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What's News

Business & Finance

Investors remain bullish on many commodities whose prices have dropped below their pandemic peaks, arguing that they still look cheap. **A1**

◆ **Authorities in the U.K.** and Japan took aim at affiliates of Binance, in the latest regulatory crackdown on the trade in bitcoin and other digital assets. **B1**

◆ **The "Fast & Furious"** franchise's ninth installment gave Hollywood its best opening-weekend box office since December 2019. **B1**

◆ **Tesla is addressing** a safety issue associated with the cruise-control system in more than 285,000 passenger vehicles in China, the country's market regulator said. **B3**

◆ **The number of jobless-benefit recipients is falling** faster in Missouri and 21 other states canceling enhanced and extended payments, suggesting that ending the aid could push more people to take jobs. **A3**

◆ **U.S. households added \$13.5 trillion in wealth** last year, according to the Fed, the biggest increase in records going back three decades. **A3**

◆ **Microsoft said hackers** breached one of its systems and used data found there to attack its customers. **B4**

World-Wide

◆ **The White House** and Senate negotiators sought to keep a bipartisan infrastructure deal on track after its future was cast into doubt when President Biden made and then withdrew a suggestion that he would veto the proposal if lawmakers failed to pass a separate antipoverty package favored by Democrats. **A1**

◆ **The death toll from the Miami-area condo tower** collapse rose to nine as the search for survivors reached its fourth day and officials pressed ahead with efforts to investigate the cause of the failure and assess the safety of nearby buildings. **A1, A6**

◆ **The U.S. conducted** airstrikes in Syria and Iraq against two Iranian-backed militias that the Pentagon said were mounting drone attacks against U.S. troops. **A8**

◆ **Biden administration** officials are cautioning that a 90-day review into the origins of the Covid-19 virus being conducted by U.S. spy agencies might not produce a definitive explanation. **A4**

◆ **The centrist ranks of President Macron** and Marine Le Pen's far-right party both failed to notch victories in France's regional elections as voters gravitated toward establishment candidates. **A9**

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Parishioners at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Surfside, Fla., pray for those trapped in the rubble of a collapsed condo tower.

More Bodies Found in Florida As Cause of Collapse Sought

By ARIAN CAMPO-FLORES AND DANIELA HERNANDEZ

SURFSIDE, Fla.—The death toll from the Miami-area condo tower collapse rose to nine as the search for survivors reached its fourth day and officials worked to determine the cause of the failure and assess the safety of nearby buildings.

Emergency crews retrieved four additional bodies and human remains from the site of Champlain Towers South since Saturday night, Miami-Dade County Mayor Daniella Levine Cava said at a news conference.

They have been identified, but their names not yet released, bringing the total number of people unaccounted for to 152, she said Sunday evening.

As investigators began piecing together clues, emails released by the town Sunday included correspondence from the condo board and town officials in recent years that show concerns about nearby construction.

Search-and-rescue workers succeeded in suppressing a fire that had generated heavy smoke and inhibited their work on Saturday, Ms. Levine Cava said. Six

to eight squads were combing through the debris pile at any given time, with hundreds of additional crew members standing by to rotate in. They employed rescue dogs, cameras and sonar to try to find pockets of space and potential survivors.

"We've been working around the clock," she said. "We are not lacking any personnel....We have the best."

Crews have been cutting a trench, now 125 feet long, 20 feet wide and 40 feet deep, to gain access to the depths of the rubble, Ms. Levine Cava said. That effort led to the recovery

of the additional bodies. But as of Sunday morning, more than 72 hours had passed since anyone had been pulled out alive. The density of the pancaked building, compressed into a massive mound with countless layers, can appear impenetrable. Personal items such as flip-flops and neckties were visible in the debris, as were children's bunk beds and wall art depicting a city skyline in the exposed top floors of the building.

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◆ Neighbors ask whether it's safe to stay..... **A6**

Commodity Bets Stay Popular Amid Fall

Many commodities from copper to lumber have dropped from their peak pandemic prices, easing the most acute worries about an inflationary spiral. But investors remain bullish on many of them, arguing they still look cheap.

By Ryan Dezenber, Georgi Kantchev and Chui-Wei Yap

Copper is down 10% from a record it hit in March. Front-month futures for corn and soybeans are off their May highs by 13% and 19%, respectively. Hogs have shed 17% this month.

Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell recently said lumber's dramatic arc showed how the sky-high materials costs that characterized the reopening economy were the result of supply bottlenecks and other factors that aren't expected to last as the world's economies move further from lockdown. Lumber futures have fallen 54% after shooting up to more than four times the average price during the most recent springs before the pandemic.

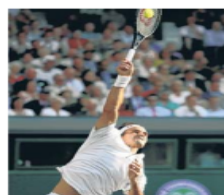
"A few months ago, the consensus was that prices for commodities can't go anywhere but up," said Richard Dunbar, head of multiasset research at Aberdeen Standard Investments. "More recently, Please turn to page A6

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Record heat wave sparks emergencies across the Pacific Northwest. **A2**



SPORTS

Federer is putting together one more run at a 21st Grand Slam at Wimbledon. **A14**

How Many Tourists Are Too Many? Venice Is Asking for a Friend

Pause on crowds and cruises during the pandemic raises the possibility of limits

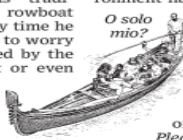
By GIOVANNI LEGORANO

VENICE—In recent months, Piero Dri has luxuriated in the calm of Venice's waterways. Covid-19 restrictions kept tourists away and reduced water traffic to a trickle, allowing him to paddle his traditional mascarata rowboat across the lagoon any time he liked without having to worry about being swamped by the wake of larger craft or even cruise liners.

His idyll came to an end about two weeks ago. "The waves were

so high...I had to go home. It was only 10 a.m.," said 37-year-old Mr. Dri, who has a workshop where he crafts intricate forcola, the raised, crutch-like oar locks that gondoliers use to scull their craft through the Venetian canals. "The environment has been violated by the sheer amount of motor boats of all kinds whizzing through the lagoon."

The pandemic raised Venetians' hopes for a reset of their famously Please turn to page A10



Apple, Microsoft Reignite Old Rivalry

By TIM HIGGINS AND AARON TILLEY

A new clash of tech titans is taking shape as Apple Inc. and Microsoft Corp. reignite a feud that dates back to the formative days of the personal-computer era.

The companies' co-founders, Apple's Steve Jobs and Bill Gates at Microsoft, battled early in their history before largely burying the hatchet. In recent months, both companies have taken up arms again in a skirmish that is roiling other tech companies and

their customers.

Apple, in its legal fight with Epic Games Inc., accused Microsoft of being the puppet master behind the game maker's case. Epic Games has accused the iPhone maker of anticompetitive practices, while Microsoft has blamed Apple for restricting its ability to reach users with its own videogame service.

On Thursday, Microsoft Chief Executive Officer Satya Nadella launched Windows 11 with what was widely seen as a swipe at Apple and the con-

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Global Beer Giant Pivots During Covid

AB InBev, maker of Budweiser, navigates pandemic surges and reopenings all at once

By JENNIFER MALONEY

In late March, executives at the biggest brewer in the world were working on a project they had code-named EU-phoria.

The U.K. was scheduled to reopen outdoor dining in a few weeks, followed by much of Europe. Anheuser-Busch InBev SA's data scientists were projecting beer sales would surge as people reunited with friends and family after monthslong lockdowns.

In Bangalore, India, Maninder Singh Grewal was feeling hopeful, too. The 38-year-old was AB InBev's global director of analytics. When the pandemic hit, his team of about 70 had pivoted from making projections for beer sales and supply to projecting where and when Covid-19 restrictions would ease or tighten around the world.

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◆ Virus-origin review may not be definitive..... **A4**

Atlantic rift

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Class of Covid-19

Graduates in post-pandemic battle for jobs — FT SURVEY, PAGE 13



Deadly quarry

Jihadis vie for control of Africa's gold mines — BIG READ, PAGE 17

Tokyo retreat Williams says no to Olympics

Serena Williams takes part in a practice session ahead of the Wimbledon tennis championships, which begin today in London. Last year's tournament was cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Williams, a four-time Olympic gold medalist, revealed yesterday that she had decided not to take part in the upcoming Tokyo games.

"There are a lot of reasons that I made my Olympic decision," Williams said. "I don't feel like going into them today. Maybe another day."

With a month to go until the Olympics is set to open, a number of the biggest names in tennis have said they will not take part, adding to the clouds hanging over the games.

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Binance banned from Britain as global crypto crackdown widens

◆ Stinging rebuke for platform ◆ Consumer protection fears ◆ Curbs follow Japan warning

ADAM SAMSON AND PHILIP STAFFORD — LONDON

The UK's financial watchdog has ordered Binance to stop all regulated activities in Britain and imposed stringent requirements in a stinging rebuke of one of the world's biggest cryptocurrency exchanges.

The intervention by the Financial Conduct Authority is one of the most significant moves any global regulator has made against Binance, a sprawling digital asset group with subsidiaries around the world. The exchange has until Wednesday evening to confirm that it has complied with the watchdog's demands, such as ceasing advertising.

The move is a sign of how regulators are cracking down on the cryptocurrency industry as concerns mount relat-

ing to its potential role in illicit activities such as money laundering and fraud, and over consumer protection.

The FCA also issued a consumer warning at the weekend against both the Cayman Islands-registered Binance Holdings company and Binance Markets Limited, a London-based affiliate that is controlled by chief executive Changpeng Zhao and overseen by the regulator. "Binance Markets Limited is not permitted to undertake any regulated activity in the UK," the FCA said. "No other entity in the Binance Group holds any form of UK authorisation, registration or licence to conduct regulated activity in the UK."

The group did not immediately respond to a request for comment, but has previously said it "takes its compli-

ance obligations very seriously and is committed to following local regulator requirements wherever we operate".

Binance Markets Limited is not approved under the FCA's cryptocurrency registration regime, which is required for UK groups offering digital asset services. The entity had applied to become a registered cryptocurrency company with the regulator, but pulled that application last month according to two people familiar with the situation. The watchdog confirmed that the application had been dropped "following intensive engagement from the FCA".

The FCA's focus in deciding whether or not to approve such applications is based on a review of controls and practices to prevent money laundering and the financing of terrorism.



Binance: the sprawling digital asset group recorded crypto trading volumes equivalent to \$1.5tn last month

Binance is one of the most important operators in the fast-emerging crypto market, offering a wide range of services to customers around the world, including trading in dozens of digital coins, futures, options and stock tokens, as well as savings accounts and lending. It recorded crypto trading volumes equivalent to \$1.5tn last month, according to data from TheBlockCrypto.

Although the FCA has restricted Binance from offering services in the UK, British citizens can still access Binance's services in other jurisdictions.

The FCA's decision comes after Japan's Financial Services Agency warned last week that Binance was conducting unauthorised trade in cryptocurrencies with Japanese citizens. It published an identical notice in 2018.

Briefing

► **Wary shale groups hold back investment**
Bumper profits and surging oil prices have failed to push US shale executives into big production rises, as companies seek to avoid being punished again for rapid investment. The number of operating rigs remains well below levels of recent years. — PAGE 4

► **Doubts over China's cyber capabilities**
Research has predicted that Beijing will be unable to match US cyber capabilities for a decade because China's prowess in the field is undermined by poor security and weak intelligence analysis. — PAGE 2

► **Toshiba director slams coup and quits**
George Olcott has resigned from the board, telling the FT that shareholders' shock move to oust chair Osamu Nagayama will prolong instability and uncertainty at the troubled conglomerate. — PAGE 6

► **South Africa stronger, says central bank**
Governor Lesetja Kganyago has told the FT the country can ride out a post-Covid rise in global interest rates, despite fears of investors retreating to chase higher yields elsewhere. — PAGE 4



► **US-Taiwan talks focus on digital trade**
Taipei officials have said negotiations due to start on Wednesday will take in online commerce and supply chain security, as the partners seek to widen co-operation amid rising China tensions. — PAGE 4

► **Superyacht apartments ride luxury tide**
Backers of what promises to be the world's biggest superyacht have put up for sale 39 on-board apartments as they bet on resilient demand for luxury travel. Prices start at €9.5m. — PAGE 8

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Datawatch

Water footprints

Litres needed per calorie produced



Source: Mekonnen, M.M. and Hoekstra, A.C. (2010) *Unesco-WFP*

An individual's water footprint depends largely on the type of diet they have. A diet which consists mostly of vegetables and pulses puts much less pressure on the world's water resources, compared to a meat-rich diet



Red tape takes heavy toll on Britain's trade with EU

A bleak picture has emerged of UK trade arrangements with Europe since post-Brexit rules came into force on January 1. Nearly a fifth of British businesses that did trade with the EU have stopped and almost a third of companies trading with the bloc have suffered a fall in business. The survey, conducted for the FT, portrays a struggle with the red tape ushered in by the deal with Brussels, despite its zero tariff, zero quota trading.

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UBS seeks hiring edge over Wall St with home-office mix for most staff

OWEN WALKER — LONDON

UBS plans to allow up to two-thirds of staff to mix working from home and the office on a permanent basis, betting the approach will give the Swiss lender an advantage over Wall Street banks when recruiting.

The move to embrace hybrid working has been led by chief executive Ralph Hamers and his top managers, according to people familiar with the matter, and underlines the growing gulf with the more headline approach adopted by many US banks.

UBS has decided that only employees whose roles are required to take place in the office due to supervisory rules or to carry out specific tasks, such as traders and branch staff, will have little or no flexibility in their working practices.

An internal survey of its 72,000-

strong global workforce showed roughly two-thirds were in positions that would allow hybrid working, according to people familiar with the matter.

After more than a year in which most bankers have worked from home offices, spare rooms and kitchen tables, the decision by UBS signals that one legacy of the pandemic may be a fundamental split in working practices between European and US banks.

UK-headquartered banks HSBC and Standard Chartered have announced plans to allow staff to work from home or in "near-home" locations to reduce the office footprint and cut commuting.

The stance from UBS also echoes that of European peers such as France's Société Générale, but is in stark contrast to the approach taken by several US banks, including JPMorgan Chase, Goldman Sachs and Morgan Stanley, which

have ordered staff in New York back to their desks.

James Gorman, Morgan Stanley chief executive, has been the most strident in calling for staff to return to the office. "If you can go into a restaurant in New York City, you can come into the office," he said at a recent company event.

UBS, which is headquartered in Zurich, has not yet set a date on when staff will be required to return to the office. The bank declined to comment.

Despite moving into one of the City of London's largest buildings just five years ago, UBS has long looked for ways to allow more staff to work from home. Last year it experimented with augmented reality headsets, allowing staff to recreate the experience of working on a busy trading floor without leaving their homes.

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World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				INTEREST RATES				
	Jun 25	Jun 18	%Week		Jun 25	Jun 18				price	yield	chg
SSP 500	4280.70	4166.45	2.74	\$ per £	1.195	1.196	£ per \$	0.715	0.724	146.95	1.53	0.05
Nasdaq Composite	14380.30	14030.38	2.35	\$ per €	1.391	1.381	€ per \$	1.954	1.965	UK Gov 10 yr	0.79	0.04
Dow Jones Ind	34433.64	33290.08	3.44	¥ per \$	0.859	0.859	¥ per £	132.387	130.791	Gov 10 yr	0.16	0.04
FTSE100	7197.43	7144.86	1.29	₩ per \$	110.775	110.240	₩ per £	81.911	82.174	Japan Gov 10 yr	115.85	0.05
Euro Stoxx 50	4120.66	4083.37	0.91	₹ per \$	154.132	152.198	₹ per £	1.275	1.274	US Gov 30 yr	111.94	2.15 0.05
FTSE MIB	7136.07	7017.47	1.69	S\$ per \$	1.695	1.694	S\$ per £	0.837	0.844	Gov 2 yr	105.81	-0.65 0.00
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Reading Hebrew psalms on Sunday near the site of the condo collapse in Surfside, Fla. Over 150 people remained unaccounted for.

Native Americans Feel Brunt of Climate Change

By CHRISTOPHER FLAVELLE
and KALEN GOODLUCK

In Chefnok, a Yu'pik village near the western coast of Alaska, the water is getting closer.

The thick ground, once frozen solid, is thawing. The village preschool, its blue paint peeling, sits precariously on wooden stilts in spongy marsh between a river and a creek. Storms are growing stronger. At high tide these days, water rises under the building, sometimes keeping out the children, ages 3 to 5. The shifting ground has warped the floor, making it hard to close the doors. Mold grows.

"I love our building," said Eliza Tunuchuk, one of the teachers. "At

The Marginal Lands of Dispossessed People Become Unlivable

the same time, I want to move."

The village, where the median income is about \$11,000 a year, sought help from the federal government to build a new school on dry land — one of dozens of buildings in Chefnok that must be relocated. But agency after agency offered variations on the same response: no.

From Alaska to Florida, Native Americans are facing severe climate challenges, the newest

threat in a history marked by centuries of distress and dislocation. While other communities struggle on a warming planet, Native tribes are experiencing an environmental peril exacerbated by policies — first imposed by white settlers and later the United States government — that forced them onto the country's least desirable lands.

And now, climate change is quickly making that marginal land uninhabitable. The first Americans face the loss of home once again.

In the Pacific Northwest, coastal erosion and storms are eating away at tribal land, forcing native communities to try to move inland. In the Southwest, severe

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Families Hope, Pray, and Gird For the Worst

This article is by Giulia Heyward, Richard Fausset, Kimiko de Frey-Tamura, Madeleine Ngo and Christina Morales.

SURFSIDE, Fla. — Pablo Rodriguez was finding it increasingly difficult on Sunday to believe that his mother and grandmother were still alive.

"I wish I could say yes, but the answer is no," said Mr. Rodriguez, 40, of Miami, who said that his mother, Elena Blasser, 64, and his grandmother Elena Chavez, 88, had been in a penthouse unit above the Champlain Towers South condominium building when it collapsed early Thursday morning.

But Douglas Berdeaux held out a faint glimmer of hope for his sister-in-law Elaine Sabino, a flight attendant who lived in another penthouse suite. Mr. Berdeaux said he had participated in a Zoom call on Sunday morning with emergency officials, among them a member of an Israeli search-and-rescue team who had come to Florida to help — and who relayed the story of victims who had been found alive more than 100 hours after an earthquake in Haiti.

"We're just hoping and praying that a miracle will happen," Mr. Berdeaux said.

But in general, hope was fading fast on Sunday among families of the missing, as rescuers continued to search the precarious debris pile of the partially collapsed condo complex. Workers pulled large chunks of debris off the top of the pile with the aid of heavy equipment, bored a massive trench underneath, and deployed crews from around the world with expertise in scouring buildings mangled by earthquakes and rockets.

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Endless Pride

People filled the streets of New York City on the final Sunday of Pride Month to take part in the Queer Liberation March & Rally, which progressed from Bryant Park to Washington Square Park.

Crossing the Red Line: Behind Beijing's Takeover of Hong Kong

This article is by Chris Buckley, Vivian Wang and Austin Ramzy.

Hong Kong's march toward an authoritarian future began with a single phrase in a dry policy paper. Beijing, the document declared, would wield "comprehensive jurisdiction" over the territory.

The paper, published in June 2014, signaled the Chinese leader

Xi Jinping's determination to tame political defiance in the former British colony, which had kept its own laws and freedoms. But the words were dismissed by many as intimidating swagger that the city's robust legal system and democratic opposition could face down.

Hong Kong now knows Mr. Xi's ambitions with a stunned clarity. The paper marked the opening of a contest for control in the city, cul-

Signals From Xi Went Unnoticed by Public

minating in the sweeping national security law that few saw coming.

Since that law took force one year ago, Beijing has unleashed a stampede of actions to bring Hong Kong into political lock step with

the Chinese Communist Party: arresting activists, seizing assets, firing government workers, detaining newspaper editors and rewriting school curriculums.

While the clampdown seemed to arrive with startling speed, it was the culmination of yearslong efforts in Beijing. Interviews with insiders and advisers, as well as speeches, policy papers and state-

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Emerging Clues Suggest Collapse Began at Bottom

Pinpointing Florida Building's Failure Point May Require Lengthy Investigation

This article is by James Glanz, Anjali Singhvi and Mike Baker.

The investigation into what may be the deadliest accidental building collapse in American history has just begun, but experts who have examined video footage of the disaster outside Miami are focusing on a spot in the lowest part of the condominium complex — possibly in or below the underground parking garage — where an initial failure could have set off a structural avalanche.

Called "progressive collapse," the gradual spread of failures could have occurred for a variety of reasons, including design flaws or the less robust construction allowed under the building codes of four decades ago, when the complex was built. But that progression could not have occurred without some critical first failure, and close inspections of a grainy surveillance video that emerged in the initial hours after the disaster have given the first hints of where that might have been.

"It does appear to start either at or very near the bottom of the structure," said Donald O. Dusenberry, a consulting engineer who has investigated many structural collapses. "It's not like there's a failure high and it pancaked down."

The early examinations came as rescuers on Sunday spent a fourth day pushing through the enormous heap of debris created when half the 13-story building Champlain Towers South, fell away early on Thursday. The death toll climbed to nine as additional remains were found, and more than 150 people remained unaccounted for.

While a number of bridges, overpasses and buildings under construction fail each year, the catastrophic collapse of an occupied building — absent a bomb or an earthquake — is rare, and investigators are struggling to understand how it could have come

with so little urgent warning. "It would be like a lightning strike happening," said Charles W. Burkett, the mayor of Surfside, Fla., where the collapse occurred. "It's not at all a common occurrence to have a building fall down in America," he said. "There was something very, very wrong with this situation."

The National Institute of Standards and Technology, a federal agency, was sending scientists and engineers to do a preliminary review, hoping to identify and preserve materials that might help understand the collapse. Officials said they expected a number of local, state and federal agencies also to be involved in the inquiry, though it was not clear which agency would lead the effort.

The search for an explanation comes with a sense of urgency not only for sister buildings near the complex but also for a broad part of South Florida, where a necklace of high-rise condos, many of them decades old, sits on the edge of the Atlantic Ocean, enduring an ever-worsening barrage of hurricane winds, storm surge and sea salt.

Structural engineers were shocked that a building that had stood for decades would abruptly crumble on an otherwise unremarkable summer night.

But three years before the deadly collapse, a consultant found alarming evidence of "major structural damage" to the concrete slab below the pool deck and "abundant" cracking and crumbling of the columns, beams and walls. The failure began at a specific point near the bottom of the struc-

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How Start-Ups Got a Windfall On Covid Loans

By STACY COWLEY and ELLA KOEZE

A harm reduction center offers naloxone to reverse overdoses.

TRAVIS DOWE FOR THE NEW YORK TIMES

Addicts Get Aid Not to Abstain, But to Survive

By ABBY GOODNOUGH

GREENSBORO, N.C. — The thin young man quietly took in the room as he waited for the free supplies meant to help him avoid dying: sterile water and cookers to dissolve illicit drugs; clean syringes; alcohol wipes to prevent infection; and naloxone, a medicine that can reverse overdoses. A sign on the wall — "We stand for loving drug users just the way they are" — felt like an embrace.

It was the first day the drop-in center in a residential neighborhood here had opened its doors since the coronavirus forced them shut in the spring of 2020. "I'm so glad you all are open again," the man, whose first name is Jordan, told a volunteer who handed him a full paper bag while heavy metal music ruffled over a speaker in the background. He asked for extra naloxone for friends in his rural

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Then two small companies came out of nowhere and, through an astute mix of technology and advertising — and the dogged pursuit of an opportunity that big banks missed — found a way to help those businesses. For their work, the companies stand to collect more than \$3 billion in fees, according to a New York Times analysis — far more than any of the 5,200 participating lenders.

One of the companies, Blueacorn, didn't exist before the pandemic. The other, Womply, founded a decade ago, sold marketing software. But this year, they became the breakout stars of the Paycheck Protection Program, the government's \$800 billion relief effort for small businesses. Between them, the two companies processed a third of all P.P.P. loans made this year, the Times analysis found.

Blueacorn and Womply aren't banks, so they can't actually lend any money. Rather, they acted as middlemen, charging into a gap between what big banks wouldn't do and what small banks couldn't

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Unable to staff shifts, some restaurants and shops are missing out on the lucrative summer season.

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The pandemic offers a case study for a punitive system in America that relies far less on incarceration.

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Climbers posted firsthand accounts of being infected, but officials in Nepal, which relies on tourism revenue, dismissed them as rumors.

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Nelly Korda, often overshadowed by her parents and her siblings, won the Women's P.G.A. Championship.

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Wimbledon has changed, but for Roger Federer, 39, and Andy Murray, 34, it will always be special. On Tennis.

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Missouri scrapped a federal \$300 weekly supplement to the unemployed, saying it kept people out of the labor market. But so far, workers are continuing to be choosy.

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After a year in which demands for racial justice gained new resonance, some economists are grappling with how much to blame bias or the economy for a widening wage gap.

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Bruce Springsteen's performance became the first full-length Broadway show to take the stage since Covid-19 closed theaters last year.

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Black startups surging. Can they survive?

The rise is a pandemic silver lining. The failure rate for them is typically high, though.

By DON LEE

WASHINGTON — As a child growing up in the rugged Rust Belt city of Rockford, Ill., Michelle Youngblood loved to make sketches of dresses and outfits. After high school she went to design school in Chicago.

But the immediate demands of making a living and caring for twins as a single mom pushed her dreams aside. She settled for a steady paycheck working for a health insurer. At least that promised a measure of security — until last summer when, in a Zoom call, she and a dozen co-workers were abruptly laid off.

Youngblood, who is Black, was shocked, but also ready. In her spare time, she had never stopped designing and making plans to sell stylish children's wear online.

Using \$10,000 in severance pay, she arranged for a company in India to turn her sketches into ball dresses, twirl skirts and other garments. In October, her company — Brooklyn & Blake, named after her two kids — was born.

"It was the best thing that happened to me," Youngblood, 44, said of the layoff, "just pushing me, catapulting me into doing something that I love to do while staying with a job, working and having a comfort level that says, 'Oh, I'll be fine, day in and day out because I work and get a deposit every two weeks.'"

"For me, it was definitely a blessing in disguise for sure."

Fewer there were a hint of a silver lining in the pandemic, it may be the thousands of Black entrepreneurs turning adversity into opportunity by starting businesses of their own.

Last year there were more new Black-owned businesses proportionate to the total population than at any time in the last quarter-century, according to the Kauffman Foundation's annual study. Black entrepreneurship ranked higher than for white-owned and Asian-owned companies, the group found.

On average, 380 out of every 100,000 Black adults became new entrepreneurs during the 2020 pandemic, up from 240 in each of the

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A CASE RIGHT OUT OF 'TRUE DETECTIVE'

Attorney Frank Carson was charged with plotting a murder and cover-up with his wife, stepdaughter, 3 CHP officers and 3 others.

By Christopher Goffard
REPORTING FROM MODESTO

A team of heavily armed SWAT officers, rifles aimed, converged on Frank Carson that morning in the driveway of his Turlock home. He was, the law had decided, a dangerous man, the kingpin of a murder conspiracy, and so they would take no chances with the shambling, heavyset 61-year-old criminal defense attorney, who sneered at them defiantly as they clapped handcuffs behind his back.

Carson knew what came next. They saddled you with the mug shot that would haunt you forever, looking grim and guilty and defeated. "All I wanted was not to look subservient and crawl like a dog," he would say, "which is what they intended."

And so as the camera clicked, Carson put on a carefree, open-mouthed smile, his eyebrows aloft in happy surprise above his thick glasses. Far from a first-degree murder defendant facing life in prison, he looked like a bumpkin who had won a new tractor. It was, a prosecutor would say, the same "good old folksy country boy" facade he had used to fool so many juries about his real nature.

His eight codefendants were predictably stricken looks when their mug shots made the news that day in August 2015. Carson's wife, Carson's stepdaughter. Two brothers who ran a local liquor store. Their former handyman. Three members of the California Highway Patrol.

At the news conference, the Stanislaus County sheriff portrayed them as participants in a fantastic and complicated conspiracy that reminded commentators of "True Detective" or "Better Call Saul." They were all accused of helping Carson to murder a scrap metal thief or to cover it up. By the official narrative, it featured a tenacious

[See Carson, A6]

Cities growing more diverse but segregated

Many in the U.S. are more divided than they were in 1990 — with glaring inequities in pay, life expectancy.

By HAYLEY SMITH

Even as Los Angeles and other American cities have become more racially diverse over the last few decades, segregation and the inequities that go along with it have changed little, according to new research from UC Berkeley.

The Los Angeles metropolitan area has seen only slight improvements, the study found, and remains the sixth-most segregated of the 221 metro areas. Some other regions of the state ranked in the study did even worse. The metropolitan regions of Santa Cruz, Santa Rosa, Santa Barbara, San Jose, Riverside, Sacramento, Oxnard, Vallejo, San Diego, Modesto, Chico, San Luis Obispo, Bakersfield and San Francisco all saw their segregation numbers worsen, the study found.

The Roots of Structural Racism Project was unveiled

this month after several years of investigation, researchers said. Its findings are stark: 81% of U.S. metropolitan regions with at least 200,000 residents were more segregated in 2019 than they were in 1990.

New York, Chicago and Milwaukee were the most segregated metropolitan regions, while the Midwest and mid-Atlantic were the most segregated areas of the country, followed by the West Coast.

But that key outcomes for residents in segregated communities — including income, home values and life expectancy — remain worse than those in more integrated areas.

The findings were significant, because residential segregation is the undercurrent of "basically every expression of structural racism" in the country, from health disparities to over-policing, said Stephen Menendian, assistant director of the Othering & Belonging Institute at UC Berkeley and the study's lead author.

"The focus of the report is the persistence and extent of racial residential segregation," [See Study, A8]

Scammers seize on China's patriotic app

Police issue warnings about a con job in which women are asked to invest money.

By ALICE SU

BELJING — They seemed like caring, trustworthy men: military officers and government officials chatting on an app dedicated to studying the words of Chinese President and Communist Party leader Xi Jinping.

But they had other intentions.

In recent months, local media and public security bureaus across China have reported a surge of mostly men targeting women in romance scams using Study Xi, Strong Nation, an app created by the Communist Party's propaganda department in 2019 to promote study of "Xi Jinping Thought."

The scammers duped victims by claiming their official positions prevented them from using social media or normal dating



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THE DATING SCAMS use the Study Xi, Strong Nation app in China.

apps. Instead, they chatted daily on Study Xi, Strong Nation, where many civil servants, teachers, employees of state-owned companies and bureaucrats have been required to score points by studying "Xi Jinping Thought."

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Delta variant is on the rise

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Worrisome toll at hotel for the vulnerable

By EMILY ALPERT REYES, BENJAMIN ORESKES AND DOUG SMITH

Days before her death, Kathy Vandiver seemed to be faring better than her daughters had seen in years.

After years of addiction and struggle, she had gotten off the streets of the San Fernando Valley and into a hotel room through Project Roomkey. She was talking about getting an apartment soon; she was bringing over friends to say hello on a video chat. She had a loving boyfriend. She had plans, once a check came through, to visit family in Illinois.

She seemed healthy and happy, her daughter Karla Benitez thought. Like the mother she remembered as a kid.

"How could she just die like that?" Benitez asked.

Vandiver, 51, was one of at least eight people who died while they were living at the Airtel Plaza Hotel, according to data provided by the Los Angeles County coroner and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority. During the pandemic, hundreds of homeless people have been housed at the sprawling hotel and conference center outside Van Nuys Airport through Project



DANIEL MAXWELL Los Angeles Times
ELIEL FUENTES lived at the Airtel Plaza Hotel.

At the Airtel, 'we were very happy together.'

— ELIEL FUENTES, on his late girlfriend, Kathy Vandiver

Roomkey, a government program aimed at the vulnerable population.

The deceased were young and not so young. Black and white, local and transplant. Several lost their lives to heroin or methamphetamine at the hotel, according to coroner findings. Vandiver died of an intracerebral hemorrhage after being found unconscious in her room and taken to the hospital, though medical examiners found that medical conditions and methamphetamine use were "contributing conditions" to her death.

One death at the hotel was labeled as natural — a 41-year-old man found to have died of coronary artery disease. And one participant died of natural causes away from the site, according to LAHSA records.

What happened at the hotel is a reflection, in some ways, of the dire vulnerability of the homeless people who went there, and the maladies and addictions that can be exacerbated by living on the streets.

But the death toll also raises questions about whether providers could better protect people as they move from the streets into hotel rooms and other shelter. L.A. County's top doctor responding to homelessness said it also underscores the lack of

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Surge in crime shifts Democrats on policing

Biden, others push for hiring officers; GOP seizes on 'defund the police' calls

BY SEAN SULLIVAN,
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A year ago, a majority of the Minneapolis City Council pledged to disband the police department. At protests around the country, left-wing activists chanted, "Defund the police!" And in New York City, an insurgent liberal who embraced that slogan ousted a longtime Democratic congressman.

But now, President Biden is inviting local governments to use federal money to fund police departments and hire more officers. The Democratic mayor of Minneapolis wants to replenish his city's police force. And a former police officer running on a law-and-order platform is leading as votes are counted in the Democratic primary for New York mayor.

Thirteen months after the police killing of George Floyd sparked an impassioned movement in the Democratic Party to rein in police departments, a surge in homicides has prompted a shift in the opposite direction. Democrats are scrambling to make new investments in policing and seeking to project toughness on crime, even as they continue pushing for police reforms and alternative means of deterring crime.

Now in control of the White House, Congress and most big cities, Democrats have struggled to contain the deadly violence this year, which is expected to

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As rescuers dig, search for cause ramps up



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Rescue crews continue their search at the collapsed Champlain Towers South on Sunday, as the death toll rose to nine and the number of residents unaccounted for held steady. As the day wore on, officials promised to give loved ones a place to grieve and pray.

For some families, hopes for a miracle fading

BY BRITTANY SHAMMAS,
MERYL KORNFIELD
AND DREA CORNEJO

SURFSIDE, FLA. — In the beginning, Pablo Rodriguez hoped his mother and grandmother might be among the lucky ones.

He waited for news at the family reunification center Thursday after that first, near-uncomprehensible phone call about the

collapse of Champlain Towers South. Even after photographs started emerging, showing ruins where his mother's condo building once stood, he held onto hope.

By Sunday, that hope had mostly run out.

"I have hope that they will find something so that we can give them a proper burial, get some kind of closure," Rodriguez, 40,

said at his home 25 miles from the scene. "That's about it. I don't have any hope that they're going to find them alive and that I'm going to actually be able to see them or speak to them again."

Four days into the search for survivors trapped in the rubble, more than 150 people remain missing. And though the number of bodies identified has slowly ticked up — to nine, by Sunday

night — there have been no rescues since the early hours of the collapse.

Even so, officials have said they still hope to find some people alive. "Hope — that's what I'm focusing on," Miami-Dade Fire Chief Alan Cominsky said during a morning news conference. "So I'm going to continue that as much as possible. That's the drive."

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DEATH TOLL CLIMBS IN CONDO COLLAPSE

Town hires veteran engineer for inspection

BY DARRYL FEARS
AND LORI ROZSA

SURFSIDE, FLA. — Four more bodies were identified Sunday as rescuers continued their grim search for survivors of the Florida condominium collapse, while town officials brought on a new engineer to investigate the cause of the disaster and called for more stringent inspections to ease fears of a future disaster.

Even after the death toll rose to nine and the number of missing residents held around 150, some rescuers said it was possible that residents were still alive under the wreckage of Champlain Towers South. "Hope — that's what I'm focusing on," Miami-Dade Fire Chief Alan Cominsky said at a morning news conference.

But as the day wore on, public officials promised to give loved ones a place to grieve and pray near the wreckage.

"We're working with the families, and there will be an opportunity for visitation," Miami-Dade County Mayor Daniella Levine Cava (D) said.

Surfside officials also launched an aggressive push to understand why Champlain Towers South collapsed, bringing in a veteran engineer to conduct an autopsy of the tower.

Allan Kilsheimer said he will examine the foundation, concrete, leaks, groundwater and possible intrusion of saltwater to arrive at a conclusion.

"The water penetration can be groundwater, it can be tidal water, and it can be rainwater. We don't know the answer to any of those yet," said Kilsheimer, who has investigated other disasters such as the Oklahoma City federal building bombing in 1995 and the

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Trump lawyers face deadline to argue case against charges

BY SHAYNA JACOBS,
JOSH DAWSEY
AND DAVID A. FAHRENTHOUD

Prosecutors in New York have given former president Donald Trump's attorneys a deadline of Monday afternoon to make any final arguments as to why the Trump Organization should not face criminal charges over its financial dealings, according to two people familiar with the matter.

That deadline is a strong signal that Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus R. Vance Jr. (D) and New York Attorney General Letitia James (D) — now working together after each has spent more than two years investigating Trump's business — are considering criminal charges against the company as an entity.

Earlier this year, Vance convened a grand jury in Manhattan to consider indictments in the

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A pandemic conundrum in Philadelphia

Missteps, misunderstandings lead to racial gaps in vaccination rates

BY AKILAH JOHNSON
AND DAN KEATING

PHILADELPHIA — Chidinma Nwakanma walked out the doors of the emergency room into the stillness of a Saturday morning. Her overnight shift had been a swirl of activity, but rest would have to wait as there was one more task at hand for the physician: a community vaccination clinic set to start in about 60 minutes.

In the hours before at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center, she had encountered the trauma and travails that are the currency of the ER: A patient had abruptly stopped talking and slumped over, cancer blocking her nasal passages. There was a man struggling to breathe, a problem that had persisted for nearly two months. A 25-year-old with fever and chills. An 81-year-old who passed out in front of her family. And because it has become part of Nwakanma's routine when gathering information about a pa-

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Jazzmalne Fortune gets vaccinated in April at a clinic at Temple University in Philadelphia. Just 34 percent of Black residents have received at least one vaccine dose, city data shows.

Despite vow, Biden leaves Cuba on the back burner

BY KAREN DEYOUNG

Five months into his administration, President Biden's campaign promise to "go back" to the Obama policy of engagement with Cuba remains unfulfilled, lodged in a low-priority file somewhere between "too hard" and "not worth it."

"I would say that 2021 is not 2015," when Obama reestablished full diplomatic relations with Havana and opened the door to increased U.S. travel and trade with the communist-ruled island, only to see Donald Trump slam it closed again, a senior administration official said.

"We have an entire world and a region in disarray," the official said, speaking on the condition of anonymity to discuss internal deliberations. "We are combating a pandemic and dealing with a breaking down of democracy in a

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consin to discuss rural economies.

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Con Messi y los suplentes, la selección sale a buscar goles

Esta noche, desde las 21, jugará contra Bolivia, que ya está eliminada; si gana, la Argentina terminará primera en su grupo y enfrentará a Ecuador. Deportes



UN MANUAL ESCOLAR PARA ADULTOS CON FUERTE SESGO OFICIALISTA

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SERVICIOS. Asumirá la gestión integral, pero en el futuro podría incorporar a privados

Gabriela Origlia
PARA LA NACION

CÓRDOBA.— Las líneas de ferrocarriles de carga serán reestatizadas. La decisión del Ministerio de Transporte está explicada en una resolución, que todavía no fue publicada en el Boletín Oficial. Fuentes de la cartera confirman

ron a LA NACION que, "en principio, no se continuará con las concesiones", y los tres ramales "volverían naturalmente al Estado". Todas las concesiones están vencidas y con prórrogas que llegan hasta marzo de 2023. La estatización es el primer paso para, después, dejar operar a privados bajo parámetros fijados por la estatal Trenes Argentinos

Cargas; por eso se habla de un modelo "híbrido" o mixto.

El avance sobre las concesiones de trenes es un paso más en la intención de estatizar actividades que promueven algunos sectores del kirchnerismo duro, aunque en este caso habría espacio en el futuro para operadores privados. Continúa en la página 21

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Una medida que suma desconfianza

Diego Cabot
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Atacaron a tiros un penal y se fugaron ocho presos

seguridad. Un ataque externo con disparos de ametralladora contra la guardia del penal de Piñero, a 20 kilómetros de Rosario, permitió que ocho reclusos del pabellón de un poderoso narco atravesaran los alambrados para fugarse; en la evasión murió un preso. Página 25



La imagen muestra el momento en el que los presos se fugan del penal a través de un alambrado

CAPTURA DE VIDEO

Triunfo de Morales y derrota kirchnerista en Jujuy

ELECCIONES. Dirigentes de la UCR acompañaron al gobernador en los festejos

Los frentes provinciales que responden al gobernador radical Gerardo Morales se imponían anoche con claridad en las elecciones legislativas de Jujuy.

Al cierre de esta edición, las dos listas oficialistas se acercaban al 50% de los votos, muy por encima del peronismo, que con menos del 30% se ubicaba como segunda fuerza provincial. El gobernador estuvo acompañado por referentes radicales, como el diputado José Cano, el senador Martín Lousteau y el neurólogo Facundo Manes. Página 18

Irán: aceleran un pedido de Cristina contra la causa

FACTO. La Justicia allanó el camino a un reclamo de la vicepresidenta. Página 14

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Dos noticias alteran el frente electoral

Claudio Jacquelin

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Incertidumbre y quejas: advierten que habrá miles de varados por día tras las restricciones de los vuelos

CORONAVIRUS. La Casa Rosada defendió la decisión de limitar los arribos; dudas sobre la cuarentena en la provincia

El Gobierno reconoció que unos 1400 pasajeros cada 24 horas quedarán varados esta semana y sus regresos serán reprogramados, como consecuencia del inicio de las restricciones de los vuelos desde el

exterior, que limitaron el ingreso en Ezeiza a 600 personas por día.

Desde la Casa Rosada reconocieron que están dispuestos a asumir el "costo político" de la medida ante el temor a la llegada de nuevas ce-

pas del coronavirus. La Asociación de Transporte Aéreo Internacional (IATA), por su parte, pidió de urgencia una reunión con el Gobierno para tratar la situación.

En tanto, el gobierno bonaerense

reconoció ayer que busca un lugar para alojar a los viajeros que regresen al país porque argumenta que no se cumple el encierro domiciliario obligatorio de siete días. Página 3

Llamado a la unidad en el acto por las víctimas

Junto a los gobernadores, el Presidente bajó el tono de confrontación para recordar a los muertos por el Covid

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Há esquemas na Saúde, diz deputado

Em entrevista, Luis Miranda afirma que negociações suspeitas vão além de vacinas e menciona indicado de Barros

O deputado Luis Miranda, que citou o líder do governo na Câmara, Ricardo Barros, em negociação suspeita pela vacina Covaxin, aponta indícios de ação ilícita em mais contratos, informam Mateus Vargas e Leandro Colon.

Em entrevista à Folha neste domingo (27), o deputado do DEM afirma que o irmão, o chefe da divisão de importação do Ministério da Saúde, Luis Ricardo Miranda, alega que o suposto esquema de corrupção é mais amplo.

Envolveria, entre outras coisas, a compra de testes de Covid por meio de organizações internacionais. Ele menciona ainda a atuação do diretor de logística da Saúde, Roberto Ferreira Dias, indicado por Barros (PP-PR).

Miranda declara ter relatado a suspeita sobre a Covaxin ao presidente Jair Bolsonaro, que prometeu agir mas não o fez, e ter ouvido do chefe do Executivo o nome do líder: "Mais uma des- se cara, não aguento mais".

O congressista diz aceitar acareação com o ex-ministro Eduardo Pazuello ante a comissão e que seu irmão se dispõe a voltar a depor, mas em sessão secreta. Ele não respondeu se há gravação do diálogo com Bolsonaro.

A Folha procurou o Ministério da Saúde e Roberto Ferreira Dias, mas não houve resposta. Poder A4 e A6

Saiba como Covaxin, líder e irmãos Miranda podem afetar Bolsonaro A8 e A9



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PAÍS VIVE APAGÃO DE POLÍTICAS PÚBLICAS PARA A POPULAÇÃO LGBTQIA+

Para especialistas, pessoas como a travesti Patrícia Borges, assessora da vereadora trans Erika Hilton (PSOL), de SP, perderam voz sob Bolsonaro Cotidiano B1

Vim abrir portas, diz 1ª executiva trans da Unilever

"Fez duas faculdades para terminar prostituta", ouviu há anos Fabíola Lopes, 44. A dupla formação e a desenvoltura fizeram dela executiva de vendas da multinacional, que amplia contratação de pessoas trans. "Estou aqui para abrir portas." Mercado A18

Minorias sexuais se unem contra fome na periferia

A população LGBTQIA+ da periferia, que já enfrentava dificuldades na busca por emprego formal, teve sua situação agravada com a crise relacionada à pandemia. Coletivos atuam para oferecer apoio emocional, social, financeiro e político ao segmento. Cotidiano B2

Orbán fez dos gays novos inimigos da Hungria, diz casal

Para o colombiano Gernán Henao, 32, que escolheu viver na Hungria com o namorado, Krisztián Tornyosi, 33, "os húngaros não são homofóbicos, o governo é que é". Legislação anti-LGBTQIA+ no país está sendo questionada pela União Europeia. Mundo A12

ENTREVISTA DA 2ª Gil do Vigor

Política monetária impacta vida de quem está lá atrás

Um dos ex-BBBs mais famosos da história do reality show, Gilberto Nogueira Junior é economista. Mas é antes um homem preto, gay, religioso e de origem pobre, que hoje faz planos para o doutorado nos EUA.

Gil diz que pretende voltar e ajudar o país. E afirma falar sério sobre seu desejo de presidir o Banco Central. "Eu trabalharia em pontos que me permitissem enxergar quem está pagando o óleo, o arroz, o fubá." A14

Mathias Alencastro

Covaxin era peça de projeto genocida de Modi

Fragmentada e submetida a jogos de influência, a campanha de imunização da Índia é um pesadelo. O modelo obriga estados a competir por insumos; o cadastramento digital exclui milhões. Mundo A13

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Luta e cultura queer influenciaram moda libertária do milênio

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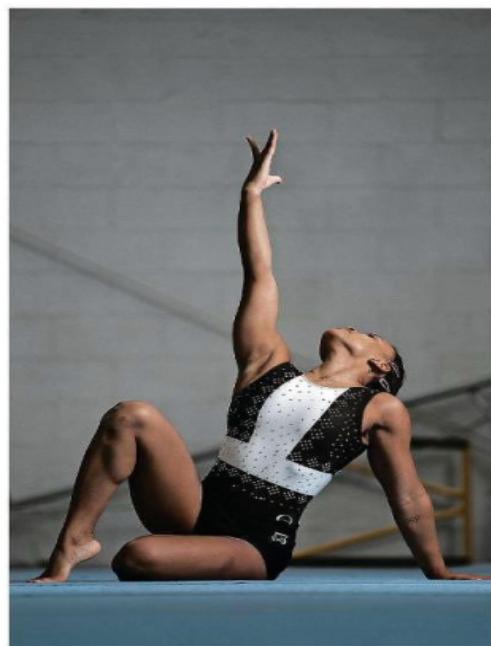
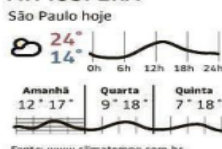
No balanço do funk

Após ter pensado em desistir da carreira devido a seguidas lesões, ginasta Rebeca Andrade se reergue com apoio da família e fará em Tóquio solo embalado por 'Baile de Favela'.

Ilustrada B11

Morre, aos 69 anos, no Rio, jornalista e escritor Artur Xexéo

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A ginasta Rebeca Andrade, 22 Ricardo Borges/Folhapress

Pandemia dá impulso a sequestro de dados digitais

O trabalho remoto e a valorização de criptomoedas impulsionaram o sequestro de informações sigilosas de companhias e organizações na pandemia. Neste ano, gigantes foram alvo desse tipo de ação, que consiste em invadir redes corporativas, copiar ou criptografar dados e pedir um pagamento milionário para não vazá-los na internet. Mercado A16

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O tapetão e a rua Sobre expediente escapista de Bolsonaro na crise.

Fora de lugar Acerca de projeto que regula o ensino domiciliar.

População acima de 18 anos imunizada*

	totalmente	parcialmente
Brasil	16%	28%
MS	22%	33%
RS	20%	30%
AM	19%	28%

Totalmente imunizada



Total de doses aplicadas

	1ª	2ª	única
Brasil	70,5 mi	25,2 mi	84,7 mi
1º SP	18 mi	6,1 mi	35
2º MG	6,8 mi	2,7 mi	0
3º RJ	4,8 mi	1,8 mi	0

Números da pandemia

	Casos	Óbitos
Total	18,4 mil	513,5 mil
Méd. movel	70,1 mil	1.661
Varição**	4,9%	-16,8%
Em 24 h	33,0 mil	725

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Brasil

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Males de siempre. La congestión del tráfico, como en la ruta que une Luque con Asunción (foto grande), los baches y la falta de sistemas pluviales y cloacales y de una correcta disposición de residuos son falencias históricas de autoridades comunales.

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À droite, cap sur la présidentielle



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XAVIER BERTRAND
53,2%



ÎLE-DE-FRANCE
VALÉRIE PÉCRESSE
47,5%



AUVERGNE-RHÔNE-ALPES
LAURENT WAUQUIEZ
54,6%

Les trois principaux prétendants de la droite à l'élection présidentielle ont été largement réélus à la tête de leurs régions respectives. Xavier Bertrand, candidat déclaré pour 2022, a prononcé un discours clairement programmatique tandis que Valérie Pécresse et Laurent Wauquiez ont préféré mettre en avant leur bilan. Désormais la question du « départage » est le chantier prioritaire de LR.



Macron, Le Pen la double sanction

Dans un second tour marqué par une très forte abstention, la droite et la gauche se partagent, hors la Corse, toutes les régions françaises. Le parti présidentiel est fantomatique, le Rassemblement national a échoué en Paca.



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Tout est possible

Le vieux monde est de retour! En Paca, le Rassemblement national espérait qu'un sursaut de participation, symétrique de celui qui lui avait coûté la victoire entre les deux tours des régionales de 2015, viendrait cette fois inverser la donne en sa faveur; le sursaut n'a pas eu lieu. Résultat: rien ne change. Sept régions de droite, cinq régions de gauche! Tous les sortants sont reconduits. D'un scrutin à l'autre, la carte politique de la France des régions ne bouge pas d'un iota. Tout ça, pour ça! Un scrutin pour rien? C'est ce que prétendent tous ceux qui, pour une raison ou pour une autre, ont intérêt à minimiser les conséquences de cette « parenthèse » minée par l'abstention, et, disent-ils, absolument « déconnectée » des échéances futures. En vérité, par ce qu'elles révèlent de l'état de l'opinion autant que par les effets qu'elles ne manqueront pas de produire, ces élections régionales rebattent fortement les cartes politiques qu'on disait déjà distribuées, une fois pour toutes. Dans cette France morcelée, émietlée, éparpillée façon puzzle (qu'on pense au nombre de

quadrangulaires et de pentagulaires ce dimanche), dans cette France dont l'abstention massive dit l'indifférence et la colère, tout est désormais possible. Macron, Le Pen, un candidat de droite: chacun, désormais, peut prétendre accéder au second tour de l'élection présidentielle. Quant à en prédire l'issue, bien malin qui pourrait! À un an de l'échéance, le jeu politique n'a jamais été aussi ouvert.

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Pour le Rassemblement national, que la dramaturgie politico-médiatique avait par avance sacré vainqueur des régionales, le coup est rude. Après les déconvenues successives des législatives, des européennes et des municipales, voici Marine Le Pen renvoyée à l'ancienne malédiction. Le « plafond de verre » est un plafond d'airain! De quoi répandre le poison du doute chez ses partisans - « Ça ne marchera donc jamais! » - et, parmi ses troupes, celui de la contestation. Turbulences en perspective. **Suite page 23 »**

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England's footballers have faced sustained abuse online on the days of their Euro 2020 matches, exclusive analysis by the Guardian can reveal.

A study of Twitter messages directed at and naming the England team in the five hours around each of the three group-stage matches identified more than 2,000 abusive messages, including scores of racist posts.

The research, conducted in association with the anti-racist organisation Hope Not Hate, illustrates the shocking levels of hatred, from hundreds of individuals at a time, directed at the captain, Harry Kane, the forward Raheem Sterling, and at other England players and the manager, Gareth Southgate.

Across England's three group games against Croatia, Scotland and the Czech Republic the Guardian identified 2,114 abusive tweets directed towards or naming the players and Southgate. This included 44 explicitly racist tweets, with messages using the N-word and monkey emojis directed at

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Government urged to investigate potential abuse of public money

Aubrey Allegretti
Political correspondent

Boris Johnson still has "huge questions to answer" in the aftermath of Matt Hancock's resignation over his affair with a friend and paid adviser, Labour said, as the government was urged to launch an investigation into a "potential abuse of public money".

Downing Street is struggling to contain the scandal that emerged last week with the publication of images of the married health secretary and Gina Coladangelo, who were caught on CCTV kissing in his

Whitehall office only weeks ago. Pressure is still building as Tory MPs are among those demanding reassurances there was no wrongdoing over Coladangelo's appointment to a role for which she was paid up to £15,000 a year as a non-executive director at the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC). She started in September 2020 and stepped down from her post over the weekend.

Keir Starmer, the Labour leader, said that even though Sajid Javid had taken over from Hancock, there were still "serious questions to answer".

He said the government should come clean on how Covid contracts were awarded, on why Coladangelo was given a parliamentary pass by another health minister, and on the truth behind the leaking of the CCTV that led to Hancock's downfall.

"If anybody thinks that the

▲ Sajid Javid after he replaced Matt Hancock as health secretary

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resignation of Matt Hancock is the end of the issue, I think they're wrong ... The resignation is far from the end of the matter," he said.

Caroline Slocock, who founded the Civil Exchange thinktank and

was private secretary to Margaret Thatcher, told the Guardian she had "quite significant concerns" that the focus on Hancock's breach of Covid rules had "let him off the hook" for "potentially an abuse of public money". She claimed there had been a "murky series of events" and that given Coladangelo worked as a communications director, "it's quite hard to see" how she was qualified to advise the DHSC on its central policy areas of health and social care.

Slocock said Hancock had "at best, essentially appointed an old chum", and added: "To get your mistress to be marking your homework is not acceptable."

A Tory MP and former minister also told the Guardian that "there are more questions" that need answering, including about Hancock reportedly relying

'If anybody thinks the resignation of Matt Hancock is the end of the issue, I think they're wrong'

Keir Starmer
Labour leader

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