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SANTIAGO 7.4 quake rattles Chile A magnitude 7.4 earthquake hit Chile near its border with Argentina late Thursday, according to the US Geological Survey.

RUSSIA US reporter sentenced to 16 years in jail Wall Street Journal reporter Evan Gershkovich was convicted Friday of espionage and sentenced to 16 years in a maximum-security prison on charges of espionage.

SEOUL S Korea restarts broadcasts South Korea said Friday it had restarted blasting propaganda broadcasts into North Korea to retaliate against the North's latest round of trash-carrying balloon launches.

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PLUS POINTS | A person of colour, a woman, a younger leader

Dems believe in Harris, say polls

AP WASHINGTON Amid reports that President Joe Biden has been more open in recent days to hearing arguments that he should step aside as the Democratic presidential candidate, a new poll from the AP-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research found that about six in 10 Democrats believe his Vice-President Kamala Harris would do a good job in the top slot.



against GOP nominee Donald Trump. For her part, Harris has remained completely loyal to Biden, being one of his toughest defenders in the aftermath of the disastrous debate performance.

Oakley Graham, a Democrat in Greenwood, Missouri, said, "I know he's got unfinished business," Graham, 30, said of Biden.

tion and a group that remains relatively more favorable to Biden than others — are more likely than Americans overall to say that Harris would do well.

As for Americans more broadly, they are more skeptical of how Harris would perform in the Oval Office. Only about three in 10 US adults overall say Harris would do well as president.

Harris' favorability rating is similar to Biden's, but the share of Americans who have an unfavorable opinion of her is somewhat lower. The poll showed that about four in 10 adults have a favorable opinion of Harris, while about half have an unfavorable opinion. There

are more Americans with a negative view of Biden: approximately six in 10. About one in 10 Americans say they don't know enough to have an opinion of Harris, whereas nearly everyone has an opinion on Biden.

About three-quarters of Democrats have a positive view of Harris, which is in line with how Democrats view Biden. Seven in 10 have a favorable view of him.

Shannon Bailey, a Democrat who lives in Tampa, praised Biden's accomplishments as President and said he'll be "remembered fondly." But she had a more favorable view of Harris than she does the incumbent president because, in Bailey's view, the Vice-President appears more "capable of handling the taxing nature of the job".

'Israel's presence in Palestinian land illegal'



AP THE HAGUE

The top U.N. court ruled Friday that Israel's presence in the Palestinian occupied territories is "unlawful" and called on it to end, pointing to the building and expansion of Israeli settlements in the West Bank, and east Jerusalem, its annexation and imposition of permanent control over lands and discriminatory policies against Palestinians.

Israel's 57-year occupation of lands sought for a Palestinian state, and the ruling is likely to have more effect on international opinion than it will on Israeli policies.

The court's panel of 15 judges said Israel has abused its status as the occupying power in the West Bank and east Jerusalem by carrying out policies of annexing territory, imposing permanent control and building settlements.

It said such acts render "Israel's presence in the occupied Palestinian territory unlawful" and should be ended as "rapidly as possible."

I stand by the grace of God: Trump

Agencies MILWAUKEE

After a tumultuous few weeks that have upended American politics, Donald Trump pitched a message of unity and strength as he accepted the Republican presidential nomination for the third time on Thursday night.

His name was written in giant lights behind him as he strode on stage. But after that bombastic introduction, the former president seemed relatively subdued as he spoke — often veering off-script — to the Republican faithful for more than 90 minutes.

Trump began his speech by recounting his experience of last Saturday's attack. "As you already know, the assassin's bullet came within a quarter of an inch of taking my life," Trump told the assembled Republican delegates. He said, "I stand before you in this arena only by the grace of Almighty God. Many people say it was a providential moment."

Trump made just one direct mention of his rival's name, calling him one of the worst



presidents in history, as he frequently does at rallies. "The damage he has done to this country is unthinkable," he said, "just unthinkable."

Trump pledged to build the rest of the southern border wall, "most of which I have al-

ready built". That claim isn't accurate, with fewer than 500 miles constructed during his first term. He also painted a picture of massive inflation, saying "groceries are up 50%, gasoline is up 60 to 70%, mortgage rates have quadrupled."

3.8 mn Hindus largest minority in Pakistan

PTI /ISLAMABAD The population of Hindus in Pakistan increased from 3.5 million in 2017 to 3.8 million in 2023 to make it the largest minority community in the Islamic nation, according to the official data of last year's census.

The Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS) released results of the 7th Population and Housing Census 2023 on Thursday, the Dawn newspaper reported. The country's total population in 2023 stood at 240,458,089. It showed that the share of Muslims in the total population decreased slightly from 96.47 per cent in 2017 to 96.35 per cent in 2023, while the population of all

major religious minorities increased in the past six years.

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Bangladesh quota war: News channels off air

Agencies DHAKA

Police in Bangladesh's capital on Friday banned all public rallies and processions indefinitely after the deadliest day of ongoing student protests against quotas for government jobs so far saw government buildings torched by demonstrators and the imposition of a nationwide internet blackout.

This week's unrest has killed several people. The AFP news agency reported at least 39 people dead, including 32 on Thursday alone, with the toll expected to rise after reports of clashes in nearly half of the country's 64 districts.

Students took to the streets again on Friday ahead of pro-government counter-demonstrations slated to begin after midday prayers in the Muslim-majority nation.

Police in the capital, Dhaka, took the drastic step of banning all public gatherings for the day — a first since protests began — in an effort to forestall another day of violence.

Sparked by student anger against the quotas, the protests are also being fuelled by economic woes, such as high inflation, growing unemployment and shrinking reserves of foreign exchange.

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