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People line up Monday to get vaccinated in Bogotá, Colombia, as death rates from Covid-19 have been climbing.

Surging Cases, Variants Make South America World Hot Spot

By SAMANTHA PEARSON AND LUCIANA MAGALHAES

SÃO PAULO—While Covid-19 is receding in much of the world, the pandemic is raging in South America, which has just 5% of the world's population but now accounts for a quarter of the global death toll. Almost a million people have died across 12 countries in the region. Amid another devastating surge, Brazil surpassed 500,000 this past weekend, with the virus killing seven times as many people per capita each day than in hard-hit India, Colombia and Argentina, which together have 95 million people, are tallying three times as many deaths each day as all of Africa. Of the 10 countries around the world with the highest daily death rates per capita, seven are now in South America. Collectively, the region's death rate per capita is eight times the world's rate.

Several factors explain why: a slow rate of vaccination, the spread of new Covid-19 variants, crowded cities, weak healthcare systems, far higher rates of obesity than in Africa and Asia, and some governments that largely gave up trying to control the virus.

"While infections and deaths from Covid-19 are decreasing in the U.S. and other nations, South America has turned into the pandemic's epicenter," said Denise Garrett, an epidemiologist who worked for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for more than 20 years.

The aftershocks of the pandemic in South America are likely to reverberate for years. It has pushed millions back into poverty, hobbled economies and deprived some of the most needy children of schooling for more than a year.

Some overwhelmed hospitals have had to put on hold preventive care, setting the stage for more deaths.

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Bitcoin Drops as Beijing Gets Tough

The price of bitcoin and other cryptocurrencies slid after China's central bank ordered the country's largest banks and payment processors to take a more active role in curbing cryptocurrency trading and related activities.

By Xie Yu, Chong Koh Ping and Joe Wallace

The People's Bank of China said on Monday that it summoned representatives of multiple institutions—including state-owned commercial banks and Ant Group Co.'s Alipay—and told them to "strictly implement" recent notices and guidelines from authorities on curbing risks tied to bitcoin and cryptocurrency fundraising activities. It was the latest sign that Beijing is intensifying its crackdown on unregulated virtual currencies.

Bitcoin slipped to \$32,622, down 9% compared with Friday, according to CoinDesk. That marked bitcoin's lowest price at 5 p.m. ET since late January. Ethereum, the second-biggest cryptocurrency by market value according to trading platform Kraken, lost 14% to \$1,941. Dogecoin, which started as a

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Lordstown Officials Sold Shares Ahead Of Financial Report

By BEN FOLDY

Several top executives at Lordstown Motors Corp. sold off chunks of stock in the electric-truck startup ahead of reporting financial results, according to regulatory filings disclosing the transactions.

Securities lawyers and accountants said such trades raise questions about the company's internal controls, especially in light of its recent troubles.

In all, five top executives, including the company's president and its former chief financial officer, sold more than \$8 million in stock over three days in early February, according to the filings.

Lordstown Motors, which went public in October and plans to build electric trucks at a former General Motors Co. plant in Ohio, reported year-end results for the first time as a listed company in mid-March. Its net loss of 23 cents a share for the quarter was more than double analysts' expectations, according to FactSet.

The two-year-old startup has yet to begin production on its first model, a battery-powered

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Solar-Panel Maker In U.S. Takes On Dominant China

First Solar's mission shows the challenges faced in trying to 'reshore' manufacturing

By BOB DAVIS

WALBRIDGE, Ohio—Solar panels are part of any formula for fighting climate change, yet the U.S. makes few of them, since subsidized manufacturers in China dominate the market.

First Solar Inc. is trying to change that. It has just committed to building a \$680 million panel factory in Ohio. A key reason is the company's confidence that Washington will have its back.

After years of decline, the fragile American solar industry is hoping for a turnaround bolstered by President Biden's plans to make the U.S. electric grid carbon-free by 2035, and his insistence on a made-in-America transition to create jobs and bolster industries deemed critical.

In seeking to "reshore" manufacturing that has moved offshore, the Biden administration is initially focusing on four industries to bolster with tax breaks or other government support. One is pharmaceuticals, whose importance the panel

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How Bad Is Our Firm's Product? Let Us List the Ways

Altria, in court, mocks its e-cigarette. Call it antitrust defense.

By JENNIFER MALONEY

Tobacco giant Altria Group Inc. is on trial, accused of breaking antitrust laws by abandoning its e-cigarette business at the request of rival Juul Labs Inc. The Marlboro maker's defense: Our e-cigarettes were lousy.

To make its case, Altria has asked its own executives to disclose, in detail, their litany of failures.

On the witness stand, current and former Altria executives have recounted how the company threw hundreds of millions of dollars at developing a vaping product, yet failed to come up with anything smokers liked.

According to the executives' testimonies: Altria's e-cigarettes leaked. They generated high formaldehyde levels. They lacked the nicotine kick smokers were looking for.

The bad news was so frequent, according to trial testimony this month, that a scientist who updated executives on the company's e-cigarette products earned the nickname "Dr. Doom."

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Laschet warns against cold war with China

- German CDU leader eyes continuity
- Beijing is a partner as well as a rival

GUY CHAZAN AND ROULA KHALAF

Armin Laschet, frontrunner to become Germany's next chancellor, has warned of the dangers of a new cold war with China, agreeing with Angela Merkel that Beijing was as much a partner as a systemic rival.

Laschet spoke to the Financial Times after US president Joe Biden's first official trip to Europe, which was dominated by warnings about the challenge China poses for the west. Biden has made it clear he wants to work with allies to curb China's ambitions.

In a wide-ranging interview Laschet, leader of Germany's centre-right Christian Democratic Union, suggested many in Europe were sceptical of Biden's hawkish attitude to China.

"If we're talking about 'restraining' China, will that lead to a new conflict? Do we need a new adversary?" he said.

"And there the European response was cautious, because, yes, China is a competitor and a systemic rival, it has a different model of society, but it's also a partner, particularly in things like fighting climate change."

Laschet also called for the west to try to "establish a sensible relationship" with Moscow. "Ignoring Russia has served neither our nor the US's interests," he said, praising Biden's decision to meet Russian president Vladimir Putin in Geneva last week.

With three months until an election when Merkel will step down, polls suggest that Laschet's CDU is on course to win, but faces a challenge from the Greens. One possible outcome is a CDU-Green coalition, a first for Germany.

Laschet stressed continuity with Merkel's policies. The two had very different

personal biographies, but "on the fundamental issues we always agreed".

One area of agreement appears to be China. Merkel has been accused of tempering her criticism of Chinese human rights violations for fear of harming the interests of German companies in China.

Laschet said Germany should not shy away from addressing "critical issues", but he added: "I'm not sure that always speaking out, loudly and aggressively, in public about a country's human rights situation really leads to improvements on the ground. Often you can reach more in the area of human rights by addressing issues in private conversations with leaders of other countries than by talking about it in press conferences."

This softly-softly approach could set up a potential clash with the Greens, who are more keen to challenge China over its human rights record, as well as tensions with the Biden administration.

The G7 summit communiqué criticised Beijing over human rights, trade and a lack of transparency regarding the origins of the coronavirus pandemic.

Asked if he thought Biden was trying to drag Europe into a new cold war, Laschet demurred, saying he was "right" to view China as "one of the biggest challenges for us, for instance on new technologies" and to want to "strengthen co-operation among democracies".

But he also said the west should resist slipping into a cold war mentality with China. "The 21st century is very different and the prism of how the world looked before 1989 offers limited advice," he said. "We have a multipolar world [now] with different actors."

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Spanish pardon Sánchez plans to free Catalan separatists despite objections



Luis Garcia/AP via Getty Images

Spanish prime minister Pedro Sánchez outlines his government's plans in Barcelona yesterday to pardon nine jailed Catalan separatists behind a failed 2017 independence bid.

The politicians and activists have been behind bars for more than three years and faced up to 15 years in prison on charges

including sedition. Sánchez described the move as a step towards the national and Catalan administrations reaching a deal on the region's status. But the pro-independence Catalan coalition government is demanding self-determination and an amnesty. The pardons are unpopular among the general public, with

a recent poll suggesting 61 per cent opposes them.

Spain's Supreme Court, which imposed the sentences, has also strongly opposed the pardons, noting that the prisoners had not shown remorse, while church and business organisations have signalled their support.

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Ebrahim Raisi, the newly elected president of Iran, has signalled his government will take a tougher line in negotiations with world powers over reviving the nuclear deal signed in 2015. — PAGE 4

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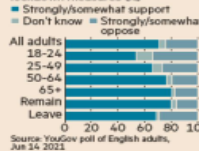
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Four more weeks

Opinion on delay in lifting English lockdown measures Q3

■ Strongly/somewhat support ■ Don't know ■ Strongly/somewhat oppose



Source: YouGov poll of English adults, Jun 14 2021

Covid 19-related restrictions that were set to be lifted in England this week have been postponed. A YouGov poll shows strong support, but with differences by age and by the way people voted in the 2016 EU referendum



Private equity 'raid' on UK companies sparks debate

Private equity firms have announced bids for UK-listed companies at the fastest pace for more than two decades, in a 'raid' that has sparked a debate in the City of London that acquisitions are being made 'far too cheaply' and fail to compensate shareholders adequately. Supermarket chain Wm Morrison could be sold in one of Britain's biggest leveraged buyouts since the 2008 financial crisis.

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Hong Kong's press freedom at risk as Apple Daily forced to consider closure

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HONG KONG

Hong Kong's pro-democracy tabloid Apple Daily is on the verge of closing after its assets were frozen by the government last week, restricting its ability to operate.

The asset freeze follows the arrest of two of the newspaper's senior executives, who were charged under China's tough national security law after a raid by 500 police officers on Apple Daily's offices last week. The paper's owner, Jimmy Lai, has already been jailed.

Critics say the actions mark a new low for press freedom in the Chinese territory, which was promised freedom of expression in the handover from the UK to China in 1997.

This changed after Beijing introduced a national security law that heralded a

tough crackdown on civil society and politics that has since extended to the previously uninhibited media. Police moves to charge Ryan Law, Apple Daily's editor-in-chief, were the first time the law has been used directly against journalists.

The newspaper, one of the last papers left with a tough editorial stance against the Hong Kong government, has been repeatedly targeted by Chinese officials.

The board of Next Digital, Apple Daily's parent company, will this week make a final decision on whether to continue publishing, Apple Daily reported. The company plans to submit an application to Hong Kong's security bureau requesting that it unfreeze assets to pay its staff. The newspaper's management has been unable to find other means to support its operation, said Mark Simon, a former senior adviser to Lai.

"Crowdfunding can't work as banks are instructed not to process any payments. I have already heard from friends who have not been able to process payments to us," he said.

If the authorities reject the application, in a decision expected by Friday, the last paper will be published on Saturday and the news website will cease operation by midnight on Friday.

"They [police] are nakedly completely destroying the last line of defence protecting the freedom of the press," one journalist from Next Digital told the Financial Times.

John Lee, the security minister, has accused the paper of criminal activities and said the police action was not a threat to press freedom. "They are different from ordinary journalists," he said last week. "Do not engage in any relations with them."

World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				INTEREST RATES					
	Jun 21	prev	%chg		Jun 21	prev	%chg		Jun 21	prev			
S&P 500	4217.90	4166.45	1.23	\$ per €	1.191	1.186	0.719	0.724	US Gov 10 yr	146.65	1.48	0.02	
Nasdaq Composite	14126.25	14030.38	0.68	£ per \$	1.390	1.381	1.167	1.165	UK Gov 10 yr	0.77	0.02	0.02	
Dow Jones Ind	33794.63	33290.08	1.52	¥ per €	0.057	0.059	131.253	130.701	Ger Gov 10 yr	-0.17	0.03	0.03	
FTSEurofirst 300	1757.54	1744.09	0.72	¥ per \$	110.195	110.240	E index	81.696	82.153	Japan Gov 10 yr	116.84	0.04	-0.01
Euro Stoxx 50	4110.64	4063.37	0.67	¥ per €	153.215	152.198	SFR per €	1.277	1.274	US Gov 30 yr	112.97	2.07	0.03
FTSE 100	7062.29	7017.47	0.64	SFR per €	1.094	1.094			Ger Gov 2 yr	105.88	-0.66	0.01	
FTSE All-Share	4028.95	4002.07	0.62	€ per \$	0.843	0.844							
CAC 40	6932.54	6869.16	0.51										
Xetra Dax	15603.24	15448.04	1.00										
Nikkei	28010.93	28064.08	-0.29										
Hang Seng	24899.00	24801.27	-1.08										
MSCI World \$	2964.19	2966.51	-1.41										
MSCI EM \$	1361.25	1362.88	-0.12										
MSCI ACWI \$	705.97	714.87	-1.25										

COMMODITIES			
	Jun 21	prev	%chg
Oil WTI \$	72.79	71.64	1.61
Oil Brent \$	74.63	73.51	1.52
Gold \$	1773.10	1778.70	-0.31

INTEREST RATES			
	price	yield	chg
US Gov 10 yr	146.65	1.48	0.02
UK Gov 10 yr	0.77	0.02	0.02
Ger Gov 10 yr	-0.17	0.03	0.03
Japan Gov 10 yr	116.84	0.04	-0.01
US Gov 30 yr	112.97	2.07	0.03
Ger Gov 2 yr	105.88	-0.66	0.01

COMMODITIES			
	price	yield	chg
Fed Funds Eff	0.06	0.07	-0.01
US 3m Bills	0.05	0.04	0.01
Euro Libor 3m	-0.55	-0.55	0.00
UK 3m	0.08	0.08	0.00

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New York City Rates Hopefuls And the Ballot

As Easy as 1, 2, 3? Not
Everyone Agrees.

By MICHAEL WILSON

A New York City mayoral race that began over Zoom during the height of the pandemic came down to street campaigning in its final hours on Monday, with as many as half a million voters preparing to cast ballots when polls open on Tuesday.

The question is: Will they know what to do with those ballots when they get them?

Ready or not, voters will make history in primary elections on Tuesday when New York becomes the largest place in the country to use ranked-choice voting, a system where individuals select up to five candidates in order of preference that has been tried only in Maine and some smaller cities.

The system can breathe new life into a candidate's prospects as the counting plays out — but only if voters fill the ballots properly, a worry among some candidates and voting experts. It is also all but certain to make declaring a victor a slow process that will go well beyond Tuesday night, since the city Board of Elections will not begin tabulating the ranked choices until June 29.

The system itself has become a campaign issue in the final hours. Two Democratic candidates for mayor, Kathryn Garcia and Andrew Yang, joined in an 11th-hour alliance in hopes of unseating the presumed favorite, Eric Adams. In turn, Mr. Adams attacked the strategy — not uncommon in ranked-choice elections — as a way to disenfranchise Black and Latino voters. Mr. Yang, Ms. Garcia and even Maya Wiley, who has no such alliance, said he was wrong.

Interviews with dozens of early voters across the city in recent days suggest that while there may be pockets of concern about the new system, the fears of confusion and talk of disenfranchisement are overblown. In fact, many voters say they are just fine with the new system.

"It's real easy if people just learn how to read," said Debra Titus, 59, voting early in Clifton on Staten Island on Wednesday. Chae Walton, 42, nearby, agreed: "I forgot my glasses, but it was still pretty simple," he said.

The interviews indicated that voters seemed to split roughly into three groups: highly motivated individuals who have studied

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ERIC ADAMS



KATHRYN GARCIA



MAYA WILEY



ANDREW YANG



SCOTT STRINGER



RAY MCGUIRE

From a van in Chinatown to the streets of Brooklyn, candidates for New York City mayor made the rounds Monday on the last full day of campaigning before the Democratic primary on Tuesday, the first citywide election to use a system of ranked-choice voting.

G.O.P. Lapses Into Irrelevance In Major Cities

By ALEXANDER BURNS
and JONATHAN MARTIN

When Jerry Sanders finished his second term as mayor of San Diego in 2012, he was the most prominent Republican city executive in the country. A former police chief close to the business community, Mr. Sanders appeared to be a political role model for other would-be Republican mayors, a moderate who worked with the Obama administration on urban policy and endorsed gay marriage at a pivotal moment.

These days, Mr. Sanders said, Republicans are out of touch with diverse metropolitan areas. He said Republicans appeared to lack "real solutions" to issues like crime, and he lamented an exclusionary party message which drives off young people, Hispanics and gay voters in cities like his.

"I don't think the right has kept up with the times," Mr. Sanders,

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Using Surplus, California Hopes To Forgive Rent of Those in Need

This article is by Thomas Fuller,
Conor Dougherty and Giulia Heyward.

SAN FRANCISCO — Swimming in cash from an unexpected budget surplus and federal stimulus money, California is planning rent forgiveness on a scale never seen before in the United States.

A \$5.2 billion program in final negotiations at the State Legislature would pay 100 percent of unpaid rent that lower-income Californians incurred during the pandemic and would be financed entirely by federal money. The state is also proposing to set aside \$2 billion to pay for unpaid water and electricity bills.

When California became the first state to shut down its economy last year, Gov. Gavin Newsom predicted dire shortfalls in the state's budget. But a year later, the state finds itself with so much money that it is poised to not only cover 100 percent of unpaid rent for low-income tenants, but also to give an additional \$12 billion back to taxpayers, by sending state



Gov. Gavin Newsom's state is now brimming with money.

stimulus checks of at least \$600 to millions of middle-class Californians.

The state's separate rental relief program would be available to residents who earn no more than 80 percent of the median income in their area and who can show pandemic-related financial hardship.

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In Virus-Ravaged South Texas, a Rush for Doses

By EDGAR SANDOVAL

BROWNSVILLE, Texas — Gabby Garcia did not expect to feel like crying when she sat down for her first dose of the coronavirus vaccine. But as the long needle pierced her skin, she thought back to the agonizing outbreak in her family that killed her brother, hospitalized her sister, and also left her ill for days.

"It was a sense of relief, 'I'm getting it,'" Ms. Garcia said of the vaccine. "It was the sense of what if? What if this had been available sooner? My sister's death and us

A Region Where Many Have Seen Death

getting sick definitely motivated me to get the vaccine."

While officials across the country have offered free beer, concert tickets and millions of dollars in lottery winnings to encourage vaccinations, residents of the Rio Grande Valley in South Texas have needed little prodding. Exposure to death and disease has

been enough incentive.

The four-county region accounts for nearly 10 percent of the state's some 52,000 deaths from the coronavirus. But today, deaths are significantly down, as are case numbers, and vaccination rates are higher than both the broader state and national averages. In one county, about 70 percent of residents 12 and older are fully vaccinated, according to state figures and a vaccine tracker by The New York Times.

"I think pretty much everyone

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As Taliban Attack, Civilians Are Taking Up Arms

By DAVID ZUCCHINO
and FATIMA FAIZI

KABUL, Afghanistan — The slaughter of students, mostly teenagers, at a tutoring center. The deaths of young athletes in a suicide bombing at a wrestling club. Mothers shot dead with newborns in their arms.

These relentless killings of Hazaras, a persecuted minority in Afghanistan, finally proved too much to bear for Zulfikar Omid, a Hazara leader in the central part of the country.

In April, Mr. Omid began mobilizing armed men into militias to defend Hazara areas against the Taliban and the Islamic State affiliate in Afghanistan. He said he

now commands 800 armed men at seven staging areas mustered into what he calls "self-protection groups."

"Hazaras get killed in cities and on highways, but the government doesn't protect them," Mr. Omid said. "Enough is enough. We have to protect ourselves."

As U.S. and NATO forces withdraw,

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The biologist Julianne Diller recalls how she eluded death in a 1971 plane crash into the Peruvian jungle. She's made the most of her life since then. PAGE D1



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Assault weapons ban back in place

Appeals court puts on hold judge's decision to overturn state law. Battle could end in U.S. Supreme Court.

By MAURA DOLAN

SAN FRANCISCO — A federal appeals court decided Monday to put on hold a judge's decision to overturn California's 30-year-old ban on assault weapons, but the legal fight could continue for months and may be decided by the U.S. Supreme Court.

In a brief order, a three-judge panel of the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals issued a stay of Judge Roger T. Benitez's June 4 decision, in which he likened an AR-15 semiautomatic to a Swiss Army knife and called it "good for both home and battle."

Benitez's decision overturning the California ban gave the state 30 days to challenge the decision. The 9th Circuit, acting on a June 10 appeal filed by Atty. Gen. Rob Bonta, put Benitez's ruling on hold pending decisions in other gun cases that are now before the court.

"This leaves our assault weapons laws in effect while appellate proceedings continue," Bonta said in a tweet. "We won't stop defending these life-saving laws."

The 9th Circuit judges on the panel issuing the stay were Barry G. Silverman, an appointee of President Clinton; Jacqueline Nguyen, an Obama appointee; and Ryan D. Nelson, a Trump appointee.

The order said the stay would be in effect until the 9th Circuit ruled in another case challenging California's assault weapons regulation. [See Weapons, A6]



DIAMOND VALLEY LAKE is the major drinking water storage facility for 18 million Southern Californians and an insurance policy against dry times. The reservoir doubled the region's water storage capacity. Photographs by ROBERT GAUTHIER Los Angeles Times

A drought meets its match

Diamond Valley Lake, an 'inland ocean' serving as water storage, is Southern California's primary defense against dry conditions

By LOUIS SAHAOUN

HEMET, Calif. — Mechanical engineer Brent Yamasaki set out amid the recent blistering heat wave to take stock of the giant dams, pumps and pipes that support Diamond Valley Lake in Riverside County, the largest storehouse of water in Southern California.

The reservoir, which he helped build 25 years ago, is 4½ miles long and 2 miles wide and holds back nearly 800,000 acre-feet of water — so much that it would take 20,000 years to fill it with a garden hose.

Stand in a pontoon boat throttling up across its glassy surface, and the reservoir's jaw-dropping vastness takes hold.

"It's an inland ocean," said Yamasaki, regional [See Reservoir, A9]



BRENT YAMASAKI, regional chief of operations for the Metropolitan Water District, stands near an inlet-outlet tower on the lake in Riverside County.

Ruling against NCAA a harbinger of change

High court's decision is likely to mean enhanced benefits for athletes in college sports

By J. BRADY MCCOLLOUGH

Should college athletes be compensated beyond the value of an education? The Supreme Court waded into that debate Monday, ruling against the NCAA's strict rules on amateurism that

ban schools from providing perks such as paid internships, postgraduate scholarships and free laptops.

While narrow, the justices' unanimous decision — upholding a U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals finding that schools were violating antitrust law in setting limits on athletes' education-related

benefits — hinted that further change is inevitable. Writing in a separate opinion, Justice Brett M. Kavanaugh said that the "NCAA's business model would be flatly illegal in almost any other industry in America."

The Supreme Court's action comes as the National

Collegiate Athletic Assn.'s rules prohibiting college athletes from profiting off the use of their name, image and likeness, or NIL, are squarely in the crosshairs of state legislators from coast to coast. California jumped ahead in the fall of 2019 with the first state law restoring [See NCAA, A7]

Justices side with student-athletes

In the 9-0 decision, the Supreme Court rules that the NCAA can be sued for requiring sports stars to be unpaid amateurs. NATION, A4

I think we've got all the right ingredients to bring people back," Mayor Eric Garcetti said Monday. "New lines, or extended lines, is the key to that. It has to get you to where you want to go." Getting to and from LAX has long been a trying and expensive proposition to many, and helped fuel an industry serving travelers, whether it be taxis and ride-hailing or shuttles and luxury black cars. At the airport Monday, many passengers [See LAX transit, A6]

NFL player is first to come out as gay

Nassib's announcement will inspire others, ex-NBA center Collins says



LAS VEGAS RAIDERS defensive end Carl Nassib, celebrating a win last season, announced Monday that he is gay, becoming the first active NFL player to do so. PETER JONELETT Associated Press

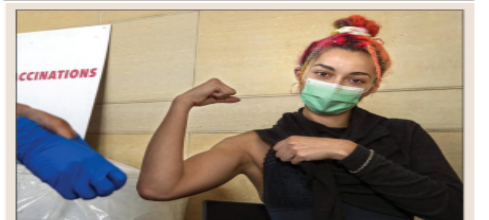
By SAM FARMER

As a 6-foot-7, 275-pound defensive end for the Las Vegas Raiders, Carl Nassib has made a career of impacting people.

But never more than now. Nassib announced Monday that he's gay, becoming the first active NFL player to do so.

That brings a sense of both relief and responsibility, said retired NBA center Jason Collins, who publicly came out as gay at the conclusion of the 2012-13 season. When he signed a 10-day contract with the Brooklyn Nets in 2014, he became that league's first openly gay active player.

"As professional athletes, we're used to inspiring the next generation, people who are younger than us. But he's going to find that his actions have inspired not only people [See Nassib, A7]



SIBELLE YUKSEK Los Angeles Times

VACCINE GLITCHES

Sibelle Yuksek flexes after getting a shot. Digital records have suffered snags. CALIFORNIA, B1

Exiting Justice official speaks up

John Demers, the agency's top national security official, says he was unaware prosecutors had obtained records concerning Democratic lawmakers. NATION, A4

Man blind in one eye after arrest

Hawthorne single dad alleges police officers injured him at a city jail. CALIFORNIA, B1

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Judge pares claims over clearing of protesters

Allegations of photo op conspiracy in Lafayette Square called speculative

BY SPENCER S. HSU

A U.S. judge on Monday dismissed most claims filed by the American Civil Liberties Union of D.C., Black Lives Matter and others in lawsuits that accused the Trump administration of authorizing an unprovoked attack on demonstrators in Lafayette Square last year.

The plaintiffs asserted the government used unnecessary force to enable a photo op of President Donald Trump holding a Bible outside of the historical St. John's Church. But U.S. District Judge Dabney L. Friedrich of Washington called allegations that federal officials conspired to make way for the photo too speculative.

The judge's decision came in a 51-page opinion after the Justice Department requested she toss four overlapping lawsuits naming dozens of federal individual and agency defendants, as well as D.C. and Arlington police, in the June 2020 incident.

Friedrich also ruled that federal defendants such as then-Attorney General William P. Barr and then-acting Park Police chief Gregory T. Monahan are immune from civil suits and could not be sued for damages, and that Black Lives Matter as a group could not show it was directly injured by actions against individual demonstrators.

The judge did allow litigation to go forward challenging federal restrictions on protests and other First Amendment activity at Lafayette Square across from the White House, and against local D.C. and Arlington County police agencies that supported the operation.

The lawsuits stem from confrontations last June when military personnel cleared Lafayette Square on A16

Tornado rips through Chicago suburbs, injuring at least 8



RICH HEIN/CHICAGO SUN-TIMES/ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bridget Casey, right, sits in the driveway of her severely damaged home with son Nathan, 16, and daughter Marion, 14, in Woodridge, Ill., early Monday. The tornado swept through the area less than 30 miles from Chicago, damaged many homes and left thousands without power in Illinois and Indiana. **Story, Page 3**

Garland under pressure to unravel Trump legacy

BY DEVLIN BARRETT

Three months into his new job, judge-turned-attorney-general Merrick Garland, who inherited a demoralized and politicized Justice Department, is facing criticism from some Democrats that he is not doing enough to quickly expunge Trump-era policies and practices.

On a host of issues ranging from leak investigations to civil and criminal cases involving former president Donald Trump,

Cautious AG insists he's on course to restore DOJ's independence

Garland has been beset by a growing chorus of congressional second-guessers, even as he insists he is scrupulously adhering to the principles of equal justice under the law.

How he charts his way through

the current controversies and still-unresolved politically sensitive cases is likely to determine how much of a long-term impact the Trump presidency has on the Justice Department.

"It's a difficult situation to navigate. The Department of Justice is an institution like an ocean liner — it doesn't turn around easily," said Ronald Weich, who served as an assistant attorney general in the early days of the Obama administration.

Within that big ship, there are

thousands of career prosecutors and lawyers toiling away on a host of cases that have political implications. During the Trump era, current and former Justice Department lawyers decried what they saw as the politicization of legal decisions.

Twenty-two House Democrats, led by House Judiciary Committee Chairman Jerrold E. Nadler (N.Y.), recently wrote that Garland's department made a "profoundly misguided" decision

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Justices oppose NCAA limits

HIGH COURT SIDES WITH PLAYERS 9-0

Ruling on educational perks a blow to group

BY ROBERT BARNES AND MOLLY HENSLEY-CLANCY

The Supreme Court ruled unanimously Monday against the NCAA's limits on education-related perks for college athletes, a serious blow to the organization's power to dictate the rules for compensating those who participate in college sports.

In a 9-to-0 vote, the court rejected the National Collegiate Athletic Association's argument that its rules limiting such educational benefits were necessary to preserve the image of amateurism in college sports.

The ruling itself was narrow, and it did not concern the question of paying students for their athletic prowess. But Justice Brett M. Kavanaugh, in a separate opinion, anticipated that as a next step, and warned that the "NCAA's business model would be flatly illegal in almost any other industry in America."

The "bottom line," he wrote, "is that the NCAA and its member colleges are suppressing the pay of student athletes who collectively generate billions of dollars in revenues for colleges every year."

The biggest takeaway from the court's action, experts said, might

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What's next: Decision is likely to lead to further legal challenges. **D1**

Sally Jenkins: Court leaves NCAA with nothing but its pretensions. **D1**

In Oklahoma, remembrance and resistance

The 1995 bombing offers lessons — and warnings — for today's fight against extremism

BY HANNAH ALLAM

OKLAHOMA CITY — Most years, the flashbacks start in April, images of blood and brick that return Fran Ferrari to the morning when she was nearly killed in the Oklahoma City bombing.

This year, however, Ferrari's memories arrived early when she heard glass shatter during news coverage of the Jan. 6 mob attack on the U.S. Capitol. The noise instantly took her back to the rubble of her downtown office in 1995. The rioters yelling on TV sounded to Ferrari like an alarm bell, a warning that the deadly extremism that upended her life had resurged.

"All those faces. All I think is that it's a bunch of Timothy McVeighs and his buddies," said Ferrari, 66. "Maybe people's definition of domestic terrorism is after it happens, but I define it when you see the seeds."

Those "seeds" Ferrari saw at the Capitol are finding fertile ground in Oklahoma, where politics can be more powerful than

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NICK OXFORD FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

Birthdays flowers at the Oklahoma City National Memorial and Museum site, which pays tribute to the victims of the attack on the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

After covid, small Md. hospital faces next fight

Officials say an updated facility would help address inequities

BY RACHEL CHASON

The massive medical tents in the parking lot are no longer needed — the few coronavirus patients still arriving are easily cared for within the aging brick hospital. A nurse who was the first volunteer in those tents was vaccinated and finally feels calm. After a year of quarantining from his wife and children, the emergency room doctor went on family vacation.

This small community hospital in Maryland has come out on the other side of a pandemic that was particularly devastating for majority-Black populations such as those it serves. Now, Adventist HealthCare Fort Washington

Medical Center faces its next battle: winning resources and approvals to create a bigger, more advanced hospital — a small step toward bridging racial disparities in medical care that have existed here for generations.

Fort Washington opened as a 16-hour emergency room in 1983, expanding to a full-service hospital in 1991. As Prince George's County grew, transformed by an influx of Black professionals, the hospital did not. It was just one example of a health-care landscape in which more sophisticated facilities were built elsewhere, drawing medical talent, and residents, in search of top-rated care.

Today Prince George's, 84 percent Black and Latino and with the lowest median income in the area, has about half as many hospital beds per capita as Montgomery County and less than one-fourth as many as D.C. The county's hospitals are, on average, old-

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St. Croix oil refinery closes Limetree Bay, facing unpaid bills and pollution lawsuits, leaves the island with an uncertain future. **A15**

The pandemic's receding toll The District and Maryland reported no covid-19 deaths over the weekend. **B1**

THE NATION Activists are gearing up for battle as Senate Republicans prepare to block action on voting rights legislation. **A2** President Biden is expected to lay out an anti-crime strategy this week, focusing on gun crimes as part of an effort to stem a rise in homicides. **A4** The country's youngest adults remain the least likely to be vaccinated against the coronavirus, and their weekly inoculation rates are falling, the CDC found. **A8** Amid the pandemic's economic upheaval and

a rule change to keep people from losing coverage, Medicaid enrollment has reached new highs. **A10** **THE WORLD** Ethiopians voted in an election likely to cement the mandate of Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed as he presides over a new era of division. **A11** Iranian President-elect Ebrahim Raisi said he opposes talks on limiting Tehran's ballistic missile program. **A12** The United States, the European Union, Britain and Canada announced new sanctions

on Belarusian officials over the forced landing of a commercial airliner and the arrest of a dissident journalist on it. **A13** **THE ECONOMY** Retail workers, drained from the pandemic and empowered by a strengthening job market, are leaving jobs like never before. **A14** **THE REGION** A mental health support law in Maryland named for Rep. Jamie Raskin's late son will take effect July 1. **B1** Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton has introduced a bill to establish a memorial for enslaved Africans who may have arrived at the Georgetown waterfront. **B1** Residents of Goodwin House, a retiree community in Alexandria, Va., marked their first Pride march. **B1** D.C. officials broke ground on a new block of retail development at the long-awaited Skyland Town Center. **B5**

STYLE Male celebrities are popularizing colorful, polished nails. **C1** **SPORTS** Las Vegas Raiders defensive end Carl Nassib became the first active player in the National Football League to announce that he is gay. **D6**

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Dua Lipa, la estrella pop de voz filosa y rostro de porcelana

Se llevó el Grammy al mejor álbum de pop y el Brit Award por *Future Nostalgia*; muy popular en TikTok, no teme hablar de política; su carrera parece no tener techo. **Espectáculos**



SÁNCHEZ INDULTARÁ HOY A LOS CATALANES INDEPENDENTISTAS

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Pese a la feroz oposición de los partidos de derecha, el presidente del gobierno español firmará el perdón a los políticos separatistas presos, que pretenden una amnistía. **Página 10**

EMILIA PARDO BAZÁN, LA CONDESA QUE ROMPIÓ EL CORSÉ

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Giro del Gobierno: tras las críticas, pide explicaciones a Nicaragua por los abusos

DERECHOS HUMANOS. Junto a México, convocó al embajador para sumar presión diplomática

Luego de las duras críticas que recibió la Argentina por su negativa a acompañar la condena en la OEA a Nicaragua, el Gobierno resolvió ayer llamar a "consultas" al embajador argentino en ese país, Daniel Capitanich, como una forma de expresar su malestar por los abusos del régimen del presidente Daniel Ortega.

El gesto de la Cancillería es un paso previo al retiro de su delegación diplomática en Nicaragua y mostró un giro en la postura asumida la semana pasada.

La Argentina adoptó la decisión en coordinación con el gobierno del mexicano Andrés Manuel López Obrador, que tomó la misma medida.

Tras la abstención en la OEA, el gobierno de Estados Unidos se había expresado públicamente "decepcionado" por la posición adoptada por el gobierno de Alberto Fernández.

La condena en la OEA, impulsada por Estados Unidos, había sido respaldada por 26 países de la región y recibió cinco abstenciones. **Página 12**

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La policía sandinista detuvo ayer al quinto precandidato presidencial opositor, el periodista Miguel Mora. **Página 13**

Bachelet señaló a Formosa ante la ONU

Dijo que existieron preocupaciones por los derechos humanos

La alta comisionada para los Derechos Humanos de la ONU, Michelle Bachelet, se refirió ayer a "las preocupaciones críticas por los derechos humanos" en Formosa desatadas en el marco de la pandemia, e hizo foco en la situación de las comunidades aborígenes y los grupos vulnerables, que en el país generaron fuertes denuncias contra el gobierno de Gildo Insfrán, respaldado por la Casa Rosada. **Página 3**

Sin convencer, la selección ya está en cuartos de final

deportes— Con varios cambios en la formación y un flojo rendimiento, la Argentina superó 1 a 0 a Paraguay y se clasificó para los cuartos de final de la Copa América. Papu Gómez marcó el gol, en la noche en que Messi alcanzó el récord de 147 partidos en la selección.



Messi se abraza con Papu Gómez, el autor de un golazo a tres toques que selló la clasificación de la Argentina

GETTY IMAGES

Migraciones denunciará a 287 viajeros que no se aislaron al volver del exterior

CONTROLES. Fueron detectados en un operativo realizado en ocho provincias

La Dirección Nacional de Migraciones informó que denunciará penalmente en las próximas horas a 287 personas que incumplieron la cuarentena obligatoria que debían

cumplir tras ingresar al país desde el exterior. Fue luego de un operativo que incluyó 747 inspecciones en ocho provincias, en el que se detectó que el 38% de quienes volvieron a la

Argentina no habían cumplido con la normativa. Los infractores serán acusados de dos delitos: violar las medidas contra epidemias y desobediencia a la autoridad pública. **Página 2**

Otro freno para la donación de vacunas de EE.UU. al país

Aunque la Argentina fue favorecida, la cesión no incluye, por ahora, las de AstraZeneca. **Página 7**

Los 7 cortes de carne que no se podrán exportar

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Asado, tapa, matambre, vacío, cuadrada, falda y paleta son los siete cortes "populares" de carne que el Gobierno prohibirá exportar a partir del anuncio de hoy, con el fin de frenar los precios. Los expertos no creen que se cumpla, porque esos cortes no se exportan. **Página 17**

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Por que o queerjejo, promessa de um sertanejo gay, nunca chegou a decolar

Desigualdade racial é pior nas regiões mais ricas do Brasil

Novo índice da Folha, Iferr mede distância de acesso a oportunidades entre negros e brancos no país

A COR DA DESIGUALDADE

Novo índice da Folha revela que a diferença no acesso a oportunidades para brancos e para negros no Brasil é maior nas regiões mais ricas e que essa disparidade racial prevalece no país todo.

O Iferr (Índice Folha de Equilíbrio Racial) foi idealizado pela repórter Érica Fraga e desenvolvido a partir de metodologia adaptada pelos pesquisadores Sérgio Firpo, Michael França e Alysson Portella, do Insper.

Sudeste e Sul são as mais desiguais, mostra o indicador, que compara a proporção de negros e brancos acima de 30 anos na população do país com seu peso nos estratos de maior renda, escolaridade e longevidade.

O menor desequilíbrio está no Centro-Oeste, que tomou o posto do Nordeste. O Iferr expõe discrepâncias estaduais — o índice de São Paulo, o mais distante da equidade, é o dobro daquele do Amapá, o mais próximo.

Apesar de haver melhora, os hiatos são disseminados, e existem contrastes inter-regionais. **Cotidiano B6 a B8**

Em município de Goiás, diretoria de igualdade racial faz diferença B7

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S. Firpo, M. França e A. Portella

Sem políticas públicas, exclusão racial persistirá

Cotidiano B8

Cidade de São Paulo ficará sem vacinar até amanhã

A Prefeitura de São Paulo suspendeu a vacinação contra Covid nesta terça (22) após mais de 300 pontos de imunização ficarem sem doses ontem. A Secretaria da Saúde atribuiu o apagão à alta adesão e prometeu retomar a campanha amanhã para quem tem 49 anos ou mais. A previsão é atender pessoas de 48 anos quinta (24), e de 45 a 47, sexta. **Saúde B1**



Homem entrega água na av. Paulista, em São Paulo, capital do estado com maior desigualdade racial do país em oportunidades, mostra Iferr Danilo Verpa/Folhapress



Bolsonaro ouve pergunta de repórter da TV Vanguarda (afiliada da Globo), se irrita e tira a máscara; 'Eu cuido da minha vida. Se você não quiser usar máscara, você não usa', disse Reprodução

Bolsonaro se irrita, ataca repórter e diz fazer o que quiser

Alvo de protestos no sábado e sob desgaste, Jair Bolsonaro reagiu com agressividade a perguntas feitas a ele ontem, em Guaratinguetá (SP). O presidente mandou uma jornalista e integrantes de sua equipe calarem a boca e atacou CNN e Globo. **Poder A4 e A5**

Guilherme Boulos As ruas e a história

A queda de popularidade de Bolsonaro —sobretudo no Nordeste, força eleitoral de muitos deputados do centro— pode mudar o ambiente no parlamento. Forçados a escolher entre a própria reeleição e a fidelidade ao governo, não hesitarão. **Opinião A2**

Vacinação no Brasil

% da população vacinada*

Brasil	2ª dose	1ª dose
	15,2	40,0
MS	19,5	51,8
RS	18,9	46,9
ES	15,8	46,0

Total de doses aplicadas	24,4 mi	64,4 mi
1º SP	6 mi	16,1 mi
2º MG	2,6 mi	6,4 mi
3º BA	1,7 mi	4,4 mi

Números da pandemia

Total	Casos	Óbitos
21 jun**	73,6 mil	2.059
Variação***	17,5%	23,7%
Em 24 h	43,4 mil	899



MP da Eletrobras é aprovada, mas pode parar na Justiça

Após o governo ceder a pressões do setor de energia, a Câmara aprovou a medida provisória que abre caminho para a privatização da Eletrobras, e o projeto segue para sanção de Jair Bolsonaro. A proposta, porém, é alvo de questionamentos, que devem parar na Justiça.

O texto ganhou vários jacobitas (emendas sem relação com o foco da medida), e um dos que correm risco de contestação é o que, na visão de críticos, cria uma reserva de mercado para a contratação de termelétricas e pequenas centrais hidrelétricas. **Mercado A15 e A16**

Chile já avalia aplicar terceira dose de Coronavac

Líder em vacinação contra a Covid-19 na América Latina, o Chile avalia implementar a aplicação da terceira dose da Coronavac diante da dificuldade de reduzir os números de casos, internações e mortes. O governo retomou medidas de restrição. **Saúde B2**

Escolas nos EUA veem debate sobre racismo ser limitado

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Sobre falhas a corrigir no programa de imunização.

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Acerca de eleição de presidente linha-dura no Irã.

STJ rejeita como prova print de tela de WhatsApp

O Superior Tribunal de Justiça reafirmou entendimento de que prints de tela do WhatsApp não podem ser usados como prova. Para o órgão, a versão web do aplicativo permite adulterar mensagens armazenadas, o que inviabiliza apreciação. **Cotidiano B8**

Lula é absolvido em caso de suposta propina de R\$ 6 mi

A Justiça Federal absolveu o ex-presidente Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva de acusação feita pelo Ministério Público Federal de ter favorecido montadoras por meio de MP em 2009, em troca de R\$ 6 milhões. Segundo o juiz, não havia "evidências apropriadas". **Poder A6**

Doenças geradas por estresse têm alta na pandemia

Enfermidades ativadas pelo estresse, como enxaqueca e herpes-zóster, tiveram aumento na pandemia. Diante desse quadro, cerca de 45% da população de 30 países registrou piora leve ou intensa no estado de saúde mental —no Brasil, chega a 53%. **Saúde B4**