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THE WEATHER
Today, clouds and sunshine, a stray shower may not be ruled out, high 76. Tonight, partly cloudy, low 60. Tomorrow, intervals of clouds and sun, high 76. Weather map, Page B6.

Prices in Canada may be higher

\$4.00

NEWS ANALYSIS

In Biden Trial, The Attention Is on Women

A Cohort Anguished by a Son's Addiction

By ZACH MONTAGUE
and KATIE ROGERS

WILMINGTON, Del. — One by one, the women drifted into the courthouse: The wife. The ex-wife. The daughter. The sister-in-law who, through the fog of tragedy and drug abuse, ended up an ex-girlfriend.

Once inside the courtroom, they locked their eyes past the many strangers who watched them — people who wondered if they would break down, or say the wrong thing. If they would cry.

Hunter Biden is the one on criminal trial, staring down gun charges. But the spectacle in the courtroom has forced the Biden women into an uncomfortable spotlight.

In the family, public life has often revolved around the men. The women called to testify had, at different points, tried to support and protect the one who was the troubled husband, father and son — and whose ruinous history of addiction continues to hit them with shrapnel. The women who didn't speak sat in the courtroom, playing parts of nurturers and sentinels.

The pain of this responsibility was written on the face of Hunter Biden's eldest daughter, Naomi Biden Neal, who testified on his behalf on Friday.

"He seemed great," a nervous-sounding Ms. Biden Neal, dressed in black with her hair pulled back, told the court on Friday. "He seemed hopeful."

Ms. Biden Neal, 30, was describing a period in October 2018 when drug addiction was again overtaking her father's life. That month, Hunter Biden had bought a gun and filled out a federal form attesting that he was not using drugs — a decision that is at the heart of the prosecution's case against him.

Ms. Biden Neal had to revisit

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The Messiness On Reality TV Turns Litigious

By JULIA JACOB

Tran Dang sued the makers of the Netflix dating series "Love Is Blind" over allegations of "false imprisonment," saying it confined her and the rest of the cast to hotel rooms without their phones. She also accused a fellow cast member of groping her and exposing himself.

Bravo's "Real Housewives" universe has inspired a string of lawsuits, as the drama and battles have moved from TV screens to social media to tabloids to court dockets. Caroline Manzo, who had signed on to appear in a spinoff, accused the companies behind the show of failing to intervene when a co-star forcibly groped and kissed her during filming, and charged that they "regularly ply the Real Housewives cast with alcohol, cause them to become severely intoxicated" and then encourage or allow them to "sexually harass other cast members because that is good for ratings."

And Faith Stowers, a former member of the cast of "Vanderpump Rules," a spinoff of "The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills," sued the companies behind the show, claiming that after she had reported instances of racism, harassment and another cast member brandishing a knife at

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TAKEN BY RUSSIA



How the war's most vulnerable victims were stripped of their national identity.

NEWS ANALYSIS

Israel's Rescue Euphoria Fades as Troubles Linger

Pressure Mounts After Cabinet Shake-Up

By ISABEL KERSHNER

Yediot Achronot newspaper on Sunday.

"It doesn't solve the problem in the north; it doesn't solve the problem in Gaza; and it doesn't solve the slew of other problems that threaten Israel in the international arena," he added.

The decision on Sunday of Benny Gantz, a former military chief and Mr. Netanyahu's main political rival, to pull his centrist National Unity party out of the emergency wartime cabinet left Mr. Netanyahu even more exposed.

The stability of Mr. Netanyahu's government now appears to be hanging in the balance.



NIR ELIAS/REUTERS
Benny Gantz quit Israel's emergency government.

Pressure has been building on the Israeli government to reach a deal with Hamas for the release of all the remaining hostages.

But the fate of Israel's proposal for a truce and a hostage and prisoner swap, as outlined by President Biden more than a week ago, is still uncertain. The Biden administration and Israeli officials say they are still awaiting a formal response from Hamas to determine whether negotiations can resume.

Israelis are now debating whether the hostage rescue operation will help or hinder the prospects for such a deal — one

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Cats Once Lived Unbothered In Old San Juan. People, Too.

By PATRICIA MAZZEI

SAN JUAN, P.R. — Feral cats have roamed the blue cobblestone streets of Old San Juan for as long as anyone can remember. They meander around a historic

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fortress that looms over San Juan Bay, hiding from the hot sun under sea grape bushes.

San Juaneros feed them. Tourists snap their pictures. But probably not for much longer: The federal agency that manages the fortress and the land around it wants the cats gone, saying that they are a nuisance and could be carrying disease.

The reasons differ — for the people, it is investors snapping up properties and pushing up

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ERIKA P. RODRIGUEZ FOR THE NEW YORK TIMES
A federal plan to remove feral cats hits close to home for locals.

Dozens of Children Were Removed From Ukraine, Given Russian Papers and Put Up for Adoption

By YOUSUR AL-HLOU and MASHA FROLIKA

MOVED FROM TROUBLED HOMES OR ABANDONED.

"Who else would have stayed behind to look after them?" Dr. Lukina said about her decision to remain with the children. "Imagine if we all turned our backs and left?"

Olena Korniyenko, the director of the foster home and the children's legal guardian, had prepared emergency bags for the children two weeks earlier, and she had stocked the home with boxes of food, water and diapers.

But the building was not equipped to withstand gunfire or shelling, and the police had already fled the city. When Ms. Korniyenko called the police chief to ask about using their underground bunker just 300 yards away, he warned her that the station would become a military target.

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