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RICARDO MADRIGAL and his daughter Luz, 6, relax among some packed boxes in their apartment in Gardena ahead of their relocation to Mexico. A portrait of Maria Barrancas hangs above the sofa.

For young dual citizens, an uncharted Mexico

Disillusioned immigrants return with U.S.-born kids

BY BRITNY MEJIA

The girl clutched the goodbye card her friend Emily handed her that morning. “All thou we’ll be a few miles apart you always be my best friend.”

Luz Madrigal, 6, sat in the back seat of the car with her little brother Alejandro, heading south to the U.S.-Mexico border and a new home more than a thousand miles away.

Faced with diminishing job prospects and a president who promised to make life harder for them, Luz’s mother and father — immigrants in the country illegally — decided to go back to Mexico.

They joined more than 100 people voluntarily returning since January to



AS HER FAMILY packs the car to move, Luz blows bubbles on the balcony of her apartment in Gardena. Her parents entered the U.S. illegally.

Mexico with the help of consulates in Los Angeles, Houston and Chicago.

An hour into the drive, Luz watched the urban blur pass by the car window under a gray sky. She pointed out tall buildings a little ways off in the distance. “Is that Guatarajara?” she asked.

Her mother did not correct her pronunciation of Guadalajara. “No,” she said. “We still have a long way to go.”

Five months before, Luz’s parents walked into the Mexican Consulate on the edge of MacArthur Park to make her and her 3-year-old brother — who are American — Mexican citizens as well. Trump’s victory felt like a bad omen. They wanted to be ready to leave.

[See **Citizens**, A6]

GOP’s last push against Obamacare intensifies

Opponents sound alarms as a key deadline looms.

BY NOAM N. LEVEY

WASHINGTON — A last-ditch Republican push to roll back the Affordable Care Act appeared to pick up momentum Monday even as opposition from leading patient advocates and healthcare organizations mounted, setting the stage for another potentially dramatic Senate vote on the future of the 2010 law, often called Obamacare.

Prospects for the new repeal legislation — sponsored by Sens. Bill Cassidy (R-La.) and Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.) — remain uncertain, but the proposal won an important endorsement Monday from a key Republican governor, Arizona’s Doug Ducey.

That raised the possibility that the state’s senior senator, John McCain, who cast the crucial vote in July to kill the last repeal push,

could back the new bill. McCain has said he would be influenced by Ducey’s position, but has also called for a less partisan, less rushed approach to healthcare legislation.

On Monday afternoon, the Republican senator said he remained undecided. “I’m not supportive of the bill yet,” he told reporters, explaining that he would prefer healthcare legislation to go through the normal committee process.

Supporters of the Graham-Cassidy measure aim to bring it to the Senate floor next week, just days ahead of the expiration of special rules that could allow it to pass with 50 votes, rather than the 60 that major measures typically require.

That has prompted leading patient and medical groups to intensify warnings that the Graham-Cassidy proposal could devastate coverage for tens of millions of vulnerable Americans.

The bill would go far beyond repealing key parts of President Obama’s signature healthcare law. It would

[See **Healthcare**, A12]

Police say three slayings linked to businessman

Richard Wall, 64, is ‘a suspect.’ He is not charged with a crime.

BY NICOLE SANTA CRUZ

The killings — hundreds of miles and several years apart — seemed unrelated.

An entrepreneur found shot to death in his Las Vegas home. A prominent attorney killed by a bullet to the head in his Rolling Hills Estates driveway. A father slain in front of his young children in the courtyard of their Whittier apartment complex.

But now authorities say there is a connection: a Whittier businessman.

According to investigators in California and Nevada, 64-year-old Richard Wall is “a suspect” in all three slayings — which they say appear to be professional hits related to business and legal disputes. Officials said they do not believe Wall carried out the shootings himself.

Wall has not been charged with a crime, and detectives declined to detail

the evidence they have collected, saying they are continuing to investigate.

Detectives with the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department said they have spoken to Wall’s friends and relatives and former employees of his manufacturing business who say he is in Montenegro. The Eastern European country has no extradition treaty with the United States.

Wall’s attorney, Rickey Ivie, said his client had no involvement in the deaths and that the allegations “make no sense.”

“He happened to have litigation with the people,” he said. “That’s all. To me, that’s wholly inadequate.”

When asked about Wall’s whereabouts, Ivie declined to comment.

“It seems to me that Mr. Wall deserves more than a trial in the court of public opinion,” Ivie said. “He’s not a fugitive. He hasn’t been charged with anything.”

[See **Suspect**, A7]

Emmys bump Hulu to a new level

BY DAVID NG AND RYAN FAUGHNDER

Not long ago, Hulu was known primarily as a streaming service for viewers who wanted to relive the glory days of “Seinfeld,” “The Golden Girls,” “South Park” and other TV favorites.

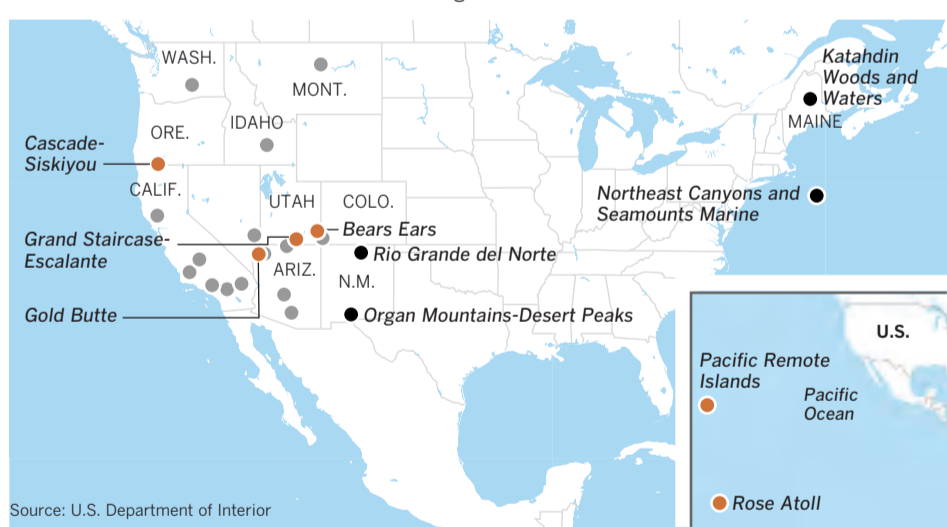
All that changed this year with “The Handmaid’s Tale,” Hulu’s feminist sci-fi series that became a national conversation starter and its biggest success to date. On Sunday, the series, based on the Margaret Atwood novel, took home five Emmy Awards — including the award for outstanding drama series — tying HBO’s “Big Little Lies” for the most wins of the year.

“The Handmaid’s Tale” is the first streaming show to win the drama series award — a feat that neither Netflix nor Amazon could accomplish — and signals Hulu’s ascent to the top ranks of TV. At the same time, its victory represents a win for traditional media, since Hulu is a joint venture between 21st Century Fox, Walt Disney Co., NBCUniversal

[See **Hulu**, A12]

Monuments under review

● Downsize ● Lift restrictions ● No changes



Source: U.S. Department of Interior

Los Angeles Times

10 national monuments may lose protections

Trump is considering a secret plan that would bring dramatic changes to public lands, marine reserves.

BY EVAN HALPER

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration’s plan for shrinking and diminishing protections at America’s national monuments appears far more expansive than previously reported, targeting 10 of the nation’s most ecologically sensitive landscapes and marine preserves.

The plan, which the White House has been keeping secret since it was submitted by Interior Secretary

Ryan Zinke late last month, would shrink the borders at half a dozen monuments and ocean preserves and open four others up for uses such as commercial fishing, logging and coal mining, according to a copy of the blueprint obtained by the Wall Street Journal and Washington Post.

The Zinke plan, if adopted, will have limited effect in California. Only one of the monuments targeted, the Cascade-Siskiyou on the Oregon border, has land in the state. Zinke did not specify in his 19-page memorandum how the boundaries of that or any of the other public lands targeted should be changed.

But the impact on the West overall would be dramatic. The other monuments Zinke is proposing to shrink

include Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante in Utah, which together encompass 3.2 million acres. Zinke is also urging a downsizing of the nearly 297,000-acre Gold Butte National Monument in Nevada.

Under Zinke’s plan, the boundaries of the 584,000-square-mile Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument would be reduced so that commercial fishing could resume in the territory. The monument, which encompasses seven atolls and islands, is described by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as “one of the last frontiers and havens for wildlife in the world.”

Zinke also wants commercial fishing to resume within the 13,451-square-mile Rose Atoll Marine National

[See **Monuments**, A8]



Tidus family

JEFFREY TIDUS, 53, of Rolling Hills Estates was killed in 2009. Above, Tidus with his wife, Sheryl.

Northrop bets on missile defense

The B-2 bomber maker wants to buy Orbital ATK, which builds a variety of space rockets.

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Weather
Partly sunny.
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