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◆ **The Biden administration** is considering sanctions targeting entities linked to Iran for encouraging attacks on Salman Rushdie, people familiar with the matter said, after the acclaimed novelist was stabbed last month. **A3**

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◆ **A TikTok executive** pushed back against senators grilling the company over its links to China, expressing confidence a deal with the U.S. government would safeguard American users' data. **A4**

◆ **Britain's royal family** united in procession as Queen Elizabeth II's coffin was taken from Buckingham Palace to Westminster Hall, where the late monarch will lie in state until her funeral. **A11**

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Zelensky Visits Liberated Region, Seeks New Aid From West



ON THE GROUND: Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky on Wednesday visited the town of Izyum, part of the Kharkiv region recaptured from Russian forces. Kyiv is highlighting its battlefield gains to encourage more backing from the West. **A8**

EU Proposes Energy Firms Give \$140 Billion to Users

BRUSSELS—The European Union outlined a plan to redistribute about \$140 billion from energy companies to consumers and businesses in a bid to cushion the blow of high

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and Matthew Dalton

prices stoked by Russia's punishing assault on the continent's economy.

The plan is among the broadest maneuvers Brussels has orchestrated in response to economic pain Russia has

inflicted on Europe in the standoff following Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Western powers have levied an array of sanctions against Russia to punish and deter Moscow.

Russia, in response, has squeezed European energy supplies, curtailing natural-gas shipments. That has pushed factories to reduce or shut down production, triggered emergency plans by governments to ration gas if necessary this winter and threatened economic recession.

European Union data out on Wednesday showed eurozone

factory output dropped 2.3% in July from a month earlier, the first decline since March, partly reflecting cutbacks in energy-intensive sectors.

The EU plan is intended to redirect some energy companies' windfall profit and revenue to ease consumers' burden. It marks one of the bloc's most significant market interventions since the global financial crisis more than a decade ago. It comes as Kyiv's forces have won back swaths of the country's northeast in a withering counteroffensive. Those battlefield gains could provide

Brussels officials more leverage in the economic sphere if they bolster support among politicians and voters for the war as the economic pain from the conflict is starting to become more acute.

"In these times it is wrong to receive extraordinary, record revenues and profits benefiting from war and on the back of our consumers," European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen said on Wednesday. She said the money captured from companies' inflated profit and revenue should be

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Amazon Hit With California Antitrust Lawsuit

By Christine Mai-Duc
and Dana Mattioli

California sued Amazon.com Inc., the state attorney general said, alleging the online retailer's contracts with third-party sellers and wholesalers inflate prices, stifle competition and violate the state's antitrust and unfair competition laws.

Attorney General Rob Bonta said on Wednesday his office had filed a lawsuit in San Francisco Superior Court seeking to halt Amazon policies he said prevent merchants from offering lower prices through competitors' websites. The suit is the result of an investigation that began in early 2020, Mr. Bonta said.

The suit asks the court to block Amazon from continuing those policies and to appoint a monitor to ensure the company's compliance, according to a copy viewed by The Wall Street Journal. It seeks unspecified damages for harm to the state economy and \$2,500 for each violation of the state's civil and professional code proved at trial.

Amazon denied the claims. The lawsuit represents the biggest legal challenge to date in the U.S. for Amazon, which was sued by the District of Columbia and is being investigated by the Federal Trade Commission, the European Union and a congressional

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◆ **EU upholds \$4 billion Google fine**. **A9**

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Old Rock Band T-Shirts Are in Fashion—Never Mind the Music

Teens take to Rolling Stones, Nirvana logos, even if they can't name any songs

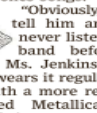
By Rebecca Picciotto

Like many 17-year-old high-school students today, Sarah Jenkins doesn't listen to the Rolling Stones. Her closet tells a different story.

In seventh grade, Ms. Jenkins decided to buy the shirt that everyone was wearing, she said—a crop top with the Rolling Stones' signature logo of red lips with a tongue sticking out. The next morning, she came downstairs sporting her new T-shirt. For Ms. Jenkins, in Highlands Ranch, Colo., the shirt was just a hot new style trend. For her father, 50-year-old Scott Jenkins, it was a flash-

back to junior high. "Hey, that was my music back when I was your age," Mr. Jenkins told his daughter. "Do you even know that music?" In jest, he asked her to name a couple of Rolling Stones songs.

"Obviously, I couldn't tell him any as I've never listened to the band before," said Ms. Jenkins. She still wears it regularly, along with a more recently acquired Metallica T-shirt, which is "even more of my generation," said her father. Ms. Jenkins can't name a song from Metallica, either. What is now a running joke in the Jenkins family has become a broader trend in the



True fan?

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SoftBank Weighs New Vision Fund

By Eliot Brown
and Julie Steinberg

Global tech investor SoftBank Group Corp. is considering the launch of a new giant startup fund after ill-timed bets and massive losses weighed down two earlier attempts to dominate startup investing, according to people familiar with discussions at the company.

The Tokyo-based tech conglomerate, by far the world's largest startup investor in recent years, would likely use its own cash for what would be the third SoftBank Vision Fund

if it moves ahead with the plan, some of the people said.

The company is also considering putting additional money into Vision Fund 2, its main investment fund for the past few years, instead of starting a new fund, one of the people said. Vision Fund 2 is currently worth less than the investment that went into it. Those losses significantly reduce the pay for SoftBank staff working on the fund—a factor in its decision making. The company expects to make a decision in the coming months, the people said.

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Latino Voters Split On Economic Lines

Working-class voters in particular move toward the Republican Party

By Aaron Zitner
and Bryan Mena

LAS VEGAS—A few miles from the Las Vegas Strip, in a working-class neighborhood of one-story homes and scattered palm trees, Vania Oronoz is pushing her husband to give up his habit of voting for Democrats.

Mrs. Oronoz and many of her neighbors are shifting toward the Republican Party, a pattern that's being replicated across the country. The move has been especially pronounced among working-class Latinos, whose votes have the potential to reshape the political parties in the same way that the

movement of white, working-class voters has made them a pillar of the Republican Party.

Mrs. Oronoz, a 44-year-old immigrant from Mexico, runs a taco business with her husband and backed President Joe Biden in 2020 when she cast her first vote as a U.S. citizen. She said she has become disenchanted with Democrats over the state of inflation and school quality, as well as the party's failure to approve a pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants. Instead she is putting her support behind GOP candidates in this fall's election.

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Strike Threat Triggers Supply Concerns

Freight-rail operators, unions negotiate as Amtrak suspends long-distance services

Biden administration officials huddled Wednesday with union and freight-rail company representatives trying to avert a strike that threatened to shut down a crucial vein of the U.S. economy and put fresh pressure on prices at a time when inflation is hovering near four-decade highs.

By Austen Hufford,
Andrew Restuccia
and Esther Fung

As negotiations between the railroads and labor unions approach a Friday deadline, passenger-rail provider Amtrak said it would suspend all long-distance train services starting Thursday to avoid disruptions caused by a potential strike by freight workers. While the negotiations don't involve Amtrak workers, Amtrak's long-distance trains operate on freight lines, and the company said it wanted to avoid passenger disruptions in the event of a strike.

In a setback, one of the unions representing U.S. railroad workers said its members rejected a tentative agreement its leaders had reached. The International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, or IAM, said its 4,900 members had voted to reject a deal reached with the biggest U.S. freight railroads as part of

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Royal family escorts Queen Elizabeth to lying-in-state

Thousands of mourners lined the streets of central London yesterday to watch the procession of Queen Elizabeth's coffin from Buckingham Palace to the Palace of Westminster, where it will lie in state until her funeral on Monday.

Mounted on a gun carriage pulled by four black horses, the coffin was escorted by a military band playing funeral marches and soldiers in the scarlet tunics and bearskin helmets of the Foot Guards. King Charles, flanked to his left by his siblings Princess Anne, Prince Andrew and Prince Edward, walked behind. His two sons, princes William and Harry, followed next.

After marching along the Mall, across Horse Guards Parade and into Whitehall the procession reached Westminster Hall where the coffin was placed on a high catafalque. Justin Welby, the Archbishop of Canterbury, delivered an opening prayer at the short service.

At 5pm the main doors were opened to allow members of the public to pay their respects. Hundreds of thousands are expected to join the queue. The hall will remain open day and night until the Queen's coffin is processed across Parliament Square to Westminster Abbey for the funeral on Monday.

US president Joe Biden, who will join many heads of state for the final rites, spoke to the King yesterday to offer his condolences, the White House said.

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Shale bosses warn US cannot 'bail out' EU

◆ Russian exports set to plunge ◆ West's oil embargo will push up prices ◆ Crude production 'close to maximum'

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The US shale industry has warned it cannot rescue Europe with increased oil and gas supplies this winter amid fears that a plunge in Russian exports will send crude prices soaring back above \$100 a barrel.

Although oil markets have softened in recent weeks, fears are growing that the respite will end when an EU embargo on Russian sales comes into full effect later this year. US Treasury secretary Janet Yellen this week warned the embargo

"could cause a spike in oil prices". However, US shale executives sitting on vast oil and natural gas reserves that could be used to alleviate a European energy crunch say they will be unable to step up supplies quickly enough to prevent winter shortages.

"It's not like the US can pump a bunch more. Our production is what it is," said Wil VanLoh, head of private equity group Quantum Energy Partners, one of the shale patch's biggest investors. "There's no bailout coming. Not on the oil side, not on the gas side."

Oil and liquefied gas exports from the

US have risen to take advantage of higher prices in Europe but are now near a maximum, executives said, warning that crude output growth would fall short of government forecasts for around 1m barrels a day this year.

Asked about the prospect of a big production increase from the US shale industry, Scott Sheffield, chief executive of Pioneer Natural Resources, said: "No, I don't see it coming."

"We're not adding [drilling] rigs and I don't see anyone else adding rigs," said Sheffield, who runs one of the biggest oil producers in the US. Crude prices could

rise above \$120 a barrel this winter as supplies tighten, Sheffield added.

The International Energy Agency said yesterday that oil sales from Russia, the world's biggest petroleum exporter, could fall by almost 20 per cent when the EU embargo takes full effect. Brent crude prices rose 5 per cent to \$94 a barrel following the report.

Soaring shale production in the past decade made the US the world's biggest oil producer, with pre-pandemic output hitting 13m b/d, or more than 10 per cent of global supply. Shale output growth each year in the boom years on

its own met the rise in global demand, helping to keep a lid on crude prices.

But US output last week had recovered to just 12.1m b/d. New concerns about shale's sluggish supply growth come as traders also grow anxious about the Opec producer group's ability to raise supply. Last week, the cartel said it planned to begin trimming its output.

While Chevron and ExxonMobil, as well as some private companies, are ramping up US drilling, the overall number of operating rigs has stalled recently and productivity per well has plunged. Ben Dell, chief executive of pri-

ivate equity group Kimeridge Energy, said the shale industry's investors on Wall Street would not give their blessing to a big production increase, preferring a low-production, high-profit model.

"Investors generally don't want shale companies to pursue a growth model," he said. "The capital availability is extremely limited."

Modest supply rises from the US in coming months would "not move things at a world scale", said Matt Gallagher, head of Greenlake Energy Ventures.

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Cifra attracts young talent with jobs in Spanish resort

Cifra group is aiming to battle burnout among young investment bankers by opening a hub for junior analysts in the beachside Spanish city of Málaga. The US bank, which insists the idea is not a gimmick, is promising eight-hour days and no weekend work at the new office, in contrast to the punishing seven-day weeks common on Wall Street. It received 3,000 applications for the 27 roles available in a resort known for fine food and lively nightlife.

Málaga hub ■ PAGE 8

UK chancellor Kwarteng set to end post-crisis cap on bankers' bonuses

GEORGE PARKER, STEPHEN MORRIS AND DANIEL THOMAS — LONDON

Kwasi Kwarteng, chancellor of the exchequer, is seeking to scrap Britain's cap on bankers' bonuses, introduced after the 2008 financial crash, in a move aimed at boosting the City of London's global competitiveness.

Kwarteng argues the step would make London a more attractive destination for top global talent and would be a clear signal of his new "Big Bang 2.0" approach to post-Brexit City regulation, according to colleagues.

Former prime minister Boris Johnson shied away from lifting the cap, fearing a political backlash. But Kwarteng told City executives last week: "We need to be decisive and do things differently."

Although no final decisions have been taken, people close to the thinking of

Britain's finance minister said he wanted to scrap the cap, introduced by EU legislation in 2014, as part of a package of City reforms.

The UK has long opposed the EU bonus cap, which limits year-end payouts to twice a banker's salary. For example, if a bank wants to pay someone £3m in London, it would need to pay the person a salary of at least £1.5m. When the idea was mooted in June, Labour leader Sir Keir Starmer described it as "pay rises for bankers, pay cuts for district nurses", but senior Tories say Kwarteng was "unashamedly" looking for ways to boost growth.

To alleviate criticism that he was helping rich bankers, the chancellor would set the move in the context of Britain's recently announced £150bn state intervention to help families and business through the energy crisis.

Kwarteng is delivering a mini-Budget next week and the Treasury said it would not comment on speculation ahead of a fiscal event.

Some in the Treasury believe the chancellor could make a separate announcement on City reforms at a later date.

Those briefed on the discussions say Kwarteng is anxious to boost London's competitiveness against New York, Frankfurt, Hong Kong and Paris. One financial executive said scrapping the cap would be a "clear Brexit dividend. Something you can present as a win."

The cap has been a particular annoyance for US investment banks that employ tens of thousands of staff in London. Wall Street typically includes large elements of performance-related bonuses and lower fixed salaries in its pay packages.

World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				GOVERNMENT BONDS			
	Sep 14	Prev	%Chg	Pair	Sep 14	Prev	%Chg	Yield (%)	Sep 14	Prev	Chg
S&P 500	3947.24	3932.69	+0.37	\$/£	1.006	1.002	+0.4	3.78	3.75	+0.01	
Nasdaq Composite	11714.00	11623.57	+0.69	\$/€	1.158	1.154	+0.3	0.864	0.866	-0.04	
Dow Jones Ind	31194.07	31104.97	+0.29	\$/¥	0.863	0.868	-0.6	1.158	1.153	+0.05	
FTSEurofirst 300	1948.08	1962.44	-0.80	\$/HK\$	142.625	144.225	-1.1	142.589	144.456	-0.07	
Euro Stoxx 50	3967.86	3998.18	-0.51	\$/INR	165.152	166.505	-0.8	77.166	77.077	+0.03	
FTSE 100	7272.30	7395.86	-1.47	\$/R\$	0.860	0.862	-0.2	1.112	1.109	+0.03	
FTSE All Share	3996.82	4096.12	-1.46	JPY 10 yr				0.09	0.08	+0.01	
CAC 40	6222.41	6245.69	-0.37	JPY 30 yr				0.25	0.24	+0.01	
Nikkei	2718.62	2861.63	-4.78	JPN 30 yr				1.18	1.22	-0.04	
Xetra Dax	13026.00	13188.95	-1.22	GER 10 yr				1.41	1.38	+0.03	
Hong Kong	19847.10	19326.86	+2.48	GER 30 yr				1.71	1.73	-0.02	
MSCI World \$	2619.50	2719.01	-3.66	GER 30 yr				1.75	1.79	-0.05	
MSCI EM \$	979.91	979.05	-0.08								
MSCI ACWI \$	418.49	421.00	-0.59								
FT Worldex 2500	5131.76	5262.76	-4.51	Oil WTI \$	89.46	87.31	+2.46				
FT Worldex 5000	40095.18	41898.50	-4.29	Oil Brent \$	96.23	93.17	+3.21				
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Boat operators, who have come from miles around to work as ferrymen in submerged regions of southern Pakistan, often use power lines as navigation landmarks.

New York Lags Other Big Cities In Job Recovery

By NICOLE HONG
and MATTHEW HAAG

The darkest days of the pandemic are far behind New York City. Masks are coming off, Times Square is packed with tourists and Midtown Manhattan lunch spots have growing lines of workers in business suits. Around the city, it often feels like 2019 again.

But the bustling surface obscures a lingering wound from the pandemic. While the country as a whole has recently regained all of the jobs it lost early in the health crisis, New York City is still missing 176,000, representing the slowest recovery of any major metropolitan area, according to the latest employment data.

New York relies more than other cities on international tourists, business travelers and commuters, whose halting return has weighed on the workers who cater to them — from bartenders and baggage handlers, to office cleaners and theater ushers. A majority of the lost private sector jobs have been concentrated in the hospitality and retail industries, traditional pipelines into the work force for younger adults, immigrants and residents without a college degree.

By contrast, overall employment in industries that allow for remote work, such as the technology sector, is back at pre-pandemic levels.

The lopsided recovery threatens to deepen inequality in a city where apartment rents are soaring.

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Rising Despair As Floodwaters Engulf Villages

By CHRISTINA GOLDBAUM
and ZIA ur-REHMAN

DADU, Pakistan — The view from Muhammad Jaffar's small, mud brick home in southern Pakistan used to bring him a sense of relief. Rolling fields of green cotton

shrubs had started just steps from his door, their white blooms offering the promise of enough income for his family to survive the year.

Now his fields, along with other vast swaths of Pakistan, are under green, putrid water.

About two weeks ago, in one of the latest rounds of record-shattering flooding that has afflicted the country since June, his land was completely submerged, including his well for drinking water.

"We are living on an island now," Mr. Jaffar, 40, told visiting New York Times journalists on Tuesday.

The devastating floods have inundated hundreds of villages across much of Pakistan's fertile land. In Sindh Province in the south, the floodwater has effectively transformed what was once farmland into two large lakes that have engulfed entire villages and turned others into fragile islands. The flooding is the worst to hit the country in recent history, according to Pakistani officials. They warn that it may take three to six months for the floodwaters to recede.

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In Russian Border City, a War Feels Less Distant

By VALERIE HOPKINS

BELGOROD, Russia — Military trucks and armored personnel carriers spray-painted with the letter Z rumble through intersections, and groups of men in camouflage walk the streets and shop for military goods like thermal underwear. Refugees pour in from territories in Ukraine that were recently lost to the enemy.

The sounds of nearby explosions have become a regular occurrence in Belgorod, 25 miles from the Ukrainian border, and anxious store owners call the police reporting imagined bomb threats, a sign of the paranoia that is starting to spread. Residents express fear about what will come next, with some even speculating

Fear Grips Residents as Retreat Drives Home Reality of Conflict

that Ukrainian troops could take a step they have avoided for nearly seven months and enter Russian territory.

"It is as if they are already here," an ash-faced woman told a merchant at the city's central market, after the boom of an explosion.

President Vladimir V. Putin has tried to keep life as normal as possible for most Russians as he conducts his war in Ukraine, and to make the hostilities a distant concept. But with Ukrainian forces

now on the offensive, residents of Belgorod feel as if the war has come to their doorstep.

"There are so many rumors, people are afraid," said Maksim, 21, a merchant at the market.

He was selling thermal underwear, camouflage jackets and other sporting goods that once went to hunters and fishermen but are now being bought up by soldiers and their relatives. Like most other residents interviewed for this article, he declined to provide his full name out of fear of retribution.

The mood at the market, a warren of stalls selling clothes, home goods and military gear, was tense. Though the city of Belgorod

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Solemn Salute to Queen

King Charles III followed his mother's coffin to Westminster Hall, where she will lie in state. Page A8.

With Rail Strike Inching Closer, Biden Urges Sides to Reach Deal

By JIM TANKERSLEY and ANA SWANSON

WASHINGTON — President Biden, desperate to avert a damaging freight rail strike that could exacerbate rapid inflation, is pushing rail companies and unions to reach an agreement ahead of a Friday deadline, while exploring whether he can do anything unilaterally to assuage workers' concerns.

Mr. Biden and his economic team have been inserting themselves into final-hour negotiations between rail unions and large rail companies, which are at logger-

heads over scheduling and sick time. Labor groups have insisted that employees be able to take unpaid time off for physician appointments, a request railroad companies have been unwilling to grant.

On Wednesday, in anticipation of a strike, Amtrak said it would cancel all long-distance passenger trains beginning on Thursday in order to avoid possibly stranding people given that most of its trains run on tracks operated

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Bomb Scare, Murder, Fights: Thousands of 911 Calls at One Site

By MICHAEL WILSON

"New York City 911," the emergency dispatcher answered. "Do you need police, fire or medical?" "I need police — 312 Riverside Drive," the caller said in a hushed voice. "The lady in Room 340 on the third floor is cutting herself. She's mentally ill. She's back naked and she's mentally ill and she's cutting herself with a razor."

The dispatcher asked follow-up questions and assured the man: "Help is on the way."

That call, just past midnight on Dec. 16, was the first of five that day reporting dire emergencies at that same address. Fights, stabbings, sexual assaults, shots fired — all at 312 Riverside Drive. It was the location of thousands of 911 calls going back more than two years — without question, the most dangerous address in all of

Mystery in Manhattan Traced to Lone Man

New York City by this measure. Again and again, police officers had raced to the tree-lined block of the Upper West Side, between West 103rd and 104th Streets. Firefighters and paramedics met

them there.

But the responses all ended the same way: The emergency vehicles turned and left, their sirens off. The police, over time, stopped responding to the calls at all.

Because there is no 312 Riverside Drive.

The calls had been treated like emergencies; now they were a mystery. Who was making them? Why? Was it a coordinated at-

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L.A. COUNTY sheriff's deputies escort county Supervisor Sheila Kuehl from her Santa Monica house after serving her a search warrant Wednesday. The search was tied to a probe into Peace Over Violence, a nonprofit.

GENARO MOLINA Los Angeles Times

L.A. County supervisor's home searched

Sheila Kuehl, a critic of the sheriff, targeted in department's probe of nonprofit contract.

By ALENE TCHERKEDYAN

Los Angeles County sheriff's investigators searched the house of county Supervisor Sheila Kuehl on Wednesday as part of a criminal investigation into a county contract awarded to a nonprofit organization.

A few minutes after 7 a.m., a deputy pounded on the front door of the supervisor's Santa Monica property, with several other deputies lined up behind him.

"Sheriff's Department. We have a warrant. We demand entry," he shouted. Kuehl appeared shortly after and was handed some paperwork. Several deputies went inside.

A barefoot Kuehl was escorted away from the house and her phone was taken from her. Inside, sheriff's investigators could be seen opening and closing doors. One deputy appeared to be taking photos or videos.

A copy of the warrant, signed by Superior Court Judge Craig Richman, showed that the search was tied to an ongoing probe into Peace Over Violence, a nonprofit run by Pat Giggans, a member of the Sheriff's Civilian Oversight Commission and a close friend to Kuehl. Both Kuehl and Giggans have clashed fiercely with Sheriff Alex Villanueva and have called for his resignation.

Sheriff's investigators also searched Giggans' house, her nonprofit's offices, offices at the L.A. County Hall of Administration and the headquarters of the county's Metropolitan Transportation Authority, which awarded contracts to Giggans' organization.

The warrant to search Kuehl's house authorized investigators to seize any documents or electronic files "related to the Peace Over Violence contract acquisition."

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FOR YOUR MIND

Newsom signs bill creating CARE Court

Families, others can ask that treatment be ordered for people with mental illness.

By HANNAH WILEY

Brian Lungren and his family wonder what could have spared him some of the 13 years he spent at Napa State Hospital in treatment for mental illness and serious drug and alcohol addiction.

Since Brian, or Bri to his family, was diagnosed as a teenager with schizoaffective disorder, bipolar type, his parents tried everything to save him from a years-long and emotionally painful spiral into drug use, incarceration and homelessness.

His dad, Brian Lungren Sr., tallied nine temporary and involuntary psychiatric holds, and up to three failed attempts at court-ordered conservatorship.

It was only after a judge found Brian not guilty by reason of insanity for stabbing another patient with a butter knife at an Auburn treatment center in 2007 that the family felt hopeful for his eventual recovery.

Brian was sent to Napa State Hospital in 2008 after languishing in county jail for several months.

"We tried to get him the best help possible. But we had no recourse," Lungren Sr. said.

Similar stories influenced Gov. Gavin Newsom's decision this year to introduce a sweeping proposal to order mental health and addiction treatment for thousands of Californians, dubbed the Community As-

[See CARE, A8]

They gunned down his wife

A San Bernardino gang leader's spouse was ordered killed. His underlings didn't hesitate, a sign of the Mexican Mafia's power.

By Matthew Ormseth

Rain fell on the body of a woman in the parking lot outside Gaby's Cafe, a hole-in-the-wall Mexican restaurant in San Bernardino.

The killing merited only a few lines in the San Bernardino Sun the next day: "The woman suffered several gunshot wounds to the upper torso. Paramedics performed CPR on the woman before an ambulance sped her away."

But for those who knew Carmen Rodriguez — and who she was married to — her murder that night in January 2017 was incomprehensible. Her husband, Andrew "Huero Verde" Rodriguez, a member of the Mexican Mafia and a leader of the Westside Verdugo street gang, was arguably the most powerful figure in the San Bernardino underworld.

Carmen Rodriguez, authorities would learn, had not been the victim of some domestic dispute or a random [See Gang, A9]



THE SHOPPING plaza where gang members shot Carmen Rodriguez to death five years ago. One of the suspects went on trial this summer.

JASON ARMOND Los Angeles Times

Sheriff's latest move is suspect

Steve Lopez says Villanueva's search of Kuehl home looks like a desperate stunt. CALIFORNIA, B1

A promising new shot against future COVID variants

By CORINNE PURTILL

The new COVID-19 booster shots going into arms across the country are prized for their ability to recognize the distinctive spike protein shared by BA.4 and BA.5, the Omicron strains that account for nearly 90% of coronavirus specimens now circulating in the U.S.

But sooner or later, mutations in the spike protein will allow the virus to slip past the antibodies that are trained to recognize its

predecessors. The boosters may still protect people from becoming seriously ill, but they'll become less effective at preventing infections in the first place.

An experimental vaccine aims to solve that problem by priming the immune system to recognize both the spike protein and a second — and far more stable — viral protein.

When tested in small animals, this bivalent vaccine provided stronger protection than alternatives that [See Vaccine, A11]



IN TEHRAN, nurse Zahra Akbarzadeh hands Tayyebah Sadat Bidaki her newborn. Iran is restricting abortion and birth control in a bid to boost its population.

Iranians say no thanks to incentives to have babies

Many see having one more mouth to feed as a bigger problem than a decline in birthrate.

By Omid Khazani

TEHRAN — If you're looking to make a baby in Iran, you won't find a more willing, supportive and enthusiastic partner than the government.

To encourage you to reproduce, how about a zero-interest loan? Or, if you're a college professor, a promotion at the office? Maybe you

want to buy a domestically made car — just have a child and see your name move up the waiting list.

After years of preaching the virtues of birth control, the Islamic Republic is so eager for its people to procreate that it's offering a range of financial and other incentives that have stirred up both amusement and outrage. Officials are desperate to reverse a declining birthrate that has fallen below the level necessary merely to hold the current population steady at 84 million.

But the drive to engineer a baby boom also has its dark side, with the state in-

truding further into people's private lives and interfering in their most intimate decisions. Just as many Americans are grappling with the conservative-dominated Supreme Court's reversal of Roe vs. Wade, many Iranians find themselves faced with a hard-line theocratic regime intent on abolishing or severely restricting access to abortion and contraception.

Underground and unregulated clinics are proliferating for women seeking to terminate their pregnancies. Doctors risk revocation of their licenses if they pro-

[See Iran, A4]

School shooter's defense rests case

The surprise decision to skip dozens of witnesses for the Parkland, Fla., killer angers the judge. NATION, A7

Amazon gives Michaels the ball

He'll try to drive fans to stream "Thursday Night Football," which opens with a Chargers game. CALENDAR, E1

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Partly sunny.
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UKRAINE'S GLORY

President Volodymyr Zelenskyy attends a flag-raising in Izium, one of the cities retaken as Russian forces flee a counteroffensive. WORLD, A6

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Will Commonwealth splinter?

As debates endure over the inequities of colonialism, realms consider severing ties

BY AMANDA COLETTA
AND MICHAEL E. MILLER

When Prince Edward, the youngest son of Queen Elizabeth II, visited Antigua and Barbuda in April, the country's prime minister told him that the nation, one of 15 in which the British monarch is head of state, wished to "one day" become a republic.

After the queen's death last week, Prime Minister Gaston Browne revealed a timeline: He plans to hold a referendum on casting off the monarchy "probably" within the next three years.

"This is not an act of hostility," Browne told ITV News, but a "final step to complete the circle of independence."

King of hearts?
Warmth for Charles is not widespread. **A10**

A no-fuss royal:
Camilla has found favor in Britain. **A11**

'Skipping Charles':
Some hoped William would get crown. **A11**

The coffin of Queen Elizabeth II leaves
Buckingham Palace on Wednesday.

The passing of Elizabeth, a unifying figure more beloved than her son, King Charles III, comes as several Commonwealth realms are reassessing their relationships with the crown.

Leaders across the Commonwealth, an association of 56 nations, most of them already republics, expressed sadness over the monarch's death. But many of those countries, former outposts of the empire, have also been engaged in a public reckoning over the legacies of colonialism, including calls for atonement, reparations and independence.

"The accession of Charles is of course putting this debate front and center: What are we doing with this British, distant, White

SEE COMMONWEALTH ON A10

Rail service cuts take effect ahead of possible strike

PASSENGER TRIPS, AGRICULTURE HIT FIRST

With deadline near, negotiators meet in Washington

BY JEFF STEIN
AND LAUREN KAORI GURLEY

The threat of a rail strike on Friday has already begun rippling through the U.S. economy, as farmers, businesses and commuters start to feel the impact of a potential transit shutdown even before it happens.

While top negotiators huddled in Washington late Wednesday to try to hammer out an agreement, industry groups increasingly warned of severe disruptions to America's already fragile supply chains. Scheduled shipments of ammonia, fertilizer and other chemicals for agriculture are being pulled this week, because

those products cannot be stranded in transit should negotiations fail, farm groups said. Ethanol prices moved markedly higher this week on the threat of a strike, according to S&P Global. U.S. railroads are also prepared to stop shipping crops as soon as Thursday, the Consumer Brands Association reported.

On the passenger rail side, Amtrak is canceling all long-distance trains starting Thursday, although most trains in the Northeast won't be affected, Amtrak said.

SEE RAIL STRIKE ON A15

Travel plans: Regional agencies prepare for service stoppages. **B1**

Defiant Zelensky visits liberated eastern city

Ukraine seeks to keep Russia on the run after counteroffensive rout

BY SIOBHAN O'GRADY
AND ROBYN DIXON

IZYUM, UKRAINE — Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky made a bold visit Wednesday to the recently liberated city of Izyum in the eastern Kharkiv region, where he participated in a flag-raising ceremony to mark the nation's most important mili-

tary victory since Russian invaders were repelled from the suburbs of Kyiv in late March.

Zelensky, striking a resolute tone, said that while Russia might temporarily occupy parts of Ukraine, "it is definitely impossible to occupy our people, the Ukrainian people."

"The heroes are here," he said, describing the significance of the blue-and-yellow national banner. "It means that the enemy is gone, ran away."

The swift and remarkably successful counteroffensive that liberated Izyum and towns and villages throughout the Kharkiv region

SEE UKRAINE ON A12

ELECTION 2022

GOP scrambles to settle on abortion as bill exposes rifts

BY HANNAH KNOWLES,
RACHEL ROUBIN
AND MARIANNA SOTOMAYOR

In a memo to GOP campaigns released this week, the Republican National Committee laid out what it called a winning message on abortion: Press Democrats on where they stand on the procedure later in pregnancy, seek "common ground" on exceptions to bans and keep the focus on crime and the economy.

Then, Sen. Lindsey O. Graham (R-S.C.) introduced legislation to ban abortions nationwide after 15 weeks of pregnancy — overshadowing new inflation numbers and undermining what many GOP strategists see as their best message for the fall: "Leave it to the states."

SEE ABORTION ON A4

Missing people, buried bones and an Oklahoma mystery

An investigation is a window into the often unseen threat of white-supremacist prison gangs

BY HANNAH ALLAM

OKLAHOMA CITY — The caller had news but warned LaVonne Harris not to get her hopes up. Harris's son, 33-year-old Nathan Smith, had vanished along a dirt road in Oklahoma one freezing night more than two years earlier. Detectives had long stopped checking in with her, and Harris could feel her search growing lonelier with each passing month.

The call in April, from an advocate for families of the missing, wasn't encouraging, but it was a lead: Authorities in rural Logan County, just north of here, had discovered human remains belonging to more than one person. Also, the caller added delicately, the remains weren't intact.

Harris, 58, sat down to steady herself. She listened, then hung up to tell her daughter.

"I said, 'Lou, they found these bodies,'" Harris recalled. "They've been burned and cut."

SEE OKLAHOMA ON A6



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Licensed private detective Jathan Hunt has his dog, Justice, do another search of part of a property in Choctaw, Okla., where they were looking in July for human remains.

For carmakers, race is on to retool factories for electric era

BY JEANNE WHALEN

NORMAL, ILL. — When Mitsubishi closed its auto factory here in 2016, residents worried it would become another symbol of American manufacturing decline. Six years later, the plant is back in business with a radical Silicon Valley makeover.

A fancy coffee bar and blond-furniture furnishings decorate the entryway, where a wide staircase surrounded by ferns leads to the second floor. There, engineers carrying laptops hustle along a corridor lined with glass that overlooks the humming factory floor below, a scene resembling the tidy busyness of a tech start-up more than a traditional auto plant.

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Biden in Motor City: President touts federal investment in EVs. **A13**

IN THE NEWS



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Astonishing rise The far right's Giorgia Meloni, poised to become Italy's first female leader, has rocketed almost from nowhere. **A8**

The fight against covid A report blamed the WHO and global leaders for response failures and also laid out recommendations. **A3**

THE NATION **Mike Lindell**, the MyPillow founder, said FBI agents seized his phone in a probe of alleged voting machine breaches in Colorado. **A2**

The White House has redirected half of Afghanistan's \$7 billion in frozen assets to a new fund to help stabilize the nation's ravaged economy without enriching the Taliban. **A2**

The final primaries before the midterms dealt a closing blow to the GOP establishment, with New Hampshire voters favoring hard-right conservatives. **A4**

A Chicago jury convicted R. Kelly of child pornography and child sex abuse charges. **A7**

THE WORLD **Another bank heist** in Beirut delivered another hero for Lebanon's weary residents, who have faced strict withdrawal limits. **A9**

An anti-immigrant party helped defeat Sweden's center-left government, a win that is likely to upend the nation's reputation for progressive politics. **A9**

THE ECONOMY **The nominee** to lead the Federal Highway

Administration said he favors an "all of the above" approach to transportation investments. **A13**

A \$2 billion USDA initiative for food banks and schools was geared toward facilitating purchases of American-grown food. **A16**

California sued Amazon, saying it caused higher prices and "stifled competition." **A18**

THE REGION **The D.C. trial** of a man charged with killing his girlfriend poses a challenge for prosecutors — her body hasn't been found. **B1**

A new study found that treatment with the psy-

chedelic ketamine significantly reduces symptoms of depression. **B1**

At a forum, Maryland GOP gubernatorial nominee Dan Cox continued his efforts to pivot from his hard-line abortion stances. **B1**

Baltimore prosecutors asked a judge to vacate the murder conviction of Adnan Syed, whose case was featured on the podcast "Serial." **B1**

OBITUARIES **Earl Silbert, 86**, pursued the Watergate burglars and two co-conspirators in an early probe of the scandal that drove President Richard M. Nixon from office. **B5**

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LOCAL LIVING **Food for thought** When it comes to preparing family meals, there are ways to honor individual tastes without making separate meals for everyone.

STYLE **Science of humor** In his new book, a NASA roboticist turned cartoonist answers some wild "What if?" queries. **C1**

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El humo invade Rosario y pone en riesgo la salud

Los efectos de las quemaduras provocadas en territorio entrerriano alteran la vida de la ciudad santafesina, que ayer amaneció cubierta por una densa humareda (foto); fuertes reclamos. **Página 23**



CON TODO EL IMPULSO, BOCA SE TREPÓ A LA CIMA DEL TORNEO

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Tras el éxito en el superclásico, con un gol de Benedetto en los minutos finales, derrotó 1-0 a Lanús y llegó a la punta: River, en caída, perdió con Banfield 2-1.

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Con 7% en agosto, la inflación sigue sin freno y ya alcanzó el pico más alto en 30 años

PRECIOS. Acumula 78,5% en doce meses, el mayor nivel desde 1991; la ropa, lo que más subió

La inflación de agosto fue de 7%, más de lo esperado por el mercado. Suma, así, 56,4% en los primeros ocho meses del año y 78,5% en los últimos doce meses. En el acumulado anual, es el peor dato de los últimos 30 años. El gobierno de Alberto Fernández y Cristina Kirchner superó, en estos ocho meses,

el pico anual que había dejado la gestión de Mauricio Macri en 2019 (53,8%).

Analistas estimaron que es muy difícil que la inflación no termine el año en los tres dígitos. Las subas más importantes del mes se dieron en ropa (9,9%) y equipamiento para el hogar (8,4%). **Página 18**

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Un círculo vicioso difícil de cortar

Luis Cortina
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Las mayores subas en agosto

Indumentaria y calzado	9,9%
Equipamiento del hogar	8,4%
Alimentos y bebidas	7,1%

Fuente: Indec / LA NACION

“Mandé a matar a Cristina”, había avisado Uliarte: hay otro detenido por el ataque

CAUSA. La novia de Sabag Montiel anticipó su plan a una amiga; apresan al jefe de los vendedores de copos



El momento de la detención de Nicolás Carrizo, ayer por la tarde, en el juzgado

“Mandé a matar a la vice Cristina”. De esa forma, sin ocultar sus intenciones, Brenda Uliarte se atribuía la idea de atacar contra la vicepresidenta en un intercambio de mensajes con su amiga Agustina Díaz, detenida el martes por la

noche en el marco de la causa por el atentado fallido.

La Justicia halló decenas de mensajes telefónicos en los que Uliarte, la novia del atacante Fernando Sabag Montiel, le cuenta que mandó “a un tipo para que la

mate” a Cristina Kirchner porque está “repodrida” de que “ande robando y quede impune”.

En un nuevo avance de la causa, Nicolás Gabriel Carrizo, el “líder” del grupo de vendedores de copos de azúcar que integraba Sabag

Montiel, fue detenido ayer por orden de la jueza María Eugenia Capuchetti por su presunta responsabilidad en el atentado fallido. Con él, son cuatro los detenidos por el caso, aunque con distintos grados de responsabilidad. **Página 10**

EL ESCENARIO

La difícil regeneración de la crisis argentina

Carlos Pagni

—LA NACION—

La calidad institucional está en tela de juicio por donde se la mire. No solo por la falta de transparencia, indispensable para que se expanda la corrupción. Aparecen, además, niveles de mala praxis que si no fuera por sus dramáticas consecuencias se volverían hilarantes. El juicio oral por la asignación de las obras viales en Santa Cruz ha vuelto a poner en primer plano un sistema de recaudación política y enriquecimiento personal que reproduce, en una escala nunca vista, métodos que se repiten en todas las jurisdicciones del país. **Continúa en la página 12**

Lágrimas y tensión en las exequias de Isabel II

Elisabetta Piqué
ENVIADA ESPECIAL

LONDRES — Salvas de cañón, los tañidos del Big Ben, una banda militar tocando marchas fúnebres, lágrimas, dolor, aplausos. Y la sensación de estar en un momento histórico y necesario para la nación. Fue lo que se vivió ayer en Londres cuando, en un primer gran evento ceremonial por la muerte de Isabel II, el féretro de la reina viajó en procesión desde el Palacio de Buckingham hasta el de Westminster. **Continúa en la página 2**

Elecciones: las provincias del PJ se distancian del Gobierno

VOTO. En Chaco será en una fecha diferente a la Nación; lo mismo harán otros gobernadores. **Página 14**

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Igor Gielow

Sob pressão na Ucrânia, Putin leva crise a reunião com Xi

Em seu pior momento desde o início da Guerra da Ucrânia, o presidente russo Vladimir Putin se encontrará com o líder chinês Xi Jinping, no Uzbequistão. Os dois selaram aliança pouco antes do conflito, que se arrasta além do esperado por ambos — Kiev retomou partes da região de Kharkiv, e Putin é criticado por aliados. **Mundo A14**

Brasil é penúltimo em ranking de aposentadoria

País está à frente apenas da Índia em lista de 44 nações que considera indicadores de saúde, finanças, qualidade de vida e bem-estar para o aposentado. Noruega, Suíça e Islândia lideram o ranking. **A19**

Alagoas é estado onde mais se passa fome, diz estudo

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Dinamarquês Eriksen quer surpreender na Copa do Qatar depois de ganhar nova vida

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Feira das Flores em Medellín, na Colômbia, mistura sacrifício e beleza



Daniilo Verpa/Folhapress

LÍDER MAIS LONGEVO DOS USUÁRIOS DEIXA CRACOLÂNDIA

Reginaldo dos Santos, 57, o Mafalda, mediava conflitos e a comunicação entre polícia e traficantes; ele aceitou ajuda de uma comunidade terapêutica após 39 anos de dependência. **Cotidiano B4**



Floricultores tradicionais dos arredores de Medellín na Feira das Flores. Bárbara Blum/Folhapress

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Brasília	15°	33°	15°	33°
Ribeirão	19°	27°	16°	25°

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Com Covid, cresce taxa de suicídio de mulheres e idosos

No 1º ano de pandemia (2020), as taxas de suicídio no Brasil tiveram alta entre mulheres (7%) e idosos (9%), aponta estudo. Sobrecarga de trabalho e isolamento podem ser causa em cada grupo, dizem especialistas. **Saúde B5**

Pandemia pode estar perto do fim, afirma OMS

Saúde B5

Ciro e Tebet falam em conter número de negros presos

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Aponte a câmera no código e baixe o novo app da Folha

Bolsonarismo teme danos de ataque a jornalista

Campanhas de Tarcísio de Freitas e do presidente tentam descolá-los de episódio com deputado após debate

Temendo o efeito nas urnas, aliados de Tarcísio de Freitas (Republicanos) e Jair Bolsonaro (PL) lançaram-se em operação para conter danos após o ataque de um correligionário do candidato ao governo paulista a uma jornalista na saída do debate de terça-feira (13).

O deputado estadual Douglas Garcia interpelou Vera Magalhães, da TV Cultura, com acusações falsas e ofensas. Entidades de imprensa repudiaram a agressão.

Tarcísio, cuja equipe convidara Garcia para assistir ao evento promovido por Folha, UOL e TV Cultura, pediu desculpas a Magalhães.

O episódio ocorre em meio à ofensiva da campanha de reeleição do presidente para reduzir a rejeição das mulheres, grupo no qual ele mais encontra dificuldade de avançar. O ex-ministro, por sua vez, busca se descolar da imagem de agressividade do padrinho político. Desde a madrugada de ontem, aliados dos dois — inclusive o deputado Eduardo Bolsonaro — tentam desvinculá-los de Garcia, cuja conduta, a contragosto de alas mais radicais da base, condenaram. Há cobrança para que candidatos a deputado preservem as campanhas majoritárias. **Política A4**

ANÁLISE Fábio Zanini

Caso expõe divisão e embate na direita

O episódio poderá ser visto como lance importante de um processo interno inevitável na direita, no qual está em jogo quem assume as rédeas do conservadorismo no país. **A6**

Instituto pago pelo governo vê empate de Lula e Bolsonaro

Dono de contrato milionário com o governo federal, o Instituto Paraná Pesquisas vê empate dos líderes, algo que se repete desde maio, mas diverge de institutos tradicionais. A empresa financia várias de suas sondagens, prática criticada no setor. **Política A12**

Presidente propõe corte no Farmácia Popular

O governo enviou ao Congresso proposta de Orçamento para 2023 com corte de ao menos 50% em verbas para programas como Farmácia Popular e Mais Médicos, o que acendeu um alerta na equipe de campanha à reeleição. Jair Bolsonaro (PL) acionou Economia e Saúde para tentar rever os recursos destinados à distribuição de remédios. **Cotidiano B3**

Pesquisadores do Datafolha são alvo de hostilidade

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Faut-il rapatrier les femmes et les enfants de djihadistes français ?

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Gaz, électricité : les vraies raisons de la hausse des prix

Élisabeth Borne a annoncé une augmentation des tarifs de 15% début 2023. Des coupures de courant pourraient intervenir cet hiver si les consommateurs ne font pas preuve de sobriété.

Alors que les perspectives d'une forte hausse des prix de l'énergie se précisent pour l'an prochain, la première ministre a annoncé la poursuite du bouclier tarifaire qui protège les Français d'une flambée trop importante.

Leur note de gaz et d'électricité augmentera toutefois de 15% début 2023, afin d'alléger la facture nette de l'État, qui atteindra près de 18 milliards d'euros. Le gestionnaire du réseau d'électricité s'attend à une situation ten-

due cet hiver. Le gouvernement appelle les Français à la sobriété, afin d'éviter d'éventuelles coupures de courant.

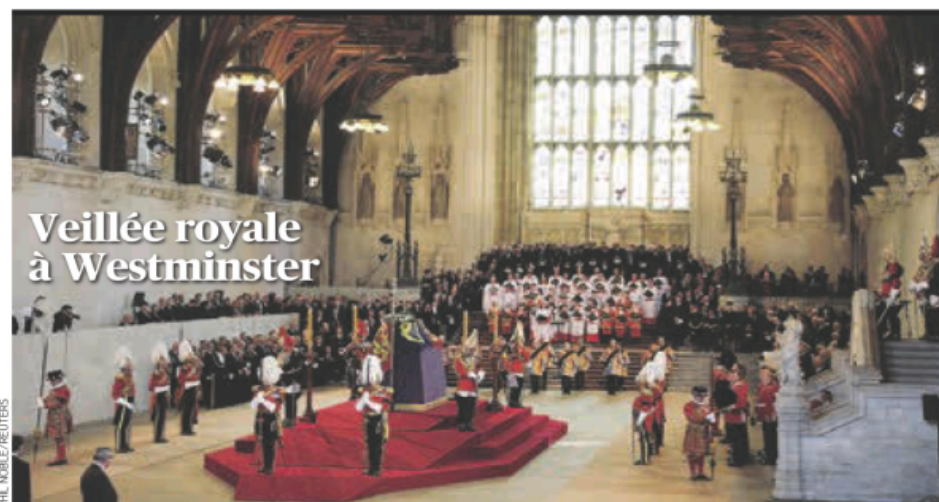
Cette situation s'explique notamment par les difficultés du parc nucléaire d'EDF,

partiellement à l'arrêt. L'électricien national rencontre depuis des années des difficultés chroniques dans l'entretien de ses centrales. L'État n'a quant à lui cessé de tergiverser dans sa politique nucléaire.

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Escorté par la famille royale, Charles III en tête, le cercueil d'Elizabeth II a traversé, mercredi, le cœur de Londres. Les porteurs ont ensuite déposé le catafalque, drapé de violet, à Westminster Hall, où le public pourra se recueillir. **PAGE 10**

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Enfin le retour sur terre ?

Finie l'abondance, bienvenue dans l'ère de la sobriété. Seuls ceux qui vivent dans le monde imaginaire de l'argent magique, fort nombreux en France, pouvaient croire que nous passerions éternellement entre les gouttes de la crise énergétique. Priés de redescendre sur terre, ils savent désormais que chacun devra participer à l'effort de guerre, avec des factures de gaz et d'électricité relevées de 15%. Les plus modestes recevront un « chèque exceptionnel » - encore un - pour adoucir la note. Ce « bouclier tarifaire allégé », si l'on ose dire, coûtera tout de même 18 milliards d'euros supplémentaires à l'État. Il n'empêchera pas les Français de ruminer leur colère contre les errements de notre politique énergétique et les défaillances d'EDF, qui, combinés avec la guerre de Poutine en Ukraine, ont mené où nous en sommes.

Mais soyons honnêtes : ces augmentations, que l'on aurait jugées hors de proportion, intolérables, en d'autres temps, sont un moindre mal. Nos voisins peuvent en témoigner, eux qui supportent un doublement, parfois plus, de leurs tarifs. Si pénibles soient-elles, ces hausses marquent un

premier pas - fort modeste - sur le chemin de la responsabilisation des Français. Une fois n'est pas coutume, l'État leur demande de prendre leur infime part du fardeau. Au rythme où se creuse le déficit et où s'accumule la dette publique (bientôt 3000 milliards d'euros, que nous léguons aux générations futures), il était temps. À force de boucliers, de chèques et de ristournes, l'in-vraisemblable débauche d'argent public de ces dernières années pour régler la plus grande comme la plus petite contrariété n'a pas seulement ruiné le pays. Elle a créé une accoutumance malsaine à l'État-pompier dont on attend tout, sans lui témoigner la moindre reconnaissance. Bien au contraire. Loin d'apaiser les tensions, la prodigalité publique n'a fait que nourrir les prochaines revendications, toujours plus virulentes. Et entretenir l'illusion d'un État aux poches profondes, là où il n'existe qu'une poche trouée. ■

Les Français vont devoir supporter une infime part du fardeau

La CEDH somme la France de rapatrier les familles de djihadistes

La Cour européenne des droits de l'homme (CEDH) a condamné mercredi la France pour son refus de rapatrier deux compagnes de djihadistes et leurs enfants, retenus dans un camp en Syrie. Si elle n'institue pas un droit systématique au rapatriement des ressortissants, notamment liés au djihadisme, la juridiction internationale enjoint à la justice française de réexaminer les demandes.

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Amid the pageantry, the Queen takes place in history

Caroline Davies

From the moment she inherited the crown, Queen Elizabeth II knew she was predestined to lie in state on the exact same spot as her father, her grandfather and great grandfather before her. Such is the rhythm of royal life.

That destiny was fulfilled when her coffin, draped in the royal standard and with the imperial state crown on top, was borne into the ancient splendour of Westminster Hall; the place where palace meets parliament, and a monument to the life of the nation since the 11th century.

Here she will remain, beneath the medieval timbered roof, and under the sightless gaze of the six stone kings, until her funeral on Monday.

About 300 MPs and peers had quietly filed on to the worn steps inside the huge hall yesterday, as the Queen departed Buckingham Palace for a final time. These steps, scene of historic addresses from leaders such as Nelson Mandela and Pope Benedict XVI, have witnessed much, including the trial of Charles I. Yesterday it was the handing over of the monarchy by her family to the nation for her public farewell.



▲ King Charles follows the coffin of the Queen as it is carried by horse-drawn gun carriage to lie in state at Westminster Hall PHOTOGRAPH: MARCO BERTORELLA/AP/GETTY

'People disappeared': Izium recalls horror of occupation

● Outsiders visit city, described as a second Mariupol, for first time since Russian retreat

● Ukrainian prosecutors work to gather evidence of alleged war crimes as residents tell of ordeal

Lorenzo Tondo
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Izium

The horror slowly unfolds from the burnt-out rubble in Izium, one of the most strategically vital towns for the Russians before its recapture last weekend by Ukrainian forces.

Tank carcasses with Moscow's signature Z symbol are dotted

along the crater-covered streets. Dozens of bombed-out apartment buildings in the city centre lie derelict along roads covered with the debris of a battle that has been one of this war's fiercest, resulting in the deaths of at least 1,000 people, according to Ukrainian officials.

The city, described as a second Mariupol because of the heavy bombardments it has suffered, was visited by the outside world yesterday for the first time since its recapture.

"It is impossible to explain what we have been through if you have not lived it," says Olga, 44. "We lay down on the floor and remained inside our house for so long that

'They killed my friend in cold blood, along with his dog'

Eduard, 30
Izium resident

we learned to recognise bombs. If the Russian plane we heard from outside wasn't that loud, then we knew it was going to drop two bombs. If, on the other hand, the plane was very loud, it would drop six. We counted every single explosion before we could breathe a sigh of relief."

Outside the city administration building, which is still hot from being bombed, there are fresh bullet casings. Bodies brutalised by shelling are reportedly being found in the rubble, with some people apparently buried alive.

Regarded for centuries as the gateway to the Donbas region of eastern Ukraine and from there to the Black Sea, today Izium is a giant crime scene where Ukrainian prosecutors are moving fast to gather evidence on war crimes allegedly perpetrated by the Russians in the cities liberated by Kyiv.

