouple supply chains and bar critical American semi-conductors and other high-tech goods from being sold to Chinese companies, such as Huawei.

"The rules set by one or several coun-

tries should not be imposed on others, and the unilateralism of individual countries should not give the whole world a rhythm," he said.

Xi's comments came days after President Joe Biden of the US and Yoshihide Suga, Japan's prime minister, committed to work together to oppose Chinese coercion in the South and East China seas. Tensions are rising in the region, with China facing international criticism for its crackdown on Hong Kong and human rights abuses against Uyghur Muslims in Xinjiang.

Beijing has also beefed up its military activity in the region. In January, Chinese aircraft simulated missile attacks on a US aircraft carrier during an incursion into Taiwan's air defence zone three days after Biden's inauguration.

In his speech, Xi said: "Bossing others around and interfering in other countries' internal affairs will not be well received."

Despite growing geopolitical tensions, US businesses are eager to expand in China, which reported 18.3 per cent year-on-year economic growth in the first quarter as the country rebounded from lockdown. US banks in particular have been keen as Beijing gradually opens up financial markets.

Western executives scheduled to participate in the Boao Forum included Apple chief executive Tim Cook, Goldman Sachs president John Waldron, Tesla boss Elon Musk and Stephen Schwarzman of Blackstone. Shi Yinhong, director of the Centre on American Studies at Renmin University in Bei-



Xi Jinping took aim at US efforts to separate supply chains and bar critical American high-tech goods from being sold to Chinese companies

jing, said there was no doubt the US was the target of Xi's remarks. "In the eyes of China, the US is still hegemonic."

Xi also called for closer global co-operation on developing, manufacturing and distributing Covid-19 vaccines to improve access in developing countries. "We want to make [the vaccine] truly accessible and affordable to people of all countries," he said.

Chinese vaccines developed by Sino-pharm, Sinovac and CanSino have already been produced in countries that have signed up to its Belt and Road initiative, including Brazil, the United Arab Emirates and Malaysia. Xi insisted vaccines were global public goods and promised to provide help for developing countries to overcome the pandemic. **Additional reporting by Nian Liu in Beijing**

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Six current and former Credit Suisse managers have told the FT how the bank hollowed out risk expertise and trading acumen in favour of promoting salesmen and technocrats. They shed light on dealings with entrepreneur Lex Greensill and his supply chain finance firm whose fall from grace may cost the bank's clients \$3bn. "When Lex came along, the bank couldn't get enough of him," says one manager. **Analysis** ► PAGE 7

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## 'Huge risk' of space junk collisions as thousands of satellites blast into orbit

CLIVE COOKSON — LONDON

The launch of thousands of satellites in "mega-constellations" to improve global internet access will exacerbate the growing problem of space junk, experts at a European Space Agency conference warned yesterday.

"We face entirely new challenges as hundreds of satellites are launched every month now — more than we used to launch in a year," said Thomas Schild-Knecht of the International Astronomical Union. "The mega-constellations are producing huge risks of collisions. We need more stringent rules for traffic management in space."

Addressing the threat that defunct satellites and fragments from their disintegration pose to active spacecraft has become one of ESA's top priorities, said Josef Aschbacher, the agency's director-

general. "These particles are causing enormous danger to the spacecraft on which our services down on Earth depend — communications, weather forecasting and a lot of infrastructure," he said.

An estimated 900,000 objects larger than 1cm in diameter, and 128m fragments larger than 1mm, are already in Earth's orbit. They move so fast that even a centimetre-sized fragment can disable or destroy an operational spacecraft, generating more junk.

Hundreds of collision avoidance alerts are issued every week to satellite operators. Their spacecraft carry out costly collision avoidance manoeuvres, about once every two weeks in the case of ESA's 20 satellites, said Holger Krag, head of the agency's space safety office.

"This is nothing compared to what is coming," he warned, as companies

begin to launch mega-constellations into low-Earth orbit, an altitude of up to 2,000km, to boost internet access.

Starlink, part of Elon Musk's SpaceX company, is leading the rush to grab space in low-Earth orbit, followed by competitors including OneWeb, Amazon and Telesat.

Agencies and governments are moving to strengthen 20-year-old guidelines to tackle space garbage by ensuring that all new satellites deactivate and burn up safely in the atmosphere at the end of their life, said Luisa Innocenti, head of ESA's Clean Space Office.

The first such ESA mission is due to launch in 2025. The ClearSpace satellite will use robotic arms to grab a redundant rocket stage at an altitude of 800km and send the 100kg metal object hurtling downwards to incinerate itself in the atmosphere.

## World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				INTEREST RATES			
	Apr 20	prev	%chg		Apr 20	prev	%chg		price	yield	chg
S&P 500	4126.52	4163.28	-0.88	\$ per €	1.205	1.202	0.21	US Gov 10 yr	147.11	1.57	-0.01
Nasdaq Composite	12751.02	12914.77	-1.19	\$ per £	1.395	1.399	-0.29	UK Gov 10 yr	0.73	-0.03	
Dow Jones Ind	33781.87	34077.63	-0.87	€ per £	0.864	0.859	0.59	Gov 10 yr	-0.26	-0.03	
FTSEurofirst 300	1668.92	1701.23	-1.90	¥ per \$	108.125	106.030	1.97	Jpn Gov 10 yr	116.55	0.08	0.00
Euro Stoxx 50	3840.04	4019.91	-4.99	¥ per €	160.834	151.102	6.17	US Gov 30 yr	105.70	2.26	-0.02
FTSE 100	6869.87	7000.08	-2.00	SFr per €	1.101	1.100	0.09	Gov 2 yr	106.34	-0.70	-0.01
FTSE All-Share	3610.05	3699.65	-2.52	€ per \$	0.830	0.832	-0.24				
CAC 40	6165.11	6296.69	-2.08								
Nikkei 225	15123.51	15360.29	-1.56								
Hong Kong	29135.73	29100.15	0.10								
MSCI World \$	2944.05	2953.35	-0.31								
MSCI EM \$	1348.55	1348.69	-0.01								
MSCI ACWI \$	702.50	704.94	-0.20								

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## CHAUVIN GUILTY OF MURDER IN FLOYD'S DEATH



Former Officer Derek Chauvin after his conviction on Tuesday in Minneapolis. Philonise Floyd, one of George Floyd's brothers, said, "We are able to breathe again."

### A Rare Rebuke of Police Violence in the U.S.

This article is by John Eligon, Tim Arango, Shaila Dewan and Nicholas Bogel-Burroughs.

MINNEAPOLIS — A former police officer who pressed his knee into George Floyd's neck until well past Mr. Floyd's final breath was found guilty of murder on Tuesday in a case that shook the nation's conscience and drew millions into the streets for the largest racial justice protests in generations.

The verdict, which could send the former officer, Derek Chauvin, to prison for decades, was a rare rebuke of police violence, following a case after case of officers going without charges or convictions after killing Black men, women and children.

At the center of it all was an excruciating video, taken by a teenage girl, that showed Mr. Chauvin, who is white, kneeling on the neck of Mr. Floyd, who was Black, for 9 minutes 29 seconds as Mr. Floyd pleaded for his life and bystanders tried to intervene. Mr. Floyd repeated "I can't breathe" more than 20 times during the encounter.

The video, played on a horrifying loop for the past year, triggered more than calls for changes in policing. It stirred Americans of all races, in small towns and large cities, to gather for mass protests, chanting "Black lives matter" and challenging the country to finally have a true reckoning over race.

Their demands reverberated within the walls of institutions that had long resisted change, from corporate America to Congress.

This week, over the course of two days, a racially diverse jury of seven women and five men deliberated for about 10 hours before pronouncing Mr. Chauvin guilty on all three charges: second-degree murder, third-degree murder and second-degree manslaughter.

President Biden praised the verdict in an address at the White House but called it a "too rare" step to deliver "basic accountability" for Black Americans.

It was a murder in full light of day, and it ripped the blinders off for the whole world to see," Mr. Biden said. "For so many, it feels like it took all of that for the judicial system to deliver just basic accountability."

Hours before the jury's decision, Mr. Biden had taken the unusual step of weighing in, telling reporters that he was "praying" for the "right verdict."

"This can be a giant step forward in the march toward justice in America," he said.

After the verdict, Philonise Floyd, one of Mr. Floyd's younger brothers, spoke at the Hilton hotel in downtown Minneapolis. "We are able to breathe again," he said, holding back tears.

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**GRIM HISTORY** An examination of police killings of Black Americans shows few convictions. PAGE A14

### A Year of Protest and Reform. What Now for Racial Justice?

This article is by Audra D. S. Burch, Amy Harmon, Sabrina Tavernise and Emily Badger.

George Floyd had been dead only hours before the movement began. Driven by a terrifying video and word of mouth, people flooded the South Minneapolis intersection where he was killed shortly after Memorial Day, demanding an end to police violence against Black Americans.

The moment of collective grief and anger swiftly gave way to a yearlong, nationwide deliberation on what it means to be Black in America.

First came protests, in large cities and small towns across the nation, becoming the largest mass protest movement in U.S. history. Then, over the next several months, nearly 170 Confederate symbols were renamed or removed from public spaces. The "Black lives matter" slogan was claimed by a nation grappling with Mr. Floyd's death.

Over the next 11 months, calls for racial justice would touch seemingly every aspect of American life on a scale that historians said had not happened since the civil rights movement of the 1960s.

On Tuesday, Derek Chauvin, the

white police officer who knelt on Mr. Floyd, was convicted of two counts of murder as well as manslaughter. The verdict brought some solace to activists for racial justice who had been riveted to the courtroom drama for the past several weeks.

But for many Black Americans, real change feels elusive, particularly given how relentlessly the killing of Black men by the police has continued, including the recent shooting death of Daunte Wright in a Minneapolis suburb.

There are also signs of backsliding. Continued on Page A18



George Floyd

### With a Cry of 'We Matter,' Catharsis and Relief

By SHAILA DEWAN  
and JULIE BOSMAN

MINNEAPOLIS — Outside the Cup Foods convenience store where George Floyd was killed last May, a woman nearly collapsed in tears upon hearing the guilty verdicts against Derek Chauvin, the police officer who killed Mr. Floyd.

"We matter," she said, straightening up. "We matter."  
In one Minneapolis neighborhood, jubilant residents honked horns and banged pots and pans out their windows. Hundreds of people who were facing the courthouse began pumping their fists in unison as the news whipped through the crowd. "Guilty!" they shouted, and then began to chant: "All three counts! All three counts!"

When Minneapolis heard the verdict in the trial of Mr. Chauvin, it was a moment of catharsis for many in the city, a scene of collective relief and satisfaction that he had been convicted on two murder charges and one manslaughter charge in Mr. Floyd's death.

Those scenes were echoed, sometimes in quieter ways, across the country, as Americans paused from working, running errands or picking up their children from school to listen as Judge Peter A. Cahill announced the verdict. For

### In Minneapolis and the Country, a Sense That Justice Was Served

some Black Americans in particular, the moment was especially poignant, an affirmation that justice had been served for Mr. Floyd.

Don Jackson, a 33-year-old tech worker, was leaving work in Chicago's Loop as the news of Mr. Chauvin's conviction spread through downtown. "I didn't have a lot of hope that they would get it right," he said of the jurors. "But they did."



Reacting to the verdict at George Floyd Square in Minneapolis.

In the Old Fourth Ward of Atlanta, a block from Ebenezer Baptist Church, Rena Miller, 49, was sitting outside a cigar store having a celebratory puff.

"I honestly feel some type of relief because we've been carrying a lot," Ms. Miller, a retired counselor, said. "We felt like history was going to repeat itself. He was going to get convicted of the lesser charge. And so we've prepared ourselves for that."

In some cities, people said they could not even bear to watch.

Tiffany Burks, 28, who organized protests last summer with the Black Lives Matter Alliance Broward in South Florida, said her mother texted the news to her

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### Big Tech's Clout Is Challenged Across the Globe

This article is by Paul Mozur, Cecilia Kang, Adam Satariano and David McCabe.

China fined the internet giant Alibaba a record \$2.8 billion this month for anticompetitive practices, ordered an overhaul of its sister financial company and warned other technology firms to obey Beijing's rules.

Now the European Commission plans to unveil far-reaching regulations to limit technologies powered by artificial intelligence.

And in the United States, President

### Curbs Could Reshape How Internet Works

dent Biden has stacked his administration with trustbusters who have taken aim at Amazon, Facebook and Google.

Around the world, governments are moving simultaneously to limit the power of tech companies with an urgency and breadth that no single industry had experienced before. Their motivation

varies. In the United States and Europe, it is concern that tech companies are stifling competition, spreading misinformation and eroding privacy; in Russia and elsewhere, it is to silence protest movements and tighten political control; in China, it is some of both.

While nations and tech firms have jockeyed for primacy for years, the latest actions have pushed the industry to a tipping point that could reshape how the global internet works and change

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### Iran Rattled as Israel Strikes Again and Again

This article is by Ben Hubbard, Farnaz Fassihi and Ronen Bergman.

BEIRUT, Lebanon — In less than nine months, an assassin on a motorbike fatally shot an Al Qaeda commander given refuge in Tehran, Iran's chief nuclear scientist was machine-gunned on a country road, and two separate, mysterious explosions rocked a key Iranian nuclear facility in the desert, striking at the heart of the country's efforts to enrich uranium.

### Hitting Targets With Help From the Inside

The steady drumbeat of attacks, which intelligence officials said were carried out by Israel, highlighted the seeming ease with which Israeli intelligence was able to reach deep inside Iran's borders and repeatedly strike its most heavily guarded targets, often with the help of turncoat Iranians. The attacks, the latest wave in

more than two decades of sabotage and assassinations, have exposed embarrassing security lapses and left Iran's leaders looking over their shoulders as they pursue negotiations with the Biden administration aimed at restoring the 2015 nuclear agreement.

The recriminations have been caustic.

The head of Parliament's strategic center said Iran had turned into a "haven for spies." The former commander of the Islamic

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## Judge issues shelter order

The city and county must house skid row's entire homeless population by fall.

By BENJAMIN ORESKES, EMILY ALPERT REYES AND DOUG SMITH

A federal judge overseeing a sprawling lawsuit about homelessness in Los Angeles ordered the city and county Tuesday to offer some form of shelter or housing to the entire homeless population of skid row by October.

Judge David O. Carter granted a preliminary injunction sought by the plaintiffs in the case last week and now is telling the city and county that they must offer single women and unaccompanied children on skid row a place to stay within 90 days, help families within 120 days and finally, by Oct. 18, offer every homeless person on skid row housing or shelter.

It's unclear whether the city and county will challenge the order, which also calls for the city to put \$1 billion into an escrow account — an idea that has raised concerns among city officials.

The court found that the city and county wrongly focused on permanent housing. [See Judge, A14]

## Move is brash but lacking in logic

STEVE LOPEZ

Well, I gotta say this: U.S. District Judge David O. Carter's order Tuesday requiring Los Angeles city and county officials to offer shelter to the entire population of skid row by mid-October is a brash, bold move — and possibly marks a turning point in the enduring, shameful saga of homelessness in downtown Los Angeles.

It was a kick in the pants to local elected officials that is sure to be cheered by many, especially those who want public spaces cleared of sprawling encampments, not just on skid row, but across our tent-draped metropolises.

So hear, hear, for a judge who is saying loud and clear that if politicians can't do their jobs, he'll pound his gavel, flap his robes, take to the streets himself and show them how it's done.

But before anyone gets too carried away in celebration. [See Lopez, A11]

### LAPD would get a budget bump

Mayor's plan would add \$50 million over July figure, to \$1.76 billion. CALIFORNIA, B1

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# CHAUVIN GUILTY

Jury convicts former officer of murdering George Floyd, unleashing joy, relief and renewed calls for police reform



PEOPLE CELEBRATE outside the Hennepin County Government Center in Minneapolis after the verdict was announced in the Derek Chauvin trial. The jury took less than 12 hours to convict the former police officer of murdering George Floyd on May 25.

## ANXIOUS NATION EXHALES, REFLECTS

Americans celebrate and express relief as they consider a moment of justice.

By MOLLY HENNESSY-FISKE, TANIA GANGULI AND JAWED KALEEM

MINNEAPOLIS — They began gathering at 38th Street and Chicago Avenue here — an intersection now known as George Floyd Square — shortly after 3 p.m. One woman asked the crowd to pray as they waited.

Some watched live-streams of the court proceeding — located three miles away — on their phones. As the verdict was read, cheers filled the air.

People jumped and danced and thrust Black Lives Matter flags skyward. Two women sobbed in each other's arms. Another woman walked around throwing dollar bills in the air.

Still, many described the second-degree murder conviction of former Police Officer Derek Chauvin as only the first step in achieving justice for Floyd, with three other former officers still awaiting trial in his killing.

"One down!" shouted Marcia Howard, 47, who has been at this intersection every day since Floyd died on it.

"Three to go!" the crowd [See Reaction, A7]

### U.S. trial verdict resonates abroad

The outcome is welcomed in Europe and beyond. WORLD, A3

### House rejects censure in vote

Rep. Maxine Waters avoids formal disapproval. NATION, A9



CHAUVIN IS led away after the verdict. He was found guilty of all charges: second-degree murder, third-degree murder and manslaughter.



IN SOUTH Los Angeles, activist Kenneth Davis, front, and other demonstrators celebrate the news. Similar scenes played out across the nation.

## Democrats reenergized for criminal justice legislation

By EVAN HALPER, ELI STOKOLS AND SARAH D. WIRE

WASHINGTON — The conviction of former Police Officer Derek Chauvin for the murder of George Floyd reenergized a push for sweeping criminal justice reform by President Biden and leading Democrats, who said Tuesday's verdict was just the first step on the path to national healing.

After Chauvin was found guilty of second-degree murder as well as third-degree murder and second-degree manslaughter by a Minneapolis jury, Vice President Kamala Harris vowed in a national address to redouble efforts to pass a reform measure named in honor of the Black man he killed.

"A measure of justice isn't the same as equal justice," Harris said. "This verdict brings us a

step closer.... We still have work to do. We must reform the system. "Here's the truth about racial injustice," Harris continued. "It is not just a Black America problem or a people of color problem; it is a problem for every American.... It is holding our nation back from realizing our full potential."

Biden followed his vice president on the podium, expressing relief with the [See Democrats, A8]

## EX-COP COULD GET 40 YEARS

Verdict comes in a case that has sparked a national reckoning over racial injustice.

By KURTIS LEE

MINNEAPOLIS — Former Minneapolis Police Officer Derek Chauvin was convicted Tuesday of murdering George Floyd in a landmark trial that centered on police brutality and spoke to a nation shaken over the last year by protests against racial injustice and demands to reform law enforcement.

The verdicts that ended the 16-day trial came in swift succession as Judge Peter Cahill read what the jury had rendered: Chauvin was guilty of second-degree murder, third-degree murder and manslaughter. They were all the counts against him, and in a matter of minutes, with his face hidden by a mask, Chauvin was handcuffed and led from the courtroom.

It took the jurors — six are white, four Black, two who identify as biracial — less than 12 hours to reach their decision. Chauvin could face up to 40 years in prison.

The moment for many marked a step toward justice as the white former officer was convicted in the death of a Black man, whose cries — "I can't breathe" — have been etched into the [See Verdict, A6]

### One guilty verdict is not enough

Many other cases are not prosecuted, L.Z. Granderson writes. OP-ED, A3

### Relief, but a long way from reform

Conviction doesn't fix the system, Sandy Banks writes. CALIFORNIA, B1

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## “Las pasiones (o la insensatez) en el fútbol están siempre a tope”

Desde México, donde dirige al América, Santiago Solari analiza el juego y sus sensibilidades; “Messi es el auténtico genio rebelde; Maradona, el genio trágico”. Deportes



## CUENTOS POR TELÉFONO: UN PROYECTO ROSARINO PARA IMITAR EN EL PAÍS

—cultura

Inspirados en un libro del italiano Gianni Rodari, convocan a chicos, adultos y docentes que quieran “regalar” un relato a seres queridos y a niños en edad escolar. Página 21

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Radicado en Los Ángeles desde hace 20 años, el cuñado de Andrea del Boca, creador de grandes éxitos de la telenovela de los 90, acaba de concluir el rodaje de *Perla negra*.

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## La Ciudad ratificó que las escuelas seguirán abiertas, pese a un fallo

**CONFLICTO.** La administración de Rodríguez Larreta dijo que mantendrá la presencialidad hasta la resolución de la Corte; horas antes, el juez federal Furnari le había dado la razón a la Casa Rosada; hubo cacerolazos en varios barrios

El gobierno de Horacio Rodríguez Larreta ratificó anoche que en la ciudad de Buenos Aires se mantendrán las clases presenciales, en contra de lo dispuesto por el juez federal Esteban Furnari, que consideró vigente el decreto de Alberto Fernández que ordenó el cierre de las aulas por el coronavirus en el área metropolitana de Buenos Aires (AMBA).

“Hasta que la Corte se expida, las escuelas en la ciudad de Buenos Aires continúan con el dictado de clases presenciales”, informó el gobier-

no de la ciudad, tras la resolución de Furnari, que cuestionó el fallo de la Cámara en lo Contencioso Administrativo porteño, que le había dado la razón a un grupo de familias que reclamaron la continuidad de la presencialidad. La Casa Rosada celebró la resolución y consideró que Furnari había puesto “las cosas en su lugar”.

Apenas se conoció esa medida, un sonoro cacerolazo estalló en numerosos barrios porteños, para reclamar que las aulas se mantengan abiertas. Página 2

### EL ANÁLISIS

## Salvando al soldado Kicillof

Joaquín Morales Solá

—LA NACION—

Carmelo Angulo Barturen, un diplomático español que desempeñó importantes funciones en las Naciones Unidas, suele decir que la negociación política no es solo necesi-

ta de la voluntad de las partes, sino también de un clima previo de confianza. Y que este es imprescindible, tan necesario como la voluntad de negociar. Continúa en la página 3

## Anuncian que la Sputnik V será fabricada en el país a partir de junio

El laboratorio Richmond, de capitales nacionales, anunció ayer que culminó las pruebas para producir en la Argentina la vacuna rusa Sputnik V. El Fondo Ruso de Inversión Directa y el instituto Gamaleya informaron que la compañía presidida por Marcelo Figueiras envió para su control de calidad un lote de 21.176 dosis y que será la primera fabricante de esa vacuna contra el Covid en América Latina.

Figueiras dijo a LA NACION que la producción comenzará con un millón de dosis mensuales —desde junio— y que ese número crecerá cuando esté concluida la nueva planta. Página 6

## Revés del Gobierno en la Corte por los fondos porteños

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Después de que se conoció el fallo del juez Furnari, hubo cacerolazos en varias zonas de la ciudad, entre ellas, Barrio Norte (foto) MANUEL CORTINA

## Connoción por un femicidio en Los Toldos

**DETENIDO.** El agresor tenía denuncias por violencia

Un hombre que había sido denunciado por varias mujeres tras episodios de violencia de género fue detenido por el femicidio de su pareja en la localidad bonaerense de Los Toldos. El cuerpo calcinado de Analía Maldonado, de 40 años, fue encontrado ayer en un camino ru-

ral. Pocas horas después fue arrestado Samuel Llanos. El sospechoso fue detenido por la policía bonaerense en un hotel ubicado en Luján. Ese fisicoculturista, de 40 años, había sido denunciado en once ocasiones, desde 2009, por golpear a exparejas y familiares. Página 22

## El campo evalúa protestas contra los nuevos controles

**CARNES.** Crítica el registro de exportaciones oficial

La Mesa de Enlace —en la que se agrupan la Sociedad Rural Argentina, Confederaciones Rurales Argentinas, Coninagro y la Federación Agraria Argentina— consultará a productores agropecuarios sobre la adopción de una medida de protesta en rechazo de los controles

sobre las exportaciones de carne y otras intervenciones del Gobierno. Ayer, los ministerios de Agricultura y de Desarrollo Productivo reglamentaron el nuevo registro de exportadores. Por otra parte, la soja alcanzó en Chicago su mayor precio en siete años. Página 17

## En EE.UU., declaran culpable al expolicía que mató a Floyd

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## Mensagens da Lava Jato provocam crise na PF

Manifestação pró-força-tarefa em laudo sobre as mensagens hackeadas da Lava Jato abriu a primeira crise da nova gestão da Polícia Federal com o setor mais sensível do órgão, que investiga políticos com foro especial. O novo diretor de investigação e combate ao crime organizado trocou seus responsáveis, gerando desconfiância nos agentes. Poder A4

## Para CPI, ofício de cloroquina é prova contra o governo

O senador Renan Calheiros (MDB-AL), futuro relator da CPI da Covid, já tem em mãos ofício no qual o governo federal orienta a Fiocruz a divulgar e indicar cloroquina contra a doença. O documento poderia imputar crime à gestão Jair Bolsonaro. Poder A6

## A empresários presidente diz não temer investigação

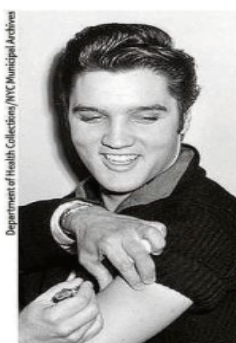
Em esforço para se reproximar do empresariado, Jair Bolsonaro se reuniu com representantes, defendeu a vacina e disse não ter preocupação com a CPI da Covid. Hoje ele terá outro encontro, para falar sobre política ambiental. Mercado A17 e Mundo A13

## Bolsonaro recebeu R\$ 435 mil por despesas de saúde

Jair Bolsonaro obteve em junho de 2019 reembolso de R\$ 435.347,23 da Câmara relativos a despesas com saúde. O valor foi ressarcido nove meses após a facada em Juiz de Fora, na campanha eleitoral. A Casa se recusa a informar sobre a origem do gasto. Poder A7

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# Atrás de renda e sem home office, pobres morrem mais

28% da classe A/B pôde alterar local de trabalho, ante 10% na C e 7,5% na D/E

Dados do mercado de trabalho durante a pandemia da Covid-19 mostram que os mais ricos e escolarizados no Brasil puderam se proteger bem mais que as pessoas de menor renda e pouca educação. Estudos apontam que as áreas pobres do país chegaram a ter três vezes mais mortes pela doença.

Segundo dados da Pnad Covid-19, 28% dos membros da classe A/B (renda domiciliar superior a R\$ 8.303) puderam alterar o local de trabalho. Na classe D/E (até R\$ 1.926), apenas cerca de 7,5% tiveram essa opção. Na classe C (entre R\$ 1.926 e R\$ 8.303), onde está mais da metade da população, 10,3%.

Entre as profissões que menos puderam trocar o posto e a maneira de trabalhar, transferindo-se para casa, por exemplo, estão principalmente os ocupados no setor de serviços, como funcionários de supermercados, vendedores e frentistas. Quase 95% mantiveram a jornada no mesmo lugar.

"Os trabalhadores mais pobres são os que mais precisam sair de casa para conseguir renda. Home office é privilégio", diz Marcelo Neri, da FGV Social, que compilou os dados. Mercado A15

**Economista da OCDE afirma que 2ª onda agrava situação social do país A16**



Mulher chora durante o anúncio da decisão que condenou Derek Chauvin ontem em Minneapolis, nos EUA Chandra Ithanna/AFP

## Ex-policial é condenado pela morte de George Floyd

O ex-policial Derek Chauvin foi considerado culpado ontem pelo assassinato de George Floyd e condenado em três categorias de homicídio, na primeira sentença judicial do caso que gerou forte comoção nos EUA e deu impulso a uma onda global de protestos e antirracismo. A duração da pena de Chauvin será anunciada em até oito semanas. Mundo A12

## Thiago Amparo Tiram o joelho de nossos pescoços

Não tratemos o caso de George Floyd como episódico. O racismo é perverso posto que, ao menos, se revela horrendo e cotidiano. No Brasil e nos EUA, pós-veredito de Derek Chauvin, o que se pede é que a polícia tire o joelho de nossos pescoços. Mundo A12

## Líder, Folha passa a marca de 350 mil em circulação paga

A Folha confirmou sua liderança e ultrapassou em março a marca de 350 mil na audiência paga entre grandes jornais. Segundo o IVC Brasil, que audita o mercado, foram 352.459 exemplares diários pagos, crescimento de 1,54% ante o mês anterior. Poder A11

## Covid explode em cidade com gestão 'Bolsonaro caipira'

Governada por Everton Sodario (PSL), 27, Mirandópolis (SP) viu, em um mês, o total de mortes contabilizadas subir 170,8%. Apoiador de Jair Bolsonaro, o prefeito é contra o isolamento social e promove o tratamento precoce, sem eficácia. Saúde B4

## Cúpula do Clima testa viabilidade do Acordo de Paris

O encontro de amanhã, convocado pelos EUA, oferece nova chance para países apresentarem metas mais próximas do objetivo do Acordo de Paris (contenção do aquecimento entre 1,5°C até 2°C). Há incerteza sobre os anúncios feitos até agora. Mundo A13

## Ilona Szabó Não há atalho no desmatamento

O ano é determinante para o Brasil se reposicionar na agenda global sobre o clima. A pergunta é se o atual governo será capaz de reescrever a história dos últimos dois anos, ou se a nova retórica de boas intenções é apenas para desviar recursos. Saúde B5

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**Avec la mort  
du président  
tchadien  
Idriss Déby,  
la France perd  
un allié dans  
sa guerre  
au Sahel**

À peine réélu pour un sixième mandat, le maréchal Idriss Déby, 68 ans, est tombé les armes à la main face à des rebelles tchadiens dans le nord du pays. La France a salué un « ami » dont le soutien restait crucial dans l'opération Barkhane, qu'elle dirige contre les mouvements djihadistes du Sahel. **PAGE 5 ET L'ÉDITORIAL**

**ÉDITORIAL** par Philippe Gélie [pgelie@lefigaro.fr](mailto:pgelie@lefigaro.fr)

## Africanistan

Arrivé au pouvoir par les armes, à la faveur d'un coup d'État soutenu par Paris en 1990, Idriss Déby Itno est mort en soldat, tué sur le front par des rebelles tchadiens dressés contre son pouvoir autoritaire. L'homme qui régnait d'une main de fer sur le Tchad depuis trente ans, autoproclamé maréchal en août dernier, venait juste de se faire plébisciter pour un sixième mandat en muselant toute concurrence. Il est tombé sous les assauts non des djihadistes sahéliens contre lesquels il s'est vaillamment battu aux côtés de la France mais d'une guérilla politique tchadienne réfugiée en Libye. Le premier réflexe de l'armée, plus puissante que l'État à N'Djamena, a été de suspendre la Constitution et de dissoudre le Parlement pour instaurer un « Conseil militaire de transition » chapeauté par l'héritier dynastique et commandant de la garde présidentielle, Mahamat « Kaka » Déby. Un putsch qui ne dit pas son nom, à peine maquillé par la promesse d'organiser de nouvelles élections dans dix-huit mois.

Pour la France, impliquée au Sahel depuis 2013 dans une guerre des sables dont elle ne voit pas la fin, la disparition de ce « courageux ami »

confirme la grande fragilité d'un allié qui constitue son principal point d'appui dans cette région troublée. D'emblée, Paris a insisté sur « son ferme attachement à la stabilité et à l'intégrité territoriale du Tchad », pointant en creux les risques de division du pays. Pour rester acceptable, cette posture d'attente ne doit pas se transformer en soutien indéfini à la junte. Lors du dernier G5 Sahel, en février, Emmanuel Macron avait demandé un « sursaut politique africain », afin que les succès militaires soient prolongés par « un retour de l'État, c'est-à-dire de la sécurité, de la justice et de l'école ». Renoncer à ces exigences au nom de la stabilité relèverait de la myopie : cela repousserait la « sahélistation » de l'opération Barkhane, préluce à l'implication accrue des Européens et à la réduction promise du déploiement français de 5 100 à 2 500 hommes. À l'heure du retrait américain d'Afghanistan, la France ne doit pas se laisser piéger dans son Africanistan en restant l'otage des convulsions locales. ■

**La grande  
fragilité du  
principal  
allié de  
la France  
au Sahel**

# Voiture électrique : le grand défi de l'industrie française

La fin plus rapide que prévu du moteur à essence contraint toute la filière à se restructurer. Elle pourrait perdre plus de 100 000 emplois dans les quinze ans à venir.

Le passage du moteur thermique à l'électrique connaît une accélération fulgurante, qui impose une véritable révolution industrielle à tous les constructeurs automobiles. En France, où le diesel re-

présentait encore récemment les trois quarts des ventes, le choc est particulièrement rude. De nombreux sous-traitants se trouvent fragilisés et des dizaines de milliers d'emplois sont menacés.

Pour résister, la filière auto française tente de ralentir la mise en place de la nouvelle réglementation européenne sur les émissions de CO<sub>2</sub> et essaie de bâtir des projets de batteries et d'électronique.

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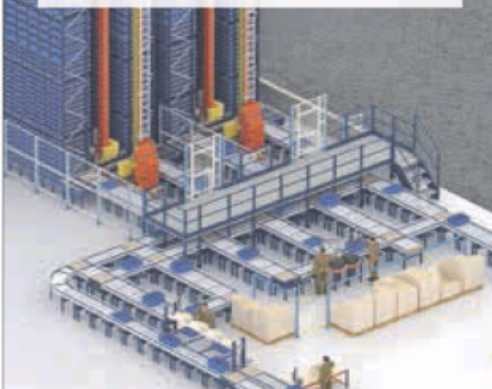
## L'exécutif envisage un déconfinement « territorialisé »

La gestion « territorialisée » de l'épidémie refait son apparition. Le ministre de la Santé, Olivier Véran, est « ouvert à l'idée d'une approche territoire par territoire dans la levée des mesures de freinage ». Il y était déjà favorable en février

lorsque le gouvernement avait opté pour des reconfinements locaux (notamment dans les Alpes-Maritimes et dans le Nord) avant de se résoudre à adopter une même règle à l'échelle de tout le pays. **PAGES 2 ET 3**

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## Fans celebrate as Super League plan stands on brink of collapse

Chelsea and Manchester City quit as PM makes 'legislative bomb' threat

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The European Super League was on the brink of collapse last night as Chelsea and Manchester City dramatically signalled their intention to withdraw from the competition after being taken aback by the volume of opposition from fans and the government.

With two Spanish clubs, Barcelona and Atletico Madrid, also said to be on the verge of pulling out, the £4.5bn league was unravelling less than 48 hours after it was launched amid great fanfare and rancour late on Sunday.

On a seismic day for football, Boris Johnson said the government would "drop a legislative bomb" to stop the putative Super League. The remaining clubs from the original 12 announced on Sunday - including Arsenal, Manchester United, Liverpool and Tottenham - held emergency talks to decide what to do.

Manchester United's executive vice-chairman Ed Woodward, a key architect of the planned break-away, also resigned after his position became untenable.

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▲ Chelsea fans rejoicing at Stamford Bridge yesterday after it was announced that the club would seek to withdraw from the ESL PHOTOGRAPH: ROB FINNEY/GETTY

## New taskforce to drive search for Covid drugs

Sarah Boseley and Jessica Elgot

People with mild Covid-19 could take a pill or capsule at home to prevent the illness turning serious and requiring hospital treatment, under government plans to fast-track

development of treatments for the disease.

The government is launching an antiviral taskforce to find at least two drugs by the autumn that people can take to stop coronavirus in its tracks and speed up recovery from it.

Boris Johnson said the plans were part of the UK 8 →

## No 10 scraps plan for TV briefings in £2.6m hub

Aubrey Allegretti  
Political correspondent

Plans for White House-style TV briefings in a new £2.6m Downing Street hub have been axed after the aide chosen to front them, Allegra Stratton, was moved to become Boris

Johnson's spokeswoman on the climate change summit Cop26.

Stratton, a former BBC and ITV journalist, was hired to be the face of the government on a £125,000 salary last year.

The televised briefings were said to have been inspired by Donald Trump's administration. They would

have followed months of regular coronavirus press conferences in which Johnson, ministers and experts have had a platform to address the public directly.

But despite the hiring of Stratton, who previously worked for Rishi Sunak, the chancellor, the White House-style 2 →



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