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Schools should stay open this fall with some precautions in place, even where Covid-19 cases are rising, federal officials said, edging some of the nation's most communal spaces closer to pre-pandemic norms. **A1**

◆ **The FDA's acting commissioner** asked for a federal investigation of interactions between the agency's staff and Biogen during the approval process for the firm's Alzheimer's drug. **A3**

◆ **Biden warned Russia's** Putin that the U.S. would take "any necessary action" to defend U.S. infrastructure and businesses from ransomware attacks. **A3**

◆ **The president fired** Social Security Commissioner Andrew Saul after he declined a request to resign, the White House said, accusing Saul of politicizing Social Security disability benefits. **A4**

◆ **U.S. Embassy officials** in Afghanistan are developing plans to reduce the large contingent of contractors at the embassy complex amid a worsening security situation across the country. **A8**

◆ **The spread of the Delta** variant of the coronavirus is raising concerns about the efficacy of Chinese vaccines, which have been central to inoculation efforts in the developing world. **A8**

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◆ **Biden signed** a broad executive order that aims to promote competitive markets across the U.S. economy and limit corporate dominance that the White House says puts consumers, workers and smaller companies at a disadvantage. **A1, A6-A7**

◆ **China ordered** mobile app stores to remove 25 more apps operated by ride-hailing company Didi's China arm, saying the apps illegally collect personal data. **A1, B3**

◆ **U.S. stocks rebounded** Friday, with all three major indexes finishing a topsy-turvy week at fresh records. The S&P 500, Dow and Nasdaq rose 1.1%, 1.3% and 1%, respectively. **B1**

◆ **Shortages of certain materials** and staffing troubles have held back an otherwise brisk economy rebound this year and have fueled a temporary surge in inflation, the Fed said. **A2**

◆ **Stamps.com agreed** to be acquired by private-equity firm Thoma Bravo in a deal that values the e-commerce shipping software company at about \$6.6 billion. **B3**

◆ **VW warned** that the global shortage of semiconductors affecting car production would worsen over the next six months. **B3**

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Biden Order Targets Big Business

Sweeping proposal to spur competition likely sets up heated battles with top companies

BY BRENT KENDALL
AND RYAN TRACY

WASHINGTON—President Biden signed a broad executive order that aims to promote competitive markets across the U.S. economy and limit corporate dominance that the

White House says puts consumers, workers and smaller companies at a disadvantage.

The order, the centerpiece of a new Democratic emphasis on restraining the nation's most powerful companies, lays out a detailed plan to address what the Biden administration sees as trouble spots across industries, from everyday consumer concerns—hearing aids and baggage fees—to some of the most cutting-edge issues facing the government, such as first-ever antitrust regula-

tions for internet platforms.

Mr. Biden's effort isn't a mandate but instead a road map that encourages agencies to adopt policies that push back against corporate consolidation and business practices that might stifle competition and lead to higher prices and fewer product choices.

The eventual rules and regulations that follow from the White House's direction are likely to set up heated battles with top U.S. companies that could take years to resolve.

"Capitalism without competition isn't capitalism. It's exploitation," Mr. Biden said before signing the order.

The president's move, months in the making, comes as Democrats have made competition policy and antitrust enforcement a key part of their agenda, arguing that the federal government hasn't done enough to preserve healthy, competitive markets.

Republicans have agreed in some circumstances, particularly in the tech sector, but

they, along with some business groups, have disputed arguments that the U.S. has extensive problems with economic concentration. They

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Haiti Remains on High Alert After President's Assassination



ON GUARD: Police patrol in Port-au-Prince on Friday after President Jovenel Moïse was slain by gunmen on Wednesday. Colombia said the majority of the suspects in the killing were retired officers and soldiers of Colombia's armed forces. **A8**

One American Family Tackles Inflation

Food, gas, streaming: The Galbraiths' daily expenses show impact of supply lags, demand spikes

BY VALERIE BAUERLEIN
AND STEPHANIE STAMM

SOUTH JORDAN, Utah—Johnny and Joanna Galbraith are spending more this year on most items in their budget for their family of three young children.

Some changes they attribute to different spending habits as they ease into post-pandemic life.

Many others are caused by inflation, with overall consumer prices up 5% in

May from a year earlier, the biggest surge since August 2008.

Inflation is being fueled by growing demand, as more people take flights to Florida or buy new clothes as they emerge from Covid-19 lockdowns. Supply pressures are also a factor, such as a container ship filled with goods getting stuck in the Suez Canal and companies' difficulty finding employees.

The consumer-price index is the benchmark for inflation and measures what consumers pay for everyday

items, including groceries, clothing, recreational activities and vehicles.

The Galbraiths said their grocery bill has been trending up for months. The cost of Jif peanut butter increased due to difficulty keeping up with demand, as consumers are still eating many meals at home. Prices for clementines and other citrus fruits are still at a premium due to difficulty importing citrus and demand driven up by people boosting their vitamin intake to stay healthy.

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English Soccer Is Back, Baffling Fans

After 55 years of
pain, team is on
brink of Euro title

BY JOSHUA ROBINSON
AND JONATHAN CLEG

LONDON—As England prepared for its European Championship semifinal against Denmark, Samantha Nation was not nervous about how the night would unfold. A lifetime of supporting the Three Lions had convinced her: England was about to lose.

She was so sure of it that she placed a wager on Denmark.

"I would have got £100," said Ms. Nation, a fan from West Yorkshire. "I thought at least it might soften the blow a little bit."

She lost her bet for all the right reasons. England beat

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Why workers and open jobs
don't seem to be in the same places. **B1**

Space Tourism Heads To the Launching Pad

BY MICAH MAIDENBERG
AND BENJAMIN KATZ

Space tourism is trying to take off.

Richard Branson's planned flight to the edge of space on Sunday brings the nascent industry closer to reality—though it could be years before most travelers can afford it.

Mr. Branson and five other

people will travel on a Virgin Galactic Holdings Inc. spacecraft that will take them more than 50 miles above Earth. The trip marks the first flight for Virgin Galactic with what the company describes as a full crew, which will include the billionaire entrepreneur.

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Didi's Split Priorities Spelled IPO Trouble

In the final days before Didi Global Inc. went public late last month on the New York Stock Exchange, a disconnect developed between what the Chinese ride-hailing giant was telling its U.S. bankers and what was happening with China's regulators.

By Jing Yang,
Keith Zhai
and Corrie Driebusch

The regulators in Beijing were under the impression Didi would pause its initial public offering while it addressed data-security concerns, according to people familiar with the company's conversations with regulators. In New York, Didi offered assurances that Beijing had given it the green light, said people close to the listing process.

Unaware of the impending threat from Beijing, these people said, Didi's bankers pushed

the deal forward. On June 30, the world's largest ride-hailing platform began trading on the New York Stock Exchange. On the second day of trading, Didi's shares rose 16%, valuing the company at about \$80 billion.

But the fanfare was short-lived. Beijing, taken by surprise by the IPO, struck back on July 2. It put Didi under cybersecurity review and banned it from accepting new users. Over the next few days, it told app stores to stop offering Didi's app, and announced it was tightening rules for Chinese companies listed or looking to list overseas.

Didi now faces a double whammy: regulatory action at home and blowback from U.S. and global investors who wonder how the company could have gone ahead with a listing.

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◆ China pulls more of Didi's mobile apps..... **B3**

Biden order aims at cutting dominance of big business

- President acts to spur competition
- Regulators encouraged to step up

JAMES POLITI AND KIRAN STACEY — WASHINGTON

Joe Biden is set to sign a sweeping executive order to curb the power of big business by stamping out anti-competitive practices that harm smaller rivals.

The White House yesterday unveiled 72 measures in Biden's order, which includes a ban on non-compete clauses for workers. It spans industries from technology and transport, to healthcare and banking.

The US president has also called for stronger enforcement of antitrust laws, which could trigger greater scrutiny of mergers and acquisitions.

The move is part of a broader push by the Biden administration to tackle con-

to make it "easier to change jobs and help raise wages".

Other measures include a plan to curb the ability of manufacturers to prevent customers from seeking their own repairs on certain products, and a ban on excessive termination fees on internet bills. Hearing aids would be allowed to be sold over the counter at pharmacies, airline customers would find it easier to get refunds and banking clients could carry their data to other providers more easily.

Biden's order also directs the US Food and Drug Administration to work with states and tribes to import prescription drugs from Canada, the latest effort to lower the costs of medicine.

Even before the president signed the order, it drew criticism from business groups, with several complaining that their industries were already highly competitive.

Aurelien Portuese, a director at the Information Technology and Innovation Foundation, a tech industry-backed think-tank, said: "Instead of changing antitrust rules, the White House should ensure that agencies properly enforce existing antitrust laws. For everything else, the White House should defer to Congress."

Greg Baer, chief executive of the Bank Policy Institute, said: "Banking is among the most competitive, least concentrated industries in America, as anyone who has shopped for a credit card, mortgage or deposit account knows."

The executive order is consistent with Biden's efforts to shift the balance of power away from corporations towards smaller businesses, and lower and middle-class households.

It is unclear, however, how much of his plan will be implemented. Many of the provisions are encouraged but not mandated and would be more powerful if enacted into law.

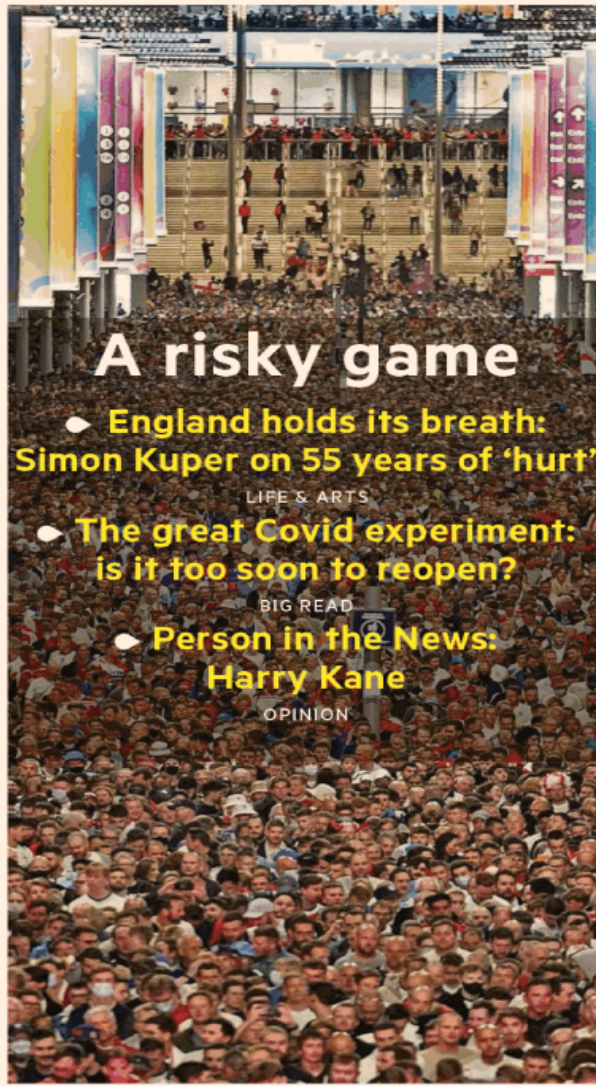
'When past presidents faced similar threats from growing corporate power, they took bold action'

centrated corporate power in several sectors, and comes as Congress considers a series of laws to rewrite competition policy for large tech companies.

"Economists find that as competition declines, productivity growth slows, business investment and innovation decline, and income, wealth and racial inequality widen," the White House said in a fact sheet on the order.

"When past presidents faced similar threats from growing corporate power, they took bold action," it added, citing Theodore Roosevelt and Franklin Delano Roosevelt's efforts in the first part of the 20th century.

The administration's push on competition includes a provision to "encourage" the Federal Trade Commission — the top competition regulator, chaired by Big Tech critic Lina Khan — to "ban or limit" non-compete clauses in order



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Branson hopes Unity will help his empire strike back

Richard Branson is scheduled to reach the edge of space over New Mexico early on Sunday morning, riding on the VSS Unity. The 70-year-old hopes the mission, beating a similar journey by rival billionaire Jeff Bezos by nine days, will launch his space tourism business. Ticket prices are set to soar beyond the \$250,000 of earlier sales, with the cash lifting a venture whose fortunes have become key to the Virgin group.

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Philip Morris blows away the smoke with £1bn health deal for inhaler group

SARAH PROVAN AND ALISTAIR GRAY LONDON

Philip Morris International may be best known for its smoking Marlboro Man images, but the big tobacco group is branching out into another area of the lungs: inhalers.

The New York-listed group has struck a £1bn deal to buy Vectura, a UK pharma group with technology that allows more medicines to be inhaled. In its first step towards becoming a "healthcare and wellness company".

Faced with a terminal decline in cigarette sales across the west, tobacco companies are racing to develop alternative products. PMI has said it is focusing on respiratory drugs as part of its plan to generate at least \$1bn in annual revenues by 2025 from what it calls 'beyond nicotine' products.

"They have been sizing up the respiratory drug delivery field," said Jonathan Pell, fund manager at Ash Park Capital. "They were probably ready to strike."

PMI said yesterday that the decision to buy Vectura was part of its "natural evolution into a broader healthcare and wellness company".

PMI offered 150p a share in cash for the British group, gatecrashing a 136-pence-a-share deal that Vectura had already agreed with US private equity group Carlyle in May. A shareholder meeting planned for Monday to approve that offer has been adjourned.

Carlyle yesterday said that it was considering its options and urged Vectura shareholders not to take any action.

Shares in Vectura, whose clients include GlaxoSmithKline and Hikma Pharmaceuticals, rose 14 per cent to 154.60p yesterday.

"We are surprised that Philip Morris has made an improved offer," said analysts at US brokerage Stifel.

The move by PMI, which has a market capitalisation of \$15.3bn, comes a week after it agreed to pay \$820m for a Danish medical chewing-gum maker as part of its smoke-free strategy.

The tobacco industry's efforts to safeguard its long-term future have not gone smoothly. PMI had planned two years ago to merge with fellow tobacco company Altria in a \$200bn deal that would have reshaped the industry.

The merger was designed to give the two companies greater firepower to push into smokeless devices, as manufacturers vie to provide smokers with less harmful ways of delivering nicotine. But the deal was called off after a regulatory crackdown on e-cigarettes.

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World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				INTEREST RATES			
	Jul 9	prev	%chg		Jul 9	prev	%chg		price	yield	chg
S&P 500	4361.11	4320.92	0.93	\$ per €	1.187	1.186	0.001	US Gov 10 yr	148.40	1.34	0.04
Nasdaq Composite	14673.44	14559.79	0.78	£ per €	1.303	1.319	-0.016	US Gov 10 yr	0.66	0.66	0.00
Dow Jones Ind	34952.34	34821.93	0.37	€ per £	0.859	0.862	-0.003	Gov Gov 10 yr	0.23	0.23	0.00
FTSE Euro Stoxx 500	1766.01	1743.07	1.32	¥ per \$	110.140	109.555	0.005	Gov Gov 10 yr	112.26	0.03	0.00
Euro Stoxx 50	4063.07	3991.66	1.79	₹ per €	152.363	150.759	0.010	US Gov 30 yr	114.73	1.98	0.05
FTSE 100	7121.80	7030.66	1.30	Sfr per €	1.095	1.093	0.002	Gov Gov 2 yr	105.79	-0.60	0.01
FTSE All-Share	4069.79	4019.72	1.25	€ per \$	0.943	0.944	-0.001				
CAC 40	6529.42	6396.73	2.07								
Xetra Dax	15607.93	15420.64	1.19								
Nikkei	27940.42	28118.03	-0.63								
Hang Seng	27344.54	27193.13	0.70								
MSCI World \$	3622.24	3649.66	-0.80								
MSCI EM \$	1316.25	1340.06	-1.82	Oil WTI \$	74.26	72.94	1.85				
MSCI ACWI \$	717.06	724.41	-1.01	Oil Brent \$	79.40	74.12	5.23				
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'A few years ago, they had a beach. Now the water is lapping at their foundations.'

JOSH ELLIS, a former vice president of Chicago's Metropolitan Planning Council



In recent years, ferocious storms and record-breaking rain have brought home the reality of climate change to Chicago and the 9.5 million people who live in the area.

The Battle Between a Great City and a Great Lake

By DAN EGAN

In the search for a big-city refuge from climate change, Chicago looks like an excellent option. At least, it does on a map.

It stands a half-continent away from the threat of surging ocean levels. Its northern locale has protected it, to some extent, from southern heat waves. And droughts that threaten crops, forests and water supplies in so many places? Chicago hugs the shore of one of the grandest expanses of freshwater in the world.

Water is, in fact, why Chicago exists. The nation's third-largest city grew from a remark-

able geographical quirk, a small, swampy dip in a continental divide that separates two vast watersheds: the Great Lakes and the Mississippi River Basin. In the 19th century, Chicagoans dug a canal linking those two watersheds, transforming their muddy town into a metropolis of commerce by making the riches of the American Midwest accessible to the world.

The mule-drawn barges that worked its canals long ago gave way to trains, planes and eighteen-wheelers.

But the same waters that gave life to the city threaten it today, because Chicago is built

on a shaky prospect — the idea that the swamp that was drained will stay tamed and that Lake Michigan's shoreline will remain in essentially the same place it's been for the past 300 years.

The lake may have other plans.

Climate change has started pushing Lake Michigan's water levels toward uncharted territory as patterns of rain, snowfall and evaporation are transformed by the warming world. The lake's high-water cycles are threatening to get higher; the lows lower. Already, the swings between the two show signs of happening faster than any time in recorded history.

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U.S. IS RELUCTANT TO SEND SOLDIERS TO HAITI CONFLICT

PENTAGON TAKEN ABACK

Request for Military's Aid Comes as Biden Pares Overseas Troops

This article is by Michael Crowley, Michael D. Shear and Eric Schmitt.

WASHINGTON — Haiti's request for U.S. troops to help stabilize the country following the assassination of its president presents a difficult choice for President Biden: send forces to aid a neighbor even as he is trying to pare down America's military footprint overseas, or refrain and risk allowing the chaos unfolding there to escalate into a refugee crisis.

Thus far, administration officials have expressed caution about any deployment to Haiti, reflecting the fast pace of events since attackers killed President Jovenel Moïse in his home on Wednesday, but also a broader shift in American attitudes toward military interventions as the 20-year war in Afghanistan winds down.

Biden administration officials, while sympathetic to the humanitarian misery unfolding some 700 miles south of Florida, and mindful of a potential mass exodus of Haitian refugees like one that occurred in the 1990s, nevertheless show no immediate enthusiasm for sending even a limited American force into politically-based civil strife and disorder.

The administration has said it will send officials from the F.B.I. and the Department of Homeland Security to Port-au-Prince to assess how they might help assist the government's investigation into the murky circumstances of Mr. Moïse's killing.

But Pentagon officials were taken off guard by the Haitian request late Friday. While they said it would be dutifully reviewed, there is little appetite among senior military leaders to dispatch U.S. troops.

"We are aware of the request and are analyzing it," John F. Kirby, the chief Pentagon spokesman, said.

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G20 Endorses Proposal Aimed At Tax Havens

By ALAN RAPPEPORT

VENICE — Global leaders agreed on Saturday to move ahead with what would be the most significant overhaul of the international tax system in decades, with finance ministers from the world's 20 largest economies backing a proposal that would crack down on tax havens and impose new levies on large, profitable multinational companies.

If enacted, the plan could reshape the global economy, altering where corporations choose to operate, who gets to tax them and the incentives that nations offer to lure investment. But major details remain to be worked out ahead of an October deadline to finalize the agreement and resistance is mounting from businesses, which could soon face higher tax bills, as well as from small, but pivotal, low-tax countries such as Ireland, which would see their economic models turned upside down.

After spending the weekend huddled in the halls of an ancient Venetian naval shipyard, the top economic officials from the Group of 20 nations agreed to forge ahead. They formally threw their

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Biden's Agenda Rests on Appeal In the Suburbs

By TRIP GABRIEL

PAPILLION, Neb. — Pursuing a bipartisan infrastructure deal and trumpeting a revived economy and progress against the pandemic, President Biden is trying to persuade the nation that Democrats are the party that gets things done. His message is aimed at holding on to a set of voters in next year's midterms who could determine the fate of his agenda: suburbanites who abandoned former President Donald Trump in droves.

More than any other group, those independent-minded voters put Mr. Biden in the White House. Whether they remain in the Democratic coalition is the most urgent question facing the party as it tries to keep its razor-thin advantage in the House and the Senate next year.

Mr. Biden made his pitch again on Friday when he signed an executive order intended to protect consumers from the anti-competitive practices of large businesses.

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'It's Been a Long Time Coming'

Four years after violent protests in Charlottesville, Va., the statue of the Confederate general Robert E. Lee was removed. Page 16.

Adams Has Plans for City Beyond Secure Streets and Subways

This article is by Emma G. Fitzsimmons, Dana Rubinstein and Jeffery C. Mays.

In the aftermath of winning the Democratic nomination for mayor of New York City, Eric L. Adams began to set out his mission if elected in November.

"Safety, safety, safety," Mr. Adams said in one interview. "Making our city safe," he said in another.

On Thursday, as a torrential storm flooded the city's subway stations, Mr. Adams offered another priority: Fast-track the city's congestion pricing plan, which would charge fees to motorists entering Manhattan's core, so that the money could be used to

make critical improvements to the aging system.

The two initiatives encapsulate Mr. Adams's self-characterization as a blue-collar candidate: Make the streets and the subway safe and reliable for New York's working-class residents.

But they also hint at the challenges that await the city's next mayor.

Opulent Mansion in Canada Ignites Rage as Haiti Unravels

By DAN BILEFSKY and CATHERINE PORTER

MONTREAL — He is one of the few lawmakers left in Haiti, a close ally of the assassinated president who has kept his seat while the country's democratic institutions have been whittled away.

As one of only 10 remaining members in all of Haiti's Parliament, Rony Célestin, a swaggering figure who styles himself as a self-made multimillionaire, belongs to a tiny circle of leaders with the legal authority to steer the nation out of crisis now that the president is dead.

But to many Haitians, Mr. Célestin is also a symbol of one of their biggest grievances: a ruling

class that enriches itself while so many go hungry.

In recent months, as the country erupted in protest over abuse of power by the political elite, Mr. Célestin has been parrying accusations of corruption from Haitian activists over his purchase of a mansion almost 2,000 miles away in Canada.

The sprawling \$3.4 million villa, with its sweeping driveway, home cinema, wine cellar and swimming pool overlooking a lake, was among the most expensive homes ever sold in one of Quebec's most affluent neighborhoods, and the

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In Paris, air kisses abounded as designers and celebrities celebrated a return to in-person fashion shows. Page 8



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Ashleigh Barty dominated the first and third sets to defeat Karolina Pliskova for her first Wimbledon crown. Page 27

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Italy will rely on its veteran defenders when it plays England on Sunday for the European championship. Page 28

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Mark Zuckerberg and Sheryl Sandberg made Facebook a dominant force. But the politics of the Trump era strained their partnership. Page 1

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The 72-year-old Mahoning Drive-In Theater in rural Pennsylvania was left for dead just seven years ago. Then it was saved by schlock. Page 1

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New Actors, No Stages

After graduating from North Carolina in 2020, drama students like Lance Smith had to navigate a world where theater had all but vanished. Page 6



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ERIC RICHINS, top left, owner of Big Water Boating, surveys the water levels on Lake Mead last month. Bighorn sheep have more land to roam as the lake recedes. Above, kayakers navigate a shallow stretch.

Photographs by ALLEN J. SCHABEN Los Angeles Times

Black-market cannabis turns California's deserts green

Illegal marijuana farms are on the rise, bringing violence, ecological destruction and fear

By JACLYN COSGROVE
AND LOUIS SAHAGUN

Before his corpse was dumped in a shallow grave 50 miles north of Los Angeles, Mauricio Ismael Gonzalez-Ramirez was held prisoner at one of the hundreds of black-market pot farms that have exploded across California's high desert in the last several years, authorities say.

He worked in what has become California's newest illegal marijuana haven: the Mojave Desert. A world away from the lush forest groves of the "Emerald Triangle" of Northern California, this hot, dry, unforgiving climate has attracted more than a thousand marijuana plantations that fill the arid expanse between the Antelope Valley and the Colorado River.

It's an unprecedented siege that has upended life in the remote desert communities and vast tract developments that overlook Joshua trees and scrub. Authorities say the boom has led to forced labor, violence, water theft and the destruction of fragile desert habitat and wildlife.

Longtime residents say they feel less safe, claiming black-market growers act with impunity by carrying weapons, trading gunfire with rivals and threatening those who wander too close to their farms.

"When our family moved to Twentynine Palms nine years ago, it was peaceful and calm," said Amy Tessier, 38. "The invasion of pot farms changed all that.... We don't go for walks under the [See Marijuana, A8]

A 'FRAT HOUSE' CULTURE ENDURES AT LAFD

By JAMES RAINEY
AND DAKOTA SMITH

Katie Becker wanted to leave no doubt about what had driven her out of the Los Angeles Fire Department. So the young firefighter emailed top brass at the LAFD in the spring of 2019 to denounce the sexism she said she experienced in a department "littered with cruel leadership and misogynistic co-workers."

Becker's complaint felt like a gut punch to a group of veteran women at the 3,304-member Fire Department, affirming to them that the agency's "frat house" culture endured.

The high-ranking women met with Mayor Eric Garcetti that summer to show him a follow-up letter Becker had written about her experiences at the department. For the women, it was a chance to show the mayor that more urgent action was needed to fulfill his promise of expanding the ranks of female firefighters [See Firefighters, A10]

Lake Mead's new lows put a Western lifeline in peril

Drought-depleted reservoir nears official shortage level

By Jaweed Kaleem and Thomas Curwen
REPORTING FROM LAKE MEAD, NEV.

Eric Richins looked out from his pontoon boat to the shallows on the lake's western edge. He squinted and paused as if he had come upon a foreign shore. For the first time in a career navigating the waters of the American West, he didn't know where he was.

"I could have sworn I was here just six weeks ago catching smallmouth and bigmouth bass," said the 35-year-old fisherman who runs tours on this 247-square-mile basin where the Colorado River meets the Hoover Dam to form the nation's largest reservoir.

He pointed ahead to what looked like dozens of tiny steps made from successive layers of dried mud now covered in tall grass and weeds — the effect of rapidly creeping vegetation over a shoreline that has been dropping by nearly a foot a week.

"Now it looks like a lawn. I knew the drought was bad. I didn't realize it was this bad," he said. "This place is unrecognizable."

Lake Mead, a lifeline for 25 million people and millions of acres of farmland in [See Mead, A18]



TAXI drivers on motorcycles wait for fares in Port-au-Prince as Haitians begin to come out from hiding.

Palace guards come under scrutiny after Haiti assassination

By KATE LINTHICUM

MEXICO CITY — Four days after Haiti's president was killed inside his home on the outskirts of Port-au-Prince, it's still unclear who ordered and carried out the brazen hit.

But a convoluted thicket of possible plots has emerged — with some officials blaming the assassination of President Jovenel Moise on a team of well-armed foreign mercenaries and others suggesting that

palace guards may have been involved. Evidence has also emerged that the guards and the alleged mercenaries could have worked in tandem — or that the guards or someone else may have set up the foreigners to take the fall.

As officials continued their investigation into the murky circumstances surrounding Wednesday's early morning killing, Haiti's constitutional crisis deepened Saturday, with multiple politicians battling for control of [See Haiti, A4]

Confederate statue is down

Charlottesville, Va., removes Robert E. Lee monument that was at the center of 2017's violent white supremacist rally. **NATION, A6**

G-20 backs plan for minimum tax
A sweeping revision of international taxation would seek to neutralize corporate tax havens. **WORLD, A3**

Wildfire creates its own lightning

Fueled by a heat wave amid already hot and dry conditions, Northern California blaze doubles in size, making it the season's largest so far. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

Barty triumphs at Wimbledon

It's Grand Slam title No. 2 for the world's top-ranked player, who is the first Australian woman to win the event since 1980. **SPORTS, D3**

Weather
Mostly sunny.
L.A. Basin: 85/67. **B10**

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Experts debate what L.A. needs in Garcetti successor

By THOMAS CURWEN

On the 26th floor of City Hall, one lesson in the history of Los Angeles is abundantly clear. Accomplishments of the past are never greater than the problems of the present.

Hidden in the corridors of

this granite aerie are portraits of nearly 50 former mayors. Most are strangers, whose legacies have been overshadowed by the never-ending demands of an ever-evolving city.

Eric Garcetti is about to join this gallery, and his expected premature departure — ambassadorship, In-

dia — means Angelenos must again look to the future and consider a new mayor whose agenda will be more urgent and complicated than ever before.

As Los Angeles emerges from the shadows of a global pandemic, its economy is a patchwork of inequity and [See Garcetti, A12]



GINA FERRAZI Los Angeles Times

NONE LIKE IT HOT

Tourists take quick photos of the Marilyn Monroe statue in Palm Springs, which hit 120 degrees Saturday amid a blistering heat wave. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

BUSINESS INSIDE: In Hollywood, commerce is making a post-pandemic comeback. **A13**



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'The real damage'

Why FEMA denies aid to Black families that have lived for generations in Deep South

BY HANNAH DREIER

HALE COUNTY, ALA. — Not enough people were signing up for help after a series of tornadoes ripped through rural Alabama, so the government sent Chris Baker to figure out why. He had driven past the spot where a tornado threw a 13-year-old girl high into a tree, past where injured cows had to be shot one by one, and past where a family was crushed to death in their bathtub. And now, as another day began in this patchwork of destruction, he grabbed a stack of fliers with a picture of an outstretched hand and headed to his car to let people know Washington had assistance to offer.

"So we'll do a convoy?" Baker asked the local official who had offered to show him around, looking down to check that the badge identifying him as a specialist with the Federal Emergency Management Agency was in place.

He needn't have bothered. "There goes FEMA," called a woman on her porch as they drove by. Two burly White men in khaki cargo

SEE FEMA ON A12



Briana Bouyer, top, in Greensboro, Ala., was denied FEMA storm aid because she has untitled heirs' property. Also lacking a title is Albert Nixon, 89, showing an image of his sister Jessie Johnson at 20. It was salvaged after a March tornado wrecked their house.

Haiti on the brink amid power crisis

FOUR MEN STAKE CLAIMS TO LEADERSHIP

Country is in a 'constitutional desert,' expert says

BY WIDLORE MERANCOURT
AND ANTHONY FAIOLA

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI — The race to fill Haiti's political vacuum after the brazen assassination of President Jovenel Moïse shifted into high-stakes power plays on Saturday, with rivals battling over the nation's leadership amid competing charges of "coups" in progress.

The struggle for control of the country came as acting prime minister Claude Joseph called for help from U.S. and U.N. troops. Meanwhile, what remains of the nation's nonfunctioning Senate sought to name one of their own as the new president against the wishes of the interim government.

The infighting could complicate any international effort to assist Haiti and prevent a deeper slide into violence.

Four men have now staked

claims to either the presidency or the prime minister's post — including Joseph, who has been broadly recognized internationally but faces a serious challenge to his authority at home. The power contest underscores the extreme fragility of the Haitian state, whose foundations were already on the brink of collapse before the first bullets were fired early Wednesday at Moïse's compound in the hills above the capital, Port-au-Prince.

Since the assassination, Haiti has plunged deeper into a complex crisis that risks creating a Somalia in the Caribbean — a failed state 800 miles off the coast of Florida ridden by violence, overcome by disease, inflation and deepening hunger and controlled by warlord-like factions and weak nominal governments.

The Joseph government's re-
SEE HAITI ON A16

In Port-au-Prince, 'nothing is working'

Fearing violence, Yvens Rumbold rarely goes out

AS TOLD TO SAMANTHA SCHMIDT

Yvens Rumbold is a 32-year-old director of communications for a public policy think tank in Haiti, Politicé. He lives in Delmas, part of the Port-au-Prince metropolitan area, with his mother and cousin. He shared his story in his own words. His account was slightly edited for length and clarity.

Port-au-Prince has been in a circle of violence for the last three years. Last week we woke up in my town, Delmas, with a series of killings. Among the victims were a journalist and a female activist. The journalist, his name was Digo Charles. I knew him. The killings were like three minutes by car from my street. Two of my colleagues were shot and attacked in Martissant, which is in the south of Port-au-Prince. Some

of my friends have been kidnapped.

Every day there is something new. In Port-au-Prince, in the south of the city, there are gangs that are fighting against each other and they block the streets between Port-au-Prince and other towns. I never go down to downtown Delmas or downtown Port-au-Prince, close to the Parliament, because of the violence. Luckily I'm not too far from the supermarket and I'm working from home because of covid. But because of the violence, I only go to three places: my friend's house, the supermarket and home.

When you go to the streets, there is trash everywhere. Is there anyone in this city that is taking

SEE DELMAS ON A16

Former firearm foes have joined latest wave of new gun owners

BY MARC FISHER,
MIRANDA GREEN,
KELLY GLASS
AND ANDREA EGER

All his life, Jabril Battle was anti-gun. Then came the pandemic, the lockdown, the shortages and a feeling that at any moment, things could blow. Battle bought a Beretta.

Drawn to last summer's protests against police violence, Savannah Grace found herself face-to-face with a camo-clad officer's long gun. She'd always hated guns, but went out and got a Glock 45.

In blue cities and red suburbs alike, firearms purchases soared last year — to the highest level in half a century, based on federal background checks. A striking portion of those sales went to first-time gun buyers — 40 percent, according to the firearms industry's trade association. Other studies show first-timers accounting for more like a fifth of

SEE GUN OWNERS ON A14

At Howard, the last year launched a new era

The historically Black university boasts massive donations and attracts famous faculty

BY LAUREN LUMPKIN

The past year has been very good to Howard University.

One of its alumna — Kamala D. Harris — ascended to the vice presidency, the first graduate of a historically Black college or university to do so. The school, once beset with financial problems, has secured several multimillion-dollar donations. It launched new academic programs, a women's center and a coronavirus vaccine clinic that has inoculated more than 40,000 people.

And last week, the university scored a coup, announcing Nikole Hannah-Jones and Ta-Nehisi Coates as new faculty. Hannah-Jones picked the D.C. school after a long, contentious effort by her alma mater, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, to recruit her.

All of these developments came during a time of campus closures triggered by the coronavirus pandemic and protests over racial justice. They also materialized just three years after Howard students waged a nine-day

SEE HOWARD ON A8



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A graduation-themed printed mural is displayed on the Howard University campus on July 6. The university's four-year graduation rate is up 12 percentage points since 2014.

Rent prices soar through the roof as Americans return to cities

BY HEATHER LONG

Lauren Campos opened the door to her Phoenix apartment recently to find a note stuck in the door frame. Her rent was going up nearly \$400 a month, the note said, a 33 percent increase.

Campos and her fiancée read the letter in shock. The property management company gave them four days to decide whether to commit to stay or leave by the end of July. They spent the rest of the day poring over apartment listings online, only to realize they would either have to move or downsize from their two-bedroom place to a one-bedroom.

"It almost feels like there is nowhere to go. It's just insane everywhere," said Campos, 28, a lifelong Phoenix resident who has noticed a growing number of California license plates in her complex's parking lot. "It feels like I'm

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Rent relief: Tenants in D.C. are struggling to tap the lifeline. C1

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“¡Campeón!”: el grito soñado

En el Maracanã, la Argentina puso fin a 28 años sin títulos tras derrotar a Brasil 1-0 en la final de la Copa América



La postal que todos soñaron: Messi con el trofeo; Argentina campeón en una noche inolvidable en el Maracanã

AFP

De la manera soñada, para cortar 28 años de frustraciones. ¡Argentina campeón! Ese grito contenido casi por tres décadas, desde otra Copa América, la de México 1993. La gran revancha llegó nada menos que frente al rival de siempre, Brasil, y en el mítico Maracanã. Exploraron el grito ansiado y el festejo para una

generación que nunca había gritado campeón.

Con un gol de Ángel Di María, con espléndida definición, a los 21 minutos del primer tiempo, la Argentina ganó 1-0 y se consagró invicta en la Copa América, ante 2000 compatriotas que se dieron el gusto de ver alzar el trofeo a Lionel Messi, el crack que

buscó afanosamente durante casi 15 años, desde aquel Mundial 2006, celebrar con la camiseta celeste y blanca. Fin de cuentas pendientes y también un logro muy especial para el DT Lionel Scaloni.

Los festejos se replicaron por todo el país, en una noche interminablemente feliz. Deportes

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El coraje de una noche inolvidable

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“Plan primavera” del Gobierno para impulsar el consumo en clave electoral

PRIORIDAD. Las medidas prevén inyectar dinero en la economía y planes de empleo

El comando de campaña del Frente de Todos tiene en claro que la vacunación contra el Covid-19 será un dato más, “necesario pero no suficiente”, para ganar las elecciones si no llega a la vez un alivio al bolsillo en la provincia de Buenos Aires. Por eso, promueve el aliento al consumo, que, con reminiscencias alfon-

sinistas y en clave electoral, podría denominarse “plan primavera” —en alusión al lanzado en 1987 por Raúl Alfonsín—, destinado a tener efecto en las PASO de septiembre y, más aún, en las generales de noviembre. El plan incluye un adelantamiento del aumento del salario mínimo para septiembre; el impacto del retroac-

tivo del impuesto a las ganancias; la nueva ley de monotributo; planes de fomento al empleo joven, y una ampliación de programas como Ahora 12 y Ahora 18. En el oficialismo se convencieron de que, más allá de los candidatos que impulsen, la principal estrategia de campaña pasará por la economía. Página 18

EL ANÁLISIS

El Presidente, ante una sociedad sublevada

Joaquín Morales Solá

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El campo se le sublevó. La mayoría de la clase media está impaciente y crispada. Sus viajes al interior debe hacerlos dentro de una burbuja de seguridad porque lo rodea la protesta. Sucedió

hace unos días en Salta, hace algún tiempo, en Córdoba. Volvió a ocurrir el viernes, en Tucumán. “Es el peor momento del Presidente”, dice un funcionario cercano a Alberto Fernández. Continúa en la página 39



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MARACANÃ TEM CHORO DE NEYMAR E FESTA DE MESSI POR TÍTULO DA COPA AMÉRICA

A vitória por 1 a 0 sobre o Brasil, no sábado, garante a primeira conquista do astro Lionel Messi, 34 anos, com a equipe principal da Argentina, que dá fim a jejum de 28 anos **Esporte B7**

Pela 1ª vez, maioria apoia impeachment

Pesquisa Datafolha mostra que 54% dos brasileiros são a favor de que o Congresso abra procedimento contra Bolsonaro

Pela primeira vez desde que o Datafolha começou a questionar os brasileiros sobre o tema, em abril de 2020, a maioria se diz a favor da abertura de processo de impeachment do presidente Jair Bolsonaro (sem partido).

São 54% os entrevistados a favor de que seja aberta uma ação pela Câmara dos Deputados, ante 42% que se mostram contrários. Foram ouvidas, de forma presencial, 2.074 pessoas, em todo o país, nos dias 7 e 8 de julho.

Na rodada anterior, feita em maio, os pró-impeachment haviam ultrapassado numericamente os contrários à ideia, mas havia um empate técnico (49% a 46%). A margem de erro é de dois pontos percentuais.

Entre a pesquisa de maio e a atual, foram levantadas suspeitas de negociações obscuras de vacinas inexistentes, com denúncia de cobrança de propina, e um supérfluo de impeachment foi levado ao Congresso.

Os que mais defendem o impedimento de Bolsonaro são as mulheres (59%), os jovens (61%) e os mais pobres (60%). Já o apoio ao presidente se mostra maior entre mais velhos, os evangélicos e os empresários.

Na véspera da abertura de impeachment contra Fernando Collor, em 1992, 75% eram favoráveis ao processo, segundo o Datafolha. Já o apoio ao processo de Dilma Rousseff, em 2016, variou de 63% a 68%. **Poder A4**

SP deve iniciar vacinação de adolescentes em 23 de agosto

São Paulo planeja vacinar adolescentes de 12 a 17 anos, um contingente de 3,2 milhões, a partir de 23 de agosto, informa Igor Gielow. O fim da aplicação da primeira dose em pessoas acima de 18 anos será antecipado em 26 dias, para 20 de agosto.

O estado se torna assim o primeiro a convocar adolescentes, que devem receber imunizante da Pfizer, único que já tem aval da Anvisa para essa faixa etária. O cronograma depende de as entregas do fármaco não terem sobressalto. **Saúde B1**

Estudo confirma que Covid grave é raríssima em crianças B2

População com 18 anos ou mais*	ao menos uma dose	totalmente vacinada
Brasil	53,3%	18,9%
MS	69,0%	35,3%
RS	60,9%	24,6%
ES	58,4%	23,7%

Números da pandemia	Casos	Óbitos
Total	19,1 mi	532,9 mil
Méd. móvel	46,5 mil	1.321
Varição**	-35,3%	-22,6%
Em 24 h	45,8 mil	1.172

Dados das 20h de 10 jul. *Ao menos uma dose: tomou dose única ou 1ª dose. Totalmente vacinada: tomou dose única ou 2ª dose. **Em relação a 14 dias



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COM SUS, NEGRO SE APROXIMA DE BRANCO EM LONGEVIDADE

Nilda D'Andrea dos Santos, 102, foi imunizada após enfermeira convencê-la; 22 estados do país estão próximos de uma equidade na sobrevida, aponta o Ifer **Cotidiano B4 e B5**

Congresso deveria abrir processo de impeachment?



Para 63%, presidente não tem capacidade de liderar o país



Fonte: Pesquisa Datafolha presencial com 2.074 pessoas com 16 anos ou mais nos dias 7 e 8 de julho. A margem de erro máxima é de dois pontos percentuais para mais ou para menos

Marcos Lisboa

A coluna fez de mim um aprendiz

Por cinco anos, aprendi a moderar a quantidade de argumentos e evitar ironias ou ambiguidades. Por vezes, errei na sutileza ou deixei de seguir as regras. Abusei de analogias. Na posse de Bolsonaro, falei de Billy Wilder. **A2**

Escreverá, mensalmente, em Poder

Djaimilia P. Almeida

Sou pai e mãe, amiga

Volto a casa de cabeça erguida. Quem me vê passar pensa isso é mulher forte. Dali vou a pé até casa. Míndas cozinham, me sento, oramos. Comemos juntos. Ponho criança para dormir. Sou pai e mãe. **C10**

Autora angolana começa a escrever textos inéditos aos domingos

Italianos discutem lei que criminaliza atos de homofobia

Depois de 25 anos de tentativas, a Itália discute e vota, a partir de terça-feira no Senado, uma lei que criminaliza atos violentos e discriminatórios contra pessoas LGBTQI. Partidos de centro-direita e a Igreja Católica criticam trechos da proposta. **Mundo A16**

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Em Wembley, Inglaterra tenta título inédito contra Itália na Eurocopa



Casos de rebelião e ações autônomas de policiais crescem sob retórica golpista **C6 e C7**

Tóquio vive temor às vésperas de seus almeçados Jogos

A 12 dias da abertura da Olimpíada, Tóquio mergulha no clima de apreensão diante do avanço dos casos de Covid ao receber estrangeiros para os Jogos e garantir a segurança do evento, relatam os enviados Camilla Mattoso e Leandro Colon. **Esporte B9**

União gasta R\$ 7 bi com elite fura teto em 18 anos

A União gastou ao menos R\$ 7 bilhões com salários acima do teto constitucional, de 2000 a 2018. Os beneficiados recebem mais de R\$ 43,3 mil por mês, valor máximo pago a um ministro do STF. Essa elite do funcionalismo está fora das mudanças propostas pelo governo para enxugar a máquina pública com a reforma administrativa. **Mercado A19 e A20**

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Espiral descendente
Sobre números do Datafolha e reação de Bolsonaro.

Barrar os supersalários
Acerca de remunerações na administração pública.





Carrera por la vida arranca mañana en ex Aratirí y otros 217 vacunatorios

Luz verde para maratónica vacunación contra el Covid

- Al autódromo podrán ingresar motos, autos y hasta minibuses
- En una infografía vea todos los detalles útiles para la inmunización
- Hay menos casos positivos, pero camas de UTI continúan llenas

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Puesta a punto. A fin de ultimar detalles y aplicar los protocolos se realizó un simulacro de inmunización en el autódromo Rubén Dumot.



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Après le raté des régionales, les sondages en question

L'abstention historique aux élections régionales a déjoué les calculs des instituts. À quelques mois de la présidentielle, « Le Figaro » a enquêté sur leurs méthodes.

Les spécialistes de l'opinion auraient-ils perdu leur boussole, à quelques mois de l'élection présidentielle ? Ils se sont trompés au premier tour des régionales. Pire. Le dérègle-

ment s'est répété une semaine plus tard, au soir du second tour. Un exemple ? En Paca, le président (LR) sortant, Renaud Muselier, devance de 15 points son concurrent l'épéniste,

Thierry Mariani. Loin de l'écart serré de 2 points affiché avant le second tour dans une enquête pour *Le Figaro* et LCI. Le raté est sévère. Dans les archives des instituts de sondage, on

s'apprête à ranger les régionales au rayon des couacs, avec les présidentielles de 1995 et de 2002. Les sondeurs ont beau répéter que leurs chiffres ne sont pas des prédictions mais

une photographie de l'opinion, ils se retrouvent confrontés aux interrogations des politiques et des médias, qui ont les yeux rivés sur 2022 et aimeraient y voir clair...

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**Jean Le Cam,
l'homme qui fait aimer
la mer aux Français**

L'engouement pour le dernier Vendée Globe a franchi les frontières du sport nautique. Rencontre avec le « Roi Jean », qui en fut le héros sans en être le vainqueur, incarnant le courage et la fraternité des aventuriers de la mer.
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Allure grand large

Les Anciens divisaient les hommes en trois catégories : les vivants, les morts et ceux qui sont en mer. On y songeait en suivant l'hiver dernier le sauvetage de Kevin Escoffier, en perdition sur son canot, par Jean Le Cam. « Yes we Cam », le jeu de mots bilingue inscrit à l'avant de son monocoque, disait assez la détermination du marin, non seulement à braver les éléments, mais aussi à sauver son camarade. Il exprimait encore ceci : en plein confinement, un homme en liberté, échappé du carcan sanitaire en vigueur et surtout de la philosophie morose qui l'accompagnait, pouvait retrouver intacts les vieux gestes qui font la noblesse de l'humanité : courage, générosité, entraide. Ce magnifique épisode du dernier Vendée Globe a tenu le pays en haleine et installé son héros dans le cœur des Français. Au point qu'on peut s'interroger. Authentique homme d'exploits (cinq départs du Vendée Globe à son actif), Le Cam rompt pourtant avec l'image moderne du champion produite par d'autres sports : un être calibré, belle machine à gagner jusqu'à en être ennuyeuse : là, on est en présence d'un marin

de 62 ans, avec une gueule, un verbe, une vie. Et chacun d'admirer son allure grand large donnant le sentiment, même par procuration, qu'il est possible de se hisser au-dessus de soi, d'entrer dans les régions rarement visitées de l'intrépidité et du désintéressement. C'est peu dire qu'après Tabarly, après Florence Arthaud, après Kersauson, il est désormais un ambassadeur de la mer auprès des Français. Il contribue à leur ouvrir les yeux, à faire découvrir à ce peuple des champs, des bois et des rivières un continent constitué d'eau et de sel. L'oublie-t-on trop souvent, la France va de Strasbourg à Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon, de Lille aux Kerguelen. Cette géographie de confettis, qui porte la mémoire de marins de légende, lui vaut de posséder le deuxième domaine maritime de la planète. Autant de ressources naturelles à cultiver bientôt. L'océan est le jardin de la vie de demain, mais, grâce à Le Cam, il restera celui des rêves de toujours. ■

Les géants de l'alimentaire gagnés par la folie du tout-végétal

Même si le marché français des produits sans protéines animales reste modeste, à peine 500 millions d'euros, sa croissance est très forte. Les grands industriels et les start-up multiplient les lancements de produits 100 % végétaux comme les yaourts au lait d'avoine, les simili-ailes de poulet aux protéines de pois. En réalité, les entreprises ne visent pas uniquement le marché végan, mais tous les consommateurs et particulièrement ceux qui souhaitent réduire leur consommation de viande.
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