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World-Wide

The Justice Department asked a federal appeals court to allow prosecutors to resume examining documents marked classified that were recovered last month from Trump's Mar-a-Lago home and to bar a special master from reviewing them. **A4**

◆ **Putin renewed his threats** to sink an international agreement to unblock Ukraine's vital grain exports through the Black Sea, saying not enough grain was going to the world's poor. **A8**

◆ **Germany took control** of the German business of Russia's Rosneft Oil as Berlin races to safeguard its energy supplies before its planned ban on Russian oil imports kicks in later this year. **A8**

◆ **A federal appeals court** upheld a Texas law that seeks to prohibit social-media platforms from blocking or removing posts based on the speaker's viewpoint. **A3**

◆ **Migrants who unexpectedly** arrived in Martha's Vineyard from Florida this past week moved to new temporary housing on Cape Cod, as Florida Gov. DeSantis said he plans to send more migrants to northern cities. **A3**

◆ **The Justice Department** has tapped more than 150 federal prosecutors to bolster efforts to combat the rise in crime linked to the use of cryptocurrencies. **A4**

Business & Finance

◆ **FedEx's warning** of a sharp drop in package deliveries set off fresh worries among investors about the outlook for the global economy, sparking another day of declines in U.S. stock markets. **A1**

◆ **The S&P 500, Nasdaq** and Dow retreated 0.7%, 0.9% and 0.5%, respectively, with all three indexes recording losses for four of the past five weeks. **B1**

◆ **China's ByteDance** is offering to buy back shares from its investors, allowing them the chance to cash in after the TikTok owner ruled out plans for an initial public offering. **A1**

◆ **A security breach of Uber** temporarily hobbled the company's internal communications, a stark illustration of how tech firms that have access to the best talent and tools are vulnerable to repeated compromise. **B1**

◆ **Renewed Covid-19 curbs** and a worsening property downturn are dampening the outlook for China's economy, despite some modest signs of improvement as stimulus measures kicked in. **A10**

◆ **A recent academic study** found wide disparities in the prices that investors get when buying and selling stocks through a half dozen popular brokerages. **B11**

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Ukrainians Find Mass Grave in City Retaken From Russians



GRISLY DISCOVERY: Police investigators and war-crimes prosecutors began exhuming hundreds of bodies Friday from a mass burial site in the recently recaptured city of Izyum, some of which they said showed signs of torture. **A7**

Ivy League Dropout Cashes In With \$20 Billion Startup Sale

By ROB COPELAND

Four years ago, Dylan Field was living in a one-bedroom apartment in San Francisco's gritty Mission District, where he would stop for a \$1 cup of coffee on his way to work.

The college dropout was anonymous—and shy—enough that at freewheeling networking events held by the city's omnipresent venture-capital firms, Mr. Field would often

stand alone, awkwardly nursing a drink.

On Thursday, his design-software company, Figma, agreed to be sold to rival Adobe Inc. for \$20 billion, suddenly making Mr. Field, 30, one of the most talked-about people in the technology world.

The rise of Figma, which Mr. Field co-founded with a former Brown University classmate, was fast even by

the standards of Silicon Valley. In early 2018, the company was valued privately at \$115 million. By last year, in another fundraising round, that valuation had soared to \$10 billion, a level doubled by Adobe's deal. The rapid appreciation is noteworthy as prices for most technology companies, public and private, have been in free fall in recent months.

Mr. Field, according to in-

vestors and others who know him, still owns a sizable chunk of the company, along with venture-capital heavyweights including Sequoia Capital and Greylock Partners. If the deal closes, Mr. Field would be a billionaire.

In an interview a few hours after the deal announcement, Mr. Field said he was still processing the scale of the changes to his life. While

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Surge of Violent Crime Overwhelms New Orleans

City has the highest homicide rate in the U.S. so far this year

By CAMERON McWHIRTER

Violent crime in New Orleans has grown to the point that Ibrahim Rabee no longer feels safe at his auto shop.

At least seven people have been killed within blocks of his store since the beginning of the year, according to police records. Customers bring in cars for repairs with handguns and semiautomatic rifles piled on the seats, Mr. Rabee said. A man with a gun recently threatened an employee who wouldn't put air in his tire. After someone walked in with a gun and threatened to shoot up the store, Mr. Rabee called 911. An officer finally showed up the next day.

"I'm thinking I'm not going to work an-

other year here," said Mr. Rabee, who came to the U.S. from the Palestinian territories and is now considering moving near his brother in upstate New York.

Violent crime has surged across the U.S. since the start of the pandemic. Although it has flattened in much of the country this year, the numbers have continued to rise in several cities including Dallas, Phoenix and New Orleans, according to data compiled for the first half of this year by the Major Cities Chiefs Association, a professional organization of police executives.

New Orleans had the highest homicide rate of any major city so far this year, with about 41 homicides per 100,000 residents,

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Welcome to Your Airbnb, Don't Forget to Wash the Linens

Growing to-do lists stress travelers; 'This kind of changes the whole vibe'

By PREETIKA RANA

Christina Marie spent her last vacation day fretting over finishing her chores. Vacuum? Check. Laundry? Check. Dishes? Check.

Her Airbnb in South Lake Tahoe, Calif., had an exhaustive list of cleaning requirements and she wasn't going to let her guest rating dip over it. Cooking breakfast for her family of six would mean more cleaning, so everyone ate bananas and Pop-

Tarts that morning. When one of the kids reached for a cup after she loaded the dishwasher, Ms. Marie roared: "Put the cup away. No more, no more!"

"You don't want to wake up at 6 a.m. to do chores when you're on vacation," said Ms. Marie, a Sacramento teacher. "This kind of changes the whole vibe. It's stressful."

Longtime Airbnb users are angry about lengthy—and, some-

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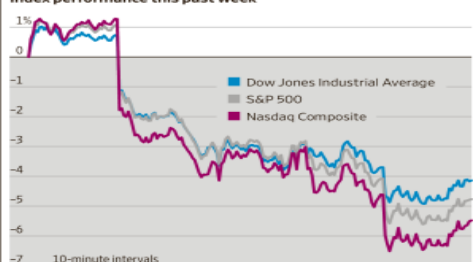
THE NEW CAR SALESMAN

An electric-vehicle upstart is trying to break the lock of auto dealerships. **B1**

Stocks End Week in the Red

Major indexes closed lower Friday, with the Dow, S&P 500 and Nasdaq all posting losses for four of the past five weeks. **B1**

Index performance this past week



Source: FactSet

TikTok Parent Offers To Buy Backers' Shares

By RAFFAELLE HUANG

SINGAPORE—China's ByteDance Ltd. is offering to buy back shares from its investors, allowing them the chance to cash out after the TikTok owner set aside plans for an initial public offering.

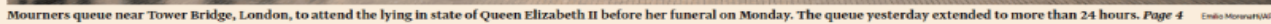
The Beijing-based company will spend up to \$3 billion in cash to repurchase shares from existing shareholders at a price of up to \$176.90 a share, according to a memo sent to investors and viewed by The Wall Street Journal. The deal would value the company at around \$300 billion, which is higher than most of the recent offers in the private-equity secondary market, people fa-

miliar with the matter said. The repurchase aims to give liquidity to some of the long-term shareholders, including Sequoia Capital and Susquehanna International Group, as its plan to go public has stalled, according to people familiar with the plan. Sequoia and Susquehanna didn't respond to requests for comment.

If the \$3 billion budget is insufficient to buy back all of the shares held by investors participating in the repurchase, ByteDance will acquire an equal proportion of shares from each, the people said. The company has several hundred shareholders, they said.

ByteDance also said it was

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Today, sunny, warmer, more humid, high 87. Tonight, patchy clouds, humid, low 70. Tomorrow, partly sunny, stray afternoon showers, high 86. Weather map, Page 28.

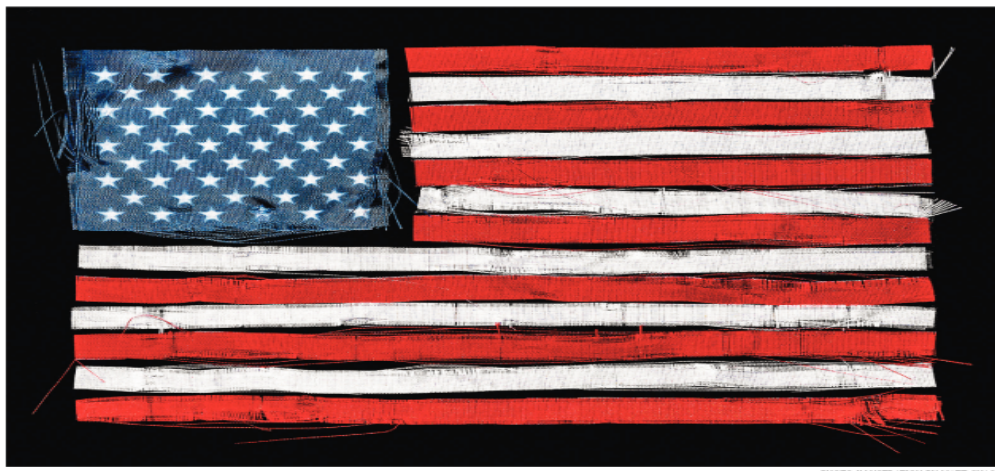


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DEMOCRACY CHALLENGED

Twin Threats to Governing Ideals Put America in Uncharted Territory

The Times is examining the challenges to democratic norms in the United States. This essay is part of the series.

By DAVID LEONHARDT

The United States has experienced deep political turmoil several times before over the past century. The Great Depression caused Americans to doubt the country's economic system. World War II and the Cold War presented threats from global totalitarian movements. The 1960s and '70s were marred by assassinations, riots, a losing war and a disgraced president.

These earlier periods were each more alarming in some ways than anything that has happened in the United States recently. Yet during each of those previous times of turmoil, the basic dynamics

of American democracy held firm. Candidates who won the most votes were able to take power and attempt to address the country's problems.

The current period is different. As a result, the United States today finds itself in a situation with little historical precedent. American democracy is facing two distinct threats, which together represent the most serious challenge to the country's governing ideals in decades.

The first threat is acute: a growing movement inside one of the country's two major parties — the Republican Party — to refuse to accept defeat in an election.

The violent Jan. 6, 2021, attack on Congress, meant to prevent the certification of President Biden's election, was the clearest manifestation of this movement, but it has continued since then. Hun-

dreds of elected Republican officials around the country falsely claim that the 2020 election was rigged. Some of them are running for statewide offices that would oversee future elections, potentially putting them in position to overturn an election in 2024 or beyond.

"There is the possibility, for the first time in American history, that a legitimately elected president will not be able to take office," said Yascha Mounk, a political scientist at Johns Hopkins University who studies democracy.

The second threat to democracy is chronic but also growing: The power to set government policy is becoming increasingly disconnected from public opinion.

The run of recent Supreme Court decisions — both sweeping and, according to

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Hispanic Voters Still Lean Blue, Poll Concludes

This article is by Jennifer Medina, Jazmine Ulloa and Ruth Igielnik.

It has been nearly two years since Donald Trump made surprising gains with Hispanic voters. But Republican dreams of a major realignment of Latino voters drawn to G.O.P. stances on crime and social issues have failed to materialize, according to a new poll by The New York Times and Siena College.

The poll — one of the largest nonpartisan surveys of Latino voters since the 2020 election — found that Democrats had maintained a grip on the majority of Latino voters, driven in part by women and the belief that Democrats remained the party of the working class. Overall, Hispanic voters are more likely to agree with Democrats on many issues — immigration, gun policy, climate. They are also more likely to see Republicans as the party of the elite and as holding extreme views. And a majority of Hispanic voters, 56 percent, plan to vote for Democrats this fall, compared with 32 percent for Republicans.

But the survey also shows worrying signs for the future of the Democratic message. Despite that comfortable lead, the poll finds Democrats faring far worse than they did in the years before the 2020 election. Younger male Hispanic voters, especially those in the South, appear to be drifting away from the party, a shift that is propelled by deep economic con-

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Katz's Delicatessen, a Manhattan stalwart since 1888. Many city restaurants have cut their hours.

City That Never Sleeps Now Nods Off a Bit Early

By DODAI STEWART

If you see "Moulin Rouge" on Broadway on a Thursday at 8 p.m. and get out of the theater after 10:30, definitely do not take the train down to Wo Hop expecting to get some 11 p.m. lo mein. The subway is back to running all night, but the Chinatown institution that was once open 24 hours now closes at 10 p.m.

L'Express, a French-ish bistro on Park Avenue South, has a sign outside that reads "Ouvvert 24

Hrs.," but these days it closes at 2 a.m. on Friday and Saturday and 11 p.m. the rest of the week.

Cafeteria in Chelsea, the sleekly designed comfort food space formerly open all day and night, now calls it quits at 1 a.m. Whitestone Lanes, a bowling alley in Queens, used to be 24 hours but now shuts its doors at 1 or 2 a.m. And there's a 24 Hour Fitness in Kew Gardens that closes at 10 p.m.

As New York recovers from the global pandemic, one may wonder whether its reputation as a 24-hour town is in jeopardy.

The reasons for the early closings vary: Some businesses grew weary of the drunken clientele in the wee hours. Some worried about the safety of their staff commuting home. Some scaled back during the pandemic and have not resumed round-the-clock hours. And many restaurants still report difficulty in finding help, even amid signs of improvement.

While the rest of the country has regained all of the jobs it lost during the pandemic, New York City is bouncing back more slowly.

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How Donbas Became Cradle Of Putin's War

A Rustic Region Full of Divided Allegiances

By JEFFREY GETTLEMAN

CHASIV YAR, Ukraine — On a clear spring morning eight years ago, Oleksandr Khainus stepped outside his house to go to work at the town factory when he spotted new graffiti scrawled across his fence. "Glory to Russia," vandals had written in angry black spray paint. "Putin," another message said.

Mr. Khainus was perplexed. It was true that Chasiv Yar, the Rust Belt-like town where he has spent his entire life in a region called the Donbas, had long contained many conflicting opinions on its identity. Geographically, the Donbas was part of Ukraine, no question, but it was so close to Russia and so tied to it historically that many maintained that their true home really lay eastward.

"It was the type of stuff you'd argue about over the dinner table," he said. "But nothing that anyone would get violent over."

Mr. Khainus's optimism now seems almost quaint. In the next few months in 2014, pro-Russia protests exploded. Armed separatists seized chunks of the Donbas right under the authorities' noses. Two so-called People's Republics were declared. Russian troops stormed in.

Vladimir V. Putin, Russia's leader, turned this patch of Eastern Europe into a personal project, sowing the seeds for an expansion of his empire that would spawn the most far-reaching war in generations. It was the Donbas that became Mr. Putin's pretext for a full-scale invasion of Ukraine. And now it is heating up again.

The Ukrainians have just pulled off a masterful offensive in the Kharkiv region, in Ukraine's northeast, where town after town fell without a shot. Now they are heading south. Columns of dark green military trucks and American-made rocket launchers are thundering down the long, straight highways into the Donbas. But they will have a much harder fight on their hands.

The Russians have been dug into the Donbas for nearly a decade. They have countless fallback positions, fortified trenches, tens of thousands of soldiers, mercenaries from the notorious Wagner Group and close air cover because of the proximity to the Russian border. They can also rely on separatist fighters and a well-financed

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Potent New Boosters Are Here. Will Weary Americans Bother?

This article is by Jack Healy, Sharon Otterman and Amy Qin.

It was vaccination time at Ethel Brown's long-term-care home in the Bronx. Again. Ms. Brown, 95, had already gotten four Covid shots, and while she was happy to submit to a fifth, this latest booster prompted a few questions.

"Why are we getting another one?" Ms. Brown asked, as she and other residents waited for their shots on Wednesday. "Will this be the last booster shot?"

With a jumble of confusion, eagerness and vaccine fatigue, America embarked in earnest last week on a sprawling new campaign to get Omicron-specific boosters into the arms of a pandemic-weary country.

The new boosters are one of the last remaining weapons in America's arsenal against the coronavirus, now that the country has scrapped most requirements to mask, quarantine or distance as the smoldering pandemic has faded into the background for

U.S. IS RELUCTANT AS UKRAINE ASKS TO UPGRADE ARMS

ESCALATION CONCERNS

After Gains in Northeast, Zelensky Presses for a Missile System

This article is by David E. Sanger, Anton Troianovski, Julian E. Barnes and Eric Schmitt.

WASHINGTON — Flush with success in northeast Ukraine, President Volodymyr Zelensky is pressing President Biden for a new and more powerful weapon: a missile system with a range of 190 miles, which could reach far into Russian territory.

Mr. Zelensky insists to U.S. officials that he has no intention of striking Russian cities or aiming at civilian targets, even though President Vladimir V. Putin's forces have hit apartment blocks, theaters and hospitals in Ukraine throughout the war. The weapon, Mr. Zelensky says, is critical to launching a wider counteroffensive, perhaps early next year.

Mr. Biden is resisting, in part because he is convinced that over the past seven months, he has successfully signaled to Mr. Putin that he does not want a broader war with the Russians — he just wants them to get out of Ukraine. A shipment of long-range guided missiles, which could also give Ukraine new options for striking Crimea, the territory Russia annexed in 2014, would likely be seen by Moscow as a major provocation, Mr. Biden has concluded.

"We're trying to avoid World War III," Mr. Biden often reminds his aides, echoing a statement he has made publicly as well.

Senior aides to the president also say that when Mr. Biden

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Volodymyr Zelensky insisted he would not use long-range missiles in civilian areas.

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Abortion Fight in Puerto Rico

The Dobbs ruling gives conservatives an opportunity in a Democratic bastion with no abortion restrictions. PAGE 17

Social Issues Trouble C.O.P.

Republican missteps have helped to spotlight the party's divisions on abortion and same-sex marriage. PAGE 27

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Birth of a Media Empire

Jimmy O'Brien's videos breaking down major sports events have turned Jomboy Media into a big business, but he still sees himself as a fan. PAGE 33



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Comeback for the Big Cats

Eight cheetahs arrived in India, where they're common in texts and tapestries but have long been extinct. PAGE 8

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Mourning the queen, Meghan and Prince Harry are the subject of biting social commentary — as usual. PAGE 6

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A "new masculinity": Will Welch, the editor of GQ, believes the culture is demanding that men change, and is remaking the magazine. PAGE 10

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For decades, the shoreline in the shelter of a derelict hospital at Risi Beach was a L.G.B.T.Q. haven. Soon, the buildings will be demolished. PAGE 6

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Tim McDonnell

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Burr vs. Hamilton, in Hamburg

The German debut of "Hamilton" wrestled with language and cultural differences. Above, the lead actors. PAGE 12

A Kind of Black Utopia

The Museum of Modern Art focuses on an incubator of some important Black art from the 1970s and '80s. PAGE 18

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An Auction Site Scandal

A cyberstalking operation at eBay against a husband and wife proved wildly bizarre. The couple is now trying to hold the company responsible. PAGE 1

Another Place to Overshare

LinkedIn users are finding it a valuable place to talk about more than work. "Early in the pandemic, we started seeing content we really hadn't seen before," one executive said. PAGE 1





FRANCINE ORR Los Angeles Times
A WOMAN holds the hand of her husband, a COVID patient at Providence Holy Cross Medical Center in Mission Hills. Even with vaccines and treatments available, the disease remains a killer.

Still dying from COVID

U.S. fatalities dip but stay over 400 a day this summer, keeping the disease among the leading causes of death

By Emily Alpert Reyes and Aida Ylanan

Roshan Kalghatgi was shocked when his 73-year-old mother tested positive for the coronavirus in July, nearly 2½ years into the pandemic. "I thought it was a fluke," the Redwood City resident said. "I made them do it again."

His mother, Manisha, had eluded the virus at a Pennsylvania assisted living facility as COVID-19 devastated group facilities for the elderly. She had avoided infection again when she flew across the

country to join Roshan and his family in San Mateo County, where she would tickle her 4-year-old grandson and faithfully follow his repeated requests to show him her belly button.

She had been vaccinated against COVID and received booster shots as well, Roshan said. By July, COVID wasn't the top threat to Manisha on his mind: His mother had been struggling with kidney disease and Roshan fretted

about how to keep her going to dialysis, which she had abandoned even as Roshan agonized about what it would mean for her health.

Manisha was "stubborn about the right things and also stubborn about the wrong things," Roshan said ruefully, remembering how she had raised two children alone after the abrupt death of his father from a heart attack; and how she had moved repeatedly to find the

[See COVID, A14]

'A way to thrive' without papers

Shut out of DACA and traditional jobs, young immigrants turn to entrepreneurship.

By CINDY CARCAMO

Ten years ago, Alessandro Negrete missed out on the Obama-era Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program — better known as DACA — a policy that gives certain immigrant youth who were brought to the United States as children a work permit and protection from deportation. In 2008, Negrete had been arrested for being drunk in public and fighting with a police officer. Although he eventually got his record expunged 10 years later, it kept him from qualifying for immigration relief.

His lack of DACA changed the trajectory of his life — pushing him toward success. Now, the 39-year-old, who came from Mexico as a baby with his mother, is an entrepreneur. He earns a

[See Entrepreneurs, A13]



CHRISTINA HOUSE Los Angeles Times
REITA GREEN, left, and Beverly Pate apply wallpaper at a client's home in Newhall. Green has run her own business since 1960; she brought Pate aboard in 2020.

COLUMN ONE

Best buds, 86 and 28, love their hang time wallpapering L.A.

By DEBORAH NETBURN

Ask Reita Green the Wallpaper Queen what makes a successful wallpaper hanger, and she'll tell you it's practice, patience and believing in yourself. "You can't be upset if it's

not working right away," said the 86-year-old, who has been hanging wallpaper in and around Los Angeles for more than half a century. "You just pull the paper back and put more paste on it. It's not an art that is wham, bam, thank you, ma'am."

Since 1960, the former dancer and actress has run

her own wallpapering business — lugging buckets, ladders and a folding table from her car to her clients' homes by herself, well into her 80s. But a few years ago, even the Wallpaper Queen had to acknowledge that eventually she might need some help.

"I was getting older, so I

[See Green, A9]

A TIMES INVESTIGATION

How legal weed became riddled with corruption

Limited licenses make owning a pot business a pay-to-play scheme in many municipalities

By ADAM ELMAHREK, ROBERT J. LOPEZ AND RUBEN VIVES

In the San Gabriel Valley, a city councilman demanded bribes from businesses seeking cannabis licenses, according to a source cooperating with the FBI.

In another small L.A. County city, a cannabis industry group offered \$15,000 to council candidates who would pledge to support changes to city regulations that weed businesses wanted — an exchange one legal expert said "flirted at the edges" of the law.

And in rural Northern California, an elected official pushed to expand the amount of weed that farms could legally grow, a proposal sought by a cannabis business that was paying her and

her husband hundreds of thousands of dollars to buy their ranch.

California's decision to legalize recreational cannabis in 2016 ushered in a multi-billion-dollar commercial pot market that officials in many small, struggling communities hoped would bring new jobs and an infusion of tax revenue to spend on police, parks and roads. But for some cities, the riches never materialized.

Instead, the advent of commercial cannabis unleashed a wave of corruption, prosecutions and accusations that has rocked local governments across the state and left them with few effective tools to combat the problem.

From the rugged mountains near Oregon to the desert along the Mexican

[See Cannabis, A10]

Hong Kong's grief doubles as dissent

The queen's death prompts nostalgia for a time before China's heavy-handed rule.

By STEPHANIE YANG AND DAVID SHEN

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Outside the British Consulate in Hong Kong last week, bouquets and handwritten tributes piled up as a long line of people waited in sweltering heat to pay their final respects to Queen Elizabeth II.

In the onetime British colony, the death of a monarch

who served as a living link to Britain's globe-spanning empire marked a complicated historical moment.

The colonial era that ended a quarter-century ago in Hong Kong was characterized by racism, injustice and corruption. But for many, Elizabeth's death on Sept. 8 at 96 was also a reminder of the heavy British hand that has supplanted British rule.

As the traditional Chinese Moon Festival was celebrated in Hong Kong and elsewhere, John Chang, 56, stood in line at the British Consulate for three hours. He penned a message of

[See Queen, A4]

Putin is seeing pressure mount

As Ukrainian troops push a counteroffensive, some key Russian allies are expressing reservations. WORLD, A3

Cash cows are leaving the state

The dairy industry is lured elsewhere by competitive pricing and looser regulations. CALIFORNIA, B1

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UCLA's Dorian Thompson-Robinson threw three TD passes.

Bruins survive on late field goal

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Democracy Dies in Darkness

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At queen's funeral, VIPs will take a bus

The nearly 500 foreign dignitaries present a test of security, protocol

BY KEVIN SULLIVAN
AND MARY JORDAN

LONDON — The Japanese emperor, who lives in luxury in Tokyo's Imperial Palace, will ride a crowded shuttle bus to Queen Elizabeth's funeral on Monday. But while Emperor Naruhito and Empress Masako have been cheerful about the communal transport, some other world leaders have not, especially because President Biden and a few select others will arrive in their own armored vehicles.

"They all would prefer to have their own car," said an exhausted British government official, one of the hundreds working on the queen's funeral.

Laying to rest the best-known woman in the world has turned into a gigantic diplomatic challenge. Members of the 23 royal families will be seated in the first rows of Westminster Abbey, in front of President Biden and about 90 other presidents and prime ministers, as dictated by protocol.

Leaders of nearly 200 countries and territories flying into London were strongly encouraged to take commercial flights because of the

SEE QUEEN ON A16

Cryptocurrency: Queen Elizabeth II's death inspires meme coins. **A18**

Va. restricts rights of transgender students

BY HANNAH NATANSON

The administration of Virginia Gov. Glenn Youngkin (R) this weekend sharply restricted the rights of transgender students, sending schools into turmoil and drawing strong denunciations from Democratic legislators and some educators, but earning applause from Republicans and parents' rights advocates.

The guidelines, released Friday, place Virginia at the heart of a national battle over how transgender children should be treated at school, as well as if and how much parents should be told about gender transitions that begin there.

The new "model policies" — a version of which must be adopted by all of the state's 133 school districts next month — will require transgender students to access school facilities and programs matching the sex they were assigned at birth. The policies also make it onerous for students to change their name and gender at school.

The guidelines are the latest example of Youngkin's top-down approach to governance, and are likely to draw swift challenges in court, experts said. At least one Democrat is already alleging the guidelines violate the Virginia Human Rights Act, which protects individuals in public settings, including schools, from discrimination on the basis of gender identity.

The new policy "delivers on the governor's commitment to

SEE VIRGINIA ON A11



PHOTO BY THE WASHINGTON POST

On war's new front line

BY ISABELLE KHURSHUDYAN
AND KAMILA HRABCHUK

KUPIANSK, UKRAINE — The front line is now a river, the Oskil, that runs through the middle of the eastern Ukrainian town of Kupiansk. On one side are the charging Ukrainian forces who have pushed their Russian enemies almost entirely out of the north-eastern Kharkiv region during a sweeping counteroffensive this month.

From her bedroom window, Liza Udovik, 26, has a view of the other side, to where the Russians have retreated. The sound of outgoing fire from the Ukrainians rocked her apartment these past few days, when the Ukrainian military moved into Kupiansk and the town became a battleground. Russian tanks and armored vehicles still patrol the streets, but it's

Kupiansk had been spared; now it's at the center of fighting

As Ukrainian forces advanced into the city, retreating Russians blew up a bridge to slow them.

A new turf: Pressure on Russia builds as Ukraine moves in. **A23**

the Ukrainians driving them, using the Russians' own abandoned weapons against them.

Udovik started counting the seconds between hearing the deafening boom of artillery launched and the appearance of smoke in the distance. From just Tuesday to Wednesday, the gap got longer, stretching from nine seconds to 13.

"They're getting pushed back," she said with a smile.

The Oskil became a shield for the Russians on Sept. 9. As the Ukrainians closed in, the invading forces crossed the bridge and blew it up behind them to slow Kyiv's advance. And Kupiansk was suddenly cut off from its second half. The next morning, 55-year-old Lena Danilova stared in confusion at the Ukrainian vehicles driving down the town's streets. A man next to her

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The struggle to prevent suicides on the Chesapeake Bay Bridge

A man's two attempts show challenges faced by families and officials

BY WILLIAM WAN

On the morning Cheryl Rogers found her son missing, her mind quickly turned to the bridge. "No, please no," she thought. "I can't do this again."

A call from police soon confirmed her fears. A worker had found their family's van abandoned in the middle of the westbound span of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge. As authorities moved to tow it, they looked up and saw Rogers's 37-year-old son standing on a suspension cable over the water.

When an officer ordered him down, her son responded by walking higher and higher until he reached one of the bridge's tallest towers. Then he began pacing along the top.

Rogers and her ex-husband and bringing them to the negotiation site that morning on Oct. 3, 2020. As she sat in the cruiser with its siren wailing, Rogers flashed back to the same ride she'd taken just six weeks earlier.



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Brandi Care Hicks, 41, hopes to help others by sharing the story of her suicide attempt on the bridge when she was 17.

For years, her son — whom The Washington Post agreed not to name — had struggled with depression. But during the early months of the pandemic, it had turned into something darker, deeper.

Gone was the goofy, kind-hearted joker who liked photographing family pictures. Instead, her son now worried constantly that his phone and tablet were hacked and being used to surveil him. He became obsessed

with online diatribes about how America was turning into a riotous socialist state. He draped towels over the TV to prevent it from watching him.

Then came the summer night when he took his mother's truck and drove to Maryland's longest bridge — a 4.3-mile steel suspension span hanging, at its highest point, more than 180 feet above the water.

He climbed over a jersey wall

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Torpid Vance campaign searches for momentum

Ohio Senate hopeful says it's time to hit the gas; in GOP, some say he's late

BY ANNIE LINSKEY

OTTAWA, OHIO — Standing before about 300 of the party faithful at the Putnam County Republican Party's annual dinner, J.D. Vance brought up a concern he had heard from voters as he runs for the Senate in a crucial battleground.

"One criticism I've heard is, 'Yeah, we see you at events like these, we see you at the state fairs and all that, but we don't see you on TV,'" Vance said before voicing hope that the audience had noticed his recent attempt to forge a bigger presence on the airwaves.

Indeed, an attendee had pressed Vance on that very issue hours earlier at a campaign stop 70 miles to the south, in the small town of Russia, putting in blunter terms how many more commercials this person had seen from Democratic nominee Tim Ryan.

"I've seen a lot of him, and I've seen one from you," the person said, according to a recording of

the event made by the Sidney Daily News and shared with The Washington Post. This person also suggested that Vance push harder for more financial support from tech billionaire and benefactor Peter Thiel, urging, "Twist his arm."

For Vance, it was yet another encounter with frustration over

his campaign, which many Republicans had hoped would be in a stronger position in the final sprint to November.

After winning the Republican nomination in May, Vance spent months running what many in the party say they saw as an ineffective campaign that lacked urgency and has forced him and outside allies to scramble, in a state that

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How Alan Alda's wartime CBS comedic drama changed TV and set ratings record. **In Life**
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Tentative deal averts railway strike, shock to economy

A widespread economic crisis was temporarily averted Thursday when President Joe Biden announced a tentative deal between railway companies and the rail worker unions that had threatened to strike. After 20 straight hours of negotiations, companies agreed to paid sick leave – for the first time – and other demands of unions. The dispute escalated after almost three years of contract negotiations proved unfruitful, and railroad workers moved toward a strike over unmet demands for higher pay and better working conditions. If a work stoppage did happen, it would have devastating effects on the nation's supply chain and economy. Amtrak and commuter railroads had braced for disruptions. Biden celebrated the deal alongside union leaders and rail executives at the White House Rose Garden, calling it a "big win for America."

Highlights of deal struck by companies and unions

- Paid time off for sick workers and exemptions for medical visits. Previously, rail freight employees did not have any sick days.
- An immediate wage increase of 14% and 24% over the next five years.
- Annual lump sum bonuses of \$5,000.

Inside

- What railroad unions were seeking and why. **3A**
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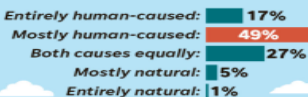
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Americans who believe climate change is happening on how much human activities and natural changes in the environment contribute:



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Britons pay their respects Thursday to Queen Elizabeth II in London's Westminster Hall. POOL PHOTO BY YUI MOK

Queen's majestic farewell runs like a unity 'machine'

Her funeral is more than pageantry, it's a blueprint for survival



Princess Kate, Prince William, Prince Harry and Meghan, Duchess of Sussex, make their way along the Long Walk at Windsor Castle to see the flowers and tributes to Queen Elizabeth II on Sept. 10. CHRIS JACKSON/GETTY IMAGES

Maria Puente USA TODAY

When Queen Elizabeth II is laid to rest next week, the United Kingdom will witness, for the first time in nearly 60 years, a magnificent state funeral designed in part by the queen to unite her squabbling family and divided subjects while helping ensure the monarchy survives another century.

As Monday's historic funeral approaches, it looks as if it might be working. It is not such a surprise: The royal Windsors have long known this is what royal state funerals are supposed to be in a constitutional monarchy.

The queen, who died Sept. 8 in Scotland at age 96 after 70 years on the throne, was widely considered the glue holding the U.K. together. She was also the most canny of her Windsor ancestors about using ceremony and splendor to bond the monarchy and the people who pay for it.

As Peter Morgan, the British writer and creator of the Oscar-winning 2006 film "The Queen" and Netflix's "The Crown," once told USA TODAY, "The

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Ukraine war could be at a pivot point

Some experts see tide shifting against Russia

John Bacon and Tom Vanden Brook
USA TODAY

A stunningly successful Ukrainian military counteroffensive has reclaimed thousands of miles of occupied territory in just two weeks while energizing the Ukrainian population, fomenting dissent in Russia and sending some of Moscow's worn-down forces scrambling in retreat.

Has the brutal war reached a turning point?

Most experts express cautious optimism. John Kirby, the National Security Council's coordinator for strategic communications at the White House, at a briefing this week described the war as a "dynamic situation" and stressed that it was unpredictable.

"What you're seeing is certainly a



President Volodymyr Zelenskyy visits Ukrainian troops in Izium in the Kharkiv region Wednesday. AP

shift in momentum for the Ukrainian armed forces, particularly in the north," Kirby said.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, his military's most vocal

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What happens next



"It's hard to tell. It's clear the Ukrainians have made significant progress, but I think it's going to be a long haul."

President Joe Biden



"No more Westsplainin. No more dithering. No more negotiations with terrorists. Those who doubted Ukraine's strength should be apologizing. Ukraine defended us all, even when some didn't believe they could succeed."

Lithuanian Foreign Minister Gabrielius Landsbergis

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Casi dan el golpe en una gran reacción, pero perdieron por 36-20 ante los campeones del mundo.



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En pleno ajuste, Cristina nombró a 280 empleados en la planta del Senado

CARGOS. Fue pocos días antes de que se cerrara el ingreso de nuevos agentes en el Estado

Pese a las políticas de ajuste que se busca llevar adelante desde el Ministerio de Economía, la vicepresidenta Cristina Kirchner nombró en la planta del Senado a 280 empleados. Los datos no están disponibles para la consulta pública, pero, según reconstruyó LA NACION, la mayoría de los empleados fueron asignados a despachos del kirchnerismo.

El pase a planta se dio pocos días antes de que el Gobierno decretara el cierre del ingreso de personal a la administración pública, como una forma de intentar achicar el gasto en medio de la crisis económica.

Muchos de los beneficiados por la medida habían ingresado con contratos a la Cámara alta de la

mano de la exmandataria, tanto cuando fue senadora, en 2017, como en diciembre de 2019, cuando asumió la presidencia del Senado. Entre ellos figura uno de sus secretarios privados.

La incorporación de 280 agentes equivale a un aumento de más del 10 por ciento del total de la planta permanente del Senado. Página 12

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EL ESCENARIO

Una amenaza fuera de control

Jorge Liotti

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Pasó unos días en estado de shock. Después se hundió en la tristeza y la preocupación por su seguridad y la de su familia. Buscó consuelo en la fe, a la que se entregó desde que se agravó la salud de su hija. Por primera vez en su vida se sintió vulnerable, terrible carencia para una mujer que siempre se percibió tributaria de un poder especial. Con este equipaje de emociones mezcladas, Cristina Kirchner decidió convocar a un grupo de religiosos para hacer su propia misa de sanación. Continúa en la página 20

“No podemos respirar”: masiva protesta en Rosario



MARCELO MANERA

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¿Puede Ucrania ganar la guerra?

Inés Capdevila

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Como pocas veces en su vida, Vladimir Putin está a la defensiva adentro y afuera de Rusia. En su mayor golpe de efecto desde que comenzó la guerra,

Ucrania acaba de darle una paliza militar en la crítica región de Jarkiv. Esa contraofensiva despertó en Rusia un fenómeno alejado por completo durante estos siete meses

de guerra: críticas furiosas y aberturas al Kremlin por su estrategia. Putin se topó con reproches fuera de su país, en un ámbito que creía le sería amigable. Continúa en la página 3

EL ANÁLISIS

En un país donde nada es como parece

Joaquín Morales Solá

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Viste y se mueve como un presidente. En su reciente visita a Washington, Sergio Massa fue recibido también como un jefe de Estado. Sin ninguna consideración por las formas, a su regreso despachó directamente con Cristina Kirchner. Sabe percibir dónde está el verdadero poder. Ella lo atendió como se atiende a un jefe de gobierno. Sin embargo, hay que desvestir la figura del ministro de Economía del eficaz marketing con el que la envuelve. Continúa en la página 39

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Énergie : comment les Français préparent l'hiver

Face aux consignes de sobriété, les Français modifient leurs habitudes. Ils se disent prêts à faire des efforts mais attendent des gouvernants qu'ils soient exemplaires.

Les Françaises et les Français seront-ils présents « au rendez-vous de la sobriété » quand arriveront les premiers frimas, comme le leur

a demandé le président de la République ? L'automne n'est pas encore là, mais la question revêt déjà un caractère d'urgence alors que me-

nace le spectre de rationnements en gaz et en électricité. « Inenvisageable il y a dix ou quinze ans » et illustration du « déclassement du pays »,

pour le politologue Jérôme Fourquet, ce scénario tant redouté pousse déjà certains de nos concitoyens à modifier leurs habitudes de consom-

mation, non sans rencontrer certaines difficultés. S'ils sont prêts à faire des efforts, tous attendent que les dirigeants donnent l'exemple.

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C'est devenu un objet de curiosité à part entière : la file d'attente (jusqu'à 24 heures !) des Britanniques venus s'incliner devant le cercueil de la reine Elizabeth à Westminster est un corps social vivant qui en dit long sur la nation. PAGES 10 ET 11

À Londres, l'impressionnante communion des Britanniques

Macron veut répartir l'immigration sur le territoire

Le chef de l'État a confirmé qu'un projet de loi « relatif à l'asile, donc à l'immigration dans la République », sera déposé dès 2023. Lancé dans un délicat numéro d'acrobatie, en promettant d'allier « fermeté » et « humanité », il annonce vouloir une meilleure répartition des étrangers dans les « espaces ruraux, qui sont en train de perdre leur population ». Dans le petit village breton de Callac, un projet d'installation de réfugiés, lancé par une famille fortunée pour lutter contre la désertification, sème la discorde. PAGES 14, 19 ET L'ÉDITORIAL

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L'immigration pour tous

Il faut surmonter le découragement lorsque l'on entend au sommet de l'État des considérations que la réalité contredit inlassablement depuis des années. Emmanuel Macron, devant les préfets, a défendu l'idée d'une meilleure répartition des étrangers, qui pourraient être accueillis dans les « espaces ruraux, qui, eux, sont en train de perdre de la population » et où « nous devons fermer des classes, vraisemblablement des écoles et des collèges ». En clair, l'immigration peut être la solution au déclin démographique de nos provinces. La Lozère, la Creuse, l'Ardèche ne perdent rien pour attendre : demain, c'est la Seine-Saint-Denis pour tous ! Pourtant, cela fait vingt ans que, de livre en livre, Christophe Guilluy décrit l'exode des banlieusards qui s'installent dans la France des campagnes pour échapper aux effets de l'immigration incontrôlée. L'impératif multiculturel a provoqué une révolte démocratique en Suède, il ouvre une autoroute à Meloni en Italie dans dix jours, partout le « vivre ensemble » tourne vinaigre, et c'est ce moment que choisit le chef de l'État pour défendre une politique de repeuplement ! Cette sortie est d'autant plus malheureuse qu'elle vient contredire l'effort fait depuis

plusieurs semaines par le ministre de l'Intérieur pour reconnaître les défaillances en chaîne face à la pression migratoire. En une formule - « une part importante de la délinquance vient des immigrés » -, Gérard Darnaud a mis fin à des années d'un déni d'État. En promettant de restaurer la « double peine », il a remis une goutte de bon sens dans l'océan d'absurdité de notre politique migratoire. En commençant à démêler l'écheveau administratif et judiciaire qui permet à un clandestin de s'installer tranquillement en France, il a fait naître

le timide espoir d'une reprise en main des pouvoirs publics. Les mots du chef de l'État jettent le soupçon sur toutes les bonnes intentions affichées par son ministre. Ce que veulent les Français, dans leur grande majorité, ce n'est pas une meilleure répartition des immigrés, mais une maîtrise de nos frontières. C'est un curieux « en même temps » que de s'alarmer de la montée de Marine Le Pen tout en créant les conditions de sa victoire. ■

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