

What's News

Business & Finance

- ◆ **The FTC is investigating** whether OpenAI's ChatGPT has harmed people by publishing false information about them, posing a potential legal threat to the popular app that can generate eerily human-like content using artificial intelligence. **A1**
- ◆ **Twitter asked a federal court** to terminate a 2022 settlement it reached with the FTC over alleged privacy violations. FTC chief Khan, meanwhile, testified at a Capitol Hill hearing. **A5**
- ◆ **Hollywood actors planned** to strike starting Friday after their union failed to reach a new labor contract with studios, joining writers in a standoff that is likely to bring the entertainment industry to a halt. **A1**
- ◆ **Walt Disney will likely** seek a strategic partner in its ESPN sports business and is considering selling off other traditional TV assets, Chief Executive Iger said. **B1**
- ◆ **Celsius Network founder** Mashinsky was arrested in New York and charged by the Justice Department with defrauding the collapsed crypto exchange's customers. **B1**
- ◆ **Major U.S. stock indexes** posted gains, with the S&P 500, Nasdaq and Dow industrials advancing 0.8%, 1.6% and 0.1%, respectively. **B11**
- ◆ **Bullard resigned** as president of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis to become the dean of Purdue University's business school. **A2**
- ◆ **Booming summer travel** and falling fuel prices helped drive record revenue and profit in the second quarter for Delta Air Lines. **B3**
- ◆ **PepsiCo reported strong** growth in sales and profit for its latest quarter. **B3**

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- ◆ **Hours after Wagner's** Prigozhin began a short-lived march on Moscow, Russia's domestic security service detained several high-ranking military officers, including Gen. Sergei Surovikin, head of aerospace forces, people familiar with the situation said. **A1**
- ◆ **The FDA approved the** first over-the-counter birth-control pill, Opill, significantly expanding access to contraception among women across the U.S. **A1, A6**
- ◆ **A group of Republican** attorneys general issued a letter to the nation's largest companies warning them against race-based preferences in hiring, promotions and contracting following a recent Supreme Court decision. **A4**
- ◆ **The Republican-controlled** House passed contentious measures to limit abortion access and transgender care in a series of amendment votes, moves that Democrats warned could derail an annual defense-policy bill. **A7**
- ◆ **Thailand's army-appointed** Senate blocked the leader of the Move Forward party, which won a stunning victory in national elections, from taking power as prime minister. **A10**
- ◆ **Guatemala's constitutional** court ruled that center-left candidate Arévalo could participate in next month's presidential runoff, dismissing an order from a lower court that had suspended his party. **A10**
- ◆ **A jury found Robert Bowers** eligible for the death penalty for killing 11 people at a Pittsburgh synagogue, the deadliest antisemitic attack on U.S. soil. **A3**

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Tourists Sweat It Out at Europe's Hot Spots



PHOTO: GIANLUIGI CASARATI/REUTERS
PHEN: Visitors flocked to the Parthenon in Athens on Thursday despite a heat wave, named Cerberus after the mythological guardian of the gates of Hades, that is gripping southern Europe. Tourism is booming across the Continent this summer.

Actors to Join Writers on Strike As Streaming Roils Hollywood

By Joe Flint

Hollywood actors planned to go on strike starting Friday after their union failed to reach a new labor contract with studios, joining already-striking writers in a standoff likely to grind the entertainment industry to a halt. A prolonged strike involving writers and actors could mean that broadcast and cable networks won't have fresh scripted TV episodes ready for the early fall, and that Holly-

wood's pipeline of fresh shows and movies will thin. Streamers such as Netflix and Max tend to produce programming far in advance of planned release dates, as do movie studios, so they might not feel the effect of a labor stoppage until late 2024 at the earliest. The talks between the Screen Actors Guild - American Federation of Television and Radio Artists and the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers, a coal-

ition representing movie and TV studios, networks and streamers, ended Wednesday night as the deadline to reach a new three-year deal expired. The strike also affects the promotion of work already shot. As "Oppenheimer" premiered in London Thursday, director Christopher Nolan informed audience members that the movie's stars, including Cillian Murphy and Emily Blunt, had walked out of the premiere event, according to a video posted on Twitter.

Issues that have led writers and actors to this point include compensation, royalties and the use of artificial intelligence during the creative process. At a news conference Thursday, SAG-AFTRA President Fran Drescher said she couldn't believe how far apart the two sides were on those key issues. "The entire business model has been changed by streaming, digital, artificial intelligence," she said. **Please turn to page A7**

Russia Detains Generals In Wake Of Mutiny

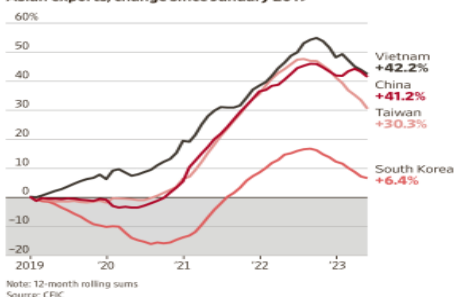
By Thomas Grove

Hours after Russian paramilitary leader Yevgeny Prigozhin began a short-lived march on Moscow, Russia's domestic security service detained several high-ranking military officers, including Gen. Sergei Surovikin, head of aerospace forces, people familiar with the situation said. Surovikin, known as General Armageddon for bombing campaigns he waged in Syria, is being held and interrogated in Moscow, the people said. He hasn't been charged with a crime. One said Surovikin knew about plans for the insurrection but that the general wasn't involved in the June 24 mutiny. The Kremlin's effort to weed out officers suspected of disloyalty is broader than publicly known, according to the people, who said at least 13 senior officers were detained for questioning, with some later released, and around 15 suspended from duty or fired. "The detentions are about cleaning the ranks of those who it is believed can't be trusted anymore," one said. Neither the Kremlin nor Russia's Defense Ministry responded to requests for comment. Andrei Kartapolov, head of the Russian parliament's defense committee, said in a video circulating on Russian social media this week that **Please turn to page A8**

Asia Exports Flash Warning

Exports from China and across Asia have been slowing in recent months, showing the deepening toll that rising interest rates are taking on global trade and economic growth. **A11**

Asian exports, change since January 2019



Xi Crackdown Stifles Key Economic Engine

By Lingling Wei

Desperate for capital and with their economies struggling, China's cities are wooing Western businesses with previously unavailable goodies. Beijing has labeled 2023 the "Year of Investing in China" and local officials have embarked on promotional tours overseas to drum up interest from investors. That effort is running headlong into President Xi Jinping's national-security agenda, with its focus on fending off perceived foreign threats. That has made any Chinese investment a potential minefield for foreign firms. A Xi-led campaign this year has hit Western management consultants, auditors and other firms with a wave of raids, investigations and detentions. Meanwhile, an expanded anti-espionage law has added to for-

eign executives' worry that conducting routine business activities in China, such as market research, could be construed as spying. The perception that doing business in China has become much riskier is choking the flow of capital into an economy already struggling with weak private investment and consumption, as well as soaring youth unemployment. Foreign direct investment in China fell to \$20 billion in the first quarter of this year, compared with \$100 billion in last year's first quarter, according to an analysis of government figures by analyst Mark Witzke at research firm Rhodium Group. Goldman Sachs economists predict outflows from China this year will cancel out investment going into the country, a stunning change for a country **Please turn to page A11**

Over-the-Counter Birth-Control Pill Gets FDA Approval

By Sarah Toy

The Food and Drug Administration approved the first over-the-counter birth-control pill, Opill, significantly expanding access to contraception among women across the U.S. The FDA on Thursday followed the advice of expert advisers who recommended in May that the agency grant nonprescription approval to the pill despite questions over some data on its proper use. Medical societies and advocacy groups have called for years

for birth control to be available over the counter as it is in countries such as South Korea and Greece. The push intensified last year after the Supreme Court eliminated the constitutional right to an abortion, leaving decisions on abortion's legality to the states. "This approval is a historic advancement to reproductive healthcare in this country," said Dana Singiser, co-founder of Contraceptive Access Initiative, an organization focused on improving access to oral **Please turn to page A6**

Tortoise Estate Planning—One Chore When Your Pet Lives to 100

More people put long-living animals in wills. Can the grandkids take 'Jebediah'?

By Eliza Collins

Snoop Dogg, the tortoise, arrived by mail when Will Beger was around nine years old. The baby reptile was about the size of a baseball. Beger, an artist, is now 29, and Snoop Dogg weighs more than 100 pounds. "It's kind of like having a pet dinosaur," said Beger, who visits Snoop Dogg at his parents' house in Phoenix. It isn't just size that is a burden, Beger has to worry about mortality, his own, his parents' and Snoop Dogg's. The African spurred tortoise could live another 130 years—until 2153. **Please turn to page A11**

Beger belongs to a small band of pet owners whose responsibilities extend well beyond daily care and feeding. They also have to consider the long-term prospects for animals that, with a bit of luck, could survive them, their children and their grandchildren. "It's like a piece of property or some family heirloom," said Nancy Buell, an 85-year-old retired nurse in Tempe, Ariz. She got her desert tortoise, Jebediah, in April and estimates he may be as young as 60. Buell's grown children, who have had tortoises of their own, agreed to **Please turn to page A5**



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Supply chains Germany alert to China risks

German foreign minister Annalena Baerbock tells companies they must become less dependent on China, as she lays out her country's first strategy on its biggest trading partner in Berlin.

She warned yesterday that the German government would not pick up the bill if companies fell victim to geopolitical risk in the region, saying businesses would "have to bear more of the financial risk themselves".

The strategy report rejected "decoupling" from China but stressed that Germany must "de-risk", or diversify its supply chains and export markets away from the country in order to lower exposure to external shocks.

The EU labelled China a systemic rival in 2019 and Brussels has promoted the idea of de-risking the bloc's most sensitive economic sectors.

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AI's lurking perils spur US watchdog to investigate creator of ChatGPT

◆ FTC's first chatbot probe ◆ Personal data hoovered up ◆ Potential harm from false information

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The risks posed by artificially intelligent chatbots are being officially investigated by US regulators for the first time after the Federal Trade Commission launched a wide-ranging probe into ChatGPT maker OpenAI.

In a letter sent to the Microsoft-backed company, the US watchdog said it would look at whether people have been harmed by the AI chatbot's creation of false information on them, as well as whether OpenAI had engaged in "unfair or deceptive" privacy and data security practices.

Generative AI products are in the crosshairs of regulators around the world as AI experts and ethicists sound

the alarm on the enormous amount of personal data consumed by the technology, as well as its potentially harmful output, ranging from misinformation to sexist and racist comments.

In May, the FTC fired a warning shot, saying it was "focusing intensely on how companies may choose to use AI technology, including new generative AI tools, in ways that can have actual and substantial impact on consumers".

In health, a sector that revolves around complexity, sensitivity and life-and-death decision making, we had better use AI wisely
John Thornhill
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The US regulator has asked OpenAI to share internal material ranging from how the group retains user information to the steps it has taken to address the risk of its model producing "false, misleading or disparaging" statements.

The FTC and OpenAI declined to comment.

Lina Khan, FTC chair, testified yesterday before the House judiciary committee and faced criticism from Republican lawmakers over her tough enforcement stance. Khan is part of a new generation of progressive antitrust officials appointed by Joe Biden's administration as it cracks down on anti-competitive conduct it believes has gone unchecked for decades across the US economy.

When asked about the investigation during the hearing, Khan declined to

comment on the probe but said the regulator's broader concerns involve ChatGPT and other AI services "being fed a huge trove of data" and that there were "no checks on what type of data is being inserted into these companies".

Experts have been concerned by the huge volume of data being hoovered up by language models behind ChatGPT.

OpenAI had more than 100mn monthly active users two months into its launch. Microsoft's new Bing search engine, also powered by OpenAI technology, was being used by more than 1mn people in 169 countries within two weeks of its release in January.

Users have reported that ChatGPT has fabricated names, dates and facts, as well as fake links to news websites and false references to academic papers,

an issue known as "hallucinations".

The FTC's probe digs into technical details of how ChatGPT was designed, including the company's work on fixing hallucinations, and the oversight of its human reviewers, which affect consumers directly. It has also asked for information on consumer complaints and efforts made by the company to assess users' understanding of the chatbot's accuracy and reliability.

In March, Italy's privacy watchdog temporarily banned ChatGPT while it examined the US company's collection of personal information following a cyber security breach. It was reinstated a few weeks later, after OpenAI made its privacy policy more accessible.

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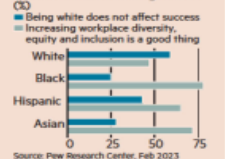
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Success factors
Share of US workers in agreement



Source: Pew Research Center, Feb 2023
Most white Americans believe it is neither easier nor harder for them to succeed at work because of their ethnicity, while only a minority think focusing on increasing workplace diversity is a good thing, according to a Pew Research Center poll



Sceptics weigh Erdoğan's new warmth for Stockholm

Recep Tayyip Erdoğan's about-turn to back Sweden's Nato membership after months of resistance has provoked deep scepticism. Turkey watchers ask whether the president sees the move as part of a wider foreign policy shift or simply as an expedient political transaction. With a record current account deficit of \$37.7bn, Ankara needs foreign inflows, while Erdoğan's new economic team hopes to secure investment from the US and Europe.
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Biden says Ukraine war will not 'go on for years' as he reaffirms US-Nato bond

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Joe Biden has predicted the Ukraine war will not drag on for years and promised the US would remain committed to Nato despite fears Donald Trump might pull out of the alliance if he wins the 2024 presidential election.

Speaking in Finland, which became a member of Nato this year, the US president said Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin had been weakened and was struggling to supply his troops.

"I don't think the war can go on for years," Biden said, arguing that Moscow did not have the "resources and capacity" to sustain the conflict "forever".

He added: "I think that there is going to be a circumstance where eventually president Putin is going to decide it's not

in the interest of Russia economically, politically or otherwise."

While many in his administration have been downbeat about the pace of a Ukrainian counteroffensive, Biden said: "My hope is, and my expectation is, you'll see that Ukraine makes significant progress on their offensive and it generates a negotiated settlement somewhere along the line."

Ukraine's long-anticipated counteroffensive began in earnest in June but is off to a much slower start than Kyiv and many of its supporters had hoped. President Volodymyr Zelenskyy has repeatedly said the war can only end when Russian troops withdraw.

The US president and other members of Nato said this week that the alliance was more united than ever. However, there are lingering fears that if Trump wins in 2024 he could try to downgrade

the leadership role of the US in Nato or even pull out entirely. "As sure as anything can possibly be said about American foreign policy, we will stay connected to Nato," Biden said.

Meanwhile, Biden poked fun at the recent mutiny attempt by Yevgeny Prigozhin, the founder of the Wagner mercenary group that has played a central role in Moscow's offensive in Ukraine.

"We're not even sure where he is and what relationship he has [with Putin], Biden said of Prigozhin. "If I were he, I'd be careful what I ate, I'd be keeping an eye on my menu."

Putin yesterday told state TV that Ukraine's bid to join Nato was one of the reasons he ordered the invasion. "I'm certain this won't increase Ukraine's security, and it will make the world much more vulnerable in general."

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STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				GOVERNMENT BONDS					
	Jul 13	Prev	%Chg	Pair	Jul 13	Prev		Yield (%)	Jul 13	Prev	%Chg		
S&P 500	4498.49	4472.16	0.58	\$/£	1.119	1.112	0/5	0.953	0.999	US 2 yr	4.95	4.73	-0.08
Nasdaq Composite	14078.98	13918.86	1.15	\$/€	1.211	1.200	0/5	0.763	0.769	US 10 yr	3.79	3.69	-0.06
Dow Jones Ind	34396.66	34347.43	0.14	\$/¥	0.954	0.956	-0/2	1.171	1.169	US 30 yr	3.91	3.96	-0.04
FTSE Eurofirst 300	1825.69	1813.61	0.67	€/¥	138.215	138.420	-0/1	154.724	153.937	UK 2 yr	5.13	5.21	-0.08
Euro Stoxx 50	4394.51	4390.46	0.78	€/£	181.228	179.904	0/6	82.963	82.990	UK 10 yr	4.50	4.57	-0.07
FTSE 100	7448.21	7418.11	0.32	\$/₹	0.962	0.960	0/2	1.127	1.127	UK 30 yr	4.50	4.56	-0.06
FTSE All-Share	4061.27	4048.29	0.32	€/₹	7369.80	7333.01	0.50			JPN 2 yr	-0.05	-0.04	-0.01
CAC 40	7369.80	7333.01	0.50						JPN 10 yr	0.48	0.47	0.01	
Xetra Dax	18141.03	18023.00	0.74						JPN 30 yr	1.35	1.34	0.01	
Nikkei	32419.33	31943.93	1.49						GER 2 yr	3.14	3.22	-0.07	
Hang Seng	18350.62	18890.65	-2.96						GER 10 yr	2.45	2.54	-0.09	
MSCI World \$	2987.19	2953.12	1.15						GER 30 yr	2.53	2.59	-0.06	
MSCI EM \$	1006.55	994.89	1.07										
MSCI ACWI \$	688.22	680.43	1.14										
FT Worldv 2500	5862.24	5793.93	0.73										
FT Worldv 5000	45232.60	44901.80	0.74										

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JUSTIN HAMEL FOR THE NEW YORK TIMES

One of the most pressing issues facing Customs and Border Protection, in addition to securing the border, is humanitarian relief.

2nd STRIKE GRINDS STUDIOS TO A HALT

Actors to Join Writers on Picket Lines Over Pay

This article is by Brooks Barnes, John Koblin and Nicole Sperling.

LOS ANGELES — The Hollywood actors' union approved a strike on Thursday for the first time in 43 years, bringing the \$134 billion American movie and television business to a halt over anger about pay and fears of a tech-dominated future.

The leaders of SAG-AFTRA, the union representing 160,000 television and movie actors, announced the strike after negotiations with studios over a new contract collapsed, with streaming services and artificial intelligence at the center of the standoff.

Actors and screenwriters had not been on strike at the same time since 1960, when Marilyn Monroe was still starring in films and Ronald Reagan was the head of the actors' union.

"I am shocked by the way the people that we have been in business with are treating us," Fran Drescher, the president of SAG-AFTRA, said at a news conference on Thursday in Los Angeles.

Shaking her fists in anger, Ms. Drescher noted that "the entire business model has been changed by streaming and that artificial intelligence would soon change it more."

Many of the actors' demands mirror those of the writers, who belong to the Writers Guild of America.

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Created After 9/11, Agency Has New Pressures

By ELLEEN SULLIVAN

EL PASO — On a 90-degree day in early May, hundreds of migrants were gathered on American soil near a border gate in El Paso. Many had waited for days, without food, shelter or enough water and bathrooms.

The contrast in scenes illustrates a central challenge of Customs and Border Protection's mission. The agency, which includes the Border Patrol, was created after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

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From Seed to Centre Court, Tending Wimbledon's Strawberries

By JACK WILLIAMS

LONDON — It was midmorning and the sun was still rising across the English countryside, but Shakhboev Yakshiboev had been awake since the early hours.

His hands appeared to blur as they ran across strawberry after strawberry, their plants all placed at shoulder height.

Yakshiboev, 30, a seasonal fruit picker from Uzbekistan, is part of a 32-person team that, for the duration of Wimbledon, has been the first link in a chain that brings fresh, British strawberries from Hugh Lowe Farms in Mereworth, Kent, to be eaten at the two-week Grand Slam tournament held roughly 30 miles away.

A serving of strawberries and cream has become a synonym for Wimbledon as a Honey Deuce cocktail at the U.S. Open in New York or a pimento cheese sandwich at the Masters Tournament in Augusta, Ga.

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Watching for Terrorists Gives Way to Caring for Migrants

their weapons from entering the United States.

While its mission has remained the same over the years, its responsibilities have grown. In addition to securing the border, one of the most pressing issues it has faced in the past decade is a humanitarian one, driven by people coming across the border, many of whom are fleeing violence and poverty.

Some in the Border Patrol rank and file want to focus on the agency's primary mission: "to detect and prevent the illegal entry of individuals into the United States," not caring for them after they break the law.

Jan. 6 Inquiry Asks if Trump Admitted Loss

Questions for Kushner May Aim at Intent

By MICHAEL S. SCHMIDT and MAGGIE HABERMAN

Federal prosecutors investigating former President Donald J. Trump's attempts to overturn the 2020 election have questioned multiple witnesses in recent weeks — including Mr. Trump's son-in-law Jared Kushner — about whether Mr. Trump had privately acknowledged in the days after the 2020 election that he had lost, according to four people briefed on the matter.

The line of questioning suggests prosecutors are trying to establish whether Mr. Trump was acting with corrupt intent as he sought to remain in power — essentially that his efforts were knowingly based on a lie — evidence that could substantially bolster any case they might decide to bring against him.

Mr. Kushner testified before a grand jury at the federal courthouse in Washington last month, where he is said to have maintained that it was his impression that Mr. Trump truly believed the election was stolen, according to a person briefed on the matter.

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Decision Could Increase Contraceptive Access, Especially to Teens

By PAM BELLUCK

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But others in Mr. Trump's orbit who interacted with him in the weeks after the 2020 election, who have potentially more damaging accounts of Mr. Trump's behavior, have been questioned by the special counsel's office recently.

Among them is Alyssa Farah Griffin, the White House communications director in the days after the 2020 election. Repeating an account she provided last year to the House select committee on

NEWS ANALYSIS

Biden's Words Add to Echoes From Cold War

By DAVID E. SANGER

President Biden and his national security team have contended since he took office that all the easy, tempting comparisons between this era and the Cold War are misleading, a vast oversimplification of a complex geopolitical moment.

The differences are, indeed, stark: The United States never had the kind of technological and financial interdependence with its Cold War adversary, the Soviet Union, that so complicates the increasingly bitter and dangerous downward spiral in the relationship with China.

And Mr. Biden's advisers often argue that Russia is not the Soviet Union. Yes, it has nuclear weapons, they say, but its conventional military capacity has now been severely degraded in Ukraine.

And in Soviet times, the United States felt compelled to fight an ideological battle around the world. In the new era, it is fighting

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DRAINED by the heat, a farmworker sleeps in the shade of the 66th Avenue Bridge in Mecca, Calif. Photographs by IRFAN KHAN Los Angeles Times

STAY COOL? EASIER SAID THAN DONE

For California's most vulnerable, who work or live outdoors, or lack air conditioning, finding relief from the heat can be impossible

By Rachel Uranga, Priscella Vega and Paloma Esquivel

After spending the morning picking grapes in the Coachella Valley, farmworker Juan Flores and his friends parked their trucks under the shade of a bridge near the fields and did their best to settle in for the afternoon as the heat approached 100 degrees.

They came to Mecca to work the harvest but couldn't find an apartment to rent and had no family nearby to stay with. So as a suffocating heat wave blanketed the state, the trucks were their homes and the shade beneath the bridge their principal relief.

"La necesidad hace a uno sufrir," Flores said. Need makes you suffer.

With several days of intense heat, experts and officials warned residents to protect themselves against the dangers of extreme heat, including dehydration, heat exhaustion

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SERGIO LOPEZ wipes his brow while working in the sun around his unit at Oasis Mobile Home Park in Thermal, Calif.

Actors union votes to strike after talks fail with studios

SAG-AFTRA move follows TV and film writers' walkout in May, further upending the industry.

By ANOUSHA SAKOUI

SAG-AFTRA's national board of directors on Thursday voted unanimously to approve a strike action by tens of thousands of Hollywood actors, widening the scope of labor unrest in an entertainment industry that is already facing numerous headwinds.

The vote came after negotiations between the actors union and the major studios failed to reach an agreement on a new film and TV contract.

Actors — similarly to screenwriters already on picket lines — have been battling studios for a pact that would deliver far better pay and residuals from streaming and address other issues, including the use of artificial intelligence, that have been rolling the entertainment landscape.

Despite the last-minute involvement of a federal mediator, the 160,000-member union was unable to secure a deal with the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers, which represents studios in labor dealings. The old collective bargaining agreement expired Wednesday night without a deal in place.

Union leaders announced the board's vote at a noon news conference in Los Angeles.

"We are the victims here," SAG-AFTRA President Fran Drescher said during a fiery speech. "We are being victimized by a very greedy entity."

"I'm shocked by the way the people we have been in business with are treating us. It is disgusting. Shame on them. They stand on the wrong side of history at this very moment."

The studios said the union walked away from an offer that included "historic" increases in pay and residuals, as well as a "groundbreaking" proposal for AI protections. The group said its offer included a requirement for a performer's consent for the creation and use of digital replicas or for digital alterations of a performance.

"A strike is certainly not the outcome we hoped for as studios cannot operate without the performers that bring our TV shows and films to life," the AMPPTP said in a Thursday statement in response to the union's strike declaration. "The union has regrettably chosen a path that will lead to financial hardship for countless thousands of people who depend on the industry."

[See Actors' strike, A7]

How big hopes of progress turned sour

By MEG JAMES AND ANOUSHA SAKOUI

Nearly three weeks ago, it looked as if SAG-AFTRA was headed toward a landmark deal with the major Hollywood studios.

In a video to the union's 160,000 members, SAG-AFTRA President Fran Drescher said negotiations with the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers had been "extremely productive."

"We're standing strong, and we are going to achieve a seminal deal," Drescher vowed.

But in the end, talks broke down.

On Thursday, SAG-AFTRA board members voted unanimously to call a strike against the studios — the first such walkout in 43 years. Actors on Friday morning will join striking writers who have swarmed picket lines outside major film and TV studios around Los Angeles and New York since early May.

So what went wrong? In interviews, people close to the negotiations cited a series of roadblocks that made a deal next to impossible to achieve during just 35 days of bargaining. Major contractual sticking points — including over basic pay, streaming residuals and the threat of artificial intelligence — persisted through-

[See Negotiations, A7]



PRESIDENT Biden celebrates NATO's expansion with Finnish President Sauli Niinistö in Helsinki. Five years earlier, President Trump praised Vladimir Putin.

ANALYSIS

Biden is polar opposite of Trump on NATO relations

By COURTNEY SUBRAMANIAN

WASHINGTON — In the same room where then-President Trump praised Vladimir Putin five years ago, President Biden celebrated the expansion of the alliance that has helped stall Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

The ceremony in the Presidential Palace in Helsinki marked the Nordic country's accession to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, the end of seven

decades of military non-alignment and the expansion of the defense bloc's eastern boundaries to Finland's 800-mile border with Russia.

The moment also showed how Russia's invasion has bolstered European unity since Trump's trip to the same venue in 2018. During his four years in office, Trump repeatedly criticized NATO, a pillar of U.S. foreign policy for more than half a century, and grumbled that its members were not spending enough on their own defense.

In Finland, Trump met with Putin privately for two hours, then sided with his Russian counterpart over the U.S. intelligence community on whether the Kremlin interfered in the 2016 election, telling reporters Putin was "extremely strong and powerful in his denial today."

Trump's failure to confront Putin rippled across the globe, undermining European confidence about whether the U.S. would honor the NATO pact to defend its allies in the event of a Russian attack.

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Landmark birth control pill OKd

FDA approves the first over-the-counter tablet of its kind, due in stores next year.

By MATTHEW PERRONE

WASHINGTON — Federal regulators approved the first over-the-counter birth control pill Thursday, in a landmark decision that will soon allow American women and girls to obtain contraceptive medication as easily as they buy aspirin and eye drops.

The Food and Drug Administration said that it cleared Perrigo's once-a-day Opill to be sold without a prescription, making it the first such medication to be moved out from behind the pharmacy counter. The company won't start shipping the pill until early next year, and there will be no age restrictions on sales.

Hormone-based pills have long been the most common form of birth control in the U.S., used by tens of millions of women since the 1960s. Until now, all of them required a prescription.

Medical societies and women's health groups have pushed for wider access, noting that an estimated

[See Birth control, A10]



ACTOR Christine Robert joins writers' picket line one day before SAG-AFTRA OKd its own walkout.

Deputy hits woman holding baby
July 2022 incident stemmed from a routine traffic stop involving lack of a car seat. CALIFORNIA, B1

ChatGPT under FTC scrutiny
Agency reportedly asks maker of AI chatbot for details on complaints of false or harmful statements. BUSINESS, A6

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Regulators size up risk of ChatGPT to public

FTC demands records to see if OpenAI has put reputations, data in peril

BY CAT ZAKRZEWSKI

The Federal Trade Commission has opened an expansive investigation into OpenAI, probing whether the maker of the popular ChatGPT bot has run afoul of consumer protection laws by putting personal reputations and data at risk.

The agency this week sent the San Francisco company a 20-page demand for records about how it addresses risks related to its AI models, according to a document reviewed by The Washington Post. The salvo represents the most potent regulatory threat to date to OpenAI's business in the United States, as the company goes on a global charm offensive to shape the future of artificial intelligence policy.

Analysts have called OpenAI's ChatGPT the fastest-growing consumer app in history, and its early success set off an arms race among Silicon Valley companies to roll out competing chatbots. The company's chief executive, Sam Altman, has emerged as an influential figure in the debate over AI regulation, testifying on Capitol Hill, dining with lawmakers and meeting with President Biden and Vice President Harris.

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House hearing: GOP alleges FTC's Twitter probe is a "shakedown." A12

Extreme run of heat leaves painful mark on Phoenix

BY JOSHUA PARTLOW

Landscaper Eduardo Rios can feel those moments when the familiar in Phoenix morphs into the treacherous, as the skin under his straw hat starts peeling off his forehead, the heat radiating up through his steel-toe boots.

Adrienne Kane tries to hike five days a week, even in summer, but she doubles her water and wears gardening gloves so the metal railings on Camelback Mountain don't burn her palms during times like this week. Dale Dean, who is homeless, sometimes settles into the seat of his black wheelchair and it feels like he's "sitting down on hot coals."

Phoenix is in the middle of a record-breaking run of feverish days and suffocating nights, and human skin is a meager barrier against the scorching and scalding that comes at these temperatures. The city has already smashed records for the highest low temperatures for this time of year, when nights never dropped below the 90s, and it has already had 13 consecutive days with Thursday expected to be the 14th — at or above 110 degrees.

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Electricity drain: Thousands could die in a blackout, study warns. A4

"They've just made it entirely too easy to get these guns. A child can buy one."

Michael Winfield, the father of 17-year-old Calvin Van Pelt, who was killed by a fellow teen with a homemade firearm



MARVIN JOSEPH/THE WASHINGTON POST

'Ghost guns,' real consequences

At 18, Zachary Burkard was too young to buy a handgun from a licensed gun store, and he was an admitted drug dealer with mental health issues, court records show. So he went to the website of 80F Builder, a seller of "ghost gun" parts with no serial numbers, bought a gun kit and assembled a complete pistol himself.

About two months later, Burkard watched a fistfight unfold between two schoolmates at a friend's house. He entered the Springfield, Va., home's garage and began shooting. Ersheen Elaiaiser and Calvin Van Pelt, both 17, were killed by bullets from Burkard's homemade ghost gun. Neither of the victims was armed. Van Pelt was shot twice in the back as he ran away.

Deadly shootings tied to teens' homemade unserialized weapons

BY TOM JACKMAN AND EMILY DAVIES

From left, Nidal Elaiaiser and Vanessa and Michael Winfield, family members of two 17-year-olds slain by another teen with a ghost gun in April 2021.

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FDA widens access to the pill

OVER-THE-COUNTER VERSION APPROVED

Opill birth control should be available in 2024

BY LAURIE MCGINLEY

Federal regulators Thursday approved the first over-the-counter birth control pill available in the United States, a milestone in decades-long efforts to make oral contraceptives easier to obtain, especially by teenagers and women who don't regularly see a doctor.

The Food and Drug Administration's approval of Opill, made by the consumer health giant Perrigo, comes six decades after daily birth control pills were introduced in the United States, drastically changing the lives of countless women and American society. And it means the country will join about 100 other nations that allow the sale of nonprescription birth control pills.

Health experts, citing the pill's lengthy record of safety and effectiveness, have pushed for a non-prescription pill for years, but their campaign took on new urgency after the Supreme Court last year struck down the fundamental right to abortion established by *Roe v. Wade*. Oral contraceptives are the most commonly used method of reversible

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Top general's firing reveals fissures in Russian army

BY ROBYN DIXON, CATHERINE BELTON AND FRANCESCA EBEL

The abrupt dismissal of a top general who commanded one of Russia's elite military forces in Ukraine has laid bare the continuing divisions in the armed forces, as President Vladimir Putin grapples with the aftermath of a mercenary rebellion that posed the greatest challenge he has faced as Russia's leader.

Maj. Gen. Ivan Popov, commander of the 58th Combined Arms Army, a force renowned in Russia for its roles in the Ukraine and Chechen wars, said in a leaked audio message that he had been fired after criticizing the leaders of the Defense Ministry, accusing them of "treacherously and vilely decapitating the army at the most difficult and tense moment."

Russia's Defense Ministry does not comment on dismissals, and has said nothing publicly about Popov. Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov did not respond

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Zelensky tweet: Irked U.S. officials nearly scaled back NATO invite. A11

Twin walkouts force a Hollywood hiatus

BY SAMANTHA CHERY, ANNE BRANTIGN AND JANAY KINGSBERRY

A historic double strike will effectively shut down Hollywood beginning Friday, after a union representing nearly all TV and film actors failed to secure a new contract with major studios.

The national board for the Screen Actors Guild-American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (SAG-AFTRA) announced the call to strike at an afternoon news conference on Thursday, a day after negotiations broke down.

The union's 160,000 members — be they background actors or A-listers — are forbidden from doing work or promotion for major studios and streamers. In effect, nearly every TV or film actor in the country will join 11,000 members of the Writers Guild of America who walked off set in early May, marking the first time Hollywood's writers and actors have simultaneously withheld their work in 65 years.

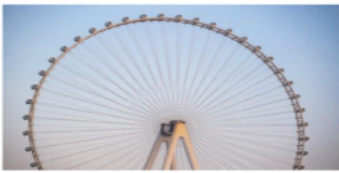
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ALLISON ZACHA FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

"Our heart bleeds that we had to make this decision, but we can't not get what these members deserve because it's only going to get worse," says Fran Drescher, president of the actors guild.

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ANDREA DICENZO FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

Got to go 'round? The Ain Dubai, the world's largest Ferris wheel, has been shut down for more than a year, and no one is saying why. A8

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The White House is planning to hire Paul Friedrichs, a longtime military health official, to lead future pandemic preparedness efforts. A2

Arizona's attorney general escalated an investigation into alleged attempts by Republicans to overturn the 2020 presidential election in the state. A5

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In a visit to Finland, President Biden de-

clared that Russian President Vladimir Putin has "lost the war" in Ukraine and emphasized U.S. support of NATO. A10

A Guatemalan court disqualified the party of an anti-corruption presidential candidate weeks before the election. A11

THE ECONOMY A group of professors sued Texas over its ban on the use of TikTok on public-university devices, saying it violates academic freedom. A12

The World Health Organization's cancer research arm has labeled aspartame a "possible carcinogen," casting new doubts on the safety of the commonly used artificial sweetener. A14

THE REGION House Republicans advanced measures that would introduce funding blockades on D.C. policies, including a ban on traffic cameras. B1

A new report showed that many of the District's large office buildings occupied by federal agencies are being sig-

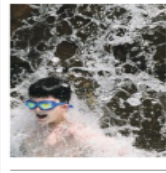
nificantly underused. B1

Alan Hostetter, a police chief turned yoga instructor who helped organize a group of Californians linked to the Capitol riot, was convicted of federal crimes. B1

A D.C. man has been arrested in the 1979 abduction, rape and murder of an office worker who was found dead in Southern Maryland. B1

SPORTS The Commanders sale, set for NFL approval next week, has hit legal complications that could create a delay. D1

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WEEKEND Come on in, the water's fine A deep dive into the best pools, parks and splash pads in the D.C. area.

STYLE Fit for a queen Beyoncé kicks off the U.S. leg of her tour with a style all her own. C1

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Beyoncé raises bar and clears it

Superstar is unstoppable in U.S. tour opener. **In Life**

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'We had no choice': Actors vote to walk

SAG joins already-striking writers, shutting down Hollywood. **In News**

Maternal mortality in post-Roe Miss.

Fallout strains already stressed system. **In Weekend Extra**

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PROVIDED BY PERRIGO

OTC birth control pill approved, coming in 2024

The Food and Drug Administration has approved the first over-the-counter birth control pill, clearing Perrigo's once-a-day Opill to be sold without a prescription. The company won't start shipping the pill until early next year, and there will be no age restrictions on sales. **Details, 3A**

Thorny case on guns lies ahead

Ruling could be tough for conservative justices

John Fritze
USA TODAY

WASHINGTON — Zackey Rahimi's legal troubles began in 2019 when he pulled out a gun and fired at a passerby who witnessed him dragging his girlfriend through a parking lot.

Months later, after getting into an accident, Rahimi repeatedly shot at the other driver, court records show. A year later, he threatened another woman with a gun and was charged with aggravated assault. In 2021, he fired several times into the air after a friend's credit card was declined at a burger joint near Fort Worth, Texas.

Rahimi's case is now before the Supreme Court in a blockbuster Second Amendment challenge that may prove especially thorny for the gun lobby and the court's conservative wing. That's because Rahimi is challenging his conviction under a federal law that bars Americans who are subject to restraining orders from owning guns.

"The facts of this case make it really unpalatable for them to have to stand up and say, 'No, we believe that domestic abusers have a Second Amendment right to their firearms,'" said Nick Suplina, senior vice president for law

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Supporters of gun control and firearm safety measures hold a rally outside the Supreme Court in 2019. SAUL LOEB/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES

USA TODAY INVESTIGATION SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE NCAA

Schools vetting athletes: It's 'Don't ask, don't tell'



Daisy Tackett sued the University of Kansas in 2016 after she said a football player raped her. When the player transferred to Indiana State, officials at the new school said they didn't know about the case. LESLIE BOORHEM-STEPHENSON/USA TODAY NETWORK

Colleges take recruits' word on their sexual assault history

Kenny Jacoby and Savannah Kuchar
USA TODAY

At many of the nation's top sports colleges, vetting athletes for past sexual misconduct and violent acts under a new NCAA policy boils down to one step: asking them.

The policy was the national college sports organization's answer to a series of scandals in which coaches recruited athletes with histories of violence against women. Starting with the 2022-23 school year, the rule was intended to keep campuses safer.

But if an athlete answers "no" to a list of questions about criminal convictions and school disciplinary action, officials at many multi-sport powerhouses — the University of Alabama, Louisiana State University, Ohio State University and more — generally take their word for it.

"They absolutely don't want to know," said Brenda Tracy, a gang-rape survivor whose nonprofit, Set The Expectation, fights sexual violence in sports. "It's 'Don't ask, don't tell.'"

Adopted three years ago by the



Brenda Tracy, a rape survivor, set up a nonprofit, Set The Expectation, to help raise awareness of sexual assault and relationship violence.

THOMAS BENDER/USA TODAY NETWORK

"I just don't understand how this is still a problem. It's a solution that says, 'We don't actually care about this.'"

Daisy Tackett

NCAA's highest governing body, the policy requires all 1,100 member schools to take "reasonable steps" to confirm whether new and continuing athletes have records of serious misconduct, including sexual assault, dating violence and assault causing serious bodily harm. Athletes must annually disclose any criminal convictions and school disciplinary actions, and schools must have written procedures for obtaining information from athletes' previous schools.

The NCAA Board of Governors declined to centralize the process, issue uniform standards or define "reasonable steps." The result is a patchwork of protocols full of loopholes and gaps.

A USA TODAY analysis of vetting practices at 51 schools that compete in the NCAA's "Power 5" conferences — the top echelon of college sports — found more than half rely on the honor system. While two dozen schools, including Michigan State University and the University of Texas at Austin, require each athlete's previous institutions to sign a form attesting to their discipline history,

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A Putin win vs. a blank check is at root of Ukraine aid debate

Miles J. Herszenhorn
USA TODAY

WASHINGTON — After President Joe Biden promised more U.S. military support for Ukraine at a NATO summit in Vilnius, he now needs Congress to put the money where his mouth is.

NATO allies and G7 nations agreed on new long-term security guarantees to Ukraine and assured Kyiv of a path into the military alliance, despite falling short of Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's request for a clear timeline for NATO ascension.

Biden said in a speech from Vilnius that the United States' commitment to Ukraine "will not weaken."

"We will not waver," the president said. "We will stand for liberty and freedom today, tomorrow, and for as long as it takes."

Since Russia launched a full-scale invasion of Ukraine on Feb. 24, 2022, the U.S. government has spent more



President Joe Biden has promised Ukraine's Volodymyr Zelenskyy that the U.S. "will not waver" in its support.

JOSH MORGAN/USA TODAY

than \$100 billion on aid for Kyiv, and although Ukraine is staging a counteroffensive against Russia, there are some signs that part of the American electorate is beginning to waver in its support for backing the Ukrainian war effort.

Republican voters, in particular, have become increasingly skeptical of sending more aid overseas, according to a recent poll.

That skepticism is also growing in Congress, where some Republicans are threatening to strip money for Ukraine from a defense spending bill that is expected to provide Kyiv with crucial billions in additional military assistance. Other lawmakers have advocated for more limitations and called on the Biden administration to ensure oversight on Ukraine aid packages.

Since Russian President Vladimir Putin's escalation last year, the war in Ukraine has become the top U.S. foreign policy issue. Many politicians and experts also believe helping Ukraine to defeat Russia is crucial for American national security and will discourage other countries — such as China — from attempting something similar.

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Horacio Zeballos, otra vez en la final de dobles de Wimbledon

Como en 2021, y junto al catalán Marcel Granollers, el argentino (izquierda) buscará mañana el título en el All England.



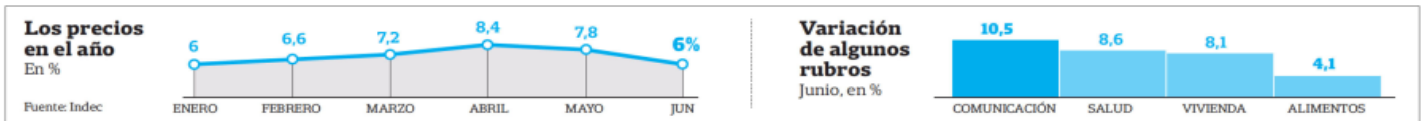
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Ahora lanzaron una huelga de actores y se paraliza Hollywood

El gremio, con 160.000 afiliados, no acordó con los estudios y se sumó al paro de guionistas.

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En junio la inflación fue de 6% y acumula 115,6% en los últimos doce meses

CRISIS. El IPC se desaceleró por los precios estacionales, pero volvería a subir desde este mes

En un número que el Gobierno aspira a aprovechar políticamente en la campaña electoral, la inflación de junio fue de 6%, un registro inferior al esperado en el mercado y una desaceleración frente al mes previo. Acumula en lo que va del año un alza de

50,7%, mientras la suba de precios interanual fue de 115,6%, la marca más elevada desde agosto de 1991.

En la Casa Rosada celebraron el número y hablaron ya de una "tendencia a la baja". Pese a la ralentización de su avance, la inflación se

mantuvo en niveles altos, muy por arriba de los registrados en la región, a excepción de Venezuela. Además, según economistas, la retracción fue transitoria. Prevén un 7% este mes, pero el dato se conocerá después de las PASO del 13 de agosto. **Página 8**

Un índice entre 6% y 8%, la previsión para el resto del año

Francisco Jueguen. **Página 9**

El FMI desmintió los dichos de Massa sobre el gasoducto

Rafael Mathus Ruiz. **Página 14**

El dólar blue saltó a \$512 y ya avanzó \$20 en la semana

A un mes de las PASO, la tendencia a dolarizar carteras de inversión se acentúa y mete presión a la divisa. La inflación, la pérdida de reservas del BCRA y la falta de acuerdo con el FMI completan el panorama. En este contexto, ayer el paralelo se vendió en las "cuevas" a \$512, una suba de \$9, mientras que en la semana acumula un alza de \$20 (4%). **Página 12**

“Cerberero”, la ola de calor que agobia a Europa



GETTY IMAGES

el mundo—LONDRES (AP).—Millones de personas en el hemisferio norte tratan de refugiarse del sol abrasador (como este ciclista en la Piazza Castello, en Turín), a medida que convergen el cambio climático, el fenómeno de El Niño y el verano boreal, batiendo récords de temperaturas máximas. La agencia climática de Europa emitió pronósticos graves por el impacto de la ola de calor denominada “Cerberero”. **Página 2**

Rinaldi no resistió otro archivo y se bajó de la lista

POLÉMICA. Acorralado por nuevos videos en los que aparece haciendo comentarios discriminatorios, Franco Rinaldi renunció ayer a su candidatura como legislador porteño de la lista que encabeza Jorge Macri en la ciudad. La situación de Rinaldi se tornó casi insostenible cuando trascendieron otros registros de afirmaciones suyas en el marco de un supuesto stand-up realizado hace unos años. Esta vez tenían un tono despectivo hacia la comunidad judía. Antes habían sido ofensivos hacia las personas homosexuales. **Página 18**

EL ESCENARIO

La PASO opositora es todo lo que importa

Claudio Jacquelin
—LA NACION—

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Confirman que era de Cecilia la sangre hallada en la casa de los Sena

FEMICIDIO. Un estudio de ADN comprobó que era de Cecilia Strzyzowski la sangre hallada en una habitación de la casa de la familia del líder piquetero Emerenciano Sena, en Chaco, donde la Justicia sospecha que la joven de 28 años fue asesinada el 2 de junio pasado.

Las muestras analizadas habían sido recogidas en el suelo de la habitación, en un colchón y en la parrilla de una cama. Estos dos últimos elementos fueron donados un día después a una familia del barrio que gestionaba el matrimonio Sena. **Página 20**

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Biólogos brasileiros iniciam primeira missão científica do país ao polo norte

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Atores de Hollywood se unem a roteiristas paralisados e entram em greve nos EUA

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À frente de boteco famoso na Barra Funda, Dona Tati expande negócios

Gov. publica novos decretos de saneamento

O governo publicou ontem dois decretos com novas regras que alteram o marco do saneamento. O Executivo fez acordo com parlamentares no Senado como forma de não perder inteiramente as mudanças sugeridas há meses no marco. Foi retirada a brecha que dispensava licitação para empresas estatais do setor, um dos pontos mais questionados no Congresso. Mercado A19

Mais de 40 milhões de imóveis no país não têm escritura

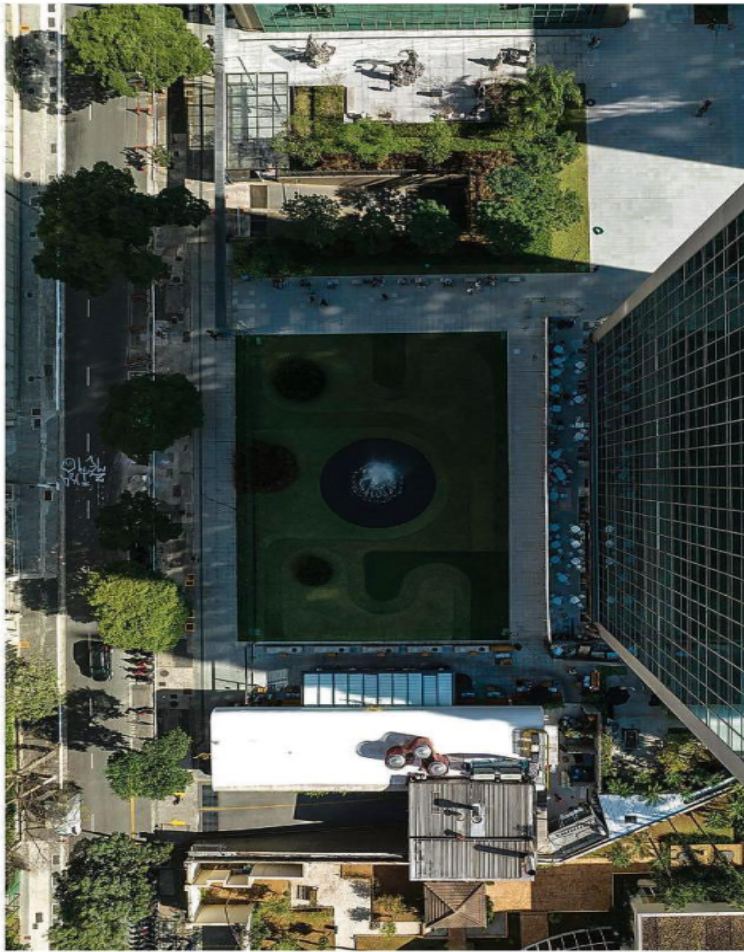
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Ciclone no Sul e SP deixa três mortos e 1 milhão sem luz

O terceiro ciclone extratropical a atingir o Brasil em menos de um mês causou estragos nos estados do Sul e em São Paulo. Uma pessoa morreu em Rio Grande (RS), outra em Itanhém (SP) e uma terceira em São José dos Campos (SP). Mais de 1 milhão ficaram sem luz. Cotidiano B1

Uruguai usa água salobra ante crise hídrica histórica

Um longo período de estiagem secou os reservatórios do Uruguai e levou à decretação de emergência ante a pior crise hídrica em 70 anos. O governo autorizou mistura com água salobra do rio da Prata para abastecimento. Galões de água mineral são disputados nos mercados. Mundo A12



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PRAÇAS PRIVADAS COMPENSARÃO TORRES ALTAS EM SP

Pátio entre os prédios do TRF-3, ao lado da av. Paulista; revisão do Plano Diretor permite que construtoras façam prédios maiores se mantiverem áreas verdes abertas ao público B4

Gabinete militar propõe taxar internet, e ministro nega

Refutação ocorre após repercussão de plano para custear nova agência de segurança cibernética com tributo

O GSI (Gabinete de Segurança Institucional) propôs criar uma agência de segurança cibernética ao custo anual de R\$ 600 milhões. No plano do órgão ligado à Presidência, comandado por militares, a verba seria obtida por meio da cobrança de uma taxa a ser paga pelos usuários da internet.

Mas, após a publicação de reportagem da Folha sobre o projeto e da repercussão entre opositores e internautas, a Secom (Secretaria de Comunicação Social da Presidência) divulgou nota na qual nega a possibilidade de haver esse tributo.

O plano para a agência, porém, persiste. A ideia integra a nova Política Nacional de Segurança Cibernética e foi apresentada aos ministros da Justiça, da Fazenda, do Planejamento, de Ciência e Tecnologia e de Gestão. Deve agora passar pelo jurídico da Casa Civil e pelo presidente Lula (PT).

Segundo o ministro do GSI, general Marcos Antonio Amaro dos Santos, a proposta é levar o projeto ao Congresso ainda neste ano. Como o novo organismo será financiado no contexto de ajuste fiscal, contudo, não está claro. Mercado A15

Lula 1 e 2 tiveram o maior número de visitas diplomáticas

Nos dois primeiros mandatos de Lula, foram ao menos 120 visitas de chefes de Estado e de governo, o dobro das gestões de FHC, quando o país se consolidou como destino diplomático, e de Dilma. Alta no período do petista é puxada por líderes da América do Sul e da África. Mundo A14

Barroso é criticado ao dizer 'derrotamos o bolsonarismo'

Em evento da UNE, o ministro do STF Luís Roberto Barroso afirmou que "derrotamos o bolsonarismo". Após revolta de aliados de Bolsonaro, o magistrado ligou para o presidente do Senado, Rodrigo Pacheco, para se explicar. Em nota, Barroso disse que se referia a "extremismo". Política A4



Casa é parcialmente destruída após fortes ventos em Nova Candelária, no noroeste do Rio Grande do Sul; estado registrou uma morte Divulgação/Defesa Civil do RS

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Aspartame é considerado possivelmente cancerígeno

Principal adoçante de refrigerantes dietéticos, o aspartame foi adicionado à lista de substâncias "possivelmente cancerígenas" por um braço da Organização Mundial da Saúde. B5

Djamila Ribeiro

Condescendência é morte

Pessoas que naturalizaram o lugar de submissão para pessoas negras não conseguem lidar quando veem uma fora desse lugar.

Agir de modo condescendente é sentir-se superior e amenizar o desconforto de ver a pessoa negra no lugar de humanidade. Ilustrada C7

Presidente oficializa

Celso Sabino no Turismo

Segunda troca ministerial de Lula é parte de estratégia do governo para melhorar a relação com a União Brasil, que pedia a saída de Daniela Carneiro, e ampliar base na Câmara. A9

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Ruídos na Otan

Sobre encontro da organização militar ocidental.

Desconforto supremo

Acerca de discurso descabido do ministro Barroso.

Juez emitió prohibición de innovar y contratar sobre 28 inmuebles del grupo

Empresas de maletín de Pavão participan de llamados públicos

Ferretería y cantera del clan de Jarvis ganaron llamados hechos por la Municipalidad de Pedro Juan Caballero. Primer contrato fue con la administración de José Carlos Acevedo.

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Sudamericana. El Guma derrotó 2-1 a Tigre en el Defensores por la ida de los playoffs y el próximo jueves definirá su pase a octavos en Argentina.

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LEGISLATURE '23 | SPECIAL SESSION

Historic \$18B tax cut a done deal

Lawmakers finally OK bill to reduce levies on property owners

By PHILIP JANKOWSKI and AARÓN TORRES
Austin Bureau

AUSTIN — After months of Republican infighting and a fizzled last-minute insurgency from Democrats, the Texas

Legislature passed a record-breaking property tax bill Thursday that will deliver homeowners hundreds of dollars in savings.

The \$18 billion package is the largest tax cut in Texas history, according to lawmakers, and tees up a November vote on the proposed constitutional amendment that enables the savings.

The approval brings to an end a second special session of the Legislature and, after a rare public spat among GOP leadership, brings promised property tax cuts that could save the average Dallas ISD homeowner about \$1,000 annually. "We knew this would be our most contentious issue ... how we return this money to the taxpayers," House Speaker

Dade Phelan, R-Beaumont, said following passage of the bills.

All the measures passed overwhelmingly. The House passed the constitutional amendment 132-5 and the Senate 31-0. Senate Bill 2, the legislation attached to the constitutional amendment, passed 132-4 in the House after passing the Senate on Wednesday.

A \$33 billion budget surplus — fueled mainly by inflation-plumpped sales tax collections — will pay for the property tax cuts.

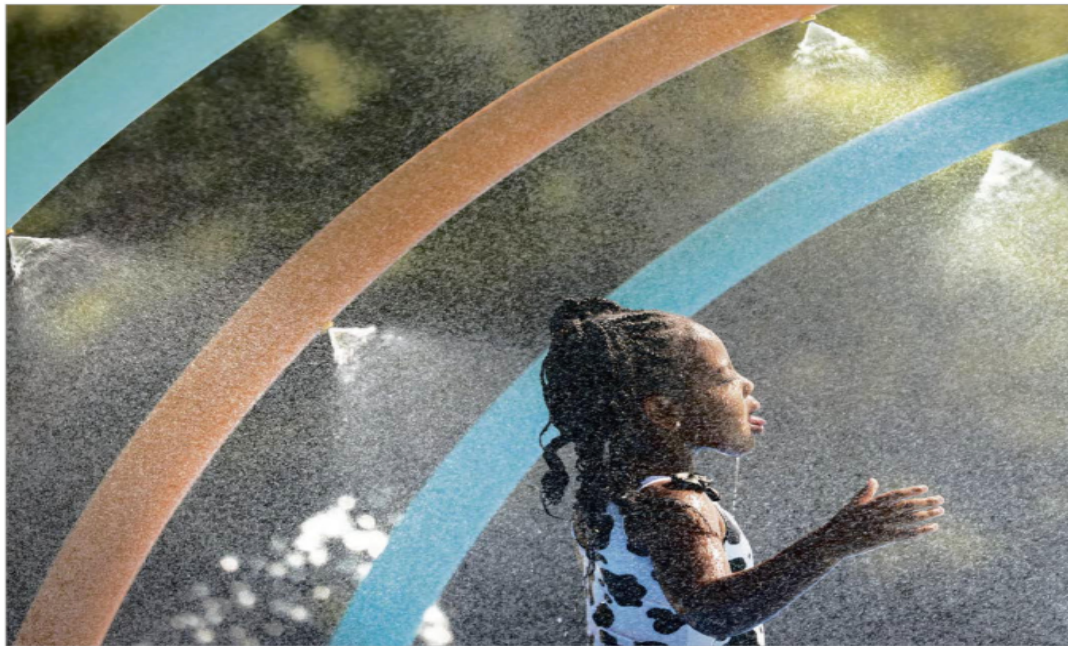
The largest portion — \$12 billion — is so-called rate compression. The state will reallocate about \$12 billion of surplus tax revenue and direct it toward local schools. It is not more funding for schools, but

rather a payment to offset a reduction in the school district maintenance and operations tax.

It will result in an additional 10.7 cent reduction to school district tax rates that would save the average Dallas ISD property owner 9% on school tax bills.

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A light mist of heat relief



Shafiqat Anwar/Staff Photographer

Alivia Hicks, 4, cooled off at a splash pad at Wayne Frady Park in Lewisville on Wednesday.

MORE TRIPLES

Friday will likely be the ninth triple-digit day of the summer, with the heat index forecast to reach 111. A heat advisory is in effect until 9 p.m. For more weather news, visit dallasnews.com/news/weather

GUIDE

Splash pads and waterparks offer sweet relief from the heat. We've rounded up some of the area's free splash pads and spraygrounds plus several big pay water parks featuring slides, rides and lazy rivers.



METRO

It's hot, and a couple more 100-plus degree days are ahead before a brief break. But Texas temperature records aren't sweating it. (Story, 1B)

GRAPHIC: See how summer temperatures from 2021-23 compare with previous daily ranges and records. 8B

Hot with clouds and sun



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Actors join writers in strike
Leaders of a Hollywood actors union voted Thursday to join screenwriters in the first joint strike in more than six decades, shutting down production across the entertainment industry. 2A

Aspartame a 'possible' cause of cancer, WHO says
The World Health Organization's cancer agency has listed the soda sweetener aspartame as a possible cancer cause. A separate group of experts says it's still safe. 2A

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Fans fill Grand Prairie stadium for cricket debut
A sellout crowd braved triple-digit heat to welcome Major League Cricket to North Texas. 6C

CONTRACEPTIVES

Over-the-counter birth control pill wins approval

Drug, expected to be available in early '24, will not have an age restriction

By LAURIE MCGINLEY
The Washington Post

Federal regulators Thursday approved the first over-the-counter daily birth control pill available in the United States, a milestone in decadeslong efforts to make oral contraceptives easier to obtain, especially by teenagers and women who don't regularly see a doctor.

The Food and Drug Administra-

tion's approval of Opill, made by the consumer health giant Perrigo, comes six decades after birth control pills were introduced in the United States, drastically changing the lives of countless women and American society. And it means the country will join about 100 other nations that allow the sale of non-prescription birth control pills.

Health experts, citing the pill's lengthy record of safety and effectiveness, have pushed for a non-prescription pill for years, but their

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WASHINGTON

Cruz bill puts ban on Latinx

Legislation would bar federal agencies from using the term

By JOSEPH MORTON
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WASHINGTON — Sen. Ted Cruz wants to block federal agencies from using the term Latinx.

Cruz, a Texas Republican whose father emigrated from Cuba, said Thursday he was introducing, along with Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., a bill that would prohibit federal agency chiefs and their employees from using it in any official communications or forms.

"Hispanic Americans overwhelmingly oppose the term 'Latinx,' and I want to make sure our government does not bow to woke activists in our federal departments or agencies by insisting on ridiculous terminology like this," Cruz said in a press release. "It has no place in official government communication, and I'm proud to work with Sen. Rubio to keep it out."

The short bill, which does not spell out penalties for violations, is unlikely to reach President Joe Biden's desk.

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Psychedelic therapy on House docket

Bipartisan push for psilocybin to treat trauma gains support

By TODD J. GILLMAN
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WASHINGTON — The House is poised to approve mood-altering drugs to treat combat-related brain maladies, capping years of effort by an ex-Navy SEAL from Texas and a New York democratic socialist.

Magic mushrooms make strange bedfellows.

"There's already some pretty solid studies that show just unbelievable outcomes — massive reduction in PTSD symptoms," said Houston-area Rep. Dan Crenshaw on Thursday, making a final public plea with his partner on the issue, Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez.

The duo has fought to get Congress to direct Pentagon studies of psilocybin to

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Another coach ousted at Northwestern

University dismisses Foster from baseball team amid controversy

By Jonathan Bullington
Chicago Tribune

Northwestern University has removed Jim Foster as head baseball coach days after news surfaced of controversy surrounding him. Foster's dismissal as coach one year into the job was announced

to players on a video call Thursday afternoon with Northwestern University President Michael Schill and athletic director Derrick Gragg, sources told the Tribune. Assistant coach Brian Anderson, a former player for the White Sox who was part of the 2005 World Series winning team, will lead the program "during this time of transition," the university said in a statement.

Foster could not be immediately reached for comment. University officials sent a statement from

Gragg saying Foster had been "relieved of his duties effective immediately."

"Nothing will ever be more important to Northwestern than providing its students a place that allows them to develop in the classroom, in the community, and in competition at the absolute highest level, and building a culture which allows our staff to thrive," Gragg said in the statement. "This has been an ongoing situation and many factors were considered before reaching this resolution.

As the Director of Athletics, I take ownership of our head coaching hires and we will share our next steps as they unfold."

In a message to parents, obtained by the Tribune, Gragg said the decision was "weighted on multiple factors, including but not limited to, the authentic feedback we received from your student-athletes in postseason surveys."

Foster's departure comes days after the university let head football coach Pat Fitzgerald go amid

a hazing scandal that Schill said caused significant damage to students and the university.

Current and former players, alumni and people close to the baseball program previously told the Tribune that they alerted university administration — including Schill and Gragg — of problematic behavior from Foster starting last fall before the team kicked off its 2023 season. At least some of those complaints spurred

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ANTONIO PEREZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Tornadoes leave destructive path in northeast Illinois

Brian Patel, owner of the Skyline Motel in the suburban town of McCook for the past 30 years, surveys storm damage in one of the motel rooms on Thursday. National Weather Service officials said seven tornadoes were confirmed in northeast Illinois. **Chicagoland, Page 3**

Feds probe minority contracts for fraud

Firms under scrutiny had variety of city deals worth millions

By Gregory Royal Pratt, A.D. Quig and Jason Meisner
Chicago Tribune

Federal prosecutors are investigating possible minority-contracting fraud involving a series of Chicago government contracts worth hundreds of millions of dollars, including many with ties to a clout-heavy trucking and recycling company owner, according to sources and documents obtained by the Tribune.

The U.S. attorney's office last month issued federal grand jury subpoenas to several city agencies seeking copies of contracts, bid packages, payment and payroll records as well as compliance documents for the city's set-aside program for women and minority businesses.

The ongoing investigation is targeting possible fraud in the minority-owned business programs in the city of Chicago and other municipalities, sources with knowledge of the probe told the Tribune. No criminal charges have been filed, but the investigation has been active in recent weeks, with several people being

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Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability member Remel Terry announces the three finalists for the Chicago Police Department superintendent job Thursday at Kennedy-King College. **CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE**

List of 3 finalists for Chicago's top cop submitted to Johnson

Snelling, Novalez, Barnes are the picks of civilian-led panel

By Sam Charles and Gregory Royal Pratt
Chicago Tribune

Chicago's community-led public safety commission sent its three top picks for police superintendent late Thursday to Mayor Brandon Johnson, who must now decide who will lead the long-troubled depart-

ment as it works through high crime, endemic street violence, low morale and court-ordered reforms.

The three finalists selected by the commission are Chicago Police Department Chief Larry Snelling, CPD Chief Angel Novalez and Shon Barnes, the chief of police in Madison, Wisconsin.

Johnson's permanent superintendent will succeed former Mayor Lori Lightfoot's hand-picked top cop, David Brown, who came to Chicago from Dallas and oversaw a period of

high crime while being criticized as out of his league. Who leads the Police Department, and whether they're successful, will have major implications for the city, which is still reeling from 2020's civil unrest and subsequent crime spikes, even as shooting and homicide totals have fallen from highs not seen in two decades.

While reducing street violence and arresting criminals will be front and center, the next police

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US breaks barrier on contraception

FDA approves 1st over-the-counter birth control pill

By Matthew Perrone
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal regulators on Thursday approved the nation's first over-the-counter birth control pill in a landmark decision that will soon allow American women and girls to obtain contraceptive medication as easily as they buy aspirin and eyedrops.

The Food and Drug Administration cleared once-a-day Opill to be sold without a prescription, making it the first such medication to be moved out from behind the pharmacy counter. The manufacturer, Ireland-based Perrigo, won't ship the pill until early next year, and there will be no age restrictions on sales.

Hormone-based pills have long been the most common form of birth control in the U.S., used by tens of millions of women since the 1960s. Until now, all of them required a prescription.

Medical societies and women's health groups have pushed for wider access for decades, noting that an estimated 45% of the 6 million annual pregnancies in the U.S. are unintended. Teens and girls, women of color and those with low incomes report greater hurdles in getting prescriptions and picking them up.

The challenges can include paying for a doctor's visit, getting time off from work and finding child care.

"This is really a transfor-

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Kraft Heinz plans distribution center

The \$400 million facility is expected to bring 150 jobs to DeKalb in 2025. **Business**

Cubs, White Sox open second half

Will they be buyers or sellers before the Aug. 1 trade deadline? Paul Sullivan reviews the first half of the season and sets up what to expect down the stretch. **Chicago Sports**

Up next on 'Project Greenlight'

The show's fifth season is out now on Max, with Issa Rae and friends taking over from Matt Damon and Ben Affleck. Read Nina Metz's review. **A+E**

Story from the South Side

Toya Wolfe's new novel is the Chicago-set 'Last Summer on State Street' She's the winner of a major Chicago book award. **A+E**



Maitê: De volta aos palcos do Rio, atriz elabora suas mudanças: 'Sou um ser em evolução'

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A 20ª edição do Prêmio Faz Diferença celebrou Milton Nascimento como a Personalidade do Ano de 2022. Na emocionante premiação a noite de anteontem, o artista caminhou até o palco junto de Samuel Rosa, líder do Skank, sob aplausos dos colunistas do GLOBO Miriam Leitão e Ancelmo Gois, mestres de cerimônia desde a primeira edição do evento, e que também foram homenageados. Conheça os premiados e suas histórias. PÁGINA 6 e 9



RENEGOCIAÇÃO DE DÉBITOS

Governo tenta destravar Desenrola e vai priorizar dívidas bancárias

'Leilão' entre bancos para beneficiar quem ganha até dois salários só sairá em setembro

Um mês depois de ser anunciado e diante de cobranças públicas de Lula, o governo enfim lançará o programa Desenrola, promessa de campanha do presidente destinada a promover o refinanciamento de dívidas de brasileiros. Na primeira fase, devedores com renda de até R\$ 20 mil poderão refinanciar débitos com bancos. Um ponto central do programa, porém, ficará para setembro: a plataforma em que bancos fazem uma espécie de "leilão" pelo maior desconto na dívida para receber a garantia de pagamento. Esse formato é destinado a quem ganha até dois salários mínimos, maior público-alvo do Desenrola. PÁGINA 17

Gol voltará a ter voos entre Galeão e Congonhas

Aérea anunciou que retornará rota entre os terminais de Rio e São Paulo a partir de setembro, oferecendo três voos diários. PÁGINA 18

Google lança no Brasil o Bard, rival do ChatGPT

Presente em mais de cem países, a ferramenta de inteligência artificial da Google desde ontem já responde a consultas em português. PÁGINA 20

Adoçante aspartame é possivelmente cancerígeno, diz OMS

A Organização Mundial da Saúde incluiu o aspartame, substância base de adoçantes artificiais, em lista que também tem, por exemplo, o chumbo. PÁGINA 23

O mistério dos comandantes russos

Chefes militares são personagens de casos não esclarecidos, com destituição de comando, desaparecimento e até morte suspeita. PÁGINA 22



Passo a passo no compasso

Sesc Copacabana recebe até o dia 23 o espetáculo "Carlota — Focus dança Piazzolla", dirigido por Alex Neoral, um dos mais ativos e disputados coreógrafos do país. SEGUNDO-CADERNO

Rio dá sinal verde a comércio em áreas residenciais

Novo Plano Diretor aprovado em primeira discussão na Câmara Municipal permite a abertura de restaurantes, lojas, escolas e clínicas em trechos exclusivamente residenciais de bairros como o Leblon, Laranjeiras, Jardim Botânico e Gávea. PÁGINA 26

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O futuro abatido a tiros que virou rotina PÁGINA 3



Ciclone deixa mortes e terra arrasada

Temporais e fortes ventos atingiram a Região Sul, como a cidade de Doutor Maurício Cardoso (RS), e São Paulo, provocando destruição e quatro mortes. Rio tem previsão de vendaval e ressaca hoje. PÁGINA 15

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'Parte do Congresso é negacionista sobre o meio ambiente'

Ministra do Meio Ambiente diz que não teve força política para evitar perdas na pasta e vê vários avanços do governo na questão ambiental. Ela afirma que decisões do Ibama sobre licenças nada têm de ideológicas. PÁGINA 12

Barroso se retrata após dizer 'derrotamos o bolsonarismo'

Criticado por fala durante congresso da UNE, ministro do STF afirma que não queria ofender eleitores do ex-presidente. PÁGINA 14

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Nova indicação de Lula já tem cotas e movimento xadrez político. Ala do partido apoia ministro de olho em tirá-lo do jogo sucessório. PÁGINA 4

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



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ChatGPT, Bard : êtes-vous
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Les « cent jours » de Macron s'achèvent dans le flou

Selon notre sondage Odoxa-Backbone, une large majorité de Français considère que le président n'a pas atteint les objectifs fixés il y a trois mois et qu'il doit s'exprimer rapidement.

Décrétés dans la foulée de l'adoption chaotique de la réforme des retraites, les « cent jours d'apaisement, d'unité, d'ambitions et d'actions au service de la France » arrivent à leur terme. Mais le climat, marqué par plusieurs jours d'émeutes à la suite de la mort de Nahel, 17 ans, tué à Nanterre par un policier, est encore plus délétère. Selon notre sondage Odoxa-Backbone Consulting pour Le Figaro, 78 % des personnes interrogées estiment que le président n'a pas atteint l'objectif fixé. C'est évidemment sur la justice et l'ordre qu'elles se montrent les plus sévères : 81 % d'entre elles pensent qu'il n'a pas du tout ou assez peu avancé dans ce domaine ! Pis encore, les rumeurs de remaniement empoisonnent la vie du gouvernement, et le président ne s'exprimera pas le 14 juillet, date qu'il avait lui-même fixée pour un point d'étape. Pas de quoi rassurer les Français.

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L'Inde à l'honneur au défilé du 14 Juillet

Invité d'honneur de la fête nationale, le premier ministre indien est arrivé jeudi à Paris pour deux jours de visite, l'occasion pour Emmanuel Macron de consolider la relation stratégique avec un acteur international clé (ci-dessus, les soldats du régiment du Punjab, sur les Champs-Élysées). PAGES 2, 3 ET 21

Bard-ChatGPT : le match des intelligences artificielles

Trois mois après les États-Unis et le Royaume-Uni, Google lance en Europe et dans 40 langues partout dans le monde sa riposte au phénomène ChatGPT. Avec son robot conversationnel Bard, le géant de Mountain View espère bien rattraper son retard dans la course de vitesse engagée avec OpenAI, le créateur de ChatGPT, et son partenaire Microsoft dans le domaine de l'intelligence artificielle générative. Une course dans laquelle compte bien s'inviter Meta, la maison mère de Facebook.

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Couvre-fête

Les lampions ne s'allumeront pas, ce sera une fête sous couvre-feu. Un soir de couvre-fête. Dans nombre de villes de France, pas d'enfants éblouis devant les lumières de la nuit, pas de places en fête et en délire, pas de flonflons, ni bistrot de fortune aux couleurs bleu-blanc-rouge. Les bus doivent rentrer au dépôt et les citoyens des villes éteintes rester chez eux. Une tisane et au lit ! Le 14 Juillet desiné par Sempé est un vieux souvenir. Il laisse place à un mauvais roman d'anticipation. La police quadrille le territoire, les pompiers sont en alerte, les maires sur les dents. On nous dira que c'est circonstanciel, que prudence est mère de sûreté, et tout cela n'est pas faux, mais si l'Amérique se barricadait le 4 juillet, si les rues de l'Espagne se vidaient le 12 octobre, nous y verrions un signe des temps. Le signe inquiétant d'un pays incapable de fêter dignement sa fête, d'une nation contrainte de s'exiler de sa propre histoire. On se consolera en regardant nos troupes défilé, en exprimant notre reconnaissance à ces Français prêts à sacrifier leur vie pour défendre la nôtre et qui, dans la beauté de la liturgie militaire, réveillent chaque 14 Juillet la fierté d'appartenir à une grande pays.

Le silence du chef de l'État le même jour est, lui aussi, anecdotique. Rien ne l'oblige à répondre à deux journalistes ce jour-là à l'heure du déjeuner. On peut cependant s'étonner d'un président mutique sur un événement central, sans doute le plus inquiétant de l'année. Surtout qu'il se montre prolix sur tout le reste. Ce qui est plus préoccupant, c'est que les mots qui traversent malgré tout le silence ne présagent rien de bon. On peine, en effet, à comprendre qu'Emmanuel Macron hésite à diagnostiquer des émeutes aisément déchiffrables. « Qui aurait pu prévoir ? », demande-t-il. Beaucoup de monde, puisque vingt ans de travaux, de reportages, d'analyses annonçaient ce désastre. « Il n'y a pas de lien avec l'immigration ! », clame le gouvernement devant l'évidence. C'est la force de ce déni qui était difficile à prévoir.

« L'homme est celui qui avance dans le brouillard », écrivait Kundera pour nous rappeler la difficulté de la tâche ; le problème est que, dans le brouillard du temps, Emmanuel Macron avance à reculos.

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NHS unions' fury after PM insists pay offer is final

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Health union leaders reacted furiously yesterday to a warning from Rishi Sunak that his offer of a 6% pay rise this year was final, and that "no amount of strikes" would change his mind, as they began their longest strike yet in England.

The British Medical Association said the government was "driving doctors away" from the NHS and had missed a chance to put a credible pay offer on the table to end strikes when it accepted all the recommendations of the pay review bodies.

The Royal College of Nursing (RCN), whose members were offered 5% in separate talks, accused ministers of taking a "cavalier" approach to pay when 100,000 nurses had voted to continue strike action in the latest ballot. "Today's news will only add to that number," it said.

The government has been contending with the most widespread public sector strikes in decades as workers demand higher pay to help them through the cost of living crisis.

Health services, including outpatient appointments, have been hit by the unprecedented five-day junior doctors' strike that began yesterday, while consultants are due to take industrial action next week.

Millions of public sector workers in England, including teachers, police officers and prison officers, have been offered a pay rise of between 5% and 7% but, as revealed by the Guardian on Tuesday, Whitehall departments have been told to fund the rise from existing budgets.

In a boost for Sunak, however, education unions said they were recommending teachers accept a 6.5% offer, which came with a guarantee that it would be funded not from the existing schools budget but from elsewhere in the department.

At a Downing Street press conference, the prime minister confirmed that public sector pay rises in 2023-24, which will cost £2bn extra this year, would be funded from "savings and efficiencies" in departmental budgets and not from more borrowing that might fuel inflation.

Imploring striking public sector workers to end



▲ Florence Pugh at the premiere of *Oppenheimer* in London. The film's cast left the cinema when the strike was called

UK's response to threat from China 'inadequate'

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Diplomatic editor

The UK's approach to a "whole of state" assault by the Chinese government on its economy, politics, civil infrastructure and academia is completely inadequate, an influential parliamentary committee has found.

China's state institutions were aggressively targeting the UK, the all-party intelligence and security committee (ISC) said, and "without swift and decisive action" a nightmarish scenario could emerge where China represented not just a commercial challenge but an existential threat to liberal democratic systems.



Chaos for Hollywood as actors vote for walkout

Lois Beckett
Los Angeles

Thousands of Hollywood actors are to go out on strike from today, widening the standoff between movie workers and studio executives over wages - and threatening chaos across the film industry.

The Screen Actors Guild - American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (Sag-Aftra), which represents 160,000 actors, confirmed the strike after a deadline passed without an agreement with the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers (AMPTP), which represents the major studios and streamers.

Speaking at a press conference last

night, Fran Drescher, the president of Sag-Aftra, told studio executives: "Wake up and smell the coffee! We demand respect! You cannot exist without us!"

The 11,500 members of the Writers Guild of America (WGA) went on strike in May. They will now be joined by some of Sag-Aftra's much larger membership.

Simultaneous strikes, the

