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Unwritten Rule

Poses Dilemma

For 2 Inquiries

Midterms Could Delay

Justice Dept. Moves

By CHABLIE SAVAGE

WASHINGTON - As the idterm elections near, top Jus-

veighing whether to temporarily cale back work in criminal inves-

tigations involving former Presi dent Donald J. Trump because of an unwritten rule forbidding over

ctions that could improperly in

Under what is known as the 60 day rule, the department has tra-ditionally avoided taking any

steps in the run-up to an election that could affect how people vote

out of caution that such move

emocracy. Mr. Trump, who is not on the

in the Republican Party, poses a particular dilemma for Attorney

Seneral Merrick B. Garland

two investigations involving former president. They incl

the sprawling inquiry into the Jan 6 riot and his related effort to over

turn the 2020 election and anothe into his hearding of sensitive government documents at his Florid club and residence.

A Justice Department spokes-man delined to comment. But as the 60-day deadline looms this week, the highly savasual situation

offers no easy answers, said Jack Goldsmith, a Harvard Law School

professor and the former head o the Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel.

tain scope, so it's not at all clear that it applies to taking investiga-tive steps against a noncandidate

that if applies to taking investiga-tive steps against a noncandidate former president who is neverthe-less intimately involved in the No-vember election," Mr. Goldsmith

said. "But its purpose of avoiding any significant impact on an elec-tion seems to be implicated."

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Despite its name, the 40-day
rule is a general principle rather
than a written law or regulation.

Its breadth and limits are undefined. The Justice Department
has some formal policies and
guidelines that relate to the norm,

Sometime soon — maybe a cou-ple of days, maybe two weeks — ther tennis career would end. But not yet. There

not yet. There was one more tour-nament: the U.S. Open.

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Would she miss mornings like

have to worry about performing on such a high level and compet-

ballet but wields outs

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THE KEEPER Soccer meant everything to Fati. In a country where women had few options, playing goalkeeper for the Afghan national team gave her courage, confidence, a nam-When the Taliban rolled into Kabul, she received a text from a teammate: They are going to kill the athletes. A new life awaited in a place far away, if only she could get then



BY JULIET MACUR | SPORTS SECTION D

#### **EUROPE SPRINTS** Russians Use Bioweapon Lie To Smear U.S.

Disinformation Keeps Circulating Abroad

By STEVEN LEE MYERS

Of the many fairsehoods that the

tinue to circulate. Backed at times by China's diplomats and state media, they have ebbed and

In Geneva this week, Russia

sas commanded an international

orum to air its unsupported as-ertions again. The Biological

or weapons made of topogical tox-ins or pathogens, gives member nations the authority to request a formal hearing of violations, and Russia has invoked the first one in

Russia has invoked the first one in a quarter-century.

"This is the military biological "This is the military biological Pandera's box, which the United States has opened and filled more than ones," Irina A. Yarovaya, the deputy chair of Russia's lawre, house of Parliament, the State Duma, said last month. She is leading a parliamentary commis-

Ukraine and elsewhere. Virtually no Western officials or experts expect Russia to produce,

uring the weeklong gathering,

ons. If the past is any guide, that

iem. Experts say Russia is likely

acts that corroborate the accusa

apons Convention, the interna-al treaty that since 1975 has

the development and use ons made of biological tox-

As the War Grinds On. The United States secretly manufactured biological weapons in Ukraine. It trained birds to carry pathogens into Russia. It created Covid-19. It operated lab-Bracing for Cold Days and Hot Tempers ratories in Nigeria that engi-seered this year's outbreak of

BERLIN — European governments moved this weekend to often the blow of soaring costs Gremlin has spread since the war in Ukraine began more than six nonths ago, some of the most out-

gy costs appearing on the conadopt stopgap measures ahead o the fall and winter. Energy minplanned an emergency meeting

The biggest package came from Scholz's government pledged \$65 billion in relief measures to cush-

sition of harsh seactions on Mo-cow in response. Europe is now working to drastically reduce its purchases of Resistand sid and gas. Berlin announced its package two days after Gargrom, the Krentins-centreled Russian ener-gy giant, announced an indefinite halt to the flow of gas through the Nord Stream I pipeline, which tree pas to much of Europe. Gasprom said the jupeline would resist gas to much of Europe. Gasprom said the jupeline would resist cate plant problems found dur-ing inspections were residved, but

brown, san ass. month, sale is leading a parliamentary commit-iee that was formed to "investi-gate" American support for bio-logical research laboratories in ng inspections were resolved, but offered no timeline. European officials say the move is politically motivated. It came on Friday, the same day that finance ministers for the Group of 7 coun tries agreed to impose a price cap on Russian oil in an effort to cut o some of the energy revenue Mo-

"Russia is no langer a reliable

#### Washington River Might Yield Model for Ending a Water War

Serena's Seven-Day Goodbye to the Sport She Changed Forever

ing," she had told Meghan Markle handed backhands.

By JOHN BRANCH
Serean Williams left the Lette
New York Pulace hotel on Madison Aversue and felded herself into
the back seat of a dark green Lincoln Navigation. She arrived at the
Billie Jean King National Tennis
Center about 15 minutes later.
Traffic's bearable on Saturday
marrisnas. She began swatting balls to her hitting partner. Whatever morn-ing and middle-age lethargy she

A Time Cansule

Let's agree to call her Serena, be cause only chair judges call her Williams. To fans at the U.S. Open, "Serena" was her last name and

The story started last month,



Serena Williams took a selfie with fans after her first-round victory last week at the U.S. Open

#### By HENRY FOUNTAIN

YAKIMA, Wash. — The water anagers of the Yakima River banow what it's like to fight over rater, just like their cou ighting now. They know what it's ace to be desperate, while brought, climate change, populagrowth and agriculture

They understand the actinony among the seven Colorado Banin states, usable to agree on a plan for deep cuts in water use that the federal government has demanded to stave off disaster. Instantial control of the seven state of the seven state of the seven state of the seven state of spending more time in control of the seven state of t

sure a stable supply of water The circumstances aren't comsietely parallel, but some experts in Western water point to the Yakima plan as a model for the kind of cooperative effort that needs to



fense Fund. The Yakima Basin plan, he said, "is the most com plete example of what we need that I have observed." Representative Melanie Stans

bury, a New Mexico Democrat who worked on the Yakima Basin

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Pay, perks

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Minn, labor

Employers in red-hot

market go to great

lengths to lure workers

BY LAURIN KADRI GUBLIT

MANESTO, MINN. - A musicus

this company mosts workers so backy, they're flying them in from Puorts Rims and Tenne and paying \$20 am hour to install meds. An

online Halloween costume relat-or besised brandreds of hetal moras across the city to house its

home to one of the tightest labor markets to the nation. The unco-

playment rule to this metro area. 108,000 is even lower than the

state average of 1.8 persont — a record low stace federal labor sta-

tistics began tracking data, and for below the mational average of 3.5

The U.S. labor market is in the 30th massin of ope-appraign 3th creation, as worker shortness, abundant job growth and mass realignations have bornous a halt-mark of the measury after the packenic descripts, helping bland the pash of widespread inflation. Minuscoits in weathering as outrems wereless of the light labor

Where will

Amazon

go next

in health?

Despite Care service

ending, the company still has industry ambitions

BY CAROLING O'D ONOMAN

Late but mostly, staffers a Amount Care - the company

to-purson and virtual primary cars service – were called into a

meeting and given bad news: Assumed was shalling it down.

Some configurate wore let go to-mediately. Others walked out. Br-

oryone was promised paydocks through the end of December. The news caught Amazon em-

players by surprise — including those who used the service as patients. The company's human re-sources staff had been promoting

America Care se a health brooff.

the same week it shut down, so Assur on employee told The Wash-

ingion Post.
"This is a leage shock to a lot of

us," said the employee, who spoke on the condition of assessmely to

protect their job.
The demise of Assume Cure

also cause as a shock to include:

observers. After launching redlicly in 2719, it expanded quickly

wanted workfore. Welcone to Manhalo, Minn.

pile up in

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### Trump factor tilts fall calculus

RISK OF A BACKFIRE IN RID TO RUOY RASI

Fiery presence on stump could alienate moderates

ers are in early discussions will Republican campaigns about as theely deploying him on the trai placing a risky bet that Trump can boust GOF turnout without repair ling moderates and independent who do not support the forms

Trump place to be more or gaged to October than to Septem-ber, by appearing at railies, to roboralle and potentially on tele-town balls and at fundralsons, acconting to a close advisor, who its others interviewed for this article agenty to discuss conditions strategy. Trumph political tear cooperative and helpful, focusion strong support. Talks have included ed states across the Senth and

prosence could distract from what the GOF has wraght to make the central message of the midleress that writers about the Democrat who have presided over risks costs and wokent crime. Trust stolen and has asserted wither political attack - inflammatory rhetoric that Democrate have

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the gentle, sun-dreaded court of the Adriatic Sea, in a tiey Yue

pean nation more than 1,600 miles from home where — units

many larger cases - the government and community, wilcome

## 'No one is taking responsibility'

To residents of Jackson, Miss., water crisis is the culmination of years of government neglect "Jackson's water's been moused up: I

BY EMPLOYMENT PROPERTY.

quiet, and residents queued report unitly the resources The entire city of more than 150,000 was without sale drinking water, with no end in sight. Many residents here say they adapted long ago to calastrophic

doe't even find like they should be besting people bills," said Rosbouria finell, 22, who works at a local botel. "Eth inflected, and you can't even do nothing with it."

and you dure even no normal was a. finell to a boundries or the federal Bupplemental Nutrition Austriance Program (IDAP) and says also has been using most of the money also receives while. "I spend about \$300 on bottled

saw that memory for, to her thre his cases of water for the month," said Staril, a Jackson naive. "I really want to leave Jackson so bad."

The water system in Jackson, the Mindestypt capital, has been failing for years. In 2021, a harsh wistor storm knocked the system out for a month. Nem when water is fewing from the ups, mattents struggle with interest-ent helf-water advisories and high bills

Reshould find and her 5-year-old daughter at in from of the house they have been reading for the past three years in fourth Jackson, Miss. She says the has been using most of her NAA? money, about \$500 a month, to bey botaled water.



out of Afghanistan Evacuees who fied last year, expecting to resettle in the U.S., remain in Albanta - and in limbo

The wrong plane

BY A BOATS, HA UNG COUNTY

Gent did not really it at the time but he got on the wrong pla

of Alghanistan. How was he — or may of the other 180 Algham approaching their first anniversary at this Alba-nius brach moort— to know these

what they know now? What he did know but August was that would the TMR such re to power and the chace of the U.S. withdrawni from Afginantistan, an

the Afghans with open arms. But a year after the valued efforts of a many helped tone of thousands

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