

What's News

Business & Finance

Bond yields are trading at their highest levels in more than a decade, posing yet another threat to a stock market that has struggled to find its footing this year. On Monday, U.S. stocks rose ahead of the Fed's interest-rate decision Wednesday, with the S&P 500, Nasdaq and Dow gaining 0.7%, 0.8% and 0.6%, respectively. **A1, B1**

◆ **Workers are returning to U.S. offices at the highest rate since the pandemic forced most workplaces to temporarily close in 2020, as infection rates continue to fall and more companies intensify efforts to bring employees back.** **A1**

◆ **A judge ruled against a Justice Department antitrust challenge to UnitedHealth's \$13 billion acquisition of health-technology firm Change, rejecting government claims that the deal would unlawfully suppress competition and limit innovation in health-insurance markets.** **A1**

◆ **Ford warned third-quarter earnings would be affected by about \$1 billion in higher-than-anticipated supplier costs and parts shortages that have led to unfinished vehicles it couldn't sell.** **B1**

◆ **Porsche shares are set to begin trading Sept. 23 in one of the largest European public listings in years, raising up to \$9.4 billion and valuing the sports-car maker at as much as \$78 billion.** **B1**

◆ **Instacart doesn't plan to raise much capital in its IPO and instead plans to have most of the listing come from the sale of employees' shares, said people familiar with its thinking.** **B1**

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◆ **Weather officials warned Puerto Rico could see landslides and mudslides amid life-threatening rain stemming from Hurricane Fiona, which has knocked out power for much of the island.** **A3**

◆ **Mark Frerichs, an American kidnapped in Kabul more than two years ago, was freed in a prisoner exchange between the U.S. and the Taliban, the White House said.** **A3**

◆ **Ukrainian forces said they control the eastern bank of the Oskil River in the Kharkiv region, cementing strategic gains and putting them closer to the Russian-held cities of Donetsk and Luhansk.** **A8**

◆ **Migrants from Cuba, Venezuela and Nicaragua are fueling the continued record pace of illegal migration at the U.S.'s southern border, with more than three times as many migrants from those countries arrested so far this year as at the same point in 2021, government data show.** **A3**

◆ **The EU staked its claim to broad new powers to regulate industries during crises, aiming to address the kinds of disruptions that took place during the pandemic.** **A8**

◆ **The number of people dying in U.S. traffic accidents fell in the April-to-June period compared with a year earlier, the first quarterly drop since 2020.** **A6**

◆ **China's armed forces are capable of blockading Taiwan, a senior U.S. Navy official said, noting the size of the country's navy, the world's largest.** **A9**

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Queen Carried to Final Rest After Crowds Bid Farewell



IN ARMS: Pallbearers carry the coffin of Queen Elizabeth II into St. George's Chapel on Monday in Windsor, England, following the state funeral at Westminster Abbey. The funeral was watched by viewers around the globe. **A18**

Bonds' Returns Pose New Threat To Stocks

A key Treasury yield hits an 11-year high, altering risk calculus in the equity market

BY AKANE OTANI

Bond yields are trading at their highest levels in more than a decade, posing yet another threat to a stock market that has struggled to find its footing this year.

When interest rates were at rock bottom, as they were after the 2008 financial crisis and then again after the pandemic, it was easy for investors to justify putting money into the relatively risky stock market. The returns would almost always beat what they could get from government bonds yielding close to nothing—leading Wall Street to declare “there is no alternative” to stocks.

That dynamic has been upended. After several Fed interest-rate increases, yields across the Treasuries market have climbed to multiyear highs. Now, fewer than 16% of S&P 500 stocks have dividend yields greater than the yield of the two-year U.S. Treasury note, according to Strategas. Fewer than 20% have dividend yields greater than the yield of the 10-year note, which on Monday reached 3.489%, its highest level since 2011. Those numbers mark the lowest share since 2006.

“A lot of investors chose to take risk in the equity market because there was no return available anywhere else. Now’s the time where people are thinking, ‘Do I really need to take that risk?’” said Katie Nixon, chief investment officer of Northern Trust Wealth Management.

U.S. stocks shook off early losses Monday, with the S&P 500 ending the session up 0.7%.

◆ Gold loses its status as a haven... **B1**
◆ Stocks gain ahead of key Fed meeting... **B11**

Work-in-Office Rates Jump To Highest Since Early '20

BY PETER GRANT

Workers are returning to U.S. offices at the highest rate since the pandemic forced most workplaces to temporarily close in 2020, as infection rates continue to fall and more companies intensify efforts to bring employees back.

Office use on average was 47.5% of early 2020 levels for workers in the office over the five business days from Sept. 8 to 14 in the 10 major metro areas monitored by Kastle Systems. The company, which tracks security swipes into buildings, said that was the highest percentage since late March 2020.

Midweek days were especially strong, with office use for Tuesday and Wednesday last week at about 55% of the pre-pandemic workforce, also a high during the pandemic for those days, Kastle said. The data through last Wednesday were the most recent weekly figures available.

Other indicators show a return-to-office pickup after Labor Day. On Wednesday, ridership on the Long Island Rail Road surpassed 200,000 for the first time since March 2020. Metro-North Railroad, another

◆ These bosses are OK with boundaries... **A12**



*Includes Washington, New York, Chicago, Houston, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Dallas, San Jose, Calif., and Austin, Texas. Data through Sept. 14. Source: Kastle Systems

Powell Draws From Volcker's Playbook

Fed risks recession to bring down inflation

BY NICK TIMIRASO

The Federal Reserve's annual August retreat in Jackson Hole, Wyo., was imminent, and markets were rallying on expectations the central bank might slow its pace of interest rate increases.

Fed officials thought investors were misreading their intentions given the need to slow the economy to combat high inflation. In a widely anticipated speech, Chairman Jerome Powell decided to be blunt. He scrapped his original

address, according to two people who spoke to him, and instead delivered unusually brief remarks with a simple message—the Fed would accept a recession as the price of fighting inflation.

Mr. Powell cited the example of former Fed chairman Paul Volcker, who drove the economy into a deep hole in the early 1980s with punishing rate increases to break the back of double-digit price gains. “We must keep at it until the job is done,” Mr. Powell said, invoking the title

Welcome to the World's Oddest Pot Party, Thrown by Police

Maryland cops set up Green Labs to sharpen their field sobriety skills

BY SCOTT CALVERT

MONTGOMERY VILLAGE, Md.—It was a pot party with a twist. The cops were hosting. “Have some fun,” Montgomery County Police Lt. John O'Brien urged the 10 marijuana enthusiasts who had brought joints, blunts, edibles, vape pens and at least one bong to the public-safety training academy in this suburban Maryland county.

Soon the aroma of weed filled a white tent. A clutch of police officers stood watching. The vibe was chill. The police supplied chips for the munchies and pizza for dinner. Their purpose, though, was sober: to show officers what marijuana impairment looks like, and the stoners how the drug can mess with their driving.

The police call it a green lab. Participants

DOJ Dealt Blow in Suit Against UnitedHealth

BY ANNA WILDE MATHWEIS AND BRENT KENDALL

WASHINGTON—A federal judge ruled on Monday against a Justice Department antitrust challenge to UnitedHealth Group Inc.'s \$13 billion acquisition of health-technology firm Change Healthcare Inc., rejecting government claims that the deal would unlawfully suppress competition and limit innovation in health-insurance markets.

U.S. District Judge Carl Nichols ruled for the companies in an opinion that he kept under seal for now because he

said it “may contain competitively sensitive information.” The judge said he would release a redacted public version of the ruling in the coming days. In a one-page public order, he denied the Justice Department's request to block the companies from completing the deal.

The court ruling represents an early blow to stepped-up antitrust enforcement by the Biden administration, which sued in February to block the deal. The Justice Department's top antitrust official, Jonathan Kanter, said the department

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JASON GAY
Tua & Oh! Tagovailoa keeps the Miami Dolphins undefeated with stunning win. **A14**



'People of loving service are rare in any walk of life. Leaders of loving service are still rarer'

King Charles III, Camilla, the Queen Consort and other members of the royal family follow the coffin of Queen Elizabeth II as it is carried out of Westminster Abbey after her state funeral in London yesterday

Garth Cattermole/Pool/Reuters

GEORGE PARKER — LONDON
ROBERT WRIGHT — WINDSOR

Queen Elizabeth II has completed the journey to her final resting place at Windsor after a momentous state funeral at Westminster Abbey, as world leaders joined Britons in mourning the country's longest-serving monarch.

The Queen was laid to rest with her late husband Prince Philip at a private ceremony at the King George VI Memorial Chapel at Windsor, near London, at 7.30pm yesterday, drawing to a close 10 days of national mourning.

Crowds thronged the route as the Queen's coffin made its way from the abbey through ceremonial London to Wellington Arch, before being taken west to Windsor Castle for a service of committal at St George's Chapel.

The state funeral, the first in Britain since Winston Churchill's death in 1965, ended a period of mourning that saw the country come together to mark a disorienting moment in its history but also one of unity and continuity.

The Queen's coffin was brought yesterday morning on a gun carriage to the abbey from the cavernous silence of Westminster Hall, where she had lain in rest for four full days; her lying-in-state ended at 6.30am.

Hundreds of thousands of people had joined "the queue" — a line stretching for five miles along the banks of the river Thames — to pay tribute to the Queen, who reigned for 70 years.

Before the funeral King Charles said he was "deeply touched" by the support he had received from around the world. At the ceremony, his eyes were fixed firmly on his mother's coffin as the congregation sang the national anthem, "God Save the King".

The public ceremonies culminated in the Queen's coffin, still draped in the Royal Standard, being lowered below the quire of St George's Chapel into the royal vault, where she will lie alongside her husband, parents and sister.

It came after a solemn ritual at St George's Chapel when the Queen's

Bargemaster and a Serjeant of Arms removed the instruments of state — the crown, orb and sceptre used in the coronation — from the top of the coffin.

The moment completed a circle started after the death of the late Queen's father, George VI, when the instruments were removed from his coffin and later presented to Elizabeth at her coronation in 1953.

Finally, the Lord Chamberlain, leader of the royal household, broke his wand of office, symbolising the end of his service to the late monarch, and placed it on the Queen's coffin alongside the flag.

An extraordinary cast of world leaders attended the state funeral, whose order of service and hymns were agreed in consultation with the late Queen, to remember a woman whose reign spanned Britain's postwar era.

While most of the visiting dignitaries arrived by bus, US president Joe Biden and his wife came in an armoured vehicle — but were held up in traffic. Their delayed arrival meant they sat several

rows back, behind the president of Poland and in front of the premier of the Czech Republic.

President Emmanuel Macron of France and Emperor Naruhito of Japan — making his first trip outside his country since ascending the throne in 2019 — joined European royalty in the abbey, where the late Queen had been married and crowned.

The leaders of Russia, Afghanistan, Syria and Venezuela were among those left off the guest list.

The 10 days of choreographed mourning were intended to provide time to grieve but also to mark the role of the royal family as a source of continuity in national life. Westminster Abbey has been the site of royal coronations since William the Conqueror in 1066.

The Queen's great-grandchildren, Prince George and Princess Charlotte, joined the King and other members of the royal family as the coffin processed through the abbey.

Justin Welby, the Archbishop of Can-

terbury, noted in his sermon that while people of loving service "are rare in any walk of life", leaders of loving service "are still rarer".

He said the late monarch had enjoyed "an abundant life", adding that "those who serve" would be remembered longer than "those who cling to power and privilege".

There had been much media debate on whether Britain's response to the Queen's death, along with the spectacular ceremony, was a reminder of the country's greatness or a distraction from its many problems.

But while many world leaders will attend the UN General Assembly in New York this week, Westminster Abbey was briefly the focal point of global power as the world remembered the late Queen.

Some of the mourners wiped away tears during the funeral service, which began with the hymn chosen by the Queen herself: "The Day Thou Gavest, Lord, is Ended".

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Members of the royal family watched as a cortege carried the coffin of Queen Elizabeth II away from Westminster Abbey at her state funeral in London on Monday.

With Sadness and Uncertainty, Britons Close an Elizabethan Age

By MARK LANDLER

LONDON — Queen Elizabeth II was laid to rest on Monday after a majestic state funeral that drew tens of millions of Britons together in a vast expression of grief and gratitude, as they bade farewell to a sovereign whose seven-decade reign had spanned their lives and defined their times.

It was the culmination of 10 days of mourning since the queen died on Sept. 8 in Scotland — a highly choreographed series of

rituals that fell amid a deepening economic crisis and a fraught political transition in Britain — and yet everything about the day seemed destined to be etched into history.

Tens of thousands of people lined the route of the cortege past the landmarks of London. In Hyde Park, people watching the service on large screens joined in "The Lord's Prayer" when it was recited at Westminster Abbey. Thousands more cheered, many strewing flowers in the path of her

Majesty and Mourning at a State Funeral for the Queen

glass-topped hearse, as the queen's coffin was driven to Windsor Castle, where she was buried next to her husband, Prince Philip.

"In this changing world, she was a pillar of the old world," said

Richard Roe, 36, who works in finance in Zurich and flew home for the funeral. "It's nice to have something that's stable and stands for good values."

An unbroken thread of sadness ran through the day, but also an acute sense of uncertainty. The queen, who died at 96, was one of the last living links to World War II and the twilight of Britain's imperial age. The country she embodied with such dignity has fundamentally changed.

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Canadian Mine May Hold a Key To Electric Cars

By JACK EWING

About 350 miles northwest of Montreal, amid a vast pine forest, is a deep mining pit with walls of mottled rock. The pit has changed hands repeatedly and been mired in bankruptcy but now it could help determine the future of electric vehicles.

The mine contains lithium, an indispensable ingredient in electric car batteries that is in short

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supply. If it opens on schedule early next year, it will be the second North American source of that metal, offering hope that badly needed raw materials can be extracted and refined close to Canadian, U.S. and Mexican auto factories, in line with Biden administration policies that aim to break China's dominance of the battery supply chain.

Having more mines will also help contain the price of lithium, which has soared fivefold since mid-2021, pushing the cost of electric vehicles so high that they are out of reach for many drivers. The average new electric car in the United States costs about \$66,000, just a few thousand dollars short of the median household income last year.

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RICARDO ARDURENGO/REUTERS

Members of the Puerto Rico National Guard rescued a woman from her home on Monday.

Fiona's Fury Fractures Puerto Rico's Shaky Grid

By LAURA N. PÉREZ SÁNCHEZ and PATRICIA MAZZEI

SALINAS, P.R. — Hurricane Fiona deluged Puerto Rico with unrelenting rain and terrifying flash floods on Monday, forcing harrowing home rescues and making it difficult for power crews to reach many parts of the island. Now the island is once again in darkness, five years after Hurricane Maria inflicted more damage on Puerto Rico than any other dis-

Millions in the Dark — Flashbacks of Maria

aster in recent history.

While Fiona will be the direct culprit, Puerto Ricans will also blame years of power disruptions, the result of an agonizingly slow effort to finally give the island a stable grid. Hurricane Maria, a near-Category 5 storm, hit on

Sept. 20, 2017, leaving about 3,000 dead and damaging 80 percent of the system. The last house was not reconnected to the system until nearly a year later. Hurricane Fiona, with far less ferocious winds, is the strongest storm to reach the island since.

Its copious rains on Sunday and Monday — more than 30 inches in some areas in southern Puerto Rico and its central mountainous region — caused the island's vast

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New York City Slides to Edge Of Fiscal Crisis

By DANA RUBINSTEIN

New York City, battered by economic headwinds and mired in a stubborn pandemic-driven downturn afflicting employment, tourism and tax revenue, is teetering on the brink of a severe budget crisis.

For the first time in six years, city officials expect that business tax revenue will decline. Personal income and related tax revenue is expected to fall by 7.7 percent, the largest drop in a dozen years.

And Wall Street's struggles may require the city to fork over billions of dollars to its workers' pension funds, to meet its obligation to provide guaranteed minimum returns.

The city's commercial office market is on the precipice of a potential work-from-home abyss. The transit system's financial situation is so grim that the state comptroller has warned that the Metropolitan Transportation Authority may seek more financial support from the city. And while the nation has regained the jobs it lost during the pandemic, New York City is still 162,000 jobs short, with the situation especially dire for Black New Yorkers, whose un-

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MISSILE MENACES A NUCLEAR PLANT IN SOUTH UKRAINE

YARDS FROM REACTOR

Kyiv's Top Energy Official Accuses Moscow of a Form of Terrorism

By MARC SANTORA

KYIV, Ukraine — A powerful Russian missile exploded less than 900 feet from the reactors of a Ukrainian nuclear power plant early Monday, according to Ukrainian officials, a reminder that, despite battlefield setbacks, Russia can still threaten disaster at any of Ukraine's four active nuclear plants.

The strike on Monday landed near the South Ukraine Nuclear Power Plant, some 160 miles west of another nuclear complex that has been a focus of global concern, the Zaporizhzhia plant, where the United Nations sent a team of experts to stabilize the situation this month.

Unlike the Zaporizhzhia plant, which sits in an active battlefield, the South Ukraine site is far from the frontline fighting, and the strike on Monday appeared to illustrate Russia's long reach, and the catastrophic potential of an attack on such a plant.

Security camera footage showed a huge fireball lighting up the night sky over the site, and the shock wave blew out more than 100 windows at the South Ukraine plant. Energoatom, Ukraine's national nuclear energy company, said the blast did extensive damage around a hydroelectric power station near the complex, forced the shutdown of one of the plant's hydraulic units, and caused partial power outages in the area.

The source of the explosion could not be independently confirmed, but the strike fit a long-established pattern of Russia attacking critical Ukrainian infrastructure, even when it poses a serious threat to civilians. Russia has battered the energy systems that Ukrainian civilians rely on with artillery, briefly set up a base in the Chernobyl exclusion zone, and has occupied the Zaporizhzhia plant, Europe's largest nuclear power station, for months, steady-

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An overview of the South Ukraine Nuclear Power Plant.

As Inflation Unnerves Voters, G.O.P. Holds Tight to Message

By JONATHAN WEISMAN

Zach Nunn, an Iowa Republican challenging one of the House's most vulnerable Democrats, had been talking for months about rising prices when a Texas congress-

man two weeks ago invited him to visit the Mexican border — to see the fentanyl confiscated, hear tales of dying migrants and witness overwhelmed border agents.

Mr. Nunn took it all in, he said. Then, he went back to a district that stretches from Des Moines to the Missouri line to talk about

inflation more power. "You know, from knocking on 10,000 doors, what people are interested in," Mr. Nunn said. It would not matter, he said, if he were speaking in Clarinda, Iowa — a city of 5,300 — or West Des Moines, a city of 70,000. "People are all talking about what is going on with the economy," he said.

In the six-month primary season that came to a close last Tuesday, issues like abortion, crime, immigration, the Jan. 6 attack on the Capitol, and Donald Trump

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Viche, a liquor invented by formerly enslaved people, is a symbol of the country's Afro-Pacific culture. PAGE A4

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Jennifer Bonjean is known for her aggressive approach in defending men accused of sexual misconduct. PAGE C1

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AARON CHOWN Pool Photo

THE COFFIN of Queen Elizabeth II, draped in the Royal Standard, arrives at Windsor Castle for the service in St. George's Chapel.

A final farewell to the queen

Elizabeth II's coffin is lowered into a vault to the strains of her bagpiper's lament.

BY NABIH BULOS,
ELI STOKOLS,
HENRY CHU
AND CHRISTINA BOYLE

LONDON — Britain bade its final farewell to Queen Elizabeth II on Monday, honoring its longest-reigning monarch with a state funeral that provided pomp in solemn circumstances, drew dignitaries from around the world and captivated a global television audience.

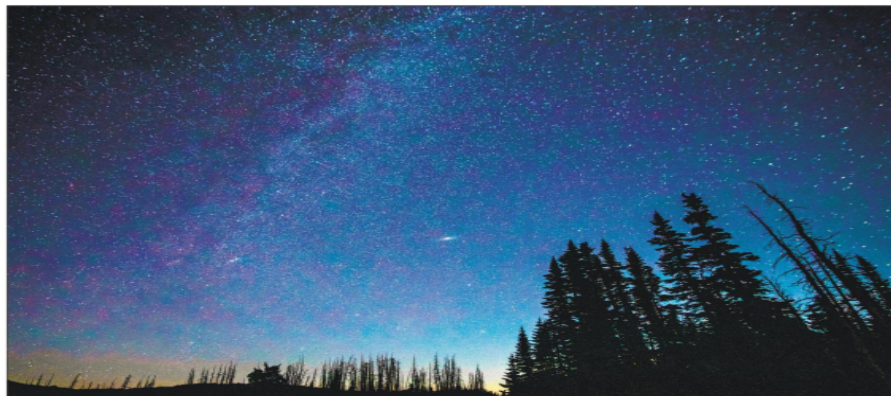
The hourlong event inside Westminster Abbey, a service attended by 2,000 people and which reflected the Old World grandeur of Britain's monarchy, followed 11 days of national mourning and highly choreographed public ceremonies.

Afterward, the queen's coffin, topped by symbols of state, made its slow procession through the streets of London on its way to St. George's Chapel in Windsor Castle, where it was lowered into the royal vault ahead of a more intimate interment ceremony involving King Charles III and other royal family members, which officials described as a "deeply personal family occasion" that would be held without media coverage.

The ceremony at St. George's, a communal service with 800 people, was the last in a series of public events commemorating a figure whose life many felt served as the very model of a modern monarch. Dean of Windsor David Conner opened with a nod to the stoicism and stiff-upper-lip ethos the queen appeared to embody for many of her subjects.

"In the midst of our rapidly changing and frequently troubled world, her calm and dignified presence has given us confidence to face the future, as she did, with courage and with hope," he said.

Then followed moments [See Britain, A4]



SUMEET KULKARNI Los Angeles Times

A PANORAMA of stars behind silhouetted trees at Cedar Breaks National Monument in Utah. A growing number of people say the dark sky is an undervalued and underappreciated natural resource.

A SWITCH'S FLIP SIDE

Shift to efficient LEDs has an unintended result: Light pollution

BY SUMEET KULKARNI

In 2014, Los Angeles cut its annual carbon emissions by 43% and saved \$9 million in energy costs by replacing the bulbs in more than half of the city's streetlamps with light-emitting diodes.

That year, the Nobel Prize in physics went to three scientists whose work made those LEDs possible. "As about one fourth of world electricity consumption is used for lighting purposes, the LEDs contribute to saving the Earth's re-

sources," the Nobel committee explained when it announced the award.

For more than a century, most sources of artificial light wasted energy in the form of heat. LEDs are much more efficient, requiring less than 25% of the energy consumed by an incandescent lamp. By 2020, LEDs accounted for 51% of global lighting sales, up from just 1% in 2010, according to the International Energy Agency, an intergovernmental organization that analyzes global energy data.

It sounds like a clear win for the

environment. But that's not how Ruskin Hartley sees it.

"The drive for efficient fixtures has come at the expense of a rapid increase in light pollution," he said.

Hartley would know. He's the executive director of the International Dark-Sky Assn., or IDA, and he's one of a growing number of people who say the dark sky is an undervalued and underappreciated natural resource. Its loss has detrimental consequences for wildlife and human health.

And yet the public's embrace of LEDs keeps [See Light, A12]

Puerto Rico soaked and without power

Hurricane Fiona pounds the island. Troops save hundreds of stranded people.

BY MARICARMEN RIVERA SANCHEZ
AND DÁNICA COTO

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Hurricane Fiona unleashed more rain on Puerto Rico on Monday, a day after the storm knocked out power and water to most of the island, and National Guard troops rescued hun-



CARLA BERNHARDT AP Photo Images

A MAN surveys a bridge destroyed Sunday by Hurricane Fiona in the French territory of Guadeloupe.

dreds of stranded people.

The governor warned that it could take days to get the lights back on.

The blow from Fiona was made more devastating because Puerto Rico has yet to recover from Hurricane Maria, which killed about 3,000 people and destroyed the power grid in 2017. Five years later, more than 3,000 homes on the island are still covered by blue tarps.

The storm stripped pavement from roads, tore off roofs and sent torrents pouring into homes. It also took out a bridge and [See Hurricane, A12]

SPARKS COULD FLY IN FALL

Ultra-dry conditions, plus the onset of Santa Ana winds, are a recipe for wildfires.

BY HAYLEY SMITH
AND ALEXANDRA E. PETRI

A summer of drought, extreme heat and deadly wildfires will end with much-needed rain this week in parts of California, but it is unlikely to douse the threat of wind-driven fires this fall in a landscape scarred by record-setting heat waves and bone-dry landscapes.

Although recent rains helped tame some of the state's most active blazes — including the Mosquito fire in El Dorado and Placer counties and the Fairview fire in Riverside — it's too soon to declare fire season over, experts say. In California, occasional bouts of heavy precipitation are proving outmatched by rising temperatures and worsening drought, which can leave vegetation nearly as brittle and fire-prone as it was before the rain.

What's more, fall is often accompanied by gusty Santa Ana winds that help fan wildfires. With experts now predicting a rare, third consecutive year of dry La Niña conditions, the combination of winds and desiccated fuel could prove perilous.

"We still have to be really vigilant," said Alex Hall, director of the Center for Climate Science at UCLA. "The heart of the fire season — especially for Southern California and the central part of California — is coming up."

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Woman gets 18 months for hoax

Sherri Papini stuck with wild abduction tale for years as police hunted for kidnappers.

BY NATHAN SOLIS

SACRAMENTO — Sherri Papini disappeared from her Northern California neighborhood in November 2016, but she made it home in time for Thanksgiving.

Missing for 22 days, Papini reappeared bruised, branded and emaciated. Her blond hair was sloppily cut. She claimed two Latinas had kidnapped her at gunpoint and held her captive before having a sudden change of heart and releasing her.

Papini could not immediately recall many details from the ordeal and initially refused to talk with police. But less than a year after his wife returned home, Keith Papini contacted a federal agent. It was March 2017. His wife had had a breakthrough; she remembered that the room where she was held had orange carpet.

More details about her ordeal came out during therapy sessions. Her husband relayed the information to investigators, according to court documents that were filed during the race to find [See Papini, A9]

Powerful quake rattles Mexico
Magnitude 7.6 jolt on Pacific coast inflicts surprisingly limited damage. **WORLD, A3**

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Weather: Sunny.
L.A. Basin: 81/64. **B6**



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Pentagon will review clandestine operations

White House worries over use of fake online profiles in psychological warfare

BY ELLEN NAKASHIMA

The Pentagon has ordered a sweeping audit of how it conducts clandestine information warfare after major social media companies identified and took offline fake accounts suspected of being run by the U.S. military in violation of the platforms' rules.

Colin Kahl, the undersecretary of defense for policy, last week instructed the military commands that engage in psychological operations online to provide a full accounting of their activities by next month after the White House and some federal agencies expressed mounting concerns over the Defense Department's attempted manipulation of audiences overseas, according to several defense and administration officials familiar with the matter.

The takedowns in recent years by Twitter and Facebook of more than 150 bogus personas and media sites created in the United States was disclosed last month by internet researchers Graphika and the Stanford Internet Observatory. While the researchers did not attribute the sham accounts to the U.S. military, two officials familiar with the matter said that U.S. Central Command

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Judge frees Syed in 1999 murder; new trial possible

BY OMARI DANIELS AND EMILY DAVIES

Adnan Syed, whose murder case captivated the nation after it was featured on the true-crime podcast "Serial," was freed from prison Monday after 23 years, his conviction vacated — at least for now — by a judge who found deficiencies in how prosecutors had turned over evidence to defense attorneys decades ago.

Acting on a request from Baltimore City State's Attorney Marilyn Mosby, Circuit Judge Melissa Phipps ordered Syed unshackled in the courtroom and sent home while he waits to find out whether prosecutors will seek a new trial or drop their pursuit of him.

Now 42 years old, Syed emerged from the courthouse to a roaring crowd. Dressed in white with a blue tie, he smiled and waved before he was ushered into a car and driven away.

But his continued freedom is not guaranteed.

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Adnan Syed



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The world pauses to remember

In historic halls and along solemn streets, a seemingly timeless queen is bid a final goodbye

LONDON — Big Ben gonged, one peal from the Great Bell for each of her 96 years on Earth, and the body of Queen Elizabeth II passed for the last time through Westminster Abbey — scene of her 1947 wedding and 1953 coronation — for a state funeral attended by 90 world leaders and hundreds of dignitaries, including emperors and sultans, and Harry and Meghan, too.

London was fully given over to the event, which was invested with all the pomp, circumstance and showmanship that the monarchy, military and state could put on display for a global broadcast audience of millions.

The new king declared Monday a national holiday, and so hundreds of thousands were able to pour into the capital to say goodbye — some tossing flowers onto the hearse, others shouting "God bless the queen!"

This article is by William Booth, Karla Adam, Mary Jordan, Kevin Sullivan and Anthony Faiola.

— in the most complex security challenge the capital has faced since World War II, far bigger than the 2012 Summer Olympics.

By evening, no significant police incidents had been reported.

The quiet, the solemnity, that is what people remarked upon — especially the two minutes of silence that brought the country and a city of 9 million to a full stop.

Even air traffic into Heathrow International Airport was paused. News helicopters were barred during the service.

The day began at dawn, when the last members of the public were shooed from Westminster

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TOP: The coffin of Queen Elizabeth II is carried into Westminster Abbey for her state funeral. Hundreds of dignitaries were among the guests. ABOVE: King Charles III and other members of the royal family after the service. The queen was laid to rest at St. George's Chapel at Windsor Castle.

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A man walks through debris after Hurricane Fiona swept through Guayanilla, Puerto Rico, on Monday. The storm knocked out power to over 3 million people when it made landfall on Sunday.

Fiona reveals fragility of Puerto Rico's power grid

Even before latest storm, plan to modernize made little progress since 2017

BY JOSHUA PARTLOW AND ARELLIS R. HERNÁNDEZ

The hurricane winds that knocked out power to the entire island of Puerto Rico over the weekend encountered an electrical grid that experts liken to a house of cards: a fragile, decrepit, patchwork system running on old equipment that has failed to substantially modernize since the U.S. territory's deadliest storm, Hurricane Maria, swept through five years before.

The state-run utility that is responsible for electricity generation is bankrupt, and mediation to restructure its \$9 billion debt to bondholders ended without a deal last week. Luma Energy, the private consortium that was hired in 2020 to handle transmission, has failed to satisfy critics, as power outages have increased in duration this year even apart from destructive storms, according to a report last month by the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau.

And a major plan to modernize the island's electricity system, funded with billions from the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency as a response to Hurricane Maria — which killed about 3,000 people and left some residents out of power for nearly a year — has

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HURRICANE FIONA

Puerto Rico is again deluged

Lingering rains pound besieged US territory

John Bacon and Jorge L. Ortiz
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Hurricane Fiona smashed through Puerto Rico on Monday with pounding rain and winds that triggered mudslides, catastrophic flooding and a power outage that swept across the entire island. Hundreds of thousands lacked drinking water.

More than 1,000 water rescues were carried out and more were underway, Gov. Pedro Pierluisi said. Even as the storm made landfall Monday in the Dominican Republic, it continued to slam Puerto Rico with unrelenting rains — more than 30 inches in southern parts of the island.

The National Weather Service in San Juan urged residents to move to higher ground "immediately."

"Heavy rainfall and catastrophic flooding continues across much of Puerto Rico," said Richard Pasch, a specialist with the National Hurricane Center.

Authorities reported two deaths — one a 58-year-old man swept away by a flooded river in the inland town of Comerio and another a 70-year-old man burned while trying to operate a generator.

The Aqueduct and Sewer Authority said almost 800,000 customers were without drinking water. The entire power grid across the U.S. territory of 3.2 million people went down Sunday afternoon before the storm made landfall, leaving everyone without electricity.

Less than 10% had regained power Monday, and power distribution company LUMA Energy warned that it

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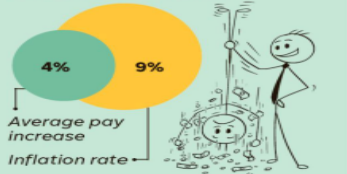
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Pay hikes no match for spiking inflation

Many Americans reported wage or salary increases in the prior year, but they don't even come close to the rise in consumer prices from June 2021 to June 2022.



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QUEEN ELIZABETH II 1926-2022

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BRITAIN, WORLD BID FAREWELL



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London was transformed Monday into a pageant of both mourning and celebration. • Endless rows of Union Jacks. Acres of red Beefeater uniforms. Forests of raised arms with cellphones snapping and filming. Flowers everywhere, whether laid in neat piles or pelting the black Jaguar hearse as it glided through town. • All to celebrate the final moments in the storied life of Queen Elizabeth II. A woman who made history. A woman who — in dying at age 96 after 70 years on the throne — *was* history. • The spectacle of it all was breathtaking.

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King Charles III, Queen Consort Camilla and members of the royal family follow the coffin of Queen Elizabeth II into Westminster Abbey for her state funeral Monday in London.

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Amplían el cepo a las empresas que operan dólar soja

LÍMITES. El BCRA busca frenar la presión sobre el CCL y el MEP; no incluye a productores individuales

Para tratar de frenar la escalada de las cotizaciones de los dólares financieros, el Banco Central prohibió comprar divisas a empresas que hayan operado el denominado dólar soja. "Los agentes económicos que hayan vendido soja en el marco del Programa de Incremento Exportador no podrán acceder al mercado de cambios para compras de moneda extranjera ni tampoco realizar operaciones con títulos y valores con liquidación en moneda extranjera", informó la entidad.

A última hora de anoche, fuentes del BCRA aclararon que mediante una modificación de la norma quedarán

excluidos los productores individuales (personas físicas).

El argumento oficial es que, aunque los productores venden la cosecha en pesos, tienen una ventaja con el dólar a \$200, porque ese tipo de cambio diferencial "se refleja en el precio de la tonelada de soja en los mercados".

La medida fue duramente criticada por el sector agropecuario, que la consideró "un cambio en las reglas de juego cuando muchas operaciones están en marcha". Los expertos advierten que los productores que operan bajo algún tipo de persona jurídica podrían frenar liquidaciones que tenían previstas.

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El FMI abre la puerta a una revisión de las metas

NUEVA YORK. La titular del FMI, Kristalina Georgieva, dejó ayer abierta por primera vez la posibilidad de flexibilizar las metas del acuerdo con la Argentina y remarcó que la inflación es el problema "más serio" del país. Tras la reunión de Georgieva con el presidente Alberto Fernández, el FMI aprobó una nueva etapa del acuerdo. El Gobierno ahora espera que libere un giro por US\$3900 millones. **Página 10**

Beraldi buscó desligar a Cristina de Lázaro Báez

VIALIDAD. Sin negar la corrupción en la obra pública, Carlos Beraldi, abogado de Cristina Kirchner en la causa Vialidad, buscó desvincular su defendida de la asignación de fondos a favor del empresario Lázaro Báez en Santa Cruz. Con duras críticas a la acusación del fiscal Diego Luciani, el abogado comenzó ayer con una defensa que buscó refutar los cargos y habló de un "deliberado ocultamiento" de pruebas. **Página 15**

EL FIN DE UNA ERA

Una multitud conmovida, una despedida monumental

El funeral de Isabel II paralizó al país y reunió a líderes y miembros de la realeza de todo el mundo; fue sepultada junto a su marido en el Castillo de Windsor



Una multitud acompañó el cortejo y despidió a la reina en calles y parques de Londres

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LONDRES. Finalmente, después de 10 días, y en medio de una oleada de dolor colectivo nunca vista, concluyó ayer el gran día de la reina Isabel II, The Queen. La reina

más longeva, más querida y más conocida del mundo. Una despedida que tuvo todos los condimentos del fin de una era, a la altura de ese ícono que fue Elizabeth Alexandra Mary, nacida el 21 de abril de 1926 y fallecida, a los 96 años, el 8 de este mes, en Escocia. **Continúa en la página 2**

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Leitor com trabalho de educação política

Lula mira 1º turno; Bolsonaro diz que derrota seria anormal

Petista atrai apoio de Meirelles e pede voto útil; presidente ensaia acusar fraude

Perto dos 50% de votos válidos nas pesquisas, o ex-presidente Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva (PT) intensificou a ofensiva para ser eleito no primeiro turno e reuniu ontem ex-candidatos de diferentes matizes a favor de seu nome.

Pediram voto útil no petista o ex-ministro da Fazenda Henrique Meirelles (União Brasil) e o ex-senador Cristovam Buarque (Cidadania).

Seu oponente, o presidente Jair Bolsonaro (PL), também se antecipou para o caso de derrota. Contrariando o Datafolha do dia 15 (no qual Lula tinha 45% das preferências) e o Ipec de ontem (47%), diz que será reeleito já no dia 2 — caso contrário, “algo de anormal” terá ocorrido no TSE, declarou anteontem, redobrando ataques ao tribunal e ao sistema de voto.

Os dois institutos mostram estabilidade do quadro eleitoral no último mês, com os candidatos oscilando dentro das margens de erro.

Bolsonaro, porém, costuma citar a adesão a seus atos de campanha como termômetro, desprezando metodologia e supondo que terá “pelo menos 60%” — no mais recente Datafolha, tinha 33%; no Ipec, 31%.

Lula, que conta com Geraldo Alckmin (PSB), Marina Silva (Rede) e nomes à esquerda, busca mostrar base ampla de apoio para ganhar votos de Ciro Gomes (PDT) e de Simone Tebet (MDB).

Com a reação positiva do mercado financeiro a Meirelles, o petista afirmou que prefere definir seu titular para a Economia só após a campanha. **Política A4 e Mercado A17**

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Tribunal freia compra pela União de R\$ 38 milhões em coturnos

Segundo o TCU, leilão feito pela pasta da Justiça para adquirir 60 mil coturnos não prezou busca de menor preço e poderia ter sido fechado em valores 50% menores. **B1**

Juiz suspende condenação de Deltan no TCU

A 6ª Vara Federal de Curitiba suspendeu condenação no TCU do ex-procurador Deltan Dallagnol a ressarcir, com Rodrigo Janot e João Vicente Romão, R\$ 2,8 milhões em diárias da Lava Jato. A decisão, liminar, o torna elegível. **Política A6**

Cristina Serra

Não haverá sigilo para seus horrores

Não vamos esquecer das 685 mil covas abertas. O desespero na fila do osso. Acessos em nossas consciências estarão seus planos de golpear a Constituição, as eleições, a democracia. Você, Jair, não tem direito a esquecimento. **Opinião A2**

Brasil volta às urnas com mais emprego, mas inflação em alta

Embora o eleitor volte às urnas neste ano com desemprego menor do que na última disputa presidencial, a renda média encolheu em meio à pandemia, e a inflação acumulada de agosto de 2022 é o dobro do registrado no mesmo período de 2018.

O desemprego no trimestre terminado em julho foi de 9,1%; era de 12,4% em 2018.

Economistas dizem que o cenário corrói o poder de compra, mascara o reaquecimento da economia e, ao mesmo tempo, exige do Estado reformas. **Mercado A20**

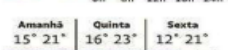
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Le roi Charles III et la famille royale suivent le cercueil d'Elizabeth II, porté dans Westminster Abbey lundi matin par des grenadiers du régiment de la Reine.

ÉDITORIAL par Étienne de Montety edemontety@lefigaro.fr

Les leçons de la Couronne

La semaine fut proprement historique. Depuis l'annonce de la mort de la reine Elizabeth II, les cérémonies se sont succédé. Encore hier, le transport de sa dépouille sur un affût de canon escorté par des marins de la Navy puis l'office solennel sous les voûtes majestueuses de Westminster ont donné la mesure de l'importance de la reine pour le Royaume-Uni. À quoi songaient les dizaines de

chefs d'État présents dans la nef en regardant le cercueil où reposait cette femme qui avait moins de pouvoirs qu'eux et pourtant plus d'influence ? La société politique moderne a, sous la pression des opinions publiques et des lois de la communication, tourné le dos à la verticalité. La Couronne britannique, elle, est mystérieusement reliée à l'histoire et au divin. Serait-elle en décalage avec un air du temps qui demande du « participatif » ? Un protocole rigoureux éloigne

apparemment le souverain du peuple, et pourtant l'émotion manifestée depuis une semaine montre la proximité que la reine avait nouée avec les Britanniques. Notre époque glorifie le jeu-nisme, exige le « renouvellement des visages en politique ». Le règne d'Elizabeth a duré soixante-dix ans. Trop long ? Cette durée a permis incont-

Sa présence valait message

tablement à son royaume de vivre dans la stabilité et de préserver son unité. Enfin, à nos dirigeants, les lois politiques enjoignent de parler, de commenter, de réagir. À elle avait été donné le privilège du silence. Elle se contentait d'être et d'apparaître. Sa présence valait message. Cela ne l'empêchait pas de suivre de près les affaires de la Grande-Bretagne et du monde. Mais ses appréciations, elle les réservait à ses premiers ministres,

qu'elle rencontrait chaque semaine. Théâtre, songeront certains. Peut-être, mais toute autorité, surtout symbolique, en a besoin pour exister, et celui auquel il nous fut donné d'assister ces jours-ci avait beaucoup d'allure. Sa force provient aussi de la Recueillement, uniformes chamarrés, hymnes et marches funèbres, l'Angleterre, par son faste et sa dignité, a incontestablement redoré sa Couronne ; et redonné à l'idée de pouvoir des lettres de noblesse. ■



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The final farewell



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Caroline Davies



Unsurpassed pomp and public spectacle give way to intimacy as Queen Elizabeth's family lay her to rest

After the majestic funeral pomp and military spectacle, unsurpassed in the nation's living memory and watched across the world, the final farewell to Queen Elizabeth II would belong only to her family.

Night had fallen as she was laid to rest next to the Duke of Edinburgh in the George VI Memorial chapel, Windsor, in private and away from cameras.

With only her family present, it was a wholly intimate ceremony, one for a mother, a grandmother, and a great-grandmother who also

was a Queen. The contrast with the earlier grandeur of Britain's official goodbye, with its pipers, buglers, and muffled bells; its kings, queens, prime ministers and presidents in the gothic splendour of Westminster Abbey, could not have been more marked.

Or with the ritual and symbolism, burnished over centuries, of the committal service at St George's chapel, Windsor Castle.

There, in the town she called home, the nation's longest-reigning monarch was finally divested of her earthly sovereign's duty when the Imperial

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