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Sheep near Belalp, Switzerland. A glacier once allowed livestock to walk across the canyon to reach the summer pastures. After it melted, a path was cut into the wall.

## Israel Displays Tunnel System Beneath Gaza

By ISABEL KERSHNER

KHAN YOUNIS, Gaza Strip — In a subterranean compound deep below Khan Younis, a Hamas stronghold in the southern Gaza Strip, the five cells with barred doors that the Israeli military says held hostages abducted from Israel had clearly been constructed long in advance.

The tunnel builders even paid some attention to décor: The tiled walls of a small kitchenette in the compound, littered with remnants of food and dirty dishes, were embellished with a quaint, if incongruous, motif of teapots and teacups.

The Israeli military said that roughly 20 hostages were kept in the compound at various times. It said it pieced that assessment together based on testimony it said it gathered from the captives, as well as evidence like DNA. Some were released among the more than 100 hostages freed during a weeklong truce in late November, while others, including older people, were later dispersed to other locations in Gaza, the military said.

There has been no independent confirmation of the Israeli account of the compound, but details provided to Israeli media by one of the hostages — who was freed in November and, Israel says, held in the Khan Younis compound — aligns with some of those assertions.

Some 240 captives were seized during the Hamas-led Oct. 7 attack on southern Israel, in which about 1,200 people were killed, according to Israeli officials. More than 25,000 Gazans have been killed so far, most of them civilians, according to health authorities in the enclave, following a punishing counterattack by Israel.

A journalist for The New York Times descended on Friday morning into the dark labyrinth leading to the compound under Khan Younis.

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**TENT CAMPS** Satellite images show an influx of displaced people into southern Gaza. PAGE A8

## Fading Swiss Glaciers Force Traditions to Bend

By CATHERINE PORTER

For centuries, Swiss farmers have sent their cattle, goats and sheep up the mountains to graze in warmer months before bringing them back down at the start of autumn.

Devised in the Middle Ages to save precious grass in the valleys for winter stock, the tradition of "summering" has so transformed the countryside into a patchwork of forests and pastures that maintaining its appearance was written into the Swiss Constitution as an essential role of agriculture.

It has also knitted together essential threads of the country's modern identity: alpine cheeses, hiking trails that crisscross sum-

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mer pastures, cowbells echoing off the mountainsides.

In December, the United Nations heritage agency UNESCO added the Swiss tradition to its extensive "intangible cultural heritage" list.

But climate change threatens to scramble those traditions. Warming temperatures, glacier loss, less snow and an earlier snow melt are forcing farmers across Switzerland to adapt.

Not all are feeling the changes in the same way in a country where the Alps create many microclimates. Some are enjoying bigger yields on summer pastures, allowing them to extend their alpine seasons. Others are being forced by more frequent and intense droughts to descend with their herds earlier.

The more evident the effect on the Swiss, the more potential trouble it spells for all of Europe.

Switzerland has long been considered Europe's water tower, the place where deep winter snows would accumulate and gently melt through the warmer months, augmenting the trickling runoff from thick glaciers that helped

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A rally in North Korea on Jan. 5. Some experts have said Kim Jong-un's latest signals feel different.

## Nuclear Threats Spur Debate on Kim's Motives

By CHOE SANG-HUN

SEOUL — North Korea fired hundreds of artillery shells in waters near South Korean border islands on Jan. 5. Last week, it said it no longer regarded the South as inhabited by "fellow countrymen" but as a "hostile state" it would subjugate through a nuclear war. On Friday, it said

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it had tested an underwater nuclear drone to help repel U.S. Navy fleets.

That new drumbeat of threats, while the United States and its allies have been preoccupied with the wars in Ukraine and the Middle East, has set foreign officials and analysts wondering

whether the North's leader, Kim Jong-un, has moved beyond posturing and is planning to assert more military force.

For decades, a central part of the North Korean playbook has been to stage carefully measured and timed military provocations — some aimed at tightening internal discipline, others at demanding attention from its

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As she prepares to step away from surfing, the gold medal winner Carissa Moore is ready to come to terms with her fears about what life will be without her sport.

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Highlight-reel play after highlight-reel play, the 7-foot-4 Victor Wembanyama of the San Antonio Spurs shows how unique his talent is in the N.B.A. And he's only getting better.

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Today, periodic clouds and sunshine, not as cold, high 40. Tonight, mostly cloudy, low 34. Tomorrow, cloudy, even milder, rain moving in at night, high 41. Weather map, Page A20.

## DESGANIS DECIDES TO END CAMPAIGN FOR WHITE HOUSE

### WILL SUPPORT TRUMP

Failure in Iowa Doomed an Error-Filled Run From the Right

This article is by Nicholas Neumann, Maggie Haberman, Jonathan Swan and Shane Goldmacher.

MANCHESTER, N.H. — Gov. Ron DeSantis of Florida suspended his campaign for president on Sunday and endorsed former President Donald J. Trump, marking a spectacular implosion for a candidate once seen as having the best chance to dethrone Mr. Trump as the Republican Party's nominee in 2024.

His departure from the race just two days before the New Hampshire primary election leaves Nikki Haley, the former governor of South Carolina, as Mr. Trump's last rival standing.

Mr. DeSantis's devastating 30-percentage-point loss to Mr. Trump in the Iowa caucuses last Monday had left him facing a daunting question: Why keep going? On Sunday, he provided his answer, acknowledging there was no point in soldiering on without a "clear path to victory."

"I am today suspending my campaign," Mr. DeSantis said in a video posted after The New York Times reported that he was expected to leave the race, adding: "Trump is superior to the current incumbent, Joe Biden. That is clear. I signed a pledge to support the Republican nominee, and I will honor that pledge. He has my endorsement because we can't go back to the old Republican guard of yesteryear."

Mr. DeSantis had flown home to Tallahassee late Saturday after campaigning in South Carolina. He had been expected to appear at a campaign event in New Hampshire on Sunday afternoon, but it was canceled.

Even before Mr. DeSantis made his announcement, Mr. Trump had begun speaking about his candidacy in the past tense. "May he rest in peace," Mr. Trump said of Mr. DeSantis at a Saturday evening rally in Manchester, N.H.

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Gov. Ron DeSantis said he did not see a "clear path to victory."

## Haley Steered Into Ethics Fog Over Job Deals

By SHARON LaFRANIERE and ALEXANDRA BERZON

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Nikki Haley had been serving in the South Carolina legislature for less than two years when she applied for a job in late 2006 as an accounting

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clerk at Wilbur Smith Associates, an engineering and design firm with state contracts.

She needed work. Her parents' clothing business, where she and her husband, Michael Haley, had both worked, was winding down. Ms. Haley was earning a salary of just \$22,000 as a part-time state legislator. And her husband's own enterprise, involving businesses swapping goods and services, was losing money.

Wilbur Smith executives regarded Ms. Haley as overqualified for the accounting job. But because of her wide-ranging network, they would later say, they put Ms. Haley on a retainer, asking her to scout out potential new business. She never found any, a

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## Atheist Chaplain Helps Inmate Face Last Hours on Death Row

By EMMA GOLDBERG

McALESTER, Okla. — "God, that chicken," Devin Moss has a voice that rumbles, low and slow like distant thunder, but this morning it was softer, more contemplative. His hands gripped the steering wheel of his rental car. He was dressed head to toe in white linen, his body glowing in an almost celestial way, as he drove toward the Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

Moss, a chaplain, had spent the year working as the spiritual adviser to Phillip Hancock, a death row inmate in Oklahoma. The morning of the November execu-

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Prabowo Subianto, who was part of the country's dictatorship, has reinvented himself and is leading the polls.

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San Giovanni Lipioni, a tiny town in central Italy, hopes a marketing push will attract younger people.

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A look at the 15th-century figure who's the focus of "Gutenberg! The Musical!" on Broadway, with, above from left, Andrew Rannells and Josh Gad.

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