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◆ **Stocks edged higher**, with the S&P 500 and Nasdaq closing at records and the Dow industrials registering a slight gain. **B11**

◆ **Intel has delayed** production of one of its newest chips to improve performance, the first significant product setback under new CEO Pat Gelsinger. **B1**

◆ **Declan Kelly resigned** as chairman and CEO of global consulting firm Teo following reports of drunken misbehavior at a charity event last month. **B1**

◆ **The U.K. will allow** foreign senior executives to leave a 10-day quarantine required of overseas travelers, so long as they can show their business visit is of "significant economic benefit." **B1**

◆ **The SEC named** New Jersey Attorney General Gurbir Grewal to be the agency's enforcement director. **B10**

◆ **Federal regulators** are tightening their oversight of car crashes that involve advanced driver-assistance or automated-driving features. **A3**

◆ **Two Americans** apologized in a Tokyo court for helping former Nissan chief Ghosn escape from Japan. **B3**

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◆ **Officials acknowledged** difficult odds ahead as the search of the collapsed Miami-area condo tower continued, with the death toll standing at 12 and 149 people unaccounted for. **A1, A8**

◆ **The Supreme Court** removed a hurdle to the construction of a natural-gas pipeline through Pennsylvania and New Jersey, marking a victory for the gas industry. **A2**

◆ **The high court declined** to lift a national moratorium on the eviction of tenants who have fallen behind on their rent during the pandemic. **A2**

◆ **The court ruled** that deported noncitizens who re-enter the U.S. illegally and claim asylum must remain in custody while their cases are processed. **A2**

◆ **The top U.S. military** commander in Afghanistan said security across the country is deteriorating just weeks before the last American forces withdraw. **A10**

◆ **Former South African** President Zuma was sentenced to 15 months imprisonment for contempt of court after he refused to appear at an inquiry into alleged corruption during his tenure. **A10**

◆ **The House voted** to remove statues of Confederates and other historical figures who advocated for slavery or white supremacy from public display in the U.S. Capitol. **A4**

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U.S. Commander Sees Risk of Civil War in Afghanistan



TENSIONS: Afghan army soldiers train in Mazar-e-Sharif, Afghanistan, on Tuesday, just weeks before the last American forces are set to withdraw. U.S. Gen. Scott Miller warned of recent gains by the Taliban and deteriorating security. **A10**

Biden Plans Executive Order Reining In Big Business Power

By JACOB M. SCHLESINGER

The Biden administration is developing an executive order directing agencies to strengthen oversight of industries that they perceive to be dominated by a small number of companies, a wide-ranging attempt to rein in big business power across the economy, according to people familiar with the plans.

The order, which President Biden could sign as soon as next week, would direct regulators of industries from airlines to agriculture to rethink their rule-making process to inject more competition and to give consumers, workers and suppliers more rights to challenge large producers.

The goal is to broaden the way policy makers approach business concentration in the

U.S., going beyond conventional antitrust enforcement focused on blocking big mergers. For example, companies in industries controlled by a small number of big firms might face new rules for disclosing fees to consumers or for their relationships with suppliers, the people familiar with the effort said.

Big business groups and some Republicans will likely

protest any new Biden measures. Businesses and conservative legal groups could challenge the rules in court, as they already have with administration moves to limit oil and gas drilling on federal lands and to extend a pandemic-related moratorium on evicting renters. Regulatory opponents hope that conservative judges appointed by for-

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United Sets Its Biggest Plane Purchase

Airline bets on travel growth as pandemic's impact recedes, adding Boeing and Airbus jets

By ALISON SIDER

United Airlines Holdings Inc. is making its largest-ever plane order, adding Boeing and Airbus jets to fuel its post-pandemic growth plans.

The Chicago-based airline on Tuesday said it will purchase 200 of Boeing Co.'s 737 MAX jets and 70 larger Airbus SE A321neos, a deal valued at more than \$30 billion at list prices before customary discounts. United is looking to replace most of its 50-seat jets and other smaller, older aircraft with these larger planes that can carry more passengers and allow it to sell more premium seats as part of a strategy to expand flying out of its main hubs and to lure more high-paying travelers.

The order—the largest by a U.S. airline since American Airlines ordered 460 new aircraft from Boeing and Airbus in 2011—is the latest sign of U.S. airlines' growing confidence that travel is on course to snap back after being decimated by the pandemic.

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Condo Had Warnings, Muddled by Mixed Signals

When warning signs flashed about structural and maintenance problems at Champlain Towers South, the information was muddled and confusing, signaling that the condo owners didn't need to remedy the situation urgently, according to a pre-

By Jon Kamp,
Scott Calvert
and Deborah Acosta

liminary review by The Wall Street Journal of historical documents, eyewitness accounts and expert assessments.

The 136-unit building was a first-rate luxury high rise when it went up in 1981 on the ocean's edge in Surfside, Fla., then-mayor Mitchell Kinzer recalled. Nearly four decades later, an engineer's report would say a key part of the building's design was flawed from the start.

A Surfside building official who was forwarded that 2018 report would tell the condo board gearing up for a major refurbishment that the tower was in good shape. Yet, there were complaints from residents about leaks and, more recently, worries about building rattling construction next door. By April of

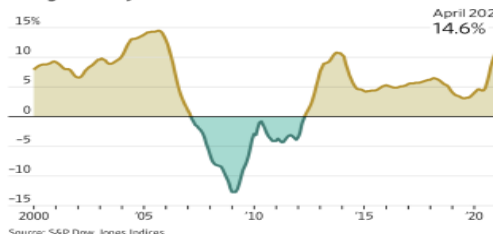
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Home-Price Surge Hits Record

As buyers competed with a limited number of homes on the market, prices climbed at their fastest pace ever in April. **A3**

S&P CoreLogic Case-Shiller national home-price index, change from a year earlier



China's Didi Prices IPO At \$14 After Quick Pitch

By CORRIE DRIEBUSCH

Chinese ride-hailing goliath Didi Global Inc. priced its IPO at \$14 on Tuesday afternoon, people familiar with the matter said, setting the stage for the company to begin trading on Wednesday after it made a lightning-fast pitch to potential investors.

The company sold more stock than it had planned, and the upsized deal raised about \$4.4 billion, a person familiar with the matter said. Given the upsizing, the pricing would give Didi a market capitalization of more

than \$67 billion, which would trail U.S. ride-hailing firm Uber Technologies Inc.'s roughly \$95 billion but land well ahead of Lyft Inc., which sits at roughly \$20 billion. Didi's fully diluted valuation, which typically includes restricted stock units, would easily eclipse \$70 billion at the initial-public-offering price.

Didi's pricing comes just three business days after it launched its roadshow, making it one of the shortest investor pitches for an IPO in recent memory, bankers, investors and lawyers said.

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Amazon Demands Company Stake From Some Vendors

Some supplier deals include right for tech giant to buy shares at potentially steep discounts

By DANA MATTIOLI

Suppliers that want to land Amazon.com Inc. as a client for their goods and services can find that its business comes with a catch: the right for Amazon to buy big stakes in their companies at potentially steep discounts to market value.

The technology-and-retail giant has struck at least a dozen deals with publicly traded companies in which it gets rights, called warrants, to buy the vendors' stock in the

future at what could be below-market prices, according to corporate filings and interviews with people involved with the deals.

Amazon over the past decade also has done more than 75 such deals with privately held companies, according to a person familiar with the matter. In all, the tech titan's stakes and potential stakes amount to billions of dollars across companies that provide everything from call-center services to natural gas, and in

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Christmas in July? Yes, Plus Halloween and Easter

Families combine missed holidays, birthdays into one big 'Alliday'

By RAY A. SMITH

When Jennifer Boyle started planning a post-pandemic family reunion, the TV show "Superstore" inspired her to supersize her plans.

Ms. Boyle decided to celebrate several holidays and milestones that she missed sharing in person with her parents and brother over the previous year, like the characters

did in the recently ended NBC sitcom. She added her own twist: To determine the order in which to mark the holidays, she bought a game-show-style prize wheel from Amazon.

"We just moved it around on a chair so each person would have a turn spinning it, and then wherever

it landed, we would celebrate that holiday for no more than 14 minutes and then move on to the next one," said Ms. Boyle, a 51-year-old business intelligence analyst from Haverhill, Mass.

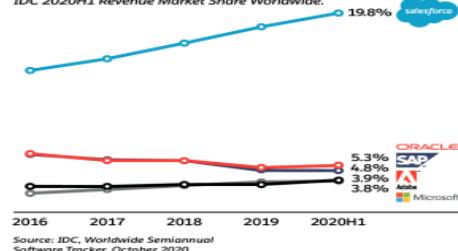
Ms. Boyle put 14 holidays on the wheel and designed the party to last about three hours.

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Beijing calling

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Set square
Radio array
to probe skies

An artist's impression of some of the 200 15-metre wide dishes to be installed in South Africa that will become part of the world's biggest radio telescope.

The €2bn Square Kilometre Array observatory, a partnership between South Africa, Australia, the UK and four other countries, will be at least 10 times more powerful than existing telescopes. Construction will start next month on the project, which is scheduled to take eight years to complete. It will also include building 130,000 small antennas in the outback of Western Australia.

The SKA's main aim is to help understand how galaxies form — but it will also search for signs of life on distant planets.

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Zuma hit with 15-month jail term
after snubbing corruption inquiry

Ex-president told to turn himself in • Big test for judiciary • ANC issues appeal for calm

JOSEPH COTTERILL — JOHANNESBURG

South Africa's top court has sentenced former president Jacob Zuma to 15 months in prison for contempt of court after he defied an order to attend an inquiry into allegations of corruption under his presidency.

"The only appropriate sanction is a direct, unsuspended order of imprisonment" lasting 15 months, the constitutional court said in a judgment yesterday. It is the first time in the country's history that a former president has been sentenced to jail.

Zuma, 79, must turn himself in to police within five days. If he fails to do so, the police must "take all steps necessary" to ensure that he goes to jail, the court said. Zuma is normally based at

his homestead in Nkandla, in rural Kwa-Zulu-Natal.

The court's ruling has been welcomed by civil society activists as a pivotal moment for South African democracy. The ruling African National Congress called on its members to "remain calm". Zuma led the party for nearly a decade and still has supporters within the ANC.

The case has been seen as a major test for the judiciary and the inquiry. Zuma "sought to ignore, undermine and in many ways destroy the rule of law altogether", the court said.

It found Zuma was in contempt of court and said it was responding to "a series of direct assaults and calculated and insidious efforts by [Zuma] to corrode its legitimacy and authority". It added: "The strength of the judiciary is

being tested ... never before has the judicial process been so threatened."

The former president had ignored an order to appear before the commission of inquiry into corruption. Raymond Zondo, South Africa's deputy chief justice and head of the inquiry, had sought to have him jailed for defiance.

The long-running inquiry has been investigating claims that Zuma helped the Guptas, a well-known business family, secure state contracts and determine policy, in what became known as the "state capture" scandal. The Guptas and Zuma deny wrongdoing.

Zuma was forced to step down in 2018 over the scandal and the inquiry has become one of the most powerful symbols of the clean-up under Zuma's successor Cyril Ramaphosa.



Jacob Zuma had 'sought to ignore, undermine and in many ways destroy the rule of law', the court said.

Dozens of witnesses have implicated the former president in systematic corruption, including the manipulation of ministerial appointments and contracts to favour the Guptas' business empire. Zuma made a brief appearance before the inquiry in 2019 to deny involvement in corruption and claimed his accusers were part of a western-sponsored "drive to remove me from the scene".

But at his next appearance, he staged a walkout and has not returned to the witness stand since.

The judgment will send a strong signal that ANC leaders are not untouchable, said William Gumede, chair of the Democracy Works foundation. "If the former president with still considerable power can be jailed ... if you're a lower official, your day is going to come."

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Senior members of Congress on both sides of the aisle have renewed calls for an overhaul of antitrust law after attempts to break up the social media group failed. — PAGE 5; FT VIEW, PAGE 14; LEX, PAGE 16

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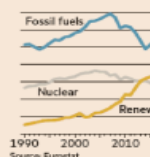
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Users of the crypto exchange have no channels to withdraw sterling after the ability to use bank cards was suspended. Another route, via a big UK payments network, was blocked this week. — PAGE 5

Datawatch

Rise of renewables

EU electricity generation (TWh)



The EU has generated more electricity from renewables than fossil fuels for the first year on record, say initial data for 2020. Wind contributed the most; it is now providing 14.2 per cent of the bloc's electricity.

Source: Eurostat

Teneo chief resigns following claims of
drunken misconduct at charity event

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NEW YORK
ARASH MASSOUDI — LONDON

Declan Kelly, an influential adviser to many Fortune 500 chief executives, has resigned as head of communications firm Teneo, days after allegations of drunken misconduct at a charity event.

Kelly's departure marks a swift fall for the Irish-born executive who built a public relations empire by convincing corporate leaders that Teneo, which he styled as "the world's pre-eminent CEO advisory firm", could save them from reputational crises. His exit comes five days after the Financial Times revealed that Kelly had inappropriately touched a number of women without their consent at Global Citizen's Vax Live concert in California on May 2.

A day after the FT revelations, General Motors cancelled a new contract with Teneo, heightening fears inside the firm about a possible client exodus.

Global Citizen, the anti-poverty campaign group that had worked with Kelly for years, told the FT last week that it had immediately removed him from its board on May 3 when it received complaints about his behaviour. It has launched an investigation into his conduct at the event.

The crisis throws into question the future of Teneo, which Kelly co-founded in 2011 with Doug Band, a former aide to President Bill Clinton on whose network both men relied to build the business. The negative attention has also put pressure on private equity group CVC Capital Partners, which paid \$550m for a majority stake in Teneo in 2019, valuing the firm at about \$700m. CVC has not commented on the allegations

against Kelly or on the plans it has for the company.

Teneo has been a disruptive force in the business of providing high-level communications advice, in part by tapping a roster of blue-chip former CEOs and retired politicians as senior advisers, including former Xerox boss Ursula Burns, ex-speaker of the US House of Representatives Paul Ryan and former UK foreign secretary William Hague.

The firm counts Chevron, Coca-Cola, Delta Air Lines, General Electric, NatWest, Tesco and UBS among its clients.

Teneo said yesterday Kelly would be replaced by the firm's other co-founder, chief operating officer Paul Keary. Kelly said he had made "an inadvertent, public and embarrassing mistake for which I took full responsibility and apologised to those directly affected, as well as my colleagues and clients".

New York's tussle with
Trump hits the rough

The legal dispute between Donald Trump's business empire and New York City has moved to the former president's favourite place — the golf course. After an event was pulled from his New Jersey layout in the wake of January's Capitol riot, the city ended its own golf contract saying "The Trump brand is synonymous with insurrection" — the company retorted that mayor De Blasio harboured a predisposition to terminate Trump-related contracts. **Analysis** — PAGE 4

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World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				INTEREST RATES			
	Jun 29	prev	%chg		Jun 29	prev	%chg		price	yield	chg
S&P 500	4295.69	4290.61	0.12	\$ per €	1.181	1.183	-0.17	US Gov 10 yr	147.28	1.49	0.02
Nasdaq Composite	14992.44	14980.51	0.08	£ per €	1.383	1.386	-0.21	UK Gov 10 yr	0.74	0.74	0.00
Dow Jones Ind	34258.47	34203.27	0.22	¥ per €	0.981	0.989	-0.81	Ger Gov 10 yr	0.17	0.17	0.00
FTSE 100	1762.99	1758.92	0.23	₹ per €	110.585	110.625	-0.36	Japan Gov 10 yr	116.86	0.95	0.00
Euro Stoxx 50	4110.12	4088.91	0.54	₹ per €	152.888	153.631	-0.49	US Gov 30 yr	112.81	2.18	0.01
FTSE All-Share	2087.55	2072.97	0.21	₹ per €	1.096	1.096	0.00	Ger Gov 2 yr	105.78	-0.68	-0.01
CAC 40	6967.43	6968.02	-0.14	₹ per \$	0.940	0.939	0.11				
Nikkei	28812.81	29048.02	-0.81								
Hong Kong	26994.10	26938.30	-0.21								
MSCI World	3025.22	3024.94	0.01	Oil WTI \$	73.08	72.91	0.23	Fed Funds Eff	0.06	0.07	-0.01
MSCI EM \$	1246.50	1239.58	0.56	Oil Brent \$	74.37	74.14	0.31	US 3m Bill	0.05	0.06	-0.01
MSCI ACWI	722.05	721.91	0.02	Gold \$	1780.30	1786.65	-0.36	Euro Libor 3m	-0.55	-0.55	0.00
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Late Edition

Today, partly sunny, quite hot, humid, high 96. Tonight, strong thunderstorms, cloudy, low 75. Tomorrow, heavy thunderstorms, high 84. Weather map appears on Page A18.



Cheering crowds chanted and wept in Mekelle, Ethiopia, late Monday after Tigrayan fighters dealt a stunning blow to the authority of the nation's leader, Abiy Ahmed.

U.S. General Warns of Civil War Gripping Afghanistan After Exit

By THOMAS GIBBONS-NEFF
and ERIC SCHMITT

KABUL, Afghanistan — The commander of the U.S.-led mission in Afghanistan warned on Tuesday that the country could be on a path to chaotic, multi-sided civil war as American and other international troops prepare to leave in the coming weeks.

His assessment, in a rare news conference at the headquarters of U.S. and NATO command in Kabul, will likely be one of the last publicly delivered by an American four-star general in Afghanistan, where recent events have included a Taliban offensive that has seized around 100 district centers, left dozens of civilians wounded and killed, and displaced thousands more.

"Civil war is certainly a path that can be visualized if it continues on the trajectory it's on," the commander, Gen. Austin S. Miller, told reporters during the news conference. "That should be a concern for the world."

Raising Concerns as a Mission Winds Down

Speaking from a garden adjacent to the circle of flagpoles that once displayed the flags of the 36 countries that contributed to the U.S.-led NATO mission — now reduced to Turkey, Britain and the United States — General Miller said the troop withdrawal was reaching a point where he would soon end his command, which began in September 2018, and in turn, say goodbye to Afghanistan.

"From a military standpoint it's going very well," General Miller said of the U.S. withdrawal. He did not offer a timeline for when the withdrawal will be complete. The Taliban, for the most part, have not attacked U.S. or international forces as they have departed, instead focusing the brunt of the violence on the Afghanistan security forces and the civilians caught in

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Amid the Debris, Families Seek News as a Grim Reality Sets In

By RICHARD FAUSSET

SURFSIDE, Fla. — All around Magaly Ramsey a chorus of newly familiar strangers were shouting out the names of their loved ones, hoping their voices would penetrate the looming pile of debris. These were the people Ms. Ramsey had spent long days with, waiting for any news of their relatives buried under the fallen building.

"I love you," they screamed over the rubble. "Please come out of there." "We are waiting for you."

But Ms. Ramsey did not shout the name of her missing 80-year-old mother. As soon as rescue officials let her get close to the site of the tragedy on Monday afternoon, she decided that her mother could not be alive.

Up close, the rubble pile looked like a sand dune.

"I'm a very logical, tough woman," Ms. Ramsey said. Instead of shouting, she said, she asked

Mourning Seems Both Fitting and Too Soon

questions of a rescue official nearby. Can a body just disintegrate?

The answer, Ms. Ramsey recalled in an interview, was "yes."

The death toll rose by one, to 12, on Tuesday at Champlain Towers South in Surfside, where the floors in a section of the 13-story building fell on top of one another early on Thursday morning. Almost 150 people, including Ms. Ramsey's mother, Magaly Delgado, are still classified as missing.

The round-the-clock rescue operation now involves 210 workers scouring the giant mound at any given time. In the days since the collapse, crews had moved three million pounds of concrete off the

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A Battered City Rejoices After Ethiopia's Retreat

By DECLAN WALSH

MEKELLE, Ethiopia — A column of triumphant fighters paraded into the city just after dawn on Tuesday, led by a woman in camouflage who brandished a Kalashnikov and the flag of the Tigray region of northern Ethiopia, while people poured onto the streets to welcome them — cheering, weeping with relief and chanting "Victory is ours!"

It had been eight months since the government of Ethiopia mounted an offensive in the country's Tigray region, unleashing civil war, atrocities and famine in Africa's second most populous country, and creating what is now

Fall of Tigray's Capital Signals Shift in War

one of the world's worst humanitarian crises. More than 1.7 million people have been displaced, and as many as 900,000 are suffering from famine, according to U.S. officials.

But on Monday, Ethiopian troops suddenly withdrew from Mekelle, the capital city of Tigray, as well as other towns in the region, ahead of advancing Tigrayan fighters. The fall of Mekelle signaled a turning point

in a war that has plunged Ethiopia into chaos and threatened to destabilize the wider Horn of Africa region.

It was also a stunning blow to the authority of the country's leader, Abiy Ahmed, who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2019 and a year later gambled his power and reputation on what he said would be a brief, decisive campaign to bring the restive Tigray region under control.

When he took office just three years ago, Mr. Abiy promised to unite his fractured country. Now he is left reeling from a seismic military loss to Tigrayan leaders he has derided as a "criminal"

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Flags flying at Hong Kong's Central Library, which has removed dozens of books from circulation.

China Bends Freewheeling Hong Kong to Its Will

By VIVIAN WANG
and ALEXANDRA STEVENSON

HONG KONG — With each passing day, the boundary between Hong Kong and the rest of China fades faster.

The Chinese Communist Party is remaking this city, permeating its once vibrant, irreverent character with ever more overt signs of its authoritarian will. The very texture of daily life is under assault as Beijing molds Hong Kong

Makes It Mirror Docile Mainland Cities

into something more familiar, more docile.

Residents now swarm police hotlines with reports about disloyal neighbors or colleagues. Teachers have been told to imbue students with patriotic fervor through 48-volume book sets called "My Home Is in China."

Public libraries have removed dozens of books from circulation, including one about the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Nelson Mandela.

Hong Kong had always been an improbability. It was a thriving metropolis on a spit of inhospitable land, an oasis of civil liberties under iron-fisted rule. A former British colony that returned to China in 1997, the city was promised freedoms of speech, assembly and the press unimaginable in

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ELECTION BOARD SOWS CONFUSION IN MAYOR'S RACE

'DISCREPANCY' IN REPORT

Totals Pulled Back After Showing a Narrowing of Adams's Lead

By KATIE GLUECK

The New York City mayor's race plunged into chaos on Tuesday night when the city Board of Elections released a new tally of votes in the Democratic mayoral primary and then removed the tabulations from its website after citing a "discrepancy."

The results released earlier in the day had suggested that the race between Eric Adams and his two closest rivals had tightened significantly.

But just a few hours after releasing the results, the elections board issued a mysterious tweet revealing a "discrepancy" in the report, saying that it was working with its "technical staff to identify where the discrepancy occurred."

By Tuesday evening, the tabulations had been taken down, replaced by a new advisory that the ranked-choice results would be available "starting on June 30."

Then, around 10:30 p.m., the board finally released a statement, explaining that it had failed to remove sample ballot images used to test its ranked-choice voting software. When the board ran the program, it counted "both test and election night results, producing approximately 135,000 additional records," the statement said. The ranked-choice numbers, it said, would be tabulated again.

The extraordinary sequence of events seeded further confusion about the outcome, and threw the closely watched contest into a new period of uncertainty at a consequential moment for the city.

For the Board of Elections, which has long been plagued by dysfunction and nepotism, this was its first try at implementing ranked-choice voting on a city-

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Rise of Variant Renews Debate On Mask Rules

This article is by Roni Caryn Rabin, Apoorva Mandavilli and Shawn Hubler.

Throughout the pandemic, masks have ranked among the most contentious public health measures in the United States, symbolizing a bitter partisan divide over the role of government and individual liberties.

Now, with a new variant of the coronavirus rapidly spreading across the globe, masks are again the focus of conflicting views, and fears, about the course of the pandemic and the restrictions required to manage it.

The renewed concerns follow the wildfire growth of the Delta variant, a highly infectious form of the virus first detected in India and later identified in at least 85 countries. It now accounts for one in five infections in the United States.

In May, federal health officials said that fully vaccinated people no longer needed to mask up, even indoors. The advice signified a sea change in American life, setting the stage for a national reopening that continues to gain momentum.

But that was before the spread of the Delta variant. Worried by a global surge in cases, the World Health Organization last week reiterated its longstanding recommendation to wear masks.

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In South Africa, Jail for Zuma
Jacob Zuma, a former president of the country, got a 15-month term for contempt in a corruption inquiry. PAGE A4

A Svelte Kim Generates Buzz
Kim Jong-un of North Korea emerged from a hiatus looking thinner, stirring speculation about his health. PAGE A4

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Push to Update Antitrust Laws
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Shake up dinner time by grilling ingredients with only oil and salt, and over unrelenting direct heat. Ali Slagle suggests. Above, spiced halloumi. PAGE D8



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‘Wanted’ posts by police cast a wide net

Online campaigns often target low-level suspects, and even innocent people.

BY MARIA L. LA GANGA

The wanted poster on the Manhattan Beach Police Department’s Facebook and Instagram pages featuring Matthew Jacques was bad enough.

“Wanted Wednesday,” it blared in all capital letters over a mug shot of the Hermosa Beach bartender. “Turn yourself in.” And then, a warning to the public: “Do not attempt to apprehend or detain this person. Call 911 in case of emergency.”

Then came the tweet storm, a nasty barrage of online vitriol. “he will be caught maybe he thinks his charge is nothing or doesn’t care,” wrote one commenter. Another identified the bar where Jacques worked and his regular shift, and urged readers: “You can go get him there.”

But Jacques wasn’t a wanted man. There was no warrant out for his arrest on Feb. 26, 2020, when Manhattan Beach police posted the wanted sign, according to court documents. The 42-year-old had missed several remedial classes after pleading no contest to a 2017 DUI.

But he was no fugitive from the law. The 21st century version of the Wild West wanted poster has become a social media staple for police departments across the country. They’re posted on law enforcement Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts. Some departments have YouTube videos filled with stony-faced mug shots and pleas for help in identifying alleged suspects.

Law enforcement officials say these social media posts — “Wanted Wednesday” [See Wanted, A14]



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SEARCH AND RESCUE teams continue their work at the Champlain Towers South in Surfside, Fla. Scientists say coastal buildings in the U.S. will be subjected to deepening challenges as sea levels rise.

Florida condo’s fall stirs a wave of fear along coast

Residents wonder, who’s next? Scientists warn of risks.

BY JENNY JARVIE

SURFSIDE, Fla. — Sitting on his balcony, watching palm trees sway in front of the turquoise blue of the Atlantic Ocean, Christian Ginman could no longer just enjoy the view.

He kept thinking about the collapse of the Champlain Towers South less than a week ago, and how the building fell with out warning in the middle of the night, 13 floors pancaking into a mountain of debris. He owns a weekend apartment five blocks away.

“What building is going to be next?” wondered Ginman, a 49-year-old commercial real estate agent.

As search and rescue teams scoured the rubble in hopes of finding someone alive, author- [See Coast, A8]



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PEOPLE VISIT a makeshift memorial near the Champlain. Authorities said Tuesday that 12 people were confirmed dead, with 149 still missing.



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A PINE TREE cell tower made by Valmont Larson is framed by real eucalyptus at a park in Downey. Tree towers are growing more complex and realistic.

COLUMN ONE

Fake trees have taken root

Cell towers posing as palms, pines? That’s so L.A.

BY DANIEL MILLER

A gentle breeze rustles the eucalyptus tree, its dark green foliage quivering under a cloudy Santa Ana sky. At the base of its sturdy trunk, the leaves of a fallen branch bear the scars of hungry insects.

A stand of eucalyptuses sways across the road. But this tree, surrounded by a spiky metal fence, isn’t like the others. “AT&T authorized personnel only!” a sign warns.

This tree isn’t actually a tree at all — it’s a cellular transmission tower, one among hundreds or more that now blanket Southern California.

Cell tower trees have become an indelible part of the L.A. landscape over the last few decades, sprouting beside freeways and in the city’s other in-between spaces. The demand for calls that never drop and videos that always stream is fueling the growth of these structures, whose fake foliage is meant to obscure the rectangular antennas clustered near their tops.

[See Fake trees, A11]

Idyllic island life ends when India sends a new boss

COVID and rules that marginalize Muslims leave Lakshadweep chain deep in despair.

BY DAVID PIERSON AND VARSHA TORGALKAR

PUNE, India — For 44 years, Nijamuddin K. lived his life in peace on Kavaratti, a sandy atoll surrounded by turquoise water 200 miles west of India’s Malabar coast.

On a good day, when the winds cooperated and the fish were running, he could take his wooden boat with the creaky motor out to sea and catch up to 60 tuna. Steady demand for the prized fish on the Indian mainland made him the breadwinner for an extended family of 14.

The turbulence of modern India has long eluded Kavaratti and the 35 other flecks of idyllic tropical land scattered across the Arabian Sea and known as Lakshadweep. That serenity was upended in December, when a newly appointed administrator for the federal territory named Praful Khoda Patel visited the archipelago following the

death of his predecessor.

Patel lifted restrictions on travel to the islands that had kept Lakshadweep remarkably free of COVID-19. The relaxation came just as India’s disastrous second wave was developing, resulting in a sudden and deadly outbreak in the island community.

But what sparked protests and turned this rarely noticed collection of reefs into national news was prompted when Patel, a loyalist of Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s Hindu nationalist Bharatiya Janata Party, or BJP, introduced sweeping plans to overhaul life in the Muslim enclave. It was as if the targeting of Muslims that has riven the mainland in recent years had suddenly made its way across the sea.

Without consulting anyone in Lakshadweep, Patel proposed giving the government unchecked powers to seize property and relocate residents in the name of developing the island chain into a tourist destination that could rival the nearby Maldives.

He then suggested a ban on beef and a lifting of prohibitions on alcohol, an affront to local religious sensibilities. [See India, A4]

Variant means shots weren’t final act

County’s request for vaccinated people to again mask up indoors hints at a bumpy road.

BY LUKE MONEY AND MELISSA HERNANDEZ

California is just two weeks into its long-awaited reopening, but already a new coronavirus threat has prompted Los Angeles County health officials to request a voluntary rollback of one of the freedoms fully vaccinated people only recently began to enjoy.

The county’s recommendation this week that everyone — regardless of inoculation status — should wear face coverings in public indoor settings as a precaution, given the presence of the worrisome Delta variant of the coronavirus, underscores that speed bumps may still lie ahead on the road to pre-pandemic normalcy.

It also illustrates the current landscape in the long-running battle against COVID-19: one where those who have had their shots may be asked to give a little to help shield those who haven’t.

“There’s a lot of give-and-take in our communities,” L.A. County Public Health Director Barbara Ferrer said during an interview Tuesday. “And this is the time for vaccinated people to give, I think, and protect others.”

While not a mandate, L.A. County is requesting that residents go beyond guidance issued at the state and federal level, which affirms that fully vaccinated residents can go maskless in most situations, including indoors.

Ferrer said the recommendation stemmed from a few interlinked factors. The county has seen a slight uptick in community coronavirus transmission as of late, and the presence of the Delta variant — which officials say is perhaps twice as transmissible as the conventional coronavirus strains — could exacerbate what’s still a minor trend.

The county is also seeing persistent gaps in vaccination coverage, with Black and Latino Angelenos still [See Variant, A8]

Biden plans to boost pay to fight fires

To lure federal firefighters, the proposal includes raising salaries to at least \$15 an hour and making jobs full time. **NATION, A6**

Where to avoid a swim in surf

California beaches are getting cleaner, a survey says, but watch out for 10 on the dirtiest list. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

Skaggs’ family sues the Angels

Two suits against the team and two former employees allege negligence in the pitcher’s 2019 death. **SPORTS, B6**

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Clouds and sun. L.A. Basin: 82/66. **B6**

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The looming eviction storm

Tenants are struggling.
Landlords are fed up.
The moratorium is expiring.

BY ANNIE GOWEN

MEMPHIS — She'd finally caught up on her rent, so Jennifer Hurt showed up to court expecting the eviction case against her to be dropped. Instead, she learned that her landlord wanted her out anyway.

The two hadn't spoken in months, even though their front doors are feet apart. Now they stood on opposite ends of a Memphis courtroom as the lawyer told the judge that the landlord wanted possession of the home on Quito Road, a small brick house that had once belonged to her parents.

Most renters in Shelby County — with one of the highest poverty rates in Tennessee — have been protected for months from eviction after courts were shut down twice during the coronavirus pandemic and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention placed a moratorium on evictions for nonpayment of rent because of the crisis. But that changed in the Western District of Tennessee in March, when a federal judge struck down the moratorium.

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TOP: Movers evict Jennifer Hurt from her home in Millington, Tenn., in June. In March, a judge struck down a federal moratorium in the district, paving the way for evictions to resume here, a preview of what will happen nationwide this summer after the CDC ban expires. ABOVE: Hurt reviews her eviction notice. She caught up on her rent but was ejected for being late.

Analysts call infrastructure deal's math wishful thinking

BY JEFF STEIN

To pay for their proposed infrastructure package, the White House and a bipartisan group of senators agreed to reduce federal spending on unemployment benefits by about \$70 billion. The administration says that the changes will not reduce benefits for jobless Americans and that their proposal will cut only fraud and waste, by improving "program integrity."

But nonpartisan analysts estimate fraud and overpayments are likely to amount only to closer to \$35 billion in unemployment

spending during the next decade. Budget experts do not believe it is credible that lawmakers could cut unemployment spending by as much as 20 percent, as the plan suggests, with no impact on beneficiaries. The provision was endorsed in negotiations by Sen. Kyrsten Sinema, a centrist Arizona Democrat, according to two people familiar with the matter who spoke on the condition of anonymity to describe private deliberations.

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Selling it: In Wisconsin, Biden touted the plan as a job creator. A4



Gen. Austin Miller, in Kabul, said he fears that anti-Taliban militias could revert to ethnic vendettas and abusive behavior.

U.S. general warns of Afghan chaos

Civil war foreseen unless Kabul officials unite, control militias

BY PAMELA CONSTABLE

KABUL — The top American military commander in Afghanistan expressed deep concern Tuesday that the country could slide into a chaotic civil war and face "very hard times" unless its fractious civilian leadership united and the haphazard array of armed groups joining the anti-Taliban fight were controlled and made "account-

able" for their actions in battle.

The bleak assessment by Gen. Austin "Scott" Miller, who met with journalists, came as Taliban forces continued their rapid advances across northern Afghan provinces and expanded into other rural regions. The insurgents also began drawing closer in a circle around the capital city.

In the past several days, officials and Afghan media reported, Taliban fighters have overrun parts of three provinces, all just short drives from Kabul on highways running north and south. They also attacked security posts in a third area that hugs the city's western border.

Miller, who has led the U.S.

military mission here since 2018, is overseeing the final drawdown of U.S. forces that once numbered more than 100,000 during the almost 20-year conflict with Taliban extremists. He described the drawdown as going well "from a military standpoint" and said he expected it to end on schedule. President Biden ordered that all U.S. forces leave Afghanistan by Sept. 11.

But the general, whose mission was focused on training, motivating and improving the performance of Afghan security forces, noted that the looming U.S. departure had damaged their morale, which he said already had

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Serena's early exit A slip injured Williams in her first-round match at Wimbledon, ending her quest for a 24th Grand Slam title. D1

Ordeal in India Post-covid infections from a flesh-eating fungus cost many coronavirus survivors an eye — and some, their lives. A16

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THE WORLD The House voted to remove sculptures of Confederate leaders and a former chief justice from the Capitol. A3

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Declining coronavirus

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Facundo Campazzo

“Cuando me quité el miedo a equivocarme, me sentí más cómodo”

COLUMNISTA EXCLUSIVO



DESDE ABRIL HABÍA ALERTAS POR EL ESTADO DEL EDIFICIO EN MIAMI

—el mundo

La titular del consorcio había advertido que el daño en la estructura se “multiplicaría exponencialmente” y que las refacciones costarían US\$15 millones. Página 8

DENUNCIAN EXCESO DE VELOCIDAD ANTES DEL VUELCO EN LA RUTA 2

—sociedad

Tras el accidente, en el que murieron dos personas y hubo 42 heridos, varios pasajeros dijeron que se habían encendido las luces de alerta por la velocidad. Página 20

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El Estado toma el control de la Hidrovía, por la que pasa el 80% del comercio exterior

NEGOCIOS. Está en manos privadas; tras la presión kirchnerista, se archiva la idea de la licitación

El decreto que entrega por un año al Estado el control y la administración de la denominada Hidrovía Paraná-Paraguay quedó a la firma del presidente Alberto Fernández.

El gobierno nacional había previsto una nueva licitación para adjudicar la concesión a firmas privadas, pero el kirchnerismo reclamó una estatización y finalmente torció el rumbo de Fernández.

Así, la vía navegable de 3500 kilómetros por la que pasa el 80 por ciento del comercio exterior argentino quedará por un año bajo el control estatal. Su administración está hoy en manos de la empresa belga Jan de Nul, junto a su socio local, Emepa, del empresario Gabriel Romero.

En paralelo, otro decreto establecerá la creación de un ente de control estatal de todas las vías nave-

gables del país. Estará dentro de la órbita del Ministerio de Transporte. Ambos decretos son impulsados por el kirchnerismo duro, referenciado en el senador y excanciller Jorge Taiana y la diputada Fernanda Vallejos. El Ministerio, que responde a Sergio Massa, había resistido la medida, pero finalmente cedió al reclamo de los sectores ligados a Cristina Kirchner. Página 12

Rechazo del campo por una posible merma de competitividad

Cuestiona la capacidad técnica del sector público

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En tres años, cayó 22,2% el ingreso promedio de los ocupados

AJUSTE. Los trabajadores de los estratos más bajos perdieron hasta un 27%

El ajuste en el mundo del trabajo tuvo un mayor impacto en los ingresos que en el empleo. En los últimos tres años, en medio de una crisis cambiaria, inflación, recesión y pandemia, los ingresos de los ocupados—asalariados formales e informales, e independientes—cayeron un 22,2% en promedio. Los de los niveles más bajos fueron los más perjudicados, con una pérdida de 27%. Página 17

El regreso de los argentinos que viajaron al extranjero puede demorarse más de un mes

COVID. El Aeropuerto de Ezeiza está prácticamente desierto por las restricciones de los vuelos



La terminal de arribos del Aeropuerto Internacional de Ezeiza, ayer, a las 14.48, estaba casi vacía

FABIÁN MARELLI

Los miles de argentinos sorprendidos en el exterior por las restricciones a los vuelos podrían sufrir demoras de más de un mes para volver al país.

Según los testimonios recopilados por LA NACION, los viajeros co-

menzaron a recibir notificaciones de la postergación de sus vuelos para principios de agosto. Muchos se quejan por los trastornos y los mayores gastos que implica la demora. Pero las restricciones no solo provocan consecuencias a los turistas. Ro-

ger Zaldivar, director del Instituto Zaldivar, explicó a LA NACION que el 44% de las córneas para trasplantes llegan de los Estados Unidos y que las demoras hacen que los pacientes pierdan los turnos. Ayer dijo que se perdieron cinco córneas de donan-

tes por la cancelación de vuelos. La contracara de los demorados es la soledad en Ezeiza, que ayer estaba desierto. “Cruzaba los dedos para que no me cancelaran el viaje”, dijo Daniela Álvarez, una turista recién llegada de Miami. Página 2

Los expertos recomiendan vacunación y tests ante la tercera ola

Frente a una tercera ola de la pandemia, los especialistas advierten que la solución no está en cerrar las fronteras, sino en intensificar la vacunación y extender la logística de los tests para disponer oportunamente medidas de aislamiento. Una de las máximas referentes del país en materia de infectología, Silvia González Ayala, explicó que el objetivo debe ser alcanzar la aplicación de 500.000 vacunas diarias en el país para completar, lo antes posible, la inmunidad con las segundas dosis. Página 4

La Argentina, el peor país para vivir la pandemia

Se ubicó último en el ranking de resiliencia del informe Bloomberg; Estados Unidos volvió al primer lugar

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Governo pediu US\$ 1 por dose em propina, diz vendedor de vacina

★ COBRANÇA VEIO DE DIRETOR LIGADO A LÍDER GOVERNISTA NA CÂMARA, DECLARA EXECUTIVO
★ 'QUERIAM R\$ 1 BI', AFIRMA INTERMEDIÁRIO ★ PAÍS SUPERARA 250 MIL MORTES NA VÉSPERA

O representante de uma empresa que vende vacinas afirma ter recebido do Ministério da Saúde pedido de propina de US\$ 1 por dose de imunizante em troca de fechar um grande contrato, informa Constança Rezende.

Em entrevista à Folha, Luiz Paulo Domingueti Pereira, representante da Davati Medical Supply, relata que a solicitação foi feita pelo diretor de Logística do ministério, Roberto Ferreira Dias, em 25 de fevereiro deste ano.

Um dia antes, o Brasil superara a marca de 250 mil mortos em decorrência da Covid. Dias foi indicado ao posto pelo líder do governo na Câmara, Ricardo Barros (PP-PR), e é citado em suspeitas na negociação da Covaxin.

A Davati procurou o governo federal para vender 400 milhões de doses de AstraZeneca por US\$ 3,50 a unidade. O executivo declara ter ouvido de Dias que se "quiser vender vacina no ministério tem que ser dessa forma".

Ao indagar qual seria a forma, recebeu como resposta que deveria acrescentar US\$ 1 para cada dose vendida ao governo. "Dariam 200 milhões de doses de propina que eles queriam, com R\$ 1 bilhão", afirma o vendedor.

Com a publicação desta reportagem, a CPI convocou Domingueti a depor sexta-feira (2), e Dias foi exonerado do ministério na noite de ontem. O agora ex-diretor não atendeu as ligações. Barros nega tê-lo indicado. Poder A4

Faltam votos para superpedido de impeachment

Opositores entregam hoje à Câmara compilação de 120 pedidos de saída de Jair Bolsonaro, com 23 tipos de acusação. Apesar do desgaste, centrão ainda se mantém disposto a barrar iniciativa. Poder A8

Sob pressão, presidente cometeu ao menos 10 crimes em 3 semanas A7

Ilona Szabó Democracias não morrem somente com tanques nas ruas

Cotidiano B3

Após morte de sargento, PM faz carnificina no AM

Nas horas seguintes ao assassinato de sargento da PM em Tabatinga, agentes mataram ao menos sete pessoas em uma onda de violência, relata Fabiano Maisonnave. Três foram jogadas no lixo depois de tortura. Cotidiano B1 e B2

L. C. Gomes Mattos Críticas, sim; ofensas, não

O Código Penal Militar é claro e enquadra como crime a "ofensa às Forças Armadas". Em nenhum momento considera crítica como delito. Opinião A3

Presidente do Superior Tribunal Militar

Por namorada, brasileiro escapa de desabamento

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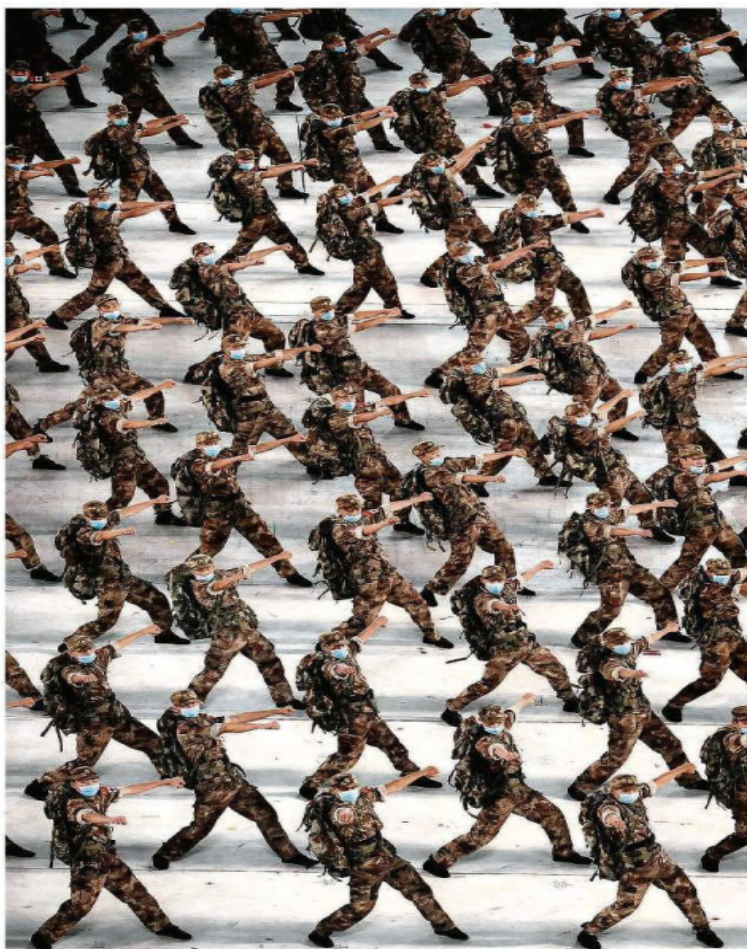
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Sobre série de resistências à reforma administrativa.

Insistência no erro

Acerca de decreto relativo a militares no governo.



Atores com uniforme militar em apresentação pelos 100 anos do PC, em Pequim. Noel Celis/AFIP

Partido Comunista chega aos 100 presente na vida de toda a China

Com 100 anos a serem completados amanhã, o Partido Comunista pode reivindicar o feito de ter se tornado tão presente na vida da população da China a ponto de muitas vezes suas funções serem confundidas com as do aparato estatal. Nenhum aspecto cotidiano escapa da estrutura criada pela sigla.

Nas notícias, o discurso é filtrado por diretrizes do PC, que também fixa as bases para a utilização de mídia digital. As comunas de bairro orientam até a fila da vacina contra Covid-19. A legenda define ainda currículos escolares, com o marxismo obrigatório à maioria dos universitários.

Com cerca de 92 milhões de membros —segunda maior organização política do mundo, atrás do Partido do Povo Indiano—, o PC exerce em geral mais influência que a autoridade governamental. O primeiro-secretário de província, por exemplo, é mais importante que o governador. Mundo A12

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“O caminho do que aconteceu nesses bastidores foi uma coisa asquerosa”
Luiz Paulo Domingueti Pereira
representante da empresa Davati Medical Supply

Ministério suspende contrato da Covaxin

O Ministério da Saúde decidiu suspender o contrato com a Precisa Medicamentos para obter 20 milhões de doses da Covaxin. A medida ocorre em um momento em que indícios de irregularidades no acordo têm sido o novo alvo da CPI da Covid. A pasta já avalia a possibilidade de cancelamento. Poder A6

Mortes e internações caem na faixa dos 60 anos

O impacto da vacinação contra a Covid-19 já se estende para os sexagenários. A faixa etária representava 23% dos hospitalizados e 29% dos mortos em meados de abril; agora é de 11% e 16%. Saúde B6

Rio dará Pfizer a grávida e puérpera que tomou 1ª dose da AstraZeneca B7

Reajuste pode deixar luz 8,1% mais cara em julho

Em meio à crise hídrica, a Aneel aumentou a tarifa da bandeira vermelha nível 2, de R\$ 6,24 para R\$ 9,49 a cada 100 kWh entre julho e dezembro. O reajuste terá impacto médio de 8,12% na conta de luz em julho, calcula a FGV. Mercado A17

semináriosfolha open banking Os bancos vão abrir

Clientes poderão autorizar compartilhamento de dados em 15 de julho, quando o processo do open banking entra na 2ª fase. p. 1

População acima de 18 anos imunizada*

	totalmente	parcialmente
Brasil	16%	29%
MS	23%	33%
RS	21%	31%
AM	19%	30%



	Casos	Óbitos
Total	18,5 mil	516,1 mil
Méd. movel	65,1 mil	1.603
Varição**	-9,9%	-19%
Em 24 h	64,7 mil	1.917

Dados das 20h de 29 jun
*Parcialmente imunizada: tomou apenas 1ª dose. Totalmente imunizada: tomou dose única ou 2ª dose **Em relação a 14 dias

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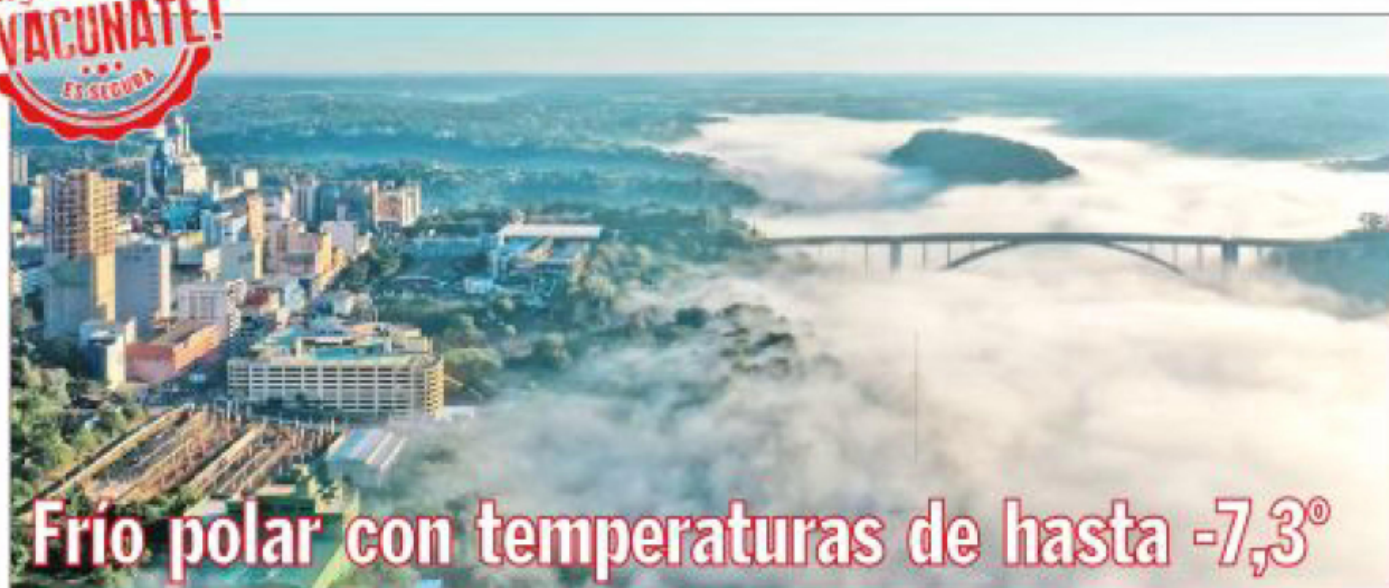
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Salud analiza combinar AstraZeneca y Pfizer para primera y segunda dosis

Ambicioso objetivo de Borba, vacunar a 45.000 por día

Empresarios piden al Gobierno una campaña comunicacional más agresiva para convencer a la población reacia para inmunizarse. Multitiendas ofrecen espacios para vacunatorios.

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Frío polar con temperaturas de hasta $-7,3^{\circ}$

Gélido. En Pozo Hondo, Chaco, se registró ayer la temperatura más baja. Hoy, de nuevo heladas, luego fresco.

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Apuran plan antidrogas tras visita de emisaria de EEUU

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Réponses à la question de mardi :
Pensez-vous que la droite peut être au second tour de la présidentielle de 2022 ?

NON 27% OUI 73%

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Jean Dujardin :
« C'est très amusant à faire, le Sarkozy »

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Avant d'endosser une troisième fois le costume de l'agent OSS 117, l'acteur s'est glissé dans la peau de l'homme politique dans *Présidents*, le nouveau film d'Anne Fontaine, en salle ce mercredi. Il évoque, dans un entretien au Figaro, sa manière d'appréhender le personnage et ses rôles en général. PAGE 28

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Les retraites à quitter ou double

Emmanuel Macron a toutes les raisons du monde de vouloir réformer les retraites. À bout de souffle avant la crise, le système s'enfonçait dangereusement vers l'abîme et, à moins d'une croissance massive accompagnée d'un retour au plein-emploi - on peut toujours rêver -, aucune perspective sérieuse de redressement n'apparaît à horizon humain. Le plus probable est que, si rien n'est fait, viendra le jour où les générations futures, à qui nous aurons laissé une montagne de dettes, ne seront plus en mesure de le financer. À moins que les créanciers de la France, lassés de tant d'années de laxisme et inquiets de notre capacité à rembourser les 2 700 milliards d'euros (!) que nous leur devons, décident d'ici là d'exiger des taux d'intérêt plus élevés. Veut-on vraiment, après la crise sanitaire, prendre le risque d'une crise financière ? La réalité est qu'il est temps de réformer les retraites, en relevant l'âge de départ, seule mesure efficace immédiatement et aux effets financiers massifs. Non pour démontrer une ardeur réformatrice intacte après une déroute aux élections régionales, mais parce

que c'est une nécessité vitale. Or l'histoire enseigne qu'engager la mère des batailles, celle qu'il est interdit de perdre, réclame une minutieuse préparation et un climat politique propice. Ni l'un ni l'autre ne sont aujourd'hui réunis. Le chef de l'État, qui s'opposait voici encore peu à toute mesure d'âge pour se concentrer sur une refonte totale du système, peut-il sans en avoir reçu mandat proposer tout à coup l'inverse ? De même doit-il s'interroger sur ses chances de parvenir à ses fins face à toutes les oppositions : la gauche et les syndicats, comme d'habitude, mais aussi les chefs d'entreprise et une grande partie de sa majorité. Tous l'adjurent de ne pas allumer un brasier qui mettrait en péril la reprise économique après quinze mois de crise. Emmanuel Macron, poussé par son tempérament, peut à ses risques et périls se lancer cet été dans l'aventure. Il peut aussi imposer la réforme des retraites dans le débat présidentiel... afin de la rendre inéluctable en 2022. ■

Comment Macron veut faire oublier les régionales

Le chef de l'État, qui n'entend pas tirer de leçons nationales de sa défaite électorale, procède aux ultimes arbitrages pour la dernière ligne droite de son quinquennat. Il s'exprimera avant le 14 juillet.

C'est une défaite historique : avec 7,1 % des voix, LREM enregistre le pire score aux régionales d'un parti au pouvoir. Emmanuel Macron, qui juge que « les élections locales n'appellent pas de conséquences nationales », ne procédera pas à un remaniement d'ampleur,

et va conserver son premier ministre, Jean Castex. Pour rebondir en vue de 2022, il compte en revanche accélérer sur les réformes, à commencer par le dossier symbolique des retraites. Des annonces sont attendues sur le sujet avant l'allocution du 14 juillet.

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Well, that was unexpected. On a grey, boisterous, increasingly wild night at Wembley Stadium England's footballers did something new.

When it comes to these grand, operatic international tournaments England shrink. England are fearful. At best England flutter, briefly, before being broken on the wheel. Except not this time.

Instead Gareth Southgate's fine young team produced a performance of slow-burn



▲ England's players celebrate the second goal, scored by striker and captain Harry Kane, at Wembley Stadium yesterday PHOTOGRAPH: EDDIE KEOGH/THE FA/GETTY

'Jaw-dropping' fall in life expectancy in poor areas

Patrick Butler
Social policy editor

Boris Johnson's post-Covid levelling-up agenda will fail unless it addresses declining life expectancy and deteriorating social conditions in England's poorest areas, a leading authority on public health has warned.

Sir Michael Marmot revealed the coronavirus death rate in Greater Manchester was 25% higher than the England average during the year

to March, leading to "jaw-dropping" falls in life expectancy and widening social and health inequalities across the region over the past year.

The deterioration of health equalities in the region and across similarly deprived areas of the country was a result of longstanding, avoidable socio-economic inequities and ethnic disadvantage, exacerbated by a decade of spending cuts and amplified by the coronavirus pandemic and the effect of prolonged lockdowns, he said.

'The deterioration in health for the most deprived people [is a] marker of a society that is not functioning'

Sir Michael Marmot
Public health expert

Marmot proposed a "moral and practical" plan for government investment in jobs, housing, local services and education to tackle health and social inequalities in Manchester and similar areas: "If government is serious about levelling up, here's how to do it."

Ministers' ambition to level up regional differences has been criticised for being overly reliant on large economic infrastructure projects. Marmot's proposals suggest the focus should be widened to address the social conditions that cause inequalities at community level.

"Levelling up really ought to be about equity of health and wellbeing," he said. The findings of the report focusing on Greater Manchester were "generalisable" across other deprived areas of England, added Marmot, saying: "It's pretty bad for life chances to live in poorer parts of London,

too. Levelling up shouldn't only be about the Midlands and the north-east and the north-west [of England]. Deprived parts of London need attention as well."

Marmot is the director of the UCL Institute for Health Equity and a public health expert known for his work on the social determinants of population health. Just before the pandemic he published research linking UK austerity cuts to the first falls in life expectancy for more than 100 years.

His latest report shows life expectancy in north-west England fell in 2020 by 1.6

