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Police officers in Paris on Sunday were among the 45,000 or so deployed around France after five nights of rioting.

Behind French Riots Lie Years Of Anger Over Police Conduct

By MATTHEW DALTON

NANTERRE, France—When a police officer shot and killed 17-year-old Nahel Merzouk last week in this Paris suburb, Mourad Telhaoui thought about the time his own son—a young man of North African origin like the slain teenager—was stopped by police two years ago.

They pulled him over on a secluded stretch of highway at night as he was driving home from work. Three officers spoke abusively to him and

handed out tickets for traffic violations he didn't commit, Telhaoui and his son said.

The incident, they said, was caught on his son's dashboard camera. His son included the footage as evidence in a complaint he filed against the police, which is now under court review.

Young men of African and Arab origin across France complain of persistent police abuses, ranging from racial profiling and harassment to assaults and shootings in the working-class *banlieues*, or

suburbs, where many of France's minorities live.

Widespread recording of interactions between police and people from minority communities—with smartphones, dashboard cameras and police body cams—has fueled public anger. A video of a police officer shooting Merzouk during a traffic stop helped ignite a wave of rioting that has gripped France since Tuesday.

"Since we were little, it's the same for all of us: When we are stopped by the police, we have this feeling of fear, a knot in

the stomach," said Telhaoui's son, now 26. "At some point, we have to express our anger."

Macron huddled with his ministers late Sunday as 45,000 police officers fanned out across France and cities braced for another night of rioting.

From Saturday into Sunday, France faced a fifth night of unrest as rioters set fire to hundreds of vehicles and dozens of buildings across the country and attacked several police stations, the French Interior Ministry said.

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Putin's Corporate Takeover Of Wagner Has Begun

In the wake of a mutiny that almost reached Moscow, Vladimir Putin is facing a new test—managing one of the most complex corporate takeovers in history.

By Joe Parkinson, Benoit Fauget and Drew Hinshaw

Inside the Wagner Group's sealed-off glass tower headquarters in St. Petersburg, agents from the Federal Security Services, or FSB, have been scouring the offices for evidence against Yevgeny Prigozhin, the Wagner chief who led last month's insurrection. New Kremlin-backed military contractors are launching recruiting drives on Russian social-media networks with recruitment ads to poach some of Wagner's 30,000 mercenaries, hackers and money-men, whom the longtime ally of President Putin deployed to Ukraine, the Middle East and Africa.

Across St. Petersburg, Russian law enforcement took computers and servers at Prigozhin's Patriot Media Group, a key piece of a communication empire that once included the Internet Research Agency, the social-media organization that pumped millions of pro-Kremlin messages onto social-media channels and caused mayhem in the 2016 U.S. presidential election, according to staff and text messages reviewed by The

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Tesla's Deliveries Climb 83% As Price Cuts Juice Demand

By REBECCA ELLIOTT

Tesla global deliveries surged 83% in the second quarter, helped by sharp price cuts and hefty discounts as the electric-car maker chases growth in an increasingly competitive marketplace.

The car company led by billionaire Elon Musk on Sunday said it delivered more than 466,000 vehicles to customers worldwide in the April-to-June period, a record sales quarter.

Analysts surveyed by FactSet had projected Tesla would deliver about 445,000 vehicles.

The better-than-expected results give Musk new ammunition in his argument that demand remains strong for his aging lineup as he gambles that pursuing growth at the expense of profitability will have long-term benefits for the electric-car maker.

Investor confidence was shaken this year after Tesla reported first-quarter results that

some suggested showed softening interest in the company's bestsellers, the Model 3 sedan and Model Y sport-utility vehicle, and Musk's comments that he would be willing to sacrifice some profitability for continued growth.

How much the effort to boost sales this year has affected profit will be evident on

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Green Energy's \$400 Billion Man

Jigar Shah runs the federal loan department supercharging climate investments

By SCOTT PATTERSON AND AMRITH RAMKUMAR

Jigar Shah is living an investor's dream, one with more strings attached than a symphony orchestra.

Shah has \$400 billion of government funds to pour into businesses touting green-energy projects. But he has to do it under the eye of critical lawmakers, cautious bureaucrats and the White

House, which has already clashed with him on the politics of his lending juggernaut. Losses are likely and will be frowned on by Congress.

The line for Shah's cash stretches to 150 companies seeking \$127.7 billion in loans, ranging from new companies with unproven products to giants such as General Motors and PG&E, the California utility blamed for deadly wildfires. Funneling that much money to

climate startups in a short time would be near impossible. Shah has begun writing bigger checks, including a record \$9.2 billion commitment to a Ford joint venture making batteries in Tennessee and Kentucky.

The source of Shah's financial firepower is the Energy Department's Loan Programs Office, an overlooked piece of the Biden administration's strategy to

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Vampire Creature Is Scaring Fishermen in the Great Lakes

Bloodsucking sea lampreys, with creepy teeth, make a comeback. 'People just freak.'

By JOE BARRETT

BAYFIELD, Wis.—Sean Campbell was out fishing on Lake Superior when one of the charter captain's clients reeled in a beautiful 32½-inch lake trout with something strange attached to its forehead.

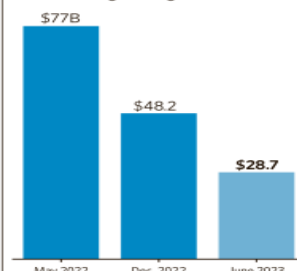
"It looked like a horn on a unicorn," said Campbell.

bell, owner of Northern Lights Adventures with his wife, Savannah. "It was just flapping around."

That's when he realized the fish had fallen victim to a sea lamprey—the scariest creature in the Great Lakes. The invasive, eel-like parasite has a round mouth filled with concentric rows of tiny teeth that could creep out a dentist. The

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Public backlog of hung debt



Note: Transaction data excludes private deals. Source: Morgan Stanley

Banks Shed Risky Debt

Banks have sold off tens of billions of dollars of leveraged-buyout debt that was gumming up their lending operations, raising hopes that a critical business on Wall Street is returning to normal. The logjam had crimped banks' ability to make new loans. B9



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France crisis Macron looks for answers

Soldiers stand guard at the Arc de Triomphe in Paris yesterday after violence erupted across France in response to the killing last week of a 17-year-old by police during a traffic stop.

Armoured vehicles were deployed in Marseille and Lyon to deter looters in the city centres. Police also blocked off the Champs Elysees in Paris.

President Emmanuel Macron and his top ministers were due to meet in the evening to discuss the crisis.

Despite the weekend violence, the situation showed signs of calming. Some 719 arrests were made on Saturday night and yesterday morning, compared with 1,311 on Friday. About 50 police officers were injured.

Preliminary charges of voluntary homicide have been filed against one of the officers involved in the fatal shooting. He is now in pre-trial detention.

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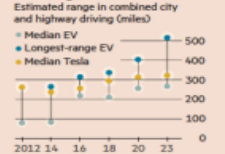
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Catching Tesla



The median range of electric vehicles has caught up with Tesla's models. However, there is a widening gap between the company's cars and the longest-range electric vehicles, according to data from the US Environmental Protection Agency

Bond fund giant Pimco prepares for 'harder landing' in global economy

► 'Market too optimistic' on rate cuts ► Persistent inflation remains key ► Wave of forced sales predicted

MARY MCDOWGALL AND KATIE MARTIN — LONDON

The largest active bond fund manager has said markets are too optimistic about central banks' ability to dodge a recession as they battle inflation in the US and Europe.

Daniel Ivascyn, chief investment officer at Pimco, which manages \$1.8tn of assets, said he was preparing for a "harder landing" than other investors while top central bank chiefs prepare to continue their campaign of interest rate rises.

"The more tightening that people feel motivated to do, the more uncertainty around these lags and the greater risk to more extreme economic outlooks," Ivascyn said in an interview with the Financial Times. He noted that when

rates have risen in the past, a lag of five or six quarters before the impact is felt has been "the norm".

"We would argue that the market may still be too confident in the quality of central bank decisions and their ability to engineer positive outcomes," he said. "We think the market is a bit too optimistic about central banks' ability to cut policy rates as quickly as the yield curves are implying."

The US Federal Reserve, the Euro-

It will be harder to cut policy while inflation is above [central bank] targets'

Daniel Ivascyn, investment chief

pean Central Bank and the Bank of England have all been rapidly raising rates after criticism that they had been too slow to react as inflation gathered pace.

At a conference in Sintra, Portugal, last week, the heads of all three indicated more action was likely to be needed while inflationary pressures persist. On Friday, the Nasdaq Composite stock market index recorded its strongest first half of the year in 40 years, in part on expectations that US interest rates would soon peak.

But core inflation, which is used as a gauge of underlying price pressure because it strips out volatile food and energy prices, has hovered around 5 per cent in the US and eurozone in recent months, while surging as high as 7.1 per cent in the UK for the year to May.

Ivascyn said. "Today we have a real legitimate inflation problem. It will likely be harder for central banks to cut policy even if the economy is weakening as long as inflation is comfortably above their [2 per cent] targets."

Pimco, which is owned by German insurer Allianz, is repositioning funds to be "more defensive and more liquid" as it draws back investors following a terrible year for bond funds in 2022.

The California-based manager suffered €75bn of outflows last year, but Ivascyn said flows had "materially improved" as investors grab the higher yields now on offer. Pimco has attracted €14bn of assets in the first quarter of this year, Allianz has reported.

While Pimco thinks a "soft landing" is the most likely outcome for the US econ-

omy, Ivascyn said the group is avoiding areas of the market that would be most vulnerable in a recession.

Favouring high-quality government and corporate bonds for now, he is waiting for company credit ratings to be downgraded, which he said will prompt forced selling among vehicles such as collateralised loan obligations in the coming months and years. That will be the time to snap up bargains, he said.

Pimco's move to safer bonds is part of a wider industry shift towards higher quality fixed-income assets. The latest survey of fund managers by Bank of America showed investors were the most overweight in investment-grade bonds compared with their high-yield counterparts since 2008.

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Montag stages comeback to bolster Goldman board

The latest addition to the board of Goldman Sachs is no stranger to the group. Tom Montag joined Goldman in 1985 when it was still a privately held firm. He left in 2007 after losing the race to become co-president and he returns after long stints at Wall Street rivals. Some speculate that he might still fancy the chance to run his old firm. 'I'll bet you in the back of his mind he thinks he can be CEO of Goldman Sachs,' said one banker.

Rejoining Goldman Sachs ► PAGE 7

Spanish premiership favourite vows to overhaul 'badly designed' windfall tax

BARNEY JOPSON AND SAM FLEMING — BRUSSELS

The conservative frontrunner to be Spain's next prime minister has vowed to overhaul a €3bn windfall tax levied by banks and energy companies, saying he wanted to make it legally water-tight but offering no commitment to repeal it.

Alberto Núñez Feijóo, who is leading Socialist incumbent Pedro Sánchez in the polls ahead of the general election on July 23, told the Financial Times that the levy was "badly designed" and needed amending. But his pledge to reform it is likely to disappoint businesses that hoped he would scrap it entirely.

Feijóo, head of the People's party, acknowledged that he would face the daunting task of bringing down Spain's massive public debt burden if elected,

putting him under pressure to reduce the cost of government and generate additional tax revenues.

Sánchez introduced the windfall tax to divert "extraordinary" profits from business into government initiatives to combat the cost of living crisis. But it has been scorned by leading companies such as Santander, the bank, and power group Iberdrola, which are challenging it in the courts.

"We have to adjust the legal risk we're incurring," Feijóo said, arguing that the levy was highly vulnerable to court challenges because it applied, unusually, to revenues as opposed to profits. "This is not the right model."

He pledged to "talk to the electricity companies and banks about how we can ask for their solidarity and contributions to overcome the deep public debt and deficit... before taking decisions".

While polls give Feijóo a clear lead, they also suggest the PP would fall short of an absolute majority in parliament and could govern only with the support of the hard-right Vox party.

Whoever wins the election will have no choice but to tackle the public finances. Enforcement of the EU's Stability and Growth Pact resumes from next year after its suspension during the coronavirus pandemic, adding to the pressure on member states to curb borrowings. Spain's public debt is equal to 113 per cent of gross domestic product and its budget deficit last year was 4.8 per cent of GDP.

The Sánchez government has said the windfall tax would bring in €3bn this year. Feijóo acknowledged that sum would be useful but said it would be even more valuable "if it were dedicated to lowering public debt, and not spent".

World Markets

STOCK MARKETS	Jun 30				Jun 23			
	Jun 30	Prev	%Chg	Jun 30	Jun 23	%Chg	YTD	
S&P 500	4460.96	4366.33	2.11	4460.96	4366.33	2.11	11.2	
Nasdaq Composite	13784.35	13691.33	1.27	13784.35	13691.33	1.27	14.8	
Dow Jones Ind	34337.28	34122.42	0.63	34337.28	34122.42	0.63	9.5	
FTSE100	4298.25	4284.45	0.32	4298.25	4284.45	0.32	1.8	
Nikkei	33189.04	33234.14	-0.14	33189.04	33234.14	-0.14	-0.8	
Hang Seng	16164.43	16034.36	0.82	16164.43	16034.36	0.82	3.5	
MSCI World \$	2953.86	2954.92	-0.31	2953.86	2954.92	-0.31	1.2	
MSCI EM \$	987.07	982.06	0.50	987.07	982.06	0.50	1.5	
MSCI ACWI \$	675.90	674.42	0.22	675.90	674.42	0.22	1.3	
FT Wilshire 2500	5692.90	5665.70	0.48	5692.90	5665.70	0.48	1.1	
FT Wilshire 5000	44379.30	44154.30	0.51	44379.30	44154.30	0.51	1.0	

CURRENCIES	Jun 30		Jun 23	
	Jun 30	Jun 23	Jun 30	Jun 23
\$/£	1.091	1.086	1.091	1.086
\$/€	1.211	1.211	1.211	1.211
\$/¥	0.069	0.069	0.069	0.069
\$/₹	144.535	143.745	144.535	143.745
\$/₪	183.754	182.680	183.754	182.680
\$/₹	0.076	0.077	0.076	0.077

COMMODITIES	Jun 30		Jun 23	
	Jun 30	Jun 23	Jun 30	Jun 23
Oil WTI \$	70.94	68.94	70.94	68.94
Oil Brent \$	75.72	73.63	75.72	73.63
Gold \$	1899.60	1920.05	1899.60	1920.05



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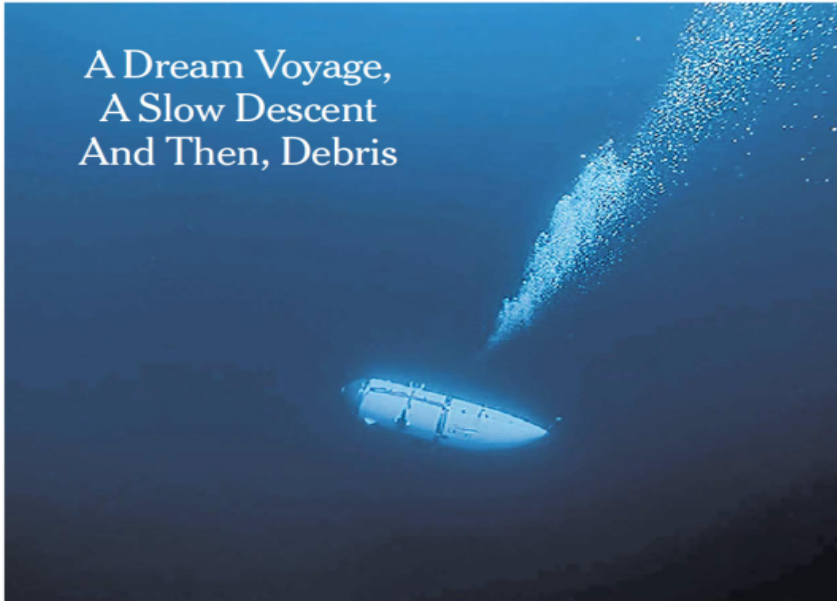
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A Dream Voyage, A Slow Descent And Then, Debris



The Titan submersible lowering into the sea. Five people were onboard its last dive, including the founder of OceanGate.

The Final Hours Before a Doomed Attempt to Visit the Titanic

By JOHN BRANCH and CHRISTINA GOLDBAUM

The last time Christine Dawood saw her husband, Shahzada, and their son, Suleman, they were specks on the North Atlantic, bobbing on a floating platform about 400 miles from land. It was Father's Day, June 18, and she watched from the support ship as they climbed into a 22-foot submersible craft called Titan.

Divers closed them inside by tightening a ring of bolts as the craft rolled on the waves about 13,000 feet above the 111-year-old wreckage of the Titanic.

Suleman, 19, carried a Rubik's Cube. Shahzada had a Nikon camera, eager to capture the view of the seafloor through Ti-

tan's single porthole.

"He was like a vibrating toddler," said Ms. Dawood, who stayed on the support ship at the surface with the couple's daughter, Alina.

The two watched closely. The sun was shining. The ship was steady.

"It was a good morning," Ms. Dawood said.

Soon, the Titan slipped into the water and dropped into the deep, descending toward a dream.

Later that morning, Ms. Dawood overheard someone saying that communication with Titan had been lost. The United States Coast Guard confirmed that it had happened 1 hour 45 minutes into the dive.

Ms. Dawood went to the bridge, where a team had been monitoring Titan's slow descent. She was assured that the only communication between the capsule and the ship, through coded computer text messages, was often spotty. If the break lasted more than an hour, the dive would be aborted. Titan would drop weights and come back to the surface.

For hours, Ms. Dawood was slowly consumed by dread. By late afternoon, she said, someone told her that they did not know where Titan and its crew were.

"I was also looking out on the ocean, in case I could maybe see them surfacing," she said.

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G.O.P. Primed To Curb Voting In N. Carolina

Clashing Over Control in '24 Battleground

By NICK CORASANTTI

ASHEVILLE, N.C. — A closely watched political fight is developing in North Carolina over voting rights and control of elections, as Democrats aim to recapture a presidential battleground and Republicans look to win back the governor's office.

Much as Georgia, Florida and Texas drew an outpouring of national attention and political cash as Republicans moved to restrict voting in the heated months after the 2020 election, North Carolina is poised for headline-grabbing confrontations over nearly every lever of the electoral apparatus.

In the Republican-led legislature, the State House is considering two bills passed by the Senate that would sharply alter how elections are run, adding voting restrictions and effectively neutering the state elections board, which is now controlled by Gov. Roy Cooper, a Democrat. And in a looming redistricting clash, the newly conservative State Supreme Court has ordered lawmakers to redraw the state's congressional and state legislative maps, which will most likely be far friendlier to Republicans.

In North Carolina, every little edge could matter: The state, despite a long string of Republican presidential victories interrupted by Barack Obama's 2008 triumph, has grown increasingly close. Donald J. Trump squeezed by in 2020 by just over a percentage point, and President Biden's allies have signaled that they plan to invest in the state in 2024, seeing it as potentially winnable. Mr. Trump, Gov. Ron DeSantis of Florida and other Republican candidates have already held events in North Carolina as they contend for their party's nomination.

"North Carolina is one of the states that have both of the factors that exacerbate this," said Wendy Weiser, the vice president for democracy at the Brennan Center for Justice, referring to Republican attempts to wield more power over voting and elections. "It is a battleground state and a state that has a history of discrimination in voting."

She added, "It is definitely one of the most critical states to be worried about."

Seismic shifts in North Carolina politics cleared the runway for Republicans to go on offense. They now have veto-proof legislative majorities after a Democratic rep-

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CLIMATE LAGGARD PLANS FAST SHIFT AS DAMAGE GROWS

MICHIGAN FEELS ALARM

Democrats Could Face a Fight in a Bid for New Pollution Rules

By CORAL DAVENPORT

LANSING, Mich. — From toxic algal blooms in the Great Lakes to sewage pouring into Detroit basements to choking wildfire smoke that drifted south from Canada, Michigan has been contending with the fallout from climate change. Even the state's famed cherry trees have been struggling against rising temperatures, forcing some farmers to abandon the crop.

But this state at the center of the American auto industry has also been a laggard when it comes to climate action, resistant to environmental regulations that could harm the manufacturing that has underpinned its economy for generations.

That may soon change. Michigan is one of three states where Democrats won a "blue trifecta" last year, taking control of the governor's office and both legislative chambers, and they are



Michigan's cherry trees are at risk from rising temperatures.

seizing that opportunity to propose some of the most ambitious climate laws in the world.

The centerpiece is based on a 58-page "MI Healthy Climate" plan offered by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. It would require Michigan to generate all of its electricity from solar, wind or other carbon-free sources by 2035, eliminating the state's greenhouse pollution generated by coal- and gas-fired power plants. The package would also toughen energy efficiency requirements for electric utilities and require a phaseout of coal-

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Russia Building A Vast Industry Of Spying Tools

This article is by Aaron Krolk, Paul Mozur and Adam Satariano.

As the war in Ukraine unfolded last year, Russia's best digital spies turned to new tools to fight an enemy on another front: those inside its own borders who opposed the war.

To aid an internal crackdown, Russian authorities had amassed an arsenal of technologies to track the online lives of citizens. After it invaded Ukraine, its demand grew for more surveillance tools. That helped stroke a cottage industry of tech contractors, which built products that have become a powerful — and novel — means of digital surveillance.

The technologies have given the police and Russia's Federal Security Service, better known as the F.S.B., access to a buffet of snooping capabilities focused on the day-to-day use of phones and websites. The tools offer ways to track certain kinds of activity on encrypted apps like WhatsApp and Signal, monitor the locations of phones, identify anonymous social media users and break into people's accounts, according to documents from Russian surveillance providers obtained by The New York Times, as well as security experts, digital activists and a

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Mama Diakité stopped playing soccer on a club team because she was not allowed to wear her hijab.

Hijab Ban and a Killing Bare France's Divisions

By CATHERINE PORTER

PARIS — Mama Diakité is a French citizen, raised in the suburbs of Paris by two immigrant parents, not far from where a 17-year-old boy was shot by the police during a traffic stop last week.

As cars burned and barricades went up in her neighborhood over the shooting, she got word from the country's top administrative

court that she could not play the most popular sport in France — soccer — while wearing her hijab. On Thursday, the Conseil d'Etat upheld the French Football Federation's ban on wearing any obvious religious symbols, in keeping with the country's bedrock principle of laïcité, or secularism.

The decision inspired a storm of feelings in Ms. Diakité — shock, anger, disappointment. "I feel be-

trayed by the country, which is supposed to be the country of the rights of man," said Ms. Diakité, 25, who stopped playing soccer on a club team this past season because of the rule. "I don't feel safe because they don't accept who I am."

The timing of the ruling and of the unrest after the death of the young man, Nabel Merzouk, was

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Religious Freedom Is Invoked In Fight Against Abortion Bans

By PAM BELLUCK

For years, conservative Christians have used the principle of religious freedom to prevail in legal battles on issues like contraceptive insurance mandates and pandemic restrictions. Now, abortion rights supporters are employing that argument to challenge one of the right's most prized accomplishments: state bans on abortion.

In the year since Roe v. Wade was overturned, clergy and members of various religions, including Christian and Jewish denominations, have filed about 15 lawsuits in eight states, saying abortion bans and restrictions infringe on their faiths.

Many of those suing say that according to their religious beliefs, abortion should be allowed in at least some circumstances that the bans prohibit, and that the bans violate religious liberty guarantees and the separation of church and state. The suits, some seeking

Lawsuits Borrow Tactic of Christian Right

exemptions and others seeking to overturn the bans, often invoke state religious freedom restoration acts enacted and used by conservatives in some battles over social issues.

The lawsuits show "religious liberty doesn't operate in one direction," said Elizabeth Sepper, a law professor at University of Texas at Austin.

Aaron Kemper, a lawyer representing three Jewish women who are suing to overturn Kentucky's abortion ban, said he studied and emulated federal and state religious liberty cases that conserva-

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A Year to Apply for Asylum

The complexities of the process mean that many migrants who crossed the border in the last year will fail. PAGE A11

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HOTEL WORKER Martha Munoz spurs on fellow picketers from Unite Here Local 11 on Sunday outside the InterContinental downtown. GENARO MOLINA Los Angeles Times

HOTEL WORKERS GO ON STRIKE OVER PAY

The walkout involves 15,000 employees in Southern California demanding raises and better benefits.

BY HELEN LI, SUHAUNA HUSSAIN, SUSANNE RUST AND HANNAH FRY

Thousands of workers at hotels across Southern California walked off the job Sunday, demanding higher pay and better benefits and beginning what could be the largest U.S. strike for the industry in recent memory.

The strike affects roughly 15,000 cooks, room attendants, dishwashers, servers, bellmen and front-desk agents at hotels in Los Angeles and Orange counties, including the JW Marriott in the L.A. Live entertainment district and luxury destinations like the Fairmont Miramar in Santa Monica.

"Our members were devastated first by the pandemic, and now by the greed of their bosses," Kurt Petersen, co-president of Unite Here Local 11, said in a statement Sunday morning. "The industry got bailouts while we got cuts. Now, the hotel negotiators decided to take our day off holiday instead of negotiating. Shameful."

Unite Here Local 11 represents more than 32,000 hospitality workers across Southern California and Arizona. The union, which has been negotiating for a new contract since April, has pushed for higher pay for members a \$5 immediate hourly wage increase and a \$3 boost annually for three years — to cover rising costs in the region.

The strike, which is expected to last several days, is the latest labor effort in Southern California, where workers across multiple industries say inflation and high housing costs have made it untenable to live and provide for families.

More than 500 workers at the InterContinental and Indigo hotels in downtown Los Angeles were the first to join the strike, taking to the streets with picket signs at 6 a.m. Sunday. Workers at the DoubleTree by Hilton and the Biltmore Los Angeles downtown soon joined the walkout, along with those from the Luma Club Marriott Resort & Spa in Dana Point, workers said.

Metro bus drivers and motorists honked their horns in support of the workers. [See Hotels, A10]

Newsom tours red states to lift party

He meets Democrats in Idaho, where GOP has 4-1 advantage. 'It may pay off' for the governor, expert says.

BY HANNAH WILEY

BOISE, Idaho — At a private fundraiser in the middle of Donald Trump's America, California Gov. Gavin Newsom was on a mission to help President Biden.

Newsom, who hit the road during the Fourth of July holiday weekend, told a group of roughly 50 Democrats gathered in the backyard of a mansion overlooking the Boise foothills Saturday to make the "powerful case for why we should be passionate, enthusiastic about Biden's reelection."

At a time when states like Idaho, where registered Republicans outnumber Democrats by more than 4 to 1, are enacting laws to restrict abortion and gay rights and advance other culturally divisive pillars of the GOP agenda, Newsom said only one man could be trusted to turn the tide: Biden.

The 80-year-old president has used his years in office to aggressively fight for Democratic priorities. Newsom told them, including LGBTQ+ rights, gun control and clean energy, while rebuilding the American economy post-COVID-19 and keeping democracy afloat.

"I'm really proud of this president, and I hope you are as well," Newsom said to a crowd happy to have one of the party's rising stars.

Saturday's swing through Idaho didn't just energize Biden's much-neglected base in such a conservative corner of the West. It helped build a future one for Newsom.

Many of the Democrats who flocked to hear Newsom speak in Idaho and at a fundraising event earlier that day in Bend, Ore., said they thought the 55-year-old liberal governor offered a glimpse into the future of their party, a bolder, more charismatic and younger potential heir of Biden's legacy in the post-Trump years.

"He looks like an incredible presidential candidate," said Russ Buschert, an Idaho Democratic Party trustee. [See Newsom, A5]



PEOPLE GATHER in front of the Supreme Court on Friday in Washington. In a 6-3 decision along ideological lines, the justices struck down the Biden administration's student-loan forgiveness program. KENT NISHIMURA Los Angeles Times

ANALYSIS

Supreme Court conservatives don't always march in lockstep

Six justices seize control, but several surprise rulings have emerged

BY DAVID G. SAVAGE

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court's conservatives were solidly in control as they ended this year's term with major rulings against college affirmative action and President Biden's student loan forgiveness plan while upholding a Christian work designer's right to refuse work involving gay marriages.

All six conservatives were in the

majority in those rulings, and the three liberals dissented. It looked like a replay of last year when the court overturned the right to abortion and expanded gun rights.

But for much of rest of the term, the justices sounded a different note.

They were not quite as predictable or as aggressively activist as some on the right would prefer and many on the left feared. The old-fashioned conservative virtues of restraint and moderation reappeared at times.

They voted for the status quo on voting rights, elections and immigration enforcement. And they steered away from what Justice Neil M. Gorsuch referred to as "government by lawsuit."

The two most frequent dissenters for most of the year were not its liberals, but Justices Clarence Thomas and Samuel A. Alito Jr., the two who occupy the court's right flank.

They have been in the spotlight [See Conservatives, A5]

STUDENT LOANS: Biden plan scuttled, but borrowers still have ways to manage their debts. NATION, A6

Is Hollywood's era of mega-deals over?

As subscriber growth has slowed, streamers are analyzing whether it's worth it to renew pricey 'overall' pacts.

BY WENDY LEE

A few years ago, it seemed every week there was a new eight- to nine-figure deal between a high-profile writer-producer and a Hollywood studio or streaming service.

These lucrative pacts made people like Shonda Rhimes, Ryan Murphy and J.J. Abrams essentially in-house producers for enter-



PRINCE HARRY and Meghan Markle were among the big names to land lucrative deals in Hollywood. KIRSTY O'CONNOR Pool Photo

tainment companies that were in an arms race to lock down top-tier talent for the streaming wars.

Even people with limited to no experience in entertainment secured rich deals based largely on name recognition, such as former first family Barack and Michelle Obama and the Duke and Duchess of Sussex. But lately such deals have fallen out of fashion among some executives, as media and entertainment companies rethink how they spend their resources.

The thinking behind these mega-deals was for the popular showrunners to bring in bigger audiences [See Hollywood, A10]

2 killed, 28 hurt in Baltimore

Shooting comes after federal prosecutors last week touted efforts to reduce crime in the city. NATION, A4

The best films of the year (so far)

From "Past Lives" to "Showing Up," critic Justin Chang lists his favorite movies of 2023. CALENDAR, E1

Remade Lakers look competitive

Instead of a big splash, front office reloaded with solid players to add depth, writes Bill Plaschke. SPORTS, D1

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Jackson is off to a bold start on bench

First Black female justice showcased independent streak in her debut term

BY ANN E. MARIMOW

In a rare public speech this spring, Supreme Court Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson talked to law school graduates about the challenges of starting a new job and about her love of musical theater. One of her favorites, she said, is the smash hit "Hamilton."

A particular song resonates: "History Has Its Eyes on You."

"Given my own experience over the past year, I think it's pretty obvious why," she told the crowd at Boston University School of Law's convocation in May.

Jackson on Friday completed her rookie term as the first Black woman to serve on the nation's highest court, making a forceful debut from the bench and in writing while showing signs of an independent streak. As anticipated, she was most often aligned with the court's two other liberal justices — Sonia Sotomayor and Elena Kagan — putting her on the losing side of high-profile, contentious decisions involving affirmative action in college admissions, gay rights and President Biden's student loan forgiveness program.

But Jackson also demonstrated

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Push to tie Medicaid to work is resurging

Where effort in Congress failed, Georgia prevailed; state program rolling out

BY AMY GOLDSTEIN

On Capitol Hill this spring, House Republicans — who were engaged in ferocious negotiations over the national debt ceiling — wanted to purge many poor adults from Medicaid rolls unless they held a job, trained for work or helped in their community.

More than 600 miles to the south, Georgia's GOP governor prepared to do something similar, allowing impoverished adults in the state who had never qualified for Medicaid to join — but only if they prove every month they meet the same kind of requirements.

The Medicaid changes sought in Congress did not survive a debt ceiling compromise. But Georgia's plan — called Georgia Pathways to Coverage — has proceeded and is beginning this month. Despite their disparate

SEE MEDICAID ON A6



Lahlai Turay holds a metal square used to measure seagrass density, while others record data in waters off Sei Island, Sierra Leone.

UNCHARTED TERRITORY

The race to map the world's seagrass before it disappears

These critical ecosystems, the 'lungs' of the oceans, have long been overlooked

BY ALLYSON CHIU
IN THE TURTLE ISLANDS, SIERRA LEONE

From the deck of a small blue-and-white boat, Bushiru Bangura leaned forward and peered into the ocean, his gaze trained on a large dark patch just beneath the jade-green waves.

"It's here! It's here! It's here!" crowed a local fisherman, who led Bangura to this spot roughly 60 miles off the coast of Freetown. "It looks black!"

Bangura, who works for Sierra Leone's Environment Protection Agency, tempered his excitement. After two unsuccessful attempts to find seagrass in this group of islands, he questioned whether the shadowy blotches were meadows of the critical underwater greenery he and other researchers have spent the past several years trying to locate along the coast of West Africa.

It was only once he was standing in the waist-high water, marveling at the tuft of scraggly hair-like strands he'd uprooted to collect as a sample, that

he allowed himself to smile.

The wet, reedy plants Bangura held in his hands were unmistakably seagrass, and the green blades stretched past the plastic 12-inch ruler he'd been using to measure specimens. His grin grew even wider.

The dense grass swaying in the current appeared to be healthy, and the water teemed with schools of small, silvery fish, making it the best site researchers have documented in these islands since the existence of seagrass was first confirmed in Sierra Leone in 2019.

"Discovering that site, it was a great moment for us," Bangura said.

Seagrasses — which range from stubby sprout-like vegetation to elongated plants with flat, ribbon-like leaves — are one of the world's most productive underwater ecosystems. The meadows are vital habitats for a variety of aquatic wildlife. Sometimes described as "the lungs of the sea," the

SEE SEAGRASS ON A5



30 people shot, two fatally, at Baltimore block party

The shooting, in which nearly half of the victims were under 18, drew swift condemnation from Baltimore leaders and a plea from the city's police union for increased staffing. Story, B1

BILL O'LEARY/THE WASHINGTON POST

In Brazil, an unlikely love that blooms like an onion

Beef-crazy nation eats up faux-Aussie U.S. steakhouse

BY TERENCE MCCOY

SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL — Deep in the urban sprawl of the Western Hemisphere's largest city, nestled within a thicket of highways, there is a low-slung shopping mall that boasts an attraction not rivaled anywhere in the United States.

The giant Outback Steakhouse.

Named the world's largest Outback in 2018 — and the world's most lucrative before that — its dimensions and legend since then have only grown. The restaurant is now nearly twice the size of the biggest Outbacks in the United States, where the faux-Australian chain was founded.

But even then, it's not big enough. Not for Brazil, and not on a recent Monday.

Hostess Kalamy Nunes, 19, surveys the line for lunch, several dozens deep.

"This is Outback," she explains. "It's very chic."

As a son of the suburbs of heartland America, I'm no stranger to the shopping mall culinary circuit. Red Lobster, Olive Garden, TGI Fridays, Chili's — I know and celebrate them all. When I was growing up in Wisconsin, my family's idea of dining out often came down to a question of Applebee's or Pizza Hut. But nothing prepared me for the scene now unfolding before me: A throng of people excitedly awaiting their chic experience at Outback Steakhouse. And doing so in a country where I never would have expected it.

Few things evoke Brazil more than beef. The country slaught

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JUAN MEDINA/REUTERS

Protests in France Unrest over a police killing flared again overnight and included an apparent attack on a mayor's home. A11

THE NATION President Biden's flurry of activity last week — including several high-dollar fundraisers and forceful remarks about recent Supreme Court rulings — had the feel of a reelection campaign in full swing. A3

THE WORLD In a Ukrainian town near the Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant, residents have responded to the threat of a major disaster with a mix of

dread and hardened fatalism. A10
In a global first, Australia has allowed psychiatrists to widely prescribe MDMA, also known by the street names "ecstasy" and "molly," to treat post-traumatic stress disorder. A12

THE REGION The Proud Boys organization may pay more than \$1 million to a historic Black church in D.C. after a judge deter-

mined members of the group damaged a Black Lives Matter sign displayed on the building's front lawn in 2020. B1

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY Construction spending for May is expected to rise 0.5 percent.

TUESDAY Independence Day federal holiday is observed.

PBS presents "A Capitol Fourth," featuring performances from Chicago, Boyz II Men, Belinda Carlisle and more.

WEDNESDAY Secretary of State Antony Blinken visits Trinidad and Tobago.

THURSDAY Jobless claims for the week ended July 1 are expected at 245,000, up from 239,000 the week before.

Vice President Harris delivers remarks to members of the Gila River Indian Community in Arizona.

FRIDAY The Labor Department issues the employment situation for June.

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Sorely missed Jamie Foxx's public absence after a medical issue has left Hollywood with an aching heart. C1

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Some relief at the pump for July Fourth road trips

Gas prices are down on average \$1.30 per gallon compared with last year. **In Money**

Mona Lisa masterpiece becomes edible dessert

New York artisan in Season 2 of "Is It Cake, Too?" wows judges with his re-creation. **In Life**



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Hot dog champion cashes in on eating

Joey Chestnut, going for 16th win in Nathan's Hot Dog Eating Contest, says he became rich by being a full-time competitive eater. **In Sports**

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Parts of nation 'primed to burn'

Fireworks a concern in hot, dry conditions

Ken Alltucker
USA TODAY

With hot and dry conditions across much of the West, the Fourth of July holiday week carries the risk of an explosive start to wildfire season, experts warn.

From Lake Tahoe to Castle Rock, Colorado, some officials are extinguishing traditional firework shows in favor of drone light displays to celebrate Independence Day. But other communities in California, Nevada and Arizona are citing wet winters and spring months for the return of live fireworks shows.

Still, experts warn the conditions are ripe for wildfires sparked by amateur firework displays or other careless actions. The Fourth of July comes as some Southwest communities have had no rain for more than three months following a winter of above-average precipitation.

"We're entering into a really critical period for wildfire because of the hot temperatures, the lack of rainfall," said Molly Hunter, an associate research professor at University of Arizona's school of natural resources and the environment. "So that means all of the fuel, the vegetation, is really primed to burn."



Tulare, Calif., celebrates Fourth of July last year with a fireworks show at the Tulare County Fairgrounds.

GARY KAZANJIAN/USA TODAY NETWORK

Triple-digit temperatures heighten fire risk in Arizona

Phoenix will carry on with plans for fireworks, even though triple-digit temperatures and dry conditions usher in the holiday celebration.

Phoenix Fire Capt. Rob McDade said a fire that sent embers onto the roofs of at least three houses underscored the risks of fireworks celebrations.

"We don't know what started this, but it's a great time to remind everybody this is going to be a very long, hot Fourth of July," McDade told ABC-15 in Phoenix.

Hunter, of the University of Arizona, said the lack of rainfall comes as Arizona faces its seasonal monsoon, which brings lightning and windstorms. "That sets up conditions for fires," Hunter said.

In California, the Fourth of July follows the first big heat wave since

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'It feels like the barriers are going back up for us'



NextGen America student debt relief advocates react as the Supreme Court released opinions Friday. The court ruled the Biden administration overstepped its authority in trying to cancel or reduce student loan debt. JACK GRUBER/USA TODAY

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Decision may have wide business implications

After Supreme Court rules web designer can deny services for same-sex weddings, a man cited in the case says he never asked to work with her. **4A**

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Ingrid Jacques: Ruling for web designer is free speech victory. **7A**

Couple from wedding cake case: High court burns LGBTQ+ rights. **7A**

IN MONEY

Diversity at work: What affirmative action reversal means for firms. **1B**

Students of color say college seems less accessible after high court rulings

Alia Wong, Itzel Luna and Kayla Jimenez
USA TODAY

The Supreme Court on Friday ruled against a plan to provide mass student debt relief, clinching a series of decisions that Americans of color say makes colleges seem even less welcoming and accessible than they did before.

A day prior, the high court ruled against the consideration of race in college admissions, a practice that a data analysis by the college-search website College Rover shows has helped to reduce barriers Black and brown communities face in their efforts to break free

from generational poverty.

Taken together, students and advocates say, the decisions reinforce those obstacles and the sense that U.S. higher education is an exclusive club.

"It feels like the barriers are going back up for us," said Angelique Albert, who oversees Native Forward Scholars Fund, the largest provider of scholarships for the country's Indigenous students.

Shortly after the Supreme Court issued its opinion on Friday, President Joe Biden's administration announced it hasn't given up and will instead try to

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NATION'S REPORT CARD

How big a problem is racism in America?

Much depends on race of who you are asking

Phillip M. Bailey and Terry Collins
USA TODAY

As President Joe Biden and Congress have failed to deliver on promises of police accountability and amid a conservative-led backlash against diversity, equity and inclusion policies, many Black Americans are uplifting a centuries-old debate around reparations for slavery as the clearest pathway to racial equality.

Ahead of the July Fourth holiday, more than 45% of Americans said racism is a big problem or the biggest problem facing the United States, according to a new USA TODAY/Suffolk University poll.



Ben Frazier of Jacksonville's Northside Coalition speaks at a Unity Protest Against Racism rally on the steps of City Hall last year. BOB SELF/USA TODAY NETWORK

About 38% of respondents said racism is a problem but not one of the biggest facing the nation. Only about 14% of Americans said racism is not a problem.

The poll comes during what many see as a racial crossroads for the country, spotlighted by the U.S. Supreme Court ruling Thursday that banned af-

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ABOUT THIS SERIES

This is the final story in a series examining the state of the United States as we near Independence Day and look ahead to the 2024 presidential election. The Report Card series examines the state of democracy, the economy and inflation, gun violence and racism.



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Al mes del crimen de Cecilia, otro masivo reclamo de justicia

Con duras críticas a Capitanich, una multitud encabezada por la madre de la joven asesinada marchó por el puente que une Chaco con Corrientes. **Página 16**



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ELECCIONES 2023



La oposición puso fin a 20 años de dominio del PJ y gobernará San Juan

Marcelo Orrego, de Juntos por el Cambio, logró un cómodo triunfo sobre Gioja y Rubén Uñac, hermano del actual gobernador; Larreta y Lousteau viajaron para los festejos; la participación fue del 70%, una de las más bajas de la historia

Javier Fuego Simondet
ENVIADO ESPECIAL

SAN JUAN.- El diputado nacional Marcelo Orrego será el próximo gobernador de San Juan, tras haber logrado un cómodo triunfo desde Unidos por San Juan, como se denomina la variante provincial de Juntos por el Cambio, sobre el peronismo agrupado en San Juan por Todos, que llevaba como candidato a Rubén Uñac, hermano del actual gobernador, Sergio Uñac, inhabilitado por la Corte Suprema.

La victoria de Orrego pone fin a 20 años consecutivos de gobiernos peronistas en San Juan, que comenzaron en 2003, con José Luis Gioja, y luego continuó Uñac. Juntos por el Cambio celebró ayer a nivel nacional el resultado de San Juan, que revitaliza su campaña con miras a las elecciones nacionales. La derrota de Uñac fue doble, ya que su postulante también fue vencido por Gioja en la interna. **Continúa en la página 8**

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Javier Fuego Simondet. **Página 9**



Orrego, anoche, al festejar el triunfo con Rodríguez Larreta y otros opositores

MARCELO AGUILAR

EL ESCENARIO

Un auténtico cambio de signo político

Claudio Jacquelin
-LA NACION-

Un ciclo de 20 años de hegemonía acaba de concluir. Esta vez no hay alternativas posibles para hablar de derrota del oficialismo peronista en una elección provincial. El triunfo del Frente Unidos por San Juan y de su candidato a gobernador Marcelo Orrego, que pertenecen a Juntos por el Cambio, es una victoria no contaminada por la ayuda de desertores del partido gobernante. Como ocurrió en Neuquén, primero, y en San Luis, después. **Continúa en la página 10**

Un juez y su custodio mataron a dos delincuentes

QUILMES. El camarista de San Isidro Ernesto García Maañón fue atacado por cinco ladrones. **Página 27**

La inflación de junio sería inferior a la de mayo, pero este mes volvería a acelerarse

PRONÓSTICOS. Menos ajustes de tarifas y alimentos controlados serían las causas

Con menos ajustes de tarifas de servicios y alimentos que subieron por debajo del promedio general, la inflación de junio volvería a mostrar una desaceleración respecto de

mayo, de acuerdo con los pronósticos revisados de varias consultoras privadas, que estiman que el IPC habría aumentado entre 6,6% y 7,1% el mes pasado. Sin embargo,

creen que las causas estructurales de la inflación siguen vigentes, por lo que de ahora a fin de año el ritmo de aumento de los precios volvería, al menos, al 7% mensual. **Página 18**

Protestas en Francia: atacan la casa de un alcalde

TENSIÓN. Fueron heridos la mujer y un hijo; la familia del joven asesinado pidió el fin de la violencia. **Página 2**

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Estudo do Insuper com dados do Sistema Nacional de Avaliação da Educação Básica revela que, em matemática, a vantagem de meninos brancos sobre meninas negras foi de 9,1 para 13 entre 2007 e 2017 no 5º ano. No 9º ano, saltou de 21,3 pontos para 23,4 no período. Cotidiano B1

ENTREVISTA DA 2ª Nadia Murad

Não falar de sua história, protege criminosos

Escravizada pelo Estado Islâmico, a iraquiana Nadia Murad luta contra uso da violência sexual como arma de guerra. Nobel da Paz em 2018, ela passou três meses em cativeiro, durante genocídio dos yazidi pela facção. "Se você não compartilha sua história, está protegendo os criminosos, porque eles não serão punidos", diz ela, que perdeu mãe e irmãos. A20

Entidade projeta perdas de estados e municípios no Carf

Estados e municípios podem perder R\$ 82 bilhões, caso o Congresso barre a tentativa da Fazenda de retomar o voto de qualidade em conflitos tributários no Carf (Conselho Administrativo de Recursos Fiscais). Mercado A13

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Governo Lula estuda plano B para a regulação da internet

Ideia é fazer minirreforma eleitoral para que normas possam valer nos pleitos municipais de 2024

Com as dificuldades para a aprovação do chamado PL das Fake News, alas do governo Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva (PT) investem em um plano B para a regulação da internet. As mudanças viriam em uma minirreforma eleitoral a ser votada no Congresso.

A principal preocupação desses setores governistas é aprovar até outubro deste ano regras para a campanha eleitoral digital, de modo que elas possam ser aplicadas, conforme exige o princípio da anualidade, nos pleitos municipais de 2024.

Entre os pontos em estudo estão prazos menores para plataformas removerem determinados conteúdos antes e depois da eleição, multas maiores em caso de descumprimento e a proibição de propaganda eleitoral online durante o período.

Além disso, o Planalto gostaria de obrigar as big techs a manter bibliotecas de anúncios políticos em tempo real. Até as mudanças legislativas, a ideia é utilizar mais a Senacon (Secretaria Nacional do Consumidor) para enquadrar as plataformas.

O governo aguarda também a decisão do Supremo Tribunal Federal que pode levar à flexibilização do Marco Civil da Internet, facilitando a responsabilização pelos conteúdos. O julgamento estava marcado para junho, mas foi adiado. Política A5



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EXPLORAÇÃO DE PETRÓLEO NA FOZ DO AMAZONAS PODE AFETAR PESCA ARTESANAL NO PARÁ

Redes de pesca desembarcadas no porto de Bragança, na costa paraense; segundo pescadores, já há uma escassez de peixes na região Ambiente B3

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Isabelle Huppert estrelou cinco filmes no ano passado

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Espanha terá 1ª granja submarina para criação de polvos do mundo

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Apesar de rachas, grupo de Andrés busca manter poder no Corinthians



Manu Dias/Governo da Bahia

INDEPENDÊNCIA DA BAHIA, 200

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Aras refuta omissões na PGR e alinhamento com Bolsonaro

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LEGISLATURE '23

Putting a charge in EV adoption

New state laws aim to address biggest obstacle: too few public stations

By AARÓN TORRES
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AUSTIN — Texans are known for their long road trips, and gas stations dot the state's highways to keep them driving, but drivers in electric vehicles may experience something else: "range anxiety."

Texas lags other states in adopting EVs, and lacks essential charging

stations needed to keep the electric engines powered. But as Tesla, Ford and Rivian increase mass production of electric vehicles, lawmakers are trying to lay the groundwork for easier adoption.

In the Legislature's regular session that ended May 29, EV advocates successfully nudged several bills to passage — not all they wanted, but enough, they say, to keep momentum going for an essential ingredient: more charging stations.

"When you look at reasons people don't buy electric vehicles, No. 1 is cost, and that's changing rapidly"



File Photo/Tom Fox

A Tesla was charging outside Esports Stadium Arlington last July. Texas has about 18.7 charging stations per 100,000 residents, putting it 36th among states, according to data by CoPilot.

and decreasing, said Tom "Smitty" Smith, executive director of the Texas Electric Transportation Resources Alliance and an electric vehicle owner. "The No. 2 [reason] is charging access or range anxiety."

The number of gas stations in

Texas dwarfs the number of available chargers. There are more than 12,000 devices — or pumps — in the Lone Star State from which one can fuel up a gas-powered car.

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Education Lab

DISD chief voices concern

She fears new district rating rules may skew view of schools' quality

By TALIA RICHMAN
and MARCELA RODRIGUES
Staff Writers

Dallas ISD Superintendent Stephanie Elizalde is bracing for her schools to score lower on the state's accountability system because of a major overhaul that moves the goalposts.

Texas' A-F system grades every district across the state, giving families a sense of how their local schools are performing. The ratings are key in how the community perceives its campuses and parents often consider the scores when enrolling their children.

The grades are largely based on standardized test scores, taking into account how well a school grows academic achievement and closes gaps between student groups.

The formula has remained largely static since lawmakers created the system in 2017. But widespread changes will be factored in when the Texas Education Agency releases the new scores in September.

It will now be more difficult to score well in the metric that assesses how prepared graduates are for college, career or the military. Changes will impact other data points as well, including by weighing scores differently based on campus size.

District leaders statewide have raised the

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TRANSPORTATION

High technology meets the road

What's it like in a self-driving big rig? A Texas company gives a look



Tom Fox/Staff Photographer

Charles Griffin, a truck operations specialist at Aurora Innovation Inc., climbs into the cab of one of the company's self-driving trucks before leaving Aurora's terminal in Palmer, south of Dallas, for a trip on a shipping route from Palmer to Houston.

By ALEXANDRA SKORES
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PALMER — Darcy Desjarlais, senior truck operations specialist at self-driving truck company Aurora Innovation, hovers his hands under the steering wheel in one of the company's trucks as it cruises at 65 mph down Interstate 45, heading in its typical route toward Houston.

Above his palms could be the future of short and long hauls for transported goods.

To his right sits Riliwan Fabanwo, truck operations specialist at Aurora, monitoring the roads for any objects, slow-moving cars or challenges the Aurora technology faces. Sensors track up to a quarter-mile ahead in all directions around the truck.

"I feel like this is the future for trucking," said Fabanwo, who has been with Aurora for over a year.

Investments and research into autonomous trucking have boomed in the last several years, and Texas is

viewed as a prime testing ground for companies trying out the emerging technology.

"Autonomous driving has a significant appeal to everybody," said Gopal Gupta, professor of computer science and co-director of the University of Texas at Dallas Center for Applied AI and Machine Learning.

With a trailer attached, an Aurora truck stretches 72 feet long, 8.5 feet wide and 13.5 feet tall. The cab weighs 30,000 pounds and hauls 50,000 pounds of goods. Everything about the truck has a purpose.

By the end of 2024, the same Aurora truck could be completely driverless along the same route. That's what Aurora envisions for the future of autonomous vehicles in Texas.

The Dallas Morning News went on a ride-along for a preview of Aurora's Dallas-to-Houston route.

As soon as Desjarlais starts up

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Aurora is autonomously hauling freight for customers on two Texas highways

Trucking companies operating with Aurora technology on Interstate 45:

- FedEx
- Werner Enterprises
- Hirschbach
- Schneider
- Uber Freight

Industry collaborators: U.S. Express, Covenant

Aurora-fitted trucks on Interstate 20: FedEx, Werner Enterprises, Hirschbach

Pilot trucks are operated under the supervision of vehicle operators. SOURCE: Aurora

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IMMIGRATION

Migrants short on legal advice

Attorneys for screenings difficult to get despite administration vow

By ELLIOT SPAGAT
The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — As the Biden administration prepared to launch speedy asylum screenings at Border Patrol holding facilities this spring, authorities pledged a key difference from a Trump-era version of the policy: Migrants would be guaranteed access to legal counsel.

Nearly three months and thousands of screenings later, the promise of attorney access appears largely unfulfilled, based on advocacy group reports and interviews with people directly involved, some of whom spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the effort publicly.

A coterie of involved attorneys estimate that perhaps 100 migrants have secured formal representation, and only hundreds more have received informal advice through one-time phone calls ahead of the expedited screenings.

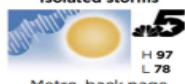
James Day, one of the world's largest law firms, partnered with the administration to

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Storms' heavy rain soaks Chicago

Highways and homes flooded, CTA Blue and Pink line service interrupted amid flash flood warnings

By Sarah Macaraeg and Stacey Wescott
Chicago Tribune

Weekend thunderstorms wreaked havoc Sunday across Chicago, resulting in flooding the National Weather Service described as "potentially life-threatening" swamping highways, halting some Chicago Transit

Authority services and damaging dozens of homes. Flash flood warnings were in effect throughout the day Sunday and a flood warning remained in effect until 1 a.m. Monday, the weather service said. High water was expected to recede slowly. More than 250 residents had submitted basement flooding complaints to 311 since Satur-

day afternoon when the weather service began issuing storm warnings. The vast majority stemmed from Austin. Neighborhood resident Shirley Howard said she checked her basement Sunday morning after hearing a neighbor's home had flooded. "I came downstairs and the water met me at the second step," Howard said, standing in water up to her ankles. "I don't think I'll be able to save anything."

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Shirley Howard stands in her flooded basement in the 800 block of North Lockwood Avenue on Sunday in Chicago's Austin neighborhood amid weekend thunderstorms that sparked flash flood warnings. STACEY WESCOTT/TRIBUNE

NASCAR CHICAGO STREET RACE



Shane Van Gisbergen of the No. 91 car won the Chicago Street Race in his NASCAR Cup Series debut on Sunday at Grant Park. EILEEN T. MESLAR/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Fans brave downpours

Race goes on despite rain-drenched street track: 'I've got to see it; might not be back next year'

By Hank Sanders, Jake Sheridan and Vivian La
Chicago Tribune

Downtown Chicago turned into a slick, speed-drenched racetrack Sunday after the NASCAR street race started late following rain delays.

The cars flew through tight turns around Grant Park on roads like DuSable Lake Shore Drive and Michigan Avenue, kicking up mist from the wet course's puddles. Above the zooming cars, the city's picturesque skyscrapers pierced fog clouds still lingering from the

afternoon's storms. The stands slowly filled up after the delays. Drivers deftly passed one another in front of the hundreds of fans who braved the showers to watch the spectacle. NASCAR officials decided to shorten the race from 100 laps to 75 to finish the race before daylight faded, another unprecedented twist for the first NASCAR street race. Shane van Gisbergen of New Zealand, in his first Cup Series, won the race. As fan Kevin Malec walked past

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Josh Bilicki's No. 78 car, right, and other cars race on Congress Plaza during Stage 1 of the NASCAR Cup Series race on Sunday at Grant Park in Chicago. Heavy rain delayed the start of the race.

CHICAGO BOARD OF EDUCATION TRANSITION

Map delay may hurt grassroots candidates

Extended deadline means shorter ramp-up ahead of first election

By Hank Sanders
Chicago Tribune

Activists who'd long opposed mayoral control over Chicago Board of Education appointments won a victory in 2021 when Illinois legislators voted to shift author-

ity over the state's largest school system to a board chosen by the people. Two years later, just before 1 a.m. on May 26 in the waning hours of the Senate's session, many of those same lawmakers hurriedly passed an amendment extending by nine months the deadline they'd given themselves to pass a map of 20 districts from which the new school board will eventually be elected.

In the moment, the deadline extension brought relief to many who took issue with the proposed maps. But pushing the map deadline also shortens the time candidates realistically have to spread their message, raising questions about whether the elected school board will be able to achieve its goal of better representing the interests of the community. Instead of July 1, the district map is now due next April, just seven

months before the first school board representatives will be elected. "A lot of people who think they have an opportunity to run now may not," said Taschaunda Hall, a mom and member of the children and parents advocacy group Kids First Chicago. "People get discouraged or they get busy and then the people who were interested, who

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Security debate in Highland Park

One year after attack at Fourth of July parade, city grapples with how to give citizens a sense of safety. **Chicagoland, Page 3**

FitzGerald's music festival continues

The four-day FitzGerald's American Music Festival opened Friday with Lucinda Williams getting the biggest cheers. The event continues through Monday. **Arts & Living**

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des émeutes, les forces de l'ordre
ont dû muscler leur riposte
en faisant appel, dans une grande
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effectifs disponibles. **PAGES 2 A 6 ET L'EDITORIAL**

L'Hajj-les-Roses : vive indignation après l'attaque contre la famille du maire

Tandis que Vincent Jean-
brun passait la nuit dans
sa mairie, son épouse et
ses deux enfants étaient
ciblés dimanche vers
1 h 30 du matin à leur do-
micile par une voiture-
bélier et des tirs de mor-
tier. Une véritable tenta-
tive d'assassinat. Le mai-
re Les Républicains de
L'Hajj-les-Roses a reçu
de nombreux témoignages
de soutien. **PAGE 3**

Macron confronté à la dégradation de l'image de la France

Alors que les émeutes
perdurent, l'image de
la France se dégrade.
Pour la deuxième fois
en trois mois, le prési-
dent de la République a
dû reporter un rendez-
vous diplomatique
majeur. Après l'annu-
lation de la visite de
Charles III d'Angleter-
re, le président renon-
ce à une visite d'Etat
en Allemagne. **PAGE 4**

Le spectacle des émeutes divise la gauche

À l'image de Jean-Luc
Mélenchon, qui a refusé
d'appeler au calme, une
partie de la gauche pei-
ne à trouver la réplique
face aux émeutes. Elle
craint qu'une condam-
nation trop ferme des
violences finisse par lui
être reprochée au sein
des quartiers populai-
res. Au risque de tomber
parfois dans la culture
de l'excuse. **PAGE 6**

ÉDITORIAL par Yves Thréard ythreard@lefigaro.fr

Le naufrage français

Pour la deuxième fois en quatre
mois, le président de la Républi-
que ne peut donc honorer ses en-
gagements diplomatiques. Au
mois de mars, les manifestations
contre la réforme des retraites l'avaient
conduit à reporter la venue du roi Char-
les III. En ce début de semaine, il doit an-
nuler sa visite d'Etat de trois jours en Alle-
magne. « 40 000 policiers n'arrivent pas à
maîtriser le chaos », avertit sans nuance le
quotidien germanique *Bild Zeitung*. À lire la
presse étrangère, notre pays serait en état
de guerre civile. Quand le commentaire
vient d'Algérie, qui a le culot de rappeler à
la France son « devoir de protection » de ses
ressortissants, on s'indigne, mais lorsqu'il
émane des États-Unis ou d'Europe, on se
sent humilié. Comme si le monde se gau-
saisait en direct de notre déclinement, de
notre désagrégation, de notre naufrage.
La France a, certes, la réputation d'être un
pays éruptif, jamais satisfait. Ce qui fait
aussi son charme. Elle a souvent l'humeur
maussade et changeante. Mais, ces derniers
temps, de crise en crise, elle offre un spec-
tacle inquiétant, peu sympathique : celui
d'un pays hors de contrôle, où les colères

s'ajoutent dans une atmosphère irres-
pirable. La planète a d'abord découvert,
intriguée, les « gilets jaunes », la France des
périphéries criant son désarroi face à la
mondialisation. Puis, ahurie, elle a assisté à
la longue empoignade des retraites, réfor-
me acceptée et votée ailleurs depuis long-
temps. Et main-
tenant explose
cette jeunesse qui
casse tout. Celle-
ci n'est pas toute
la jeunesse fran-
çaise, mais elle
donne l'image
déstabilisante d'une
nation encagoulée, « ensauvagée », « tiers-
mondisée », qui n'a plus le respect d'elle-
même. Ses élus et ses forces de l'ordre sont
détifiés et menacés de mort par des gamins
sans éducation, encouragés par quelques
irresponsables de gauche qui soufflent sur
les braises de l'incendie et ont une singu-
lière conception de la démocratie.
Dans un an, c'est ce pays qui accueillera les
Jeux olympiques d'été. La question n'est
pas de savoir s'il sera prêt, mais s'il sera di-
gne de cet événement. ■

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Fears mount that NHS will be forced to charge for care

Exclusive Survey shows 71% feel principle of 'free at point of use' is doomed

Denis Campbell
Rowena Mason

Almost three in four Britons believe that charges for NHS care will creep in over the next decade and end the health service's record of being free at the point of use, polling has found. One of the NHS's key founding

principles from 1948 is in peril, 71% of the public believe, according to the survey carried out for the Health Foundation before the service's 75th birthday this week.

Despite almost three in four saying the NHS in its current form - free at the point of use - is "crucial", 51% said they expected to pay for some services within a decade, while 13% think most services would need to be paid for upfront and 7% anticipated charges for all services.

Tim Gardner, assistant director for policy at the Health Foundation, said it interpreted the findings as an

"expression of concern that what the public values the most about the NHS - affordable care provided free at point of use - may be under threat".

He said: "The durability of the principle that the health service would provide care based on need not ability to pay has been regularly questioned throughout its history, especially at times when the service is under great pressure."

Calls for radical changes, such as charging for GP appointments and A&E visits, had grown, he added.

Politicians such as the prime minister, Rishi Sunak, his predecessor,

Liz Truss, and the former chancellor and health secretary Sajid Javid have backed one or both of those ideas as potential ways of raising more money for the NHS and reducing demand.

Critics dismissed them as "zombie" ideas that were impractical and would not help.

The survey of 2,540 over-16s, conducted by Ipsos, was carried out at a time of huge pressure on the NHS owing to the backlog in waiting lists and staff shortages, as well as junior doctor and consultant strikes later this month.

Amanda Pritchard, the **2** →

'There is no hope'

The fury of France's left behind

Angelique Chrisafis
Metz



Hanifa Guermi cried as she surveyed the charred remains of the public library that for years had provided books, comics and a quiet homework space for the children on the housing estates of Borny, one of France's most deprived neighbourhoods. "My heart is broken," she said, remembering the children whom she had helped with schoolwork there.

With damage estimated at around €12m (£10.3m) and more than 110,000 books and documents destroyed, the burning to the ground of the state-of-the-art library in this poor neighbourhood of the eastern city of Metz was one of the biggest attacks on French state infrastructure in the five nights of rioting across the country.

The police shooting of Nahel M, a 17-year-old boy of Algerian and Moroccan background, at a traffic stop outside Paris last week has led to sustained unrest nationwide: more than 2,000 cars burned, more than 700 businesses damaged and more than 2,000 people arrested, with an average age of 17.

Beyond Borny, across to the former mining towns along the German border, in a region where the vote for the far-right Marine Le Pen has grown, cars were torched, bins were set alight and youths clashed with police. A McDonald's was burned down, a kebab shop set on fire, a **4** →



Australia win Test despite Stokes heroics

Ben Stokes produced a stunning century for England yesterday on a febrile day at Lord's marked by ugly scenes in the pavilion, only for Australia to take the second Ashes Test by 43 runs. **News and Sport** →

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