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**THE WEATHER** 

Today, very warm, a mix of clouds and sun, high 86. **Tonight**, cloudy, a thunderstorm in some areas, low 66. **Tomorrow**, cloudy, a few showers, high 78. Weather map, Page B12.

Fight Over Policy

Turns Personal

and Spiteful

By TYLER PAGER

and THEODORE SCHLEIFER

WASHINGTON - It was al-

ways the most unlikely of alli-

Last year, two mercurial billion-

aires formed a partnership and

vowed to drive the country in a

new direction. Donald Trump had

the political power. Elon Musk had

the money and social media

But on Thursday, their union

dissolved in remarkably public

and rapid fashion, with the two

men attacking each other over

matters both significant and petty.

the breakup of the president and

the world's richest man upended

one of the most powerful dynam-

ics shaping Mr. Trump's second

Their dispute began days ago

over the president's signature do-

mestic policy bill, which Mr. Musk

had panned as a "disgusting

abomination." But it escalated un-

controllably on Thursday into one

over who deserved more credit for

Mr. Trump's election victory, why

Mr. Musk did not cover up his

black eye with makeup during an

Oval Office appearance last week

and why Mr. Trump had abruptly

dropped his support for a Musk

associate nominated to lead

The sparring swiftly devolved

into threats on their respective so-

cial media platforms, as Mr.

Trump threatened to cut the bil-

lions in dollars in federal govern-

ment contracts with Mr. Musk's

companies. For his part, Mr. Musk

unleashed a tirade of attacks on

the man he had once lavishly

praised. He suggested it might be

time to create a new political

party, claimed there were refer-

ences to Mr. Trump in govern-

ment documents about the late fi-

nancier and sex offender Jeffrey

Epstein and indicated his support

for a post calling for the presi-

Possible Thaw

As Trump Talks

By ANA SWANSON

Trade With Xi

Beyond the immediate drama,

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# Trump's New Travel Ban Draws a Muted Reaction

#### Wider Order but Less Outcry Than in 2017 — He Cites Need for More Security

This article is by **Hamed Aleaziz**, Ruth Maclean, Amelia Nierenberg and Thomas Fuller.

WASHINGTON - Leaders and citizens of countries targeted by the United States' new travel ban reacted with dismay and resignation on Thursday, after an emboldened President Trump resurrected one of the most controversial policies from his first term.

But the response on Thursday to the announcement of a travel ban on 12 countries, primarily in Africa and the Middle East, was muted compared with the loud denunciations, chaos at airports and legal challenges that greeted Mr. Trump's efforts to bar citizens from seven Muslim-majority countries during his first term.

The president's order, which he made public on Wednesday night and which goes into effect on Monday, bans travel to the United States by citizens of Afghanistan,

#### More on the White House

GERMANY The nation's new chancellor met with President Trump but failed to secure a pledge of support against Russia. PAGE A6

**POLITICS** At a gathering, centrist Democrats argued that their faction should seize control of the party's messaging. PAGE A15

Myanmar, Chad, the Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Haiti, Iran, Libya, Somalia,

Sudan and Yemen. Mr. Trump cited national security as the primary rationale, noting the terror attack this week in Boulder, Colo., which he said "has underscored the extreme dangers posed to our country by the entry of foreign nationals who are not properly vetted, as well as those who come here as temporary visitors and overstay their visas."

"We don't want them," he add-

An Egyptian man who overstayed his visa was charged in the attack, on a group said to be honoring hostages being held in Gaza. Egypt was not on the list of banned countries, however.

Mr. Trump also imposed restrictions, but stopped short of a full ban, on travel from Burundi, Cuba, Laos, Sierra Leone, Togo, Turkmenistan and Venezuela. People from those countries cannot come to the United States permanently, or get tourist or student

The new travel ban is the latest move in the president's crackdown on immigration, after he blocked asylum at the southern border, ordered immigration raids across the country and rapidly deported many migrants, in some

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# TRUMP AND MUSK SHATTER ALLIANCE IN AN ANGRY BURST OF PUBLIC INSULTS

#### **Battle of Social Media Heavyweights**

President Trump and Elon Musk have been publicly feuding since the billionaire denounced the president's domestic policy bill as a "disgusting abomination." On Thursday, a back-and-forth erupted on social media.

Mr. Musk took to X after the president claimed Mr. Musk was upset the bill removed subsidies for electric vehicles. Elon Musk 🗸 12:25 p.m. False, this bill was never shown to me even once and was passed in the dead of night so fast that almost no one in Congress could even read it!

Elon Musk 🗸 1:57 p.m. Is it time to create a new political party in America that actually represents the 80% in the middle?

Mr. Musk responded by insinuating Mr. Trump might be connected to a sex-trafficking investigation.

Elon Musk 🕗 3:10 p.m. Time to drop the really big bomb:

@realDonaldTrump is in the Epstein files. That is the real reason they have not been made public. Have a nice day, DJT!

Elon Musk 🕗 In light of the President's statement about cancellation of my government contracts, @SpaceX will begin decommissioning its

Dragon spacecraft immediately.

Elon Musk 🔮 The trump tariffs will cause a recession in the

second half of this year. Note: All times Eastern

Donald J. Trump 🤣

I don't mind Elon turning against me, but he

Mr. Trump responded on Truth Social, threatening

to cut Mr. Musk's government contracts.

Elon was "wearing thin," I asked him to leave, I

to buy Electric Cars that nobody else wanted

(that he knew for months I was going to do!),

The easiest way to save money in our Budget,

Billions and Billions of Dollars, is to terminate

was always surprised that Biden didn't do it!

Elon's Governmental Subsidies and Contracts. I

took away his EV Mandate that forced everyone

Donald J. Trump 🔇

Donald J. Trump 🔮

@realDonaldTrump

and he just went CRAZY!

should have done so months ago. This is one of the Greatest Bills ever presented to Congress. It's a Record Cut in Expenses, \$1.6 Trillion Dollars, and the Biggest Tax Cut ever given. If this Bill doesn't pass, there will be a 68% Tax Increase, and things far worse than that. I didn't create this mess, I'm just here to FIX IT. This puts our Country on a Path of Greatness. MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN!

> dent's impeachment. THE NEW YORK TIMES Continued on Page A14

## Justices Back Straight Woman Who Filed Discrimination Suit

#### By ADAM LIPTAK

WASHINGTON - The Supreme Court unanimously ruled on Thursday in favor of a straight woman who twice lost positions to gay workers, saying an appeals court had been wrong to require her to meet a heightened burden in seeking to prove workplace discrimination because she was a member of a majority group.

The decision came two years after the Supreme Court struck down race-conscious admissions programs in higher education and amid the Trump administration's fierce efforts to root out programs that promote diversity. The ruling will place further pressure on employers and others to eliminate affirmative action and other initiatives that seek to provide opportunities to members of historically disadvantaged groups.

Nearly half of the federal ap-

## Higher Proof Standard Rejected by Court

peals courts had required men and white people and other members of majority groups to meet a more demanding standard when they sued for workplace discrimination. In eliminating that requirement, the court said that a federal civil rights law demanded equal treatment of all individuals.

The standard for proving workplace discrimination under the law, Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson wrote for the court, "does not vary based on whether or not the plaintiff is a member of a majority

The case was brought by Marlean A. Ames, who had worked for the Ohio Department of Youth

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# He Grinned, and Eisenhower Said, 'OK, We'll Go'

4:09 p.m.

## By NAZANEEN GHAFFAR

"If he had got the forecast wrong," Peter Stagg said from his home an hour from Bordeaux, "I could have been sitting in German France — not France France."

Mr. Stagg was speaking about the pivotal role his father. Group Capt. James Stagg, played in liberating France from Nazi occupation. The elder Mr. Stagg was not a general or a foot soldier, but in the final hours before one of the most consequential moments of World War II, he was the man everyone was waiting on.

On June 6, 1944, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower ordered more than 150,000 Allied troops to storm the beaches of Normandy in one of the largest seaborne invasions in history. But hours before, Eisenhower's eyes were fixed not on the battlefield, but on the skies. More precisely, on the weather report laid out before him. And the meteorologist who had created it. described by his son as "a dour, irascible Scot," had to get it right.

"The weather forecast was a go or no-go," said Dr. Catherine Ross, a library and archive manager at the Met Office, the weather serv-Continued on Page A8

and DAVID PIERSON WASHINGTON - China and

the United States agreed on Thursday to hold more trade talks in hopes of breaking an impasse over tariffs and global supplies of rare earth minerals that has begun to threaten the global econ-

The promise of fresh discussions followed a phone conversation between the leaders of the two superpowers that President Trump described as "very pos-

Mr. Trump said in a post on Truth Social that his call with Xi Jinping, China's top leader, had focused entirely on the trade relationship between the nations, which has soured in recent months in a dispute over the export of critical minerals used in an array of industries.

The president implied that the two leaders had resolved issues surrounding mineral exports, which China had recently halted to the United States, though he did not provide details. He said his trade team would meet again soon with Chinese officials in a yet-tobe-determined location. Mr. Trump added that he and Mr. Xi had invited each other and their

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# 'Charlatans' No Reason to Curb Untested Drugs, Kennedy Says

#### By CHRISTINA JEWETT Health Secretary Robert F. Ken-

nedy Jr. recently declared that he wanted to expand access to experimental therapies but conceded that they could be risky or fraudulent. In a podcast with Gary Brecka,

who describes himself as a longevity expert, Mr. Kennedy vowed to end what he called the Food and Drug Administration's war with alternative medicine. He said that would include stem cells, vitamins, peptides and chelation therapy, which involves removing heavy metals from the blood.

"If you want to take an experimental drug — you can do that, you ought to be able to do that,' Mr. Kennedy said.

"And of course you're going to get a lot of charlatans, and you're going to get people who have bad results," he added. "And ulti-

#### Promise to Deregulate Alternative Medicine

mately, you can't prevent that either way. Leaving the whole thing in the hands of pharma is not working for us."

Mr. Kennedy cited his own experience at a clinic in Antigua, where he said he received a stem cell treatment that "enormously" eased his neurological condition, spasmodic dysphonia, which affects his voice and has few treatment options.

If Mr. Kennedy does permit broader use of unauthorized or experimental therapies, he would be reversing longstanding efforts by the F.D.A. to monitor and sometimes police the emerging field. Experts, including some who sup-

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## An Evolving Brilliance

In a haunting show at the Met, works of the artist Lorna Simpson shed light on

## **Predictions for Tony Awards**

"Maybe Happy Ending" (with Darren Criss and Helen J Shen, below) is among the shows expected to win. PAGE C1



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Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower speaking with U.S. paratroopers in England before the D-Day assault.

## A Son, Not Like His Father

The father of Xi Jinping, Xi Zhongxun, was purged by the Communist Party he served and went on to help reform Chinese politics. His son is the most authoritarian leader since Mao. PAGE B1

## 'Nobody Likes Chaos'

Policymakers and business owners in the United States are navigating a highly uncertain moment for the economy, wary of overreacting but watchful of a meaningful downturn. PAGE B1

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Sam Tanenhaus

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SPORTS B6-9

#### A Shameful Streak for Canada It has been 32 years since a Canadian

team hoisted the Stanley Cup. Can the Oilers end the drought for a discouraged hockey-crazy country?





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#### **Tactic Deters Rhino Killings**

Poaching rates sank in African reserves where veterinarians performed dehorning procedures, a study found. PAGE A9

#### Gaza Aid Group's New Chief

Johnnie Moore, an evangelical former Trump adviser, takes the helm after a rollout was marred by chaos. PAGE A5

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## G.O.P.'s Sway Over University

As institutions' leaders face political pressure around the country, Indiana University's president has acquiesced to many conservative plans. PAGE A16

## **Abortion Pill Restrictions**

Four states have asked the F.D.A. to lift the strongest remaining limits on mifepristone, in a move to force acknowledgment of its safety.

## Spicy Debate in Mayor's Race

Former Gov. Andrew Cuomo appeared exasperated and dismissive as his Democratic rivals attacked his record in a New York primary debate. PAGE A20

the politics of race and gender. PAGE C1