

## What's News

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**Robinhood Financial** agreed to pay nearly \$70 million to resolve regulatory allegations that it misled customers, approved ineligible traders for risky strategies and didn't supervise technology that failed and locked millions out of trading. **A1**

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◆ **Amazon.com** filed a request with the FTC seeking the recusal of new Chairwoman Lina Khan from antitrust investigations of the company. **A1**

◆ **Didi's shares** ended their first day of trading up 1% at \$14.14, giving the company a market capitalization of roughly \$68 billion. **B1**

◆ **Ford** said that the computer-chip shortage will force it to cut output across more than a half-dozen U.S. factories in July. **B1**

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◆ **The original** files of the source code for the World Wide Web were sold as an NFT for \$5.4 million. **B4**

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◆ **A New York** grand jury has indicted the Trump Organization and its chief financial officer for tax-related crimes that will be made public Thursday in court, people familiar with the matter said. **A1**

◆ **The National Institute** of Standards and Technology launched an investigation into the cause of the Miami-area condo collapse, as the death toll rose to 18 with 145 people unaccounted for. **A3**

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◆ **At least 76 people** died in Oregon and Washington from excessive heat during a stifling heat wave that hit the Pacific Northwest, according to local authorities. **A3**

◆ **North Korean leader Kim** said the country's Covid-19 situation has become grave and admonished senior officials for lapses in the fight against the disease. **A8**

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## Cosby Released From Prison After Court Overturns Case



**FREED:** Bill Cosby arrives home in Elkins Park, Pa., on Wednesday after the Pennsylvania Supreme Court ordered his release after overturning his conviction for sexual assault. He had been serving a 10-year sentence since his conviction in 2018. **A3**

## Stocks Close Out Record Half, But Unease Grows Over Risks

BY AKANE OTANI

Stocks closed out the first half of the year with double-digit percentage gains, powered by an economic recovery that many investors believe is still gathering pace.

The S&P 500 is up 14% this year, closing June at a record, while the Dow Jones Industrial Average has climbed 13%. This

quarter will mark both indexes' fifth consecutive quarter of gains, their longest such streak since a nine-quarter stretch that lasted through 2017.

The mood should be ebullient. Data on everything from hiring to consumer spending to small business-owners' confidence have bounced back and stayed above their pandemic lows.

Yet, for many money managers, the past few months have felt like anything but a straightforward win. After a 12-month period in which it seemed stocks could do nothing but go up, many say the outlook is growing increasingly opaque.

These days, "nothing really gets killed, but nothing really does that great," said Andrew Slimmon, a managing director

at Morgan Stanley Investment Management. "There's no definable trend, [and] there's little agreement in the market."

Investors are heading into the second half of the year

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## Trump Firm Indicted in Tax Inquiry

BY CORINNE RAMEY AND DEANNA PAUL

A New York grand jury has indicted the Trump Organization and its chief financial officer with tax-related crimes that will be made public Thursday in court, people familiar with the matter said, marking the first criminal charges against the former president's company since prosecutors began investigating it three years ago.

The charges against the company and longtime CFO Allen Weisselberg are a blow to former President Donald Trump, who has fended off multiple criminal and civil probes during and after his presidency. But the initial charges won't implicate Mr. Trump himself, his lawyer said, falling short of expectations about the high-profile probe that included a battle over his tax returns decided by the U.S.

Supreme Court in the prosecutors' favor.

The defendants are expected Thursday to appear in court, where the charges will be disclosed, the people said.

The Trump Organization and Mr. Weisselberg are expected to face charges related to allegedly evading taxes on fringe benefits, the people said. For months, the Manhattan district attorney's office and New York

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## Search for Covid's Origins Hits Snag At China's Farms

WHO-led team wants examination of wild animal facilities, but creatures are gone

**XISHUANGBANNA, China**—A crucial next step in the hunt for Covid-19's origins is to examine farms that supplied wild animals to the market where many early cases were found.

*By Jeremy Page, Betsy McKay and Drew Hinshaw*

There's one big problem: Almost all the animals are gone.

Farmers who bred or trapped wild animals for food, fur or traditional medicine in China, including in a hilly region near the border with Laos and Myanmar, say they killed, sold or released their stock after Chinese officials ordered them early last

year to stop their trade.

"The government bought them up and had them all killed," said Yang Bo, a 40-year-old farmer in China's southwestern province of Yunnan. He said he had about 1,000 bamboo rats a year, selling them for 120 yuan, or about \$19, a kilo. "We had to let all our workers go."

His farm is in Yongde county, where a World Health Organization-led team says one supplier provided bamboo rats to the Huanan food market in Wuhan, site of the first known cluster of Covid-19. Mr. Yang said he

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## You Can Vacation in Hawaii, But Good Luck Finding a Car

Facing rental shortages, visitors turn to locals, bikes, moving vans to get around

BY ESTHER FUNG

**HONOLULU**—When Ryan Henline's friends from Maryland came to Hawaii for their honeymoon in April, he rolled out grand plans for them to island hop on his private plane that he flies himself.

They planned to go to Kauai on his Cessna 182, then drive around the island. But no rental cars were available. A car-sharing app was also completely blocked.

"We almost didn't go. Literally on the day of the trip, I wasn't sure if I'd have a car," said Mr. Henline, who is a resident on Oahu, a 40-minute

flight away. "We're island-hopping, it is a big adventure, and I have the plane but we just don't have the car."

The car rental shortage is tough all over, but it's especially troublesome in paradise, where much of the appeal for visitors is venturing across the islands at their own pace. Tourists have gotten creative. Some have made personal appeals over social media. Some are renting from locals who have spotted the demand from tourists and are offering their own cars for a fee. A few have rented the only ride at a price they could find palatable: moving vans.

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## Amazon Seeks Recusal Of FTC Chief in Probe

BY BRENT KENDALL

**WASHINGTON**—Amazon.com Inc. filed a request with the Federal Trade Commission seeking the recusal of new Chairwoman Lina Khan from antitrust investigations of the company, in light of her extensive past criticisms of the online giant.

"Given her long track record of detailed pronouncements about Amazon, and her repeated proclamations that Amazon has violated the antitrust laws, a reasonable observer would conclude that she no longer can consider the company's antitrust defenses with an open mind," Amazon said in a 25-page motion filed on Wednesday with the FTC.

An FTC spokeswoman declined to comment.

Ms. Khan has been a leading critic of dominant technology companies—especially Amazon—and a central figure in a movement that favors sweeping changes to antitrust enforcement to take on the nation's most powerful firms. The Senate confirmed her in June for the FTC, and President Biden immediately installed her as the head of the agency.

Amazon's recusal request comes at a pivotal time both for the company and the FTC.

The commission has an open, wide-ranging antitrust inquiry. *Please turn to page A2*

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# US and Japan conduct war games amid China tensions over Taiwan

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KATHRIN HILLE — TAIPEI

The US and Japan have been conducting war games and joint military exercises so as to react in the event of a conflict with China over Taiwan, amid escalating concern over the Chinese military's assertive activity.

US and Japanese military officials began serious planning for a possible conflict in the final year of the Trump administration, according to six people who requested anonymity. The activity includes top-secret tabletop war games and joint exercises in the South China and East China seas.

In 2019 Shinzo Abe, then Japan's prime minister, decided significantly to expand military planning because of the Chinese threat to Taiwan and to the East China Sea's Senkaku Islands. This has continued under the administration of Joe Biden and Japanese prime minister Yoshihide Suga, say three of the people with knowledge of the matter.

The US and Japan have become alarmed as China has flown more fighter jets and bombers into Taiwan's air-defence identification zone, including a record 28 fighters on June 15. The Chinese navy, air force and coast guard have also become increasingly active around the Senkaku, which are administered by Japan but claimed by China and Taiwan.

China insists that it wants to unify Taiwan with the mainland. While it says that it wants peaceful unification, it has not ruled out the use of force to seize control of Taiwan.

"In many ways, the People's Liberation Army drove the US and Japan together and toward new thinking on Taiwan," said Randy Schriver, the top Pentagon official for Asia until the end of 2019. "Assertiveness around the Senkaku and Taiwan at the same time drives home the issue of proximity."

The US has long wanted Japan, a mutual defence treaty ally, to conduct more joint military planning, but Japan



The US navy and the self-defence forces of Japan have been carrying out joint exercises since Richard (RSCA) / Reuters

was constrained by its postwar pacifist constitution. That obstacle was eased, but not eliminated, when the Abe government in 2015 reinterpreted the constitution to allow Japan to defend allies that came under attack.

As the two allies started to bolster their joint planning, Japan asked the US to share its Taiwan war plan, but the Pentagon demurred because it wanted to focus on boosting planning between the two countries in phases.

One former US official said the eventual goal was for the two allies to create an integrated war plan for Taiwan.

Two of the six people said the US military and Japanese self-defence forces had conducted joint exercises in the South China Sea that had been couched as disaster relief training. They have

also held more exercises around the Senkaku, which also helps prepare for any conflict with China over Taiwan, which is just 350km west of the islands.

"Some of the activities we're training on are highly fungible," said Schriver, adding that exercises such as an amphibious landing in a "disaster relief scenario" would be "directly applicable" to any conflict around the Senkaku or the Taiwan Strait.

Mark Montgomery, a retired admiral

**'In many ways, the People's Liberation Army drove the US and Japan toward new thinking on Taiwan'**

who commanded the USS George Washington aircraft carrier strike group and was head of operations at Indo-Pacific command between 2014 and 2017, said that the Pentagon needed a "comprehensive understanding" of the support Japan could provide in case of a conflict.

"As a crisis grows and Japan is potentially drawn in as a participant, the US will need to understand how Japan could support or enable US operations," Montgomery said.

Japan's defence ministry said Tokyo and Washington continued to update their planning after the 2015 revision of guidelines that underpins the alliance, but declined to provide details. The Pentagon did not comment.

Additional reporting by Robin Harding in Tokyo

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#### Culture wars

% of related UK media articles mentioning each subject



Last year, the 'culture wars' became an ever-increasing focus for UK media. The country's colonial past, and slavery in particular, received growing attention from mainstream outlets, with trans rights and gender identity trailing.



## China's centenary black market fuels cadres' fury

China's private sector has been racing to profit from the centenary of the Communist party's founding, celebrated today, with the stoking of enthusiasm for the event having sparked a booming black market in souvenirs. Cadres might fume, but their ire highlights the party's uneasy relationship with the private sector, which it distrusts fundamentally but relies on to fuel growth.

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# Amazon seeks to force new FTC chair Khan to step aside from investigations

DAVE LEE — SAN FRANCISCO

Amazon has ramped up hostilities against Lina Khan by seeking to force the new chair of the US Federal Trade Commission to recuse herself from probes into the company because her record of criticising the e-commerce group would deny it a fair hearing.

In a petition filed with the regulator yesterday, and seen by the Financial Times, Amazon said Khan had "already made up her mind" that the company was a threat to competition, having built her "academic and professional career in large measure by pronouncing Amazon liable for violating the antitrust laws".

Amazon said that Khan's views would prejudice investigations, including into the company's recent \$8.45bn deal for movie studio MGM. "Amazon should be scrutinised along with all large organi-

zations. However, even large companies have the right to an impartial investigation," the company said.

The FTC declined to comment. Khan was appointed FTC chair by Joe Biden this month, underlining the US president's determination to act against the dominance of Big Tech.

She rose to prominence with the 2017 publication of a Yale Law Review paper, "The Amazon Antitrust Paradox", which took aim at the company's role as both logistics provider and competitor to the sellers on Amazon.com.

"[The paper would] convey to any reasonable observer the clear impression that she has already made up her mind about many material facts relevant to Amazon's antitrust culpability as well as about the ultimate issue of culpability itself," the Amazon filing states.

Khan also served as counsel to the

House of Representatives Judiciary committee during its antitrust investigation into technology companies.

Democratic congressman David Cicilline, who chaired the House antitrust subcommittee, criticised Amazon's recusal call.

"This is the problem when a company has this enormous economic and political power. It is a level of arrogance that is hard to really appreciate," he said.

Amazon's filing included an opinion from Thomas Morgan, an antitrust professor at George Washington University: "It would be appropriate for Chair Khan to announce that she will recuse herself in all cases against Amazon. If she does not [do so] voluntarily, in my opinion it would be appropriate for her fellow commissioners to direct her to do so."

Additional reporting by Kiran Stacey in Washington

### World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				
	Jun 30	prev	%chg	
S&P 500	4294.91	4291.00	0.07	
Nasdaq Composite	14519.22	14528.34	-0.06	
Dow Jones Ind	34425.42	34292.29	0.38	
FTSE Eurofirst 300	1749.01	1762.99	-0.79	
Euro Stoxx 50	4069.21	4107.51	-0.93	
FTSE 100	7037.47	7087.55	-0.71	
FTSE MIB Share	4014.14	4042.99	-0.69	
CAC 40	6507.80	6567.43	-0.91	
Xinhua Dai	15531.04	15680.58	-1.02	
Nikkei	28791.53	28812.61	-0.07	
Hang Seng	29927.95	29994.10	-0.57	
MSCI World	3024.44	3025.22	-0.03	
MSCI EM	1377.15	1380.90	-0.27	
MSCI ACWI	721.64	722.05	-0.06	

CURRENCIES				
	Jun 30	prev	%chg	
\$ per €	1.186	1.191	-0.42	
£ per €	1.381	1.393	-0.86	
¥ per €	0.059	0.061	-3.28	
€ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
¥ per \$	110.990	110.505	0.44	
£ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
CHF per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
HK\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
SG\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
IN\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
JP\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
K\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
MX\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
RU\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
SE\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
TH\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
US\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
W\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	
Z\$ per \$	0.843	0.842	0.12	

COMMODITIES				
	Jun 30	prev	%chg	
Oil WTI \$	73.72	72.98	1.01	
Oil Brent \$	74.82	74.28	0.86	
Gold \$	1755.45	1760.30	-0.40	

INTEREST RATES				
	price	yield	chg	
US Gov 10 yr	147.10	1.44	-0.04	
UK Gov 10 yr		0.72	-0.02	
Ger Gov 10 yr		-0.21	-0.04	
Japan Gov 10 yr	116.87	0.05	0.00	
US Gov 30 yr	112.33	2.06	-0.05	
Ger Gov 30 yr	105.77	-0.67	0.00	

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

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## Cosby Is Freed After Reversal By State Court

### Verdict Thrown Out in Major #MeToo Case

By GRAHAM BOWLEY  
and JULIA JACOBS

Bill Cosby was released from prison Wednesday after the Pennsylvania Supreme Court overturned his 2018 conviction for sexual assault, a dramatic reversal in one of the first high-profile criminal trials of the #MeToo era.

The court's decision seemed likely to end the Pennsylvania case, legal experts said, and while more than 50 women across the nation have accused Mr. Cosby of sexual assault and misconduct, statutes of limitations in their cases makes further prosecutions unlikely.

Mr. Cosby had served three years of a three- to 10-year sentence at a maximum-security prison outside Philadelphia when the court ruled that a "non-prosecution agreement" with a previous prosecutor meant that Mr. Cosby should not have been charged in the case.

Mr. Cosby, 83, returned to his home in suburban Philadelphia Wednesday afternoon where, looking frail and walking slowly, he was helped inside by his lawyer and a spokesman. He flashed a "V" sign as he reached his front door.

The court's decision overturned the first major criminal conviction of the #MeToo era, which came soon after allegations of sexual assault had been made against the powerful Hollywood producer Harvey Weinstein. The accusations and eventual conviction of Mr. Cosby stunned the nation, painting a disturbing portrait suggesting that a man who had brightened America's living rooms as a beloved father figure had been a sexual predator.

The case against Mr. Cosby began with his arrest in 2015 on charges that he had drugged and sexually assaulted a woman at his home in the Philadelphia suburbs 11 years earlier. In April 2018, the jury convicted Mr. Cosby of three counts of aggravated indecent assault against Andrea Constand, to whom Mr. Cosby had been a mentor and who was at the time a Temple University employee.

Ms. Constand had praised the guilty verdict at the time, saying, "Truth prevails," and the National Organization for Women called it "a notice to sexual predators everywhere." But Mr. Cosby's lawyers, who had said at the time that allegations against Mr. Weinstein would make it difficult for them to receive a fair trial, later suggested in an appeal that the outcome had been influenced by what they described as a period of "public panic."

In a statement issued with her lawyers, Ms. Constand said Wednesday that the court's ruling was "not only disappointing but of concern in that it may discourage those who seek justice for sexual assault in the criminal justice system from reporting or participating in the prosecution of the assailant or may force a victim to choose between filing, either a criminal or civil action."

In their 79-page opinion, the court said.

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### Showing Migrants Through Their Own Lens

Even as the Biden administration faces a political challenge resulting from the number of migrants at the southwest border, those who are there are hoping for a lucky break. A Times photographer, Adam Ferguson, asked some of them to capture a moment in their journey through self-portraits. Above, Carlos Soyos, 34, and his son, Enderson, 8. Page A7.

DONALD H. RUMSFELD, 1932-2021

## Defiant Architect of Tactics in Cold War and Iraq

By ROBERT D. McFADDEN

Donald H. Rumsfeld, the secretary of defense for Presidents Gerald R. Ford and George W. Bush, who presided over America's Cold War strategies in the 1970s and, in the new world of terrorism decades later, the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, died on Tuesday at his home in Taos, N.M. He was 88.

The cause was multiple myeloma, said Keith Urbahn, a spokesman for the family.

Encores are hardly rare in Washington, but Mr. Rumsfeld had the distinction of being the only defense chief to serve two nonconsecutive terms: 1975 to 1977 under President Ford, and 2001 to 2006 under President Bush. He also was the youngest, at 43, and the oldest, at 74, to hold the post — first in an era of Soviet-American nuclear perils, then in an age of subtler menace by terrorists and rogue states.

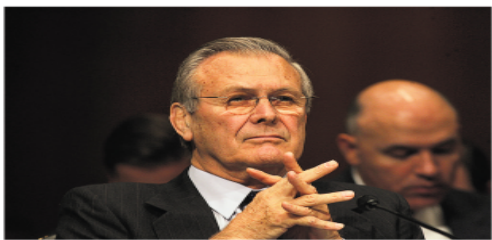
A staunch ally of former Vice President Dick Cheney, who had been his protégé and friend for years, Mr. Rumsfeld was a combative fighter who seemed to relish conflicts as he challenged

cabinet rivals, members of Congress and military orthodoxes. And he was widely regarded in his second tour as the most powerful defense secretary since Robert S. McNamara during the Vietnam War.

Like his counterpart of long ago, Mr. Rumsfeld in Iraq waged a costly and divisive war that ultimately destroyed his political life and outlived his tenure by many years. But unlike McNamara, who

offered mea culpas in a 2003 documentary, "The Fog of War," Mr. Rumsfeld acknowledged no serious failings and warned in a farewell valedictory at the Pentagon that quitting Iraq would be a terrible mistake, even though the war, the country learned, had been based on a false premise — that Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi leader, had been harboring weapons of mass destruction.

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Donald H. Rumsfeld in 2006. He was defense secretary twice.

## Panel Indicts Top Executive Under Trump

### Family Company Also Said to Be Charged

This article is by Michael Rothfeld, Jonah E. Bronnwich and Ben Pross.

A grand jury in Manhattan has indicted Donald J. Trump's family business, the Trump Organization, and one of its top executives in connection with a tax investigation into fringe benefits handed out at the company, people familiar with the matter said on Wednesday.

The specific charges against the company and its chief financial officer, Allen H. Weisselberg, were not immediately clear. The indictment was expected to be unsealed Thursday afternoon after Mr. Weisselberg and lawyers for the Trump Organization appear in court.

But prosecutors in the Manhattan district attorney's office have been examining bonuses and luxury perks that Mr. Weisselberg received — including an apartment in Manhattan, leased Mercedes-Benz cars and private-school tuition for at least one of his grandchildren — and whether taxes should have been paid on those benefits.

The indictment is a major development in the investigation led by the district attorney, Cyrus R. Vance, Jr., who has been conducting a sweeping inquiry into Mr. Trump and his business dealings along with the New York State attorney general, Letitia James.

The charges will deal a blow to Mr. Trump, who has denounced the investigation as political persecution. Although he could rally supporters around the idea that he is the victim of what he has called a "witch hunt," defending his company on criminal charges could be an expensive distraction as he considers another presidential run.

The indictment will also amplify the pressure that prosecutors have placed on Mr. Weisselberg for months to turn on Mr. Trump and cooperate with their continuing investigation. In nearly a half-century of service to Mr. Trump's family businesses, Mr. Weisselberg, 73, has survived — and thrived — by anticipating and carrying out his boss's dictates in a zealous mission to protect the bottom line.

Interviews with 18 current and former associates of Mr. Weisselberg, as well as a review of legal filings, financial records and other documents, paint a portrait of a man whose unflinching devotion to Mr. Trump will now be put to the test.

"Allen is a soldier," said John Burke, a former Trump executive who worked with Mr. Weisselberg in the early 1990s. "Allen was good at doing what Donald wanted him to do."

A bookkeeper by training who grew up in Brooklyn, Mr. Weisselberg rose steadily within the Trump Organization to become perhaps the former president's most trusted business adviser. Over decades, Mr. Weisselberg's personal and family life became increasingly fused with the company and with Mr. Trump, who is

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## MARGINS TIGHTEN IN REVISED COUNT OF MAYORAL RACE

### ADAMS HOLDS SLIM LEAD

### Appeals for Patience and Reform After Fiasco in New York City

By KATIE GLUECK

A day after New York City's Board of Elections sowed confusion in the Democratic mayoral primary by releasing new tallies and then retracting them, it issued a new preliminary tally of votes suggesting that the race between Eric Adams, the primary night leader, and his two closest rivals had tightened significantly.

According to Wednesday's non-binding tally, Mr. Adams led Kathryn Garcia by just 14,755 votes, a margin of around two percentage points, in the final round. Maya Wiley, who came in second place in the initial vote count, barely trailed Ms. Garcia after the preliminary elimination rounds were completed: Fewer than 350 votes separated the two.

But in reality, any of those candidates remain in contention, and those numbers could be scrambling again as the city's Board of Elections tabulates ranked-choice outcomes that will include roughly 125,000 Democratic absentee ballots, with a fuller result not expected until mid-July.

While campaign officials and some New Yorkers were grossed in the emerging results, the count was nearly overshadowed by the vote-tallying debacle that drew national attention and stoked concerns about whether voters would have faith in the city's electoral process.

The fiasco stemmed from an egregious error by the Board of Elections: Roughly 135,000 sample ballots, used to test the city's new ranked-choice system, had been mistakenly counted. The board was forced to retract the results from a tabulation of ranked-choice preferences, just hours after it had published them on Tuesday.

The board on Wednesday eventually released the results of a second tally of ranked-choice preferences among Democrats who

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**TURMOIL** The Board of Elections, known for its mishaps, is now under intense scrutiny. PAGE A24

## Store's Closing Still Wounds Black Community

By MICHAEL CORKERY

**BALTIMORE** — When Target announced that it was opening a store in Mondawmin, a predominantly Black neighborhood in this city struggling with crime and poverty, it seemed like a ticket to a turnaround.

And from the start, it was a practical success and a point of community pride. The store, which opened in 2008, carried gro-

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ceries, operated a pharmacy and had a Starbucks cafe, the only one in this part of Baltimore's west side.

People came from across the city to shop there, helping to soften the Mondawmin area's reputa-

tion for crime and the looting that followed protests over the 2015 death of Freddie Gray, who was fatally injured while in city police custody. As an employer, Target seemed to cater to the community's needs, making a point of hiring Black men and providing an office in the store for a social worker to support the staff. Elijah Cummings, the congressman from Baltimore, was known to

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## As Condo Boards Squabble, Disaster May Loom

By MIKE BAKER and  
KIMIKO DE FREYTAG-TAMURA

For years before the partial collapse of the Champlain Towers South complex near Miami, the condo board wrestled with how to come up with the \$15 million needed to fix the building's dilapidated roof, a poorly designed pool deck and crumbling support columns.

The problem: The homeowners' association had just \$800,000 in reserves, and getting the work done meant asking residents to shoulder huge special assessments ranging from \$80,000 to \$200,000 on each home. No one was eager to pay.

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## COSBY FREED; #METOO LEADERS ALARMED

Pennsylvania high court's ruling is based on technicality. Some fear a chilling effect.

BY RICHARD WINTON, GREG BRAXTON AND HANNAH FRY

Bill Cosby was freed from prison Wednesday after Pennsylvania's highest court overturned his sexual assault conviction, a stunning turnaround in a case that had marked the first high-profile celebrity trial of the #MeToo movement.

At the heart of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's decision to release the 83-year-old is a "non-prosecution" agreement Cosby made with a former Montgomery County district attorney after a woman came forward with allegations that he had drugged and assaulted her at his suburban Philadelphia home in 2004.

In its 79-page opinion, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court wrote that the agreement should have barred the entertainer from facing any charges in the case. The court's decision precludes any future prosecution.

Legal experts quickly pointed out the singularity of the agreement, but there was also immediate concern that the case could have a chilling effect for survivors of sexual assault, dampening the accountability achieved through the #MeToo movement.

"At the end of the day, rulings like this mean survivors of sexual abuse will be less willing to step forward, afraid that the legal system is stacked against them," said Elizabeth Fegan, an attorney representing women in a civil case against disgraced Hollywood producer [See Cosby, A5]



**BILL COSBY** returns home in Elkins Park, Pa., after nearly three years in state prison. The Pennsylvania Supreme Court said a "non-prosecution" agreement with a previous district attorney barred criminal charges. MATT ROURKE Associated Press

'I have never changed my stance nor my story. I have always maintained my innocence.'

— **BILL COSBY**, who was convicted in 2018 of sexual assault

'Rulings like this mean survivors of sexual abuse will be less willing to step forward.'

— **ELIZABETH FEGAN**, attorney who represents some of Harvey Weinstein's accusers

## Hollywood mogul wants to help combat homelessness

BY BENJAMIN ORESKES AND DAVID ZAHNISER

As Los Angeles is rolled by a humanitarian crisis on its streets, one of the city's richest residents, Hollywood executive Jeffrey Katzenberg, has begun meeting with local officials to better understand homelessness and to offer some ideas about how he might help.

In recent weeks, Katzenberg has discussed the issue with several members of the Los Angeles City Council, as well as aides to Mayor Eric Garcetti, raising questions



**TOM OTTERBACK** gathers his belongings after a park ranger instructed him to move his encampment along Venice's Ocean Front Walk. GENARO MOLINA Los Angeles Times

about how he might influence homelessness policy and whether he intends to bankroll efforts to get people off the streets.

It's partly been a listening tour for Katzenberg, who has deep pockets and has donated to countless politicians at the local, state and national level. But he also came with a message, according to three people who spoke with him: People are angry about what's playing out on the city's streets and want change.

"I think it goes without saying that the visibility of homelessness is a real thing," [See Katzenberg, A12]



WALLY SANTANA Associated Press

### SERVED 4 PRESIDENTS

The Republican was seen by friend and foe as a formidable political force from the start.

**DONALD RUMSFELD, 1932-2021**

## Iraq war tainted two-time Defense secretary's record

BY ROBERT BURNS REPORTING FROM WASHINGTON

Calling Donald H. Rumsfeld energetic was like calling the Pacific wide. When others would rest, he would run. While others sat, he stood. But try as he might, at the pinnacle of his career as Defense secretary, he could not outmaneuver the ruinous politics of the Iraq war.

Regarded by former colleagues as equally smart and combative, patriotic and politically cunning, he had a storied career in government under four presidents as well as nearly a quarter-century in corporate America. After retiring in 2008 he headed the Rumsfeld Foundation to promote public service and work with charities that provide services for military families and wounded veterans.

The two-time Defense secretary and one-time presidential candidate died Tuesday. [See Rumsfeld, A7]

## In watershed Boston mayor race, 4 women of color rise

BY JANET HOOK

**BOSTON** — The voters of Boston, a city with a history of racism, face a once-unimaginable political tableau in the mayor's race this year. For the first time, the four top candidates are all women of color.

Boston is an unlikely pioneer in a change that is inching into electoral politics across the nation: A growing number of women of color

are running for the highest offices. Enough are running that they are increasingly vying against one another in Virginia, North Carolina and New York.

In Boston, Kim Janey this year became the first Black person and first woman to helm the city when she was appointed acting mayor to succeed Marty Walsh, who is white and is now President Biden's Labor secretary.

Now Janey, who is seek-

ing a full term as Walsh's successor, is competing against three other women, all Boston city councilors: Andrea Campbell, who is Black; Michelle Wu, who is Asian American; and Annissa Essaibi George, whose father is Tunisian and mother is Polish, and who identifies as a woman of color.

Boston has always been known as a liberal stronghold, but its reputation as a bastion of 20th century [See Boston, A6]

## 'An epidemic of hate' hit state in 2020

Attorney general's report shows a surge in attacks on Asian and Black residents.

BY ANH DO

Anti-Asian hate crimes more than doubled in California in 2020, according to a report from the state attorney general, underscoring fears among Asian Americans about being targeted during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Overall, hate crimes reported to law enforcement rose 31% in the state last year, with attacks against Asians up by 107%, according to the report, which was released Wednesday.

Hate crimes against Black people, which constituted a majority of racially motivated attacks last year, increased by 88%. Anti-Latino crimes rose 38%.

The report backs up other studies that found hate crimes rising both in California and across the country in recent years amid growing political polarization, emboldened hate groups and the stresses of a global health crisis.

The rhetoric of former President Trump and others, blaming China for the pandemic because it originated there, has intensified anti-Asian sentiment in some quarters.

From brutal assaults on Asian senior citizens in Oakland and San Francisco Chinatowns to the deadly shootings of six Asian women at Atlanta-area spas, violence against Asians has assumed an unwelcome spotlight during the pandemic, even though the assailants' motives are sometimes unclear.

"For too many, 2020 wasn't just about a deadly virus. It was about an epidemic of hate," said Rob Bonta, the state's first Filipino American attorney general, at a news conference in Oakland's Chinatown on Wednesday.

The state Department of [See Hate crimes, A12]

**1,330**

Reported hate crimes in the state last year, the most in more than a decade

**107%**

Increase in hate crimes against Asian Americans

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Increase in hate crimes against Black people

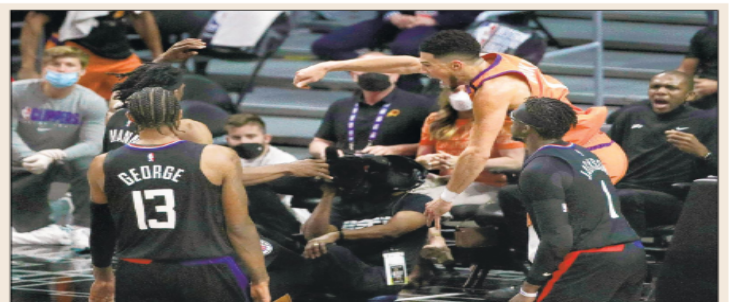
### Trump firm to be indicted

With the ex-president already under financial strain, charges are expected to be unsealed in New York on Thursday that could imperil his organization. **PERSPECTIVES, A2**

### House approves Jan. 6 panel

Only two Republicans join Democrats in voting for a special committee to investigate the insurrection at the U.S. Capitol. **NATION, A4**

**Weather**  
Patchy fog, then sun. L.A. Basin: 82/65. **B6**



GINA FERRAZZI Los Angeles Times

### CLIPPERS' SEASON ENDS

Phoenix guard Devin Booker celebrates a third-quarter dunk in the Suns' 130-103 rout of L.A. in Game 6 to advance to the NBA Finals. **SPORTS, B10**

**BUSINESS INSIDE:** LegalZoom makes its case to investors; its shares rocket in debut. **A8**





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## Trump's firm, CFO said to be indicted

BY SHAYNA JACOBS,  
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AND JONATHAN O'CONNELL

NEW YORK — A grand jury in Manhattan filed criminal indictments Wednesday against former president Donald Trump's company and its longtime chief financial officer, according to two people familiar with the indictments.

The indictments against the Trump Organization and its CFO, Allen Weisselberg, will remain sealed until Thursday afternoon,

Charges to be unsealed in New York today as investigations escalate

leaving the specific charges against them unclear. Earlier Wednesday, people familiar with the case said the charges were related to allegations of unpaid taxes on benefits for Trump Organization executives.

Weisselberg is expected to surrender Thursday morning at the

office of Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus R. Vance Jr. (D), two people familiar with the plan said. He is expected to be arraigned later in the day in front of a state court judge. The Trump Organization will also be arraigned, represented in court by one of its attorneys.

The criminal charges against the Trump Organization and Weisselberg are the first to result from the investigations by Vance and New York Attorney General Letitia James (D) and represent a dramatic turn in the long-running probes.

Attorneys for both the Trump Organization and Weisselberg declined to comment Wednesday.

During an interview Wednesday night with Fox News's Sean Hannity, Trump called the myriad investigations — and, earlier, impeachments — of him “all nonsense.”

“New York radical left prosecutors come after me — you gotta fight,” he said.

Spokespeople for Vance and James — who teamed up to investigate Trump's business dealings this year after years of

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## Cosby assault conviction is overturned

PA. HIGH COURT SAYS PROSECUTION TAINTED

Actor freed after 3 years in prison; accusers stunned

BY SONIA RAO,  
PAUL FARHI  
AND MANUEL ROIG-FRANZIA

Bill Cosby walked out of a prison in Pennsylvania as a free man Wednesday after nearly three years behind bars when the state's highest court ruled that he was wrongly convicted of sexually assaulting a woman.

Cosby's release was a sudden and shocking turn in the saga of a man who had once been one of America's most beloved entertainers but who has faced dozens of assault allegations in the past two decades. His conviction in 2018 followed one of the most high-profile trials of the #MeToo era.

In contrast to the tumult that surrounded his trial and conviction, Cosby was released from a state prison in Collegeville, Pa., shortly before 2:30 p.m., with no

members of the news media in position yet to record it.

“I have never changed my stance nor my story. I have always maintained my innocence,” Cosby tweeted Wednesday night. “Thank you to all my fans, supporters and friends who stood by me through this ordeal. Special thanks to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court for upholding the rule of law.”

One of his lawyers, Brian W. Perry, said Cosby, 83, was picked up by his spokesman and driven to his home in the Philadelphia suburb of Cheltenham, where he met with his legal team.

“I’ve been dealing with Mr. Cosby on a regular basis for over two years, and he has never been anything but positive,” Perry said. “He always believed this would be the outcome.”

The Pennsylvania Supreme

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Cosby at home on Wednesday.



Donald H. Rumsfeld talks with Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez in Baghdad in 2004. As defense secretary for President George W. Bush, he supervised the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. But his handling of the latter brought his exit under clouds of blame.

DONALD H. RUMSFELD 1932-2021

## Divisive Pentagon chief oversaw two wars

BY BRADLEY GRAHAM

Donald H. Rumsfeld, whose roles overseeing the U.S. invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq and efforts to transform the U.S. military made him one of history's most consequential as well as controversial Pentagon leaders, died June 29 at his home in Taos, N.M.

He was 88.

The cause was multiple myeloma, said his former chief of staff Keith Urbahn. Mr. Rumsfeld's political prominence stretched back to the 1960s and included stints as a rebellious young Republican congressman, favored counselor to President Richard M. Nixon, right-hand man to President Gerald Ford and Middle

East envoy for President Ronald Reagan. He also scored big in business, helping to pioneer such products as NutraSweet and high-definition television and earning millions of dollars salvaging large troubled firms.

His greatest influence and notoriety came during a six-year reign as defense

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## Squabbles over repairs had roiled Fla. condo association

BY BETH REINHARD,  
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BRADY DENNIS  
AND JON SWAINE

The president of the board of the Florida condominium that collapsed last week resigned in 2019, partly in frustration over what she saw as the sluggish response to an engineer's report that identified major structural damage the previous year.

Anette Goldstein was among five members of the seven-member board to resign in two weeks that fall, according to minutes from an Oct. 3 meeting, at a time

when the condo association in Surfside was consumed by contentious debate about the multi-million-dollar repairs.

“We work for months to go in one direction and at the very last minute objections are raised that should have been discussed and resolved right in the beginning,” Goldstein wrote in a September 2019 resignation letter. “This pattern has repeated itself over and over, ego battles, undermining the roles of fellow board members, circulation of gossip and mis-truths. I am not presenting a very pretty picture of the functioning

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Workers continue search-and-rescue efforts Wednesday at the partially collapsed Champlain Towers South condo building. Officials vowed Wednesday not to abandon the search. Story, A5

JOE SKIPPER/REUTERS

## House, in partisan split, votes to create panel to probe Jan. 6

BY KAROUN DEMIRJIAN

The House voted Wednesday to form a select committee tasked with investigating the Jan. 6 attack on the Capitol, with nearly all Republicans opposing the legislation — a sign of the political challenges that face Democrats as they attempt to probe why thousands of President Donald Trump's supporters swarmed the building and tried to stop the certification of the 2020 presidential election.

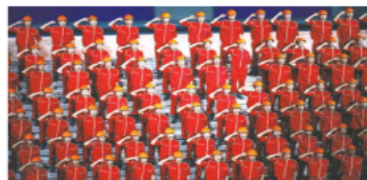
The 220-to-190 nearly party-line vote stands in contrast to a vote in May, when 35 House Republicans joined Democrats to

back the creation of an independent commission to examine the root causes of the attack. While that group of House Republicans was willing to embrace an outside panel of experts evenly weighted between GOP and Democratic appointees, most were wary of a select committee that would be firmly in the control of House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's hand-picked members.

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@PKCapitol: McCarthy runs from pledge to police Republicans. A4  
Jan. 6 arrests: At least 13 new cases in roundup of suspects. B1

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KEVIN MAZUR/GETTY IMAGES

**China centennial** The ruling Communist Party will mark 100 years today with a projection of power, pageantry and patriotism. A8

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**At his annual call-in show**, Russian President Vladimir Putin urged skeptical citizens to get inoculated and revealed that he had received the Sputnik V vaccine. A13

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Many new laws take effect today across the region, including in Virginia, where it's now illegal to have and grow small amounts of pot. B1

### The man charged with

killing a Maryland business executive at his Bethesda home was a fired employee who went there to steal checks, police said. B1  
**A spate of shootings** in D.C. — including one near Logan Circle — left three dead and several injured over 18 hours. B1

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Thomas Boswell goes off to retirement with a farewell column — and four of his handpicked favorite pieces, part of a four-page tribute to a 52-year career. D1

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## Otra era de los Pumas se pone en marcha

El seleccionado de rugby retoma la acción y presenta a un nuevo capitán, Julián Montoya, un modelo de liderazgo diferente. Deportes, página 6



## TARANTINO, EL RETIRO Y EL FUTURO DE UN "PERRO DE LA CALLE"

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Anunció que dejará de filmar después de su próxima película; repaso de su carrera, la irrupción en la industria con tono de autor y su pasión por la escritura.

## ARTEBA CELEBRARÁ SUS 30 AÑOS CON UNA FERIA PRESENCIAL

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Será en el Arenas Studio de La Boca, del 4 al 7 de noviembre; también se lanzarán una plataforma online y una revista que recorrerá los grandes hits. Página 23

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## Cautela de los expertos frente a la combinación de vacunas

**COVID.** Se lo transmitieron ayer a Vizzotti en una reunión; recomendaron completar las dos dosis a los mayores de 40 años

Los expertos le expresaron ayer a la ministra de Salud, Carla Vizzotti, cautela y prudencia respecto de una eventual combinación de vacunas y le recomendaron cumplir los esquemas completos a los mayores de 40 años. Esos fueron los dos puntos más salientes de la reunión de la Comisión Nacional de Inmunizaciones (Conain) con la funcionaria.

Se trata del organismo técnico que asesora a las autoridades nacionales para tomar decisiones sobre aspectos relacionados con la inmunización.

La reunión de ayer había despertado un fuerte interés por la posibilidad de que se avanzara con la combinación de vacunas, ante la falta de segundas dosis que completan el esquema en personas ya inoculadas.

La vacuna que presenta mayores faltantes es la Sputnik V, lo cual genera una fuerte preocupación en las personas que ya fueron inoculadas con la primera dosis. El segundo componente es distinto del primero y su producción está demorada en Rusia. Página 2

EL ESCENARIO

### El castigo al "turista", otro hito

Martín Rodríguez Yebra  
—LA NACION—

El Gobierno se revela durante la pandemia como una maquinaria infalible a la hora de hallar el culpable adecuado para cada falencia. Un año atrás, los runners cargaron con el estigma de esparcir el virus por todo el país. Los que osaron criticar las negociaciones poco transparentes con los laboratorios se convirtieron por obrajía del discurso oficial en terraplanistas que entorpecieron el plan de vacunación. Continúa en la página 4



Una improvisada balsa permite el ilegal cruce fronterizo del río Bermejo

JAVIER CORBALÁN

## Aguas Blancas, la frontera sin control en territorio narco

**LÍMITE.** El contrabando se impone en el río Bermejo, frente a Bolivia

Diego Cabot  
ENVIADO ESPECIAL

AGUAS BLANCAS.— En el norte de Salta hay una localidad que se llama Aguas Blancas. Está dentro del partido de Orán y viven allí

aproximadamente 6000 habitantes. Se ubica sobre el cauce del río Bermejo y con solo cruzarlo se llega a la ciudad boliviana, también llamada Bermejo, en el departamento de Tarija.

Allí se vive con un Estado para-

lelo, con reglas propias y particularidades que ocurren en los territorios de frontera, donde las normas las dictan los poderosos. En Aguas Blancas la regulación la escriben los contrabandistas y los narcotraficantes. Continúa en la página 24

## Riachuelo. Sobreprecios y dilaciones en una obra clave

Hugo Alconada Mon  
LA NACION

El proyecto Sistema Riachuelo es una radiografía precisa de cómo funciona la obra pública en la Argentina. Comenzó a gestarse en 2008 y debía terminarse en cuatro

años, pero se solicitó en 2011, se firmó en 2014 y la inauguración se planeó para 2019. Luego pasó para 2022 y ahora se espera que sea en 2023. Solo uno de sus tres tramos debía costar \$1258 millones, pero ya supera los \$23.250 millones y sigue subiendo. Continúa en la página 14

## La Corte impide a Farmacity abrir locales en la provincia

**FALLO.** Avaló la legislación bonaerense que lo prohíbe

La Corte Suprema rechazó un reclamo de la empresa Farmacity para instalar sus locales en la provincia de Buenos Aires. La empresa cuestionaba la normativa provincial que regula quiénes pueden ser propietarios de farmacias en te-

rritorio bonaerense, que excluye a las sociedades anónimas. Para el máximo tribunal de la Nación, el legislador bonaerense ejerció sus facultades en forma razonable, basándose en principios de salud pública. Página 16

## El dólar ya pierde diez puntos contra la inflación

**ATRASO.** En junio subió al menor ritmo en 18 meses; el BCRA compró US\$725 millones

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Após ver seu longa "Contágio" virar sensação, diretor Steven Soderbergh agora dribla a Covid e lança filme feito no isolamento.

## Ilustrada B13 Walter Salles vai adaptar livro de Marcelo Rubens Paiva sobre ditadura

## Guia B10 Seção passa a sair também às quintas; leia análise da nova plataforma HBO Max



Soderbergh no set de filmagem de "Nem Um Passo em Falso" Claudette Barrios/Divulgação

# Planalto tenta proteger Bolsonaro de escândalos

Após suspeita de propina, presidente fala em mentiras e em 'CPI de bandidos'

Auxiliares de Jair Bolsonaro têm discutido como blindá-lo diante de seguidas denúncias de corrupção em contratos de vacinas dentro do Ministério da Saúde — Luiz Paulo Domingueti Pereira, representante de uma vendedora de imunizantes, afirmou à Folha que recebeu do então diretor de Logística da pasta, Roberto Ferreira Dias, pedido de propina de US\$ 1 por dose para negociar.

Tanto Dias quanto Domingueti foram convocados a depor na CPI da Covid no Senado. Sem se referir diretamente ao caso, o presidente disse ontem que "não vai ser com mentiras ou com CPI, integrada por sete bandidos, que vão nos tirar daqui". Em aceno ao Congresso no dia do protocolo do superpedido de impeachment, ele falou em apoio de "amigos do Poder Legislativo".

Diante da dificuldade do Planalto em encontrar um discurso e um porta-voz para defender Bolsonaro, coube ao ministro das Comunicações, Fábio Faria, pôr em prática a estratégia traçada. "O servidor [Dias] foi exonerado prontamente porque a postura que ele teria tido, segundo a acusação, vai contra todas as diretrizes do governo, que abomina corrupção", escreveu Faria.

Para assessores presidenciais, porém, a exoneração poderia ter ocorrido antes, já em meio às suspeitas sobre a aquisição da Covaxin. Bolsonaro resiste a tirar Ricardo Barros (PP-PR), fiador de Dias, do posto de líder do governo. Poder A4 e A8

**PF instaura inquérito, e Ministério Público também decide apurar compra da Covaxin** A10



Kim Kataguiri (DEM-SP) fala ao lado de Gleisi Hoffmann (PT-PR) no ato que marcou apresentação do superpedido, em Brasília

## Condenado após fala desmentida continua preso

Preso há sete anos em SP, o trabalhador rural José Aparecido Alves Filho permanece condenado com base no depoimento inicial de um réu confesso que relata ter apanhado para apontá-lo como seu comparsa em um roubo seguido de morte. Cotidiano B1

## Aumenta fatia de negros em desemprego de longa duração

A taxa de desemprego ficou em 14,7% no trimestre encerrado em abril, mantendo o nível recorde registrado nos três primeiros meses do ano, aponta o IBGE. No início da pandemia, o índice estava em 12,6%. Agora são 14,8 milhões de pessoas sem ter ocupação no Brasil.

O instituto também observou aumento da fatia de homens, negros e trabalhadores mais velhos entre os desempregados de longa duração, que buscam vaga há pelo menos dois anos — negros representam 64,4% do total de brasileiros nesse grupo. Mercado A21

## Superpedido de impeachment do presidente é protocolado

Oposição e movimentos sociais protocolaram ontem o superpedido de impeachment contra Jair Bolsonaro, mas sem apoio político para que ele avance na Câmara dos Deputados. O grupo agora mira pressão sobre o presidente da Casa, Arthur Lira (PP-AL), para abertura do processo. Hamilton Mourão disse não ver espaço para que um pedido prospere. Poder A12

## Cenário se agravou para Bolsonaro, afirma Kassab

Presidente do PSD, Gilberto Kassab diz à Folha que a crise reforça o movimento pela saída de Jair Bolsonaro. "A base governista não pode ser menosprezada. Mas quando é inevitável, é inevitável", afirma, embora ele não veja a situação ainda assim. Poder A12

**Câmara do Rio cassa o mandato de Dr. Jairinho**  
Acusado de ter matado o enteado Henry Borel, 4, o vereador teve seu mandato cassado ontem pela Câmara Municipal do Rio. B4

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### Terremoto na Saúde

Acumulam-se indícios de que aliados do presidente e atravessadores buscam ganhos nas sombras, enquanto o mundo corria atrás de vacinas e brasileiros morriam nos hospitais.

Revelador do tremor na aliança com o centrão é o comportamento errático de Bolsonaro, que costumava pôr a mão no fogo por seus ministros e agora procurou fugir de responsabilidades.

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### População com 18 anos ou mais\*

	ao menos uma dose	totalmente vacinada
Brasil	46,0%	16,3%
MS	55,9%	23,4%
RS	52,1%	20,7%
AM	51,1%	19,1%

### Totalmente vacinada



### Total de doses aplicadas

	1ª	2ª	única
Brasil	73,6 mil	25,7 mil	522,2 mil
1ª SP	19 mil	6,2 mil	182,7 mil
2ª MG	7 mil	2,7 mil	9,2 mil
3ª BA	4,9 mil	1,8 mil	66,5 mil

### Números da pandemia

	Casos	Óbitos
Total	18,6 mil	518,2 mil
Méd. móvel	55,5 mil	1,572
Varição**	-23%	-21,7%
Em 24 h	47,0 mil	2,127

### Estágios



### Brasil

Estável

Dados das 20h de 30 jun \*Ao menos uma dose; tomou dose única ou 1ª dose. Totalmente vacinada: tomou dose única ou 2ª dose \*\*Em relação a 14 dias

## Apesar de emails, dono da Davati nega negociação

O empresário Herman Cardenas, dono da Davati Medical Supply, que propôs venda de 400 milhões de doses da AstraZeneca para o Ministério da Saúde, diz que não ocorreram negociações com o governo. Emails, porém, mostram o contrário. Poder A6

## Wizard diz 70 vezes que ficaria calado em CPI

Carlos Wizard se calou na CPI da Covid, usando habéis corpus concedido pelo STF. O empresário declarou 70 vezes que permaneceria em silêncio após questionamentos. Antes, citou dados falsos. A9

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Mathilde Missoneiro/Folhapress

## TEMOR DO DESPEJO NA PANDEMIA

Moradores de terreno invadido no Ipiranga, em SP, onde vivem centenas de haitianos e brasileiros; mais de 84 mil famílias estão sob ameaça de remoção no país Cotidiano B3

## Fim da pobreza na China, slogan do PC, é controverso

Bandeira da celebração dos 100 anos do Partido Comunista, o discurso da erradicação da pobreza é questionado por especialistas estrangeiros. Em fala pelo centenário, Xi Jinping exaltou a "Grande Muralha de aço, forjada por 1,4 bilhão de pessoas". Mundo A16

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## Sector privado con logística para mover hasta 3 millones de Pfizer

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Faut-il rendre la  
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pour les soignants ?

DESSINS : FABIEN CLAIREFOND

# Le variant Delta en France : ce qui inquiète, ce qui rassure

Plus contagieuse, la souche « indienne » s'impose peu à peu, faisant craindre un redémarrage de l'épidémie dès cet été chez les non-vaccinés, encore trop nombreux dans le pays.

Le variant indien (Delta) se répand dans le monde, prenant peu à peu le pas sur les souches anglaise (Alpha), sud-africaine (Beta) ou brésilienne (Gamma). Dans les pays où il est devenu prépon-

dérant, les courbes épidémiques sont reparties à la hausse, faisant craindre qu'il en soit de même en France. Pour le moment, il ne représente que 10 à 20 % des cas, mais il devrait devenir majoritaire

avant la fin de l'été. Faut-il alors craindre une quatrième vague cet automne ? Tout dépendra du nombre de Français qui auront été vaccinés à cette échéance. Car si cette souche est plus contagieuse, elle reste

en revanche très vulnérable face aux vaccins, dont les doses ne manquent plus aussi cruellement qu'au printemps. Reste à trouver des bras dans lesquels les injecter. Le gouvernement cherche des pistes

pour convaincre les indécis et commence à réfléchir à lever le tabou de l'obligation vaccinale, au moins pour les soignants, afin de ne pas avoir à reconfiner le pays ou à fermer les écoles à la rentrée.

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## Le nord-ouest du continent américain suffoque sous une vague de chaleur historique



La canicule extrême qui frappe l'ouest du Canada et des États-Unis, avec un record incroyable de 49,6 °C, a provoqué des dizaines de morts subites, une multiplication des hospitalisations, ainsi que de nombreux feux de forêt. PAGE 11

## Présidentielle : Anne Hidalgo se donne l'été pour préparer sa candidature

Une première démonstration de force. Plus d'une centaine d'élus locaux socialistes ont publié une tribune pour soutenir la maire de Paris, qui n'a jamais été aussi proche de se lancer dans la campagne présidentielle. Anne Hidalgo compte sur cet été pour se transformer en candidate et prouver aux Français qu'elle peut être bien plus que maire de la capitale. La suite se déroulera notamment à Villeurbanne (Rhône), le 12 juillet. Elle y rassemblera tous les élus qui souhaitent la voir se présenter en 2022. PAGE 6

## ÉDITORIAL par Yves Thérard yththread@lefigaro.fr

### Ici et maintenant

**A**lerte au variant Delta. Très contagieux, il se répand à grande vitesse d'un continent à l'autre. Australie, Afrique du Sud et Israël sont obligés de se protéger de nouveau. En Europe, les cas russe et britannique inquiètent. La France, quant à elle, vit dans le paradoxe. Alors qu'elle vient de lever les dernières restrictions liées à la pandémie – notamment les jauges dans les lieux publics –, des experts annoncent déjà l'arrivée d'une quatrième vague à l'automne. Si on a beaucoup déploré leurs erreurs passées, on aimerait beaucoup, cette fois, qu'ils se trompent ! Les faire mentir nécessite de s'y prendre ici et maintenant. D'abord, en continuant à appliquer certaines précautions, comme le port du masque en intérieur et les fameux gestes barrières. Ensuite, et surtout, en accélérant la campagne de vaccination. Celle-ci s'essouffle. La France est à la traîne de nombreux de ses voisins. Seul un tiers de la population est aujourd'hui complètement couvert. Il appartient donc au gouvernement de prendre le taureau par les cornes pour pres-

ser le pas. Faut-il rendre la vaccination obligatoire ? Ou inciter les gens à s'y soumettre par la distribution de bons d'achat à la consommation, comme en Grèce ? Il est urgent de persuader le « ventre mou » des indécis de la nécessité, pour eux et pour les autres, de se protéger. Le fin de la gratuité des tests

Face au variant Delta, faut-il rendre la vaccination obligatoire ?

pourrait aussi être un moyen d'y parvenir. Une autre solution consisterait à imposer la vaccination au personnel soignant. C'est bien par lui que le variant Delta s'est invité dans des maisons de retraite languaises. Serait-ce une insupportable atteinte aux libertés ? Mais alors pourquoi onze vaccins sont-ils exigés pour entrer à l'école ? Même moins violente que les précédentes, une quatrième vague à l'automne ferait passer le pays dans un état de dépression aux conséquences imprévisibles. Il faut l'éviter. C'est tout à fait possible sans pour autant sacrifier les joies de l'été. La balle est dans le camp du pouvoir exécutif. ■

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## Fears over mass events after 1,300 travelling Scotland fans get Covid

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Pressure is mounting on ministers to reassure the public about the safety of hosting the final stages of Euro 2020 and other big events after almost 1,300 Scotland fans who travelled to London for a match tested positive for Covid.

Data published by Public Health Scotland yesterday showed that

1,991 people who later tested positive had attended one or more Euro 2020 events during their infection period, a time when they "may have unknowingly transmitted their infection to others". Nearly two-thirds of cases reported travelling to London for a Euro 2020 event, including 397 people who were at Wembley for the England v Scotland fixture on 18 June - 15% of the 2,600 Scotland fans given tickets for the match.

The news came as 26,068 positive test results were reported across the

UK yesterday, with 3,887 in Scotland - its highest daily total since the start of the pandemic.

Downing Street stressed case numbers were only one of the metrics the government was monitoring, however, as the vaccination programme continues to weaken the link with hospitalisations and deaths.

But given strict 10-day self-isolation rules, the sharp increase in cases across the UK is already playing havoc with businesses and schools, as groups of staff and bubbles of pupils

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Prof Stephen Reicher  
Sage subcommittee

are forced out of workplaces and classrooms after coming into contact with a single coronavirus case.

Kate Nicholls, chief executive of UKHospitality, said yesterday that businesses were "reporting blanket notifications of entire teams [told to isolate by the NHS Covid app] meaning no option but to fully close for 10 days with no revenue". She added: "We urgently need a 'test to release and test to remain' approach to allow hospital-



## Climate crisis blamed for deadly 'heat dome'

The US president, Joe Biden, has pointed the finger at the climate crisis as western Canada and north-western states of the US suffer under a record-shattering 'heat dome' that has led to more

than 100 deaths. In Vancouver, British Columbia (above) misting stations are helping people cool off. Meanwhile, south of the border, in Portland, Oregon, the temperature reached 46.6C. **News Page 4** →

## GPs giving out second jabs after only three weeks

Exclusive  
Denis Campbell  
Jim Waterson

Hundreds of GPs are administering second Covid jabs just three weeks after the first in defiance of NHS advice, triggering a rebuke from the UK's vaccine authority.

The rollout of second doses up to nine weeks earlier than official guidance - as well as instances of vaccines distributed to 16- and 17-year-olds in some areas - has prompted concern over a postcode lottery.

GP vaccinators, high street pharmacies and some mass vaccination centres and pop-up clinics in parts of England have taken the decision to offer second doses of the Pfizer/BioNTech jab after three weeks and of the Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine after four weeks, the Guardian has established. Doctors say their unofficial and "pragmatic" policy of shorter gaps between doses is boosting the immunisation

