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# U.S. Women's Soccer Team Advances With Shootout Win



JUBILATION: U.S. players celebrate Friday after overcoming an early deficit to defeat the Netherlands on penalty kicks in a quarterfinal match at the Summer Olympics. The Americans will face Canada on Monday in the semifinals. A11

# **Investors Rethink China Bets**

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By Juliet Chung, Justin Baer and Dawn Lim

downs that have wiped some \$400 billion off the value of U.S.-listed Chinese companies. Investors ranging from pen-sion fund Orange County Em-

ployees Retirement System in California to money manager William Blair & Co. are rethink-ing their portfolios following Beijing's decision last week to

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curtail the operations of China's for-profit tutoring industry along with its ongoing campaign to rein in tech companies. The moves fueled large declines across sectors of China's stock markets and hammered Asia-focused funds stateside.

The investor retreat sent tutoring firm TAL Education Group's American depositary receipts down some 70% in a matter of days to \$6.07 Friday. TAL traded above \$90 in February. American depositary receipts, or ADRs, are certificates issued to U.S. investors that represent a specified number of shares in a foreign company.

New Oriental Education &

New Oriental Education & Technology Group Inc. has fallen roughly 66% since July 22 and was at \$2.17 Friday. It was the latest of regulatory crackdowns that have hit he value of Chinese firms as large as Tencent Holdings Ltd., even as U.S. indexes have risen to records. Earlier regulatory moves that had rattled companies such as Alibaba Group Holding Ltd., its unlisted sister company Ant Group Co. and Didi Global Inc., which is considering going private again to placate authorities, had already caused concern among Western investors.

U.S. regulators also added U.S. regulators also added new pressure to stocks on Friday when U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Gary Gensler said the agency would require additional disclosures from Chinese companies before allowing them to sell shares.

In July, China ADRs lost more than double their losses in March 2020, when the U.S. market plummeted at the be-Please turn to page A6

# Cape Cod Outbreak **Prompted** New CDC Guidelines

Report shows that vaccinated people may spread the Delta variant of Covid-19

By Brianna Abbott

A Covid-19 outbreak on Cape Cod helped prompt the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to urge some Americans to start wearing masks again, the agency said, because it demonstrated that vaccinated people infected with the Delta variant might be as contagious as those who

vaccinated people infected with the Delta variant might be as contagious as those who are unvaccinated.

The CDC said in a report on Friday that 127 vaccinated people infected with the Delta variant during the outbreak appeared to carry as much virus as 84 unvaccinated or partially vaccinated people who became infected. The report referred to an outbreak in Barnstable County, Mass. Local officials there have said that at least 430 confirmed Covid-19 cases have been linked to one cluster following festivities over the July 4 weekend in Provincetown, on the tip of Cape Cod.

"High viral loads suggest an increased risk of transmission and raised concern that, unlike with other variants, vaccinated people infected with Delta can transmit the virus," CDC Director Rochelle Walensky said Friday. "This finding is concerning and was a pivotal discovery leading to CDC's up-Please turn to page A?

# Spending Bounced Back. **But Virus Casts Shadow**

U.S. household spending bounced back in June as consumers shelled out more on services at the start of the summer, but a current upswing in Covid-19 cases related to the Delta variant is injecting uncertainty into the economic outlook.

Personal-consumption ex Personal-consumption ex-penditures—a measure of household spending on goods and services—increased a sea-sonally adjusted 1% in June, the Commerce Department re-ported Friday. That followed a downwardly revised 0.1% drop in May, when consumers

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pulled back on purchases of goods but boosted spending on

goods but boosted spending on services.

The spending report reflects that the "economy is still very much on track," said Scott Brown, chief economist at Raymond James Financial. He said any potential impact of the Delta variant's spread is difficult to predict, but added it would pose a significant risk to economic growth if consumers curtail activities such as traveling and dining out.

Americans' personal income rose 0.1% in June, as wages and salaries increased. Employers have been boosting pay and other benefits in a bid

to attract workers amid diffi-culties filling open positions. The personal-saving rate fell to 9.4%, but remained higher than pre-pandemic levels.
"Consumers have a lot of pent-up demand and a lot of pent-up wealth that they're very willing to get rid of in the marketplace by consuming goods and services," said Lind-sey Piegza, chief economist at Stifel Financial.
More recent figures on

More recent figures on credit-card transactions show consumer spending eased Please turn to page A2

◆ Global economy roars back

## Johansson's Agent Rips Disney



Creative Artists Agency has stepped into the fight betwee Scarlett Johansson and Walt Disney over 'Black Widow.' B'

# Is 'Nessie' a Lovesick Sturgeon? Locals Don't Want to Know

DNA research failed to find plesiosaur traces, but that doesn't daunt Scots

By James Hookway

all.

Tourists have long flocked to Drummadrochit and other towns along the loch for a glimpse of whatever might be lurking in the water. "Before the pandemic, some hotel

rooms were going for as much as £250 a night, more than in London," says local accountant Gary Campbell, who calculates that in a good year the trade generates as much as \$60 mil-lion for the area.

Monster-hunt-ing cruises are back

Monster-hunt-ing cruises are back again as lockdowns ease, as are the souvenir stores sell-ing fridge magnets and cuddly plesio-

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# Major Oil Companies Hold Back Investments

BY CHRISTOPHER M. MATTHEWS

Big oil companies are raking in their highest profits since the onset of the coronavirus pandemic, but they plan to continue spending sparingly to boost production despite higher commodity prices.

Exxon Mobil Corp. reported \$4.7 billion in second-quarter profit Friday, while rival Chevron Corp. reported \$3.1 billion in quarterly profit.

The results represented a dramatic turnaround from a year earlier, when Exxon reported a quarterly loss of \$1.1 billion and Chevron lost \$8.3 billion as demand for oil and gas plummeted due to the closing of economies world-

wide due to the virus.

Some of the largest European oil companies also showed strong results earlier in the week. Royal Dutch Shell PLC reported \$5.5 billion in net income, while TotalEnergies SE posted \$3.5 billion in profits.

The oil and gas industry has recovered from unprecedented losses in 2020 as economies have reopened this year.

dented losses in 2020 as econ-omies have reopened this year, sending prices to their highest levels in two years. U.S. oil prices have mostly stayed above \$60 per barrel since March, after briefly turning negative in April and remain-please turn to page A4

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Inside Elon Musk's 2018 trip to 'delivery hell' as he scrambled to save Tesla. **B1** 

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# The holiday that changed my life

Simon Schama, Lucy Kellaway and FT writers LIFE & ARTS



# SEC cracks down on China listings

Didi fiasco spurs regulator
 More transparency on IPOs
 Disclosure of risks from Beijing

China-based companies will have to dis close more about their structure and contacts with the Chinese government before listing in the US, the Securities

before listing in the US, the Securities and Exchange Commission has said. Gary Gensler, chair of the US corporate and markets regulator, wants greater transparency from Chinese companies following the controversy surrounding the public offering by Chinese ride-halling group Didi Chuxing. "I have asked staff to seek certain disclosures from offshore issuers associated with China-based operating companies before their registration state-

ments will be declared effective." ensler said yesterday. He added: "I believe these changes

will enhance the overall quality of d closure in registration statements of off-shore issuers that have affiliations with

shore issuers that have affiliations with China-based operating companies."
The SEC's new rules were triggered by Beijing's announcement this month that it would tighten restrictions on overseas listings, including strictor rules on what happens to the data held by those companies. Beijing relicrated its intention to strengthen oversight of overseas listings yesterday, with the Chinese Communist party's polithuro saying it would "improve" the regulatory framework.

The Chinese internet regulator specifically accused Didi — just days after it had raised \$4bn in a New York flotation — of violating personal data laws, and ordered that its app be removed from the Chinese app store. Beijing's crack-down spooked US investors, sending the company's shares tumbling almost 50 per cent in recent weeks. They have railled slightly in the past week, how-ever, based on reports that the company is considering going private again.

The controversy has prompted questions over whether Didi had told investors enough about the regulatory risks it faced in China, and specifically of its frequent contacts with Chinese regulators



Gary Gensler says companie must divulge whether they have permissic from Chinese authorities to list in the US

in the run-up to the New York offering. Several class-action lawsuits have Several class-action lawsuits have been filled against the company on behalf of shareholders, while two members of the Senate banking committee have called on the SBC to investigate it. The SBC has not said whether it is undertaking an investigation. However, its new rules would require companies to be clearer on the way in which their offerings are structured. Gensler said companies should say whether they had received or were denied permission from Chinese authorities to list in the US. Investor's rethink on China page 13

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# Mind and body Simone Biles and sporting stress



### Robinhood and the markets Time for trader democracy?

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### Chloe Cornish

Lebanon's year from hell

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# Deadly glow

# Towns on edge amid US fires

A burnt-out car sits in front of a home in Indian Falls that was destroyed as the Dixle Fire sweeps through California. The blaze, in the north of the state, has been raging since July 13 and has obliterated 200,000 acres (81,000 hectares). More than 3,000 firefighters are battling to control the situation.

In nearby Paradise, mayor Steve Crowder, who lost his home and busi-ness in a fire in 2018, is reassured by the ness in a fire in 2018, is reassured by the fire department's contingency plans. But people are on edge. "At night, you can go to just about any place in Para-dise and see the glow over the hill. It ter-rorises people," he says. Haunting spectre page 2



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### Summer camps struggle In season of constraints

The holiday camps that are a summer staple for America's middle-class children are being rocked by the same Covid-induced aberrations that have upset large-scale US businesses. Food stocks are less reliable as suppliers struggle to staff their warehouses and delivery trucks. Meanwhile, the usual supplier as the struggle of same last many large and suppliers. instructors and British soccer coaches has been choked by travel bans and visa backlogs at embassies. Covid stresses > PAGE 3

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# Swiss central bank's reserves pass \$1tn on back of big gains from US equities

SAM JONES — ZURICH

Switzerland's central bank made more than SF+43bn in the past six months, as soaring US equity prices pushed its reserves to more than SFrItn (\$1.1tn) in value for the first time.

The SNB's huge gains mean the bank has an investment portfolio larger than most of the world's sovereign wealth funds – comparable to the holdings of the China Investment Corporation and considerably larger than the Swiss economy itself, which reported gross domestic product of Ss24bn in April, gos of its peers, however, Switzerland's fast-growing foreign investment portfolio is the result of unorthodox monetary politics.

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Since 2015, the SNE has aggressively intervened in financial markets, purchasing blocks of foreign currency-denominated securities to try to curb rising value of the franc. Quantitative easing and ultra-low interest rates in the US and the surrounding eurozone have put sustained pressure on the Swiss currency, a problem compounded by Switzerland's status as a safe haven during bouts of financial turbulence.

While the SNE is not alone among central banks in expanding its balance sheet, it stands out because it invests almost a quarter of its reserves in equiveis rather than government bonds.

The policy means the SNE is one of the largest foreign investors in US companies such as Apple, Facebook and Microsoft. So far, these investments have stood the SNB in good stead: rising equity valuations and dividends pro-Since 2015, the SNB has aggressively

the first half of 2021 despite SFr11.8bn in bond market losses. "The SNB's financial result depends

"The SNB's financial result depends largely on developments in the gold, foreign exchange and capital markets. Strong fluctuations are therefore to be 
expected, and only provisional conclusions are possible as regards the annual 
result," the bank said.

The SNB's bumper profits have put 
the bank under pressure in Switzerland 
to distribute some of its earnings to the 
Swiss government. In January it agreed 
to increase the celling on its annual payout to Bern to SFr6bn from SFr4bn. But 
the bank's governors have resisted more out to Bern to SFr4bn. But the bank's governors have resisted more distributions, arguing that the bank's profits are highly uncertain and large reserves are needed to cope with the likelihood of large future losses if mar-kets move against the bank.

	Jul 30	prev	%chg		Jul 30	prev		Jul 30	prev		price	yield	chg
S&P 500	4395.66	4419.15	-0.53	\$ per €	1.186	1.189	£ per \$	0.719	0.716	US Gov 10 yr	151.34	1.23	-0.03
Nasdaq Composite	14672.34	14778.26	-0.72	\$ per £	1.390	1.398	€per£	1.173	1.176	UK Gov 10 yr		0.57	-0.01
Dow Jones Ind	34968.19	35084.53	-0.33	£ per €	0.853	0.850	¥ per €	130.142	130.278	Ger Gov 10 yr		-0.46	-0.01
FTSEurofirst 300	1779.56	1788.14	-0.48	¥ per \$	109.750	109.620	£ index	82.514	82.377	Jpn Gov 10 yr	117.37	0.01	0.00
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FTSE 100	7032.30	7078.42	-0.65	SFr per €	1.075	1.077				Ger Gov 2 yr	105.79	-0.77	0.00
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# G.O.P. Strives To Turn a Riot Upside Down

Blaming Pelosi to Gain Cover and Avoid Facts

# By LISA LERER and NICHOLAS FANDOS

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and NICHOLAS FANDOS

In the hours and days after the
Jan. 6 attack on the Capitol,
rattled Republican lawmakers
knew exactly who was to blame:
Donald J. Trump. Loyal allies
began turner to be the control of the control
make a full break from his divisive tactics and dishonesties.
Some even discussed removing
him from office.
By spring, however, after
nearly 200 congressional Republicans had voted to clear Mr.
chiment proceeding, the conservative fringes of the party had
already begun to rewrite history,
describing the Capitol riot as a
peaceful protest and comparing
the invading mob to a "normal tourist visit," as one congressman put it.

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This past week, amid the emo-tional testimony of police officers at the first hearing of a House select committee, Republicans completed their journey through the looking-glass, spinning a new counternarrative of that deadly day. No longer content to absolve Mr. Trump, they concocted a version of events in which those accused of rioting were patriotic nolitical prisoners and Speaker.

Nancy Pelosi was to blame for the violence.

Their new claims, some voiced from the highest levels of House Republican leadership, amount to a disinformation campaign being promulgated from the steps of the Capitol, aimed at giving cover to their party and intensifying the threats to political accountability.

This rendering of events — together with new evidence that Mr. Trump had counted on allies in Congress to help him use a baseless allegation of corruption Continued on Page 16

### Where Vaccination Rates Are Lowest

# Who Are the Unvaccinated in America?

Arango.

As coronavirus cases rise across the United States, the fight against the pandemic is focused on an estimated 93 million people who are eligible for shots but have chosen not to get them. These are the Americans who are most vulnerable to serious liness from the highly contagious Delta variant and most likely to carry the virus, spreading it further.

It turns out, though, that this is not a single set of Americans, but in many ways two.

In one group are those who say they are adamant in their refusal of the co-

ronavirus vaccines; they include a mix of people but tend to be disproportion-ately white, rural, evangelical Christian and politically conservative, surveys show.

show.

In the other are those who say they are open to getting a shot but have been putting it off or want to wait and see before making a decision; they are a broad range of people, but tend to be a more diverse and urban group, including many younger people, Black and Latino Americans, and Democrats.

Americans, and Democrats.

With cases surging and hospitalizations rising, health officials are making
progress in inoculating this second
group, who surveys suggest account for
less than half of all unvaccinated adults

in the United States.
The problem is the same surveys show that the group firmly opposed to the vaccines outnumbers those willing to be swayed. And unless the nation finds a way to persuade the unwavering, escaping the virus's grip will be a long way off, because they make up as much as 20 percent of the adult population. Interviews this past week with dozens of people in 17 states presented a portrait of the unvaccinated in the United States, people driven by a wide Continued on Page 14

JULY OUTBREAK A beach town in Cape Cod let its guard down too soon. PAGE 18

## 'It's kind of like the known versus the unknown for some of those people.'

MOLLYANN BRODIE, an executive vice president at the Kaiser Family Foundation.

# Iran Talks Stall and Centrifuges Spin as Hard-Liner Takes Reins

This article is by David E. Sanger, Lara Jakes and Farnaz Fassihi.

WASHINGTON — Days before a new hard-line president is set to be instituted to the property of the property



a leading American negotiator left his clothes in storage at a hotel in Vienna, where the talks took place through European intermediaries for the past four months.

That session never happened. International inspectors have been virtually blinded. At Iran's major enrichment site at Natanz, centrifuges are spinning at supersonic speeds, beginning to enrich and the state of the spinning at supersonic speeds, beginning to enrich the spinning at supersonic speeds, beginning to enrich the spinning at supersonic speeds, beginning to enrich the spinning to enrich the spinning to enrich the spinning to enrich the spinning to enrich the some uranium is being turned to metallic form — for medical purposes, the Iranians insist, though the technology is also useful for forming warrheads.

It is unclear whether Mr. Raisi will retain the existing Iranian negotiating team or replace them with lis own loyallists, who will presumably be determined to show they can drive a harder bargain, getting more sanctions rise of Iran's nuclear activities.

"There's a real risk here that they come back with unrealistic demands about what they can achieve in these talks," Robert Malley, the lead American negotiator, said in an interview.

Both sides have much to lose if the diplomacy falls. For President Biden, getting the 2015 nuclear accord back on track is a top goal, in hopes of containing, once more, a nuclear program that has re every after Mr. Trump withdrew from it. It is also critical to Mr. Bisden's effort to restore damaged relations with European allies, who



AMERICANS IN LIMBO Kori Ceola, center, was unable to keep paying rent and has moved into a motel in Fayetteville, Ark., with three people who also lost their homes. Her story and others on Page 12.

# As Freeze Lapses, Wave of Evictions May Follow

This article is by Glenn Thrush, atthew Goldstein and Conor

Dougherty.

A nationwide moratorium on residential evictions was set to expire on Saturday after a last-ninute effort by the Biden administration to win an extension failed, putting hundreds of thousands of tenants at risk of losing shelter, while tens of billions in federal funding intended to pay their back rent sit untapped.

The expiration was a humbling setback for President Biden, whose team has tried for months to fix a dysfunctional emergency rent relief program to help struggling renters and landlords. Running out of time and desperate to head off a possible wave of evictions, the White House abruptly shifted course on Thursday, throwing responsibility to Congress and prompting a frenzied—and ultimately unsuccessful—rescue operation in the House on Friday.

The collapse of those efforts reflected the culmination of months of frustration, as the White House pushed hard on states to speed housing assistance to tenants — with mixed results — before the moratorium expired. Hampered by a lack of action by the Trump administration, which left no real plan to carry out the program, Mr. Biden's team has struggled to build a viable federal-local funding pipeline, hindered by state governments that view the initias Continued on Page 13

# AS TALIBAN STOKE FEAR, MULTITUDES **FLEE AFGHANISTAN**

### GRIM NEW PHASE IN WAR

### Relief Agencies Warn of Refugee Crisis Amid Surge in Violence

# By CHRISTINA GOLDBAUM and FATIMA FAIZI

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KABUL, Afghanistan — Haji Sakhi decided to flee Afghanistan the night he saw two Taliban members drag a young woman from her home and lash her on the daughters, he crammed his family into a car the next morning and barreled down winding dirt roads into Pakistan.

That was more than 20 years ago. They returned to Kabul, the capital, nearly a decade later after the tu.S.-led invasion toppied the Taliban regime. But now, with the Taliban regime, But now, with the Taliban regime of the country as American forces withdraw, Mr. Sakhi, 68, fears a return of the violence he witnessed that night. This time, he says, his family is not waiting so long to leave.

"I'm not scared of leaving belongings behind, I'm not scared of said." He will be to leave.

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So far this year around 330,000 Afghans have been displaced, more than half of them fleeing their homes since the U.S. withdrawal began in May, according to the United Nations.

Many have flooded into makeshift tent camps or crowded into relatives' homes in cities, the last islands of government control in many provinces. Thousands more are trying to secure passports and Continued on Page 8

# When Finding A Meal Seems Medal Worthy

BY ANDREW NEAD
TOKYO — On languid bus
rides from one Olympic venue to
another, a panorama of gustatory
pleasures rolls by: noodle joints,
skewer shops, sushi counters,
skewer shops, sushi counters.

PEPORTER'S — We stare at it

REPORTERS Water at it all through tinted glass: It is like a mirage of the people we are not meeting, and the food we are not eating.

Japan is in a state of emergency. Coronavirus cases are on the rise. Unleashing thousands of foreigners like me, an American journalist covering the Games, into a city — to its restaurants and bars and stores — would be imprudent. But we do need to eat.

Enter the saving grace of these Olympics, the glue holding the whole thing together: Tokyo's 24-hour convenience stores, or conbini, as they are known in Japan. They have quickly become a primary source of sustenance — and, more surprisingly, culinary enjoyment — for many Continued in Sports, Page 4

INTERNATIONAL 4-11

# Holy Figure Unites Venezuela In a deeply polarized country, the admi-ration for a doctor recently beatified by the Vatican binds the faithful. PAGE 10

# Preying on Rare Succulents

South African police officers are bat-tling a wave of poaching as global de-mand for the tiny plants soars. PAGE 4



# The Trick to Solving a Murder Getting a lead within the first 48 hours is helpful, but it's not really the main factor in clearing a homicide case, research has found. PAGE

A Pandemic Blame Game G.O.P. resistance to masks and vaccines fueled Covid's resurgence. But it's the president who will be tarred. PAGE 17

A Big Star No One Knows Matt Damon, husband and father, says he sounds like "a pretty boring guy." Audiences disagree. PAGE 20

# An Unironic Age

# Of Star Power and Red Rugs

The Times's Projectionist columnist shares his thoughts on returning to Cannes after the pandemic scuttled la year's celebration of film. PAGE

## Online, Identity Isn't So Easy

Reconsidering pseudonymity and what it means to "be yourself" when you are on the internet. PAGE

# Look Out, Michael Phelps

With six career individual golds, Katie Ledecky has more than any Olympian but a certain fellow swimmer. PAGE 3

# Once Again the Fastest

Elaine Thompson-Herah repeated as champion in the women's 100 meters in a Jamaican sweep of the medals. PAGE 6



# Technology to Track You Down The story of a fugitive couple has exposed a surveillance system that could soon find anyone, anywhere. PAGE

### The Housing Market's Heat

**Emily Oster** 





Photographs by Gary Coronado Los Angeles ARCO ANTONIO GUTIERREZ counts carcasses on his ranch in Cajeme in Mexico's Sonora state.

# Drought claims cattle, threatening a way of life

Ranch families see their legacies turning to dust in Mexico



GUTIERREZ says 70 of his 100 cattle have starved to death during two years of extreme drought in northern Mexico.

BY KATE LINTHICUM REPORTING FROM CAJEME, MEXICO

n the parched hills of southern Sono-ra, Marco Antonio Gutierrez paced around a clearing, counting the dead There were seven rotting carcas-rese—mounds of ribs and skulls and kulls. Nine cows, felled by heat and

skulls. Nine cows, felled by heat and hunger.

"There's nothing for them to eat," said Gutierrez, a wide-brimmed hat shading his downcast eyes. There used to be big ranches here. Now it's pure sorrow."

Two years of extreme drought have turned large stretches of northern Mexico into a boneyard. Between starvation and ranchers forced to prematurely sell or slaughter their livestock, officials say the number of cattle in Sonora has dropped from 11 million to about 635,000.

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# Clash over fire tactics draws public scrutiny

State officials disagree with feds' policy of letting some blazes burn

By Anita Chabria and Alex Wigglesworth

DOYLE, Calif. — Volunteer fire chief Kathy Catron wants answers about why the Sugar fire ever grew large enough to burn her town, why it wasn't put out before it exploded and turned uncontrollable.

"It never should have got here," said Catron, a former school bus driver who runs a 16-person department in this Lassen County town staffed mostly by friends and family, including her kids. "It never should have happened."

Raging July fires are becoming the norm in California. So is the animus of Catron and others about how they are fought — especially on federal lands and in their early hours — and who makes those cholees. With wildfires aeross the West arriving earlier, spreading fast riving earlier, spreading fast struction, once-obscure policy battles between firefighting agencies are coming under public scrutiny, adding to a distrust of federal government that has long had a foothold in the rural communities hit hardest by fire.

[See Fires, A8]

[See Fires, A8]



MELMELCON LOS Angeles
WENDY KNECHT'S breast operation led to a lar
suit and a push for conflict-of-interest legislation

# Speaking up after a botched surgery

Advocate for medical disclosure bill sees a 'disheartening' battle from doctors lobby.

By Kim Christensen

Wendy Knecht figures she's been failed twice by doctors — once by the plastic surgeon she accused of botching her breast reconstruction, and again by the property fighting a proposed law that would force doctors to alert patients to potential conflicts of interests.

Knecht, a Studio City writer and healthcare advocate, was diagnosed in December 2014 with the BRCA2 gene mutation, which has

cancers.
The former Pan Am flight attendant, whose mother

attendant, whose mother died of breast cancer, decided to reduce her risk by having a preventive double manage and the state of the sta cal Board of California and a push for legislation requiring doctors to tell patients if they have accepted payments from the makers of drugs and medical devices.

AB 1278 is working its way through the Legislature but was amended amld strong opposition from the California Medical Assn. so that it [See Bill, A9]

Those with a V would mandate vaccinations, and others get a U, columnist Steve Lopez writes. CALIFORNIA, B1

Father of the infomercial dies Pitchman Ron Popeil, 86, had signature lines such as "But wait, there's more!" CALIFORNIA, BI

Senate meets on infrastructure

# Shooting gives sheriff 'grave concerns

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department on Friday evening released vi-deo from body-worn cam-eras that shows several dep-uties shoot to death a man who was armed with a knife — an incident that Sheriff Alex Villanueva, in a rare

criticism of his own deputies, said has given him "grave concerns."

The Sheriff's Department published the footage a day after family members of David Ordaz Jr. held a news conference outside the federal courthouse in downtown Los Angeles to announce they were suing Los Angeles County and the four

deputies involved in Ordaz's shooting. Their attorneys also released a video, recorded by a bystander, that shows the moment Ordaz, 34, was fatally shot.
Villanueva, in a statement issued Friday night, said one of the deputies had been relieved of duty and had his police powers suspended pending an investi-

gation by Sheriff's Department homicide detectives. He didn't specify which of the four deputies had been suspended, and the department didn't immediately return a request for clarification.

tion.
The Sheriff's Department said it will forward the investigation to the FBI for [See Sheriff, A16]

# Olympics displace another city's vulnerable

Echoing 1984 Games in Los Angeles, Tokyo has sought to keep its homeless people away from the world's gaze.

By Victoria Kim and Hanako Lowry

TOKYO — For the last week, the Olympic flame has been burning atop a wide pe-destrian bridge on a scenic stretch of the Tokyo Bay waterfront.

waterfront.

Deep into the muggy
Tokyo summer night, a
steady stream of locals stop
to snap photos of the cauldron, one of the rare spots in
the Games the Japanese are
allowed to enjoy in person.
Sweaty Olympic volunteers,
ever vigilant against a



**SURROUNDED** by his possessions, a homeless man smokes Friday under Tokyo's Yume no Ohashi — Bridge of Dreams — the site where the Olympic flame is kept.

vain to usher them along.

Silp away from the crowd
and stroll beneath the
bridge and you'll come upon
a waif of a man in a dark polo
shirt and ball cap. Leaning
back on a pile of belongings
packed under layers of tarp,
he is watching a television
dollvious or unconcerned
with what's happening
above.

oblivious to or unconcerned with what's happening above.

The soft-spoken 57-year-old homeless man from Chiba prefecture, born the year Tokyo last hosted the Summer Games, was here long before the torch arrived. He was here before nearby Shiokaze Park was cleared of about 10 homeless residents to make way for the beach volleyball court, before the Ariake Gymnastics Center was bullt to mint. was built to mint [See Tokyo, A4]

Rare weekend sessions are called to push the bipartisan plan to a vote before summer recess. NATION, A10 Weather Sunny and warmer. L.A. Basin: 86/62. **B10** Printed with soy inks on partially recycled paper.



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Always seeking more Track standout Thomas's goals extend well beyond Olympic glory sports



Dressel does it U.S. star finishes with five golds as swimming meet concludes sports



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# **Afghan** diplomat's exit leaves questions

An embassy wall fell, and an ambassador found her career upended

BY MISSY RYAN, KAREN DEYOUNG AND EZZATULLAH MEHRDAD

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For foreign diplomats, a top
posting in Washington is typically a career-capping assignment,
or a steppingstone to the highest
government echelons at home.
That is especially true in Afghanistan, where America ranks as
chief financial backer and most
powerful ally.

One former Afghan ambassador to the United States was
elevated to finance minister. Another became national security
adviser. Only five people have
served in this most prestigious of
postings since the United States
launched its war in Afghanistan
in 2001.

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But Roya Rahmani, whose se-lection as Afghanistan's first fe-male envoy to Washington in 2018 was seen as heralding a new

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2018 was seen as heralding a new
era for Afghan women, was unceremoniously replaced in July,
with no official explanation or
follow-on job. She says she will
not return to Afghanistan, where
she fears for her life.

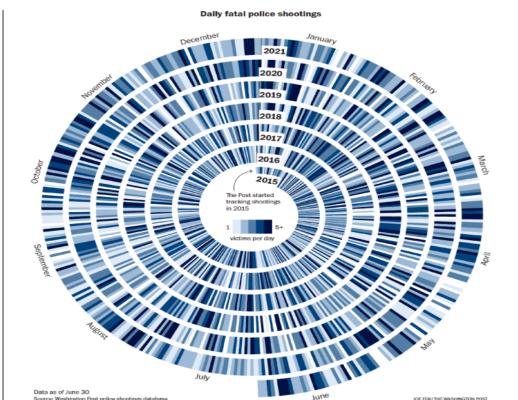
The stalling of Rahmani's
once-meteoric rise — she was
one of her country's few prominent female officials — offers
insights into the forces buffeting
Afghanistan as the United States
withdraws its military forces,
including widespread corruption, weak institutions and questions about the future of women
and girls.

The 43-year-old Kabul native
departs under a cloud, indicted
in Kabul alongside two other
Afghan officials on embezzlement charges — which she has
denied and attempted to refute
— that she says have more to do
with gender and her country's
highly personalized and insular
politics than any wrongdoing.

The allegation involves repairs to the embassy she headed,
and an amount of money that
seems a pittance beside the massive financial malfeasance,
fraudulent contracts and a gargantuan bank scandal that have
been the subject of numerous
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More than words: Interpreters are
a crucial link for U.S. troops. A20

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# Killings by police persist despite outrage, reform drives

On Oct. 27, an Uber driver in Pompano Beach, Fla., reported that he had been carjacked. A passenger attacked him, slashing his hand with a knife and stealing his Mercedes-Benz, the driver said.

The driver had left his cellphone in the car, and police tracked it into Palm Beach County. Sheriff's deputies found the vehicle and 20-year-old Ryan Fallo. He ignored commands to drop

The Post noted more than 6,400 fatal shootings since 2015, with a high of 1,021 in 2020

UNACCOUNTABLE examination of policing in America amid the push for reform

Public records laws: Police have a disclos exemption in all 50 states and D.C. A14

A heated battle

the knife and approached them, the sheriff's office said, and they shot and killed him. The shooting was later ruled justified.

The Palm Beach Sheriff's Office released a photo of a knife with what appeared to be blood on the blade and handle. But it did not release the names of the two deputies involved. Instead, it kept their identities confidential under a Plorida law billed as a way to protect crime victims. On paperwork invoking the law, both deputies signed their names in the SEE SHOOTINGS ON ALS

# Summer surge worries experts

# VIRUS CASELOAD 'IS GETTING WORSE'

Delta variant, relaxed precautions drive spike

BY BEN GUARINO AND DAN DIAMOND

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AND DAN DIAMOND

The newly resurgent coronavirus could spark 140,000 to 300,000 cases aday in the United States this month, fueled by the highly transmissible delta variant and the widespread resumption of normal activities, disease trackers predict.

The nation is already reporting more than 70,000 cases a day, according to The Washington Post's rolling seven-day average—an increase of nearly 60,000 in the daily average in less than six weeks. Cases, measured as that rolling average, have risen to levels last seen in February.

Justin Lessler, a University of North Carolina epidemiology professor who assisted in coordinating pandemic forecasts through the Covid-19 Scenario Modeling Hub, said he was "quite concerned.... It worries me that we may have been too optimistice in projecting lower caseloads into the fall.

The seven-day average of cases nationwide has risen by about 60 percent in the past week alone. Daily hospitalizations rose by roughly 40 percent and deaths SEE COVID on A7.

Europe catches up: Health passports spur vaccinations. A22

# **Evictions** loom over tenants as ban expires

BY RACHEL SIEGEL

expired Saturday, marking a new, worrisome phase in the race to keep people in their homes amid the slow trickle of emergency rental aid and surging coronavi-

the slow trickle of emergency rental aid and surging coronavirus cases.

The moratorium — put in place almost II months ago by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention — created new divisions: pitting landlords against tenants, judges vs. housing advocates, Republicans vs. Democrats. While parts of the economy show signs of strength, the recovery has not carried everyone equally. Almost a year and a half since the pandemic began, many renters still haven't caught up on their bills or gotten access to federal aid.

It's difficult to know how many people could be served with eviction notices in the coming days and weeks, housing experts say. Moody's data shows there are still well over 6 million renters behind on payments.

In June, the CDC extended the

well over 6 million renters be-hind on payments.

In June, the CDC extended the ban for one final month, intensify-ing pressure on the Biden admin-istration, along with state and local governments, to significant-ly ramp up the amount of rental

firefighters from across the state are fighting the massive blaze. More photos, A12

# Six months after riot, Babbitt is Trump-embraced 'martyr'

The 35-year-old's death is central in campaign to rewrite Jan. 6 narrative

# BY PAUL SCHWARTZMAN AND JOSH DAWSEY

Her phone rang on that day in early July, nearly six months after a police officer's bullet killed her daughter as she and a mob of rioters seeking to overturn the election stormed a barricaded door deep inside the U.S. Capitol.

Micki Witthoeft answered the call and listened as former president Donald Trump expressed condolences over Ashli Babbitt's violent death and acknowledged, she said, that her daughter had

died Jan. 6 trying to salvage his

died Jan. 6 tyjing to salvage his lost presidency.

Without took the opportunity drining the 30-minute call to ask Trump for help getting information about Babbitt's death and to fight for those still imprisoned because of their older the salvage of their older to the salvage of their older to the salvage of their older to the salvage of their older ol SEE BABBITT ON AS

The Sunday Take: The story of Trump and Jan. 6 is not whole. A2

The Golden Eagles Hotshots work to contain the Dixie Fire in Quincy, Calif. Nearly 6,000

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# ABRIR UN COMERCIO, UNA CARRERA DE OBSTÁCULOS

–el herlinés

Luego de la desolación de la pandemia quedan en evidencia las enormes dificultades—un circuito burocrático de casi 30 etapas— para ejecutar un proyecto.

# ¿TIENE FUTURO LA MODA ARGENTINA?

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La falta de materias primas, los precios altos, la pérdida de poder adquisitivo y los cambios de hábitos por la cuarentena castigaron a la industria textil.

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# Fernández resiste la presión para hacer cambios en el gabinete antes de los comicios

DIFERENCIAS. Pese a la insistencia del kirchnerismo, solo prevé reemplazar a Rossi y Arroyo

Alberto Fernández desea reconfigurar su gabinete para la segunda mitad de su mandato. No pretende hacer cambios antes de las elecciones legislativas más allá de los obligados, como el de Agustín Rossi (Defensa) y Daniel Arroyo (Desarrollo Social), que renunciaron para ser candidatos. De esta manera, el Presidente se resiste a modificaciones más de fondo, como se insiste desde el kirchnerismo. Cerca de Cristina Kirchnerapuntan, puntualmente, contra los ministros Martín Guzmán (Economía), Matías Kulfas (Desarrollo Productivo) y Claudio Moroni (Trabajo) por diferencias en lo relativo

al gasto público y la inflación. El Presidente no definió aún el re-

El Presidente no definió aún el reemplazante de Rossi. En Desarrollo Social asumirá Juan Zabaleta, intendente de Hurlingham. Página 16

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Martín Rodríguez Yebra Página 18

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# Una sociedad golpeada por la política

Joaquín Morales Solá

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a política juega su partido en un estadio sin espectadores. Sola. Algunos jugadores no saben ni siquiera contra quién juegano por qué juegan. El grupo más numeroso de argentinos no sabe todavía por quién votará en las primarias de dentro de 40 días o si es quevotará. Continúa en la página 39

# Olivos. Las reuniones presidenciales en cuarentena

Maia Jastreblansky y Delfina Arambillet

Los argentinos estaban aislados. Entre el 20 de marzo y el 29 de noviembre de 2020, en el área metropolitana de Buenos Aires regía un confinamiento estricto que prohiba las reuniones sociales en domicilios particulares y requería permisos para circular. Pero en el chalet de la quinta presidencial de Olivos –la morada de Alberto Fernández y su pareja, Fabiola Yáñez –se mantuvieron por lo menos siete encuentros que excedieron al grupo conviviente. A veces acotadas y otras más concurridas, esas visitas podrían no estar ligadas a la agenda de gestión. Pasaron empresarios, Marcelo Tinelli, Hugo Moyano y hasta Marcelo Gallardo. Continúa en la página 22

# Fernández habló de limitar el plazo de los jueces

DEFINICIÓN. Preguntó por qué no se le puede poner término a la duración de los magistrados. Página 24



# JUEGOS OLÍMPICOS **TOKIO 2020**



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Jamaica concretó un podio para la historia

TOKIO.- Oro, plata y bronce. Jamaica copó el podio de los 100m femeninos, algo inédito, y con récord olímpico: ganó Elaine Thompson (10s61), seguida por Shelly-Ann Fraser y Shericka Jackson. Deportes

# El Gobierno apunta a las provincias por la cepa delta

PREOCUPACIÓN. Reclama más control de quienes llegan del exterior

La variante delta ya está en el país y en el Gobierno crece la inquietud por la posibilidad de un rebrote. "Las provincias no controlaron lo suficiente", sostienen en la Casa Rosada, en reacción a los casos detectados en las últimas horas en Salta, Córdoba y la ciudad de Buenos Aires. El Ministerio de Salud reclama que se endurezcan las medidas de control de viajeros para demorar todo lo posible la circulación comunitaria mientras avanza el plan de vacunación. Página 4

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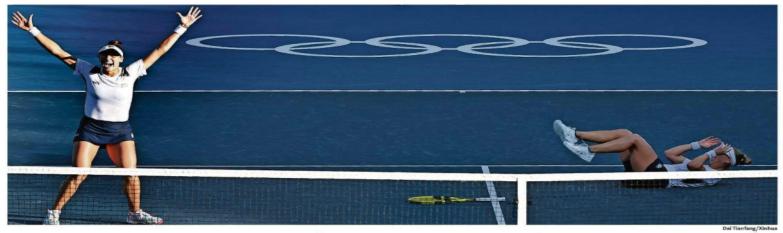


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# DUPLA FEMININA GANHA 1º MEDALHA NO TÊNIS PARA O BRASIL EM OLIMPÍADAS

Luisa Stefani, de braços abertos, e Laura Pigossi, no chão, celebram a primeira medalha olímpica no tênis para o Brasil na história, ao derrotar dupla russa e ficar com o bronze Tóquio 2020 p. 1

# tóquio \$2020

# **NA TERRA DO MEDALHISTA DE PRATA**

Cidade onde nasceu Kelvin Hoefler, Guarujá não tem nenhuma pista pública de skate em situação boa, ótima ou excelente para treinar p.2 e p.3

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HANDEBOL FEMININO
23h Brasit x França
ATLETISMO FEMININO 23h50 Final (100 m com barreiras) GINÁSTICA ARTÍSTICA 5h45 Final (Solo)

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É preciso reagir Em defesa de responsabi-lizar Bolsonaro por atos.

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### EM BUSCA DOS ALUNOS SUMIDOS

Após quase 1 ano de escolas fechadas, professores e diretores em São Paulo, como Jucilene Araujo, vão de casa em casa e telefonam para levar estudantes de volta às aulas cotidiano B1

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Ney Matogrosso faz 80 com novo álbum e é tema de biografia c4

+ Relatos de uma entrevista inédita de Giannotti c12

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do carro voador

# Para combater falsas notícias, EUA abrem guerra a redes sociais

Casa Branca vê desinformação ecoada por plataformas como determinante para recusa da vacina contra Covid

O governo Biden intensificou a ofensiva contra as gi-gantes da internet por causa da avalanche de notícias falsas sobre vacinas, que atrapalham o progresso da imu-nização nos EUA e ameaçam a agenda do democrata. Joe Biden não cumpriu a

meta de dar a primeira dose em 70% dos adultos até 4 de julho —hoje ainda são 69,6% parcialmente imunizados.

Para a Casa Branca, a herata a Casa Branca, a Nestração vacinal, alimentada por boatos que circulam nas redes sociais, é o principal obstáculo para o país alcançar a imunidade de rebanho.

Com o avanço da varian-te delta, que já responde por 83% dos casos nos EUA, cresce a probabilidade de estados retomarem restrições, o que atinge em cheio a recu-peração da economia.

A Casa Branca cita o rela-A Casa Branca cita o rela-tório de uma ONG segundo o qual 12 influenciadores res-pondem por 65% de toda a desinformação antivacina e geram US\$ 1,1 bilhão de fa-turamento em anúncios pa-ra as chamadas "big techs". O Facebook nega ter papel na recusa à vacina e tem promovido, como Twitter e YouTube, conteúdo científi-co sobre a Covid. Mundo A12

### Alvo de CPI tratou de suposta vacina com ex-policial

Alvo da CPI da Covid no Senado, uma ONG autorizada pelo Ministério da Saúde a negociar a com-pra de vacinas buscou doses com uma empresa nos ses com uma empresa nos Estados Unidos gerencia-da por um policial aposen-tado que chegou a ser afas-tado das ruas por suspei-ta de corrupção. Poder A4

Prêmio Octavio

Frias de Oliveira

revela vencedores

Entregue quinta (5), o Prê-mio Octavio Frias de Oli-

veira, voltado à pesquisa em prevenção e combate ao câncer, contempla em 2021 estudos sobre o com-

bate à perda muscular com exercícios, da USP, e o di-agnóstico de câncer co-lorretal, da Universidade Federal do Ceará. Saúde BS

Com vacinação,

usar máscara?

Saúde B4

até quando vamos

## Média de mortes por Covid cai a menos de mil/dia

Pela primeira vez desde 20 de janeiro, a média móvel de mortes por Covid-19 no país ficou abaixo de 1.000 casos diários neste sábado (31). Foram 991 mortes (925 na contagem do dia), ante 983 do registro do co-meço do ano. A doença já matou 556 mil brasileiros nesta pandemia. saúde B6

# População com 18

Brasil	u mais* ao menos uma dose 64,9%	totalmente vacinada 25,7%
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RS	72,156	33,8%
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Brasil	100,7 mi	37,6 mi	3,8 mi	
10 SP	26,6 mi	9,3 mi	1,1 mi	
2º MG	9,9 mi	3,5 mi	400,2 mil	
3º RJ	7,8 mi	3,1 mi	269,9 mil	

# Bolsonaro ignora centrão e volta a atacar as eleições

Jair Bolsonaro voltou a atacar o sistema eleitoral do país e as urnas eletrônicas, ignorando apelos por mo-deração do centrão. Seus aliados o veem acuado e buscando angariar apoio. "Não aceitaremos uma

farsa como querem nos impor. Jamais temerei al-guns homens que querem impor sua vontade", disse, repetindo críticas ao sistema feitas com men-tiras durante live. Poder A9

### PF descartou hipótese de fraude em urnas

Relatórios da PF sobre urnas eletrônicas descarta-ram fraude, ao contrário do que disseram Bolsonaro e ministro. Painel A4

### Tales Ab'Sáber

Sem projeto ou razão, presidente engana apenas quem quer der A9



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# China cancela unilateralmente compra de 1 millón de dosis

Informó el ministro Borba en el programa La Lupa de Telefuturo y Monumental 1080 AM. Covax no pasa de señales de humo y ya van dos meses en que no envía las vacunas.

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Monto fue de G. 574 millones Legisladores tributaron por IRP solamente el 1% de sus ingresos

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Aumentan los locales para alquilar Microcentro pierde atractivo por falta de espacio y seguridad

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Hay que saber usar redes sociales Policía insta a hacer denuncias ante auge de los ciberdelitos





Nenecho Rodriguez, candidato ANR "No debemos decir 'ANR Nunca Más', sino corrupción nunca más"

Eduardo Nakayama, candidato Juntos por Asunción "El tema acuerdos cerró y hay que llevar las propuestas a la gente"



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





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Joe Biden que, si «une véritable guerre» éclate entre les États-Unis et «une autre grande puissance». « ce sera à cause d'une cyberattaque » ?

principaux acteurs des antagonismes du mon-de : États-Unis, Europe, Russie, Chine, Israël,

# Les cyberattaques, nouvelles armes de la guerre moderne

Si des pays comme la Chine ou la Russie pratiquent déjà les attaques à grande échelle, des puissances régionales s'y essaient, annonçant une nouvelle ère dans le cyberespace.

di, devant la communauté du renseignement américain. «Je pense qu'il est plus que probable que si nous finissons par une guerre - une vraie guerre contre une puissance majeure – elle soit la conséquence d'une intrusion cyber de grande importance. » Comme les États-Unis, l'Union européenne a elle aussi pris conscience du danger de cette

cyberguerre qui se joue sur le terrain civil comme sur le ter-rain militaire avec une nébu-leuse d'acteurs plus ou moins identifiables.

La liste des récents scandales

seya, Microsoft Exchange, JBS, Colonial Pipeline, Pegasus) a fait éclater au grand jour des vulnérabilités dans tous les pays. La course contre la monrester au niveau et prévenir le grave danger que constituent ces attaques numériques pour la sécurité et l'économie des

⇒ L'ALGÉRIE ÉPINGLÉE POUR DES CYBERMANIPULATIONS POLITIQUES ⇒ DE REVIL À L'APT31, HACKEURS ET MERCENAIRES NUMÉRIQUES ⇒ ISRAËL PASSÉ MAÎTRE



longtemps « assignés à résidence » dans la même affectation, demandent à être mutés sur le littoral. PAGE 8

# La France a renoué avec la croissance au printemps

L'économie française a re-trouvé du tonus avec une hausse de 0,9 % du produit intérieur brut (PIB) au deuxième trimestre, a annoncé l'Insee ce vendredi. Ce chiffre, moins élevé que celui de la plupart de nos voisins européens, est néanmoins de bon augure pour atteindre les 6 % de croissance visés par le gouvernement cette année. Restent plusieurs incertitudes pour la rentrée : l'impact économique provo-qué par la quatrième vague de l'épidémie et la durée de la pénurie de certaines matières premières. PAGE 23

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# Conflits 2.0

tte guerre-là n'a rien de la dramaturgie qui accompagne depuis mille ans tout déploiement militaire : sol-dats en armes, matériel lourd, et discours martial afférent. Dans la cyberguerre qui point, tout est furtif, silen-cieux, les offensives sont conduites depuis un écran. Il est probable qu'on ne distinguerait pas le général en chef d'un sympathique amateur de jeux vidéo. Pour être insaisissables, ces agressions sont-elles pour autant indolores ? L'actualité des méfaits de Pegasus à travers le monde montre leur caractère redoutable : le cheval de Troie d'Ulysse, dans sa version nu-mérique, n'a rien perdu de son efficacité.

merique, n'a rien perdu de son efficacite.
De fait, fragiliser on neutraliser un système de
communication, un approvisionnement en
eau, voire une industrie, peut affaiblir un adversaire mieux qu'une attaque en bonne et
due forme. Ceci n'empéchant pas cela. Pour Joe Biden, la cyberguerre pourrait même être, dans un avenir proche, le préambule à une guerre conventionnelle, comme jadis le pilonnage d'un point avant l'assaut. Dans ces conflits 2.0, on retrouve d'ailleurs les

Iran. Mais la guerre n'est plus seulement «froide»; permanente, elle est invisible. Ce nouveau théâtre d'opérations nous désta-bilise. Il semble que quelques geeks déterminés soient suffisants pour s'infiltrer dans les secrets d'un État, d'une entreprise; ou dans notre vie. Leur maestria, associée à des progrès technologiques grandissants, nous donne le sentiment désagréable d'être vulnérables.

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La réalité est plus com-La réalité est plus com-plexe : à l'audace des prédateurs en tee-shirt (véritables commandos numériques, dénommés APT) répond l'ingénicsi-té des services pour se défendre. Les coups s'échangent sens bruit detendre. Les coup s'échangent, sans bruit.

Ce sont plutôt les menta-lités qu'il faut éveiller : sans céder à la panique en consultant son téléphone ou en réglant un achat, chacun peut prendre conscience de ce qui se passe par écrans, câbles et souris interposés. Notre sécurité, notre liberté, notre prospérité sont en jeu. Face aux bouleversements du monde, nous devons changer de lo-



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