

Is Pope Francis Leading the Church to a Schism?

REVIEW

WSJ

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL WEEKEND

Wisdom
For Watch
Buyers
OFF DUTY



DOW JONES | News Corp *****

SATURDAY/SUNDAY, JULY 17 - 18, 2021 - VOL. CCLXXVIII NO. 14

WSJ.com ★★★★★ \$5.00

What's News

World-Wide

A federal judge in Texas invalidated the Obama-era DACA initiative that provided deportation protections and work permits to some young immigrants, a ruling that places the program in jeopardy. **A1**

◆ **Border Patrol** agents have made more than a million arrests at the U.S.-Mexico border so far this year, already higher than any full-year total since at least 2005. **A2**

◆ **The Biden administration** is warning American businesses about the increasing risks of operating in Hong Kong as China's tightening grip on the city causes business conditions to deteriorate. **A1**

◆ **Five senior officers** of Haiti's National Police have been detained in connection with the assassination of President Moïse, Haiti's National Police chief said. **A8**

◆ **One month after** California fully reopened for business, many of the state's most populous counties are putting their masks back on amid rising Covid-19 infections. **A3**

◆ **Big names in corporate America** have resumed donating to GOP lawmakers who voted against certifying Biden's victory after announcing pauses or reviews of their political donations in response to the Capitol riot. **A4**

Business & Finance

◆ **Shoppers in the U.S.** stepped up retail spending in June, offering a boost to the economic recovery as it faces concerns about accelerating inflation. **A1**

◆ **The extra return** investors demand to hold lower-rated corporate bonds over ultrasafe Treasuries has fallen within striking distance of all-time lows. **B1**

◆ **Lordstown Motors** confirmed the DOJ is probing its business, investigating matters related to its reverse merger deal and preorders for its forthcoming pickup truck. **B3**

◆ **China sent regulators** including state security and police officials to Didi Global's ride-hailing business as part of a cybersecurity investigation. **A6**

◆ **U.S. stocks fell** and snapped a three-week winning streak. The S&P 500 and Nasdaq both lost 0.8% on Friday, while the Dow retreated 0.9%. **B15**

◆ **The cost of refinancing** government-backed home loans is expected to fall as Fannie and Freddie are set to drop a fee imposed last year amid the pandemic. **A3**

◆ **Binance, the world's** largest cryptocurrency exchange operator, said it would stop offering digital tokens tied to stocks such as Apple and Tesla. **B15**

OPINION

The Woke Threat To Philanthropy **A11**

CONTENTS	Sports	A14
Books	C-12	Style & Fashion
Business News	B3	Travel
De-7	U.S. News	A2-5
Heard on Street	B16	Weather
Obituaries	A9	World Investor
Opinion	A11-13	World News



© 2021 Dow Jones & Company, Inc. All Rights Reserved.

Flooding in Europe Leaves Trail of Death and Destruction



DISASTER: Rescuers in Germany and neighboring countries raced to find survivors from the region's worst flooding in decades, as the death toll rose to more than 120. Above, a scene of damage in the Blessem district of Erfstadt in Germany. **A7**

DACA Program Is Ruled Unlawful by Federal Judge

Migrants are blocked from new protections, but effect on current recipients is postponed

By BRENT KENDALL AND MICHELLE HACKMAN

A federal judge in Texas on Friday invalidated an Obama-era initiative that provided deportation protections and work permits to some young immigrants, a ruling that places the program in jeopardy.

U.S. District Judge Andrew Hanen ruled the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program was unlawful because Congress never gave the executive branch the power to grant mass reprieves to immigrants who are in the U.S. without authorization.

"As popular as this program might be, the proper origina-

tion point for the DACA program was, and is, Congress," Judge Hanen, a George W. Bush nominee, wrote.

Judge Hanen's ruling barred the Biden administration from approving new DACA applications. But the judge stayed the immediate effect of his ruling on current DACA recipients, citing their longtime reliance on the program, meaning there won't be upheaval right away for those people who are currently in good standing.

Current recipients will also be allowed to renew their status under the program, the ruling said.

The judge sent the matter back to the Department of Homeland Security for it to determine how to proceed. DHS has previously said it is working on a formal regulation to codify a DACA-like program in the coming months, which po-

tentially could firm up some legal vulnerabilities.

The case is likely to see additional legal proceedings at higher-level courts, which could leave any final outcome many months away.

The White House, Justice Department and DHS didn't respond to requests for comment.

DACA has offered temporary protections to any immigrants in the country without legal authorization who were 30 or younger when the program was announced. DACA recipients must have arrived in the U.S. by 2007, before they turned 16, and satisfied other conditions, including being a student or graduate and having no significant criminal record.

Please turn to page A2

◆ **Border arrests top a million** for this year..... **A2**

U.S. Warns Firms Of Hong Kong Risk

By WILLIAM MAULDIN AND ALEX LEARY

WASHINGTON—The Biden administration is warning American businesses about the increasing risks of operating in Hong Kong as China's tightening grip on the city causes business conditions to deteriorate.

In an advisory issued Friday, the Biden administration cautions businesses and individuals working for them that they are subject to a restrictive national-security law that Beijing imposed on Hong Kong a year ago. The advisory cites the risks of electronic surveillance without warrants and of being compelled to surrender corporate and customer data to the government.

"This new legal landscape...could adversely affect businesses and individuals op-

erating in Hong Kong," said the advisory, jointly issued by the Treasury, State, Commerce and Homeland Security departments. "As a result of these changes, they should be aware of potential reputational, regulatory, financial, and, in certain instances, legal risks associated with their Hong Kong operations."

In addition to the advisory, the Treasury Department added seven Chinese officials working in China's main government office in Hong Kong to a sanctions list that already includes many leading officials in the city. The move blocks any assets in the U.S. financial system and puts U.S. citizens on notice not to deal with them.

Beijing deployed the national-security law to stamp out an antigovernment protest movement that rocked Hong Kong.

Please turn to page A6

Wall Street's New Rivalry: Who Can See the Most People in Person

Dealmakers get back on the road, and JPMorgan awards points for meetings

By CARA LOMBARDO AND DAVID BENOIT

Wall Street investment bankers are well-acustomed to jockeying for multimillion-dollar fees on corporate deals. Now, the game is focused on just showing up.

After more than a year of Zoom, Wall Street's elite are beginning to emerge from behind their screens and returning to the timeworn custom of in-person client visits, handshakes and wine-soaked dinners.

Rivals Goldman Sachs Group Inc. and JPMorgan Chase & Co., which have already brought their employees back to the office faster than the rest of Wall Street, are urging their bankers to get out and visit boldfaced corporate clients — a n d quickly, before others do.

Goldman chief David Solomon began touting the importance of traveling to see clients as soon as New York state quarantine restrictions softened in early April, people

Please turn to page A10



Heading out

EXCHANGE



POWER DYNAMIC
Adam Neumann and Masayoshi Son fueled WeWork's rise—and fall. **B1**

Beijing Targets Tibet For Assimilation

China expands surveillance and restrictions, borrowing some tactics used in Xinjiang

By LIZA LIN, EVA XIAO AND JONATHAN CHENG

MAQEN, China—A quiet state-run campaign is ramping up the assimilation of one of China's most recognizable minorities.

At Lari, a small Tibetan Buddhist monastery in the Qinghai province, devotees spin prayer wheels under the watchful eye of surveillance cameras and a large portrait of Chinese leader Xi Jinping.

To the north, monks at the 127-year-old Xin Monas-

tery say new restrictions on youth participation are making it hard to bring in recruits. Across the region, schools are slashing recruitment of teachers who give classes in Tibetan and replacing traditional artwork with posters of Chinese leaders.

Mr. Xi has made it a national priority to forge a single Chinese identity in the name of unity—one centered on the Han Chinese majority and loyalty to the Communist Party. The government's

Please turn to page A10



My wild crypto ride

Lessons from a flutter on the new financial frontier

LIFE & ARTS

Germany fears climate change caused floods

More than 100 die as rivers overflow

GUY CHAZAN — BERLIN

German politicians have blamed climate change for the devastating floods in the west of the country that killed at least 105 people and left a trail of devastation in their wake.

Rivers across the region burst their banks after days of heavy rain. Houses were swept away, bridges and roads were destroyed and several town centres were left in ruins.

In the western state of Rhineland-Palatinate, 100 people were unaccounted for. Other countries were affected, with 14 dead in Belgium.

Armin Laschet, governor of North Rhine-Westphalia, one of the worst-affected German regions, said the country was experiencing a "flooding catastrophe of historic proportions".

Laschet, the conservatives' candidate to succeed Angela Merkel as chancellor after September's election, said the government should accelerate efforts to combat climate change. "Germany must go down the path towards carbon neutrality more quickly now," he said.

Scientists have warned that extreme weather events such as floods, droughts and heatwaves will increase as the planet continues to warm. Ursula von der Leyen, European Commission president, echoed those concerns when

asked about the floods. "Science tells us that with climate change we see more and more extreme weather phenomena that last longer," she said.

Speaking in Washington before talks with US president Joe Biden, Merkel pledged she would deploy "all the powers of the state" to help those affected. Horst Seehofer, Germany's interior minister, told Der Spiegel that the government would provide financial aid to the affected regions as quickly as possible.

Seehofer, 72, a political veteran, said that "in my entire career in Germany I have never seen such a flood with such terrible consequences, with so many deaths and so many people missing". He added: "Any sensible person must get the fact that freak weather of this intensity and frequency is not a normal phenomenon in this part of the world but the consequences of man-made global warming."

This month's floods across Europe are expected to lead to another billion-dollar loss for insurers, according to broker Aon. It follows a torrent of hail and heavy rain in June that Aon forecast would lead to \$4.5bn in payouts, making it Europe's costliest two-week stretch.

Additional reporting by Erika Solomon and Ian Smith
EU climate policy page 3
FT View page 8

Golden rule Athletes warned against podium protests at Tokyo Olympics



US sprinters Tommie Smith and John Carlos raise their fists in support of civil rights at the 1968 Olympics in Mexico City, one of the highest-profile protests made by athletes.

But Thomas Bach, president of the International Olympic Committee, has warned athletes against such gestures at the forthcoming Tokyo Olympics. He told the Financial

Times that "the podium and the medal ceremonies are not made ... for a political or other demonstration".

Tokyo activism page 4
FT View page 8

Andrew Lloyd Webber

Cinderella and theatre's return
LIFE & ARTS



Cuba The coming revolution?

BIG READ



Survivors' stories

Norway 10 years on
LIFE & ARTS



The boating dream

New lives at sea
LIFE & ARTS



Russia hopes for trade off with Siberian rail upgrade

Russia is spending \$17bn to propel its Soviet-era rail network into the 21st century and grab a bigger slice of the transport revenues in the billions of dollars of freight traded between Asia and Europe. The Baikal-Amur Mainline runs across 4,300km of eastern Siberia through some of the planet's toughest terrain to the Pacific. Competition from China's superfast trains could be a bigger obstacle. The average speed on Russia's network is 43km per hour.

Slow train > PAGE 2

Binance under fire on wider front after Lithuania and Hong Kong join the fray

ADAM SAMSON — LONDON

Regulators in Lithuania and Hong Kong have become the latest to crack down on Binance, further complicating one of the largest cryptocurrency exchange's efforts to do business in key jurisdictions.

Lithuania's central bank said yesterday a Vilnius-based Binance payments affiliate was providing "unlicensed investment services". Meanwhile, Hong Kong's regulator issued a warning over the exchange's stock tokens trading programme, which this year faced scrutiny in the UK and Germany. Binance said it would shut the tokens scheme for "commercial" reasons.

The censures, which follow similar moves from Italy and the UK, may further limit Binance's ability to link up with the traditional system.

Watchdogs have expressed concern over issues including securities rules and consumer protection. Binance struggled to keep its compliance function on a par with its growth, people familiar with its operations have said.

The warning from the UK's Financial Conduct Authority in June, while limited in scope, proved the first in a string of responses to one of the biggest crypto market participants. It prompted high street banks Barclays and Santander to restrict customers from sending funds to the Caymans-incorporated company.

Clear function, a UK payments group that had connected Binance to euro and sterling money transfer networks, also cut off the exchange this week.

"We take a collaborative approach in working with regulators, and we take our compliance obligations very seriously," the exchange said yesterday.

Most of the group's trading is in crypto assets and their derivatives, but Binance relies on traditional and generally regulated companies to allow customers to put hard currency on the exchange. Lithuania's intervention could damage this link to payments entities in Europe.

The affiliate Binance UAB, owned by chief executive Changpeng Zhao, acts as a payment "agent" for the group, the exchange's website states. The exchange said Binance UAB "does not provide investment services and it does not operate or control Binance.com".

But the articles of association for the entity, filed last year, say its main activities include "investing in virtual assets" and "establishment of funds to invest in virtual assets". The bureau's terms of service had described the company as a Binance "operator" until at least July 5.

On Wall Street page 14

World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				INTEREST RATES			
	Jul 16	prev	%chg		Jul 16	prev	%chg		price	yield	%chg
S&P 500	4340.31	4390.03	-1.15	\$ per £	1.181	1.182	-0.08	US Gov 10 yr	148.18	1.31	-0.02
Nasdaq Composite	14502.88	14643.13	-0.98	€ per \$	1.379	1.380	-0.07	UK Gov 10 yr	0.63	-0.04	-0.04
Dow Jones Ind	34504.52	34697.02	-0.54	¥ per €	0.856	0.852	0.47	Ger Gov 10 yr	0.35	-0.02	-0.02
FTSE100	1754.84	1761.30	-0.36	¥ per \$	110.105	110.035	0.06	Jpn Gov 10 yr	117.95	0.02	0.01
Euro Stoxx 50	4032.74	4056.39	-0.58	¥ per €	151.852	152.564	-0.47	US Gov 30 yr	115.13	1.94	-0.01
FTSE MIB	7008.09	7012.02	-0.06	CHF per €	1.086	1.085	0.09	Ger Gov 2 yr	105.73	-0.68	0.00
FTSE AEX	4002.80	4005.00	-0.06	€ per \$	0.847	0.846	0.12				
CAC 40	6460.98	6493.36	-0.51								
Xetra Dax	15640.31	15673.66	-0.21								
Nikkei	28002.98	28270.01	-0.96								
Hang Seng	28004.68	27995.27	0.03								
MSCI World \$	3043.52	3050.58	-0.49	Oil WTI \$	71.78	71.65	0.18	Fed Funds Eff	0.08	0.08	0.02
MSCI EM \$	1348.48	1338.13	0.77	Oil Brent \$	73.87	73.47	0.27	US 3m T-bill	0.05	0.05	-0.01
MSCI ACWI	723.86	728.09	-0.53	Gold \$	1822.75	1823.20	-0.03	Euro Libor 3m	-0.55	-0.55	0.00
								UK 3m	0.08	0.08	0.00



design + made in denmark LINDBERG

A Nikkei Company

Subscribe in print and online
www.ft.com/subsusa
Tel: 1 800 428 9088
For the latest news go to
www.ft.com

© THE FINANCIAL TIMES LTD 2021
No: 40,762

Printed in London, Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin,
Frankfurt, Milan, Madrid, New York, Chicago, San
Francisco, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Singapore, Seoul,
Dubai





SCHULD, GERMANY The Ahr River ripped apart tidy woodframed houses.



BAD NEUENHAHR-AHRWEILER, GERMANY A damaged car sat amid a cemetery.



ERFTSTADT, GERMANY Trucks could not get through a flooded street.



VERVIERS, BELGIUM A woman shoveling mud and water out of her house.

EUROPE'S FLOODS ARE LATEST SIGNS OF CLIMATE CRISIS

TOWNS WEREN'T READY

In Germany Alone, More
Than 100 Dead and
1,300 Missing

This article is by Melissa Eddy, Jack Ewing, Megan Specia and Steven Erlanger.

BERLIN — Days before boiling waters tore through western Germany, a European weather agency issued an "extreme" flood warning after detailed models showed storms that threatened to send rivers surging to levels that a German meteorologist said on Friday had not been seen in 500 or even 1,000 years.

By Friday those predictions proved devastatingly accurate, with more than 100 people dead and 1,300 unaccounted for, as helicopter rescue crews plucked marooned residents from villages inundated sometimes within minutes, raising questions about lapses in Germany's elaborate flood warning system.

Numerous areas, victims and officials said, were caught unprepared when normally placid brooks and streams turned into torrents that swept away cars, houses and bridges and everything else in their paths. "It went so fast. You tried to do something, and it was already too late," a resident of Schuld told Germany's ARD public television, after the Ahr River swelled its banks, ripping apart tidy wood-framed houses and sending vehicles bobbing like bath toys.

Extreme downpours like the ones that occurred in Germany are one of the most visible signs that the climate is changing as a result of warming caused by greenhouse gas emissions. Studies have found that they are now happening more frequently for a simple reason: A warmer atmosphere can hold more moisture, generating more, and more powerful, rainfall.

But even as extreme weather Continued on Page A6

Biden Facing New Pressures Over Migrants

By MICHAEL D. SHEAR
and EILEEN SULLIVAN

WASHINGTON — President Biden came under renewed pressure on immigration Friday as the authorities said a record number of migrants arrived at the border with Mexico last month and a federal judge in Texas raised legal questions about an Obama-era program that protects young immigrants from deportation.

Border officials encountered migrants nearly 6,000 times a day last month for a total of 188,829, the largest monthly number in recent history, according to data released on Friday by Customs and Border Protection. The surge is happening at the height of the hottest summer months, when the flow of people seeking entry into the United States usually abates.

In Texas, Judge Andrew S. Hanen of the U.S. District Court in Houston ruled that the program known as Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals was unlawful, raising new questions about the fate of nearly 600,000 immigrants, often referred to as Dreamers. But in a partial victory for Mr. Biden and immigration advocates, Judge Hanen stopped short of ordering the program terminated, saying the government could not approve new applications.

The ruling adds urgency to Democratic efforts to permanently legalize DACA recipients as part of Mr. Biden's \$3.5 trillion economic recovery bill being debated in Congress. Activists have already been pressing Mr. Biden to make sure that the Dreamers and other immigrants are given a path to citizenship in the bill, though the effort could be blocked by complicated procedural rules in the Senate.

Taken together, Friday's developments underscored the difficult and often politically fraught Continued on Page A14

DREAMERS A judge in Texas ruled that a program shielding the undocumented is unlawful. PAGE A15

California Resumes a Virus Fight That It Thought It Had Won

This article is by Matt Craig, Mitch Smith and Shaven Hubler.

LOS ANGELES — Last month, flanked by the "Transformers" robot hero Optimus Prime and a bevy of Minions from the "Despicable Me" movie franchise, Gov. Gavin Newsom triumphantly stood before the Universal Studios Hollywood globe, lifting more than a year's worth of pandemic health restrictions and announcing California's "grand reopening."

"We are here today, June 15, to turn the page," the governor said, his clean-shaven face mask-free in the L.A. sunshine.

On Saturday at midnight, Los Angeles County health authorities will turn back that page.

Just four weeks into California's push for a return to normalcy, health officials in the state's most populous county announced that face masks would again be required indoors starting this weekend, the first major county in America to restore indoor masking requirements regardless of

Los Angeles Reinstates Face Mask Mandate

vaccination status. Driven by the rise of the ultra-contagious Delta variant and pockets of low vaccination, the announcement, which affects more than 10 million Californians, led a wave of heightened health warnings in a state of 40 million people. It also reflected concern nation-

ally that vaccine defiance, misinformation and the variant have been responsible for significant increases in coronavirus cases in Arkansas, Louisiana and elsewhere.

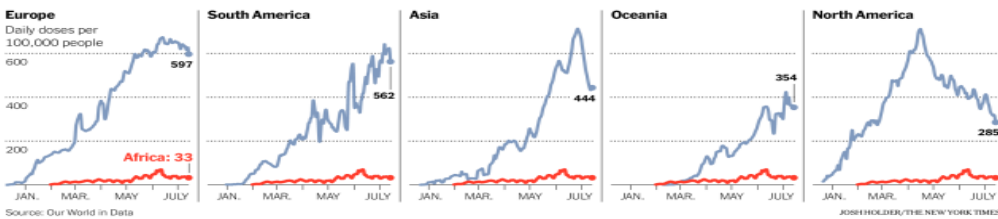
"This is becoming a pandemic of the unvaccinated," Dr. Rochelle P. Walensky, the director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said.

Los Angeles County's new rules came as the University of California's 10-campus system an-

Continued on Page A11

Africa's Vaccination Rate Lags Far Behind

Rich countries have bought most of the global supply of vaccines, and the doses available for Africa are unlikely to increase anytime soon. PAGE A8.



Biden's Pre-K and College Plan Aims to Be a Ladder to Success

By ERICA L. GREEN and MADELEINE NGO

WASHINGTON — What was once considered a progressive dream for the nation's education system could be headed toward reality as Democrats push forward to broker a deal on a new spending plan containing President Biden's most ambitious domestic policy goals.

Included in the list of programs Democrats agreed this week to include in their \$3.5 trillion budget blueprint are Mr. Biden's campaign proposals to offer

prekindergarten enrollment for every 3- and 4-year-old in the country, and tuition-free community college to every young adult. So far, both proposals are drawing widespread support from the Democratic coalition and are expected to remain priorities as the party's top leaders seek to deliver on bedrocks of Mr. Biden's \$4 trillion economic plan.

"Infrastructure's about roads and bridges, but it's about the Continued on Page A13

Can Texas Turn Further Right? Top 2 Republicans Say It Can.

By REID J. EPSTEIN

One is a former State Supreme Court justice who acts with a lawyer's caution; the other a Trumpist firebrand who began his political career in the world of conservative talk radio. They have sparred at times, most recently this winter over the deadly failure of their state's electrical grid.

But together, Gov. Greg Abbott and Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, the two most powerful men in Texas, are driving one of the hardest right turns in recent state history.

The two Republicans stand united at a pivotal moment in Texas politics, opposing Democrats who have left the state for Washington in protest of the G.O.P.-controlled Legislature's attempt to overhaul the state's election system — blocking Republicans from advancing any bills to Mr. Abbott's desk. Any policy differences between the governor and lieutenant governor have melted away in the face of the re-

Continued on Page A14

Race Motivated Agency Spying, Report Reveals

By CATIE EDMONDSON

WASHINGTON — Officials in a little-known security unit within the Commerce Department conducted unauthorized surveillance and investigations into the agency's employees that targeted people of Chinese and Middle Eastern descent, Senate investigators said in a new report.

The report, informed by more than two dozen whistle-blowers and released this week by Senator Roger Wicker of Mississippi, the top Republican on the Commerce Committee, concluded that the Investigations and Threat Management Service functioned for more than a decade as "a rogue, unaccountable police force," opening thousands of unauthorized investigations into department employees, often for specious reasons.

It found that the work of the office — consumed by concerns about rampant Chinese espionage in the United States — sometimes veered into racial profiling, and that its leaders used extreme tactics, such as sending masked agents to break into offices to search for incriminating evidence.

"Combating national security threats posed by China should be a priority for any agency, but that Continued on Page A13



INTERNATIONAL A4-9

A Leader's Humble Origins

In the hometown of the slain Haitian president, residents blamed the elite for his death, and their plight. PAGE A9

Rules Placed on Catholic Rite

The pope put new restrictions on where the old Latin Mass can be celebrated and who can celebrate it. PAGE A4

NATIONAL A10-15, 18

'They're Killing People'

President Biden slammed social media companies like Facebook for allowing false information about the vaccine to spread online, capping weeks of frustration at the White House. PAGE A11

Desperation in a Drought

As ranchers and vineyard owners scramble to find new groundwater sources in a dry California, some are turning to water witches and their ancient, disputed methods. PAGE A10

OPINION A16-17

Farhad Manjoo

PAGE A16



BUSINESS B1-7

Flavor Across the Divides

India, Pakistan and Bangladesh alike enjoy the sweet and herbal taste of Rooftop Afza, a sugary beverage. PAGE B1

The Race to Harvest Hydrogen

It could be a weapon against climate change, and companies are striving to produce it cleanly and cheaply. PAGE B1

SPORTS SATURDAY B8-10

Karate Fighter's Dream Dashed

Maya Wasowicz was eliminated from qualifying under suspicious circumstances. A report backed up her claims, but she still won't be in Tokyo. PAGE B8

Brilliant at Royal St. George's

Collin Morikawa, playing in his first British Open, is two strokes behind the leader, Louis Oosthuizen. PAGE B10

ARTS C1-6

Covid Looms Over West End

London theaters are canceling shows, and more may close when England ends distancing requirements. PAGE C1

THIS WEEKEND

Book Review



'We will reunite. God bless and keep you.'

— ROSARIO YANIRA GIRÓN DE ORELLANA, as recalled by daughter Adriana Orellana de Girón



FUNERAL DIRECTOR Alonzo Rangel, left, and Deputy Raul Narvaez remove the body of Rosario Yanira Girón de Orellana, 41, of San Julián, El Salvador, found last month on a ranch in Brooks County, Texas. GARY CORONADO Los Angeles Times

COLUMN ONE

She told her daughter goodbye at the border. Then, nothing

The mystery of a Salvadoran single mom's last days in Texas

BY MOLLY HENNESSY-FISKE
REPORTING FROM FALFURRIAS, TEXAS

Black feathers fell from circling vultures and snagged in the matted yellow grass. The ranch manager eyed the terrain and followed the stench. He found the woman's body, like so many others in the south Texas brush: played in the weeds, arms dark with decay, raised above her head as if in surrender.

The rancher knew what to do. He had come upon 15 such migrants over the years. He called Brooks County sheriff's dispatchers. They issued a Code 500, a dead body call, summoning a deputy, two Border Patrol agents, a justice of the peace and a funeral director. They met the rancher shortly before noon at the gate of Los Palos Ranch, about 75 miles north of the border.

[See Rosario, A4]



ROSARIO is photographed in El Salvador, before setting out for the U.S. with her daughter. MARIA HERRERA

L.A. County leads battle against Delta

If it's successful, mask mandate could offer a blueprint for handling coronavirus variant.

BY LUKE MONEY,
EMILY ALPERT REYES
AND RONG-GONG LIN II

By imposing a sweeping indoor mask mandate, Los Angeles County has again pushed itself onto the front lines of the national battle to contain the hypercontagious Delta variant of the coronavirus.

The easily spread strain has been blamed for increases in infections across the country, and it created a new tightrope for public health officials to walk as they seek to balance the need to protect the unvaccinated while acknowledging that those who are can largely resume pre-pandemic life.

While federal and state authorities continue to urge the unvaccinated to take safety precautions and get their shots, L.A. County has gone a step further: turning to mandatory masking in indoor public settings, even for those who are vaccinated.

Data leak prompts firefighter outcry

L.A. County union demands inquiry after vaccination records are posted. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

The effect of the new health order, which goes into effect Saturday night, won't become clear for a few weeks.

Should the strategy prove successful, L.A. County could provide a blueprint for blunting transmission without resorting to the

business closures and lockdowns that sparked so much frustration and fear over the last 16 months.

If it fails, though — either on account of public apathy or because it wasn't aggressive enough — officials acknowledge they may have to take additional action.

"Anything is on the table if things continue to get worse, which is why we want to take action now," Dr. Muntu Davis, the county's health officer, said this week.

Under the county's order, effective 11:59 p.m. Saturday, masks will be required to be [See Masks, A8]

Order to end DACA a 'siren' for Democrats

Legislative action to protect immigrants is urgent after judge's ruling, advocates say.

BY ASTRID GALVAN

HOUSTON — Immigrants and advocates are urging Democrats and President Biden to quickly act on legislation to protect young immigrants after a federal judge in Texas on Friday ruled illegal an Obama-era program that prevents the deportation of thousands of them brought into the U.S. as children.

Plaintiffs have vowed to appeal the decision by U.S. District Judge Andrew S. Hanen, who declared the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA, program illegal, barring the government from approving any new applications, but leaving the program intact for existing recipients.

Calling the ruling a "blaring siren" for Democrats, United We Dream Executive Director Greisa Martinez Rosas said they would be solely to blame if legislative reform doesn't happen.

"Until the president and Democrats in Congress deliver on citizenship, the lives of millions will remain on the line," Martinez Rosas said.

Hanen ruled in favor of Texas and eight other conservative states that sued to halt DACA, which provides limited protections to about 650,000 people.

The program has faced a roller coaster of court challenges since former President Obama instituted it in June 2012.

The Trump administration announced it was ending the program in September 2017, but the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 2020 that the administration hadn't ended the program properly, keeping it alive once more.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-San Francisco) vowed in a statement Friday evening that Democrats will continue to push for passage of the DREAM Act and called on Republicans "to join us in respecting the will of the American people and the law, to ensure that Democrats have a permanent path to citizenship."

In Friday's ruling, Hanen wrote that the states proved [See DACA, A8]

Lawyer watchdog also kept Girardi in elite company

BY HARRIET RYAN
AND MATT HAMILTON

As an investigator for the State Bar of California, Tom Layton was responsible for policing the legal profession for rogue attorneys.

But while collecting a salary as a watchdog for the public, Layton spent work hours advancing the interests and political connections of a lawyer with a long record of misconduct complaints: the now-disgraced trial attorney Tom Girardi, emails obtained by the Los Angeles Times show.

During years when clients accused the attorney of stealing from them, Layton, the most high-profile investigator at the agency, was arranging dinner dates for Girardi with civic elites, such as then-Los Angeles Police Chief Charlie Beck and billionaire developer Ed Roski, and otherwise acting as his personal assistant, political operative and, at times, chauffeur, according to the emails.

"I'll CC Tom Layton so he can arrange to transport you all to the Chief's Office," Beck's aide wrote to Girardi's secretary in advance of a 2014 photo op for Girardi, his wife, Erika — a "Real Housewives of Beverly Hills" star — and a police running team they sponsored. The aide added, "Confirm, the 3rd is Mr. Girardi's birthday, yes?"

The emails, provided to The Times by the bar in response to a public records request, shed further light on how the bar's oversight of Girardi, one of the nation's most prominent civil attorneys, failed.

A Times investigation previously revealed that Girardi treated Layton and other bar officials to private plane rides and fancy dinners and employed their children at his firm. In the wake of the story, the bar conducted an internal review of past investigations of Girardi and found "mistakes made." The agency's board of trustees has refused to [See Girardi, A10]

Pope restricts old Latin Mass

Francis reverses one of Benedict XVI's signature decisions, calling it a source of division. **WORLD, A3**

Deadline for recall passes

No prominent Democrat has filed forms to challenge the governor. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

2 held in plot to bomb building

Northern California men with far-right ties targeted capital, feds say. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

Weather

Clouds, then sun. L.A. Basin: 85°/70°. **B3**

Printed with soy inks on partially recycled paper.



Chlorine shortage takes swim students out of the pool

BY SONJA SHARP

Swim instructor Symone Martin floated faceup in a backyard pool in Baldwin Hills one recent afternoon, the tang of wet concrete and chlorine perfuming the air as she modeled this summer's most sought after skill in her flamingo pink one-piece.

"Head is up!" The instructor prompted.

"Looking up at the sun," sisters Harmony and Melody Taylor, 10 and 8, sang back in chorus.

"And we're breathing. What happens when we stop breathing?"

"We drown!" The happy voices cried.

After more than a year out of the water, kids like the Taylors are seeking out swim lessons in record numbers this summer. Yet many of those most in need of lessons can't get them, because public pools are com-



SWIM INSTRUCTOR Symone Martin holds Melody Taylor, 8, during a lesson in a friend's backyard pool in the Baldwin Hills neighborhood of Los Angeles. JAY L. CLENDENIN Los Angeles Times

peting with a flood of new backyard pools for an increasingly scarce resource: chlorine.

"It's a fairness issue," said Torrence Thomas, who runs the swim safety nonprofit Tankproof with his twin brother, Thurman. "You can't have pools without chlorine, and all the supplies are going to these [private] pools."

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention lists not knowing how to swim as a top risk factor for drowning, which remains a leading cause of death for children under 15. Several states saw sharp increases during the pandemic, despite widespread pool and beach closures last year.

"The numbers are going up because kids don't have access to quality swim instruction," Thomas said.

The chlorine shortage has already shut down pub- [See Chlorine, A7]

The Washington Post

Prices may vary in areas outside metropolitan Washington.



Heavy t-storms 9-4/73 • Tomorrow: Showers 85/72 B6

Democracy Dies in Darkness

SATURDAY, JULY 17, 2021 • \$2



People walk through the flood-damaged city center of Bad Neuenahr-Ahrweiler, Germany, on Friday. An unprecedented flood of the Ahr River devastated the area, with at least 120 dead and many still missing while mobile phone networks were down.

DANIEL ETTER FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

'The whole city, it's gone'

In Western Germany, residents of towns ravaged by floods get a glimpse of the damage

BY LOVEDAY MORRIS
IN BAD NEUENAH-AHRWEILER,
GERMANY

In village after village along what was once a string of idyllic riverside communities in western Germany, the scenes Friday bore witness to nature's power as floodwaters receded enough to give a glimpse of the scale of the damage — and what it will take to rebuild.

Cranes picked cars out of trees, tossed there by the surging

waters as though they were little more than pebbles. Roads were cleaved apart. Bridges were swept away. Homes were filled with thick layers of dark river mud as people's belongings — the private details of their lives — were swept into the street.

Police teams were still clearing out the dead.

"Don't go in there!" shouted Gudrun Rachel, a resident of an apartment block overlooking the Ahr River in Bad Neuenahr-Ahrweiler, a picturesque spa

town about 30 miles southeast of Cologne that was at the epicenter of the flooding fed by torrential rains that began late Wednesday.

A policeman flanked the door as they waited to remove the body of a neighbor.

"The whole city, it's gone," said Rachel. "We have no furniture, no place. We have nothing. I'm too old to start again."

At least 62 people have died along this stretch of the Ahr River, according to police, making it the hardest-hit area in Germany — in flooding that claimed more than 120 lives in Germany and Belgium.

The Ahr, a tributary to the Rhine, spread hundreds of yards over its banks, engulfing everything in its path. Police say they cannot give accurate figures on the people who are still missing.

Just around the corner, more dazed residents picked through what they had left.

Sian Oelschlaeger, 49, and her

SEE GERMANY ON A10

Rescue workers race to find survivors: More than 1,000 operations have been carried out to find stranded people. A10

Delta variant tightens its grip

U.S. INFECTIONS UP NEARLY 70% IN ONE WEEK

Nearly all hospitalizations are among unvaccinated

BY YASMEEN ABUTALEB
AND FRANCES STEAD SELLERS

Federal health officials sounded an alarm Friday about a surge in U.S. coronavirus infections fueled by the twin threats posed by the highly transmissible delta variant and a stagnation in efforts to vaccinate as many Americans as possible.

During a White House briefing, Rochelle Walensky, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said the seven-day average of coronavirus infections soared nearly 70 percent in just one week, to about 26,300 cases a day. The seven-day average for hospitalizations has increased, too, climbing about 36 percent from the previous seven-day period, she said.

"There is a clear message that is coming through: This is becoming a pandemic of the unvaccinated," Walensky said. "We are seeing outbreaks of cases in parts of the country that have low vaccination coverage because unvaccinated people are at risk, and communities that are fully vaccinated are generally faring well."

Data and maps illustrated the hastening pace of cases — and the disproportionate burden borne by some states. Florida emerged as a national hot spot, accounting for 1 in 5 cases in the past week. Four states were responsible for more than 40 percent of cases in the past week, health officials said. And 10 percent of counties have moved into "high transmission risk."

The response in some corners of the nation was swift. In Los

SEE VIRUS ON A6

Vaccination: For some, hesitancy hardens into open hostility. A5

Biden berates Big Tech, ties social media to toll

President says platforms are failing to counteract vaccine misinformation

BY MATT VISER,
RACHEL LERMAN
AND TYLER PAGER

President Biden on Friday unleashed a forceful new attack against social media companies for allowing the spread of misinformation about coronavirus vaccines, explicitly blaming them for the deaths of many Americans of covid-19.

"They're killing people," Biden said on the South Lawn of the White House before boarding

Marine One on his way to Camp David for the weekend. "Look, the only pandemic we have is among the unvaccinated. And they're killing people."

Biden's comments marked a far more combative tone than he had taken previously on the pandemic and came a day after Surgeon General Vivek H. Murthy issued a broader warning against health misinformation, saying that tech companies were partially responsible for the falsehoods spreading online and causing large numbers of Americans to avoid getting vaccinated.

The salvo immediately placed Biden in a public argument with Facebook, the world's largest social media platform, on an issue that has consumed his presidency

SEE BIDEN ON A6

Calling DACA 'unlawful,' judge halts applications

Immigrants already in program are allowed to keep protected status

BY MARIA SACCHETTI

A federal judge in Texas has largely halted an Obama administration initiative that grants work permits and reprieves from deportation to undocumented immigrants brought to the United States as children — calling the program "unlawful" even as he allowed the more than 600,000 young people already in it to keep their protected status.

U.S. District Judge Andrew S. Hanen sided with Texas and other states in his ruling that President Barack Obama overstepped his executive authority when he created the program.

Hanen's ruling called Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or

DACA, an "illegally implemented program" and said "the public interest of the nation is always served by the cessation of a program that was created in violation of law."

He prohibited the Department of Homeland Security from approving new applications, issued a permanent injunction vacating the memo that created DACA in 2012 — when President Biden was vice president — and remanded the issue to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for reconsideration.

The Biden administration had no immediate response to Friday's ruling. But the long-awaited knockdown spurred a political outcry and intensified pressure on the White House and Congress to pass an immigration measure this year.

Immigrants brought to this

SEE DACA ON A4

Border worries: Apprehensions are up amid summer heat. A4

Bought for millions. Sold for \$250,000.

Big Ag firm says plant's value had plummeted when company owned by Trump's USDA nominee acquired it



In August 2017, U.S. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue, middle right, chats with attendees in the Archer-Daniels-Midland exhibit at the Farm Progress Show in Decatur, Ill.

STORY BY DESMOND BUTLER
GRAPHICS BY JOHN MUYSKENS

It was a curious time for Sonny Perdue to close a real estate deal.

In February 2017, weeks after President Donald Trump selected him to be agriculture secretary, Perdue's company bought a small grain plant in South Carolina from one of the biggest agricultural corporations in America.

Had anyone noticed, it would have prompted questions ahead of his confirmation, a period when most nominees lie low and avoid potential controversy. The former governor of Georgia did not disclose the deal — there was no legal requirement to do so.

An examination of public records by The Washington Post has found that the agricultural company, Archer-Daniels-Midland (ADM), sold the land at a small fraction of its estimated value just as it stood to benefit from a friendly secretary of agriculture.

SEE PERDUE ON A11

IN SUNDAY'S POST



LIA LIAO

«The desecrators For centuries, people have dug up Native American graves. Now, the FBI is seeking culprits and trying to return what they stole. Magazine

Cruising (again) The first cruise ship to have departed from a U.S. port since the pandemic began could set the course for future voyages. Travel



"THE SHIPWRECK" (1773) BY CLAUDE-JOSEPH VERNET, PATRON'S PERMANENT FUND AND CHESTER DALE FUND, NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

Braving the elements Looking at weather patterns can help us make sense of art and understand what's going on in several classic, breathtaking paintings. Arts & Style

\$140 SUNDAY'S COUPONS

INSIDE

REAL ESTATE Homes away from home The pandemic fueled a buying boom for vacation properties. Find out more about them.

THE REGION End of the journey The fuselage from the TWA Flight 800 crash that killed 230 people in 1996 will be destroyed. B1

OBITUARIES Biz Markie dies at 57 The "Just a Friend" rapper was known for his playful, joyous approach to hip-hop. A7

STYLE Timed entry ends The Smithsonian Institution will no longer require visitors to reserve the passes at most museums. C1

BUSINESS NEWS	A15
CORRECTIONS	C5
OPINION PAGES	A17
LOTTERIES	B3
OBITUARIES	B4
TELEVISION	C3
WORLD NEWS	A8

CONTENT © 2021
The Washington Post / Year 244, No. 224



Boca empató con Unión en el inicio de la Liga

Con un equipo alternativo, empezó ganando en Santa Fe con un gol de Agustín Obando, pero no pudo aguantarlo y terminó 1-1.

Deportes



LLEGÓ DE COREA SIN NADA Y CREÓ UN EMPORIO EN EL PAÍS

—comunidad de negocios

Do Sun Choi vino a la Argentina en 1977; primero se instaló en Fuerte Apache; hoy es el único dueño de la marca Peabody, una empresa de \$4000 millones.

PROPUESTAS POR ZOOM Y AL AIRE LIBRE PARA LAS VACACIONES

—cultura

Este fin de semana empieza el receso escolar; hay una nutrida oferta de talleres y actividades tanto virtuales como presenciales. **Página 32**

LA NACION

SÁBADO 17 DE JULIO DE 2021 | LANACION.COM.AR

Cristina denunció un complot y exigió anular el juicio por el pacto con Irán

PRESIÓN. En una audiencia oral sin precedente, acusó a Macri, a los bonistas y a la Justicia

Cristina Kirchner expuso ayer ante los jueces del Tribunal Oral Federal N° 8 para reclamar la anulación del juicio por encubrimiento de los responsables del atentado contra la AMIA. Lo hizo con un alegato político de más de una hora, en el que denunció un complot promovido por bonistas extranjeros y ejecutado por el gobierno de Mauricio Macri, con la

complicidad de jueces de Casación. "Me quisieron doblar la mano para que pagara cualquier cosa y me negué", dijo, al borde del llanto, sobre el final de su alocución.

Insistió en que la acusación en su contra vinculada al pacto que su gobierno firmó con Irán es "un disparate institucional, jurídico y político".

La vicepresidenta pidió y consi-

guió una audiencia oral que no está contemplada en el Código Procesal. Busca evitar el juicio con el argumento de que los jueces Mariano Borinsky y Gustavo Hornos dispusieron reabrir la investigación después de reunirse con Macri en Olivos y la Casa Rosada. La causa se había iniciado con la denuncia del fiscal Alberto Nisman. **Página 20**

Un alegato político que desnuda fragilidades

Hernán Cappiello
Página 22

AMIA: duras críticas de los familiares

Candela Iní
Página 22

Llegan 3,5 millones de vacunas donadas por EE.UU.

CORONAVIRUS. Son del laboratorio Moderna y el arribo se dio por el cambio en la legislación

Después de meses de gestiones, que incluyeron un cambio en la legislación local para allanar el acuerdo con los laboratorios, Estados Unidos envió a la Argentina 3,5 millones de vacunas contra el coronavirus. Se trata de la donación de dosis más grande de todas las que realizó hasta el momento la gestión de Joe Biden para América Latina.

"Es una contribución muy importante", dijo Alberto Fernández en su mensaje de agradecimiento a su par estadounidense. Las vacunas son de Moderna, que aún no están avaladas en el país por la Anmat. **Página 6**

Las inundaciones no le dan tregua al centro de Europa

el mundo— Con un saldo de por lo menos 120 muertos y unos 1300 desaparecidos, el centro de Europa vive una de sus peores inundaciones en décadas. Alemania es el país más afectado por lluvias récord que también golpearon a Bélgica, Holanda, Luxemburgo y Suiza. **Página 18**



Autos volcados en la ciudad alemana de Bad Neuenahr, una de las afectadas por las inundaciones

AP

Jorge Macri. "Nuestra división es funcional al kirchnerismo"

El intendente explica por qué acordó con Larreta

Página 27

La izquierda regional cierra filas en respaldo del régimen cubano

PROTESTAS. Gobiernos y partidos eludieron condenar la reacción represiva

CARACAS (Para LA NACION).— Desde Lula da Silva hasta Evo Morales, durante los últimos días los principales referentes de la izquierda regional cerraron filas en defensa del régimen cubano, que sigue adelante con su política represiva tras las

inesperadas protestas del domingo pasado.

El canciller cubano, Bruno Rodríguez, participó de una cumbre virtual con líderes de izquierda y el Grupo de Puebla emitió un comunicado en defensa del régimen. **Página 14**

EL ANÁLISIS
Sergio Suppo

Empieza a tambalear la dictadura del relato
Ideas

La deuda pública bruta alcanzó su máximo nivel histórico

CARGA. Subió desde fines de 2019 y supera los US\$343.519 millones. **Pág. 28**

População com 18 anos ou mais*

	ao menos uma dose	totalmente vacinada
Brasil	56,7%	20,7%
MS	72,0%	38,6%
RS	64,3%	27,4%
ES	61,9%	22,7%

Totalmente vacinada



Total de doses aplicadas

	1ª	2ª	única
Brasil	88,0 mi	30,1 mi	3,2 mi
1º SP	22,7 mi	7,1 mi	964,3 mil
2º MG	8,4 mi	2,9 mi	207,8 mil
3º RJ	6,8 mi	2,4 mi	210,6 mil

Números da pandemia

	Casos	Óbitos
Total	19,3 mi	540,5 mil
Méd. móvel	40,9 mil	1.246
Variação**	-21,2%	-19,2%
Em 24 h	44,7 mil	1.450

Estágios



Brasil
Desacelerado

Dados das 20h de 16 jul. *Ao menos uma dose: tomou dose única ou 1ª dose. Totalmente vacinada: tomou dose única ou 2ª dose. **Em relação a 14 dias

Casos desaceleram no Brasil pela 1ª vez em oito meses

Pela primeira vez em oito meses, o Brasil vê os casos de Covid desacelerarem de forma constante, aponta monitor da Folha. O país estava em estágio estável ou acelerado desde novembro, mas o quadro se reverteu com o avanço da vacinação. **Saúde B1**

Bolsonaro anda sem máscara e não tem alta prevista

Segundo boletim médico divulgado ontem, Jair Bolsonaro passa bem e continua evoluindo, mas ainda não tem previsão de alta. Pela manhã, o presidente postou uma foto em que caminha pelo hospital sem usar máscara, apesar da recomendação. **Poder A13**

Marcos Mendes

Presidente frágil leva Economia a assumir riscos

Mercado A25

Sidney Klajner

Aprendizados da Covid-19 ajudarão a saúde nacional?

Ratificação do papel da ciência, poder das redes colaborativas e impulsionamento da telemedicina foram alguns dos ensinamentos que a pandemia nos trouxe. Precisamos colhê-los. **Corrida B18**

Presidente da Sociedade Beneficente Israelita Brasileira Albert Einstein

Pazuello negociou Coronavac pelo triplo com intermediária

Além da discrepância no valor, encontro fora da agenda contradiz fala de ex-ministro à CPI da Covid

Então ministro da Saúde, Eduardo Pazuello prometeu a intermediadores comprar 30 milhões de doses da Coronavac oferecidas ao governo por quase o triplo do preço negociado pelo Instituto Butantan, relatam Constança Rezende e Mateus Vargas.

Fora da agenda oficial, a reunião em 11 de março teve seu desfecho registrado em vídeo no qual Pazuello aparece ao lado de quatro pessoas que representariam a World Brands, empresa de Santa Catarina que lida com comércio exterior.

O encontro contradiz o que ele declarou em depoimento à CPI da Covid, em 19 de maio, quando afirmou aos senadores que não liderou negociações com a Pfizer sob o argumento de que um ministro jamais deve receber ou tratar com empresários.

Três pessoas que acompanharam a conversa disseram que o vídeo foi gravado antes de o ministro saber o preço da dose —US\$ 28, enquanto o Butantan fechou contrato com a União por US\$ 10. Um assessor o teria alertado depois para o sobrepreço.

Procurado, Pazuello não se manifestou. A World Brands respondeu: "Proposta efetuada, nenhuma resposta efetiva recebida, negócio não efetuado". Segundo Dimas Covas, a Saúde sabia que só o Butantan pode vender a Coronavac no país. **Poder A4 e A6**



Em encontro, Pazuello cumprimenta empresário identificado como 'John', a quem a CPI da Covid quer convocar. Reprodução

“Não posso negociar com uma empresa. Quem negocia (...) é o nível administrativo, não o ministro”

Eduardo Pazuello em depoimento à CPI em 19 de maio

PAINEL
Lote de 600 mil doses da Pfizer ficou parado em depósito em Guarulhos de segunda a quinta **A4**

Pessimismo com a economia diminui, mostra Datafolha

Após atingir um pico em março, o pessimismo do brasileiro com a economia recuou em julho —35% dizem crer que a situação deverá piorar nos próximos meses. **Mercado A19**

Imunização favorece o PIB no 2º semestre, embora desemprego e inflação preocupem **A21**

Depois de passar oito meses fechada, Torre Eiffel volta a receber visitantes **A17**

Esporte B7
Rio-16 deixa frutos para os atletas do Brasil em Tóquio, mas futuro é incerto

Folhinha B17
Entenda como ganhar ou perder uma competição afeta as pessoas

Ilustrada B9
Djamila Ribeiro reúne lembranças em seu livro mais íntimo até agora

Ilustrada B12
Para pesquisadores, 'Escravidão', de Laurentino Gomes, contesta clichês

Com R\$ 5,7 bi, país lideraria gasto com campanhas

A decisão do Congresso de reservar R\$ 5,7 bilhões a candidatos na eleição de 2022 põe o Brasil no topo mundial do uso de verba pública para campanhas, aponta um estudo do Movimento Transparência Partidária com 25 das principais nações. **Poder A10**



Sebastian Bazon/AFP

CHUVAS MATAM 126 NA EUROPA E DISPARAM ALERTA SOBRE CRISE DO CLIMA

Inundação na cidade de Erfstadt, na Alemanha —no país, onde a precipitação bate recordes, 1.300 estavam desaparecidos; caso gera discussão sobre a ocorrência de eventos naturais extremos como consequência das mudanças climáticas **Mundo A15**

ENTREVISTA Rodrigo Pacheco

Declaração sobre chance de frustrar eleição foi infeliz

Presidente do Senado, Rodrigo Pacheco (DEM-MG) diz à Folha que o risco à democracia deve ser "eternamente vigiado". Evita crítica direta a Jair Bolsonaro, mas considera "infeliz" fala sobre a hipótese de não haver eleição. **Poder A12**

PEC do voto impresso tem sobrevida após manobra

Com apoio do presidente de comissão sobre a proposta, medida que viola o regimento retardou votação para agosto. **Poder A11**

EDITORIAIS A2

Farra eleitoral
Sobre aumento de fundo para campanhas de 2022.

Clima de urgência
A respeito de plano europeu para o meio ambiente.





La próxima semana habilitarían inscripción para menores inmunodeprimidos

De la llegada de más vacunas depende ampliar rango de edad

Desde el lunes inmunizan a estudiantes de carreras de Ciencias de la Salud y a los priorizados pendientes de vacunación. Es importante el registro previo para ser vacunados.

PÁGINA 2 a la 4

Refuerzan seguridad de Carmen Villalba tras el hallazgo de municiones y granada

PÁGINA 49

Viceministro insta a informarse a través de medios de comunicación serios y tradicionales

PÁGINA 28

Brasileños realizan operativo para destruir 15 puertos clandestinos en el lago de Itaipú

PÁGINA 44



Mala costumbre. Recién con el inicio de la aplicación de multas por la habilitación vehicular vencida los contribuyentes se acercaron a renovar sus documentos.

PÁGINA 19

Llevarán su reclamo al Congreso y amenazan con movilizaciones

Jubilados rechazan el proyecto de ley de Hacienda para salvar la Caja Fiscal

PÁGINA 12



TU EQUIPO IDEAL



DE TRABAJO

TOYOTOSHI

TOYOTA FINANCIERA

TOYOTA FINANCIERA

(021) 6788000 WWW.TOYOTAFINANCIA.COM.PY



lefigaro.fr

LE FIGARO

« Sans la liberté de blâmer, il n'est point d'éloge flatteur » Beaumarchais

L'ÉTÉ
DU FIGARO

VOYAGES TOQUÉS

NAPLES,
UNE FUSION
GOURMANDE

PAGE 16

JEUX D'ÉTÉ

PAGES 19 ET 20

LFI Mélenchon
dénonce le passe
sanitaire PAGE 4ÉLYSÉE
Macron veut
accélérer la relance
sans attendre PAGE 5INTEMPÉRIES
La Belgique
sous le choc PAGE 6LIBAN
Une crise politique
sans fin PAGE 7RELIGION Le pape
François abroge
la grande réforme
de Benoît XVI PAGE 8TOUR DE FRANCE
Tadej Pogacar,
une domination
en questions PAGE 11DROITS TV
Football : le tacle
de beln Sports
à son allié Canal+
PAGE 30CHAMPS LIBRES
• Les guerres
picrocholines
de Saint-
Émilion
• La chronique
de Mathieu
Bock-Côté
• La tribune
de Jean-Louis
Borloo
PAGES 21 ET 22FIGARO OUI
FIGARO NONRéponses à la question
de vendredi :
Approuvez-vous
l'amende de 45 000 euros
pour les restaurateurs
qui ne contrôlèrent pas
le passe sanitaire
de leurs clients ?OUI 40% NON 60%
TOTAL DE VOTANTS : 193 730Votez aujourd'hui
sur lefigaro.fr
Êtes-vous favorable
à l'isolement obligatoire
des personnes testées
positives au Covid-19 ?GONZALO FUENTES/REUTERS -
SEBASTIEN SORIANO/LE FIGAROMA SŒUR, MON MIROIR
BLANDINE ET LISON
DE CAUNES,
AINSI SONT-ELLES
PAGE 23FESTIVAL DE CANNES
LE PALMARÈS
DES CRITIQUES DU « FIGARO »
PAGE 12Boris Johnson fait le pari
du vaccin et de la liberté

Malgré la reprise des contaminations, le premier ministre britannique doit confirmer, lundi, la levée des restrictions sanitaires, estimant que la population vaccinée peut « vivre avec le virus ».

Malgré l'offensive du variant Delta, Boris Johnson ne recule pas et maintient la levée de presque toutes les restrictions sanitaires pour ce lundi. Ce sera le « retour à la normale » tant attendu, qui avait dû être repoussé d'un mois. Mais la

flambée des contaminations tempère quelque peu l'enthousiasme : les appels à la prudence se multiplient et certaines précautions, comme le port du masque, seront maintenues ou conseillées par endroits. En déplacement jeu-

di dans le centre de l'Angleterre, le premier ministre s'est dit confiant, estimant que le pire de la pandémie est derrière les Britanniques, pour peu qu'ils restent prudents. « Chaque jour qui passe, nous élevons le mur de l'immunité acquise par

la vaccination », a-t-il dit, pointant la nécessité de relancer l'économie. Il estime aussi que l'été, avec les écoles fermées et une pression moins forte sur le système de santé public, se prête à son pari. C'est maintenant ou jamais...

→ LA SITUATION RESTE FRAGILE MALGRÉ UNE FORTE COUVERTURE VACCINALE
→ « LE PASSE SANITAIRE GÉNÉRALISÉ EST AUSSI EFFICACE QU'UN CONFINEMENT »
PAGES 2, 3 ET L'ÉDITORIAL

Éric Dupond-Moretti a été mis en examen pour prise illégale d'intérêts. Le premier ministre lui « renouvelle sa confiance » tandis que les mondes politique et judiciaire s'inquiètent d'une position « intenable » pour l'exercice de ses fonctions. PAGE 8

ÉDITORIAL par Philippe Gélie pgelie@lefigaro.fr

L'invariant anglais

À l'heure où l'administration française se débat avec la légalité et l'application d'un passe sanitaire pour aller au cinéma ou au restaurant, l'Angleterre de Boris Johnson vogue toutes voiles dehors vers un grand large affranchi des contraintes liées au Covid. Lundi, le « Jour de la liberté », décalé d'un mois pour cause de variant Delta, verra la fin du masque obligatoire dans les transports et les lieux fermés, l'abandon des « jauges » et de la « distanciation » - sans substitut documentaire. Le pari reste audacieux face au regain de contaminations, mais il est rendu possible par le succès phénoménal d'un plan de vaccination qui a cassé le lien entre la propagation du virus et ses effets mortels. Première en Europe, la Grande-Bretagne restaure la « responsabilité individuelle » et décide de « vivre avec le Covid ».

De Gaulle avait raison, la force de ce pays est d'être insulaire et de ne compter par nature que sur lui-même. Huit décennies après le Blitz, la promptitude des Anglais à entrer en résistance commande invariablement le respect. Il a certes fallu que le fantasme premier ministre atterrisse en soins intensifs pour qu'il

prenne au sérieux cet ennemi-là. Mais, dans la foulée, il a mis en place un cabinet de guerre que n'aurait pas renié Churchill, soutenant l'université d'Oxford dans la course au vaccin, confiant les achats de doses à un commando venu du privé et la logistique des injections à l'armée de Sa Majesté. Quand la France suspendait en mars l'administration du sérum AstraZeneca, jetant la suspicion sur un geste qu'elle voudrait aujourd'hui rendre obligatoire, l'Angleterre cavalcadait dans une épopée nationale inaugurée par la pique de l'octogénaire William Shakespeare (ça ne s'invente pas) et conclue par une standing ovation à Wimbledon pour la chercheuse Sarah Gilbert.

Grâce à la fermeture des frontières et à une agilité administrative à rebours des lourdeurs de Bruxelles, le Brexit a-t-il « sauvé des vies », comme l'a écrit le Times ? N'oublions pas que près de 130 000 ont d'abord été perdues. Mais, pour les deux tiers des Britanniques, cet acte d'indépendance a passé un test bien plus décisif que les défis économiques qu'on lui avait proposés. Les Européens misaient sur le chaos outre-Manche pour dissuader d'autres aventuriers : attention au retour de flamme. ■

Le boom en
trompe-l'œil
des
créations
d'entreprises
en France

Les Français n'ont jamais été si nombreux à créer des entreprises. Au premier semestre, ils en ont lancé 584 000, près de 50 % de plus qu'en 2019. Une belle performance tempérée par le record de radiations au cours de la même période (131 000). Avec la crise, les chefs d'entreprise n'hésitent pas à jeter l'éponge. Autre signe de fragilité : la nette hausse des liquidations immédiates lors des faillites. PAGES 26 ET 27

TECTONA
PARISLIVRAISON
GRATUITE & IMMÉDIATE

*à partir de 500 € d'achat

www.tectona.fr
tél. 01 47 03 05 05

Free 56-page Olympics guide

- Your day-by-day planner
- The key medal contenders



Free delivery for six weeks

Details Page 26



The Guardian

Saturday
17 July 2021
£3.50
From £1.75 for subscribers

For 200 years

French holidays in chaos after last-minute U-turn

Aubrey Allegretti
Heather Stewart

Travellers returning to England from France will still be forced to quarantine next week even if they are double-vaccinated after ministers made a last-minute change to rules due to come into force from Monday.

From 19 July, all Britons who have had two Covid jabs heading back from amber list countries were told they would not need to complete up to

10 days' isolation at home. That will remain the case for all those countries apart from France. The Guardian revealed earlier this week there was concern over the country given the rise in cases there of the Beta variant - first identified in South Africa.

The move will affect thousands of British holidaymakers who were poised to benefit from the new lighter-touch regime to let them visit France over the school summer holidays, as well as those hoping to visit relatives across the Channel.

Ministers were split over official advice put to them on Wednesday by the Joint Biosecurity Centre that suggested France be added to the red list - a significant step that would have seen only British citizens and nationals allowed to enter England, then forced to stay for 11 nights in a hotel starting at a cost of £1,750.

They decided against the move, a government source said, because of the significant diplomatic and political repercussions, but discussions continued over the following

two days that ended in a decision announced late last night.

Anyone who is fully inoculated arriving from France - or who has been in the country for the past 10 days - after 19 July will still be able to leave quarantine after day five by using the "test to release" system.

All travellers will continue to have to take a pre-departure test and fill in the passenger locator form, with those who have had both jabs also required to show proof of their vaccine certificate

Delicious summer recipes



Huge surge in Covid numbers

More than 1,000 experts urge No 10 to scrap 'dangerous experiment' of Monday's opening up.

News Page 4 →

At least 120 killed in flooding

Hundreds more people still missing in Belgium and Germany after heavy rainfall in Europe.

News Page 30 →



Meet Sky Brown

Team GB's 13-year-old skateboarder

Weekend

My Gen Z makeover

Weekend



Croatia Off the beaten track

Travel



MIKE BLAKE/REUTERS