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Watching the River Floes
Jumbles of ice floating near Lower Manhattan. Despite the region’s persistent cold snap, no one should expect the Hudson River to freeze over anytime soon. Page 21.

MAN IN THE NEWS
KEVIN M. WARSH

Trump’s Push Will Test Spine Of Fed Choice

By **SYDNEY EMBER** and **COLBY SMITH**

Kevin M. Warsh, then a junior at Stanford University, seemed aware of the brewing ill will. He had just won a contentious election for chair of the student senate after a vote that some members felt was too hasty. Facing anxiety about the process and his ability to lead impartially, he quickly tried to provide some assurances. “I will not be manipulated by political parties,” he told The Stanford Daily, the school’s student newspaper, in May 1991. “I do not have an agenda.”

Thirty-five years later, the onus is on Mr. Warsh once again to prove that he can run an institution under pressure — this time with implications far beyond the halls of student governance.

On Friday, President Trump announced that he planned to nominate Mr. Warsh, 55, to serve as the next chair of the Federal Reserve, capping a lengthy bake-off to replace Jerome H. Powell, whose term as Fed chair concludes in May.

Those who know Mr. Warsh, a former Fed governor, believe he is up to the task, bolstered by his talent for amassing support that has long been one of his signature strengths.

“He’s able to bring individuals

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FILES RELEASED Documents shed new light on Jeffrey Epstein’s ties to several powerful men. **PAGE 17**

Conservatives Are Undercutting D.E.I. in Flood of Lawsuits

By **ANEMONA HARTOCOLLIS**

Faced with a lawsuit, a venture capital firm ended a contest that gave \$20,000 grants to Black women entrepreneurs.

In a settlement, McDonald’s stopped limiting a college scholarship to students who had at least one parent of Hispanic origin.

A white theatergoer has sued an Off Broadway theater, demanding

that it pay damages for offering discounted tickets to people of color.

Conservative groups have brought dozens of lawsuits since the Supreme Court’s decision in 2023 that ended affirmative action in college admissions.

Their ambitions are grand: To push that change beyond universities into other areas of American life, including corporations, law firms, health care, the arts and

Seeking to Cement End of Affirmative Action

private nonprofits offering scholarships intended to help people of a certain race or ethnicity.

And in some cases, they are using a novel strategy, employing Reconstruction-era laws that were intended to ensure the rights

of Black people against D.E.I. programs.

In many cases, they are claiming easy victories, lawyers on both sides say, with defendants buckling soon after the case is filed.

“My boss says ‘the air war has been won,’ and now we have to do the dirty work of going house to house and taking out these programs one at a time,” said Dan

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Guilty Pleasure or a Necessity? Delivery Apps Reshape Dining.

By **PRIYA KRISHNA**

There’s pasta in the pantry and jarred sauce in the refrigerator. So what compels Kiely Reedy to keep having spaghetti with marinara delivered from the restaurant down the street, for several times the cost of cooking the dish herself?

It’s not that the restaurant dish is particularly good, she said. “It’s the instant gratification.”

From her roughly \$50,000 annual salary as a data processor in San Diego, Ms. Reedy, 34, spends at least \$200 to \$300 a week on food delivery. Ordering in has eaten away at her savings, she said, and led her to socialize less. She tips generously, but worries that the delivery drivers are poorly paid.

“I feel reliant upon it,” she said, “but guilt for using it.”

Food delivery, which skyrocketed during the pandemic as a practical necessity, has become even more entrenched in the years since as a convenience, an everyday alternative to cooking or eating out. DoorDash is now a verb. And the new delivery economy is transforming the way Americans live — reshaping budgets, mealtimes and social habits.

In 2024, almost three of every four restaurant orders were not eaten in a restaurant, according to data from the National Restaurant Association. The number of households using delivery had roughly doubled from 2019, just before the pandemic, the group said. And in a survey last year, about one-third of American

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In a survey last year, about one-third of American adults said that they ordered food for delivery at least once a week.

A TECH ARSENAL IS ASSISTING ICE IN MINNEAPOLIS

CONCERNS OVER REACH

Facial Recognition Tools Track Protesters and Find Immigrants

By **SHEERA FRENKEL** and **AARON KROLIK**

On the morning of Jan. 10, Nicole Cleland was in her car trailing an Immigration and Customs Enforcement agent through Richfield, Minn., her hometown.

Suddenly, the agent turned into a series of one-way streets and stopped, getting out of his white Dodge Ram, said Ms. Cleland, who volunteers with a local watchdog group that observes the activity of immigration officers. The agent then walked over to Ms. Cleland’s car and surprised her by addressing her as Nicole.

“He said he had facial recognition and that his body camera was on,” said Ms. Cleland, 56, who had not met the agent before.

Ms. Cleland was one of at least seven American citizens told by ICE agents last month that they were being recorded with facial recognition technology in and around Minneapolis, according to local activists and videos posted to social media, which were verified by The New York Times. None had given consent for their faces to be recorded.

Facial recognition is just one technology tool that ICE has deployed in Minneapolis, where thousands of agents are conducting a crackdown. The technologies are being used not only to identify undocumented immigrants but also to track citizens who have protested ICE’s presence, said three current and former officials of the Department of Homeland Security who were not authorized to discuss confidential matters.

ICE is using two facial recognition programs in Minnesota, they said, including one made by the tech company Clearview AI and a newer program, Mobile Fortify. The agency is also using cellphone and social media tools to monitor people’s online activity and potentially hack into phones. And agents are tapping into a database, built by the data analytics company Palantir, that combines government and commercial data to identify real-time locations for individuals they are pursuing, the current and former officials said.

“The technologies are being deployed, or appear to be deployed, in a much more aggressive way than we have seen in the past,” said Nathan Freed Wessler, a lawyer at the American Civil Liberties Union, which has sued the Homeland Security Department over the immigration operation in Minneapolis. “The conglomerate

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PROTESTS Crowds across the U.S. rallied against the president’s immigration crackdown. **PAGE 22**

REVERSAL A judge ordered that a 5-year-old boy and his father be freed from custody. **PAGE 22**

Olympian Lost His Parents in a Plane Crash, but Found Them Again at the Rink

By **JULIET MACUR**

ST. LOUIS — There was a time, not too long ago, when Maxim Naumov was so paralyzed with grief that he could not lace up his figure skates.

Feeling numb, he would sift through childhood photos of himself with his parents, the former world champion pairs skaters Evgenia Shishkova and Vadim Naumov, trying to remember his life with them.

There he was as a baby, atop his father’s shoulders. And there, the first time he skated, at 2 or 3. His parents are flanking him as he smiles, each holding one of his tiny hands.

After Naumov’s mother and father were killed in the plane crash in Washington, D.C., last year, he could hardly escape his sadness.

Reminders of them were everywhere at the Skating Club of Boston, where they had coached him, their only child. Memorials of flowers. Handwritten cards. A life-size portrait of them displayed on an easel.

“All I wanted to do in that moment was lay in my bed or lay on my couch and just rot, essentially,” Naumov, who is 24, said last month. “And it was a moment

where I knew that the complete opposite of that was the path.”

Not only did Naumov skate again, but last week, the anniversary of the midair collision, he flew to Milan to compete for the United States at the Winter Olympics, which open Feb. 6.

“We did it,” Naumov said, with tears in his eyes, after being named to the U.S. Olympic team last month. “We did it together.”

His parents dreamed of this moment ever since they started coaching him when he was 5 — although the plan was that they would be together to celebrate.

On the night of Jan. 29, 2025, Maxim Naumov and his roommate and fellow U.S. national team member, the pairs skater Spencer Howe, were playing video games at home outside Boston

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A local official said at least 26 people had died. The Israeli military said its airstrikes were aimed at Hamas. **PAGE 6**

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The 2.6 million-square-foot Terminal One, part of the multibillion-dollar redevelopment of Kennedy International Airport, will be nearly as large as the Empire State Building. **PAGE 6**

A Story of Suspicions
Diana Multare’s memory was failing, and her \$28,000-a-month assisted living facility wouldn’t let her leave. Was it protecting her from an untrustworthy guardian? **PAGE 1**

