

## What's News

## Business &amp; Finance

**D**isappointing earnings reports from several big companies don't seem to be fazing investors, with the S&P 500 up nearly 5% this month, and 2.5% last week, after a punishing start to the year. **A1**

◆ **Elon Musk engaged in a brief affair last fall with the wife of Sergey Brin, prompting the Google co-founder to file for divorce earlier this year and ending the tech billionaires' long friendship, according to people familiar with the matter. A1**

◆ **Growing signs that price pressures are easing suggest that June's 9.1% increase in consumer prices will probably be the peak. But even if inflation comes down, economists see a slow pace of decline. A2**

◆ **VW's new chief executive, a backer of the transition to electric cars, also supports electrofuels, combustible synthetics that offer a different approach to lower emissions. B1**

◆ **Wealthy people ramped up their borrowing in the first half of the year despite rising rates and a stock-market rout that hit the value of their portfolios. B1**

◆ **Delays at Toronto's Pearson International have emerged this year as the worst among the world's top 100 airports, by number of flights during a summer of air-travel disruptions. B3**

◆ **Walt Disney on Friday began streaming R-rated movies on its Disney+ service for the first time, as the company pushes further into adult-focused entertainment. B4**

## World-Wide

◆ **Ukraine has opened more than 16,000 investigations into suspected war crimes amid its conflict with Russia, but few charges have been filed as Ukrainian authorities struggle to identify possible perpetrators. A1, A8**

◆ **The WHO declared monkeypox to be a public-health emergency of international concern, despite divisions among members of the committee of experts who advise the agency. A5**

◆ **More than 85 million people across the U.S. were under heat advisories or excessive heat warnings on Sunday as scorching temperatures neared records in several areas. A3**

◆ **A wildfire in the Sierra National Forest has become one of the biggest California blazes of the year, torching over 14,000 acres and forcing thousands of evacuations, fire officials said. A3**

◆ **A statewide referendum on the future of abortion in Kansas is shaping up as the first major political test on the issue since the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade. A6**

◆ **Young adults tend to settle near where they grew up, a research paper found, indicating that local wage gains largely benefit workers from the area. A3**

◆ **Pope Francis arrived in Canada on what he has called a "penitential pilgrimage" to seek to atone for the historical abuse of indigenous children at church-run residential schools. A9**

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## In Winning the Tour de France, a Dane Was Great



**MASTERPIECE:** Jonas Vingegaard, in the yellow jersey, won cycling's premier event for the first time Sunday. The final stage in Paris took the former part-time fish packer from Denmark past the Louvre before finishing on the Champs-Élysées. **A14**

## Ukraine's War-Crimes Inquiry Struggles to Identify Suspects

By ISABEL COLES  
AND IAN LOVETT

**YAHIDNE, Ukraine**—After Russian troops pulled out of Yahidne at the end of March, Ukrainian investigators of suspected war crimes found a golden clue: a logbook with photos and personal details of members of one of the Russian military units that had occupied the town.

During their occupation of Yahidne throughout March,

the Russians held more than 300 people in the school's basement, where 10 died. Six other bodies were also found strewn around town after the Russians retreated, and a seventh person is missing, presumed dead.

Serhiy Krupko, the Ukrainian prosecutor in charge of the investigation, wanted the locals to identify the soldiers who had detained them. One by one, investigators showed residents images from the logbook. Did

they recognize anyone?

Few of the faces were familiar to the victims.

"They all looked the same," said Olha Menialilo, who kept a diary in captivity that helped investigators build a timeline of what happened, but couldn't identify anyone with certainty.

Two months after Russia pulled out of central Ukraine—leaving behind bodies in the streets, mass graves and evidence of torture—prosecutors

are entering a second phase of investigating alleged war crimes. They have mostly finished collecting evidence at crime scenes and establishing what took place during the occupation. Now, the foremost challenge is identifying suspects and linking them to specific

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## Central Asian Allies' Snubs Pose Challenge for Putin

Ukraine invasion has Russia's neighbors rethinking alliances

By EVAN GERSHKOVICH

**ALMATY, Kazakhstan**—At the start of the year, Russia dispatched more than 2,000 troops to its longtime ally Kazakhstan to help put down violent antigovernment unrest. Six weeks later, when Russian troops stormed into Ukraine, Kazakhstan had an opportunity to repay the favor by supporting the invasion.

It didn't. Instead, Kazakhstan has joined other Central Asian countries along Russia's southern frontier in staying neutral on the invasion, leaving Belarus as the only ex-Soviet state that has offered full-throated support. Kazakhstan has promised to enforce Western sanctions against Moscow, said it would boost oil exports to Europe via routes that bypass Russia, upped its defense budget and

hosted a U.S. delegation meant to coax the Central Asian country closer to Washington's orbit.

The growing distance between Moscow and its largest ally in Central Asia represents an unexpected challenge to Russian President Vladimir Putin. For decades since the fall of the Soviet Union, Moscow has worked to maintain influence across Central Asia through military and economic alliances with its former sister republics. Chief among them is Kazakhstan, an oil-rich country larger than the size of Western Europe. The two countries share a 4,750-mile border, the world's second longest frontier after the U.S.-Canada border.

Russia's invasion of Ukraine—a fellow former Soviet republic that shares a lot of simi-

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## Carbone's vs. Carbone: Red-Sauce Restaurants Duel Over Name

Dallas Italian spot irate over newcomer's branding; 'total customer confusion'

By CODY DELISTRATY

For chef Julian Barsotti, it was decidedly not *amore* when New York's Major Food Group came to Dallas in March. Mr. Barsotti's Italian restaurant is called Carbone's. About 2 miles away, Major Food Group opened an Italian spot named Carbone.

It was a recipe, says Mr. Barsotti, for "absolute, complete and total customer confusion." More than 1,000 people mistakenly called Mr. Barsotti's Carbone's trying to contact Carbone, according to a log kept by the Carbone's staff. Meat purveyors botched deliveries. The City of Dallas sent an invoice

for permits to the wrong restaurant. A grocery store mixed up the logos on a promotional display for Carbone sauce. The URLs for the two restaurants' websites differed by just one letter.

"I'm kind of a nonconfrontational person," says Mr. Barsotti. But he felt like something had to be done.

Over the years, plenty of feuds have broken out between restaurateurs over names, sometimes providing sizable meals for the lawyers involved. In the New York pizza world alone, dueling Patsy's battled all the way up to the federal appeals court, while the sheer number of restaur-

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A record number of player transfers is bringing uncertainty to college football. **A14**



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Disney begins streaming R-rated movies on its flagship platform. **B4**

## Musk, Brin at Odds Over Alleged Affair

By KRISTEN GRIND  
AND EMILY GLAZIER

Elon Musk engaged in a brief affair last fall with the wife of Sergey Brin, prompting the Google co-founder to file for divorce earlier this year and ending the tech billionaires' long friendship, according to people familiar with the matter.

Their falling out is one of a string of personal issues Mr. Musk has faced even as he juggles business challenges, including manufacturing disruptions at Tesla Inc. and a court fight over his desire to withdraw his \$44 billion bid for Twitter Inc.

Mr. Musk is the richest person in the world, with an esti-

mated fortune of \$240 billion, and Mr. Brin ranks eighth world-wide, with \$95 billion, according to the Bloomberg Billionaires Index.

Messrs. Brin and Musk, among the nation's most famous entrepreneurs, were longtime friends. Mr. Musk has said that for years he regularly crashed at Mr. Brin's house in Silicon Valley.

Mr. Brin provided Mr. Musk with about \$300,000 for Tesla during the 2008 financial crisis, when the company was struggling to increase production. In 2015, Mr. Musk gave Mr. Brin one of Tesla's first all-

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## Cheap Beer, Cigarettes Gain as Inflation Rises

By JENNIFER MALONEY  
AND ALEX HARRING

Shoppers are trading down to cheap beer brands and discount cigarettes as they feel more pressure on their pocketbooks.

Consumer prices in the U.S. rose at a 9.1% annual rate in June, the fastest pace in nearly 41 years, as strong consumer demand has collided with persistent supply shortages. In a survey released this month by the National Retail Federation, nearly half of consumers said that because of rising prices on everyday necessities, they were switching to cheaper alternatives.

Vincent Jarbou, co-owner of Washtenaw Liquor in Ypsilanti, Mich., said he has noticed customers buying single cans of beer instead of six-packs to save money. Demand has also increased in recent

months for cheaper cigarette brands like Pall Mall and Maverick. Mr. Jarbou said.

Customers ask: "What's your cheapest pack?" Mr. Jarbou said. "We try to please the customer. We just try to work them down to something cheaper."

In the four weeks ended July 2, retail-store sales of economy beer increased by 5.4% from the same period last year, according to an analysis of Nielsen data by beer-industry consultant Bump Williams Consulting Co. Brands in the category making the biggest gains this year include Busch Light, Icehouse and Milwaukee's Best Ice. Last year, retail-store sales of economy beer fell by 10.9%.

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## In the hot seat Flying start to women's Tour

Participants in the first official women's Tour de France for 33 years speed down the Champs Élysées yesterday in the first stage of the contest.

The Tour's organisers have relaunched the competition for top female professionals after a long campaign. The Netherlands' Lorena Wiebes took the leader's yellow jersey by winning the initial stage, which covered 81.6 kilometres (50.8 miles) on the streets of the French capital.

In total, eight stages will cover 1,035km over mountains, flat terrain and gravel, ending with a climb to La Super Planche des Belles Filles in the Vosges mountains on Sunday.

The men's race concluded with a win for Jonas Vingegaard from Denmark.



Michael Elins/PA

# China plans corporate disclosure tiers in bid to avoid US delistings

◆ Categories based on data sensitivity ◆ Retailers and restaurants in 'low-risk' groups

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RYAN MCNORROW AND SUN YU — BEIJING

Beijing is preparing to sort US-listed Chinese companies into tiers based on the sensitivity of the data they hold, in a bid to stop American regulators from delisting hundreds of businesses.

Beijing and Washington have been engaged in months of negotiations over the US demand that Chinese companies and their auditors should make detailed audit documents available or be delisted in 2024.

Beijing's planned system is designed to bring some Chinese companies into compliance with the US rules, according to four people with knowledge of the situation. It would divide Chinese companies listed in the US into three broad

categories, two people said: those with non-sensitive data, those with sensitive data and those with "secretive" data. Those in the latter category would have to delist.

The category system would be the second significant concession by Beijing in removing hurdles that block US access to its companies' audits. In April it modified a rule that restricted overseas companies' data-sharing practices. About 260 of China's biggest companies, including tech group Alibaba, fast-food company Yum China and social media site Weibo could be delisted if they do not meet the requirements. A mass delisting would represent a significant step towards economic decoupling of the US and China, and threaten \$1.3tn of shareholder value.

Beijing has typically resisted allowing Chinese companies to provide data to foreign regulators on national security grounds. But under the tiered scheme, "low-risk" data companies could make their audit records accessible to the Public Company Accounting and Oversight Board, the US accounts watchdog, two of the people said. The low-risk category would probably include retailers and restaurant chains.

Beijing has discussed whether companies in the "sensitive data" category could restructure their operations to become compliant, including by outsourcing the information to a third party, one of the people said.

US officials are sceptical that Chinese companies will meet the standards. YJ Fischer, the director of the Securities



Some of China's biggest groups, including Weibo, face being delisted if they do not meet requirements

and Exchange Commission's Office of International Affairs, warned in May that "though there have been ongoing and productive discussions... significant issues remain and time is quickly running out".

"I don't know how we will ever settle this," said the head of a large Hong Kong-based investment company. He added that Beijing and Washington were using the audit row for "political gains" and relations were the worst for 40 years.

The China Securities Regulatory Commission, Beijing's top securities watchdog, did not comment. The PCAOB said in a statement that it "must have complete access to audit work papers of any firm it chooses to inspect or investigate — no loopholes and no exceptions".

## Briefing

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Diplomats from the bloc's 27 capitals have tried to water down Brussels' plans to reduce gas demand to weather a shortage of Russian supplies this winter, with conditions urged on the 15 per cent cut. — PAGE 2

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The Luxembourg buyout group has decided to sell a stake in business services company TMR to itself, a type of deal fast growing in popularity as market turmoil makes listings and sales tougher. — PAGE 5

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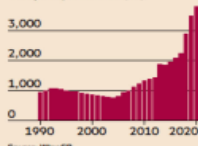
► **China rate differential hints at slowdown**  
Some of the largest banks have started to offer a lower interest rate on long-term deposits compared with short, as a dearth of lending options points to a slowdown in the world's growth engine. — PAGE 5

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Analysts have predicted that multinational groups including Unilever and Danone will log falling sales in results in coming days, as consumers switch to supermarkets' own, cheaper, brands. — PAGE 6

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### Grape Britain

Vineyards, total area (ha)



Britain's vineyards have grown more than fourfold in area over the past 15 years. Climate change is creating good conditions for varieties such as pinot noir and chardonnay. Heatwaves are linked to high yields.

Source: WineGB



## Staff squeeze leaves EU tourism in need of a break

Europe's tourism industry is struggling to meet the surge in post-pandemic demand for holidays. Many businesses lost workers to other sectors during the continent's lockdowns. The exodus of staff is forcing operators in Spain, Italy, Greece and Portugal to offer better pay and conditions, raise prices and cut services. With 400,000 posts left unfilled, one industry official declares: "The era of fast, frequent and cheap holidays is over".

Tourism in hot water — PAGE 2

## UK and France to take board roles in proposed Eutelsat and OneWeb tie-up

PEGGY HOLLINGER AND GEORGE PARKER — LONDON  
VICTOR MALLEY — PARIS

The UK and French governments have each taken a seat on the board of a new satellite operator aiming to take on billion-dollar space entrepreneurs Elon Musk and Jeff Bezos under merger terms being thrashed out between Eutelsat and OneWeb.

Paris-listed Eutelsat and OneWeb, the space-based internet pioneer rescued from collapse by a \$1bn British-led bailout in 2020, are close to agreeing an all-share deal which aims to create a company with the financial firepower to compete in the rapidly growing connectivity market.

The merger would address Eutelsat's need for growth to offset its declining satellite video business and OneWeb's

requirement for \$2bn-\$3bn in investment to complete its network and update its technology, according to people close to the deal.

They cautioned that final agreement had not been reached by yesterday evening, yet many expect a deal to be unveiled as early as today.

Under the terms being discussed, Sunil Bharti Mittal, OneWeb's current chair and its biggest shareholder through his Bharti Global group, is expected to become chair of the combined company. Bharti will hold a roughly 18 per cent share, according to two people with knowledge of the deal. Eva Berneke, current Eutelsat chief executive, is expected to keep her post.

The UK and French governments are expected to have similar stakes of roughly 10 per cent and one board seat each. A deal could help to revive

co-operation between Brussels and London on space projects, which has been thrown into doubt by disputes over the post-Brexit deal between the EU and UK. But it might prove politically "tricky", said Chris Quilty of Quilty Analytics. "The British government had viewed its investment in OneWeb as a way to advance the UK's space sovereignty, but these goals could be subsumed by Eutelsat's ownership."

Dozens of companies around the world are racing to stake a claim to the emerging commercial opportunities in low-earth orbit. Musk's Starlink has launched more than 2,000 satellites into LEO and is developing a commercial service in many parts of the globe. Jeff Bezos's Project Kuiper is planning to launch satellites in the coming months.

OneWeb and Eutelsat declined to comment.



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| STOCK MARKETS   |          |          |       |  |
|   | Jul 22   | Prev     | %Chg  |  |
| S&P 500   | 2973.74  | 2966.95  | -0.83 |  |
| Nasdaq Composite  | 11880.29 | 12059.01 | -1.49 |  |
| Dow Jones Ind   | 31994.03 | 32036.90 | -0.13 |  |
| FTSEurofirst 300  | 1673.09  | 1669.46  | -0.22 |  |
| Euro Stoxx 50   | 3600.31  | 3596.51  | -0.11 |  |
| FTSE 100  | 7276.37  | 7270.51  | -0.08 |  |
| FTSE All-Share  | 4026.29  | 4021.90  | -0.17 |  |
| CAC 40  | 6216.82  | 6201.11  | -0.25 |  |
| Nikkei 225  | 13253.08 | 13246.64 | -0.05 |  |
| Hang Seng   | 27914.66 | 27863.09 | -0.40 |  |
| Shanghai 300  | 20609.14 | 20574.03 | -0.17 |  |
| MSCI World \$   | 2663.84  | 2643.93  | -0.75 |  |
| MSCI EM \$  | 980.09   | 986.56   | -0.62 |  |
| MSCI ACWI \$  | 620.42   | 618.62   | -0.72 |  |
| FT Wilshire 5000  | 5208.42  | 5158.91  | -0.96 |  |
| FT Wilshire 5000  | 40674.29 | 40250.95 | -0.94 |  |
| CURRENCIES  |          |          |       |  |
|   | Jul 22   | Jul 15   | %Chg  |  |
| \$/£  | 1.023    | 1.008    | +1.5  |  |
| \$/€  | 1.204    | 1.196    | +0.7  |  |
| \$/¥  | 0.009    | 0.009    | +0.1  |  |
| \$/HK\$   | 0.005    | 0.005    | +0.1  |  |
| \$/R\$  | 0.005    | 0.005    | +0.1  |  |
| \$/C\$  | 0.007    | 0.007    | +0.1  |  |
| \$/A\$  | 0.007    | 0.007    | +0.1  |  |
| \$/N\$  | 0.007    | 0.007    | +0.1  |  |
| \$/S\$  | 0.007    | 0.007    | +0.1  |  |
| \$/Z\$  | 0.007    | 0.007    | +0.1  |  |
| \$/K\$  | 0.007    | 0.007    | +0.1  |  |
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| \$/Z\$  | 0.007    | 0.007    | +0.1  |  |
| INTEREST RATES  |          |          |       |  |
|   | price    | yield    | chg   |  |
| US 2 yr   | 2.99     | 3.17     | -0.18 |  |
| US 10 yr  | 2.79     | 2.96     | -0.16 |  |
| US 30 yr  | 3.00     | 3.10     | -0.10 |  |
| UK 2 yr   | 2.05     | 2.18     | -0.13 |  |
| UK 10 yr  | 1.94     | 2.04     | -0.10 |  |
| UK 30 yr  | 2.45     | 2.53     | -0.08 |  |
| JPN 2 yr  | -0.09    | -0.08    | -0.01 |  |
| JPN 10 yr   | 0.21     | 0.24     | -0.03 |  |
| JPN 30 yr   | 1.22     | 1.26     | -0.03 |  |
| GER 2 yr  | 0.42     | 0.64     | -0.22 |  |
| GER 10 yr   | 1.03     | 1.22     | -0.19 |  |
| GER 30 yr   | 1.29     | 1.40     | -0.12 |  |
| Prices are latest for edition. Data provided by Bloomberg |          |          |       |  |
| COMMODITIES   |          |          |       |  |
|   | Jul 22   | Jul 15   | %Chg  |  |
| Oil WTI \$  | 97.26    | 98.14    | -0.79 |  |
| Oil Brent \$  | 105.20   | 101.47   | 3.69  |  |
| Gold \$   | 1795.10  | 1790.70  | 0.26  |  |



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## Congo to Allow More Oil Wells In Rainforests

Policy May Accelerate  
Global Warming

By RUTH MACLEAN  
and DIONNE SEARCY

DAKAR, Senegal — The Democratic Republic of Congo, home to one of the largest old-growth rainforests on earth, is auctioning off vast amounts of land in a push to become "the new destination for oil investments," part of a global shift as the world retreats on fighting climate change in a scramble for fossil fuels.

The oil and gas blocks, which will be auctioned in late July, extend into Virunga National Park, the world's most important gorilla sanctuary, as well as tropical peatlands that store vast amounts of carbon, keeping it out of the atmosphere and from contributing to global warming.

"If oil exploitation takes place in these areas, we must expect a global climate catastrophe, and we will all just have to watch helplessly," said Irene Wabiwa, who oversees the Congo Basin forest campaign for Greenpeace in Kinshasa.

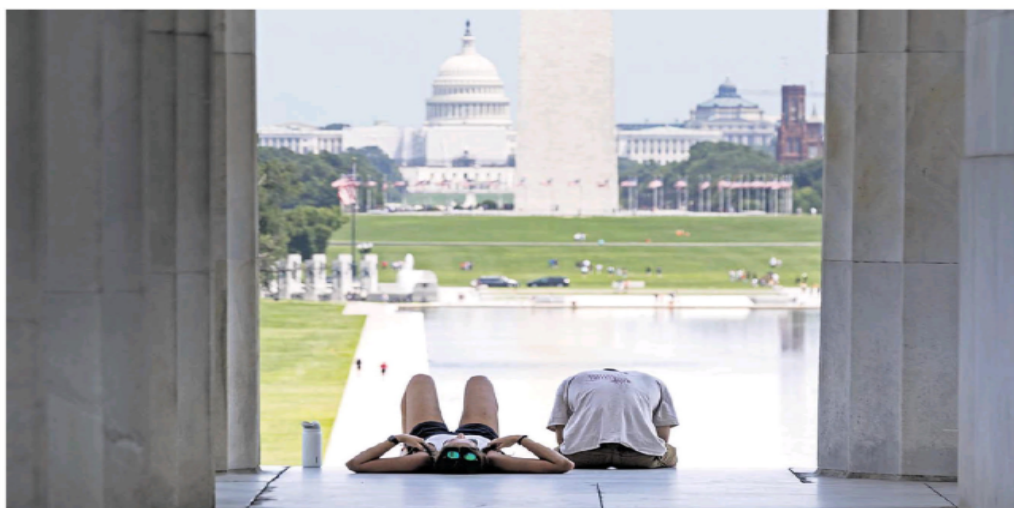
Congo's about-face in allowing new oil drilling in environmentally sensitive areas comes eight months after its president, Félix Tshisekedi, stood alongside world leaders at the global climate summit in Glasgow and endorsed a 10-year agreement to protect its rainforest, part of the vast Congo Basin, which is second in size only to the Amazon.

The deal included international pledges of \$500 million for Congo, one of the world's poorest nations, over the first five years.

But since then, the world's immediate priorities have shifted.

Russia's invasion of Ukraine sent oil prices soaring and led to U.S. and British bans on Russian energy and, last week, a call to ration natural gas in Europe.

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## Shelter From the Swelter

Visitors found shade at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, as much of the U.S. saw summer's first prolonged heat wave. Page A13.

## When Those Behind a Badge Question the Vote

By ALEXANDRA BERZON  
and NICK CORASANTI

LAS VEGAS — An influential network of conservative activists fixated on the idea that former President Donald J. Trump won the 2020 election is working to recruit county sheriffs to investigate elections based on the false notion that voter fraud is widespread.

The push, which two right-wing sheriffs' groups have already endorsed, seeks to lend law enforcement credibility to the false claims and has alarmed voting rights advocates. They warn that it could cause chaos in future elections and further weaken trust in an

## Deniers Are Recruiting Sheriffs, Unnerving Election Officials

American voting system already battered by attacks from Mr. Trump and his allies.

One of the conservative sheriffs' groups, Protect America Now, lists about 70 members, and the other, the Constitutional Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association, does not list its membership but says it conducted training on various issues for about 300 of the nation's roughly 3,000 sheriffs in re-

cent years. It is unclear how many sheriffs will ultimately wade into election matters. Many aligned with the groups are from small, rural counties.

But at least three sheriffs involved in the effort — in Michigan, Kansas and Wisconsin — have been carrying out their own investigations, clashing with election officials who warn that they are overstepping their authority and meddling in an area where they have little expertise.

"I'm absolutely sick of it," said Pam Palmer, the clerk of Barry County, Mich., where the sheriff has carried out an investigation into the 2020 results for about two

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## Texas Turmoil Jolts the Race For Governor

By J. DAVID GOODMAN

SUGAR LAND, Texas — One of the deadliest school shootings in U.S. history. The revival of a 1920s ban on abortion. The country's worst episode of migrant death in recent memory. And an electrical grid, which failed during bitter cold, now straining under soaring heat.

The unrelenting succession of death and difficulty facing Texans over the last two months has soured them on the direction of the state, hurting Gov. Greg Abbott and making the race for governor perhaps the most competitive since Democrats last held that office in the 1990s.

Polls have shown a tightening, single-digit contest between Mr. Abbott, the two-term incumbent, and his ubiquitous Democratic challenger, the former congressman Beto O'Rourke.

Mr. O'Rourke is now raising more campaign cash than Mr. Abbott — \$27.6 million to \$24.9 million in the last filing — in a race that is likely to be among the most expensive of 2022.

Suddenly, improbably, perhaps unwisely, Texas Democrats are again daring to think — as they have in many recent election years — that maybe this could be the year.

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## Do You Babble to Your Baby? So Does the Rest of the World.

By OLIVER WHANG

We've all seen it, we've all cringed at it, we've all done it ourselves: talked to a baby like it was, you know, a baby.

"Ooo, helloooooo baby!" you say, your voice lilting like a rapturously accommodating Walmart employee. Baby is utterly baffled by your unintelligible warble and your shamelessly doofus grin, but "baby so cuuuuuute!"

Regardless of whether it helps to know it, researchers recently determined that this sing-songy baby talk — more technically known as "parentese" — seems to be nearly universal to humans around the world. In the most wide-ranging study of its kind, more than 40 scientists helped to gather and analyze 1,615 voice re-

cordings from 410 parents on six continents, in 18 languages from diverse communities: rural and urban, isolated and cosmopolitan, internet savvy and off the grid, from hunter-gatherers in Tanzania to urban dwellers in Beijing.

The results, published recently in the journal *Nature Human Behavior*, showed that in every one of these cultures, the way parents spoke and sang to their infants differed from the way they communicated with adults — and that those differences were profoundly similar from group to group.

We tend to speak in this higher pitch, high variability, like, "Ohh, heeelloo, you're a babybee!" said

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Some of the buildings in Sanford Solny's formidable portfolio. There have been only 27 deed theft cases since 2014 in Brooklyn.

## A Big New York Property Owner Is Accused of Stealing Homes

This article is by Stefanos Chen, Ted Clifford and Camellia Burris.

Over the past dozen years, Sanford Solny has built a New York real estate empire, snatching up small residential buildings across the city that churn out hundreds of thousands of dollars in rent.

His portfolio would be enviable but for one thing — much of it prosecutors and homeowners

contend, was stolen. In criminal charges and lawsuits, they have accused him of fraud: offering to help homeowners facing foreclosure by arranging to pay off their mortgages, while actually tricking them into signing over their buildings at bargain-basement prices. In nearly every case, the mortgage was never paid, leaving the homeowner with no property but a pile of debt.

## Courts Are Slow to Act in Deed Theft Cases

The practice is known as deed theft, and as city and state officials promised to crack down on it, they homed in on Mr. Solny. The Brooklyn district attorney, whose office has charged him with taking the

homes of seven families, called his behavior "despicable." In Queens, prosecutors accused Mr. Solny and his associates of cheating 10 people out of their properties. The court appointed a monitor to scrutinize his transactions.

But an examination by The New York Times has found that not only is Mr. Solny still profiting from buildings under dispute, city

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## GLOBAL CALIFORNIA

### Lithuania all set to play impostor

Hollywood's use of lesser-known parts of Europe to stand in for pricey locations brings both grips and gripes.

BY JAWED KALEEM

**VILNIUS, Lithuania** — The kitchen staff in one of this city's newest chic hotels, housed in a 15th century palace, knew Hollywood had arrived when film crews flown in from California started calling room service to demand smoothies — juiced celery and all.

Yet most Americans can't find this Baltic nation on a map. The people of Vilnius, the medieval capital of cobbled streets and conquered easily by foot, don't feel slighted even if they make it a point to understand the health fads of Los Angeles.

But the American film industry — three decades after this silver of country broke free of the Soviet Union — is bringing about a change here few would have predicted.

"Hollywood has landed in Lithuania," says Jurate Pazikaite, a former international investment worker who, for the last decade, has had the job of luring America's streaming companies and film studios to shoot their scripts and spend their dollars. After years of working solo and watching big names pass over her native land, she brags these days about why she is hiring new staffers.

"HBO, Netflix, they are all coming."

Attracted to places like Vilnius, where Moscow and Paris collide at a fraction of the cost — and tens of millions of dollars in production [See **Hollywood, A4**]



**ACTORS** Gabija Siurbute and Vilte Sialyte on the Vilnius set of "Troll Farm," a Lithuanian series.

### Democrats' goal: Win back parents

The midterm plan is to focus on economic and post-pandemic learning concerns and forging the culture war.

BY COURTNEY SUBRAMANIAN

**WASHINGTON** — The era of COVID-19 school closures appears to be over, but parents' frustration with that difficult period is set to play a pivotal role in November's midterm elections.

Last summer, anger about months of remote learning energized Republicans, who founded activist groups, launched recalls of school board members, introduced new legislation, and attacked not only school closures but also "critical race theory" and sex education.

Now, with the elections that will determine control of Congress just months away, Democrats are fighting back, recalibrating their message to K-12 parent voters. Pandemic-era fights in the classroom have reengaged parents on broader concerns such as school shootings, learning loss and economic anxiety, and lessened voters' focus on the culture war issues that dominated Republican complaints about public education last summer, Democrats argue.

The fights in school board meetings last summer were driven by a loud minority that's since been balanced by more "mainstream voices" focused on issues such as teacher shortages and stricter gun laws in the aftermath of recent mass shootings, said Katie Paris, a parent and founder of Red Wine and Blue, a left-leaning, Ohio-based network that organizes suburban moms all over the country.

"No matter what party you're a part of, pandemic parenting was a huge challenge," Paris said. "When you're exhausted and frazzled, you're not thinking about politics."

[See **Democrats, A8**]

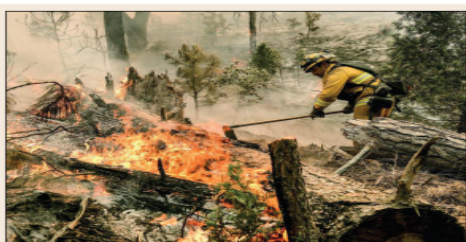
### A voice for Mexico's food

Diana Kennedy, who spent decades documenting the country's regional cuisines, dies at 99. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

### How linebacker fulfilled potential

Family members of new Charger Khalil Mack helped him annihilate his "soft" reputation. **SPORTS, D1**

**Weather** Turning sunny. L.A. Basin: 81/62. **B6**



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### OAK FIRE RAGES

A firefighter works to contain a blaze to save a structure in Mariposa County amid the heat, low humidity and parched vegetation. **CALIFORNIA, B1**



**JOSE LUIS CAMARGO** washes a skillet at his encampment under the 110 and 105 freeways in L.A.

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## L.A. gives them housing vouchers they can't use

Yolanda Robins' dream was finally coming true.

After three decades living on skid row, punctuated by brief stays in hotel rooms and shelters, she was approved in January to move into an apartment where she could begin to rebuild her life with help from a federal housing subsidy program.

The Residences at Hotel Alexandria had a studio available immediately. The massive brick building began its life in 1906 as a luxury hotel and was repurposed in the mid-2000s as a mixed-income apartment building.

But the 50-year-old never moved in. A government agency tasked with helping people get into permanent housing bungled the opportunity, said Jahmean Magpantay, a leasing agent for the Residences at Hotel Alexandria.

City has low success putting people in homes as thousands with federal subsidies wait in limbo

By Connor Sheets

### Better results elsewhere

Other cities show higher rates of finding emergency housing, with some getting more federal vouchers as a reward. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

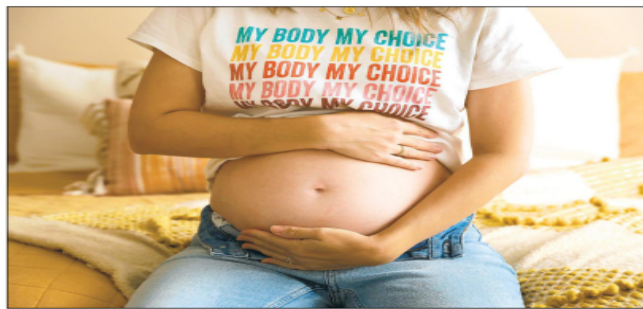
The Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles only had to approve Robins' paperwork and do a quick inspection of the apartment, Magpantay said.

But employees at HACLA never responded to emails and calls, Magpantay and Robins said. As weeks of silence turned into months, Robins fretted she would lose her chance at a life with a roof over her head, a lock on the door and a private bathroom with running water.

"We had space at the time, and we were just waiting on HACLA to respond," Magpantay said.

Carlos VanNatter, the agency's Section 8 director, said in an email that Robins called the agency Feb. 16 "and inquired about how and where to submit" a form called a request for [See **Housing, A12**]

## A new addition to baby registry



Expectant parents show their support for abortion rights on wish lists and social media.

BY SONJA SHARP

First-time moms Melissa and Kimberly Connelly of Cleveland planned for every detail of their daughter's arrival, from her pink elephant pacifier to the Korean American firefighter whose sperm they used to conceive.

But when the Supreme Court struck down the right to abortion just days after their baby shower in June, the life Melissa had dreamed of for her child suddenly felt threatened.

"I wanted to bring a daughter into the world knowing that she could be anything, and that starts with bodily autonomy," she said. "To have that right stripped a month before she's born, and then to know she has more [See **Pregnant, A6**]

## A way to fight climate change or a ruse to help oil industry?

BY TONY BRISCOE

It's an emerging technology that climate experts say can prevent billions of tons of greenhouse gases from entering Earth's atmosphere.

By capturing carbon dioxide as it spews from oil refineries, power plants and other industrial smokestacks and then forcing it deep underground for storage, humanity can reduce fossil fuel emissions while developing alternative energy sources, advocates say.

Now, as California attempts to meet ambitious climate goals, environmental officials are embracing carbon capture and storage, saying the state cannot achieve carbon neutrality without it.

But as officials prepare to finalize a state climate plan that relies on CCS technology, some environmentalists are urging officials to abandon the idea. Instead of helping to wean California off fossil fuels, they say CCS will actually increase oil production.

By forcing pressurized carbon dioxide into old wells, drillers can flush out crude that would otherwise remain beyond their reach. At the same time, oil companies can claim tax incentives and avoid financial penalties for mitigating their greenhouse gas emissions.

"If we are truly committed in California to a just transition off of fossil fuels, we should not be looking for ways to perpetuate oil extraction in old oil fields," said [See **Carbon, A7**]



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## Think tank is facing blowback over Jan. 6

The Claremont Institute triumphed in the Trump years. Then came a riot.

BY MARC FISHER  
AND ISAAC STANLEY-BECKER

CLAREMONT, CALIF. — Early in 2016, as Donald Trump's march toward the Republican presidential nomination gathered the air of inevitability, alumni of a conservative think tank nestled here at the base of Southern California's San Gabriel Mountains received an email with a tough question: Was it time for supporters of the Claremont Institute to help make Trump president?

"I'd sooner cut off my arm with a rusty spoon!" replied Nathan Harden, an editor at RealClearEducation, an offshoot of the political site RealClearPolitics, according to emails obtained by The Washington Post.

Others were interested, however. "I'm graduating this May and would very much like to get involved," wrote Darren Beattie, a philosophy graduate student who would later work in Trump's White House, until he was fired in 2018, after revelations that he had attended a conference with white nationalists. Harden declined to comment. Beattie did not respond to requests for comment.

The next four years would revolutionize the role of the Claremont Institute and a handful of other intellectual institutions that preach an America-first, originalist ideology. The institute — along with its journal, the

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## Pessimistic Big Tech braces for a recession

BY RACHEL LERMAN  
AND GERRIT DE VYNCK

Big Tech is bracing for an economic recession and an uncertain future. That, in turn, is triggering more economic angst. The biggest tech firms, most of whom report quarterly earnings this week, have offered recent hints they are hunkering down. News of layoffs and hiring slowdowns have become commonplace across Silicon Valley. Start-ups are saying capital is drying up. Workers are being put on notice that businesses are changing.

Meanwhile, Twitter's protracted bad romance with Elon Musk is tangled up in court and the outcome is uncertain, a point the company made as it reported disappointing numbers Friday. Amazon is facing a growing labor movement, and Facebook is facing a new advertising climate. Regulators domestically and

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## Italy's famed rice is parched

Farmers in risotto heartland are facing 'stomach-churning' heat and dryness

BY CHICO HARLAN AND STEFANO PITRELLI  
IN VESPOLATE, ITALY

There'd been a single day of good rainfall all year, the afternoon temperature was again nearing 100 degrees, and Fabrizio Rizzotti walked into his fields — 220 acres of rice, a plant that grows by being submerged in water.

He didn't need his boots. The rice stems were desiccated and stunted. The field, rather than lush with shin-high water, crunched underfoot. Rizzotti, a seventh-generation rice farmer, said the paddy was already dead — "not a single grain of rice can come from this," he said — and then he gestured to an adjacent field, slightly greener and in dire need of more water.

"In a few days that field will be dead, too," he said. "It's stomach-churning."

In Europe's sweltering summer, few places have been hit more directly than northern Italy, where extreme drought has dried up a major river, triggered a state of emergency and put the country's famed agricultural flatlands in profound trouble. The drought is also causing Italians to fret

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TOP: Fabrizio Rizzotti, a seventh-generation rice farmer, walks through one of his healthier fields in Vespolate, Italy, on July 15. ABOVE: Freshly harvested rice grains from Rizzotti's farm.

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## Adoption rare for those denied abortion

Despite Roe's fall, experts believe the dynamic is unlikely to change

BY SYDNEY TRENT

In the Supreme Court's momentous decision overturning *Roe v. Wade*, Justice Samuel A. Alito Jr. referred to the availability of adoption to women who find themselves pregnant with a child they do not want to parent.

"A woman who puts her newborn up for adoption today has little reason to fear that the baby will not find a suitable home," Alito said, writing for the majority and summarizing the views of many Americans who oppose abortion. In a footnote, he cited a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report juxtaposing the tiny "domestic supply of in-

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Crystal, 35, plays with son Alex, 2 months, at their home in Texas this month. She and her husband adopted Alex.

ALLISON V. SMITH FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

## In Nebraska politics, an early 'grooming' debate

Unproven sex-ed claim helped propel far-right school board candidates

BY BETH REINHARD  
AND EMMA BROWN

KEARNEY, NEB. — Last year, when the state board of education proposed new sex-education standards for teaching about issues such as sexual orientation, gender identity and consent, a retired pediatrician in this central Nebraska town reached out to Gov. Pete Ricketts and state lawmakers.

"This is NOT Sex Ed as anyone

knows it," Sue Greenwald wrote in a July 16, 2021, email obtained by The Washington Post. Lessons that met these standards, she wrote, would be "grooming" children to be sexual victims.

It was a shocking claim, and it was catching on — repeated by Greenwald, by members of the Protect Nebraska Children Coalition, a group she co-founded to oppose the standards, and embraced by Ricketts (R) himself. The message also spread through screenings at libraries and churches of "The Mind Polluters," billed as an "investigative documentary" that "shows how the vast majority of America's public schools are prematurely sexualizing children."

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**A dangerous weekend** Millions of Americans sweltered under advisories, and Northeast heat indexes soared into the triple digits. A3

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The House committee investigating the Jan. 6, 2021, insurrection could subpoena Virginia "Ginni" Thomas, wife of Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas, Rep. Liz Cheney said. A2

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The arrest of a long-serving officer in Austria's security services has become emblematic of Russia's penetration of the European Union member in politics, industry and the intelligence field. A10

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As Federal Reserve

policy makers seek to head off a recession, these five economic forces are among the biggest considerations guiding their next rate hike decision. A16

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The shooting of an armed man at the Wharf by an off-duty D.C. police officer has reignited criticism from racial justice activists of the officer's actions at past protests. B1

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Cookbook author and

British-born expatriate Diana Kennedy, 99, became one of the world's leading experts on authentic Mexican cuisine and influenced generations of chefs. B5

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Vice President Harris meets with Democratic state legislators in Indiana to discuss abortion rights.  
Secretary of State Antony Blinken meets with Guyanese President Irfaan Ali.

**TUESDAY**  
A Senate committee holds a closed briefing on Indo-Pacific policy. The House meets for

legislative business.

The White House hosts a summit on the future of coronavirus vaccines.

**WEDNESDAY**  
Fed Chair Jerome H. Powell holds a news conference following a closed two-day meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee.

**THURSDAY**  
Jobless claims are expected at 249,000.  
The Congressional Baseball Game takes place at Nationals Park.

**FRIDAY**  
President Biden travels to Wilmington, Del., where he is expected to remain until Aug. 1.

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A CNN poll finds that Jill Biden's popularity has fallen, just as Democrats hope to deploy her for a midterm push. C1

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**espectáculos****Elena Roger vuelve con Edith Piaf y ya es un éxito de ventas**

Retoma el personaje que la consagró hace 13 años, en el Teatro Liceo.

**BOLSONARO LANZÓ SU CANDIDATURA CON CRÍTICAS AL KIRCHNERISMO**

—el mundo

"Miren para dónde está yendo la Argentina", dijo en un acto para ratificar su lanzamiento a la reelección; atacó a la Corte Suprema y a Lula. **Página 6**

**EN CUATRO MINUTOS, BORJA LE DIO UN BUEN INDICIO A RIVER**

—deportes

El colombiano, uno de los refuerzos que tanto esperó el DT Marcelo Gallardo, hizo un gol y dio dos asistencias en el triunfo ante Aldosivi por 3-0, en Mar del Plata.

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## Fuerte rechazo del campo al "dólar agro" que impulsa un sector del Gobierno

**CRISIS.** El Ejecutivo debate medidas para acelerar la liquidación de exportaciones

Dirigentes y productores agropecuarios rechazaron ayer la eventual creación de un dólar diferenciado para el campo, una de las medidas que debate el Gobierno para acelerar la liquidación de exportaciones y capturar más divisas frente a la crisis.

Ayer, el Banco Central desmintió que se encuentre en estudio un des-

doblamiento del tipo de cambio. Dentro del Gobierno, la ministra de Economía, Silvina Batakis; el ministro de Desarrollo Social, Daniel Scioli, y el diputado Sergio Massa acercaron diversas propuestas, desde un dólar diferencial hasta beneficios impositivos, para acelerar la liquidación del campo. En el sector agropecuario,

en cambio, reclamaron un "mercado unificado". Carlos Achetoni, presidente de la Federación Agraria Argentina (FAA), dijo que "un dólar agropecuario significaría volver a beneficiar a los especuladores". **Página 8**

**Quieren cobrar un canon del 1,5% por el uso de semillas.** **Página 10**

**Estiman que en julio la inflación puede llegar hasta el 8%**

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## En plena escalada del blue, Batakis busca una señal del FMI

Se reunirá con Georgieva y con David Lipton; aspira a un alivio en las metas

WASHINGTON (De nuestro corresponsal).— En busca de algo de oxígeno en medio de la tormenta financiera, la ministra Silvina Batakis tendrá hoy en esta capital dos encuentros decisivos para el futuro de la economía argentina: se reunirá con Kristalina Georgieva, en el FMI, y con David Lipton, en el Departamento del Tesoro. **Página 9**

## Más caluroso y riesgoso: el nuevo verano de EE.UU.

**el mundo**— WASHINGTON.— Cerca de 85 millones de norteamericanos estaban ayer bajo alerta de temperaturas extremas, especialmente en el noreste, donde algunas ciudades registraron temperaturas récord. En California combatían incendios. **Página 2**



Como Europa, EE.UU. está batiendo récords de temperatura; en Washington (foto), la sensación térmica fue de 37 grados

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## AMIA: Israel ratifica que Irán fue responsable

**ATENTADO.** Un vocero relativizó el informe atribuido al Mossad

Luego de la difusión de un informe atribuido al Mossad que sostenía que el atentado contra la AMIA y la embajada se perpetró sin la participación directa de iraníes, Israel ratificó ayer que Irán "inició, financió y autorizó" los ataques, según dijo a LA NACION Lior Haiat, director de la diplomacia pública de Israel. **Página 19**

## La clave del juicio a Cristina será probar el nexos con Báez

**CORRUPCIÓN.** El fiscal Diego Luciani pidió nueve audiencias para desplegar, a partir del lunes próximo, la acusación contra Cristina Kirchner por el direccionamiento de obras públicas a favor de Lázaro Báez. La clave gira en torno a la posibilidad de probar la vinculación de la vicepresidenta con el empresario y los funcionarios que lo favorecieron. **Página 18**

## Patrulleros sin recorrido y poca vigilancia en La Matanza

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## La casa de Messi en Qatar. Un viaje por las entrañas del predio de la selección

La Argentina tendrá todas las comodidades en la Universidad de Doha

DOHA (De un enviado especial).— El Mundial de fútbol se juega también en los detalles logísticos. En ese sentido, el seleccionado argentino ya tiene todo definido para Qatar 2022.

El conjunto dirigido por Lionel Scaloni se hospedará en la Universidad de Doha, un predio de más de 25.000 m<sup>2</sup>, con dos canchas y un estadio para 10.000 personas. El plantel ocu-

pará un edificio de cuatro pisos y 85 habitaciones. "La construcción está siendo refaccionada a pedido de la AFA", dijeron los organizadores a LA NACION. **Deportes, página 4**





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## NÃO À MATERNIDADE POR MEDO DO RACISMO

Mulheres negras, como Evelyn Daisy de Carvalho de Sousa, relatam o temor de ver um filho sofrer violência e discriminação como justificativa para desistir de engravidar. Cotidiano B3

## Explode número de armas em estados bolsonaristas

Registros novos por habitante são o dobro nas unidades da federação onde presidente venceu nas eleições de 2018

O registro de armas novas feito pela Polícia Federal cresceu mais nos estados nos quais o presidente Jair Bolsonaro (PL) venceu no segundo turno das eleições.

De 2018 a 2021, o número de armamentos novos passou de 39 mil para 163,7 mil nas 16 unidades da federação que preferiram Bolsonaro — uma alta de 320%, contra um aumento de 223% nos 11 estados nos quais Fernando Haddad (PT) venceu.

A disparidade é mais evidente ao se analisar o registro de novas armas no primeiro semestre de 2022 em relação aos habitantes de cada estado. A população dos locais em que Bolsonaro venceu em 2018 soma 145,3 milhões, o que indica uma arma nova para cada grupo de 1.700 pessoas. Entre os 68 milhões de moradores dos estados nos quais Haddad ganhou, há um novo registro a cada 3.600 pessoas.

Ou seja, em 2022, há duas vezes mais armas por pessoa registradas nos estados nos quais o presidente saiu vitorioso em 2018.

Um mote da gestão Bolsonaro tem sido a facilitação da compra de armas pela população. O governo federal já editou 19 decretos, 17 portarias, duas resoluções, três instruções normativas e dois projetos de lei que flexibilizam as regras de acesso às armas. Cotidiano B1

## Oficializado candidato, Bolsonaro ataca STF

A convenção nacional do PL oficializou, neste domingo (24), o presidente Jair Bolsonaro como candidato à reeleição e o ex-ministro da Defesa Braga Netto, a vice. Em Maracanãzinho tomado de verde e amarelo, o presidente chamou apoiadores a irem às ruas "uma última vez" no 7 de Setembro e fez ataques ao STF. Política A4

## ANÁLISE Fáblio Zanini

### Presidente sinaliza discurso normal, mas não se aguenta

Parecia que Jair Bolsonaro (PL) faria um discurso "normal" de candidato, falando bem de seu governo e mal dos adversários, ainda que usando termos duros. Mas ele não se segurou e teve que atacar o Supremo e jogar desconfiança sobre as urnas. Política A6



O presidente chegou ao Maracanãzinho, no Rio, com a primeira-dama, Michelle, que também discursou na convenção nacional do PL. Eduardo Anzelli/Folhapress

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## Governo estuda flexibilizar regras de fundos estatais

O governo Jair Bolsonaro (PL) prepara projeto de lei que altera regras de funcionamento da previdência complementar de servidores e dos fundos de pensão das estatais, que administram R\$ 1,17 trilhão. Alcançar das mudanças gera controvérsias. Mercado A11

## PT quer bancos públicos como fiador de empresas

O plano de governo de Lula (PT) deverá prever o uso de BNDES, Banco do Brasil e Caixa para retomar o crescimento, por meio de fundo para garantir empréstimos. Mercado A12

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Ricardo Borges

## Visibilidade não diminui violência contra negras

Para a historiadora e autora do livro "Racismo Brasileiro - Uma história da formação do país", houve avanço, mas mulheres negras continuam atravessadas por violências da sociedade patriarcal e racista. B2

## Marcus A. Melo

### A urna que emancipa

Com a cédula criada em 1955, a exigência de escrever o nome dos candidatos teve efeito avassalador para eleitorado analfabeto. A introdução da urna eletrônica foi instrumento que emancipou "de facto" o eleitorado pobre. Opinião A2

## Empresários gestam manifesto pró-democracia

Em meio aos ataques do presidente Jair Bolsonaro (PL), empresários se articulam para reafirmar confiança no sistema eleitoral em texto a ser publicado na terça (26). Mercado A13

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Venda de jogador, royalties musicais e obras de arte viram criptoativo acessível

## Brasil sofre para levar saúde mental aos extremos

Após mais de 20 anos da reforma psiquiátrica que levou ao fim dos manicômios e à construção e capilarização da rede pública, países sem serviços desiguais e subfinanciados para enfrentar uma explosão de transtornos psíquicos durante a pandemia. Saúde B4

## Gafes de Biden geram debate sobre inaptidão

Nas últimas semanas, o presidente Joe Biden, 79, errou leitura de teleprompter e disse por engano ter câncer. As falhas do democrata viraram munição para republicanos, que o caracterizam de senil e inapto ao cargo. Mundo A9





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María de las Nieves  
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Hugo Capurro,  
PLRA.



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PLRA.

"Te hacen decir: O te callás o te callo...", fue el escueto mensaje entregado a Armindo Vera Ferrer por un joven motociclista

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PHILIPPE KSIAZEK/AFPIncendies : la Gironde entre  
désolation et reconstruction

Soulagés de pouvoir rentrer chez eux, des milliers de sinistrés, confrontés à un spectacle de dévastation, vont désormais devoir rebâtir. Et faire face au casse-tête des indemnisations.

Après l'urgence des flammes, la désolation des cendres. Au sortir de dix jours d'incendies, alors que celui de La Teste-de-Buch est « fixé » et celui de Landiras seulement « contenu », la

Gironde se réveille dans des paysages qui ne lui sont plus familiers. La majorité des habitants ont pu regagner ce week-end leurs habitations, soulagés que ce « méga-feu », qui a ravagé quelque

20 800 hectares et délogé 36 000 personnes, n'ait fait ni morts ni blessés. La forêt, la faune et la flore, elles, paient un lourd et durable tribut. Les conséquences économiques pour le tou-

risme, la filière bois et les collectivités locales sont désastreuses. Les sinistrés, particuliers et professionnels, tout comme les pompiers - qui sont 1 300 sur place - ont encore de longs

jours noirs à vivre. Les uns pour reconstruire, se faire indemniser, les autres pour tenter de venir à bout des feux toujours non « éteints » et dont les reprises ici et là sont une menace très réelle.

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le sacre  
du Danois  
Vingegaard,  
un champion  
très discret

Le cycliste de 25 ans est sacré sur les Champs-Élysées après trois semaines d'une Grande Boucle animée. Le Slovène Tadej Pogacar, vainqueur l'an dernier et deuxième cette année, a multiplié les attaques contre le Danois. Sans succès ! PAGE 10 ET L'ÉDITORIAL

L'adoption  
de la taxe  
sur les  
superprofits  
évitée  
de justesse

Les députés de la majorité, alliés aux LR, ont rejeté les amendements déposés par la Nupes et le RN sur la taxation des superprofits, notamment des géants pétroliers. Le ministre de l'Économie, Bruno Le Maire, a dû monter au front pour mobiliser ses troupes : « L'immense majorité des entreprises souffre de l'inflation, de l'augmentation des prix, de la pénurie de main-d'œuvre. » PAGE 6

ÉDITORIAL par Bertrand de Saint Vincent bdesaintvincent@lefigaro.fr

## Tour de souffrance

Le vélo ne rouille pas. Pour sa 109<sup>e</sup> édition, le Tour de France a tenu ses promesses. Pendant trois semaines, il a rivé 10 millions de spectateurs devant leur écran et en a projeté des centaines de milliers sur le bord des routes. On a rarement vu une vieille dame séduire autant de monde. De Copenhague aux Champs-Élysées, 170 coureurs ont cavalcadé comme s'ils avaient le feu sacré aux trousses. Ils ont parcouru, sous la canicule, 3 500 km en 21 étapes à une moyenne de 42 km/h. Ce n'est pas raisonnable. Les sprinters ont eu des pointes à près de 80 km/h et on a vu des descendeurs filer à plus de 100. Que fait la police ? Il y a eu des chutes spectaculaires, des échappées belles, des abandons, des rires, des larmes, et des « questions de merde » sur le dopage. Comment font-ils pour aller si vite, si haut, si loin au bout d'eux-mêmes ? La question n'en finit pas de tarauder les observateurs. Antoine Blondin, Maillot jaune des écrivains du Tour, disait qu'un athlète « c'est celui qui a décidé de reculer les murs de sa prison ». Les spécialistes ont attribué au matériel, à l'entraînement, au vent dans le dos ces exploits. On a envie de le croire. On ne va pas casser tous

nos jouets. La roue tourne. D'anciens leaders ont jeté l'éponge - Chris Froome, Primoz Roglic -, quand d'autres sont apparus. Le vainqueur désigné, le Slovène Tadej Pogacar, héros national dans son pays, a cédé la place à un inconnu, le Danois Jonas Vingegaard. Les deux champions se sont livrés une lutte acharnée, ce qui n'a pas empêché un respect mutuel et des gestes de fair-play. Un extraterrestre, le Belge Wout van Aert, a joué les livrés de luxe. Le Tour, on ne le répètera jamais assez, est un sport collectif. On gagne contre soi-même, mais surtout avec les siens. Vingegaard, dès son arrivée aux étapes, se précipitait pour appeler sa compagne. Elle l'a, paraît-il, aidé à vaincre son stress. Il n'empêche que l'équipe Jumbo-Visma était de loin la plus forte. On aimerait tirer une leçon de ces images : peut-être faut-il (ré)apprendre à se dépasser ? On a parfois le sentiment que le Tour, en ne tournant pas le dos à l'effort, va dans le sens inverse des aiguilles d'une société qui court après le risque zéro. ■

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## 'Greatest staffing crisis' in NHS history leaves patients at risk

Government lacks a credible strategy to deal with care gaps, say MPs

**Denis Campbell**  
Health policy editor

The NHS is facing "the greatest workforce crisis" in its history, which is putting patients at serious risk of harm, an influential group of MPs will say today.

In its report, the cross-party Commons health and social care select committee criticises the "absence of a credible government strategy" on NHS-wide understaffing and criticises ministers for delaying a blueprint it says is urgently needed to address critical gaps in almost every area of care.

The hard-hitting report includes fresh evidence showing that the staffing crisis in the NHS in England is even worse than official figures suggest.

NHS Digital figures suggest that the service has vacancies for 38,972

nurses and 8,016 doctors. However, the real figures could be as high as 50,000 and 12,000, according to estimates the Nuffield Trust health charity prepared for the MPs.

The trust's analysis accords with the view of many frontline doctors and managers that some posts are not advertised, and thus not picked up by the statistical agency NHS Digital, because hospitals cannot afford to fill them, even if suitable doctors or nurses are identified.

"We now face the greatest workforce crisis in history in the NHS and

### 'Pay £8 to stay in hospital'

A former NHS trust boss has said ministers should start bringing in charges to contribute to the cost of patients' stays in hospital and for medical equipment such as hearing aids. Prof Stephen Smith also said over-60s should start paying for prescriptions, to help raise more revenue for an NHS under "unsustainable" pressure. **Page 9** ➔

in social care, with still no idea of the number of additional doctors, nurses and other professionals we actually need," said Jeremy Hunt, the former health secretary and failed Tory leadership contender who chairs the committee.

Overworked, often exhausted NHS personnel still recovering from the Covid pandemic crisis "know there is no silver bullet to solve this problem, but we should at least be giving them comfort that a plan is in place. This must be a top priority for the new prime minister." **8** ➔

## Ukraine, six months on 'I have been here since the first day of the war. It has been like hell'

**Peter Beaumont**  
Kostiantynivka



**T**he Russian war against Ukraine entered its sixth month yesterday, and in the eastern Donbas region - scene of some of the heaviest fighting - the missiles were still falling.

Yesterday morning it was school Number 6 in the city of Kostiantynivka, 30km (19 miles) from the frontline. Two rockets made two huge craters flush against a three-storey building that was gutted by the blast.

In her fifth-floor flat a hundred or so metres away, Tamara, 85, was awake and boiling potatoes at 4.30am when the rockets struck.

"I sleep in my clothes so I can get out quickly if there is an airstrike," the former nurse explained as she walked her dogs past later on the way to collect water.

"The explosion shook my flat. I can't describe



▲ Yevhen Habach, 71, leaves his house, damaged by a Russian strike, in Kramatorsk PHOTOGRAPH: GLEB GARANICH/REUTERS

## Tory plans for asylum 'cruel and immoral'

**Aubrey Allegretti**  
Political correspondent

Rishi Sunak and Liz Truss have been accused of "cruelty and immorality" for promising more Rwanda-style deals to remove asylum seekers from Britain, as charities claimed the pair were pandering to party members' headline views.

Amnesty International led criticism of immigration plans announced over the weekend by the Tory leadership candidates, with a warning the "dreadful" pledges would come at "great human and financial cost".

Other human rights groups, opposition parties and the rightwing Adam Smith Institute also condemned the proposals on grounds ranging from ethics to the "crippling costs".

Hostile briefings by the two camps intensified over the weekend as they prepared for a crunch TV debate hosted by the BBC this evening, with ballot papers to drop through members' letterboxes in just over a week. The row about immigration threatened to overshadow

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