

Source for allegations on Trump acquitted

In loss for special counsel, jury finds 'Steele dossier' figure didn't lie to FBI

BY SALVADOR RIZZO, RACHEL WEINER AND PERRY STEIN

A jury on Tuesday found Igor Danchenko — a private researcher who was a primary source for a 2016 dossier of allegations about former president Donald Trump's ties to Russia — not guilty of lying to the FBI about where he got his information.

The verdict in federal court in Alexandria, Va., is another blow for special counsel John Durham, who has now lost both cases that have gone to trial as part of his nearly 3½-year investigation. Durham, who was asked by Attorney General William P. Barr in 2019 to review the FBI's investigation of the Trump campaign in 2016, is sure to face renewed pressure to wrap up his work following the verdict.

Trump predicted Durham would uncover "the crime of the century" inside the U.S. law enforcement and intelligence agencies that investigated his campaign's links to Russia. But so far, no one charged by the special counsel has gone to prison, and only one government employee has pleaded guilty to a criminal offense. In both trials this year, Durham argued that people deceived FBI agents, not that investigators corruptly targeted Trump.

The jury in Danchenko's case deliberated for about nine hours over two days. Juror Joel Greene said in an interview that there were no holdouts in the deliberations. **SEE DANCHENKO ON A6**

FOREIGN SERVANTS

Profiting from repressive states

Retired U.S. generals and admirals took overseas jobs with official approval. The Post sued for the records.



SAUDI ARABIA



BY CRAIG WHITLOCK AND NATE JONES

More than 500 retired U.S. military personnel — including scores of generals and admirals — have taken lucrative jobs since 2015 working for foreign governments, mostly in countries known for human rights abuses and political repression, according to a Washington Post investigation.

In Saudi Arabia, for example, 15 retired U.S. generals and admirals have worked as paid consultants for the Defense Ministry since 2016. The ministry is led by Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, the kingdom's de facto ruler, who U.S. intelligence agencies say approved the 2018 killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi, a Post contributing columnist, as part of a brutal crackdown on dissent.

Saudi Arabia's paid advisers have included retired Marine Gen. James L. Jones, a national security adviser to President Barack Obama, and retired Army Gen. Keith Alexander, who led the National Security Agency under Obama and President George W. Bush, according to documents obtained by The Post under Freedom of Information Act lawsuits.

Others who have worked as consultants for the Saudis since Khashoggi's murder include a retired four-star Air Force general and a former commanding general of U.S. troops in Afghanistan.

Most of the retired U.S. personnel have worked as civilian contractors for Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and other Persian Gulf monarchies, playing a critical, though largely invisible, role in upgrading their militaries.

All the while, the Gulf countries' security forces have continued to commit human rights abuses at home and beyond their borders. With shared intelligence, aerial refueling and other support from the U.S. government and contractors, Saudi Arabia and the UAE have intervened

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Russia's war in Europe inflicts crisis on Germany

BY ANTHONY FAIOLA AND VANESSA GUINAN-BANK

LUDWIGSHAFEN, GERMANY — Larger than Lower Manhattan, the sprawling BASF chemical plant on the Rhine River is a symbol of both German industrial might and how much Europe's largest economy has to lose in its worst energy crisis in generations.

On any given day, the plant uses more power than Switzerland as it churns out everything from rubber for sneakers to coatings for cars. But the fallout from the war in Ukraine is exacting a high price. During the second quarter of the year alone, sky-high natural gas prices jolted the company's energy bill up by the equivalent of \$776 million.

To contain costs, the plant has begun streamlining operations and cutting high-energy production of ammonia for fertilizers — **SEE GERMANY ON A26**

Desperate pleas and smuggled pills

From Mexico to the U.S. South, an underground abortion network rises after Roe is struck down

BY CAROLINE KITCHENER

Monica had never used Reddit before. But sitting at her desk one afternoon in July — at least 10 weeks into an unwanted pregnancy in a state that had banned abortion — she didn't know where else to turn.

"I need advice I am not prepared to have a child," the 25-year-old wrote from her office, once everyone else had left for the day. She titled her post, "PLEASE HELP!!!!!!"

Within hours, she got a private message from an anonymous Reddit user. If Monica sent her address, the person promised, they would mail abortion pills "asap for free."

Monica didn't know it at the time, but her Reddit post connected her to a new facet of the battle for abortion access: the rise of a covert, international network delivering tens of thousands of **SEE ABORTION ON A8**

Midterms message: President Biden focuses on abortion. **A7**



JONATHAN NEWTON/THE WASHINGTON POST

Since Roe v. Wade was overturned, demand for abortion pills has skyrocketed. Through social media and word of mouth, pregnant people out of options are turning to a secret network for the medication.

Experts fear a subvariant swarm will aid infections

BY CAROLYN Y. JOHNSON

For two years, coronavirus variants emerged, one by one, sweeping the globe.

But this fall and winter are expected to be different: Instead of a single ominous variant lurking on the horizon, experts are nervously eyeing a swarm of viruses — and a new evolutionary phase in the pandemic.

This time, it's unlikely we will be barraged with a new collection of Greek alphabet variants. Instead, one or more of the multiple versions of the omicron variant that keep popping up could drive the next wave. They are different flavors of omicron, but eerily alike — adorned with a similar combination of mutations. Each new subvariant seems to outdo the last in its ability to dodge immune defenses. **SEE VIRUS ON A22**

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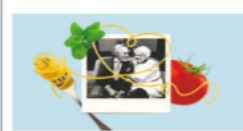
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With Inflation Persistent, Fed Isn't Letting Up

Plan Could Keep Rates
Climbing Next Year

By JEANNA SMIALEK

Federal Reserve officials have coalesced around a plan to raise interest rates by three-quarters of a point next month as policymakers grow alarmed by the staying power of rapid price increases — and increasingly worried that inflation is now feeding on itself.

Such concerns could also prompt the Fed to raise rates at least slightly higher next year than previously forecast as officials face two huge choices at their coming meetings: when to slow rapid rate increases and when to stop them altogether.

Central bankers had expected to debate slowing down at their November meeting, but a rash of recent data suggesting that the labor market is still strong and that inflation is unrelenting has them poised to delay serious discussion of a smaller move for at least a month. The conversation about whether to scale back is now more likely to happen in December. Investors have entirely priced in a fourth consecutive three-quarter-point move at the Fed's Nov. 1-2 meeting, and officials have made no effort to change that expectation.

Officials may also feel the need to push rates higher than they had expected as recently as September, as inflation remains stubborn even in the face of substantial moves to try to wrestle it under control.

Jerome H. Powell, the Fed chair, is focusing on prices.

control. While the central bank had penciled in a peak rate of 4.6 percent next year, that could nudge up depending on incoming data. Rates are now set around 3.1 percent, and the Fed's next forecast will be released in December.

Fed officials have grown steadily more aggressive in their battle against inflation this year, as the price burst sweeping the globe has proved more persistent than just about anyone expected. And for now, they have little reason to let up: A report last week showed that Consumer Price Index prices climbed by 6.6 percent over the year through September even after food and fuel prices were stripped out — a 40-year high for

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In Right-Led Italy, Future Hinges On Billionaire Premier From Past

By JASON HOROWITZ

ROME — During the final campaign rally for Italy's right-wing coalition before it emerged victorious in Italy's elections last month, the billionaire mogul Silvio Berlusconi, a smile frozen on his waxen face, stood center stage, propped up, quite literally, by his hard-right partners, Giorgia Meloni and Matteo Salvini, who waved Mr. Berlusconi's hand above his head.

The tableau may have evoked an Italian remake of "Weekend at Bernie's" more than a modern-day triumvirate. But the three will now make up the most right-wing

Italian government since Mussolini, with Mr. Berlusconi, 86 and increasingly popular, as its fragile linchpin.

It was nearly 30 years ago that Mr. Berlusconi brought his partners' once small, marginalized parties into one of his governments and Italy's political mainstream. But today it is Ms. Meloni, the leader of the Brothers of Italy, a party descended from the wreckage of Italy's experiment with Fascism last century, who is almost certain to be the next prime minister when a govern-

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Russia Analyst Behind Dossier Wins Acquittal

By CHARLIE SAVAGE
and LINDA QIU

Igor Danchenko, an analyst who provided much of the research for a notorious dossier of unproven assertions and rumors about former President Donald J. Trump and Russia, was acquitted on Tuesday on four counts of lying to the F.B.I. about one of his sources.

The verdict was a final blow to the politically charged criminal investigation by John H. Durham, the special counsel appointed by Attorney General William P. Barr three years ago to scour the F.B.I.'s inquiry into the Trump campaign's ties to Russia for any wrongdoing.

Mr. Trump and his supporters had long insisted the Durham inquiry would prove a "deep state" conspiracy against him, but despite pursuing various claims, Mr. Durham never charged any high-level government officials.

Instead he developed two cases centered on the narrow charge of making false statements in outside efforts to scrutinize purported links between Mr. Trump and Russia. He crammed the indictments with extraneous material and insinuations that he thought Democrats had sought to frame Mr. Trump for collusion with Russia, though he did not charge any such conspiracy.

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What Is Abortion? It Isn't as Clear as You Think.

By KATE ZERNIKE

Even after five decades of argument about abortion in the United States, the most contentious question newly at the forefront is a very basic one: What is abortion?

Major medical societies, and medical billing codes, define abortion as any procedure that terminates a pregnancy — whether that pregnancy is wanted or unwanted, whether a woman is seeking the procedure to clean out her uterus after a miscarriage, or because of a dire fetal diagnosis, or to terminate a pregnancy that she had not expected.

"An abortion is an abortion is an abortion," said Dr. Louise King, an obstetrician-gynecologist and bioethicist at Harvard Medical School.

Politicians and Doctors Grapple Over What Defines Procedure

Anti-abortion lawmakers and groups disagree, arguing that it's an abortion only if the woman or her medical provider elects to end the pregnancy. This generally means that terminating a pregnancy in a dire medical situation is acceptable, while terminating an unwanted pregnancy is not.

During the five decades that Roe v. Wade established a constitutional right to abortion, this was mostly a semantic dispute. But in the aftermath of the Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe,

simply defining the word abortion has taken on new political, legal and medical consequences.

States are struggling to define what they will and will not allow. Doctors, too, are grappling: those in states that now ban abortion say they have stopped providing the procedures because violations of the law can result in lengthy prison terms, large fines and the loss of a medical license.

Most laws allow for exceptions to save the life of the pregnant woman. But uncertainty about what qualifies as life-threatening has resulted in what the president of the American Medical Association called "chaos," as medical professionals try to decide what conditions fall under those exceptions. Women are being denied

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In Do-or-Die Game, Yankees Do

Jose Trevino, left, and Wandy Peralta helped eliminate Cleveland. Next up: Houston. Page B6.

Years, and Frustration, Mount for Those Awaiting Refugee Status

By ZOLAN KANNO-YOUNGS
and MIRIAM JORDAN

WASHINGTON — For the past eight years, Ahmed Mohamed Aden has been trying to reunite with the sons he left behind when he fled Somalia.

He sought help from immigration advocates in Wisconsin, where he was legally resettled. He

filed reams of paperwork with the United Nations refugee agency. He submitted DNA samples to prove he shares a genetic relationship with his children, which he hoped would speed up processing.

But earlier this month, he learned that their applications were still pending, stuck in a backlog of people fleeing violence and persecution who hope to find

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sanctuary in America.

"I did everything I can," an emotional Mr. Aden said, holding his head in his hands as the social worker assigned to his case ex-

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Today, sunny, breezy, unseasonably cool, high 54. Tonight, clear and chilly, low 42. Tomorrow, mostly sunny, breezy in the afternoon, high 58. Weather map is on Page B10.

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NEW PHASE IN THE WAR

Millions May Lack Basics
as Russia Ramps Up
Attacks on Cities

By MEGAN SPECIA
and ANDREW E. KRAMER

KYIV, Ukraine — From towns near the front lines to high-rises in the capital, Ukrainians faced shortages of electricity, water and heat on Tuesday as Russia's bombardment of civilian targets and infrastructure threatened millions of people with the prospect of a desolate winter without basic services.

The Russian barrage heralds a new phase of the war — even as the Kremlin's forces struggle on the battlefield, they have stepped up efforts to inflict suffering from afar. Civilians and infrastructure have been targets since the start of the invasion, but Russia has sharply increased long-range strikes deep into Ukraine, focusing on vital utility networks whose collapse would yield a new kind of humanitarian disaster there.

Since Oct. 10, the Russian attacks have destroyed 30 percent of Ukraine's power stations and caused "massive blackouts across the country," President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said on Tuesday. Residents are being urged — in some cases, forced by circumstances — to conserve water and energy. Business are turning off illuminated signs, and billboards are no longer lit up at night.

A government minister, Oleksii Chernyshov, said 408 sites in Ukraine have been struck in that time, including 45 energy facilities. Many of the attacks have also hit thermal energy plants that generate steam for heating homes and businesses.

"The destruction of houses and lack of access to fuel or electricity due to damaged infrastructure could become a matter of life or death if people are unable to heat their homes," Dr. Hans Henri P. Kluge, the World Health Organization's director for Europe, said on Friday.

The United Nations resident coordinator for Ukraine, Denise Brown, told CNN on Tuesday that the devastation threatened "a high risk of mortality during the winter months."

In parts of Kyiv, the capital, the authorities warned people not to drink tap water, which was running cloudy after it was compromised by airstrikes on Monday. In another neighborhood, a field kitchen was set up to provide food for those without water or electricity. People lined up at stores to fill bottles with fresh water, and electricity suppliers warned that blackouts would continue while repairs were underway.

In one neighborhood on the outskirts of the northern city of Chernihiv, residents said there had been several days in a row when electricity was turned off from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. to conserve energy. At a restaurant in the city, a waiter apologized to patrons about the dim lighting that left menus barely visible, noting

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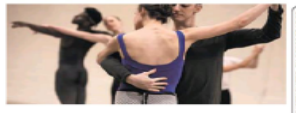
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Protests, Strikes Spread Over Inflation Concerns in France



TENSIONS: Protesters march during a demonstration in Paris on Tuesday as more than 100,000 people took to the streets across the country to demand higher wages to cope with rising energy bills and broader inflation. **A6**

Goldman Profit Slides 43% As Bank Details Big Shake-Up

By CHARLEY GRANT
AND JUSTIN BAER

Goldman Sachs Group's third-quarter profit fell 43% as executives outlined a sweeping shake-up of the bank's businesses designed to position the firm to generate steady fees no matter the economic environment.

Goldman suffered by far the steepest profit slide among its big-bank peers in the quarter because of a slump in deal making.

As part of the restructuring, Goldman plans to fold in-

vestment banking and trading into one unit and merge asset and wealth management into another—giving it a higher profile at the same time.

For years, Goldman has wrestled with what it should be and how it should buffer itself against the sort of volatility that cropped up in the third quarter, keeping deal makers on the sidelines and drying up the market for initial public offerings.

The restructuring, reported late Sunday by The Wall Street Journal, reflects Chief Executive David Solomon's

broader effort to shift Goldman's focus away from the high-risk, high-reward Wall Street units that have long defined it and toward businesses that generate consistent fees.

Mr. Solomon said that the new structure would strengthen the bank's core businesses, diversify its products and services and allow it to "operate more efficiently as we drive higher, more durable returns."

Investment banking and trading have long been Goldman's power centers, and those units generate huge prof-

its in times when markets reward risk-taking. But the businesses are prone to big swings in choppy markets. Goldman's investment-banking revenue fell 57% in the third quarter; trading revenue rose 11%.

Building out the firm's wealth- and asset-management offerings is key to Mr. Solomon's strategy to smooth out the bumps. Managing wealthy people's money and overseeing funds for pensions

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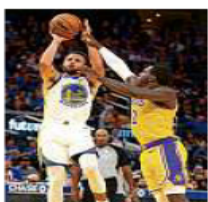
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Russian Grip on South Eases, But Attacks Slam Power Grid

By THOMAS GROVE
AND YULIYA CHERNOVA

Russia's top military commander in Ukraine signaled its hold on the southern city of Kherson was weakening, as Ukraine said Russian strikes had knocked out some 30% of the country's power-plant infrastructure since last week, raising concerns of nationwide blackouts.

Gen. Sergei Surovkin, the recently appointed commander of Russian armed forces in Ukraine, gave a rare pessimistic take of his invading forces' po-

sition, telling state television Tuesday that the situation in Kherson "is not at all easy right now" and that the priority in the south was preserving civilians and military personnel.

"Difficult decisions cannot be ruled out," he said, without elaborating, in his first significant public comments since taking over the role.

Gen. Surovkin's comments came as Russia launched a fresh volley of missiles at Ukraine's critical infrastructure, the latest in a number of attacks that Kyiv said has damaged nearly a third of the coun-

try's power plants. "Ukraine is under fire by the occupiers. They continue to do what they do best—terrorize and kill civilians," President Volodymyr Zelenskyy of Ukraine said in a statement.

Developments in recent days underscore the two sides' competing offensives in the war, with Russia hammering civilian targets as Ukraine advances on

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Fans Snag Celebrity Usernames

Connection might spur complaint—
or dinner invite

By MADDIE ELLIS

In 2018, then middle-schooler Adrianna Wagner became smitten with professional baseball player Christian Yelich, after the Miami Marlins traded the left-fielder to her home team, the Milwaukee Brewers.

The teen, who lives in Alma Center, Wis., started a TikTok account to post fan videos, using Mr. Yelich's name as a handle. She figured people searching his name on the app might come across her account and follow it.

For four years, she operated what she calls a "cute little fan account," @christianyelich, and drew about 400 followers. **B1**

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Energy Bills Tear At Fashion Industry

Surge in European prices imperils textile makers; 'a monster that's devouring us'

By STACY MECHTERY
AND JENNY STRASBURG

The energy crisis that has closed steel mills and aluminum smelters across Europe is now spreading to the continent's fashion industry.

Thousands of small factories and workshops that supply brands such as Gucci and H&M have watched their business models unravel amid the surge in natural-gas and electricity prices following Russia's invasion of Ukraine and its decision to reduce the flow of gas to the continent. Energy costs for many textile makers have risen from about 5% of production costs to around 25%, slashing their profit margins, according to data from Euro-

pean textiles and apparel trade group Euratex.

Energy prices have risen so high, textile makers said, that utilities and other energy vendors, concerned about not getting paid, are demanding that the textile companies secure bank guarantees or come up with cash advances to cover months of expected energy bills. In Italy, Europe's biggest textile producer, many manufacturers said they can no longer line up energy-purchasing agreements that previously insulated them from short-term price fluctuations.

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Netflix Reverses Customer Losses

Streamer's quarterly gain beats forecasts ahead of planned shift to ad-supported tier

By SARAH KROUSE

Netflix Inc. snapped back to subscriber growth in the third quarter, giving the streaming giant a jolt as it works to execute two major strategic shifts aimed at bolstering its revenue and subscriber base.

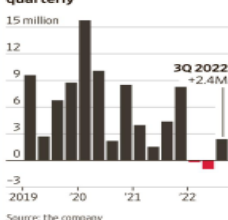
The company added 2.4 million new subscribers in the September quarter, after having forecast a net gain of 1 million customers. The subscriber growth followed back-to-back quarters of customer defections that raised questions about Netflix's ability to grow its user base amid increased competition.

"Thank God we're done with shrinking quarters," co-Chief Executive Reed Hastings said on an earnings call Tuesday. Executives said Netflix had good momentum, but had to continue to work to spur greater revenue growth.

The company's shares rose 14% in after-hours trading following the results. As of Tuesday, Netflix's stock was down

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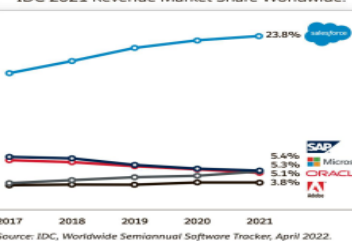
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Tehran's grip Climber in scarf 'mistake'

Elnaz Rekabi competes in the women's boulder finals of the Asian Championships in Seoul on Sunday.

The Iranian climber who took part without wearing a headscarf – widely seen as a show of support for protests in her country – said yesterday that her “clothing had a problem by mistake”, fuelling suspicions she had come under pressure from the Islamic republic.

The climber apologised for the “concerns I have created” after friends reported that they had been unable to contact her since the competition.

Authorities in Tehran have blamed celebrities from the sport and film world for fanning the protests that have swept Iran since Mahsa Amini, a 22-year-old Kurdish woman, died in the custody of the morality police last month after she was arrested for not wearing a headscarf.

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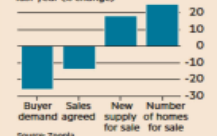
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Week ending October 9 vs same week last year (% change)



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Goldman Sachs ‘plays to its strengths’ as shake-up brings retreat from retail

◆ Focus on companies and wealthy ◆ Solomon seeks to sway investors ◆ Fourth straight profit fall

JOSHUA FRANKLIN — NEW YORK

Goldman Sachs is pulling back from its foray into retail banking to focus on its traditional strengths serving big companies and wealthy investors.

David Solomon, chief executive, said the Wall Street lender was trying to align its online retail banking operations with its wealth management business, adding that that was “a better place for us to be focused than to be out massively looking for consumers”.

“The concept of really being broad with a consumer footprint is not really playing to our strengths,” he told CNBC. “But when you look at our wealth platform... the ability to add banking services to that and align it with that actually plays to our strength.”

Goldman announced the restructuring as it reported third-quarter net income of \$3.1bn, or \$8.25 a share, down 43 per cent from \$5.4bn, or \$14.93 a share, a year ago.

That beat analysts’ estimates for \$2.9bn, or \$7.75 a share, according to consensus data compiled by Bloomberg, but was still Goldman’s fourth straight quarterly decline.

“The scaling back of consumer [banking] makes sense,” said Christian Bolt,

“These changes represent an important and purposeful evolution”

David Solomon, chief executive

banking analyst at Autonomous Research. “It’s a case of really focusing on existing clients, which probably are very high value, high net worth... rather than spending the money to go chase new clients.”

Under the revamp, Goldman will fold its trading and investment banking business into one unit as it shrinks from four divisions to three. The reorganisation comes as the Wall Street bank deals with a prolonged slowdown in investment banking fees.

“These organisational changes represent an important and purposeful evolution in our strategic journey, positioning us well to deliver for our clients and unlock shareholder value,” Solomon said in a memo to employees seen by the Financial Times.

The move reflects Solomon’s failure thus far to convince investors that Goldman has changed substantially from the investment banking and trading-driven house that he inherited four years ago, and merits a superior stock market multiple.

The reorganisation, the bank’s second in less than three years, will break Goldman’s consumer business into two separate areas, reducing the prominence of its push into consumer banking through online retail lender Marcus.

Since its launch in 2016, Marcus has come under critical scrutiny from outside investors and internal voices amid continuing losses and escalating costs.

The three divisions will be: a merged investment bank and trading unit; an

asset and wealth management division that will house Marcus; and the newly formed Platform Solutions business comprising the rest of Goldman’s retail banking operations, such as its Apple credit card partnership and online lender GreenSky, as well as the fledgling transaction banking business.

Goldman’s stock was up nearly 3 per cent in afternoon trading in New York.

In the third quarter, Goldman’s net revenues totalled \$11.98bn, down from \$13.6bn a year earlier but ahead of analysts’ forecasts for \$11.4bn.

Revenues from its trading division, which has benefited from heavy activity during the recent bout of market volatility, came in ahead of analysts’ estimates.

Germany’s cyber security chief sacked over alleged Russian intelligence links

GOUY CHAZAN — BERLIN

The head of Germany’s cyber security agency has been sacked over reports of his alleged ties to Russian intelligence.

Arne Schönbohm was released from his duties with immediate effect yesterday by interior minister Nancy Faeser after the German media aired allegations against him.

The concerns centre on his links to an organisation known as the German Cyber Security Council, which he co-founded about a decade ago. According to reports, one of its members is a company founded by a former Russian intelligence agent.

The scandal comes at a time of heightened fears that Russia might target Germany’s critical infrastructure over Berlin’s support for Ukraine. This month the country’s rail network fell victim to

an act of sabotage that briefly paralysed all train services in northern Germany.

The interior ministry said the allegations against Schönbohm had “caused lasting damage to the public’s necessary trust in the neutrality and impartiality of his leadership... of the most important German cyber security agency”.

The accusations were all the more concerning “in view of Russia’s hybrid warfare” and had undermined the “essential relationship of trust between the minister and the leadership” of the cyber security agency.

Schönbohm has been in the spotlight since a report on the German television programme *ZDF Magazin Royale* this month highlighted his GCSC ties.

Schönbohm gave a speech at the council’s 10-year anniversary celebration this year, although he had told subordinates not to appear at its events.

The programme examined a Berlin-based cyber security company called Protektion that had, until recently, been a member of the council. The company, which was previously called Infotecs, was a subsidiary of a Russian company called OAO Infotecs.

According to the research network Policy Network Analytics, OAO Infotecs was founded by a former employee of the KGB, whom Russia’s president Vladimir Putin had rewarded with an honorary medal.

Protektion declined to comment. OAO Infotecs could not be reached for comment.

The German Cyber Security Council said last week that it had excluded Protektion as a member, saying that its actions had been a “violation of the goals” of the association.

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China’s growth data delay flays unease on economy

The delayed issue of China’s GDP data while the 20th party congress was in progress has highlighted the unease with which the topic is seen in Beijing. It was one of several omissions seized on by China watchers for clues to a shift in priorities. Xi Jinping’s Sunday speech did not cover market reforms or the data economy. Backing for the private economy and signs that an end might be near to crackdowns that have hit education and tech were welcomed.

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	Oct 18	Prev	%Chg	Pair	Oct 18	Prev	%Chg	Yield (%)	Oct 18	Prev	Chg
S&P 500	3703.05	3677.95	0.68	\$/€	0.985	0.982	0/5	US 2 yr	4.46	4.43	0.03
Nasdaq Composite	10738.90	10675.80	0.59	\$/£	1.132	1.143	-0/9	US 10 yr	4.05	3.95	0.09
Dow Jones Ind	30298.84	30185.02	0.37	£/€	0.870	0.869	0/2	US 30 yr	4.58	3.96	0.13
FTSE 100	1562.80	1577.43	-0.95	¥/\$	149.095	148.740	N/E	UK 2 yr	3.46	3.51	-0.05
Euro Stoxx 50	3471.18	3441.64	0.86	N/\$	168.753	170.026	E/index	UK 10 yr	3.95	3.97	-0.03
FTSE MIB	6036.74	6020.24	0.24	SP/€	0.980	0.978	SP/E	UK 30 yr	4.21	4.37	-0.07
FTSE All Share	3762.79	3784.45	-0.22					JPN 2 yr	-0.06	-0.06	0.01
CAC 40	6067.00	6040.66	0.44					JPN 10 yr	0.25	0.25	0.01
Xetra Dax	12785.61	12649.03	0.92					JPN 30 yr	1.51	1.51	0.01
Nikkei	27156.14	26775.79	1.42	Bitcoin (\$)	19375.49	19644.12	-0.86	GER 2 yr	1.95	1.94	0.01
Hang Seng	18814.58	18812.90	0.02	Ethereum	1308.16	1330.92	-1.71	GER 10 yr	2.28	2.27	0.01
MSCI World	2431.84	2376.64	2.32					GER 30 yr	2.31	2.29	0.03
MSCI EM	865.77	863.33	0.28								
MSCI ACWI	563.66	552.08	2.10	Oil WTI (\$)	81.63	84.53	-3.43				
FT Wulshire 2500	4794.49	4668.64	2.74	Oil Brent (\$)	89.05	91.62	-2.81				
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Schools at center of state, US clash

Laws targeting abortion, LGBTQ students may run afoul of Title IX

Kayla Jimenez
USA TODAY

Public schools and colleges that receive federal funding — which is nearly all of them — now find themselves caught between new state laws banning abortion and stripping the rights of students who are transgender and nonbinary, and a federal law that bans sex-based discrimination in schools.

The Education Department is warning schools that some of the state laws local officials must uphold conflict with their legal obligations to Title IX, the federal law that prohibits sex-based discrimination. Student protesters and other groups have come out to protest state-level actions in Virginia, Idaho and Florida that may violate the federal law.

"They have to stay on (the Education Department's Office for Civil Rights') good side because they need the federal funds," said KC Johnson, a history professor at Brooklyn College. "At the same time, it's inevitable we're going to see a state legislature influencing universities. ... What happens when they're stuck between the state legislature and the OCR on the other side?"

Johnson said schools and universities could find themselves in violation of students' First Amendment rights including freedom of speech and religion if they implement anti-transgender and nonbinary policies, but it's unclear whether they'll be considered Title IX violations by courts based on legal precedent.

The state-federal clash is only beginning: The Biden administration is

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Biden vows to codify Roe: Pledge reflects push to elevate abortion rights before midterms. **4A**



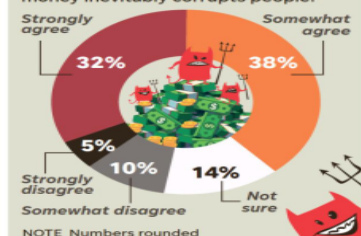
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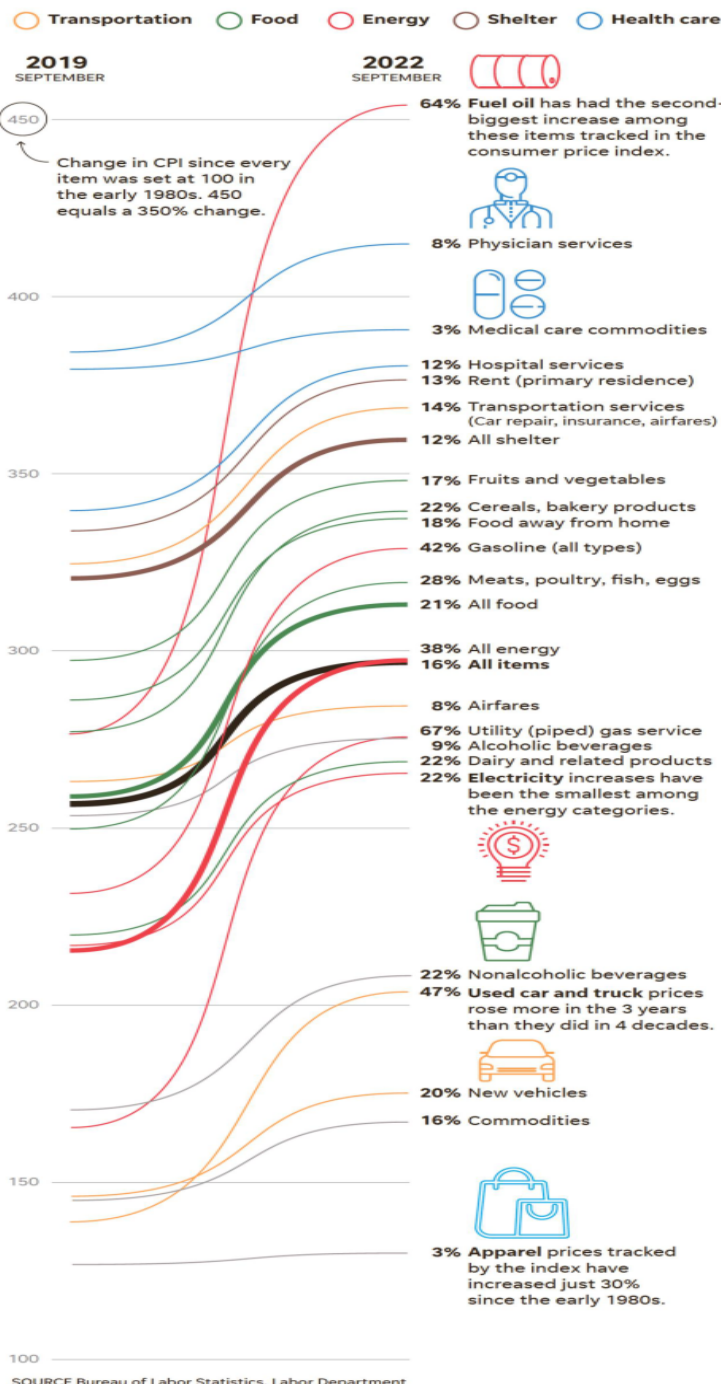
CONSUMER PRICES

WE'RE PAYING MORE — BUT HOW MUCH MORE?

Jim Sergent USA TODAY

From the gas station to the Thanksgiving dinner table, Americans are experiencing the biggest price increases in four decades.

In Money: A closer look at the reshuffling of prices over the years



ELECTIONS 2022

Ohio rivals for Senate go head to head

Urgency builds in final Ryan-Vance debate

Haley BeMiller
Cincinnati Enquirer
USA TODAY NETWORK

Ohio's U.S. Senate candidates met on the debate stage for the second and final time, giving voters the chance to hear their views on abortion, gun control and immigration before the vote Nov. 8.

Republican J.D. Vance and Democratic Rep. Tim Ryan faced off in the hourlong debate in Youngstown. The event was more heated and personal than last week's debate in Cleveland, in part because of a format that allowed the candidates to spar with no time limits.

Youngstown is at the heart of Ryan's congressional district in northeast Ohio, which makes the location for Monday's debate politically significant for both candidates. Ryan defended his record and touted his ties to the area, and Vance argued the congressman hasn't accomplished anything in his 20-year tenure.

"Whenever I'm up here in the Mahoning Valley, I'm constantly approached by people who tell me that Tim Ryan has failed them and Tim

See **OHIO**, Page 5A



Democratic challenger Stacey Abrams, Republican Gov. Brian Kemp and Libertarian Shane Hazel met on stage in Atlanta for a televised debate on the first day of early voting in Georgia. BEN GRAY/AP

Kemp, Abrams on the offensive in Georgia race for governor

Abraham Kenmore
Savannah Morning News
USA TODAY NETWORK

Four years later, Brian Kemp and Stacy Abrams renewed their gubernatorial grudge match in a televised debate ahead of the Nov. 8 rematch for Georgia governor.

Unlike their 2018 race, the duo now count as seasoned politicians with national profiles. Their divergent visions for Georgia's future haven't changed much, though.

The candidates, along with Libertarian Shane Hazel, met Monday night as part of the Atlanta Press Club's Loder Milk Young debate series on the first day of early voting.

The debate was wide-ranging, with questions on abortion, education, voting rights, law enforcement, marijuana legalization, entrepreneurship and even U.S. Senate appointments. The

See **GEORGIA**, Page 5A



PROTESTERS TRYING to enter City Hall in downtown Los Angeles on Tuesday were met by LAPD officers. The demonstrators wanted the City Council to halt a virtual meeting until two councilmembers step down.

KRISTIN SMART TRIAL'S VERDICT: GUILTY

Jury convicts Paul Flores of murdering the student in 1996. His father is acquitted.

By RICHARD WINTON

A jury on Tuesday convicted Paul Flores in the murder of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo student Kristin Smart, capping a more than two-decade mystery that both captivated and enraged the Central Coast college town.

Flores was found guilty of first-degree murder even though authorities never found Smart's body, an issue long considered a stumbling block in the case.

His father, Ruben Flores, 81, was acquitted of being an accessory to murder. A second jury that heard evidence at the same time during the 12-week trial of the two men thought there was reasonable doubt that he had helped his son cover up the crime by burying Smart's body under his house's deck and keeping the remains there for years.

Smart was 19 when she vanished on May 25, 1996, after walking toward the college dormitories with Paul Flores after a party. She was legally declared dead in 2002.

Her disappearance and the murder investigation left an indelible mark on San Luis Obispo. Billboards appealed for evidence to convict her killer. The disappearance was the subject of a true crime podcast. And it spawned a cottage industry of investigators.

Because of that attention, a judge ordered that the trial be moved to Monterey County to ensure fair legal proceedings. Flores' jury deliberated for eight days, while jurors in the case against his father deliberated.

[See Smart, A11]



PEOPLE arrive at Mexico Beach, Fla., where the Driftwood Inn reopened over the summer — nearly four years after Hurricane Michael landed.

BLOWN AWAY, THEN PRICED OUT

A hurricane destroyed Floridians' homes, and the cost of rebuilding made returning impossible

By JENNY JARVIE

MEXICO BEACH, Fla. — The new homes, painted in tropical shades of turquoise, turmeric and papaya, loom above the sugar white sand, perched on concrete and rebar columns that are at least 8 feet tall.

As the sun rises, families emerge, lugging beach chairs, buckets and fishing nets toward the sparkling waters of the Gulf of Mexico. They trudge past workers hammering nails into new homes, past concrete slabs, peeling linoleum kitchen

floors and empty lots choked with weeds. Four years after Hurricane Michael obliterated this blue-collar beach town — tossing tricycles, bathtubs and even entire homes — across the two-lane highway, recovery appears to be at the halfway point.

Old-style Florida cinder-block and stucco cottages are being replaced with sturdier, more elevated homes that conform to Florida's latest coastal building codes, positioning them to better withstand powerful winds and storm surges.

The new homes are testaments to the lure of the coast

[See Florida, A6]

GOP rival hopes to get voters' eyes with Newsom's elsewhere

Brian Dahle, a veteran legislator, knows he's a long shot to become the next governor.

By HAILEY BRANSON-POTTS

ANDERSON, Calif. — Brian Dahle, the Republican candidate for California governor, kept getting pings on his cellphone.

Dahle needed to figure out how to get his name out

there, longtime friend Greg Hawes texted. From the seat of a tractor on his Shasta County farm, Hawes drummed up ideas.

Maybe they could get a celebrity to talk up Dahle? But Hawes didn't have any movie stars' cellphone numbers. Maybe they could get on TV? But Dahle's campaign didn't have enough money.

Then, inspiration struck. Working by hand, knocking stalks down one by one, Hawes and his family spent three days carving Dahle's

face into an eight-acre corn maze this year.

The maze, viewable from the air, is unlikely to make a huge dent in the election results. But Hawes remains a believer.

"It's really just about getting people to know him — getting 20 million other people to know him," said Hawes, 57.

A few weeks before election day, that remains a daunting task for Dahle, a state senator and seed farmer from the town of Bieber.

[See Dahle, A8]

Krekorian voted in as next leader

As council president, he vows to restore trust in City Hall after tumult of secret audio.

By JULIA WICK AND DAVID ZAHNISER

The Los Angeles City Council selected Councilmember Paul Krekorian as its next leader Tuesday afternoon, ushering in a new and uncertain era for a city government still reeling from the release of an incendiary leaked audio recording last week.

With a 10-0 vote, Krekorian was chosen as the newest president of a council struggling to respond to revelations that three members — one of whom has since resigned — and a high-level labor leader engaged in a secretly recorded conversation with racist and derogatory remarks.

Then-council President Nury Martinez's comments during the leaked October 2021 conversation ignited international outrage, and she resigned from the council last week.

Krekorian, who is Armenian American and represents the east San Fernando Valley, said his first task would be to begin to restore public trust in City Hall.

But he also said he would work to reduce the power of the council president and end the era of "unilateral decision-making" on the council floor — a veiled reference to the leadership styles of Martinez and her predecessor, former council President Herb Wesson.

"Most of all, I think we just really need to resolve that through this work we make clear that no one ever again feels excluded, or belittled, or demeaned, or disrespected, or left behind by the people that they elected to represent them," said Krekorian, who was first elected to the council in 2009.

The meeting was held virtually, as ordered by then-acting President Mitch O'Farrell last week after [See Krekorian, A14]

Parents feel the sting of shaming

Nury Martinez's ugly words about a toddler fuel fear of judgment in families of color.

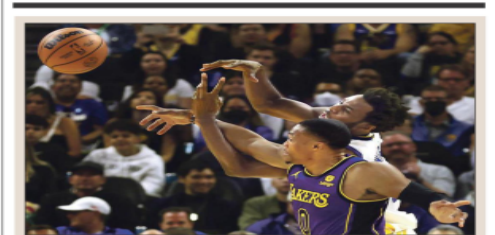
By SONJA SHARP

From her 2013 election upset to her resignation last week, disgraced former L.A. City Council President Nury Martinez put motherhood at the heart of her political career.

She was the mom next door on an all-male council, a self-styled advocate for abused women and kids and a champion for paid parental leave.

So many were stunned when the blunt-talking mama was caught on tape comparing a colleague's Black son to a monkey and gleefully prescribing the toddler "a beatdown" in an explosive recording that has upended L.A. politics since it became public earlier this month.

"They're raising him like a little white kid," Martinez said of Councilman Mike Bonin and his husband, Sean Arian, on the leaked tape of a 2021 political strategy session. "I was like, this kid needs a beatdown. Let [See Parenting, A14]



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LAKERS FALL IN OPENER

Andrew Wiggins of Golden State and Russell Westbrook of the Lakers scramble for the ball in L.A.'s 123-109 loss to the champs. **SPORTS, B10**

Biden's message about abortion

He reminds voters what's at stake in the midterm for women and families. **NATION, A5**

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Partly sunny.
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Con 18 participantes y la conducción de Santiago del Moro, la propuesta tuvo algunos altibajos.

**LA HIJA DE LA REINA MÁXIMA, AFECTADA POR AMENAZAS MAFIOSAS**

—el mundo

El acoso llegó hasta la princesa Amalia y el primer ministro de los Países Bajos, en lo que se interpreta como un avance del crimen organizado. **Página 7**

DEJARON EL PAÍS LOS ÚLTIMOS TRIPULANTES DEL AVIÓN IRANÍ

—política

A los cinco imputados que quedaban se les dictó la falta de mérito en la causa; el piloto Gholamreza Ghasemi se fotografió ayer en un vuelo hacia Bolivia. **Página 16**

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Pese al pedido kirchnerista, el Gobierno no prevé dar un bono a los asalariados

SUELDOS. La medida había sido reclamada por Máximo Kirchner en la Plaza de Mayo

El Gobierno rechazó ayer la idea de implementar el pago de una suma fija que refuerce los salarios, más allá de los aumentos pactados en paritarias por cada sector.

La medida había sido la principal exigencia del kirchnerismo y de los

gremios encabezados por Pablo Moyano, que se reunieron, el lunes pasado, en la Plaza de Mayo.

En el Gobierno aseguran que "por ahora" la suma fija no está sobre la mesa de discusión y que la prioridad, para el Ministerio de Econo-

mía, es avanzar con el pago del bono para los sectores indigentes. El kirchnerismo busca mostrarse crítico con la política económica, pese a que ocupa lugares centrales en el Gobierno y respalda a Sergio Massa en el Ministerio de Economía. **Página 10**

Ofrecen un dólar especial a cambio de frenar precios

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Massa advirtió que abriría la importación de ropa

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Racing llegó a la cima y Boca ya no puede fallar



deportes—Racing cumplió con su misión: llegó a la cima y recalentó el último tramo de la Liga Profesional. Con un gol de Enzo Copetti cerca del final, el conjunto de Avellaneda venció a Lanús por 1-0 y superó por dos puntos a Boca, con un partido menos, que mañana completará los 81 minutos postergados ante Gimnasia, en La Plata. La Academia lleva siete victorias en ocho partidos y el título se resolverá el domingo próximo.

Buscan subir impuestos a celulares y televisores

TIERRA DEL FUEGO. Es parte de las propuestas de Massa en el presupuesto; lanzan Ahora 30. **Página 20**

"Tengo secuelas". Efectos silenciosos de las drogas de diseño y la marihuana

Alejandro Horvat
LA NACION

Martin (se resguarda su identidad real) tiene 21 años y es de una familia "tradicional" —así la define— de la zona norte bonaerense. Recuerda

una época compleja y no muy lejana, hace unos seis años, cuando el consumo diario de marihuana y luego de LSD (dietilamida de ácido lisérgico) lo llevó a entrar en un laberinto del que no logró salir. Su punto de quiebre, a diferencia de

casos más graves que terminan con jóvenes al borde de la muerte, fue una "mala experiencia" con la marihuana y el desarrollo de un cuadro de depresión. Hoy toma medicación para no desestabilizarse. **Continúa en la página 22**

EL ANÁLISIS

La coalición peronista ha muerto

Joaquín Morales Solá

—LA NACION—

El día que los peronistas celebraron la lealtad sirvió para que ellos mismos le firmaran un certificado de defunción a la coalición peronista gobernante. Las fracturas se mostraron en público, a cielo abierto. Se realizaron cabildos en los que se despotricó contra el Fondo Monetario, contra los empresarios, contra cualquier signo de progreso económico, y en los que, de paso, se vapulearon entre ellos de tribuna a tribuna. Sergio Massa, y su afición por simpatizar con la jefa del FMI, Kristalina Georgieva, y con funcionarios de Washington, quedó como un exponente solitario de un gobierno sumido en el desvarío. **Continúa en la página 13**

La oposición ganó en el Consejo de la Magistratura

JUSTICIA. El Consejo de la Magistratura, el organismo que se encarga de nombrar y remover a los jueces, eligió ocho nuevos integrantes: cuatro en representación de los abogados y cuatro por los jueces. Si bien la oposición ganó las dos elecciones, no logró aumentar su representación. En cambio, el kirchnerismo sumó a un consejero. El equilibrio interno terminará por definirse cuando se elija a los representantes del Congreso. **Página 16**

Piden detener a un juez por vínculos con bandas narco

CHACO. Allanaron la casa del magistrado federal subrogante de Presidencia Roque Sáenz Peña. **Página 26**

Gran Hermano

Un arranque bien arriba

Hizo 21,5 puntos con Del Moro en la conducción. Segunda marca del año para la TV abierta. P.49



Lanata, otro estreno y la vigencia para el 2023

Lanza su docu "Hache" y PPT seguirá en el año electoral. P.48

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La interna del Gobierno al rojo vivo: se va Manzur y dos ministros lo seguirían

Luego de la fractura que quedó expuesta en las críticas cruzadas entre distintos sectores del Frente de Todos en los actos del 17 de octubre, el jefe de Gabinete hizo saber que volverá a Tucumán. No dio una fecha precisa.

También tienen intenciones de dejar sus ministerios Gabriel Katopodis (Infraestructura) y Jorge Ferraresi (Vivienda). El primero quiere volver a la intendencia de San Martín y el segundo, a la de Avellaneda. P.3

Del Editor

Ricardo Roa

Un 17 que fue más de desbande que de lealtad

Reacción sindical En la CGT dicen que a Máximo sólo le interesan las cajas.

La Cámpora al ataque Insisten en que el acuerdo con el Fondo "está caído".

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Magistratura: ganaron los abogados y jueces más críticos al Gobierno

En las elecciones para renovar la representación de los jueces en el Consejo de la Magistratura se impuso la lista encabezada por Diego Barroetaña. En la de los abogados ganó la nómina de Miguel Piedecasas, apoyada por Juntos por el Cambio, pero la oposición perderá un lugar en el organismo. P.8

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El Ministerio de Economía oficializó el nuevo piso del impuesto a las Ganancias. No pagarán quienes cobren hasta \$ 330.000 mensuales. Los que ganen hasta \$ 431.988 pagarán menos que hoy. Sergio Massa también prepara un bono de \$ 45.000 para personas que no tienen ningún otro ingreso. P.14

TRAGEDIA DE BARADERO

Su hija murió en un accidente y quieren saber si en venganza él mató al conductor

Ricardo López, dirigente de Argentino de Merlo, manejaba el auto en el que viajaban tres jugadoras. Volcó en la ruta 9 y una de las chicas murió. López falleció ahora en un hospital y sospechan que fue golpeado por el padre de la víctima y otros familiares. P.39

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En racha. Copetti volvió a ser decisivo y definió en la cancha de Lanús.

Racing ganó y Boca corre ahora de atrás

Faltando 10 minutos, Copetti le dio el triunfo ante Lanús y La Academia quedó dos puntos arriba de Boca, que mañana completa con Gimnasia. El domingo, con los clásicos Racing-River y Boca-Independiente, se resolverá el campeonato. P.40



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Cidades podem dar passe livre no 2º turno, decide Barroso

O ministro Luís Roberto Barroso, do Supremo Tribunal Federal, autorizou prefeituras e concessionárias a oferecer transporte público gratuito no segundo turno, dia 30, sem risco de ferir a lei ao facilitar a locomoção de eleitores. A decisão atende parcialmente a pedido da Rede, que invocou a alta abstenção para solicitar gratuidade obrigatória. **Ilustrada C2**

Uso de FGTS futuro em imóvel é aprovado a 12 dias da eleição

Medida voltada a famílias de renda mensal até R\$ 2.400 reforça foco bolsonarista em eleitor pobre

A proposta do governo Jair Bolsonaro (PL) para permitir o uso de depósitos futuros no FGTS (Fundo de Garantia do Tempo de Serviço) no pagamento de prestações de financiamento imobiliário foi autorizada pelo conselho curador do fundo. A medida se destina a famílias com renda mensal até R\$ 2.400.

A aprovação, a 12 dias do segundo turno, é mais uma a contemplar eleitores mais pobres. Nas últimas semanas, famílias foram incluídas no Auxílio Brasil, o pagamento foi antecipado e foi liberado crédito consignado a beneficiários do programa, além de um perdão de débitos de famílias endividadas.

É justamente o segmento da população no qual, de acordo com as pesquisas eleitorais, se sai melhor o adversário do presidente, Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva (PT), que terminou o primeiro turno seis milhões de votos à frente — parte dos quais Bolsonaro precisa converter para obter a reeleição no dia 30.

Com o uso do FGTS futuro, a previsão de recursos a receber pelo trabalhador com carteira assinada pode entrar no cálculo da capacidade de pagamento de quem quer financiar um imóvel. A medida vale só para novos contratos; se o salário do trabalhador subir, vale a garantia pactuada no contrato.

Quem optar pela modalidade não poderá usufruí-la em nenhuma das outras hipóteses previstas (como no caso de demissão). Por ora, os bancos preveem alta inadimplência e não demonstram interesse comercial na operação, o que deve concentrar-se na Caixa, gestora do FGTS. **Mercado A15**

Denúncias de assédio eleitoral aumentam 7 vezes

Relatos feitos ao Ministério Público do Trabalho passaram de 52 para 364 após o primeiro turno, o que já superou a eleição de 2018. Muitos casos são de empresários que buscam coagir empregados em seu voto. **Mercado A17**

Elio Gaspari

A bola está nos pés de Lula

O Lula do debate mostrou que não está convencido do que fala. Numa ocasião disse: "Se houve corrupção na Petrobras". Noutra, emendou: "Pode ter havido". Moro foi um juiz parcial, mas a roubalheira estava lá. **Política A7**

Bolsonaro grava desculpas a venezuelanas

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Câmera em PMs demorou 8 anos para ser adotada

Projeto de câmeras nas fardas de PMs, que o candidato ao Governo de SP Tarcísio de Freitas quer retirar, levou oito anos para ser implantado e é de iniciativa da própria corporação. **A4**

Não me meçam pela régua da polarização, diz Eduardo Leite

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RÚSSIA DEIXA PARTE DA UCRÂNIA NO ESCURO E ELEVA TENSÃO NUCLEAR

Bombeiros tentam apagar incêndio em usina atingida por ataque russo em Kiev; 30% das centrais elétricas do país foram afetadas, diz Zelenski **Mundo A13**

MEC pediu que prefeitura forjasse data de verba liberada

O Fundo Nacional de Desenvolvimento da Educação, controlado pelo centrão, pediu por email em fevereiro que Uruaçu (GO) enviasse solicitação de verba para obra já liberada e que se preenchesse com data retroativa à autorização. O FNDE e a prefeitura não responderam. **B1**

Lira aprova urgência de projeto que criminaliza pesquisas

O presidente da Câmara, Arthur Lira (PP-AL), aprovou a urgência do projeto que pune e criminaliza institutos de pesquisa, mas não conseguiu acordo com a base para votá-lo por divergências sobre o mérito. Se a proposta passar pelos deputados, deve sofrer resistência no Senado. **A7**

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Au pied du mur, l'exécutif contraint d'activer le 49-3

Devant les députés Renaissance, Élisabeth Borne a préparé les esprits au déclenchement du 49-3. Face, a-t-elle dit, au « blocage » des oppositions, elle pourrait l'activer dans la journée.

L'Assemblée nationale, où les macronistes sont privés de majorité absolue, débat depuis une semaine du budget 2023 de l'État. Les défaits se sont enchaînés pour le gouverne-

ment. Le recours à l'article 49 alinéa 3 de la Constitution, pour faire adopter le texte sans vote, a été autorisé dès mercredi dernier en Conseil des ministres. Il sera déclenché

« probablement » ce mercredi, dernier jour d'examen prévu de la partie recettes, a indiqué le porte-parole du gouvernement, Olivier Véran. Pour justifier cette utilisation contro-

versée, Élisabeth Borne a accusé mardi les oppositions de « blocage » alors même que les débats se sont plutôt déroulés sans obstruction systématique. L'exécutif choisira-t-il de

revenir à la version initiale du texte, le conservera-t-il avec la totalité des amendements votés ou fera-t-il le tri ? Dans les faits, le gouvernement peut décider comme il l'entend.

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Le meurtre barbare de Lola provoque un choc national

L'effroi devant l'atrocité vécue par cette enfant se double aujourd'hui d'interrogations. La meurtrière, étrangère, étant visée par une obligation de quitter le territoire, non exécutée, ce drame aurait-il pu être évité ? Une partie de la classe politique pointe la « responsabilité » du gouvernement. **PAGES 10, 11 ET L'ÉDITORIAL**

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La guerre en Ukraine change la donne de la dissuasion nucléaire

Le premier âge nucléaire fut celui de l'affrontement Est-Ouest, le second celui de la régulation après la crise de Cuba. Aujourd'hui, la guerre en Ukraine amorce un « troisième âge nucléaire » marqué par une « dés-inhibition » des comportements. Alors que les arsenaux se réduisaient depuis plusieurs décennies, on assiste au retour des armes nucléaires sur le champ de bataille au service d'une stratégie de « sanctuarisation agressive ». **PAGE 8**

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Silence coupable

Lola. Bien sûr, tout le monde pense à elle : une collégienne de 12 ans, l'enfance et l'innocence. On se couvre les yeux, comme pour refuser de voir la barbarie qui l'a assassinée, comme pour se cacher cette boîte dans laquelle son petit corps torturé a été retrouvé. Puis, face à l'indicible horreur, on s'interroge : pourquoi Lola ? Pourquoi a-t-elle croisé la mort un vendredi après-midi dans le hall de son immeuble du 19^e arrondissement de Paris ? Pourquoi pareille sauvagerie ? Les tentatives de réponse affluent : sur le profil de la criminelle, son passé, ses troubles psychiatriques. L'enquête commence. La tragédie n'a pas livré tous ses secrets. Pour autant, faudrait-il se taire, ainsi que le veulent certains ? Ce serait observer un silence coupable. S'en remettre à la fatalité d'une mauvaise rencontre ? Ce serait céder à la lâcheté. Le recueillement n'interdit pas le débat. L'indignation n'est pas nécessairement synonyme d'instrumentalisation. D'un côté, il y a l'insondable mystère des comportements individuels. Imprévisibles, c'est entendu. Mais, de l'autre, il y a les règles qui régissent, garantissent et protègent notre vie en société. À l'État de les faire respecter. Ce qu'il fait de

moins en moins sur le front régali. Les expulsions d'étrangers en situation irrégulière sont effectuées au compte-goutte. Seules 6 % d'entre elles ont été suivies d'effet en 2021, contre 13 % quatre ans plus tôt ! La tortionnaire de Lola, une ressortissante algérienne de 24 ans, est arrivée en France avec un titre de séjour provisoire d'étudiante en 2016. Après des années de clandestinité, une obligation de quitter le territoire lui a été signifiée en août dernier, à l'occasion d'un contrôle dans un aéroport français. Mais cette OQTF, qui s'est perdue dans le labyrinthe bureaucratique, n'a pas été exécutée. Comment, dans ces conditions, une fois encore, ne pas accuser l'administration de faillite et les responsables politiques de manque de vigilance quand leurs services déraillent ? Pour Lola, rien ne réparera l'irréparable. Mais, au nom de cette adolescente et pour toutes celles qui ont l'avenir devant elles, l'État doit être mis en demeure de corriger ses fautes. ■

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Truss faces Tory unrest over 'toxic' budget cuts

Ministers defiant amid fears pensions triple lock may be targeted

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Liz Truss is facing cabinet unrest over her plans for brutal public spending cuts across all departments after the disastrous mini-budget put major pledges at risk, including the pensions triple lock.

The prime minister held a cabinet meeting yesterday in which she warned ministers that "difficult decisions" lay ahead.

The chancellor, Jeremy Hunt, told them "everything is on the table" as he strives to find tens of billions of savings after ditching Truss's economic plan. Health, education and welfare are among those departments expected to be hit.

One Whitehall official said that departments were already preparing for cuts "significantly higher" than previously planned, with Hunt's

tax U-turns estimated to raise £32bn, leaving a £38bn hole in the public finances.

Truss remains in a precarious position, having in effect handed power to Hunt, with a YouGov poll showing that half of Conservative members think she should resign. A significant majority would also support a coronation of a new prime minister by Tory MPs.

Senior ministers are expected to capitalise on Truss's weakness and resist deep cuts, with the defence secretary, Ben Wallace, indicating he would be prepared to quit if she did not honour her campaign pledge to spend 3% of GDP on defence by 2030.

She faces a humiliating prime minister's questions against Keir Starmer today after one of the most dramatic U-turns in modern times, with Downing Street aides concerned that rebel Tory MPs could seize the moment to publicly call for her to go.

Asked whether it was "no longer a question of whether Truss goes, but when she goes", the former levelling up secretary Michael Gove said: "Absolutely right." In a speech, he added: "All of

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▲ Elnaz Rekabi, an Iranian climber, competing without her headscarf in the Seoul competition PHOTOGRAPH: KHEA KANG/APF

BBC prepares scripts in case of winter blackouts

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The BBC has prepared secret scripts to be broadcast if energy shortages cause blackouts or the loss of gas supplies this winter.

The draft scripts set out how the corporation would reassure people in the event that a "major loss of power" causes mobile phone networks, the internet, banking systems, or traffic lights to fail across England, Wales and Scotland.

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Mystery over Iranian climber's hijab 'mistake'

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A female Iranian climber who competed in an international tournament without a hijab did so as her headscarf had fallen off by

mistake, a post on her Instagram account claimed yesterday.

Footage of Elnaz Rekabi, 33, scaling a wall without her head covered during an international tournament went viral against a backdrop of big female-led demonstrations against Iran's clerical rulers sparked by strict Islamic rules on women's clothing.

Supporters of the protests on social media described Rekabi as a hero, posting images of her climbing up the letters of the protest slogan "woman, life, freedom".

Nothing had been heard from Rekabi since the event in South Korea until a story published yesterday morning on

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