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Today, partly sunny, less humid, high 80. **Tonight,** partly cloudy, seasonable, low 67. **Tomorrow**, sunshine and clouds, seasonable, high 81. Weather map is on Page C8.

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Obama Urges G.O.P. Leaders To Snub Trump Calls Candidate 'Unfit' to Be President

By MICHAEL D. SHEAR and NICK CORASANITI WASHINGTON - In an extraordinary denunciation of Donald J. Trump's temperament and

competence, President Obama

urged leaders of the Republican Party on Tuesday to withdraw their endorsements of Mr. Trump's candidacy, flatly calling him "unfit to serve" as the nation's 45th president. Speaking in the East Room of the White House while Mr. Trump rallied supporters in a nearby Virginia suburb, the president noted

died in Iraq. But Mr. Obama said the political recriminations from Republicans "ring hollow" if the party's leaders continue to support Mr. Trump's campaign.

the Republican criticism of Mr.

Trump for his attacks on the Mus-

lim parents of an American sol-

dier, Capt. Humayun Khan, who

"The question they have to ask themselves is: If you are repeatedly having to say in very strong terms that what he has said is unacceptable, why are you still endorsing him?" Mr. Obama said. "What does this say about your party that this is your standard-

The president's condemnation of Mr. Trump, and his direct appeal to Republicans to abandon their candidate, were stunning even in a city where politics has become a brutal and personal affair. Mr. Obama seemed eager to go beyond his past interventions in the race, which have included forceful rejections of Mr. Trump's statements and policy proposals.

Douglas Brinkley, a presidential historian, called Mr. Obama's comments "a highly unusual and almost unprecedented moment.' The last time a sitting president was as openly critical of the other

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TRUMP SWIPES AT REPUBLICANS AFTER REBUKES

PERIL TO G.O.P. ALLIANCE

Battle With Parents of Soldier Poses Risk of Wide Defections

By ALEXANDER BURNS

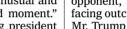
Donald J. Trump's unabashed and continuing hostility toward the parents of a slain Muslim American soldier, and his attacks on Republican leaders who have rebuked him for it, threaten to shatter his uneasy alliance with the Republican Party at the outset of the general election campaign.

Ignoring the pleas of his advisers and entreaties from party leaders in Washington, Mr. Trump only dug in further on Tuesday. He told a Virginia television station that he had no regrets about his clash with Khizr and Ghazala Khan, the parents of an Army captain killed in Iraq. And in an extraordinarily provocative interview with The Washington Post, Mr. Trump declined to endorse for re-election several Republicans who had criticized him, including the House speaker, Paul D. Ryan of Wisconsin, and Senator John McCain of Arizona, who both face primaries this month.

He also belittled Senator Kelly Ayotte of New Hampshire, who had criticized his treatment of the Khans, for not being supportive of his campaign.

For days, Mr. Trump's top advisers and allies have urged him to move on from the feud. which erupted when Mr. Khan criticized him at the Democratic convention, and focus instead on the economy and the national security record of his Democratic opponent, Hillary Clinton. Yet, facing outcry on the left and right, Mr. Trump has insisted to associates that he has been treated un-

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MUSLIMS WHO SERVE Donald J. Trump's clash with a Muslim couple has turned a spotlight on Muslims in the military. PAGE A9

Competing for Olympic Fame, Wearing Brand X on Their Feet

By JERÉ LONGMAN and JOE WARD

RIO DE JANEIRO — The track and field events at the Rio Olympics this month will showcase elite athletic talent and, if you look closely, creative subterfuge.

Tape, markers, elastic sleeves and maybe even paint will disguise some shoe brand logos in an Olympic sleight of foot.

In track and field, the centerpiece sport of the Summer Games, shoes are the most vital piece of equipment and serve purposes beyond performance: supplying advertising billboards for apparel companies and providing finan-

U.S. Seeks Next Prize

The U.S., last year's Women's World Cup champion, is taking aim at a fourth straight Olympic gold medal in soccer. Page B10.



Some track and field athletes use paint to disguise footwear.

cial footing for athletes. But some athletes do not want the world to see the logos on their shoes, or they are prohibited from doing so by their sponsors if they wear competing brands.

Although United States track and field athletes at the Rio Games must wear uniforms bearing the familiar swoosh of Nike, an official team sponsor, they are free to wear their own brand of shoes.

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Grief and Vigilantism in the Philippines

Jennilyn Olayres cradled her husband's body after gunmen shot him, part of a surging toll in the nation's war on drugs. Page A4.

Bratton Is Out As Police Chief For New York

By J. DAVID GOODMAN

William J. Bratton, the commissioner of the New York Police Department and the most widely recognized face in American policing. will step down next month to take a job with a private advisory firm, ending a 45-year career in public life that spanned the country, from Boston to Los Angeles, and that reshaped the image of what a police commander could be.

The timing of Mr. Bratton's departure and the choice of his successor were made final only on Monday evening, and the details remained under wraps until just a couple of hours before the official announcement on Tuesday afternoon at City Hall.

In detailing the change in leadership, Mayor Bill de Blasio emphasized "continuity," and Mr. Bratton highlighted a "seamless transition." But like every previous change atop the Police Department, the nation's largest force, the news raised a host of questions about its direction. Mr. Bratton's departure comes at a time when police agencies around the country are under intense pressure to address questions about racial bias and the excessive use of force.

"Policing is never done: it's always unfinished business," Mr. Bratton said, speaking last in a Continued on Page A18

Fitful Recovery in Las Vegas Fuels Voter Anger

By JACK HEALY

LAS VEGAS - Michael Hutchings bet it all when he built his 3,300-square-foot dream home on a strip of rock-strewn desert gazing west toward the Las Vegas Strip. He had made a fortune building custom homes as Vegas boomed higher and higher, and for his own, he chose red Spanish tiles, wrought iron and silky white plaster. A guesthouse? Sure. Swimming pool? Of course.

That was 2006. You know what happened next. Today, more than eight years after the housing crash, Mr. Hutchings, 49, owes **ANXIOUS IN AMERICA** Housing Crisis Hangover

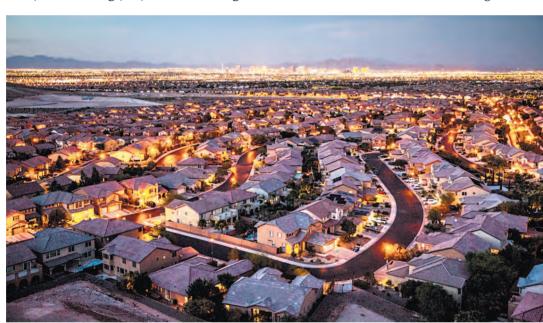
about \$800,000 on a property that has not recovered its value from the bubble days. As neighbors lost their homes to foreclosure, he started to hear gunshots and see stray dogs roaming the streets here around Sunrise Mountain. A drug dealer moved in down the block. Over the protests of his wife, Terrisa, Mr. Hutchings now stashes an unloaded shotgun in the bedroom closet and a handgun in the kitchen cabinets, tucked beside the glassware.

He could walk away from his mortgage and lose the \$580,000 he has paid, or he can keep pouring his savings into the same hole. It is a mess with no good choices, he said, just like the presidential election. He will vote Republican, but Clinton or Trump — either way, it feels like a losing wager, he said.

"The whole system's kind of broke," he said. "We're trying to reinvent ourselves, trying to run businesses, trying to pretend like it's 2003 again. And it's not."

Mr. Hutchings said he had watched the presidential race with growing nausea, as Donald J.

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A housing development on the edge of Las Vegas. Nevada's unemployment rate is 6.4 percent.

Pay Equity the Aim, Interviewers Can't Ask 'What Do You Make?'

By STACY COWLEY

In a groundbreaking effort to close the wage gap between men and women, Massachusetts has become the first state to bar employers from asking about applicants' salaries before offering them a job.

The new law will require hiring

managers to state a compensation figure upfront — based on what an applicant's worth is to the company, rather than on what he or she made in a previous position.

The bipartisan legislation. signed into law on Monday by Gov. Charlie Baker, a Republican, is being pushed as a model for other states, as the issue of men historically outearning women who do the same job has leapt onto the national political scene.

Nationally, there have been repeated efforts to strengthen equal pay laws — which are already on the books but tend to lack teeth but none have succeeded so far. Hillary Clinton has tried to make equal pay a signature issue of her campaign, while Donald J. Trump's daughter Ivanka praised

her father for his actions on this issue when she spoke at the Republican National Convention.

By barring companies from asking prospective employees how much they earned at their last jobs, Massachusetts will ensure that the historically lower wages and salaries assigned to women and minorities do not fol-

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Vote Will Test A.N.C.'s Grip

South African municipal elections may be the nation's most fiercely contested in decades and will test voters' allegiance to the African National Congress. Above, an A.N.C. event. PAGE A4

Egypt Faces Fading Influence

After five years of political and economic turmoil, Egypt is heavy with pessimism and seems powerless to reverse its declining status.

ARTS C1-7

Artwork's Provenance Clouded

The collector Ronald S. Lauder, chairman of the Commission for Art Recoverv. savs a work at his Neue Galerie may be returned to people who claim to be the rightful owners.

BUSINESS DAY B1-7

China Exporting Innovation

Some Silicon Valley companies, particularly in the mobile industry, are turning to China for ideas, a switch for a country long seen as copying American PAGE B1 technology.

Banks Try a New Pitch

With Olympics advertising and more, big banks are pushing to convince the public that they are not as bad as politicians make them out to be.

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A Milk Source Runs Dry

As the sprawling Elmhurst Dairy closes in Jamaica, Queens, it means that for the first time since the city was New Amsterdam, no one will put milk in packages within city limits.



NATIONAL A9-14

Not Flossing? Spit Out the Guilt

Feeling guilty because you don't floss daily? The latest federal dietary guidelines for Americans quietly dropped any mention of flossing.



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Next Stop, Iceland

Pete Wells reviews Agern, a New Nordic restaurant tucked into a surprisingly peaceful, comfortable corner of Grand Central Terminal. PAGE D1

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