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Prosecutor Seeks to Exonerate Two in Killing of Malcolm X



IN COURT: The Manhattan district attorney will ask a court Thursday to exonerate Muhammad A. Aziz, top left, and the late Khalil Islam, bottom left, two of the three men convicted in the assassination of Malcolm X in 1965, after an investigation uncovered evidence of their innocence. Malcolm X was gunned down while giving a speech in New York City. **A3**

Annual Drug Overdose Deaths Top 100,000, Setting Record

By JON KAMP
AND JULIE WERNAU

The U.S. recorded its highest number of drug-overdose deaths in a 12-month period, surpassing 100,000 for the first time, in the shadow of the coronavirus pandemic, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

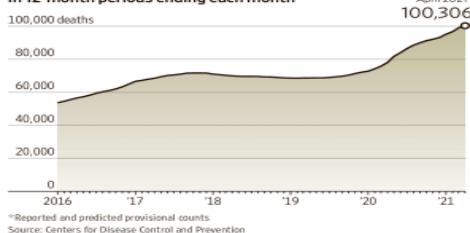
There were an estimated 100,306 drug deaths in the 12 months running through April, the latest CDC data show. This marks a nearly 29% rise from the deaths recorded in the same period a year earlier, indicating the U.S. is heading for

another full-year record after drug deaths soared with the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic. "It's telling us that 2021 looks like it will be worse than 2020," said Robert Anderson, chief of the mortality statistics branch at the CDC's National Center for Health Statistics.

Opioid-related deaths, fueled mainly by bootleg versions of the potent drug fentanyl, accounted for about three-quarters of the deaths through April, according to the CDC. *Please turn to page A9*

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Number of U.S. drug overdose deaths occurring in 12-month periods ending each month*



How a Real-Estate Algorithm Derailed Zillow's Big Bet

Relying on computers to predict the housing market proved difficult

By WILL PARKER AND KONRAD PUTZIER

When executives at Zillow Group Inc. pored over the company's earnings in the spring, they saw a problem: The real-estate firm was making too much money.

Zillow, which rose to prominence with online listings, had bet its future on an algorithm-based home-flipping outfit called Zillow Offers, which would buy houses, make minor renovations and sell quickly.

The first quarter delivered home-sale profits that were more than twice as high as anticipated, the company said. Zillow expected to make money primarily from transaction fees and from services such as title insurance—not from making a killing on the

flip. The company's algorithm, which was supposed to predict housing prices, didn't seem to understand the market. Zillow was also behind on its target for home purchases.

By the summer, it had the opposite problem, the company later acknowledged. It was paying too much money for homes, and buying too many of them, just when price increases were starting to slow.

This month, Zillow conceded failure in what amounts to one of the sharpest recent American corporate retreats. It said it would close Zillow Offers, which was responsible for the majority of the company's revenue but none of its profits; cut about 2,000 jobs. *Please turn to page A12*

Crypto Group Faces Real-World Snags in Bid for Constitution

Friends raised \$25 million for rare document, but who will pick it up?

By OMAR ABDELBAQUI

A group of internet friends decided last week to bid on the last privately held original copy of the U.S. Constitution, a mission with all the hallmarks of the cryptocurrency world they sprang from.

Their name, ConstitutionDAO, is short for decentralized autonomous organization—just like digital currencies, which have no central organizing authority. Fundraising ef-

forts for the document have taken place on the Ethereum network and moneys collected through a platform called Juicibox. ConstitutionDAO advertised its undertaking on Twitter and Discord, where contributors can get to know each other, as well as hear live Constitution readings over lo-fi beats.

Using blockchain platforms, the friends have raised more than \$25 million in a matter of



THE MIDDLE SEAT
Frequent-flyer programs shift to reward more credit-card spending. **A14**

Tesla, Toyota Bash Union Requirement For EV Tax Credit

By JULIE BYKOWICZ
AND SIOBHAN HUGHES

WASHINGTON—President Biden says he wants to save the planet and save union jobs. The electric-vehicle tax credit in his social-spending package shows how those aims can sometimes conflict.

The proposal being negotiated by House and Senate Democrats gives consumers the full \$12,500 tax write-off only if they buy electric vehicles assembled by union workers using U.S.-built batteries.

Automobiles produced in non-union factories would qualify for \$4,500 less.

Rep. Dan Kildee and Sen. Debbie Stabenow, Michigan Democrats, wrote the electric-vehicle tax credit after collaborating with the United Auto Workers and General Motors Co. about including an explicitly pro-union component, according to Mr. Kildee.

The labor-friendly provision has touched off a fierce lobbying battle by Tesla Inc., Toyota Motor Corp., and other non-

SEC Probes Hot Drug Firm Over Faked-Research Claim

By DAVE MICHAELS
AND JOSEPH WALKER

The Securities and Exchange Commission is investigating claims that Cassava Sciences Inc., the sixth-best-performing U.S. stock this year, manipulated research results of its experimental Alzheimer's drug, according to people familiar with the matter.

Cassava disclosed Monday in a securities filing that it is cooperating with government investigations, without naming any agency. Cassava said an investigation isn't a sign that wrongdoing occurred.

An SEC spokeswoman declined to comment.

The National Institutes of Health, which awarded \$20 million in grants to Cassava and its academic collaborators since 2015 for drug development, is also examining the claims, according to the company's chief executive officer.

The accusations appeared in a public petition filed in August to the Food and Drug Administration asking it to suspend Cassava's clinical trials. The petition's authors are two physicians who said they came to doubt Cassava's research and

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Let's dance Warner seeks Bowie rights

David Bowie performs in London on the Ziggy Stardust tour in 1973. Warner Brothers is in talks to buy Bowie's songwriting catalogue, and is raising \$555m to fund the purchase and other rights.

Bowie's songbook is among the highest valued in a market that has boomed in recent years. The star died in 2016 and his estate has so far attracted bids of about \$200m for his songwriting rights.

Warner said yesterday that it was raising the \$555m to buy "music-related assets", including Bowie's catalogue.

Music copyrights have soared in value as streaming services such as Spotify have revived the industry, drawing the attention of private equity groups and specialist investment funds.

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Biden urges probe of 'potentially illegal conduct' by energy majors

◆ Concern on petrol prices ◆ Letter written to regulator ◆ Analysts deride 'political stunt'

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Joe Biden has called for an investigation into whether the country's biggest oil companies are engaged in "potentially illegal conduct" that is resulting in higher petrol prices for Americans.

In a letter to Lina Khan, Federal Trade Commission chair, the US president said that there was "mounting evidence of anti-consumer behaviour" in the market, noting that the two "largest oil and gas companies... as measured by market capitalisation" were planning "billions of dollars of stock buybacks and dividends" even though prices at the pump are continuing to rise.

The top two US energy companies by market valuation are ExxonMobil and Chevron. Biden said that the groups

were "generating significant" profits, adding: "The bottom line is this: gasoline prices at the pump remain high, even though oil and gas companies' costs are declining." Biden's intervention comes as he faces pressure over rising fuel prices and surging inflation.

His approval rating has slumped, with an increasing proportion of the US public taking a dim view of his handling of the economy. The White House is considering releasing crude oil from a federal stockpile in a bid to drive down petrol prices and has repeatedly called on Saudi Arabia, Russia and other Opec oil countries to lift crude production.

"The FTC is concerned about this issue and we are looking into it," the regulator said.

Exxon did not respond to requests for

comment. Chevron referred the Financial Times to the American Petroleum Institute, the oil lobby group, which said that Biden's letter was a "distraction from the fundamental market shift taking place" and blamed the administration for restricting US oil supplies.

Crude oil prices crashed to record lows last year as pandemic lockdowns devastated demand, but have more than doubled since vaccine breakthroughs were announced in November last year and social restrictions eased.

The rise in crude has also pushed up US petrol prices, with a gallon now selling on average for about \$3.41 — up 60 per cent in the past 12 months — motor group AAA says.

Biden's letter to Khan is an escalation in the White House's rhetoric on compe-



Joe Biden's intervention comes as he faces pressure over surging inflation and a decline in his approval rating

tion in the oil and gas sector. Brian Deese, director of the National Economic Council, sent a letter to Khan in August calling on the FTC to crack down on any collusion in the market.

Analysts said Biden's letter followed familiar tactics for presidents seeking culprits for high fuel costs and would have little impact. "How many times has the FTC investigated gas prices and turned up nothing? It's a political stunt," said Robert Campbell, head of oil products at consultancy Energy Aspects.

"The biggest influence on gasoline prices is the price of crude. The global market is tight. There's not a lot the US can do about that right now."

Additional reporting by Kiran Stacey in Washington and Myles McCormick in New York

Briefing

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Three of Barclays' top shareholders have raised concerns, before meetings between the bank and investors next week, over the £2.4m pay awarded to departing chief Jes Staley. — PAGE 6, LEX, PAGE 18

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Increased housing "exuberance", junk bonds and crypto assets have created long-term weaknesses that will be exposed if high inflation leads to a sharp rise in interest rates, the ECB has warned. — PAGE 2

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Brussels is seeking to ban imports of foods, such as beef, soya and coffee, from areas at risk of deforestation. In regulation aimed at protecting vulnerable forests. — PAGE 4



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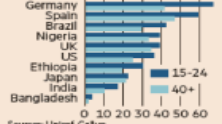
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Global outlook

Share who identify most with being a part of the world, rather than their country or local area (%)



More than two-thirds of young adults in Germany identify themselves more with the world than with their country, city or local area. Only 3 per cent of the equivalent age group in Bangladesh feel the same way.

Sources: Unilever, Gallup

Amazon to stop accepting Visa credit cards in UK amid battle over 'high' fees

FT REPORTERS

Amazon has banned UK-issued Visa credit cards in protest at "high fees", sparking fears of a war between retailers and the payment network.

Visa's shares fell more than 5 per cent after Amazon wrote to some UK customers, advising them to switch to a different payment method and blaming "high fees Visa charges for processing credit card transactions".

Payments companies escaped an EU cap on cross-border interchange fees when the UK left the bloc last year.

Visa last month began charging 1.5 per cent of the transaction value for credit card payments made online or over the phone between the UK and EU, and 1.15 per cent for debit card transactions, up from 0.3 per cent and 0.2 per cent, respectively.

Amazon said Brexit was not the specific cause of the dispute and blamed Visa fees over the long term. Earlier this year, Amazon announced a 0.5 per cent surcharge to purchases made using Visa credit cards in Australia and Singapore.

Grocery chains owned by Kroger in the US have announced bans on Visa credit cards, before backing down.

"It is no surprise many retailers are frustrated by these surging fees," said Andrew Cregan, payments policy adviser at the British Retail Consortium.

"The Payment System Regulator must urgently intervene to tackle these anti-competitive card charges, and both the government and parliament should ensure that they do."

Amazon's ban is set to come into force at the start of 2022, with some industry executives suggesting that last left time for the two sides to cut a deal and ques-

tioning whether it was part of a move to push consumers to the e-commerce giant's own payments solutions.

Amazon is offering customers £20 off their next purchase using an alternative payment method to encourage them to change to a different form of payment.

Among the methods suggested are Amazon-branded credit cards from both American Express and Mastercard as well as the Ocean Credit card issued by Capital One. Visa does not at present offer an Amazon-branded credit card.

The ban would not affect Visa's debit cards or its credit cards issued outside the UK. Visa said that it was "very disappointed that Amazon is threatening to restrict consumer choice".

Reporting by Siddharth Venkataraghavan and Jonathan Eley in London, Imami Moise in New York and Dave Lee in San Francisco

World Markets									
STOCK MARKETS			CURRENCIES			INTEREST RATES			
	Nov 17	prev	%chg		Nov 17	prev		price	yield
S&P 500	4700.16	4700.90	-0.02	\$ per £	1.131	1.135	US Gov 10 yr	149.87	1.62
Nasdaq Composite	15692.05	15679.86	0.11	£ per \$	1.347	1.342	US Gov 10 yr	0.99	-0.02
Dow Jones Ind	36609.64	36142.22	0.37	€ per \$	0.840	0.846	Gov Gov 10 yr	4.29	0.03
FTSE 100	1057.12	1053.44	0.19	¥ per \$	114.545	114.535	Japan Gov 10 yr	115.26	0.07
Euro Stoxx 50	4462.69	4401.49	0.03	₹ per \$	154.230	153.765	US Gov 30 yr	123.46	2.02
FTSE 100	7281.20	7326.97	-0.03	Sfr per \$	1.051	1.054	Gov Gov 2 yr	104.95	-0.74
FTSE All-Share	4164.77	4184.79	-0.48	€ per \$	0.894	0.881			
CAC 40	7116.85	7152.80	0.06						
Nikkei	26488.33	26068.12	-0.40						
Hong Kong	25454.08	25713.76	-0.25						
MSCI World \$	3221.95	3226.45	0.17	Oil WTI \$	79.06	79.24	Fed Funds Eff	0.06	0.00
MSCI EM \$	1280.55	1298.82	0.29	Oil Brent \$	89.96	82.43	US 3m Bill	0.05	0.00
MSCI ACWI \$	3548.98	3574.47	0.18	Gold \$	1779.30	1779.00	Euro Libor 3m	-0.57	-0.57
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Floki Inu's London adverts to be probed by watchdog

A marketing blitz on London's buses and trains by "meme coin" Floki Inu is being investigated by Britain's advertising watchdog. The inquiry will look at whether the promotions for a digital coin inspired by Elon Musk's dog breached UK marketing standards. It comes after calls for either a ban on cryptocurrency advertising on public services or a review into how Transport for London, the governing body, scrutinises these campaigns.

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Preparing cattle for transport at Odilon Caetano Felipe's ranch on illegally deforested land in a protected area of Brazil's Amazon.

Destroying the Amazon for Leather Auto Seats

This article is by **Manuela Andreoni, Hiroko Tabuchi and Albert Sun.**

BURITIS, Brazil — One morning this summer, Odilon Caetano Felipe, a rancher who raises cattle on illegally deforested land in the Amazon, met with a trader and signed over 72 newly fattened animals. With that stroke of the pen, Mr. Felipe gave his cattle a clean record: By selling them, he obscured their role in the destruction of the world's largest rainforest.

Over lunch shortly after the July 14 sale, Mr. Felipe spoke openly about the business that has made him wealthy. He acknowledged cutting down the thick Amazon forest and that he had not paid for the land. He also

Illegally Cleared Farms Feed Global Appetite for Cattle Hides

said he structured his sales to hide the true origins of his cattle by selling to a middleman, creating a paper trail falsely showing his animals as coming from a legal ranch. Other ranchers in the area do the same, he said.

"It makes no difference," he said, whether his farm is legal or not.

A New York Times investigation into Brazil's rapidly expanding slaughterhouse industry — a business that sells not only beef to the world, but tons of leather an-

nually to major companies in the United States and elsewhere — has identified loopholes in its monitoring systems that allow hides from cattle kept on illegally deforested Amazon land to flow undetected through Brazil's tanneries and on to buyers worldwide.

Mr. Felipe's ranch is one of more than 600 that operate in an area of the Amazon known as Jaci-Parana, a specially protected environmental reserve where deforestation is restricted. And transactions like his are the linchpins of a complex global trade that links Amazon deforestation to a growing appetite in the United States for luxurious leather seats in pickup trucks, S.U.V.s and other vehicles sold by some of the world's largest automakers.

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U.S. Reaches A Grim Record For Overdoses

By **RONI CARYN RABIN**

Americans died of drug overdoses in record numbers as the pandemic spread across the country, federal researchers reported on Wednesday, the result of lost access to treatment, rising mental health problems and wider availability of dangerously potent street drugs.

In the 12-month period that ended in April, more than 100,000 Americans died of overdoses, up almost 30 percent from the 78,000 deaths in the prior year, according to provisional figures from the National Center for Health Statistics. The figure marks the first time the number of overdose deaths in the United States has exceeded 100,000 a year, more than the toll of car crashes and gun fatalities combined. Overdose deaths have more than doubled since 2015.

Administration officials said on Wednesday that they would expand access to medications like naloxone, which can reverse an opioid overdose, by encouraging states to pass laws that would make it more widely available and promoting its use by Americans.

"I believe that no one should die of an overdose simply because they didn't have access to naloxone," said Dr. Rahul Gupta, director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy. "Sadly, today that is happening across the country, and access to naloxone often depends a great deal on where you live."

Though recent figures through September suggest the overdose death rate may have slowed, the grim tally signals a public health crisis whose magnitude was both obscured by the Covid pandemic

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2 WILL BE CLEARED IN MALCOLM X CASE AFTER 5½ DECADES

Inquiry Validates Doubts Over the Killing — A District Attorney Apologizes

By **ASHLEY SOUTHALL and JONAH E. BROMWICH**

Two of the men found guilty of the assassination of Malcolm X are expected to have their convictions thrown out on Thursday, the Manhattan district attorney and lawyers for the two men said, rewriting the official history of one of the most notorious murders of the civil rights era.

For decades, historians have cast doubt on the case against the two men, Muhammad A. Aziz and Khalil Islam, who each spent more than 20 years in prison. Their exoneration represents a remarkable acknowledgment of grave errors made in a case of towering importance: the 1965 murder of one of America's most influential Black leaders.

"It's long overdue," said Bryan Stevenson, a civil rights lawyer and the founder of the Equal Justice Initiative. "This is one of the most prominent figures of the 20th century who commanded enormous attention and respect. And yet, our system failed."

A 22-month investigation conducted jointly by the Manhattan district attorney's office and lawyers for the two men found that prosecutors and two of the na-

tion's premier law enforcement agencies — the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the New York Police Department — had withheld key evidence that, had it been turned over, would most likely have led to the men's acquittal.

The two men, known at the time of the killing as Norman 3X Butler and Thomas 15X Johnson, spent decades in prison for the murder, which took place on Feb. 21, 1965, when three men opened fire inside the crowded Audubon Ballroom in Manhattan as Malcolm X was starting to speak.

But the case against them was questionable from the outset, and in the decades since, historians and amateur investigators have raised doubts about the official story.

The review, which was undertaken as an explosive documentary about the assassination and a new biography renewed interest in the case, did not identify who prosecutors now believe really killed Malcolm X. Those who were previously implicated but never arrested are dead.

Nor did it uncover a police or

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Muhammad A. Aziz, left, and Khalil Islam maintained their innocence. Mr. Aziz is now 83. Mr. Islam died at 74 in 2009.



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Biden Proposes Push to Increase Flow of Vaccine

By **SHERYL GAY STOLBERG**

WASHINGTON — The Biden administration, under pressure to increase the supply of coronavirus vaccines to poor nations, plans to spend billions of dollars to expand manufacturing capacity, with the goal of producing at least one billion additional doses a year beginning in the second half of 2022.

The investment is part of a new plan, announced Wednesday by White House officials, for the government to partner with industry to address immediate vaccine needs in the United States and overseas and to prepare for future pandemics. It comes on top of recent decisions to buy enough of Pfizer's new Covid-19 pill for about 10 million courses of treatment, and to spend \$3 billion on rapid over-the-counter tests, which are needed to detect the virus early enough for the Pfizer drug to work.

Taken together, the moves amount to an expansive new effort to control the pandemic at a time when Americans are desperate for normalcy and caseloads are creeping up with winter's approach.

In another development that the White House hopes will re-

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Bishops Avoid Biden Conflict Over Eucharist

By **RUTH GRAHAM**

BALTIMORE — The Roman Catholic bishops of the United States backed away from a direct conflict with President Biden on Wednesday, approving a new document on the sacrament of the eucharist that does not mention the president or any politicians by name.

At issue was the question of which Catholics, under which circumstances, are properly able to receive communion, one of the most sacred rites within Christianity. For some conservative Catholics, the real question was more pointed: Should Catholic politicians who publicly support and advance abortion rights be denied the sacrament?

For some of the most outspoken critics of Mr. Biden and other liberal Catholic leaders, the document represented a strategic retreat. Still, its very existence highlighted a divide between conservative American bishops and the Vatican, and pitted some of the nation's most powerful prelates against the country's second Catholic president.

It also illuminated sprawling rifts among ordinary American Catholics, falling along lines that have become familiar since the presidency of Donald J. Trump

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Censured Over Violent Video

The House rebuked Representative Paul Gosar, Republican of Arizona, for a posted clip. Page A14.

Hoped-For Remedy for Gerrymandering Only Leads to More of It

By **NICK CORASANTINI and REID J. EPSTEIN**

In Virginia, members of a bipartisan panel were entrusted with drawing a new map of the state's congressional districts. But politics got in the way. Reduced to shouting matches, accusations and tears, they gave up.

In Ohio, Republicans who control the legislature simply ignored

the state's redistricting commission, choosing to draw a highly gerrymandered map themselves. Democrats in New York are likely to take a similar path next year.

And in Arizona and Michigan, independent mapmakers have been besieged by shadowy pressure campaigns disguised as spontaneous, grass-roots political organizing.

Partisan gerrymandering is as old as the republic, but good-gov-

Redistricting Panels Are Hamstrung by Politics

ernment experts thought they had hit on a solution with independent commissions, advisory groups and outside panels. Taking the map-drawing process out of the hands of lawmakers under

pressure to win elections, the thinking went, would make American democracy more fair.

But as this year's once-in-a-decade redistricting process descends into trench warfare, both Republicans and Democrats have been throwing grenades at the independent experts caught in the middle.

In state after state, the parties

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Adele Eyes the Charts

The British singer's new album, "30," is arriving six long years after her last release. Even in a changed music business, though, her record is shaping up to be a blockbuster. PAGE C6

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Farhad Manjoo

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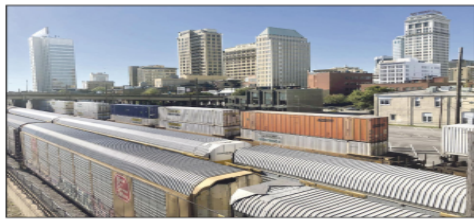
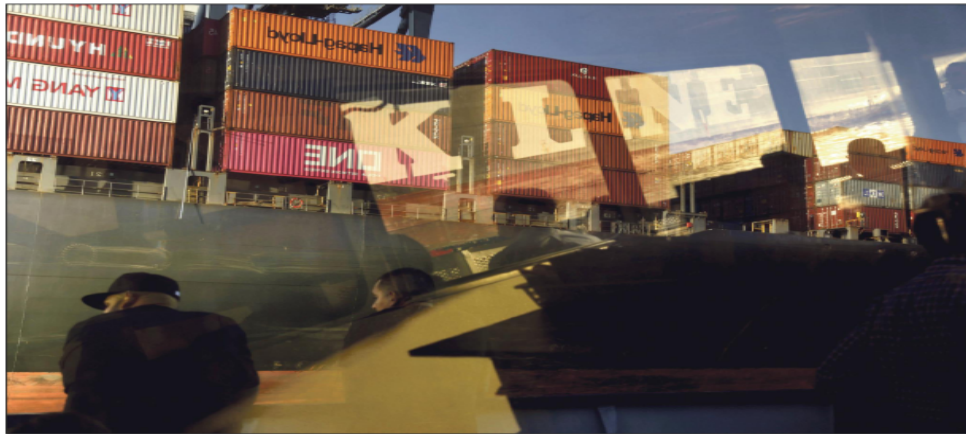


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Where Spot Gets Spoiled

New York's public dog runs are crowded, leading some owners to join members-only dog parks. Annual fees range from free to \$2,200. PAGE D5





PASSENGERS on a harbor cruise, top, pass ships piled with containers at the Port of L.A., where others unload, right. At left, containers in a rail yard in Birmingham, Ala. Businesses across the U.S. endure long delays.

COLUMN ONE

Supply chain breakdowns, from Alabama to L.A.

By CONNOR SHEETS

The great American supply chain has hit the skids. Once a marvel of logistics that hummed with scheduling rigor and pricing predictability, the fount of goods has slowed to a trickle as key supply links have broken down in recent months. Cargo ships idle off the coast of Southern California, freight trains

carry empty cars, and trucking companies struggle with labor shortages. In late October, I had an opportunity to get a firsthand look at the economic mayhem. I had recently accepted a reporting position with the Los Angeles Times, which required a timely cross-country trip. I left Birmingham, Ala., where I had lived for six years, and headed to California in a 16-foot moving truck packed with my family's belongings, making de-

tours through communities large and small along the way. What I found was a series of startling illustrations of the fragility of the supply chain and the many ways businesses across the southern U.S. are affected when the flow of goods clots at the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. In all, I interviewed nearly three dozen people on my 2,668-mile journey — from Main Street retailers to big box outlet clerks, [See Chain, A10]

Revolving door of crisis on the streets, in jails

Officials say string of police shootings exposes L.A.'s broken mental health system.

By KEVIN RECTOR

When a 19-year-old tourist from Singapore was stabbed in the abdomen on Hollywood Boulevard last month, witnesses and the victim quickly pointed out the suspect to police.

Police already knew the man, Grisha Alaverdyan, from prior encounters. Alaverdyan, 27, had been arrested and charged two weeks earlier with grand theft auto and hit-and-run, then released pending trial, according to court records. In February, he was sentenced to 30 days in jail and a year of probation for vehicle theft and assaulting an officer. And since 2018, police said, he had been assessed at least eight times by the Los Angeles Police Department's Mental Evaluation Unit.

Now, Alaverdyan appeared to be in crisis once more as he held up a knife not far from where the stabbing occurred, according to body-camera video from the scene. He laughed and thrust his hips as officers trained their weapons on him. Then he moved toward them, knife still in hand, and they shot him with a live round and a beanbag projectile.

Alaverdyan's case, like several other police shootings in recent months, highlighted a troubling trend of LAPD officers opening fire on suspects with mental illnesses, but also a broader failure of the mental health system to get people the care they need when they repeatedly fall into crisis on the street or come into contact with police in less serious encounters.

Instead, in L.A. and around the region, people with mental illnesses are cycled through what police, mental health officials and advocates agree is a dizzying revolving door of temporary psychiatric units and jail

wards, never getting the long-term care they need before they are pushed back onto the street until they eventually wind up dead or in police custody on a serious enough charge to keep them incarcerated for good.

About a third of the more than 30 people shot by LAPD officers this year are believed to have had a mental illness at the time. Most of that third had been previously incarcerated. [See Mental health, A8]

100,000 DEAD IN ONE YEAR IN DRUG EPIDEMIC

Overdoses in the U.S. pass a grim milestone, according to health officials' estimates.

By MIKE STOBBE

NEW YORK — An estimated 100,000 Americans died of drug overdoses in one year, a never-before-seen milestone that health officials say is tied to the COVID-19 pandemic and a more dangerous drug supply.

Overdose deaths have been rising for more than two decades, accelerating in the last two years and, according to new data posted Wednesday, jumping nearly 30% in the latest year.

Experts believe the top drivers are the growing prevalence of deadly fentanyl in the illicit drug supply and the COVID-19 pandemic, which left many drug users socially isolated and unable to get treatment or other support.

"The number is 'devastating,'" said Katherine Keyes, a Columbia University expert on drug abuse issues. "It's a magnitude of overdose death that we haven't seen in this country."

Drug overdoses now surpass deaths from car crashes, guns and even flu and pneumonia. The total is close to that for diabetes, the nation's No. 7 cause of death.

Drawing from the latest available death certificate data, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. [See Overdoses, A8]

Perks escalate as employers hustle to please workers

The Great Resignation has spurred companies to offer big signing bonuses, flexible hours, even vacation money

By Samantha Masunaga

A San Francisco Bay Area firm started a work-from-anywhere program. A learning technology company is offering its own employees free online philosophy classes. In Maryland, a pet care company advertised a signing bonus that could buy a small house in some markets.

Employers are pulling out the stops to keep their employees from joining the exodus known as the Great Resignation, spurred by a pandemic that has changed the way people approach work. Signing bonuses are growing, workweeks are shrinking and the perks keep rolling in.

"In my lifetime, I haven't seen anything like this before," Ruhul Dooley, an advisor for the Society for Human Resource Management trade group, said of the voluntary mass move to the exits. "Employers are forced to do things that they haven't had to do before in the same proportions."

Although U.S. employers added 531,000 jobs last month, companies are still struggling to fill positions, and employees, ranging from restaurant workers to corporate lawyers, are still headed for the exits. Some 4.4 million people quit their jobs in September, the latest available data and the highest number since the Bureau of Labor Statistics started keeping track in 2000.

The No. 1 method to retain employees is always money, and some firms are giving out raises and bonuses. But companies are also em- [See Employers, A13]



THE TOKYO Olympics opening ceremony was delayed a year because of the pandemic, the type of risk that will be factored into the final cost of the L.A. Games.

L.A. Olympics framework still missing a price tag

By DAVID WHARTON AND DAKOTA SMITH

Los Angeles officials have reached a tentative agreement with private organizers of the 2028 Summer Olympics that, while short on details, serves as a road map for the biggest issues facing the city as it inches toward hosting a sporting event that could cost \$7 billion or more. Much of the so-called

Games Agreement focuses on financial risk and the need for insurance against the type of expenses Tokyo incurred when the coronavirus outbreak forced a one-year postponement of its Summer Games.

The proposed contract also identifies concerns involving traffic and the homeless population, as well as the need to include small businesses and local workers in discussions about hiring and procurement.

"The Olympics and Paralympics are a golden opportunity to make sure that we can advance solutions to the issues of our day," Councilman Mitch O'Farrell said in a statement before viewing the contract. "We have seven years to get there."

The 25-page document was released Wednesday, allowing time for public scrutiny before a City Council vote expected later this year. [See Olympics, A9]

House censures Rep. Paul Gosar

Arizona Republican is rebuked for sharing an altered video depicting killing of Democratic colleague. **NATION, A4**

2 to be cleared in Malcolm X case

Prosecutors say evidence favorable to the accused was withheld in the murder trial. **PERSPECTIVES, A2**

Deal reached to avoid UC strike

Lecturers celebrate agreement on what they call the "best contract" in union history. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

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2 men to be exonerated in killing of Malcolm X

Prosecutor's review of case fueled by scholar's Netflix documentary

BY SHAYNA JACOBS
AND SYDNEY TRENT

NEW YORK — Manhattan prosecutors on Thursday will move to vacate the convictions of two men who served decades in prison for their alleged role in the assassination of Malcolm X, officials involved in the case said.

The exonerations of Muhammad A. Aziz, 83, and Khalil Islam, who died in 2009, would come 56 years after the fiery civil rights leader was murdered on the stage of Manhattan's Audubon Ballroom. They are expected to provide a measure of closure in a case that has drawn deep skepticism among scholars and laypeople alike and inspired conspiracy theories about the possible culpability of law enforcement, particularly the New York Police Department.

The decision to vacate the convictions also meets the demands of the moment in some ways: Malcolm X, who was both reviled and celebrated as a champion of Black people during his life, has become an icon for a younger generation of Black activists.

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Aziz Islam

How Americans formed a mob at the Capitol

Court records: Majority of Jan. 6 suspects weren't part of a planned effort

BY RACHEL WEINER,
SPENCER S. HSU,
TOM JACKMAN
AND SAHANA JAYARAMAN

Thomas Sibick was a star lacrosse player at his military boarding school. While court records show he has struggled with drugs and engaged in reckless and disorderly conduct, he pulled himself together, found a career in elder care and recently got a master's degree in business administration. The son of a Navy captain, he mentored his brother through acceptance to the U.S. Naval Academy.

But during the Jan. 6 Capitol insurrection, prosecutors allege, he ripped the badge and radio from a D.C. police officer who had been pulled into a frenzied crowd, which assaulted the officer until he passed out.

Several dozen of those charged with storming the U.S. Capitol explicitly prepared for violence in the effort to thwart Congress's confirmation of Joe Biden's election that day, according to court records. Some arrived in combat gear, wearing the logos of self-styled militias or violent right-wing clubs. More than 30 of those charged in the Capitol attack face felony conspiracy charges, according to an analysis of court records by The Washington Post.

But court records show that the vast majority of the roughly 650 people federally charged in the riot were not part of far-right groups or premeditated conspiracies to attack the Capitol. Rather, many were an array of everyday Americans that included community leaders, small-business owners, teachers and yoga instructors. One wore his work badge, another a jacket with his phone

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Early start The United States will invest billions into manufacturing coronavirus vaccines and preparing for pandemics. **A7**

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As the youngest students begin to get vac-

inated, education officials are rethinking Maryland's mask mandate for schools. **B1**

The Democratic incumbents in two close Virginia House of Delegates elections filed petitions for recounts, leaving the chance of a 50-50 split in that chamber. **B1**

The University of Maryland Medical System dropped a race-based algorithm for kidney diagnostic testing that officials said harms Black patients. **B1**

Gerrymandering and a "blatant power grab" are how some Prince George's residents described a new redistricting plan. **B1**

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Drug deaths hit grim peak

U.S. OVERDOSES TOP 100,000 IN A YEAR

Pandemic widely blamed for nearly 30% increase

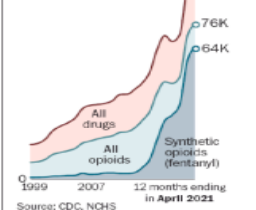
BY DAN KEATING
AND LENNY BERNSTEIN

The U.S. drug epidemic reached another terrible milestone Wednesday when the government announced that more than 100,000 people had died of overdoses between April 2020 and April 2021. It is the first time that drug-related deaths have reached six figures in any 12-month period.

The people who died — 275 every day — would fill the stadium where the University of Alabama plays football. Together, they equal the population of Roanoke, Va.

The new data shows there are SEE OVERDOSES ON A6

U.S. drug overdose deaths per year



On the House floor, Rep. Paul A. Gosar (R-Ariz.) — seen Wednesday before the censure vote in a tram connecting Capitol Hill buildings — rebuffed calls to apologize for the anime he tweeted depicting him attacking Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.) and President Biden.

Gosar is censured over violent video

BY FELICIA SONNEZ,
AMY B. WANG
AND MARIANNA SOTOMAYOR

The House voted Wednesday to censure Rep. Paul A. Gosar (R-Ariz.) for tweeting an anime video that depicted him killing Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.) and swinging swords at President Biden — a move that comes amid growing worries about violent political rhetoric 10 months after a mob of former president Donald Trump's supporters attacked the Capitol.

The 223-to-207 vote, with one

House also strips his committee assignments; McCarthy vows payback

member voting present, marks the first time in more than a decade that the House has censured one of its members. The resolution also removes Gosar from his assignments on the House Oversight and Natural Resources committees.

"Disguising death threats

against a member of Congress and a president of the United States in an animated video does not make those death threats any less real or less serious," Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) said during Wednesday's debate, describing GOP leaders' refusal to reprimand Gosar as "outrageous."

The day brought the post-Jan. 6 tensions in Congress to the fore and highlighted Republicans' increasing tendency to defend their GOP colleagues against any criticism from Democrats, regardless of the behavior at issue.

Most Republicans who spoke

on the floor Wednesday focused their remarks on attacking Democrats as power-hungry hypocrites bent on destroying the country and unwilling to discipline their own members for what Republicans claimed were similar acts. But beyond brief mentions of not condoning violence, few Republicans directed any criticism at Gosar for posting a video depicting himself plunging a sword into the back of a colleague's neck.

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@PKCapitol: Distrust among lawmakers goes beyond policy. **A2**

A crimp in the holiday pie season

Supply chain, climate and weather woes threaten to disrupt dessert

BY LAURA REILEY



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TAMPA — For months, supply chain issues and labor shortages have been putting the squeeze on Mike's Pies, a popular commercial bakery here that's been selling pies based off owner Mike Martin's mother's recipes for three decades.

But another powerful factor — climate change — is heightening those challenges. Its impact is less visible but more enduring, and its consequences are playing out right as the food industry is struggling to avoid holiday season shortages.

Many of the ingredients in Mike's Pies' pies — wheat, berries, honey, soybean oil, among numerous others — have been hit hard by climate and weather effects, including droughts, wildfires and power shutdowns around the world. That's sending prices soaring and, combined with a scarcity of workers and

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For Mike's Pies in Florida, climate change is heightening other challenges such as supply chain and labor issues.

Weaponizing migrants backfires for Lukashenko

BY ROBYN DIXON

MOSCOW — Months after Belarusian President Alexander Lukashenko unleashed a migrant crisis against the European Union, the gambit has come full circle.

Lukashenko's regime is now struggling over what to do with thousands of stranded people he lured from the Middle East and beyond — and the man often called Europe's last dictator is trying to save face after trying to punish his neighbors over sanctions.

A first possible crack in Lukashenko's defiance came Wednesday, when buses took away migrants from an encampment on the Polish border. That came after Lukashenko spoke by phone Monday with Germany's chancellor, Angela Merkel, the first E.U. leader to have direct contact with Lukashenko since last year.

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Holiday 101

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Obituaries have found new life in the Internet era. A well-crafted one for a prominent figure can attract enormous readership online. **C1**

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El empresario argentino, fundador del Malba, cuenta cómo y por qué compró la pintura *Diego y yo*, de la sufrida artista mexicana; la exhibirá en su museo. Cultura, página 24



LOS ARGENTINOS YA HACEN CUENTAS PARA QATAR 2022

—deportes

En la última semana explotaron las búsquedas de pasajes y alojamientos en el emirato para noviembre y diciembre del año próximo. Página 4

VALORES TENTATIVOS PARA IR AL MUNDIAL

	US\$1961	Alojamiento 26 noches
	US\$1486	Pasajes aéreos
	US\$529	Alquiler de auto
	US\$550	Comidas (gasto diario)
	US\$5650	Paquete de 5 entradas

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Fernández negó la derrota y llamó a "hacer lo necesario" para triunfar en 2023

TRAS LAS ELECCIONES. "Nadie nos ha vencido", dijo ante una multitud movilizada por la CGT y el peronismo; excluyó a Macri y a Milei de un proceso de diálogo; alentó a una PASO presidencial

Terminó una campaña y empezó otra. El presidente Alberto Fernández alentó ayer a una multitud movilizada por la CGT, el peronismo, La Cábora y los movimientos sociales a salir a militar en favor del Gobierno y puso la mira en el siguiente proceso electoral: "Tenemos que hacer lo necesario para que en 2023 aseguremos un triunfo rotundo".

La arenga presidencial, desde un escenario sobre la Plaza de Mayo, volvió a excluir la admisión de la derrota del Frente de Todos en las legislativas. "En estos días venimos leyendo una pregunta repetida: Si perdieron, ¿qué celebran?". El triunfo no es vencer, sino nunca darse por vencido", dijo. Y sobre el final insistió: "Nadie nos ha vencido". El oficialismo perdió por 8 puntos en todo el país y fue superado en 15 distritos, incluidos Buenos Aires, la Capital, Córdoba, Santa Fe, Mendoza y Entre Ríos.

Fernández se comprometió a alentar las internas en el Frente de Todos para elegir al próximo candidato a presidente. "Es hora de poner las diferencias sobre la mesa", dijo, sin aludir a Cristina Kirchner.

Habló de diálogo con la oposición, pero excluyó a Mauricio Macri y a Javier Milei. Página 8

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Con Máximo Kirchner al frente, La Cábora se juntó en el Obelisco y marchó a la plaza cuando terminó de hablar el Presidente. Página 9



Una multitud se movilizó a la Plaza de Mayo en colectivos fletados por sindicatos y el peronismo. G. VIERCOVICH

EL ESCENARIO

La victoria fraguada del Presidente

Carlos Pagni

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Julio María Sanguinetti suele recordar que en 1996, cuando Felipe González perdió las elecciones, lo llamó y le dijo que la suya había sido "una derrota con sabor a victoria". Sanguinetti cuenta que González no aceptó el alivio y le contestó que "la democracia consiste en una ética de la derrota". Es una bellísima idea, que supone que la mayor virtud del democrata no está en poder ganar, sino en saber perder. Es decir, en saber inclinarse ante la mayoría cuando esa mayoría prefirió a otro. La dificultad psicológica y moral que puede presentar esa aceptación es una señal del nivel de fobia al pluralismo que puede afectar a un dirigente. Continúa en la página 11

Pagarán más impuestos los envases y las criptomonedas

PRESIÓN. El oficialismo en el Congreso avanza con el tratamiento de un proyecto de ley que establece la aplicación de una tasa del 3% sobre el precio de los alimentos envasados para financiar la operación de las cooperativas de reciclaje. La industria de bebidas advirtió que el sector ya sufre una carga tributaria del 50%. Por otra parte, el Gobierno estableció que las criptomonedas deberán tributar el impuesto al cheque. Página 18

Histórico fallo a 55 años del asesinato de Malcolm X

JUSTICIA. NUEVA YORK (*The New York Times*).—Dos de los condenados por el asesinato de Malcolm X en 1965 serán exonerados hoy, informó el fiscal del distrito de Manhattan, una decisión que reescribirá la historia de uno de los magnicidios

más resonantes de la historia de la lucha por los derechos civiles en Estados Unidos. La absolución de Muhammad Aziz y el fallecido Khalil Islam se producirá tras una investigación de 22 meses derivada de un documental en Netflix. Página 5

De Morón a Pfizer. La médica argentina detrás de la vacuna

Infectóloga argentina, pero radicada en los Estados Unidos, donde desarrolló su carrera profesional, Alejandra Gurtman es vicepresidenta del área de Investigación y Desarrollo de Vacunas de Pfizer a nivel global. Aunque tiene un muy

bajo perfil público, dedicó en los últimos 20 meses más de 14 horas diarias a trabajar con un equipo de más de mil personas para desarrollar la inmunización clave para luchar contra la pandemia de coronavirus. Página 22

El fiscal pidió enviar a juicio a Cristina por lavado

HOTESUR. Rechazó que sea sobreesfuerzo, como pedían la vicepresidenta y sus hijos. Página 15

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Brasil nos eSports

Em quatro anos, a equipe brasileira de esportes eletrônicos FURIA tornou-se modelo de gestão na área, potência nos jogos e negócio de alcance global — colocando o país na mesa com gigantes.

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Wes Anderson celebra jornalismo e cinema em seu novo 'A Crônica Francesa'

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Aos 40 anos, Ritz resiste em São Paulo e mantém sua aura badalada

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Nado com boto e fotos com macacos põem espécies em risco na Amazônia

Reajuste de servidor tiraria verba de emendas

Membros do Congresso que discutem o Orçamento de 2022 dizem que, se o governo insistir num amplo reajuste a servidores, a verba para emendas parlamentares e outras promessas de Jair Bolsonaro na área social deverá ser cortada. O Planalto conta com aprovação da PEC dos Precatórios para elevar despesas no ano eleitoral, mas o espaço ainda assim é limitado. Mercado A17

Macron recebe Lula em Paris com honrarias

Desafeto de Jair Bolsonaro, presidente francês recebeu petista como chefe de Estado para falar de temas "fundamentais". A13



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AGÊNCIAS REGISTRAM FILAS NO 1º DIA DE PAGAMENTO DO AUXÍLIO BRASIL

Pessoas se aglomeram diante de posto da prefeitura de Salvador; início do programa federal foi marcado por dúvidas dos beneficiários Mercado A20

Doria anuncia reforço da vacina em SP a partir de hoje

João Doria (PSDB) declarou que, a partir de hoje, maiores de 18 anos começam a receber a dose de reforço dos imunizantes contra a Covid-19. A aplicação pode ser realizada cinco meses após o esquema vacinal básico. A fala do governador paulista vem um dia após o ministro da Saúde, Marcelo Queiroga, anunciar terceira dose para todos os adultos do país. Saúde B1

Doria põe projeto pessoal acima do país, diz Leite

À Folha governador gaúcho, que disputava prévias tucanas com João Doria, afirma que atitude do rival fragiliza terceira via. A8

A pandemia em 17.nov

Dados das 20h

POPULAÇÃO VACINADA

No Brasil	
Ap menos uma dose (dose única ou 1ª dose)	75,9 %
1º ciclo vacinal completo (dose única ou 2ª dose)	59,4 %
Dose de reforço	5,9 %

ESTÁGIO DA DOENÇA

Óbitos	
Média móvel	Em 24 h 374
260	↑ 15,2 %*
Casos	↓ -5,7 %* (desacelerado)
	Total 611.898

*Variação em relação a 14 dias

Moro escolhe Pastore de assessor econômico

Pré-candidato à Presidência, ex-juiz diz que Affonso Celso Pastore, ex-presidente do BC, vai assessorá-lo em macroeconomia. A5

Bolsonaro volta a atacar Enem e negar ter visto perguntas

Presidente questiona se exame mede conhecimento; ministro diz que não houve ordem para mudar questões

O presidente Jair Bolsonaro negou que tenha recebido acesso às perguntas do Enem (Exame Nacional do Ensino Médio) e questionou se a prova, usada para a admissão em faculdades, mede conhecimento ou "ativismo político e comportamental". Na segunda (15), ele disse que as questões do teste, seu alvo há anos para incitar a base conservadora, "começam a ter a cara do governo".

A aplicação do exame, que começa neste domingo (21), passou a ser questionada após dezenas de servidores do instituto que organiza a prova, o Inep, renunciarem citando problemas gerenciais — o que o governo nega. Ontem, a Defensoria Pública da União ingressou com ação para que o órgão prove ter tomado providências para garantir que não haja vazamento nem fraude.

Em sessão da Comissão de Educação da Câmara, o titular da pasta, ministro Milton Ribeiro, refutou a hipótese de que tenha havido ordem para trocar questões e declarou que alterações no conteúdo cabem à equipe técnica. "Não há controle ideológico, porque as perguntas fazem parte de um conjunto de questões que nem foram feitas pelo nosso governo", afirmou. Cotidiano B5

José Vicente Por mais justiça e igualdade, cotas!

Não há outra medida com tamanho grau de justiça, assertividade e impacto. É inimaginável outro caminho que não a prorrogação da lei por mais 10, 20, 50 ou a eternidade de anos que for necessária. Opinião A3

Advogado e sociólogo, é reitor da Universidade Zumbi dos Palmares

Juristas querem observatório contra racismo

A criação de observatório contra o racismo deve ser uma das propostas de comissão de juristas negros criada pela Câmara. Eles também devem sugerir a fixação de metas objetivas nas leis de cotas. Poder A10

UE propõe banir importação de soja e carne ligadas a desmate

A Comissão Europeia propôs vetar a importação de produtos considerados fortemente ligados ao desmatamento e à degradação florestal — entre eles algumas das commodities mais exportadas pelo Brasil, como soja e carne. A15 e A16

PF investiga pasta da Justiça por extradição de Allan dos Santos A4

EUA têm mais de 100 mil óbitos por overdose em 1 ano

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Justiça condena 'xamã do QAnon' a 3 anos de prisão

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A cara do Enem Sobre declarações de Bolsonaro relativas ao exame.



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Le retour de l'inflation jette une ombre sur la reprise

En Europe comme aux États-Unis, la hausse des prix atteint un niveau record depuis la crise de 2008. Au départ jugé transitoire, le phénomène pourrait bien se révéler durable.

Hausse de 4,1 % en zone euro, 4,2 % au Royaume-Uni et jusqu'à 6,2 % aux États-Unis. L'augmentation des prix à la consommation a atteint en octobre, de part et d'autre de

l'Atlantique, des niveaux inédits depuis la crise de 2008. Aux États-Unis, le gallon d'essence ordinaire, sujet sensible s'il en est, s'est envolé de plus de 60 % en un an.

À tel point que Joe Biden a assuré à ses concitoyens qu'inverser la tendance de l'inflation est devenu sa « priorité ». En Europe, la Banque centrale est désespérée par cette

valse des étiquettes, que les économistes qualifient de transitoire depuis des mois mais qui perdure. Les Allemands et les Autrichiens réclament à la BCE de resserrer

le robinet monétaire et d'amorcer la hausse des taux d'intérêt. Cela ferait plus de mal que de bien, rétorque Christine Lagarde. Le débat devrait s'intensifier.

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L'Ukraine l'arme au pied alors que la Russie masse des troupes à sa frontière

Comme au printemps, d'importants mouvements de troupes russes sont observés depuis fin octobre à proximité de la frontière avec l'Ukraine, faisant craindre une nouvelle incursion armée en soutien aux séparatistes prorusses. PAGES 10 ET 11

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Bombe à retardement

Ce devait être une petite poussée de fièvre temporaire et sans conséquence. Si les prix montent, nous expliquait-on, c'est que le redémarrage en trombe de l'économie mondiale après la pandémie provoque des tensions sur la production et la circulation des marchandises. Une fois ces goulots d'étranglement surmontés, tout rentrerait dans l'ordre. Patatras ! C'est un tout autre scénario qui se dessine sous nos yeux. Partout dans le monde, la vaguelette annoncée prend une ampleur inattendue. Énergie, céréales, matières premières, industrie, services, transports... tout flambe bien au-delà de ce qu'on imaginait. Sans surprise, les salariés réclament leur dû. Lentement mais sûrement, l'engrenage de l'inflation, cette maladie éradiquée au milieu des années 1980 après tant de ravages, se met en place.

Cette nouvelle donne a tout d'une bombe à retardement. Autrefois pompières, les banques centrales deviennent pyromanes : les tombereaux de monnaie qu'elles déversent dans l'économie pour soutenir l'activité alimentent désormais la flambée

des prix. Et encourage l'aveuglement d'une finance débridée, qui s'enivre à la Bourse en valorisant plusieurs dizaines de milliards des constructeurs automobiles électriques qui n'ont encore produit quasiment aucune voiture. Pour beaucoup, il est temps d'arrêter les frais. En Europe, les Allemands et quelques autres commencent à ruer dans les brancards. La BCE résiste en-

Le choc de l'inflation dévoile le mirage de l'argent illimité et gratuit

core, mais, ici comme ailleurs, nul doute que le festin sera bientôt terminé. Le choc de l'inflation dévoile brutalement le mirage de l'argent gratuit et illimité. Cette pluie divine avait fini par installer l'idée saugrenue qu'une dette pouvait grimper à l'infini et - pourquoi s'arrêter en si bon chemin ? - que l'on ne la rembourserait jamais. En France, pays de la dépense publique, nous en avons fait un usage immodéré. Après une si longue parenthèse en apesanteur, le retour sur terre s'annonce brutal. ■

Lisnard élu à la tête des Maires de France, une victoire stratégique pour LR

Le maire LR de Cannes, David Lisnard, a été élu hier à la tête des Maires de France par 62 % des votants face au candidat soutenu discrètement par la macronie, le maire UDI de Sceaux, Philippe Laurent. Une satisfaction pour la droite, qui conserve le contrôle de l'association après le départ de François Baroin. PAGE 2



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Social care cap could expose poorer homeowners to 'catastrophic' costs

Government proposals prompt warning of revolt by red wall Tories

Robert Booth

Social affairs correspondent

Tens of thousands of England's poorest pensioners face paying the same for their old age care as wealthier people after the government published details of the new cap

on home and care costs. The change of plan is expected to save the government hundreds of millions of pounds but leave many poorer homeowners exposed to "catastrophic costs" including the need to sell their homes to cover long-term care, analysts said.

Amid a barrage of criticism last night, Boris Johnson was warned that MPs in the so-called red wall could revolt when the changes are put to a vote.

In September Boris Johnson announced an £86,000 cap on the amount anyone in England would

pay for social care, saying: "The state should target its help at protecting people against the catastrophic fear of losing everything to pay for the cost of their care, and that is what this government will do."

The cap was expected to amount to a combination of all care costs including means-tested council funding. But yesterday, while MPs at Westminster were focused on the scandal over MPs' second jobs, the Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC) said only private contributions would be counted.

'I'm really not sure the government's thought this through'

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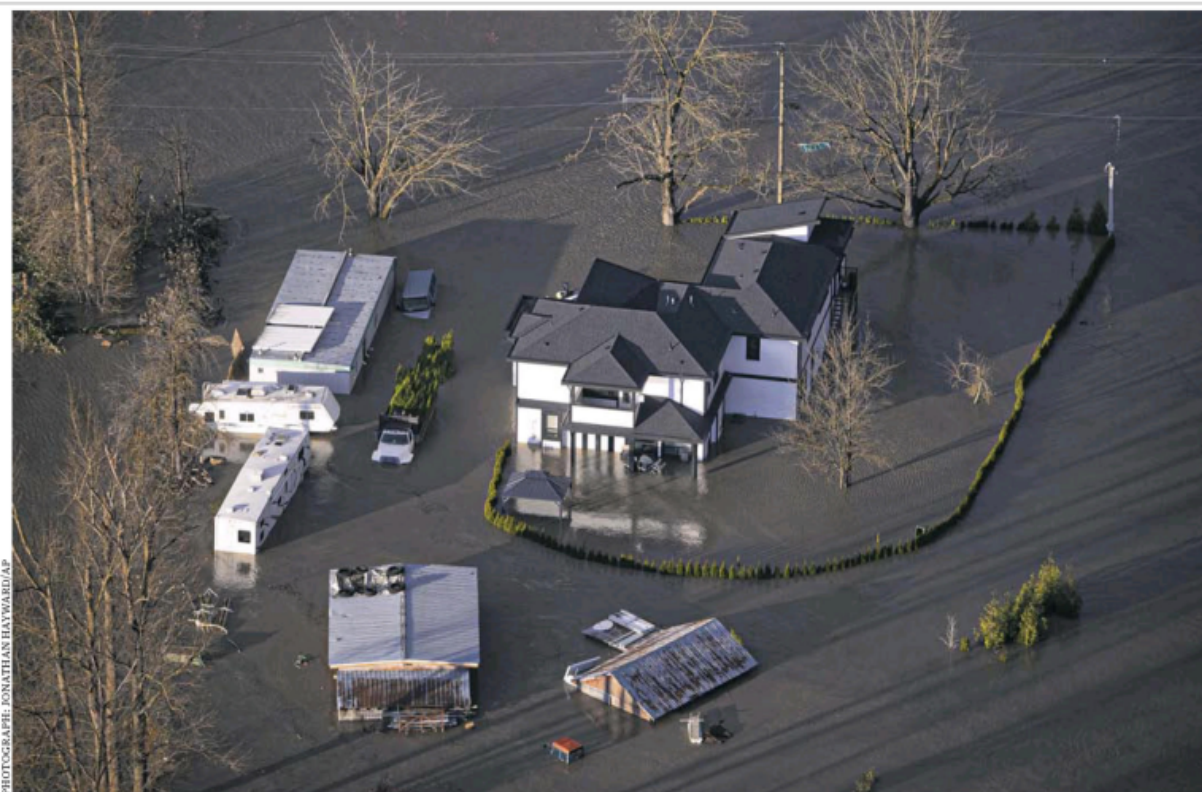
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That means that a pensioner with a £90,000 home in Burnley who qualifies for council help could pay the same for their care out of their own pocket as someone with property

worth £250,000 or more in Surrey who is too wealthy for means-tested assistance. Care bills could still eat into almost all of their assets, forcing the sale of the house.

Labour said the government had "failed to be straight" with elderly people and described the care costs cap as a "con". It said the announcement was "sneaked out today under a cloud of Tory sleaze".

The decision also goes against the recommendations of Sir Andrew Dilnot, the economist who devised the cap proposals



Flooding and landslides leave Vancouver cut off

Troops have been deployed to help stranded people and to search areas that have been cut off after a month's rain fell in two days across the Pacific north-west region of the US and Canada. **News Page 32** →

Fewer than 10 MPs hit by Johnson sleaze rule

Exclusive

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Fewer than 10 MPs are likely to be hit by Boris Johnson's proposed rule changes on second jobs, analysis of the register of interests suggests.

It came as the prime minister conceded it was a "total mistake" to back disgraced MP Owen Paterson, admitting to backbench MPs on the 1922 committee "on a clear road I crashed the car into a ditch".

Last night, MPs voted 297 to nil to back Downing Street plans to restrict outside work to "reasonable limits" and prohibit parliamentary advice or consultancy, with Labour abstaining. Final details are to be drawn up by the



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