high 94. Tonight, warm, an evening

thunderstorm, low 74. **Tomorrow,** hot, still humid, a thunderstorm, high 89. Weather map, Page B12.

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Trump Judge Rejected Call To Step Aside

Concern on Bench Over Cannon's Experience

By CHARLIE SAVAGE and ALAN FEUER

Shortly after Judge Aileen M. Cannon drew the assignment in June 2023 to oversee former President Donald J. Trump's classified documents case, two more experienced colleagues on the federal bench in Florida urged her to pass it up and hand it off to another jurist, according to two people briefed on the conversations.

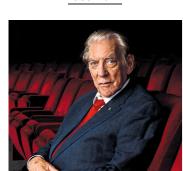
The judges who approached Judge Cannon — including the chief judge in the Southern District of Florida, Cecilia M. Altonaga — each asked her to consider whether it would be better if she were to decline the high-profile case, allowing it to go to another judge, the two people said.

But Judge Cannon, who was appointed by Mr. Trump, wanted to keep the case and refused the judges' entreaties. Her assignment drew attention because she has scant trial experience and had previously shown unusual favor to Mr. Trump by intervening in a way that helped him in the criminal investigation that led to his indictment, only to be reversed in a sharply critical rebuke by a conservative appeals court panel.

The extraordinary and previously undisclosed effort by Judge Cannon's colleagues to persuade her to step aside adds another dimension to the increasing criticism of how she has gone on to handle the case.

She has broken, according to lawyers who operate there, with a Continued on Page A17

> DONALD SUTHERLAND, 1935-2024



CHRIS PIZZELLO/INVISION, VIA ASSOCIATED PRESS His career lasted six decades.

A Chameleon Of a Film Star, Sweet or Scary

By CLYDE HABERMAN

Donald Sutherland, whose ability to both charm and unsettle, both reassure and repulse, was amply displayed in scores of film roles as diverse as a laid-back battlefield surgeon in "M*A*S*H," a ruthless Nazi spy in "Eye of the Needle," a soulful father in "Ordinary People" and a strutting fascist in "1900," died on Thursday in Miami. He was 88.

His son Kiefer Sutherland, the actor, announced the death on social media. CAA, the talent agency that represented Mr. Sutherland, said he had died in a hospital after an unspecified "long illness." He had a home in Miami.

With his long face, droopy eyes, protruding ears and wolfish smile, the 6-foot-4 Mr. Sutherland was never anyone's idea of a movie heartthrob. He often recalled that while growing up in eastern Canada, he once asked his mother if he was good-looking, only to be told, "No, but your face has a lot of character." He recounted how he was once rejected for a film role by a producer who said: "This part

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Palestinians among the ruins in Khan Younis on Thursday. Over the past eight months, an estimated 100,000 people have left Gaza.

Meteorologist Given a Rule: Stay on Script

By CARA BUCKLEY

In 2021, Chris Gloninger, a television weatherman in Boston with a passion for climate science, was approached with an intriguing prospect. Would he consider a job as chief meteorologist at a televi-

sion station in Des Moines? It was a smaller market, and talk of global warming would be challenging in a politically conservative state. But research from 2020 showed that most Iowans were interested in news about climate change, and the state was a leader in wind energy. Mr. Gloninger's weather forecasts

could be a breakthrough. An interview with the station's news director, Allison Smith, clinched it. The station, KCCI, wanted to amp up climate coverage, Mr. Gloninger said he was told, not least because agriculture was so important in the state.

In announcing Mr. Gloninger's hiring to the newsroom, Ms. Smith highlighted his extensive climate coverage. Another meteorologist who was considered for the same job, Matt Serwe, said that in his interview with KCCI, coverage of global warming was underscored. "My big takeaway was that there's going to be a lot of climate involved," said Mr. Serwe, now a meteorologist at KSTP in St. Paul, Minn.

In the spring of 2021, Mr. Gloninger and his wife sold their house in Boston and relocated to a graceful ranch house on the outskirts of Des Moines.

For some in Iowa, news that KCCI had hired a chief meteorologist to talk about climate science seemed heaven sent. Channing Dutton, a longtime climate activist and personal injury lawyer in Moines, likened Gloninger's arrival to "a thunderclap among the climate communi-

Mr. Dutton organized a welcome lunch, and the pair grew close. Mr. Gloninger would come to call Mr. Dutton, who is 69, "my

Yet Mr. Dutton privately wondered how long Mr. Gloninger might last. Over 60 percent of corn grown in Iowa goes into producing ethanol, a biofuel that's been environmentally as friendly, but that recent research has found to be worse for climate

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When Escaping Gaza Means Buying a Way Out

By ADAM RASGON

JERUSALEM — The only way for almost all people in Gaza to escape the horrors of the war between Israel and Hamas is by through neighboring leaving

And that is usually a complicated and expensive ordeal, involving the payment of thousands of dollars to an Egyptian company that can get Palestinians on an approved travel list to cross the bor-

Confronting the company's stiff fees, as well as the widespread hunger in Gaza where there is no end in sight to Israel's military

Exiting Through Egypt, Often Assisted by **GoFundMe**

campaign, many Palestinians have resorted to trying to raise money with desperate appeals on digital platforms like GoFundMe.

Dr. Salim Ghayyda, a pediatrician in northern Scotland, posted one such plea in January after his sister texted from Gaza to say that their father had suffered seizures.

Their father made it to a hospi-

tal and survived, but Dr. Ghayyda, 52, who left Gaza in 2003, said the episode convinced him he had to evacuate his family at any cost.

"I thought I'd go to sleep one night and wake up to the news that my family is gone," he said. "I felt helpless and hopeless, but I

knew I had to do something.' Over the past eight months, an estimated 100,000 people have left Gaza, Diab al-Louh, the Palestinian ambassador to Egypt, said in an interview. Though some managed to get out through connections to foreign organizations or governments, for many Gazans, exiting the territory is possible

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ISRAELI MILITARY IN GROWING RIFT WITH NETANYAHU

CONSCRIPTION DEBATED

Public Break Over Next Steps to Stabilize Postwar Gaza

By AARON BOXERMAN

JERUSALEM — Growing divisions between Israel's military commanders and the civilian government over the war in Gaza spilled into the open this week, raising questions about how Israel will conduct the next phase of

The rift has grown quietly for months, as Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his allies have at times appeared to blame the Israeli security services for the failure to prevent the Hamasled surprise attack on Oct. 7. More recently, the military has been frustrated by the Netanyahu government's fight to maintain the exemption from service enjoyed by ultra-Orthodox Jews while Is-

raeli forces are stretched thin. But the sharpest and most public break came on Wednesday, with unusually blunt comments from the armed forces' chief spokesman, Rear Adm. Daniel Hagari, reflecting fears among military leaders that the government's failure to articulate a vision for a postwar Gaza could squander the gains made against Hamas. "If we do not bring something else to Gaza, at the end of the day, we will get Hamas," he said in an interview with Israel's Channel

"Who is that someone else, what is that thing?" he asked. "The political leadership will decide. But in order to reach a situation in which we really weaken Hamas, that is the path."

Admiral Hagari also appeared to criticize Mr. Netanyahu's oft-repeated call for "absolute victory" over the Palestinian armed group. "The idea that it is possible to destroy Hamas, to make Hamas vanish — that is throwing sand in the eyes of the public," he said.

That prompted a swift rejoinder from Mr. Netanyahu's office, which said that the Israeli cabinet had set "the destruction of Hamas's military and governing capabilities" as one of the war's aims and that the Israeli military was "of course committed to this."

Mr. Netanyahu, no stranger to political conflict, is embattled on multiple fronts, feuding publicly with members of his own party, with leaders of other parties in his governing coalition, and with the Biden administration. But the public rift with military leaders is particularly striking wartime pressure for unity.

"There's an enormous lack of trust. The military no longer believes in the political leadership, parts of which no longer believe in the army," said Gadi Shamni, a retired Israeli general. "The military sees a lack of overall strategy,

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TIGHTENED GRIP A quiet change

increases an Israeli official's sway

on the West Bank. PAGE A10

Home on the Waves

Indonesia's Bajo people are embracing sedentary habits, but without forsaking the water. Page A8.

In an Aggressive Heat Wave, Brains React With Similar Hostility

By DANA G. SMITH

In July 2016, a heat wave hit Boston, with daytime temperatures averaging 92 degrees for five days in a row. Some university students who were staying in town for the summer got lucky and were living in dorms with central air-conditioning. Other students, not so much — they were stuck in older dorms without A.C. Jose Guillermo Cedeño Lau-

Cognition Is Impaired, Research Shows

rent, a Harvard researcher at the time, decided to take advantage of this natural experiment to see how heat, and especially heat at night, affected the young adults' cognitive performance. He had 44 students perform math and selfcontrol tests five days before the temperature rose, every day during the heat wave, and two days after.

"Many of us think that we are immune to heat," said Dr. Cedeño, now an assistant professor of environmental and occupational health and justice at Rutgers University. "So something that I wanted to test was whether that was really true."

It turns out even young, healthy

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college students are affected by high temperatures. During the hottest days, the students in the un-air-conditioned dorms, where nighttime temperatures averaged 79 degrees, performed significantly worse on the tests they took every morning than the students with A.C., whose rooms stayed a pleasant 71 degrees.

A heat wave is once again blanketing the Northeast, South and Continued on Page A13

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Rural U.S. Not Ready for Heat

Most of the strategies for helping people stay cool are geared toward America's urban areas, leaving behind vulnerable rural populations. PAGE A12

Targeted by Pro-Israel Groups

Representative Jamaal Bowman of New York faces a record \$14.5 million bid to take him down, signaling a change in how primaries are waged.

Trump Tax Provision Upheld

A Supreme Court ruling on a foreign income tax opens a window to challenge the power of Congress to impose a wealth tax on Americans. PAGE A18



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Putin's Trip to Vietnam

The Russian president was seeking a veneer of international legitimacy at a time of increasing isolation.

'Nightmare' for France's Jews

The alleged rape of a Jewish girl is inflaming an already divisive election campaign.

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Green Deferments

The financial industry increasingly recognizes the risks from climate change but is putting its short-term interests first. PAGE B1

TikTok Cites Security Efforts

The company said that disclosures about meetings with federal officials supported its argument that a new law was unconstitutional.

Executives Speak Out in Paris

Business leaders meeting in Paris saw threats from far-right anti-immigration policies and the spending plans of a left-wing coalition. PAGE B1

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Attracting Black Ballplayers

Major League Baseball hopes that a celebration in the Alabama hometown of Willie Mays, who died this week, will help bolster dwindling representation in the sport.

Embracing a Larger Purpose

Janee' Kassanavoid, a hammer thrower and a member of the Comanche Nation, won a historic medal in 2022. Now she enters the U.S. Olympic trials with a clear focus.

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Geared Up for Action Austin Butler, above, stars in "The

Bikeriders," a romanticized drama that chronicles the adventures of a fictional motorcycle club in the 1960s. PAGE C1



