

What's News

Business & Finance

JPMorgan's profit fell 28% in the second quarter from a year earlier, even as the biggest U.S. bank said it sees few signs that a recession is imminent, highlighting the uncertainty looming over markets and the economy. **A1**

◆ **Morgan Stanley said** its quarterly profit fell 29%, reflecting a decline in corporate deal making. **B10**

◆ **Amazon has started** drastically reducing the number of items it sells under its own brands and has discussed the possibility of exiting the private-label business entirely to alleviate regulatory pressure, according to people familiar with the matter. **A1**

◆ **Amazon proposed** concessions to settle two antitrust cases against it in the EU after the bloc passed a strict new digital-competition law. **B1**

◆ **China recorded** its weakest growth rate in more than two years, with GDP expanding at a 0.4% annual rate in the April to June period. **A1**

◆ **The S&P 500 and Dow** slipped 0.3% and 0.5%, respectively, while the Nasdaq edged up 0.03%. **B11**

◆ **Elliott Management** has taken a big stake in social-media company Pinterest, according to people familiar with the matter. **B1**

◆ **Celsius has a** roughly \$1.2 billion hole in its balance sheet, with the majority of its liabilities owed to the crypto lender's users, according to a filing by CEO Mashinsky. **B11**

◆ **Chip maker TSMC** raised its full-year revenue forecast, citing strong demand for some semiconductors. **B4**

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◆ **Draghi tendered** his resignation as Italy's prime minister after his coalition collapsed due to differences over how to respond to the fallout of the war in Ukraine, leaving the eurozone's third-largest economy in political crisis. **A1**

◆ **Manchin told Schumer** that he wouldn't support an economic package in the coming weeks that raises taxes or includes climate provisions, according to people familiar with the matter. **A6**

◆ **The Secret Service** erased many text messages from the day of the Capitol riot and the previous day after the inspector general for the DHS requested them, the watchdog said, an accusation the Secret Service denied. **A4**

◆ **Jan. 6 panel members** are discussing the next steps in their investigation, including whether to seek an interview with Pence and, potentially, Trump. **A4**

◆ **Biden warned** that the U.S. wouldn't "wait forever" for Iran to agree to revive the 2015 nuclear deal, and didn't commit to raising the murder of journalist Jamal Khashoggi during a coming visit to Saudi Arabia. **A9**

◆ **Texas sued** the Biden administration, seeking to block federal rules that say doctors are obliged to perform abortions in emergencies where a pregnant woman is at imminent risk. **A3**

◆ **The House passed** an annual defense-policy bill Thursday that would boost the total U.S. national-security budget for fiscal year 2023 to \$850.3 billion. **A6**

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Russian Missile Strikes Endanger Cities Far From Front Lines



DESTRUCTION: Rescuers worked on Thursday at the scene of a building that was damaged by a missile attack on Vinnytsia, a city in central Ukraine, as Russia ramps up long-range airstrikes. The attack left at least 23 people dead, A18

Amazon Slashes Own Brands, Considers Exiting Entirely

By DANA MATTIOLI

Amazon.com Inc. has started drastically reducing the number of items it sells under its own brands and has discussed the possibility of exiting the private-label business entirely to alleviate regulatory pressure, according to people familiar with the matter.

Amazon's private-label business, with 243,000 products across 45 different house brands as of 2020, has been a source of discussion because it competes with other sellers on

its platform.

The decision to scale back the house brands resulted partly from disappointing sales for many of the items, the people said. It also came as the retail-and-technology giant has faced criticism in recent years from lawmakers and others that it sometimes gives advantages to its own brands at the expense of products sold by other vendors on its site.

Over the past six months, Amazon leadership instructed its private-label team to slash the list of items and not to re-

order many of them, the people said. Executives discussed reducing its private-label assortment in the U.S. by well over half, one of them said.

The move was initiated after a review of the business by Dave Clark, a longtime Amazon executive who took over as head of its global consumer business in January 2021, the people said. Mr. Clark left the company last month.

As a result of that review, Mr. Clark pushed the team to focus on bestselling commodity goods, along the lines of Target

Corp.'s "Up & Up" or Walmart Inc.'s "Great Value" brands, rather than offer the extensive range of items Amazon currently does, the people said.

Amazon's private-label business started in 2009 with consumer-electronics products such as cables and expanded into other categories. It now encompasses everything from

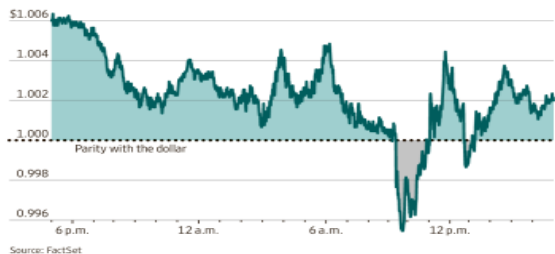
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◆ **More than 300 million items sold in Prime Day event..... B4**

Strains Extend Euro's Decline

The European common currency fell 0.4% against the dollar Thursday but closed above parity in late New York trading. At times during the day, the currency traded below parity. **B1**

How many dollars €1 buys



Italy's Government Left in Crisis

By ERIC SYLVERS
AND MARCUS WALKER

Prime Minister Mario Draghi of Italy tendered his resignation Thursday after his coalition collapsed due to differences over how to respond to the fallout of the war in Ukraine, leaving the eurozone's third-largest economy in political crisis.

Mr. Draghi said he would resign after a key party in his coalition pulled its support for his government following squabbles among the groups on whether to send arms to Ukraine and how much financial support to give to Italian families reeling from high inflation.

Italy's president, Sergio Mattarella, said late Thursday

that he wouldn't accept Mr. Draghi's resignation, adding to the political uncertainty.

Some parties in Mr. Draghi's collapsed coalition are asking him to stay on and try to form a new governing coalition, something he has previously said he wouldn't do. What will happen next could become

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Consumers Are Flush but Worried, Sowing Doubt

Though savings have kept people shopping so far, inflation is turning some cautious

By JON HILSENTHAL
AND RACHEL WOLFE

Inflation is melting away the value of household paychecks. Even so, household finances are as strong overall as they've been in decades, thanks to money saved during the pandemic, debt paid off over the past decade and a strong job market.

The economic outlook now hangs on which of these forces proves greater.

More than two-thirds of U.S. economic activity is tied to household spending. Recessions typically are accompanied by a pullback by consumers. Spending has surged

during the pandemic, but it now shows signs of cooling.

Last year, Alexandra Peña, 27, of Brooklyn, N.Y., was thinking, "Wow, we saved so much money." She estimates she and her husband saved \$21,000 between canceled date nights and a postponed honeymoon, federal relief checks and her getting a higher-paying job. They used some of that to buy a Peloton exercise bike for their apartment.

Recently, however, inflation has shifted their perspective. Because of rising costs, she says, she has cut back on luxuries such as new clothes, manicures and hair.

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World's Top Sprinters to Schlubs On Street: No, I Don't Want to Race

Delusional fans want to test track champions; 'I smoked him, obviously'

By RACHEL BACHMAN

Christian Coleman is the reigning world champion in the men's 100 meters. From time to time, strangers approach the 26-year-old Atlanta native with a proposition.

"People will look at me, like, 'You're Christian Coleman. Hey, you want to race?'" he said. "And I mean, like, we're in the middle of the mall. It's like, obviously not." Starting Friday in Eugene, Ore., more than 1,900 athletes

will converge at the track-and-field world championships, the first time the event has been held on U.S. soil. The competition will be fierce during the 10-day event, the top global meet held outside the Olympic Games.

For the many world-class sprinters there, it also will be a respite from an unusual phenomenon that plagues them in their daily lives. The world's fastest humans won't have to contend with random schlubs approaching and challenging

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Ivana Trump, the first wife of ex-President Donald Trump, dies at the age of 73. **A8**

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Tampa, Fla., is transformed from grit to glitter by a wave of luxury developers. **M1**

China Reports Slowest Growth in Two Years

By JASON DOUGLAS

SINGAPORE—China recorded its weakest growth rate in more than two years, a measure of the costs imposed on the world's second-largest economy by Beijing's zero-tolerance approach to Covid-19.

Gross domestic product expanded at a 0.4% annual rate in the April to June period, China's National Bureau of Statistics said Friday. That was the worst performance since the first quarter of 2020, when the pandemic first erupted and the economy shrank 6.9% after the central Chinese metropolis of Wuhan became the first city in the world to lock down to stem

the spread of Covid-19. Economists polled by The Wall Street Journal had forecast China's economy to grow by 0.9%.

The scale of the slowdown highlights the damage caused by stringent lockdowns that left millions of Shanghai residents confined to their homes for two months and many businesses closed as authorities tried to snuff out a coronavirus outbreak in China's wealthiest city.

Lockdowns weren't confined to China's prosperous coast. Outbreaks have also closed car factories and disrupted farming

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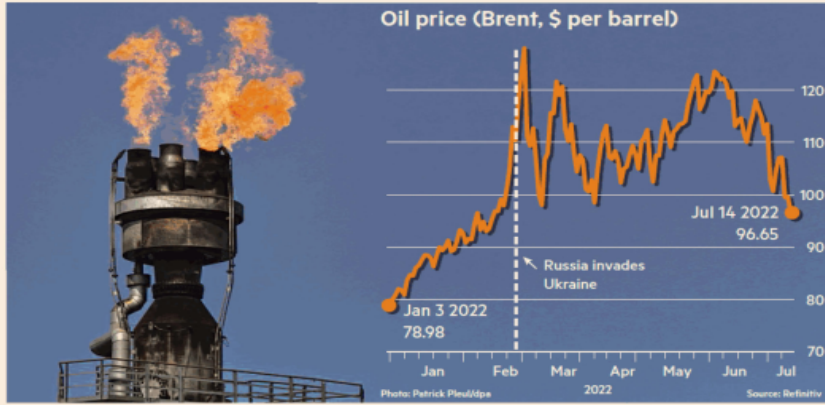
Oil falls below invasion level

Oil prices fell more than 5 per cent yesterday to below \$95 — wiping off all of the gains made since Russia invaded Ukraine less than five months ago.

Both benchmarks shed more than \$5 a barrel, continuing a six-week rout as recessionary jitters outweighed worries over energy supply shortages.

Brent, the international marker, fell as low as \$94.45 a barrel yesterday; it closed at \$96.84 on February 23, the day before Russia's Ukraine invasion. West Texas Intermediate, the US equivalent, dropped to \$90.56, below its close of \$92.10 before the war. The benchmarks, which had traded above \$130 as western countries hit Russia with sanctions, have fallen a fifth in the past month.

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Morgan Stanley and JPMorgan results set grim tone for Wall St

◆ Steep falls in quarterly income ◆ First earnings miss since 2020 ◆ Flow of IPOs dwindles

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NEW YORK

JPMorgan Chase and Morgan Stanley cast a pall over Wall Street after reporting a bigger-than-expected decline in second-quarter profits, signalling the end of the sector's pandemic-era earnings boom.

Wall Street banks raked in record fees during the coronavirus pandemic by working on a flood of mergers and acquisitions, public listings and special purpose acquisition companies.

But the pipeline of business, in particular the flow of initial public offerings, has slowed markedly this year as investors have shied away from Spacs and money-losing start-ups.

It was the first earnings miss from either JPMorgan — the largest US lender

by assets and an industry bellwether — or Morgan Stanley since the start of 2020.

"In terms of outlook [for investment banking], while our existing pipeline remains healthy, conversion of the deal backlog may be challenging if the current headwinds continue," Jeremy Barnum, JPMorgan chief financial officer, said.

The banks are also contending with a challenging regulatory environment. JPMorgan said it had "temporarily suspended share buybacks" after the Federal Reserve hit it last month with a higher capital requirement.

Morgan Stanley signalled it expected to pay a \$200mn penalty to US regulators related to a federal investigation into the use of unapproved communica-

tion channels by its staff. JPMorgan paid that amount in fines to resolve a similar case.

JPMorgan reported overall second-quarter net income of \$8.2bn, or \$2.76 per share, down nearly 30 per cent from \$11.5bn, or \$3.78 per share, in the same period last year. Analysts had forecast quarterly net income of \$8.5bn, or \$2.90 per share, according to consensus data compiled by Bloomberg.

At Morgan Stanley net income applicable to shareholders also fell 30 per cent to \$2.4bn, falling short of estimates for \$2.75bn.

Both banks suffered from larger declines in investment banking revenue than analysts had expected, as well as losses on loans they have not yet been able to sell on to third parties.



Wall Street banks were busy in the pandemic handling a flood of M&As, listings and Spac work, much of which has since dried up

The downbeat reports set a gloomy tone for the US bank earnings season, with Citigroup due to publish earnings on Friday followed by Goldman Sachs and Bank of America next Monday.

JPMorgan's stock was down 4.5 per cent in afternoon trading in New York, while Morgan Stanley was down 0.6 per cent. Goldman was down around 5 per cent and BoFA fell 2.8 per cent.

During the quarter, JPMorgan and Morgan Stanley took a hit because they were unable to sell debt they had underwritten to fund leveraged buyouts on to investors. JPMorgan said it had taken \$257mm in markdowns on loans being held for sale while Morgan Stanley said it had taken \$282mm of mark-to-market losses.

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As Europe's economy continues to be battered by the energy crisis fuelled by Russia's war in Ukraine, the EU has lifted its forecasts for inflation this year and 2023 while cutting its growth outlook. — PAGE 2

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Disgraced Sri Lankan president Gotabaya Rajapaksa has fled to Singapore from the Maldives following mass protests over his country's economic collapse. Singapore said he had not asked for asylum. — PAGE 4

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China's biggest purveyor of fiery hotpot meals is spinning off its overseas unit after its mainland trade was hit by zero-Covid curbs. Haidilao International is applying for a Hong Kong listing. — PAGE 6

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Going nowhere

Reasons for not travelling this summer



With inflation biting, money is the biggest hurdle for potential holidaymakers this summer — 45 per cent of Americans and 41 per cent of Europeans with no summer travel plans this year said they could not afford it



China VC funds starved of cash on geopolitical risks

With global investors deterred by Beijing's tech crackdown, zero-Covid regime and the possibility it could one day face the same wave of sanctions as Russia, private equity and venture capital managers in China say small and middle-sized groups are facing huge fundraising challenges. "I hate to be political when making investments," said one investor, "but I think anything in China these days is a bit dangerous."

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Emirates slams Heathrow decision to cap passenger flights as 'airmageddon'

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Emirates has criticised London Heathrow's decision to limit flights as "airmageddon", saying it would ignore the move in a growing backlash from airlines against the airport's attempt to avert travel disruption.

The Dubai state-owned airline said the airport's decision to cut flights and limit the number of passengers for the remainder of the summer was "entirely unreasonable and unacceptable".

The UK's busiest airport, which is 20 per cent owned by the sovereign wealth fund of Qatar, a regional aviation rival to Dubai, this week set a daily limit on the number of departing passengers for the first time, telling airlines to stop selling tickets over the next two months.

Emirates yesterday said it had been

given 36 hours from Wednesday night to comply with capacity cuts of a figure "that appears to have been plucked from thin air".

Sir Tim Clark, Emirates' president, described Heathrow's demand that the airline cut one of its six daily A380 superjumbo flights to Dubai as "delinquent".

Heathrow dictated the specific flights from which paying passengers should be barred and threatened legal action for non-compliance, the airline added. "We reject these demands," Emirates said. The airline intends to operate as scheduled until further notice. "We have no choice," added Clark.

Heathrow insisted it controls operations at the airport and can stop airlines flying, but admitted it was an unlikely last resort.

The pushback from the Gulf carrier is

the first public sign of a significant dispute developing over the airport's decision to take steps to avert further disruption over the next two months.

Heathrow announced this week that no more than 100,000 people would be able to fly each day on departures from the airport until September 11, a reduction from 104,000 seats scheduled under current plans.

An airline executive said Heathrow had in the meantime imposed emergency measures running until July 24 that attempted to force airlines to cancel flights and to stop selling tickets for any outbound flights.

Airlines were taken by surprise by the emergency measures and have appealed to the government and the UK's Civil Aviation Authority to block it. They are also assessing the legality of the moves, the executive added.

World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				GOVERNMENT BONDS			
	Jul 14	Prev	%chg	Pair	Jul 14	Prev	%chg	Yield (%)	Jul 14	Prev	Chg (bp)
S&P 500	3767.77	3801.78	-0.89	\$/€	1.011	1.011	0.00	0.989	0.989	0.00	0.00
Nasdaq Composite	11170.16	11247.58	-0.69	\$/£	1.195	1.195	0.00	0.837	0.837	0.00	0.00
Dow Jones Ind	35453.31	35772.75	-0.94	€/£	0.846	0.846	0.00	1.162	1.162	0.00	0.00
FTSE 100	1801.94	1828.52	-1.51	\$/¥	137.185	137.185	0.00	1.386	1.386	0.00	0.00
Euro Stoxx 50	3397.56	3453.97	-1.63	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00
FTSE 100	1801.94	1828.52	-1.51	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00
FTSE All-Share	2814.73	2835.62	-1.56	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00
CAC 40	5915.41	6000.24	-1.41	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00
Nikkei 225	12519.66	12756.32	-1.86	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00
Hong Kong	26843.38	26478.77	1.62	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00
Hang Seng	20751.21	20707.85	0.22	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00
MSCI World	2544.68	2554.18	-0.37	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00
MSCI EM	970.46	967.31	0.33	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00
MSCI ACWI	594.35	596.10	-0.29	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00
FT Worldw 2500	4941.63	4962.51	-0.42	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00
FT Worldw 1000	3959.97	3974.95	-0.41	\$/¥	163.915	163.915	0.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00

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In Rape Case, Politics Raced Ahead of News

10-Year-Old's Abortion Spurs Heated Debate

By KATIE ROBERTSON

For nearly two weeks, the story of a 10-year-old Ohio girl who was raped and crossed state lines to get an abortion became a flash point in the national abortion debate. President Biden and other Democrats argued that it showed the harm resulting from the Supreme Court's overturning of *Roe v. Wade*.

But the facts were sparse, with reporters struggling to confirm a report in *The Indianapolis Star* that relied on a single named source.

Conservative media questioned whether the girl existed. Jesse Watters, a host on Fox News, suggested that the story could be a "hoax" meant to buttress the abortion-rights position. *The Wall Street Journal* published an editorial on Tuesday with the headline: "An Abortion Story Too Good to Confirm."

People on the left were quick to jump on and criticize any media report that noted how little was known about the girl and the circumstances of the crime. On Saturday, Glenn Kessler, a reporter at *The Washington Post*, wrote that he had been unable to confirm any of the details. "This is a very difficult story to check," he wrote, a conclusion that led to a flurry of angry comments on *The Post's* website. The case became an example of how, with a highly partisan issue, a single article can become the focus of a heated debate.

The facts became clearer on Wednesday, when *The Columbus Dispatch* reported that a man in Ohio had been arraigned in the rape.

But by then, the debate over the case had placed mainstream publications in an uncomfortable bind. A politicized narrative had evolved faster than reporters could accumulate information, and was fueling its own news cycle outside the facts.

"It was extreme enough that the questions about it were logical questions to ask," said Kelly McBride, a media ethics expert at the Poynter Institute. But, she added, journalists needed to do the reporting to answer questions and "not just put more opinions out without any more additional facts."

A Fox News spokeswoman declined to comment on statements from Mr. Watters or other hosts, but pointed to reporting by the network on Tuesday that corroborated the case. A *Wall Street Journal* spokeswoman did not reply to requests for comment.

The *Indianapolis Star* first brought the case to the public's attention in an article on July 1 that examined restrictions on abortion in the wake of the Supreme Court decision. The article referred to a case of Dr. Caitlin Bernard's, Dr. Bernard, an Indianapolis obstetrician-gynecologist, treated a 10-year-old rape victim from Ohio who had traveled to Indiana for abortion care because she was past the newly imposed six-week abortion limit in her home state.

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A Hero's Farewell

Hershel Williams, known as Woody, the last surviving Medal of Honor recipient from World War II, lay in honor at the U.S. Capitol on Thursday. As a 21-year-old Marine, he braved machine-gun fire to break through the Japanese defenses on Iwo Jima. He was 98.

Across U.S., It's Getting Harder to Find a Home

By EMILY BADGER and EVE WASHINGTON

San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York and Washington have long failed to build enough housing to keep up with everyone trying to live there. And for nearly as long, other parts of the country have mostly been able to shrug off the housing shortage as a condition particular to big coastal cities.

But in the years leading up to the pandemic, that condition advanced around the country: Springfield, Mo., stopped having enough housing. And the same

Soaring Prices Threaten Further Disruption to the Economy

with Appleton, Wis., and Naples, Fla.

What once seemed a blue-state coastal problem has increasingly become a national one, with consequences for the quality of life of American families, the health of the national economy and the politics of housing construction.

Today more families in the middle of America who could once count on becoming homeowners can't be so confident anymore. And communities that long relied on their relatively affordable housing to draw new residents can no longer be so sure of that advantage.

"It's like the cancer was limited to certain parts of our economic body," said Sam Khater, the chief economist at Freddie Mac. "And now it's spreading."

Freddie Mac has estimated that the nation is short 3.8 million

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Young Voters Say It Is Time For New Blood

By MAYA KING and JONATHAN WEISMAN

Alexandra Chadwick went to the polls in 2020 with the single goal of ousting Donald J. Trump. A 22-year-old first-time voter, she saw Joseph R. Biden Jr. as more of a safeguard than an inspiring political figure, someone who could stave off threats to abortion access, gun control and climate policy.

Two years later, as the Supreme Court has eroded federal protections on all three, Ms. Chadwick now sees President Biden and other Democratic leaders as lacking both the imagination and willpower to fight back. She points to a generational gap — one she once overlooked but now seems cavernous.

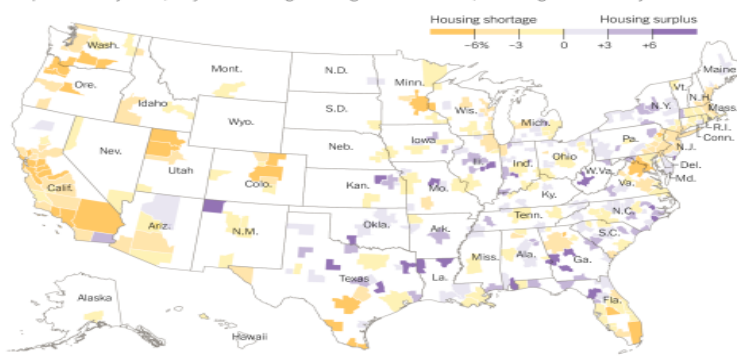
"How are you going to accurately lead your country if your mind is still stuck 50, 60 or 70 years ago?" Ms. Chadwick, a customer service representative in Rialto, Calif., said of the many septuagenarian leaders at the helm of her party. "It's not the same, and people aren't going to work as well anymore."

While voters across the spectrum express rising doubts about

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Shortages vs. Surpluses

A growing number of metro areas that once took housing affordability for granted faced shortages heading into the pandemic. By 2019, they lacked enough housing to meet demand, according to a new analysis.



Note: Shortage percentages reflect estimated housing units needed to meet demand, as a share of existing housing units. Source: Up for Growth analysis of U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development data.

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Steak Frites Without Mustard? France Shudders as Jars Vanish.

By ROGER COHEN

PARIS — Mustard runs deep in French culture. "My blood is boiling" is rendered in French by the expression "la moutarde me monte au nez," or "the mustard is rising in my nose" — and as Bastille Day testifies when that happens in France, the effect can be devastating.

As France marked its most important national holiday on Thursday, commemorating the storm-

ing of the Bastille fortress prison in 1789 that ignited the French Revolution, the mysterious disappearance of mustard from supermarket shelves has caused, if not revolt, at least deep disquiet.

Deprived of the condiment that gives edge to a steak frites, life to a grilled sausage, depth to a vinaigrette and richness to mayonnaise, France has been casting around with quiet

desperation for alternatives. Horseradish, wasabi, Worcestershire sauce and even creams of Roquefort or shallots have all emerged as contenders.

Poor contenders, it must be said. The problem is that Dijon mustard is as irreplaceable as it is indispensable. Butter or cream of unique quality may be more essential to French cuisine, but many an unctuous sauce with-

ers into insipidity without mustard. In Lyon, the idea of an offal sausage, or andouillette, without its mustard sauce is as inconceivable as cheese starved of wine.

Another problem, it transpires, is that Dijon mustard is composed largely from ingredients that do not come from that lovely capital of the Burgundy region. A perfect storm of climate change, a European war, Covid supply problems and rising costs have left French producers short of the brown

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IVANA TRUMP, 1949-2022

Former President's First Wife, Who Became a Mogul Herself

By CLAY RISEN

Ivana Trump, the glamorous Czech American businesswoman whose high-profile marriage to Donald J. Trump in the 1980s established them as one of the era's quintessential New York power couples, died on Thursday at her home in Manhattan. She was 73.

Mr. Trump announced her death in a statement on Truth Social, the conservative social media platform he founded.

The New York City police were investigating whether Ms. Trump fell down the stairs at her townhouse on the Upper East Side, according to two law enforcement officials with knowledge of the matter. One of the officials said



IVANA AND DONALD J. TRUMP, A 1980s NEW YORK POWER COUPLE.

that there was no sign of forced entry at the home and that the death appeared to be accidental. A spokeswoman for the city's chief medical examiner's office said it would investigate the death.

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Ukraine Priests Draw Scrutiny

Officials suspect some clergy members in the Ukrainian Orthodox Church may be collaborating with Russia. PAGE A8

Prime Minister Offers to Quit

Italy's president refused to accept Mario Draghi's resignation, leaving the country in political limbo. PAGE A9



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A Crushing Debt to Society

A new report asserts that ordering juvenile offenders to pay restitution often deters their lives and doesn't compensate the victims either. PAGE A10

Exonerated and Suing City

Muhammad A. Aziz filed a \$40 million claim against New York, seeking redress for his wrongful conviction in the killing of Malcolm X. PAGE A15

Manchin Sinks Spending Deal

Senator Joe Manchin III said he would not back tax increases or climate funding, dashing hopes that the Biden agenda could be salvaged. PAGE A14

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PRESIDENT BIDEN greets American Holocaust survivors Wednesday in Jerusalem, his first Mideast stop. EVAN VOGEL/Associated Press

ANALYSIS

Biden avoids discussing tough issues related to his Saudi trip

Questions loom over meeting with crown prince

By ELI STOKOLS

WASHINGTON — President Biden has boasted frequently about his own penchant for truth-telling, reminding the public about his promise to “give it to you straight.”

But in the run-up to a politically uncomfortable meeting this week with the Saudi crown prince believed

to be responsible for the gruesome murder of a journalist, Biden and his top aides have been tying themselves in knots with euphemisms, elisions and even excuses to avoid politically uncomfortable truths.

Whereas President Trump was famous for saying “the quiet part out loud,” Biden’s unwillingness to utter the obvious — in this instance about his visit to

Saudi Arabia — has only drawn more attention to the awkward inconsistencies he’s tried to obscure.

“I want to see how they are laying this visit out — will there be a photo of the meeting, will there be a joint press conference or joint statement afterwards? Will they, you know, sit down and have a meal?” said Marti Flacks, a former National Security [See Biden, A5]

No plans to bring up Khashoggi

Biden won’t commit to confronting Saudi leaders about the grisly killing of the U.S.-based journalist. **WORLD, A4**

Palestinians feel disillusioned

Mideast peace is not on Biden’s agenda. That adds to anger over a reporter’s death. **WORLD, A4**

L.A. County on verge of indoor mask mandate

Hyper-contagious BA.5 subvariant fuels rise in COVID cases and hospitalizations.

By LUKE MONEY AND RONG-GONG LIN II

Sustained jumps in cases and hospitalizations fueled by the hyper-infectious BA.5 subvariant pushed Los Angeles County into the high COVID-19 community level Thursday, a shift that could trigger a new public indoor mask mandate by the end of this month unless conditions improve.

Health officials have long said the county was inching closer to the metrics for a new mask measure, and those warnings are now closer than ever as the latest COVID-19 wave continues to wash over the region.

Should L.A. County remain in the high COVID-19 community level, which is defined by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, for the next two Thursdays, a new masking order would be issued with an effective date of July 29.

If L.A. County falls back to the medium level during either of the next two weeks, the clock would reset, pushing the earliest date for any new mask order into August. However, given continued increases in cases — and the potential for a corresponding rise in hospitalizations over the weeks to come — “at this point, it’s much more likely that we will stay in ‘high’ for these two

weeks,” said county Public Health Director Barbara Ferrer.

“With the high rates of transmission fueling the increased risks, sensible safety precautions that can slow down the spread of the virus are warranted, and that includes universal indoor masking,” she said Thursday.

A renewed mandate would apply indoors for those 2 and older at a familiar host of establishments and venues — including shared office space, manufacturing and retail settings, event spaces, restaurants and bars, gyms and yoga studios, educational settings and children’s programs.

Importantly, though, masks would not be required for those using outdoor spaces, as the risk of transmission in those settings is significantly lower than it is indoors.

Patrons also would be able to take off their masks indoors when actively eating or drinking.

Though the county is still a few weeks away from possibly mandating indoor masking, health officials have strongly recommended the practice for months — and continue to do so.

“We are not closing anything down. We are not asking people not to gather with the people they love. We are not asking you to forgo activities you love,” Ferrer said. “We’re asking you to take a sensible step when there’s a high risk of transmission with a highly transmissible [See Mandate, A7]

A town’s wells ran dry. Then a home caught fire

Fresno-area family’s house burned. Folks know it could happen again.

By DIANA MARCUM AND IAN JAMES

EAST OROSI, Calif. — It had been predicted and feared.

It finally happened on a brutally hot summer day: One of California’s communities with contaminated wells that are undergoing repairs ran completely out of water.

There is a state mandate to consolidate such water systems with larger nearby communities by 2024. But that wasn’t soon enough for East Oroshi, an unincorporated Tulare County hamlet southeast of Fresno.

The water went off Tuesday afternoon. State officials said a power surge damaged a well pump and left taps dry for about 14 hours until the water was restored.

In that time, a family had lost their home to a fire they had no water to fight. Children had spent a day scrambling to keep pets and livestock from dying.

And in this community that already depends on bottled water for drinking, everyone knew the taps could soon go dry again.

The San Joaquin Valley’s water well problems stem

from a complex mix of infrastructure failure, contamination and record-dry conditions. The current drought, in its third year, is causing water tables to drop. Heavy groundwater pumping by agriculture is leaving community wells more vulnerable and putting household water at risk.

And in the case of East Oroshi, a community that is nearly all Latino, reliance on two contaminated wells — one of which was out of commission for repairs — left residents vulnerable.

Juan Zetina, 26, came home from a day of picking peaches and nectarines about 4 p.m. on Tuesday afternoon.

The community well across the street was out and a man was working on the burned-out pump. There was no water for showering. Everyone here knows not to drink the nitrate-contaminated water from the tap.

A half hour later a small electrical fire broke out on the roof of the house Zetina rents with his mother and sister.

“It was little. We could have put it out,” he said.

But there was no water from the hose and local fire- [See Wells, A7]



STARBUCKS plans to close six stores in the Los Angeles area, including this location on 2nd Street, because of what it says are safety issues including drug use. IREAN KHAN/Los Angeles Times

Questions brew over closure of Starbucks stores in L.A.

By GRACE TOOHEY, SALVADOR HERNANDEZ AND CHRISTIAN MARTINEZ

Anna Gonzalez grabs a coffee at the Starbucks on 2nd Street in downtown Los Angeles across from her office most workdays, a favorite part of her morning routine.

She admits the store two blocks from the Los Angeles Police Department headquarters and City Hall is surrounded by a growing un-

housed population and struggles with petty crime. But she and other customers were disappointed and slightly alarmed to learn it was one of six locations in the L.A. area and 10 locations in other major cities the coffee giant said this week were closing because of safety issues.

“Everyone in there is really sweet, but it is kind of dicey around here,” Gonzalez said, leaving the downtown store Wednesday morning with her iced vanilla latte. “It’s only going

to get worse without the business.”

As Starbucks have proliferated in the last decades, the stores have become more than just a place for a quick caffeine fix for many neighborhoods. Their iconic forest-green siren logo is a welcome sign for people across demographics and income brackets — a spot for business meetings, remote workers, first dates or a free cup of water and bathroom visit for those in need — and some worry the closures [See Starbucks, A9]

A shift by GOP veteran facing a gay rival

By SEEMA MEHTA

PALM SPRINGS — Ken Calvert has held on to his seat in Congress for 30 years, in part by opposing gay rights. Now that he’s running for reelection against a gay rival in a district that includes one of the largest concentrations of LGBTQ voters in America, Calvert says his views have changed.

Despite his previous opposition, the Republican says, he believes the 2015 Supreme Court ruling that legalized same-sex marriage across the nation should not be overturned.

“It wasn’t always my position,” Calvert said. “It’s a different country than it was 30 years ago.”

Whether it’s principle or opportunism, Calvert’s change of heart seems a necessary shift in a race that has grown far more competitive as a result of the redrawing of California’s congressional boundaries.

Party registration in the new Riverside County district, which includes Palm Springs and surrounding communities, is about even; the district Calvert currently represents is solidly Republican. And his opponent for reelection? Democrat Will Rollins, a former federal prosecutor who worked on Jan. 6 insurrection cases and who campaigns with his partner, Paolo Benvenuto.

There is a bit of Schadenfreude among Calvert’s critics.

“It’s poetic justice,” said [See Shift, A12]

Russian airstrike kills at least 23

Ukraine’s president accuses Moscow of deliberately targeting civilians in the attack in Vinnytsia. **WORLD, A3**

Gun-plot suspect in jail — for now

Prosecutors believe a former student still plans to commit a mass shooting at UC Irvine. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

Baseball’s heaven is sometimes hell

Dodger Stadium is a fabulous place to watch a game, but not to attend a game, Bill Plaschke writes. **SPORTS, B10**

MLB’s Manfred covers the bases

Ahead of the All-Star Game, commissioner addresses parity, fans, access to games on TV and more. **SPORTS, B10**

Weather

Sunny and warm. L.A. Basin: 85/65. **B6**



BUSINESS INSIDE: Tesla feature was blamed for crashes before Musk touted its safety. **A8**

The Washington Post

Prices may vary in areas outside metropolitan Washington

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ELECTION 2022

Trump eyes fall campaign launch

Some Republicans worry early entry could impede big gains in midterms

BY MICHAEL SCHERER AND JOSH DAWSEY

For nearly a year, a kitchen cabinet of Donald Trump confidants have told the former president not to announce his 2024 comeback candidacy before the midterms, arguing that he could be a drag on 2022 candidates and would be blamed if Republicans underperformed.

But Trump has continued to regularly push for an early announcement in private meetings, as potential 2024 rivals become more aggressive amid signs of weakening support among his base. Now an increasing number of allies are urging him to follow his instincts as a way to shore up his standing in the party and drive turnout to help the GOP take over the House and Senate next year.

The former president is now eyeing a September announcement, according to two Trump advisers, who like some others interviewed for this article spoke on the condition of anonymity to describe private conversations. One confidant put the odds at "70-30 he announces before the midterms." And others said he

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Secret Service erased texts from Jan. 5-6, official says

BY MARIA SACCHETTI AND CAROL D. LEONNIG

A government watchdog accused the U.S. Secret Service of erasing texts from Jan. 5 and 6, 2021, after his office requested them as part of an inquiry into the U.S. Capitol attack, according to a letter sent to lawmakers this week.

Joseph V. Cuffari, head of the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Inspector General, wrote to the leaders of the House and Senate Homeland Security committees indicating that the text messages have vanished and that efforts to investigate the Jan. 6, 2021, attack were being hindered.

"The Department notified us that many U.S. Secret Service (USSS) text messages, from January 5 and 6, 2021 were erased as part of a device-replacement program," he wrote in a letter dated Wednesday and obtained by The Washington Post. The letter was earlier reported on by the Intercept and CNN.

Cuffari emphasized that the

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A bristlecone pine tree in eastern California nicknamed "Methuselah," for the long-lived biblical patriarch, is more than 4,500 years old. Many among the long-sturdy species are dying amid a historic drought and attacks by bark beetles.

BY SARAH KAPLAN

The trees had stood for more than 1,000 years. Their sturdy roots clung to the crumbling mountainside. Their gnarled limbs reached toward the desert sky. The rings of their trunks told the story of everything they'd witnessed — every attack they'd rebuffed, every crisis they'd endured. Weather patterns shifted; empires rose and fell; other species emerged, mated, migrated, died. But here, in one of the harshest environments on the planet, the bristlecone pines survived. It seemed they always would.

Until the day in 2018 when Constance Millar ascended the

Tree's decline feared to be a climate omen

A once-durable species is withering. Scientists worry what may be next.

trail to Telescope Peak — the highest point in Death Valley National Park — and discovered hundreds of dead and dying bristlecones extending as far as she could see.

The trees' needles glowed a flaming orange; their bark was a ghostly gray. Millar estimated that the damage encompassed 60 to 70 percent of the bristlecones on Telescope Peak.

"It's like coming across a murder scene," said Millar, an emerita research ecologist with the U.S. Forest Service who has studied bristlecone pines for the better part of 40 years.

In a study published this spring, she and fellow researchers

SEE TREES ON A18

He was a revered gay cop till an arrest — his own

Former D.C. officer faces sex charges in Fla., and the LGBTQ community he aided here is stunned

BY JESSICA CONTRERA

He had cinched cuffs around hundreds of wrists as a D.C. police officer, but now Brett Parson's own hands were being placed behind his back.

"So I'll let you know, guys, right now, that until I talk to an attorney, I won't talk to anybody," Parson said.

The police in Boca Raton, Fla., guided him toward their cruiser as their body cameras recorded the encounter.

"I think I know exactly what it's about. It's a brand-new warrant, right?" Parson guessed. "Brand-new? Issued probably this morning?"

"Yep," answered one officer. They were outside the condo where Parson's parents lived. He'd been staying with them to help his father recover from a surgery.

On this February morning, he'd taken the trash out, not knowing detectives were waiting



CAROL GLICK/THE WASHINGTON POST

Brett Parson, seen in 2005, was an LGBTQ policing pioneer who headed D.C.'s liaison unit. He advised forces across the country.

for him outside. They asked for the keys to his father's red convertible. They asked him to turn over his phone.

Parson, 53, instructed them not to search anything without a warrant.

"I know what it is you're looking for," he said.

Around 12:30 a.m. the night before, Parson had been pulled over by officers from Coconut Creek, who'd seen him driving the red convertible near a quiet

office park 20 minutes away. Police reported they watched as the convertible followed a gray sedan into a parking lot. Both cars made a U-turn and returned to the road. The gray sedan then pulled into a fenced-off area with an empty field and a Comcast tower. The gate, which should have been locked, was open.

What were these drivers doing there in the middle of the night? The officers stopped both cars. Parson told them they were mistaken. He wasn't following the gray sedan. He was just lost and looking for Interstate 95.

"I'm a cop from D.C.," he said. In reality, he had been retired and only a reserve officer for two years.

They let him drive away. Then they went to talk to the driver of the gray sedan.

The window rolled down to reveal a thin White boy. He said he had pulled over to text a friend. The officer told the boy he

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Biden defends visit to Saudis

PRESIDENT TO MEET WITH CROWN PRINCE

Declines to say if he will discuss Khashoggi killing

BY CLEVE R. WOOTSON JR. AND TYLER PAGER

JERUSALEM — President Biden declined to say Thursday whether he would press Saudi leaders on the killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi when he meets with them on Friday, injecting a tense and uncertain twist into Biden's high-stakes first encounter with officials from a country he vowed to isolate for its human rights abuses.

Biden defended his decision to visit Saudi Arabia and attend the meeting, which will include top Saudi figures including Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, the country's de facto leader who U.S. intelligence officials say orchestrated Khashoggi's murder. The president said the Saudis are central to any effort to stabilize the volatile region and prevent it from falling into the Chinese or Russian orbit.

"My views on Khashoggi have been absolutely, positively clear, and I have never been quiet about talking about human rights," Biden said in response to a ques-

SEE BIDEN ON A10

The man who has Putin's ear, and may want his job

BY CATHERINE BELTON

When Russian President Vladimir Putin held the final meeting of his Security Council before launching the invasion of Ukraine, one Kremlin hawk seemed to dominate the room.

Nikolai Patrushev, the powerful Security Council secretary and close Putin ally from their days together at the KGB in St. Petersburg, told the Russian president that the United States was behind tensions in eastern Ukraine and seeking to orchestrate Russia's collapse. "Our task is to defend the territorial integrity of our country and defend its sovereignty," Patrushev said in broadcast remarks.

Patrushev, whose position is equivalent to the U.S. national security adviser, was expressing a Cold War view that has driven Putin's war. Ever since Putin ordered the Feb. 24 invasion, blindsiding much of the country's elite,

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Prisoner swaps: Russia tells U.S. to avoid pressure campaigns. A9

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MARIO ANZUINO/REUTERS

Ivana Trump dies The Czech immigrant was the first wife of Donald Trump and mother of his eldest three children. She was 73. B6

Italy in crisis Amid drought and pandemic fears, the premier said he would resign, only for the president to ask him to reassess. A11

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A measure passed by the D.C. Council would have schools provide status reports on door locks and HVAC systems. B1

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WEEKEND Live music on a stage near you See a list of upcoming outdoor concerts across the D.C. region.

STYLE Anti-suicide effort gets new number The 988 hotline for all Americans will replace a longer number Saturday and will include services for LGBTQ youths. C1

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Woods completó la primera vuelta en St. Andrews con 78 golpes, lejos de sus previsiones. **Página 8**



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La inflación se acelera y registró el peor junio desde 1990

PRECIOS. El índice tuvo un aumento de 5,3% el mes pasado y en un año subió 64%; impactaron las alzas en salud y las tarifas

Fue el último dato de Martín Guzmán como ministro. La inflación se aceleró levemente, a 5,3% el mes pasado, en lo que fue el peor junio desde 1990. El índice de precios del Indec difundido ayer acumuló un alza de 36,2% en el primer semestre del año y de 64% en doce meses.

Las principales subas se registraron en los rubros de salud (7,4%); vivienda, agua, electricidad, gas y otros combustibles (6,7%), que incluye las tarifas; bebidas alcohólicas y tabaco (6,7%), y restaurantes y hoteles (6,2%).

Por la suba del dólar y las tensiones políticas tras el recambio en el Ministerio de Economía, analistas privados esperan un salto de entre 6% y 8% para julio. **Página 18**

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La manifestación confluyó en la Plaza de Mayo

TOMÁS CUESTA

El Gobierno afirma que Cristina avaló las medidas de Batakis

En Economía aseguran que la ministra habla todos los días con ella y que consensuaron los anuncios

Jorge Liotti
LA NACION

Después de la asunción de Silvina Batakis como ministra de Economía, el gran interrogante que se instaló en los mercados y en la calle giró en torno al compromiso de la vicepresidenta Cristina Kirchner con las medidas que anunciará. El silencio posterior del kirchnerismo cuando el lunes se conocieron las primeras decisiones de la funcionaria tampoco contribuyó a disipar las dudas. Sin embargo, en el Gobierno aseguran que Cristina fue consultada antes de anunciar cada una de las disposiciones y que además avaló su difusión.

Incluso muy cerca de Batakis aseguran que la ministra "habló con la vicepresidenta todos los días desde que asumió", que "la

EL ESCENARIO

Una gestión en soledad

Claudio Jacquelín

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consultó antes de la batería de anuncios del lunes" y que también dialogaron antes de dar a conocer el aumento del llamado "dólar turista". De hecho esta semana, según fuentes cercanas, comentó en su entorno: "¿Ustedes creen que yo avanzaría con las medidas que anuncié sin antes consensuar con el Presidente y con la vicepresidenta?". Continúa en la página 8

Dos pumas convirtieron a Villa Gesell en una ciudad fantasma

EN VILO. Ayer no hubo clases por la tarde y los vecinos tuvieron que quedarse en sus casas

VILLA GESELL (De un enviado especial).— Las imágenes captadas por cámaras de seguridad que mostraban a dos pumas transitando por las calles de Villa Gesell trastocaron ayer la vida de esa ciudad. Las autoridades municipales pidieron que los vecinos no salieran de sus casas y hasta se suspendieron las clases del turno tarde.

A esas medidas de prevención se sumó un operativo municipal, policial, de guardaparques y de la Dirección de Flora y Fauna bonaerense para intentar encontrar, sin éxito, a los dos animales salvajes, pero mansos, que por la mañana anduvieron recorriendo las calles céntricas del balneario. **Página 24**

Italia se hunde en otra crisis: renunció Draghi

FRACTURA. Un aliado del gobierno desistió de votar una ley: el presidente rechazó la dimisión

Elisabetta Piqué
CORRESPONSAL EN ITALIA

ROMA.—Con el termómetro marcando más de 30 grados, los casos de Covid alcanzando su pico, la Bolsa de Milán desplomándose y la inflación que se nota en los bolsillos—debido a una guerra en Europa—, Italia se hundió ayer en una nueva crisis política de consecuencias impredecibles. Provocada por el Movimiento Cinco Estrellas (M5E), del expremier Giuseppe Conte, la crisis, más difícil de explicar que en el pasado, puso al borde del precipicio al gobierno de unidad nacional de Mario Draghi, que presentó su renuncia como primer ministro. Continúa en la página 2

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Educação superior

O Brasil tem sete universidades entre as dez melhores da América Latina, segundo ranking da Times Higher Education. A USP ficou em 2º lugar, atrás da PUC do Chile, e seguida da Unicamp (3º) e Unifesp (4º). De 197 instituições na lista, o país tem 72.

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Walderez de Barros volta à TV como avó de d. Pedro 1º e aos palcos com Tchêkhov

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Karaokês se recuperam e ficam cheios de novo após crise com pandemia

Médico preso por estupro tem clínica de ginecologia

O anestesista Giovanni Quintella Bezerra, preso por estupro de gestante durante o parto no Rio, tem clínica de ginecologia com o pai na zona norte da cidade. A delegacia da mulher apura ao menos 30 nomes de pacientes que passaram por procedimentos com o médico. **Cotidiano B1**



Walderez de Barros em seu apartamento Eduardo Knapp/Folhapress

Receita impõe 100 anos de sigilo a ação pró-Flávio Bolsonaro

Processo descreve como órgão escalou funcionários para provar tese da defesa do senador no caso da 'rachadinha'

A Receita Federal impôs sigilo de cem anos ao processo que apura a ação do órgão para investigar uma tese da defesa do senador Flávio Bolsonaro (PL-RJ) que anulava a origem do caso das "rachadinhas" no gabinete do primogênito do presidente. Em fevereiro, a Receita disponibilizara os mesmos documentos por estar o caso encerrado. Agora, restringe o acesso alegando haver informações pessoais.

A ação agora sob sigilo descreve como a Receita mobilizou, por quatro meses, cinco servidores para tentarem corroborar a tese de defesa de que os dados fiscais do senador foram acessados de forma ilegal e repassados ao Coaf, órgão federal de inteligência financeira. O argumento forneceria subsídios para invalidar a acusação de desviar R\$ 6,1 milhões da Assembleia Legislativa do Rio de Janeiro.

Essa denúncia foi arquivada após o Supremo Tribunal Federal e o Superior Tribunal de Justiça anularem as provas, mas o relatório do Coaf de movimentações financeiras do senador pode embasar novo inquérito. O sigilo tem sido usado com frequência pelo governo Bolsonaro para evitar escrutínio público. De listas de visitas ao Planalto a relatos de viagens, a atual gestão banalizou o recurso. **Política A10**

Revisão positiva da inflação e do PIB esconde quadro de 2023 A15

Congresso libera doações do governo federal em ano eleitoral

Em sessão tumultuada na terça (12), o Congresso aprovou dispositivo permitindo ao governo federal doar bens, valores ou benefícios no período restrito da lei eleitoral, que vem sendo flexibilizada por outras propostas, turbinando assim a candidatura de Jair Bolsonaro (PL). **Política A8**

PF aciona estados por mais segurança a presidenciáveis

A PF decidiu entrar em contato com secretarias de Segurança nos estados para reforçar os cuidados com os presidenciáveis na campanha. O órgão é diretamente responsável pela proteção dos candidatos, exceto Jair Bolsonaro (PL), sob a guarda do Gabinete de Segurança Institucional.

A orientação foi feita no fim de junho, antes do assassinato de Marcelo de Arruda em Foz do Iguaçu (PR), em 9 de julho. O militante petista foi morto por um apoiador de Bolsonaro. **Política A4**

Família luta por legado de Moa do Katendê, vítima de ódio político há 4 anos A5

Angela Alonso

Assombrados por sangue até a urna

A falência das instituições políticas e jurídicas em resolver conflitos abriu espaço para a violência política campear. O assassinato de Marielle Franco tem mais de três anos e nenhum punido. Enfileiraram-se outros, como o de Bruno Pereira. Marcelo Arruda entrou para a lista. **Política A10**



O presidente Jair Bolsonaro (PL) ao lado do presidente do Senado, Rodrigo Pacheco (PSD-MG), em sessão que promulgou a PEC dos bilhões Gabriela Biló/Folhapress

Terceira via resiste a busca de Lula por apoio no 1º turno

Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva (PT) tem feito ofensivas à terceira via para tentar garantir a vitória logo no primeiro turno. Gilberto Kassab (PSD), porém, defendeu neutralidade, a cúpula do MDB diz descartar aliança com o petista, e a União Brasil vê como remota a chance de apoio. **Política A6**

Premiê renuncia, presidente rejeita, e Itália vê impasse

Derrotado em votação no Senado, o premiê italiano, Mario Draghi, anunciou sua renúncia, mas o presidente, Sergio Mattarella, rejeitou o gesto e o aconselhou a se apresentar ao Parlamento, onde Draghi ainda tem maioria. O país teve dez trocas de comando desde 1998. **Mundo A12**

Petróleo tem menor preço desde início da guerra

Barril do tipo Brent era cotado abaixo de US\$ 100 no fim do dia. Valor chegou a superar US\$ 130 no auge das sanções contra a Rússia por invasão da Ucrânia. No Brasil, a Bolsa registrou queda de 1,8%. **A18**

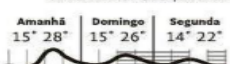


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sident de la République Ser-
gio Mattarella. Ce dernier
l'ayant immédiatement reje-
tée, le président du Conseil
devrait s'adresser mercredi
20 juillet aux parlementaires.
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ÉDITORIAL par Vincent Trémolet de Villers vtremolet@lefigaro.fr

La méthode du discours

Est-ce son vol avec la Patrouille de France ? Le président de la République, après des semaines d'un silence qui devenait intenable, a décidé de survoler une heure durant les crises et les difficultés. Vu d'en haut, les proportions rétrécissent et le panorama retrouve son harmonie. C'est ce regard optimiste (irénique ?) qu'Emmanuel Macron, répétant comme un mantra « on va y arriver », a posé sur la situation. À l'extérieur, des « conflits » (Ukraine, réchauffement climatique, inflation) qui menacent notre équilibre national ; à l'intérieur, le mal français se réduit au chômage, au pouvoir d'achat, à l'âge de la retraite.

Dans cette réalité atrophiée, nul hôpital sans soignants, aucune école sans professeurs. C'est une France sans émeute au Stade de France, un pays sans crise migratoire, une nation sans menace islamiste, une société sans fractures géographiques, économique, culturelle, un peuple sans lutte des âges. Ces impasses, que l'on aurait tort d'imputer aux seules interviewées (quand un politique veut dire quelque chose, il n'attend pas les questions), réduisent

la portée d'un propos qui, en bien des aspects, s'adressait à la droite. Phrases heureuses sur le nucléaire, sur la pénurie de main-d'œuvre comme sur la polémique Uber, propos flous mais volontaires sur la retraite, souci affiché de l'équilibre des comptes : « Je leur dirai des mots bleus »... Nous avons même entendu un appel aux sénateurs, dont Gérard Larcher et Bruno

Force du verbe,
faiblesse
politique :
un exercice
immédiatement
périssable

Retailleau, en connaisseurs, ont certainement goûté toute la saveur. Tout cela, porté par un verbe vif, donne un exercice efficace mais immédiatement périssable. Dans le brouillard programmatique parlementaire qui nous bouche l'horizon, on attendait un discours de la méthode. Faute d'instruments - hors la hasardeuse dialectique « le compromis ou le référendum » -, le chef de l'État a préféré la méthode du discours. La force du verbe pour compenser la faiblesse politique. Retour à la case Chirac. ■

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Jail water firm bosses over pollution, says watchdog

Sandra Laville

Environment correspondent

Water company bosses must be jailed for serious pollution, the Environment Agency (EA) said yesterday, as it revealed English water firms had overseen shocking levels of pollution in the past year.

The agency said water firms' performance on pollution had declined to the worst level seen in years. It is calling for chief executives and

board members to be jailed if they oversee serious, repeated pollution, saying they seemed undeterred by enforcement action and court fines for breaching environmental laws.

Emma Howard Boyd, the chair of the EA, said: "Fines handed down by the courts often amount to less than a chief executive's salary ... Investors should no longer see England's water monopolies as a one-way bet."

The environmental performance assessment released yesterday by the EA gives star ratings for the

companies. Southern Water and South West Water were given a one-star rating – which means a poor performance – while Anglian, Thames, Wessex and Yorkshire were rated only two stars, meaning they require significant improvement.

Seven water companies oversaw an increase in serious incidents compared with 2020, with 62 serious incidents of pollution for 2021 – the highest since 2013. There were eight of the most serious category one incidents, compared with three in 2020.

The EA report said: "The sector's performance on pollution was shocking, much worse than previous years ... Company directors let this occur and it is simply unacceptable. Over the years the public have seen water company executives and investors rewarded handsomely while the environment pays the price. The water companies are behaving like this for a simple reason: because they can. We intend to make it too painful for them to continue as they are."

Rival Tory camps aim their fire at Mordaunt

Heather Stewart

Jessica Elgot
Peter Walker

Rival Conservative leadership candidates turned their fire on Penny Mordaunt yesterday as she continued to gather momentum in the second round of an increasingly acrimonious contest.

Rishi Sunak, the former chancellor, is still the frontrunner, securing 13 more votes than on Wednesday, but Mordaunt pulled away from the foreign secretary, Liz Truss, who added fewer MPs to her tally despite a high-profile campaign launch yesterday.

Suella Braverman, the attorney general, was knocked out of the race after receiving 27 votes in the second round; she immediately assailed Mordaunt over the issue of trans rights and later announced she would be backing Truss's bid, along with the senior backbench MP Steve Baker, who ran her campaign.

She criticised Mordaunt's handling of legislation granting maternity leave to ministers last year – which Braverman was the first to take up. "Penny Mordaunt as the bill minister, the minister responsible for passing the bill, did oppose" 4 →



Briton Pidcock ascends to Tour de France glory

The British cyclist Tom Pidcock rode away from the field on the Alpe d'Huez yesterday to win stage 12 of the Tour de France. At 22, the Olympic mountain bike champion became the youngest

rider to win a stage on the Alpe d'Huez, an eight-mile Alpine climb that rises by 1,118 metres via 21 hairpins. Speaking afterwards, the Yorkshireman reflected: "Not bad that, is it?" Sport Page 48 →

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