

## What's News

## Business &amp; Finance

The annual rate of consumer-price inflation in the eurozone increased to double digits in October, reaching a record and highlighting the challenges the ECB faces after it signaled a coming slowdown in the pace of its rate increases. **A1**

◆ A judge blocked Penguin Random House from acquiring rival book publisher Simon & Schuster, agreeing with the Justice Department that a merger would unlawfully lessen competition. **A1**

◆ Investment returns for university endowments have fallen sharply after scoring their biggest gains in a generation the year before. **A1**

◆ China's factory activity contracted in October after a short-lived improvement, hindered by the country's stringent Covid policies and fading demand for Chinese goods. **A16**

◆ The Dow rose 14% in October, its best month since 1976, while the S&P 500 and Nasdaq both notched single-digit monthly gains. **B1**

◆ Elon Musk is quickly setting to work a group of advisers, investors and employees from elsewhere in his business empire to help him reimagine Twitter. **B1**

◆ Ford is altering its approach to addressing white-collar-employee underperformance, offering some workers the choice between severance or a performance-enhancement program. **B1**

◆ TuSimple fired its CEO in connection with a continuing investigation by members of the self-driving trucking firm's board, directors said. **B4**

## World-Wide

◆ The Supreme Court heard nearly five hours of arguments Monday over whether colleges can consider race in admissions, a practice it approved in 1978 and has since reaffirmed but one today's more conservative majority is ready to reconsider. **A1**

◆ Russian forces launched a wave of missile strikes across Ukraine that knocked out electricity and water supplies in Kyiv and other cities. **A7**

◆ The Treasury Department said that ships loaded with Russian oil before Dec. 5 won't be subjected to a U.S.-led price cap, as Washington attempts to reassure anxious oil markets about its plan for new sanctions. **A4**

◆ Trump asked the Supreme Court to block the House Ways and Means Committee from obtaining his past tax returns from the IRS before a Thursday deadline for them to be turned over. **A5**

◆ The Biden administration will make it easier for students defrauded by for-profit schools to get federal student loan forgiveness under new rules set to go into effect on July 1. **A3**

◆ The man accused of attacking Pelosi's husband told police he went to their home to take the House speaker hostage and "break her knee caps," the Justice Department said. **A3**

◆ New York City is paying \$26 million to settle lawsuits filed on behalf of two men wrongfully convicted of the 1965 murder of Black civil rights leader Malcolm X. **A2**

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## Amid Mourning, Police in Seoul Probe Cause of Stampede



SOMBER VISIT: South Korean President Yoon Suk-yeol and his wife, Kim Keon-hee, visit a memorial Monday for the more than 150 victims killed Saturday night in the crush of crowds celebrating Halloween in the city's club district. **A16**

## High Court Hears Arguments On Race, College Admissions

By JESS BRAVIN  
AND MELISSA KORN

WASHINGTON—The Supreme Court heard nearly five hours of arguments Monday over whether colleges can consider race in admissions, a practice it approved in 1978 and has since reaffirmed but one that today's more conservative majority is ready to reconsider.

The affirmative-action suits are among the most significant the court will hear this term, highlighting the role of race in American society and raising

questions about what criteria are fair for choosing students for prestigious and highly competitive universities.

The two cases involve the University of North Carolina, a state flagship, and a private Ivy League institution, Harvard College, but the practices at issue prevail at most of the nation's selective colleges and universities. The court's decision, expected before July, could force an overhaul of admissions criteria that have favored Black and Hispanic applicants as well as athletes and children of alumni, donors

and employees.

Both suits were filed by Students for Fair Admissions, a group founded by conservative activist Edward Blum, who has brought several cases to the Supreme Court seeking to end practices that take race into account, which the group says is discriminatory.

Liberal justices stressed the significance of diversity throughout society while conservatives argued against classifying individuals by race. Every member of the court attended a selective college—and nearly all of their alma

maters have filed briefs urging that current admissions practices be retained.

The justices focused early Monday on what attributes of applicants schools could consider if the challengers prevailed, given that race plays a role in the cited identity and experiences of many students.

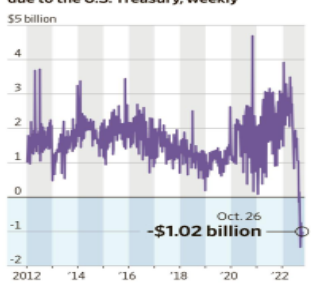
"If you don't include that, then what do you include on the application?" Justice Clarence Thomas asked of Patrick Strawbridge, a lawyer representing SFFA.

Under questions from Justice

## Fed Pays Out More Than It Takes In

The Federal Reserve's operating losses have increased because the interest it pays banks and money-market funds to keep money at the central bank now exceeds the income it earns from some \$8.3 trillion in Treasury and mortgage-backed securities. **A2**

Federal Reserve earnings remittances due to the U.S. Treasury, weekly



Source: Federal Reserve via St. Louis Fed

## Penguin Random House's Deal For Simon &amp; Schuster Blocked

By JEFFREY A. TRACHTENBERG  
AND JAN WOLFE

A federal judge on Monday blocked Penguin Random House from acquiring rival book publisher Simon & Schuster for about \$2.18 billion, agreeing with the Justice Department that the planned merger would unlawfully lessen competition.

U.S. District Judge Florence Pa accepted the Justice Department's arguments that some writers would likely be harmed if Penguin Random House, the world's largest consumer-book publisher, were al-

lowed to acquire another of the five largest book publishers in the U.S.

The ruling, which follows an August trial in Washington, D.C., provided a long-awaited court victory for Biden-era antitrust enforcers who had lost a series of recent cases after pledging to take a more aggressive approach on corporate dealmaking, especially in industries that have become more consolidated.

The losses, including in the healthcare and agriculture industries, had served as a reminder that much of the administration's antitrust agenda

is dependent on persuading the federal judiciary, Justice Department officials were looking to the publishing case as a chance to build fresh, favorable court precedent.

The judge, an appointee of President Biden, didn't make her full ruling immediately available for public view because she said it contained confidential business information. A redacted public version of the decision is expected in the coming days.

Assistant Attorney General Jonathan Kanter, the Justice Department's top antitrust of-

## University Endowments See Losses

By JULIE CHUNG  
AND MELISSA KORN

Investment returns for university endowments have fallen sharply after scoring their biggest gains in a generation the year before, reflecting a dramatically changed investment environment in which

stocks, bonds and other assets have sold off sharply.

The endowment of Washington University in St. Louis lost 10.6% in the fiscal year ended June 30 after notching a 65% gain the prior year, the school told The Wall Street Journal, shrinking to \$13.3 billion.

Other schools that have re-

ported big swings in their multibillion-dollar endowments include Stanford University, which lost 4.2% after gaining 40.1% previously; Brown University, down 4.6% after posting a 51.5% increase and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, down 5.3%.

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## Rocket Mortgage Falls Back to Earth

Rising rates halt refinancing boom, hitting America's largest home lender

By BEN EISEN

The mortgage industry turned from feast to famine faster than America's largest home lender anticipated.

Rocket Mortgage harnessed a generation of low rates to refinance millions of homeowners. Last year, it racked up more than double the refi volume of any other lender, accounting for more than \$1 of every \$10 lent out during a boom for the mortgage industry.

Now the Federal Reserve's efforts to fight inflation have sent mortgage rates soaring. And refinancing, the driver of Rocket's business, no longer makes sense for many homeowners.

With mortgage rates now

above 7%, just 133,000 U.S. homeowners can save money by refinancing at today's rates, down from a peak of over 19 million in late 2020, according to Black Knight Inc., a mortgage technology and data provider. Refinancing accounted for some 82% of the total dollar volume of Rocket's loans last year, according to its public version of the decision is expected in the coming days.

Rocket has switched its focus, selling mortgages on new purchases and pitching customers on refinancing packages that allow them to pull cash out of their homes. It is also trying to get smaller—shrinking its ranks through a mix of buyouts

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## 'Where's the Rest of Your Pants?'

Designers Tout Sheer Bottoms

Transparent outfits cause confusion about how to wear new trend

By RORY SATRAN

Remember slips? Your mother or grandmother likely wore those fuzzy, lace-trimmed polyester or silk skirts and dresses underneath their clothing, so that no trace of the human body could be detected. These days, slips are more likely to be worn as

cheeky clothing on their own, and lingerie pieces designed to be worn out, such as bra tops, are widespread.

But until now, pants or skirts with some level of coverage have remained de rigueur for a stroll around town or a trip to the market.

Not anymore. Designers,

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TOM BRADY: JIM ZUMPA/REUTERS

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GIDEON RACHMAN, PAGE 17

**A Bank of Japan pivot would pose global risk**  
MOHAMED EL-ERIAN, PAGE 11

# Lula pushes for Brazilian unity after victory as Bolsonaro remains silent

◆ Dramatic return to power ◆ Financial markets cautious ◆ Populism era closes ◆ Challenges mount

BRYAN HARRIS — BRASÍLIA  
MICHAEL STOTT — RIO DE JANEIRO  
MICHAEL POOLER — SÃO PAULO

Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva has pledged to govern for all Brazilians after his slim victory in a bitterly fought presidential election but, more than 18 hours after the official result, defeated President Jair Bolsonaro had still not conceded.

Financial markets traded cautiously yesterday afternoon, with stocks marginally lower and the real slightly up against the dollar, as investors waited for clearer signals from the veteran leftist Lula on economic policy and from Bolsonaro on his political intentions.

The mercurial former army captain spent election night in silence in Brasília after losing by 1.8 percentage points to his rival, with news reports saying he had refused to receive even close aides. The social media accounts of the president and his three sons were uncharacteristically silent in the morning.

"We need to see what Bolsonaro is going to do. We need the president to say something," said Andre Perfeito of brokerage Necton.

Sunday's result marks a dramatic comeback for Lula, who was president for two terms between 2003 and 2010 but then subsequently accused of corruption. He served time in prison before his convictions were annulled.

"From January 2023, I will govern for 215m Brazilians, not just those who voted for me. We are one people, one country, one great nation," the 77-year-old said in a speech before a crowd in São Paulo that focused on democracy and healing the wounds of the campaign. "We no longer want to fight. We're tired of seeing the other as the enemy," he added.

Lula's win followed a campaign marred by an avalanche of fake news and mudslinging, prompting frequent interventions from the supreme court and top electoral authority, and sparking fears of post-electoral conflict.

In the hours after Bolsonaro's defeat, truckers who backed him blocked highways in 11 of Brazil's 26 states in protest but the incidents appeared isolated and the number of protesters reduced during



Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva holds the hand of wife Rosângela 'Janja' da Silva as he speaks to supporters after winning the presidential election — Carl De Souza/AFG/Getty Images

the morning. There was no immediate sign of a co-ordinated attempt to challenge the official election verdict.

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Bolsonaro allies to comment publicly, said it was "time to disarm the passions and reach out to opponents".

Lula's victory was warmly received by global leaders, who will welcome Brazil's return to multilateralism after the isolation of the Bolsonaro years.

Presidents Joe Biden of the US and Emmanuel Macron of France were among the first to congratulate Lula.

Biden said the elections were "free, fair and credible", while Macron said Lula's victory "opens a new page in the history of Brazil".

Russia's Vladimir Putin, a major ferti-

liser supplier to Brazil, also sent his congratulations.

Lula's win will bring to an end to four years of hard-right populism and nationalism under Bolsonaro. It is the latest in a string of races that have turfed out incumbents across Latin America, returning mainly leftwing leaders.

The victory has also raised hopes of an end to illegal deforestation of the Amazon. Lula has pledged to halt it following a surge in destruction of the earth's largest rainforest under Bolsonaro.

"This is the most important election I've taken part in," said Brenda Santos

Cunha, a publicist who was celebrating in central São Paulo. "The last few years have been barbaric, it's been mind-boggling. I don't expect Lula's government to be revolutionary but I hope it will provide an ounce of hope."

Lula won 50.9 per cent of the vote versus 49.1 for Bolsonaro after edging ahead in a cliffhanger three-hour count.

He faces huge challenges. Brazil's economy is set to slow sharply next year and government finances have been strained by a pre-election cash plunge from Bolsonaro, who circumvented a cap on spending to try to win the vote.

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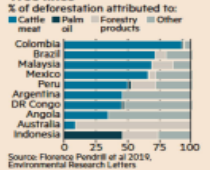
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## Datawatch

### Tree lines



Brazil's Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva vowed to preserve the Amazon on his re-election as president. Cattle ranching is responsible for 72 per cent of deforestation in Brazil, which on its own accounts for more than total Indonesian deforestation



## Signs of life for biotechs as investors eye bargains

The biotech industry's worst bear market since the 2000s has not been kind to the Covid-19 generation of newly public companies. But investors are starting to make their way back to the life sciences sector and a gap is opening up between the more robust companies, which have begun to raise more money after positive trials data, and the rest. "People don't want to die. It's pretty basic," explains the head of one venture capital firm.

Investors return — PAGE 9

# Musk orders Twitter staff to work 24/7 on bringing in 'blue tick' subscriber fees

HANNAH MURPHY — SAN FRANCISCO  
AND ALISTAIR GRAY — LONDON  
JAMES FONTANELLA-KHAN — MILAN

Elon Musk has ordered Twitter staff to work round the clock to introduce a charge on users so they can keep their verified "blue tick".

The renewed focus on subscription revenues comes while Twitter braces itself for a backlash from advertisers as Musk considers loosening moderation controls. The Global Alliance for Responsible Media, a marketing industry group set up by the World Federation of Advertisers, yesterday warned Musk that keeping Twitter free of inappropriate material was "non-negotiable".

Advertising made up more than 90 per cent of Twitter's revenues in its last reported figures as a public company. Before Musk's arrival, efforts were

made to persuade users to pay \$4.99 a month to subscribe to Twitter Blue, which enables them to access exclusive features, including an edit button.

Musk is said to want to raise the price of Twitter Blue and make it a condition of a verified profile. Hundreds of thousands of users have been verified, including big brands and corporate accounts, as well as celebrities and journalists.

Staff have been working "24/7" to deliver verification, according to two senior employees. One person added that teams were told it was the "utmost gravity". Twitter did not respond to request for comment.

One person familiar with Musk's thinking before his \$4.4bn purchase of Twitter said several pricing options had been discussed. Technology news site The Verge said Musk was planning to charge \$19.99 a month for a Twitter Blue

subscription, while the Platformer blog reported it would stay at \$4.99 a month.

In a Twitter poll run by Jason Calacanis, a Musk adviser, more than 80 per cent of more than 1.2m respondents said they would not pay to be verified, while 11 per cent said they would pay \$5 a month and 5.5 per cent would pay \$15.

One manager at Twitter said the verification model "opens up another vector of abuse for which I highly doubt we will be prepared, given such a timeline".

Garm, which was set up in response to concerns that ads were appearing alongside toxic content on social media, said: "Platforms should be safe for all, and suitable for advertisers. For advertisers, this is non-negotiable — and we expect Twitter to uphold its commitments."

Additional reporting by Cristina Criddle and Arjun Neil Alim in London  
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## World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				GOVERNMENT BONDS			
	Oct 31	Prev	%Chg	Pair	Oct 31	Prev	%Chg	Yield (%)	Oct 31	Prev	%Chg
S&P 500	3990.12	3991.96	-0.54	\$/£	0.996	0.995	0.1	US 2 yr	4.47	4.40	0.07
Nasdaq Composite	11000.30	11002.45	-0.21	\$/€	1.151	1.150	0.1	US 10 yr	4.03	3.99	0.04
Dow Jones Ind	32796.93	32961.80	-0.23	£/¥	0.858	0.858	0.0	US 30 yr	4.14	4.12	0.02
FTSEurofirst 3000	1630.67	1625.83	0.30	¥/€	148.825	147.510	0.9	UK 2 yr	3.25	3.18	0.06
Euro Stoxx 50	3621.21	3613.02	0.23	€/¥	171.130	170.588	0.3	UK 10 yr	3.51	3.47	0.03
FTSE 100	7094.53	7047.67	0.66	\$/¥	0.969	0.969	0.0	UK 30 yr	3.80	3.56	0.04
FTSE AEX-Share	3876.48	3865.75	0.54					JPN 2 yr	0.57	0.05	-0.02
CAC 40	6266.77	6273.05	-0.10					JPN 10 yr	0.25	0.24	0.02
Korea Kospi	13253.24	13243.33	0.08					JPN 30 yr	1.31	1.43	-0.12
Hong Kong	27587.46	27705.20	-1.78					GER 2 yr	1.93	1.93	0.00
Hang Seng	14667.02	14693.06	-1.18					GER 10 yr	2.14	2.10	0.04
MSCI World \$	2561.04	2523.59	1.48					GER 30 yr	2.13	2.07	0.06
MSCI EM \$	845.58	859.48	-1.62								
MSCI ACWI \$	1088.26	1092.18	-1.88								
FT Mibex 2500	5081.20	4964.26	2.36	Oil WTI \$	92.38	93.77	-1.48				
FT Wilshire 5000	39088.66	39794.58	2.36	Oil Brent \$	164.05	165.95	-0.70				

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**LATE EDITION**  
Today, clouds giving way to sunshine, a couple of showers, high 68. Tonight, clear skies, low 56. Tomorrow, partly sunny skies, warmer, high 70. Weather map, Page A14.



Rescue teams scoured the Machchu River after a pedestrian bridge snapped in Morbi, India. Officials said 134 people were dead.

## Evening Stroll In India Turns Into a Tragedy

This article is by Sameer Yasir, Suhassini Redi, Hari Kumar and Emily Schmitt.

MORBI, India — They had flocked to the newly reopened suspension bridge on a Sunday evening during India's most festive season, buying a ticket costing the equivalent of about 20 cents or less to experience the sensation of swaying across the wide Machchu River in the western Indian state of Gujarat.

The 755-foot-long pedestrian bridge, built during the Victorian era, had long been a tourist attraction, and it was packed as the sun set on Sunday and the intense heat eased. As countless others had done before them, some on the span spread their arms across its four-foot width, grabbing the green netting on either side and making the bridge shimmy from side to side.

Then, suddenly, the cables snapped, and the bridge spilled its human cargo into the river, like a fishing net releasing its catch. Once in the dark water, some tried to swim to the fallen structure and climb up its tangled netting. Others were swept away.

The regional police chief, Ashok Yadav, said Monday morning that at least 140 people had been killed, but later revised that number to 134. He gave no reason for the new number. Many of the victims were schoolchildren on vacation during the Diwali holiday and migrant workers celebrating a Hindu festival, leaving India to ask once again why its infrastructure keeps failing so calamitously.

Mr. Yadav said that a police case had been filed, and that nine people — including two company managers, two ticket takers, two bridge repairmen and three sec-

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## With Push of a Button, Lies Flood a Swing State

By STEVEN LEE MYERS

WEST CHESTER, Pa. — Disinformation has long been a feature of American politics. Mudslinging, smear campaigns, dirty tricks. Yet wading through the muck ahead of this year's midterm elections in one fiercely contested state, Pennsylvania, shows just how thoroughly it now warps the American democratic process.

In July, a tweet made the rounds spreading a falsehood about voting. "BREAKING: Pennsylvania will not be accepting mail-in ballots," declared someone using an account called the Donald J. Trump Tracker.

In September, mysterious letters began arriving in mailboxes

### Social Media Expedites Fictitious Claims in Pennsylvania

in Chester County, on the old Main Line west of Philadelphia, falsely telling people that their votes might not have been counted in the last election.

No, the Democratic candidate for United States Senate, Lt. Gov. John Fetterman, does not have tattoos of the Crips, the notorious street gang from Los Angeles, as Newt Gingrich said on Fox.

Nor did the Republican candidate for governor, Doug Mastriano, say that Iran's supreme

leader had "the right idea of how women should be treated," as a post on Twitter claimed. He did falsely accuse the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia of kidnapping homeless and foster children and "experimenting on them with gender transitioning."

Pennsylvania, with about 13 million people, is by no means unique when it comes to the problem, but as a swing state narrowly won by President Biden in 2020, it has become a disinformation battleground ahead of the midterms on Nov. 8. The result has hardened

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**GOVERNORS' RACES** With a week to go, a poll shows a sharp split across four key contests. PAGE A17



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## A Defiant, but Battered, Ukraine

Ukrainian rocket fire on Monday, a day of Russian attacks that knocked out water in Kyiv. Page A8.

## Cholera Outbreaks Surge Globally, Forcing Rationing of Vaccine

By STEPHANIE NOLEN

A record number of cholera outbreaks around the globe, driven by droughts, floods and armed conflicts, has sickened hundreds of thousands of people and so severely strained the supply of cholera vaccines that global health agencies are rationing doses.

Outbreaks have been reported in the Caribbean, Africa, the Middle East and South Asia, putting the health of millions at risk and overwhelming fragile health systems. Untreated, the disease, commonly spread through contaminated water, can cause death by dehydration in as little as one day, as the body tries to expel a virulent bacteria in gushes of

### Climate Change Is New Peril Fueling Disease

vomit and watery diarrhea. Cholera is typically fatal in about 3 percent of cases, but the World Health Organization says it is killing at an accelerated rate in

recent outbreaks, even though it is relatively cheap and easy to treat. It is most often fatal in children, who progress swiftly to severe illness and organ failure.

Cholera outbreaks tend to follow displacement: When floods, droughts, famines or the threat of violence forces large groups of people to move, and they lose ac-

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## Charges Depict A Chilling Plan Against Pelosi

### Threat to Take Speaker and Break Her Knees

This article is by Kellen Browning, Glenn Thrush and Tim Arango.

SAN FRANCISCO — The man, lugging a backpack stuffed with rope, zip ties and a hammer, entered the mansion in San Francisco's exclusive Pacific Heights neighborhood through a back door, leaving shards of glass on the ground.

The intruder woke up the husband of House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and later attacked him, fracturing his skull. The assailant's mission, he would later tell the police, was to take hostage and perhaps break the kneecaps of Ms. Pelosi, whom he saw as "the leader of the pack" of lies told by the Democratic Party.

All of it was detailed on Monday in a federal complaint against David DePape, 42, who was charged with attempting to kidnap Ms. Pelosi and assaulting a relative of a federal official. San Francisco's prosecutor later filed six additional state charges against Mr. DePape.

The attack on the morning of Oct. 28 came amid an increase in politically motivated violence just ahead of next week's midterm elections. And the Justice Department's swift action in bringing criminal charges on Monday against the suspect reflected the sense of urgency at the highest levels of the American government to confront an issue that officials view as a stark threat to the nation. There has been a surge in threats and attacks against figures of both political parties in recent years, and Ms. Pelosi, in particular, has long been the subject of vilification and threats.

Mr. DePape was apprehended by the police at the Pelosi home in the early morning hours on Friday. The police said he forcibly entered through the back door of the house, encountered Ms. Pelosi's husband, Paul Pelosi, 82, and, following a struggle over a hammer, struck him with it. Ms. Pelosi was in Washington during the attack.

Mr. Pelosi, who underwent surgery to repair his fractured skull and serious injuries to his hands and right arm, remains in the intensive care unit of a San Francisco hospital, surrounded by his family, according to a person familiar with the situation. On Monday, Ms. Pelosi thanked well-wishers and said that her husband was "making steady progress on what will be a long recovery process."

According to the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of California, which filed the federal charges, Mr. DePape told investigators in an interview that he wished to break Ms. Pelosi's kneecaps if she "lied" and see her "wheeled into Congress" as a lesson to other members of Congress. Explaining why he didn't

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## Democrat Versus Democrat: Let the Trash Talking Begin

By KEN BENSINGER

LOS ANGELES — The mailers and online ads vividly paint David Kim as a right-wing extremist, accusing him of running for a House seat in California "with QAnon-MAGA support" from "QAnon Republicans."

But Mr. Kim is not a Republican. He's a progressive Democrat who supports "Medicare for all" and a Green New Deal. And the attacks come from a fellow progressive Democrat, Representative Jimmy Gomez, who is fighting to keep his seat in Congress.

The vitriol in what is normally a quiet race for a decidedly safe

## JUSTICES DUBIOUS OF RACE AS FACTOR WITH ADMISSIONS

### COLLEGE PLANS AT RISK

### Conservatives on Court May Reject Decades of Precedents

By ADAM LIPTAK

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court on Monday appeared ready to rule that the race-conscious admissions programs at Harvard and the University of North Carolina were unlawful, based on questioning over five hours of vigorous and sometimes testy arguments, a move that would overrule decades of precedents.

Such a decision would jeopardize affirmative action at colleges and universities around the nation, particularly elite institutions, decreasing the representation of Black and Latino students and bolstering the number of white and Asian ones.

Questioning from members of the court's six-justice conservative majority was sharp and skeptical. "I've heard the word diversity quite a few times, and I don't have a clue what it means," Justice Clarence Thomas said. "It seems to mean everything for everyone."



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Outside the Supreme Court during arguments on Monday.

Justice Samuel A. Alito Jr. asked a similar question about the term "underrepresented minority."

"What does that mean?" he asked, adding that college admissions are "a zero-sum game" in which granting advantages to one group necessarily disadvantages another.

If the court does away with affirmative action by the end of its current term, it would represent the second time in the space of a year that its conservative supermajority has jettisoned decades of precedent to overturn a policy that has helped define American life. But as its decision in June eliminating the constitutional right to abortion made plain, members of that majority have not hesitated to take bold steps on divisive issues.

A ruling against the universities would be further evidence of the court's rightward lurch after President Donald J. Trump's appointment

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### The Court as a Sanctuary

Midnight Basketball has made a comeback in cities like Oakland, Calif., as a way to build community. PAGE B6

### An Executive's Magic Touch

Dave Dombrowski has built World Series teams for four franchises, including this year's Phillies. PAGE B7

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#### Merger of Publishers Blocked

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## Justices debate race on campus

Conservatives on high court sound ready to end affirmative action for college admissions.

BY DAVID G. SAVAGE

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court's conservative majority sounded skeptical of affirmative action during arguments Monday, questioning why universities should be able to continue using race as a factor in deciding who they admit.

The justices were clearly divided as they heard challenges to the admissions policies at Harvard and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The six conservatives said the court in the past had upheld race-based admissions policies as a temporary measure, not permanent. In their comments and questions, they said it may be time for such policies to end.

Justice Brett M. Kavanaugh said the court recognized "racial classifications are potentially dangerous and must have an end point.... Are we there yet?" he asked.

Justice Amy Coney Barrett said she too was concerned about "the end point." She asked an attorney representing UNC, "Would you defend this in 2040?"

"It never ends," said Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr., because universities have said that "race matters."

Justice Neil M. Gorsuch [See Justices, A7]

### COLUMN ONE

## Retire or not? Hey, whatever works

Do it, said some. No, said others. After a year of research, he had his answer.

STEVE LOPEZ

When I first considered retirement, a notion that struck me as both tantalizing and terrifying, I found that I wasn't alone. I'd mention to peers that I was tempted but conflicted, and they'd tell me they were in the same place, weighing the pros and cons.

I was born in 1953, which puts me in the curl of the cresting boomer wave. Roughly 10,000 people turn 65 every day in the United States, and many of them keep working out of love or necessity. I decided to talk to some of them, along with some of the country's 50 million retirees, before deciding my own fate.

One year later, I had my decision, and I'd written a book about how I got there.

Lots of books explain how to know, financially, when you're ready. But I'm no expert on money matters, and I don't even know whether I can retire comfortably. If I live another five years, I'm good. If it's 10 or 20 more, who knows?

Certainly, millions of Americans can't afford to

[See Lopez, A7]



SAM MEDNICK Associated Press

## RUSSIA ATTACKS INFRASTRUCTURE

Residents of Kyiv get water from public pumps Monday after Russian airstrikes damaged infrastructure in Ukraine. Moscow said it was retaliation for a weekend assault that Ukraine denies. **WORLD, A4**

## Porter's GOP rival is betting on O.C.'s traditional conservatism

Baugh is up against the Democratic incumbent's money and fame

BY MELANIE MASON

Katie Porter had a lot to cover in a short speech, so she pared down her biography to just a few quintessential details. She is a single mom with three "lightly supervised" kids, a congresswoman whose love of oversight extends to her minivan vanity plate (OVSRTSE) and a very big fan of whiteboards.

"People on the internet call it the whiteboard of justice," said Porter, as her audience at a Huntington Beach retirement community applauded in approving recognition, nearly drowning out her punchline. "It's just a whiteboard from Target."

The crowd, along with [See Porter, A6]



MYUNG J. CHUN Los Angeles Times

**REP. KATIE PORTER** greets a supporter at a Huntington Beach senior community. Porter is locked in a fierce race against Republican Scott Baugh.



MICHAEL PROBERT Associated Press

**BREAD ROLLS** go into the oven at a cafe in Neu Isenburg, Germany. The nation is facing criticism for its reluctance to support an EU price cap on natural gas.

## War sends shiver across Europe

Energy is becoming a 'luxury good' as Russia cuts off gas supplies. It could soon get worse.

BY JAWEED KALEEM AND SCOTT JOHNSON

**MONTEROSSO, AL MARE, Italy** — For years, Antonio Scognamiglio paid \$1,200 a month to power La Smorfia, his cozy pizzeria of-

fering dozens of styles of pies in this hilly, medieval tourist enclave by the Ligurian Sea. That was before energy and food costs soared in the wake of the Russian invasion of Ukraine, threatening the future of his long-profitable business. Today, Scognamiglio stares down at a \$5,200 monthly power bill — on top of a 40% increase in costs for mozzarella, grain and flour in a country where inflation is at a 40-year high. It could soon get even

worse. On Saturday, Russia said it would pull out of a United Nations-brokered deal to allow grain exports from Ukraine, adding another layer to the toll of war that has reached across the globe.

"It's 50,000 [euros] I didn't make this year," Scognamiglio, 45, recently said with exasperation in his shop in the Cinque Terre region, where the toppings offered include prawns, pro-

[See Energy, A4]

## Today's lesson: Poking holes in Instagram posts

'Media literacy' educators strive to develop savvy consumers of news.

BY JAMES RAINEY

The Instagram headline was pithy and alarming: "Head of Pfizer Research: Covid Vaccine Is Female Sterilization." And the report, from a murky source, could have had real-world consequences, coming in 2020, just as the U.S. rolled out the first vaccines to combat the pandemic.

That made the story a perfect tool for an educator trying to teach high school students how to separate fact from fiction — a survival skill in a culture drowning in a tsunami of information.

Jamie Gregory told the 12th-graders in her seventh-period journalism class to examine the article. But, using lessons from a nonprofit called the News Literacy Project, they understood that the best way to

## PELOSI SUSPECT FACES KIDNAP CHARGE

Man wanted to take House leader hostage, 'break her kneecaps,' prosecutors say.

BY RICHARD WINTON

The man accused of attacking Paul Pelosi was hoping to find House Speaker Nancy Pelosi at their San Francisco home on Friday and intended to kidnap her and break her kneecaps, prosecutors said Monday in filing federal charges against him.

On Monday, the Department of Justice filed federal assault and kidnapping charges against David DePape, and San Francisco Dist. Atty. Brooke Jenkins charged DePape with attempted murder and assault with a deadly weapon, among other crimes.

Court papers offer the most detailed narrative to date of what authorities say happened.

In a voluntary interview with San Francisco police after his arrest, DePape said he set out to hold Nancy Pelosi hostage and interrogate and torture her, according to the federal charges.

"If Nancy were to tell DePape the truth, he would let her go, and if she lied, he was going to break her kneecaps," police said the suspect told them. DePape believed "that Nancy would not have told the truth," according to a federal affidavit.

In the course of the interview, DePape said he considered Pelosi the "leader of the pack" of lies told by the Democratic Party. He later told investigators "that by breaking Nancy's kneecaps, she would then have to be wheeled into Congress," [See Pelosi, A6]

### A media outlet's dubious history

Santa Monica Observer was in the spotlight before Musk shared fake Pelosi story. **BUSINESS, A8**

get to the truth was not to read deeply in the suspect story but to check it by shifting away to other sources.

The teenagers soon found stories and academic studies debunking the sterilization claim. A Reuters Story made clear that the former Pfizer scientist had drifted far from the scientific mainstream on COVID-19. Research never corroborated rumors that the vaccine caused impotence in men or placenta failure in women.

"They really had to do the work to figure it out for themselves," said Gregory, a librarian and journalism teacher at Christ Church Episcopal School in Greenville, S.C. "It felt important that they had devel-

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### Arrests in India bridge collapse

Operating company is charged in accident that left at least 134 dead. **WORLD, A5**

### Voters to weigh dialysis again

With Prop. 29 on the ballots, patients brace for possible changes in care. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

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Danny Masterson's onetime stepfather talks about losing his family. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

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## Metro sets date for its Silver Line extension

Second half of transit project in N.Va. suburbs expected to open Nov. 15

BY JUSTIN GEORGE

The second half of Metro's long-anticipated Silver Line in Northern Virginia will open Nov. 15, the transit agency announced Monday, expanding the system's footprint deeper into Washington's suburbs after years of cost overruns and delays.

The 11.5-mile extension will fulfill a long-coveted goal of connecting Dulles International Airport and a burgeoning tech corridor to the transit system and the nation's capital. The completion of the 23-mile line will add six stations and mark Metro's debut into Loudoun County, coming 13 years after the first phase broke ground.

The second phase will start service four years behind schedule after political infighting and numerous setbacks, including issues with flawed construction materials. An opening date was announced days after a final squabble: a dispute between Metro and its regulator that threatened further delays but ultimately led to the transit agency.

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## Suspect charged in attack on Paul Pelosi

Man said he wanted to break speaker's knees, according to court filing

BY DEVLIN BARRETT, EUGENE SCOTT AND HOLLY BAILEY

Federal authorities on Monday filed attempted kidnapping and assault charges against the alleged home invader accused of striking House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's husband with a hammer in front of police officers, and later claiming he wanted to break her knees to send a message to other Democrats.

The charges were contained in a court filing that recounts incriminating statements that the defendant, David Wayne DeFape, 42, made following his arrest in the early morning hours Friday at the Pelosi home in San Francisco.

The court papers offer a horrifying summary of Pelosi's 82-year-old husband, Paul Pelosi, being awakened in the middle of the night by a strange man in his bedroom, demanding to know where his wife was. When Paul Pelosi said she would not be back

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ERIC LEE FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

## Affirmative action dangles on edge

BY ROBERT BARNES, ANN E. MARIMOW AND NICK ANDERSON

Conservative justices on Monday seemed open to ending decades of Supreme Court precedent allowing race-conscious admission decisions at colleges and universities, repeatedly expressing doubt that the institutions would ever concede an "endpoint" in their use of race to build diverse student bodies.

After nearly five hours of argument, the affirmative-action programs at Harvard and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill seemed seriously endangered. The question is how broad such a

Conservative justices cast doubt on policies to correct colleges' racial imbalances

decision might be, and what it would mean for other elite colleges and flagship state universities that say relying on grades and test scores alone could result in a dramatic drop in Black and Hispanic students.

Overturning the court's precedents that race can be one factor of many in making admission decisions would have "profound consequences" for "the nation that we are and the nation that we aspire to be," Solicitor General Elizabeth B.

Prelogar told the justices.

"The negative consequences would have reverberations throughout just about every important institution in America," she said, listing the military, medical and scientific communities, and corporate America.

But the court's conservatives took the cases to revisit decades of Supreme Court decisions that tolerated a limited use of racial classifications, and seemed unsatisfied with assertions from lawyers representing the schools that the end was near for the use of race-conscious policies. Under repeated questioning, those lawyers conceded they could not provide a

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Taylor Dumpson, left, and her mother, Kimberly Dumpson, listen to arguments over a pair of cases challenging colleges' use of race-conscious admission decisions. Conservatives of the high court expressed skepticism about the policies Monday.

### MIDTERM ELECTIONS

## A divided electorate, with concerns in common

Similar fears about the economy and political strife lead to divergent choices at the ballot box

BY MARC FISHER AND MEAGAN FLYNN

It wasn't the big-ticket items like cars or houses that hit Paul and Doris McKinney. It was the cat food. The cans they buy went from 48 cents to 79 cents in just a few months, and while the pennies didn't break the bank, the cat food became their family's symbol of what's gone wrong with America.

"It felt like they had a handle on things, and then it all fell apart," said Paul, now retired after careers as a UPS delivery man and a custodian at the local high school. The McKinneys, both 79, live mainly on Social Security, and things are just not adding up.

This fall, the McKinneys — raised as Democrats but increasingly solid in their Republican voting in recent decades — went with the Republican in one of the country's most hotly contested House races, mainly to throw out whoever's in power but also because

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PARKER MICHELS-BOYCE FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

Doris and Paul McKinney at their home in Spotsylvania, Va. They voted for the Republican House candidate in their district this year and say they're tired of animosity over politics.

## Missile barrage slams Ukraine

RUSSIA TARGETS INFRASTRUCTURE

Widespread attack leaves water, power outages

BY FRANCESCA EBEL

Thunderous explosions hit Kyiv and regions across Ukraine on Monday morning, leaving many without power or water as Russia launched a fresh barrage of airstrikes on critical infrastructure — its strongest and widest-spread attack since the opening salvo in a new aerial bombardment strategy on Oct. 10.

Ukrainian officials said Russia launched dozens of cruise missiles, many of which were intercepted by air defenses, and they warned again that civilians should prepare for long-term power and water outages. At least 13 people were injured in the attack, according to the national police.

The strikes hit 10 regions and damaged 18 targets, most of which were energy facilities, Ukrainian Prime Minister Denys Shmyhal said.

Kyiv Mayor Vitali Klitschko said the strikes left 80 percent of the capital city without a water supply — disrupting the Monday morning routine for hundreds of thousands of residents — and that engineers were working to restore electricity at a damaged

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A fissure: Republican leaders are split on U.S. aid to Ukraine. A17

## As his power grows, Musk worries many in Washington

BY MARY JORDAN

Between launching four astronauts and 54 satellites into orbit, unveiling an electric freight truck and taking over Twitter this past month, Elon Musk made time to offer unsolicited peace plans for Taiwan and Ukraine, antagonizing those countries' leaders and irking Washington, too.

Musk, the richest man in the world, then irritated some Pentagon officials by announcing he didn't want to keep paying for his private satellite service in Ukraine before later walking back the threat.

As Musk, 51, inserts himself into volatile geopolitical issues, many Washington policymakers worry from the sidelines as he bypasses them.

A two-decade partnership

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**The leader of bodybuilding's top federations** said business would proceed as usual after a Washington Post investigation into the

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## Last chance to add talent as NFL trade deadline nears

A rundown of the latest rumors and which teams could be buyers and sellers. **In Sports**

## Visual guide to symbols behind Día de los Muertos

Also known as Day of the Dead, Mexican holiday remembers loved ones who have died. **In News**

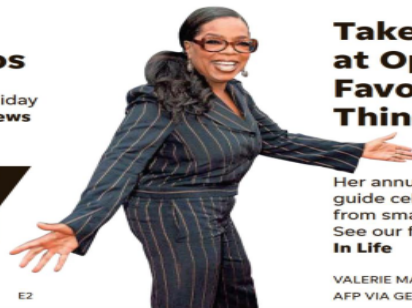
## Take a peek at Oprah's Favorite Things list

Her annual holiday gift guide celebrates items from small businesses. See our favorite picks. **In Life**

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Justices sat for five hours of oral arguments as demonstrators gathered outside Monday. JACK GRUBER/USA TODAY

## High court wary over admissions using race

Harvard, UNC cases could have broad impact

John Fritze and Chris Quintana  
USA TODAY

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court's conservative majority signaled deep skepticism Monday over the use of race-conscious admissions at American colleges in one of the most controversial issues to come before the court this year, questioning the boundaries of such efforts and whether they are needed to ensure diversity. At issue are policies at Harvard College and the University of North Carolina that permit admissions offices to weigh the race of applicants as one of many factors that help decide who will be accepted. Depending on the scope of the court's ruling, the outcome could have profound implications beyond higher education — spilling over into workplace diversity programs and other efforts to confront longstanding discrimination.

During nearly five hours of at times heated arguments, several of the court's conservatives noted that a 2003 precedent that permits the use of race in admissions had urged that such policies shouldn't be in place indefinitely. How, the court's conservative justices asked, will supporters of the policies determine whether the goals have been reached?

"I don't see how you can say that the program will ever end," said Chief Justice John Roberts, who has opposed

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**1 in 4 say they've lived in a haunted house**

Americans on whether they have ever shared their home with what they think was a paranormal presence:

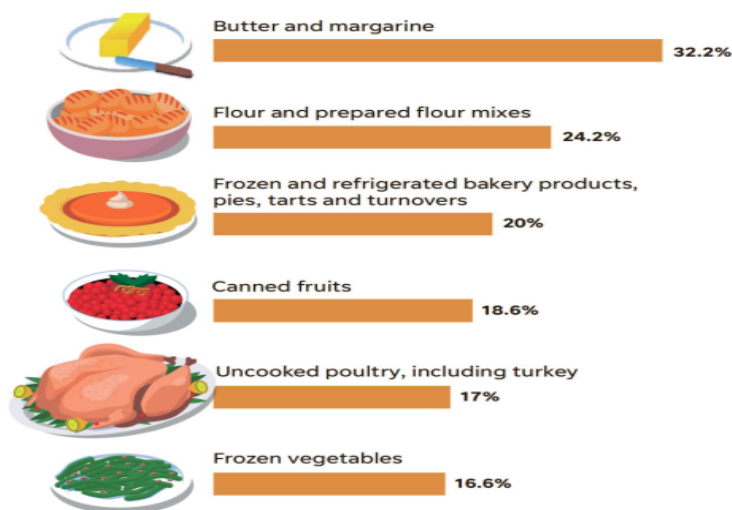
**No** 65% **Yes** 25% **Not sure** 10%

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## Many Thanksgiving food prices rose faster than ever this fall

Jim Sergent USA TODAY

Regardless of what your Thanksgiving dinner includes this month, it's probably going to be more expensive than last year. September's consumer price index showed a 21% annual increase in all foods. Maybe most troubling for home chefs, though: The price of many Thanksgiving staples rose at the highest annual pace ever.

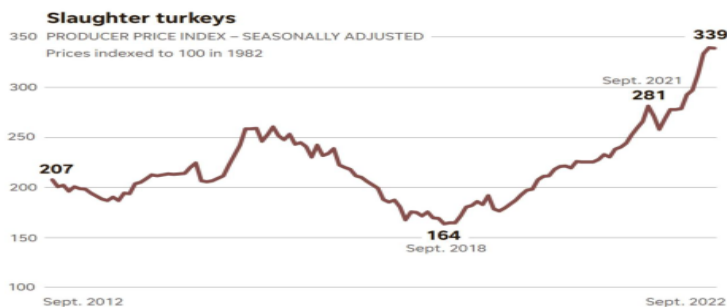


### Other foods with largest-ever annual increases

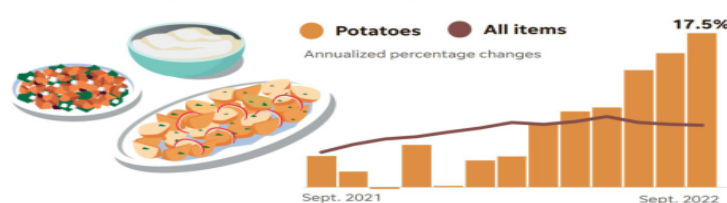
Fats and oils	22%	Fresh sweet rolls, coffeecakes	16%
Other dairy and related products	21%	and doughnuts	
Soups	21%	Processed fruits and vegetables	16%
Canned fruits and vegetables	19%	Frozen fruits and vegetables	14%
Cereals and cereal products	18%	Candy and chewing gum	13%
Cakes, cupcakes and cookies	16%	Other beverages including tea	10%

### Turkey prices could be even higher than expected

Some of the prices consumers paid in September for poultry may not reflect the higher prices shoppers are paying today. In the Producer Price Index, which rose 8.5% in September, turkeys were more than double the index: up 20.6%. That's on top of a 25% annual increase in September 2021. A Department of Agriculture report last week said the average retail price for a frozen turkey had risen to \$1.99 a pound — 73% higher than last year.



### Potatoes might be double last year's increases



SOURCE Bureau of Labor Statistics, Labor Department

## MIDTERM ELECTIONS

# Health care still matters to voters

But it battles inflation, economy for attention

Ken Tran, Medora Lee  
and Sarah Elbeshbishi  
USA TODAY

Hunter Sego was at a CVS recently in Greencastle, Indiana, when the 26-year-old graduate student did a double take: The cost of filling his insulin prescription and test strips was \$1,800.

"He goes: 'Mom, this cannot be right. We have insurance, right?'" recalled his mother, Kathy Sego. "And I go: 'Yeah, that's normal. Go ahead and pay for it.'"

The Segos have been struggling with the soaring cost of insulin and diabetic supplies since Hunter was diagnosed at age 7 — especially with a high deductible on their health insurance. Hunter, who calls the price "absolutely asinine," has rationed his insulin in the past to stretch out his supply.



Hunter Sego, 26, who has diabetes, has had to ration his insulin. He calls the cost of his treatment "asinine." MICHELLE PEMBERTON/USA TODAY NETWORK

So when Kathy Sego saw GOP lawmakers this summer block an effort to cap insulin costs for those on private insurance, the former registered Republican decided that was enough: She would vote Democratic this fall.

"I just don't want to be so political, but this is not the Republican Party that I grew up with," she said. "If you're a Republican and you're going to vote for (lowering insulin costs) and I know you're going to vote for that — by gosh — I'll vote for you."

Although polls suggest the economy, abortion and crime remain top of mind among many midterm voters, health care remains a motivating issue for some voters. In several battleground states, the question could help determine whether Republicans wrest back control of Congress or whether Democrats expand their narrow grip.

Democrats hold a commanding lead — 51%-27% — among voters who prioritize health care, according to a Pew Research Center survey released Oct. 20. The problem for the party in power is that other issues — inflation, the economy, gun violence, abortion, immigration and climate change — all rank as higher concerns among midterm voters, a recent Reuters/Ipsos survey shows.

Though inflation does dominate

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## Se sube el telón

El Abierto abre un abanico espectacular

Con nuevas reglas que buscan más seguridad, esta tarde comienza el Argentino de Polo en Pilar.



## THE CROWN Y MERLINA, PARTE DE LA OLEADA QUE LLEGA A NETFLIX

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En los próximos días estarán disponibles la sexta temporada de la historia de la realeza británica y la creación de Tim Burton centrada en el personaje de la familia Addams.

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# Massa se suma a la presión contra el Presidente para anular las PASO en 2023

PUJA. El ministro apoyó la maniobra kirchnerista; Fernández se resiste a suspender las primarias

El ministro de Economía, Sergio Massa, se sumó ayer a la presión del kirchnerismo para que Alberto Fernández suspenda las PASO. En declaraciones periodísticas, Massa reiteró que su postura es contraria a las primarias abiertas y reclamó que el Presidente convoque a la conducción del Frente de Todos

para debatir el tema. De esa forma, Massa se alineó con el kirchnerismo, que quiere forzar a Fernández a reunir a la jefatura oficialista para doblegar su decisión de respetar las PASO y presentarse como candidato a la reelección.

Ayer, desde Brasil, Fernández repitió una frase sugestiva: "Los

procesos electorales deben ser debidamente respetados". En la Casa Rosada aseguran que se refirió a la amenaza de Jair Bolsonaro de desconocer la victoria de Lula da Silva en ese país. Pero en el interior del oficialismo, el mensaje fue interpretado en términos locales.

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## Malestar empresario por la idea de congelar precios

CONSUMO. Sorprendió a las firmas alimentarias un anuncio oficial

Las empresas de alimentos recibieron con una mezcla de sorpresa y preocupación el anuncio, hecho por el ministro de Economía, Sergio Massa, de que el Gobierno avanza en un congelamiento de precios por 120 días. Afirman que venían negociando el lanzamiento de una canasta de productos con el precio impreso en los envases y que había diferencias. Massa dijo que los consumidores podrán monitorear el cumplimiento del programa con una app y el escaneo de los códigos QR de los precios de los productos alcanzados.

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Alberto Fernández viajó ayer a San Pablo para abrazarse a Lula tras su triunfo electoral

AFP

## Bolsonaro no asume la derrota, pero Brasil ya inicia la era Lula

EL DÍA DESPUÉS. El presidente mantuvo un tenso silencio sobre el resultado; el mandatario electo recibió a Alberto Fernández y prometió venir al país

SAN PABLO.— Mientras Brasil continuaba hundido en un clima de tensión ante el silencio del presidente Jair Bolsonaro, que no admitía la derrota en el ballottage ante Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva por un estrecho margen, el líder del Partido de los Trabajadores, que gobernará el país en un tercer mandato, recibió ayer al presidente Alberto Fernández, en el marco de sus primeros pasos como manda-

tario electo. Fernández lo felicitó por su victoria y lo invitó a viajar a Buenos Aires antes de que asuma el poder, el próximo 1º de enero. "No quería estar ausente hoy, sabiendo los momentos difíciles que le tocó pasar. Es un día de reivindicación", dijo Fernández tras reunirse con Lula en un hotel de San Pablo. Brasil empieza a dejar atrás un proceso electoral que acentuó la polarización.

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## Berni culpa a la Justicia por el crimen de Blaquier

POLÉMICA. Solo unas horas antes de la dolorosa despedida del empresario Andrés Blaquier en el cementerio Jardín de Paz, de Pilar, su presunto asesino fue detenido en la localidad de Lagomarsino. Y la captura de Luciano Jesús González, de 18 años, fue motivo de un cruce entre Sergio Berni y la Justicia. El ministro de Seguridad bonaerense acusó a un juez de haber rechazado la detención del joven hace un mes, cuando la pidió la policía. Pero el fallo al que aludió para esa acusación se refiere a otro delincuente juvenil.

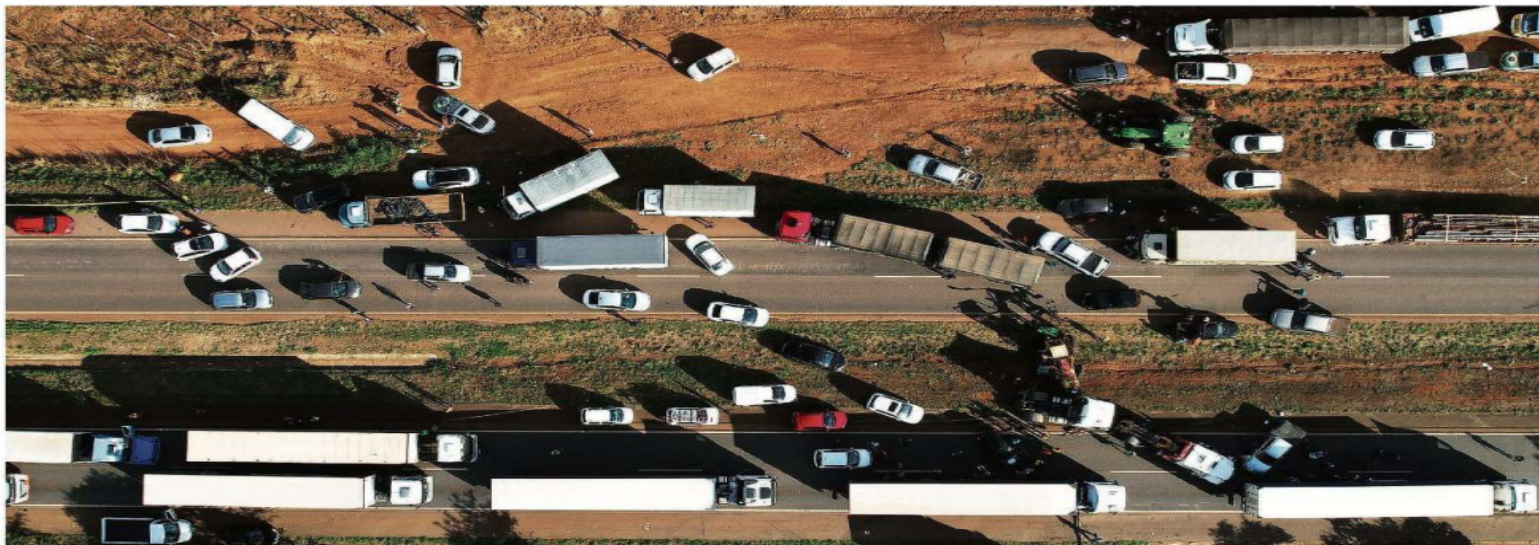
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Com caminhões, apoiadores de Jair Bolsonaro bloqueiam a BR-060 na altura de Abadiânia (GO) em protesto contra o resultado das eleições Ueslei Marcelino/Reuters

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# Bolsonaristas bloqueiam vias para pedir golpe militar

Moraes determina liberação de estradas e prisão de diretor da PRF em caso de descumprimento

Apoiadores de Jair Bolsonaro (PL), incluindo caminhoneiros, bloquearam estradas em 25 estados e no Distrito Federal. Eles pedem golpe militar após Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva (PT) ter sido eleito presidente no domingo (30).

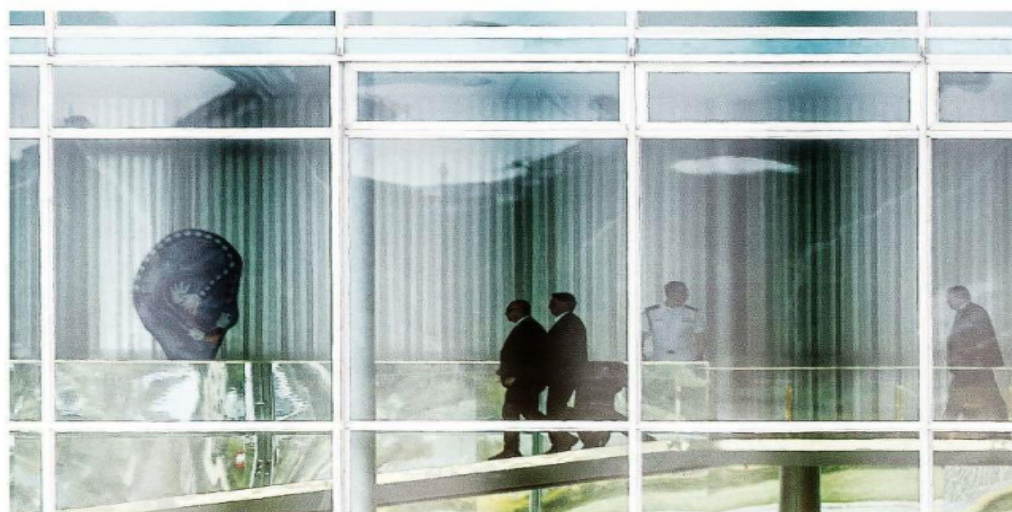
O ministro do STF Alexandre de Moraes determinou a liberação dos pontos interditados — 321 em todo o país até as 22h30 — e a prisão do diretor da Polícia Rodoviária Federal, Silvinei Vasques, se a ordem for descumprida.

Moraes apontou "omissão e inércia" da PRF. A corporação já tinha sido alvo da Justiça por causa das operações feitas no domingo, especialmente no Nordeste, vistas como tentativa de dificultar a ida do eleitor às urnas.

As providências para desobstrução devem incluir, além da PRF, a atuação de homens da Força Nacional e das Polícias Militares. O pedido ao Supremo foi feito pela CNT (Confederação Nacional dos Transportes).

O único estado sem relato de bloqueios era o Amapá. Não estava clara a liderança dos atos. Mercado A19 e A20

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Jair Bolsonaro (sem óculos) no Alvorada; presidente passou mais de 24 horas sem falar sobre derrota Gabriela Bô/Folhapress

## Lula prepara transição, busca apoios e acena a partidos

Um dia após derrotar Jair Bolsonaro (PL) por margem estreita, o presidente eleito, Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva (PT), negocia com partidos de centro, como MDB e PSD, em busca de governabilidade. Uma preocupação é aval para desmontar a "bomba fiscal" para 2023.

Lula monta sua equipe de transição. Cotado para chefiá-la, seu vice, Geraldo Alckmin (PSB), conversou com o vice-presidente, Hamilton Mourão (Republicanos). Ciro Nogueira (PP), da Casa Civil, pasta que coordena o processo, também falou com petistas. Política A4

## Bolsonaro se cala sobre derrota e evita cumprimentar petista

Jair Bolsonaro (PL) contrariou a tradição e passou mais de 24 horas sem cumprimentar Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva (PT) pela vitória na eleição de domingo (30), tornando-se o primeiro derrotado a não felicitar o eleito. Política A7

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#### Raquel Lyra

#### Vou bater à porta de Lula para o que Pernambuco precisa

Governadora eleita, Raquel Lyra (PSDB) diz à Folha confiar em que Lula auxilie Pernambuco, mesmo sem ela ser da base aliada. A tucana afirma que a sigla tem de ser refeita "de baixo para cima". Política A16

**Pleito teve virada do presidente em 251 cidades**  
Jair Bolsonaro (PL) venceu em 251 municípios em que perdera no 1º turno — destes, 66 em Minas. Lula (PT) não obteve viradas. A10

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### PT vence, mas bolsonarismo fica forte no Congresso

O balanço sobre quem sai ganhando e quem perde com os resultados da eleição mostra o PT e aliados vencendo o bolsonarismo com margem apertada. Este, apesar da derrota nacional, emplacou nomes em grandes estados, como SP e RJ, e se fortaleceu no Congresso. Política A9

### S. Herculano-Houzel

#### Ouvir 58 milhões de eleitores

Bolsonaro "ouve", e ganha voto porque reflete todo o descontentamento que for projetado nele. É o Candidato Curinga, e ser ouvido é um dos desejos mais básicos do cérebro. Ele vai embora, mas deixa 58 milhões que precisam se sentir ouvidos. Torço por um governo que o faça. Corrida B8

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d'« écoterrorisme » ?

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# Ces écologistes radicaux qui font le choix de la violence

Investis par des militants de l'ultragauche rompus aux méthodes de désobéissance civile, ils multiplient les actions coup-de-poing sous couvert de défense de l'environnement.

Une activiste rattrapée de justesse au moment de lancer de la soupe sur une œuvre de Paul Gauguin au Musée d'Orsay, des militants qui bloquent l'autoroute A6 en s'y collant à

la glu, un jeune homme qui met en berne le drapeau français sur le toit du Panthéon... Ces derniers jours, les écologistes radicaux multiplient les actions chocs. En point d'or-

gue, la manifestation contre le projet de retenue d'eau, dans les Deux-Sèvres, où 60 gendarmes ont été blessés ce week-end. Gérald Darmanin n'a pas hésité à employer le

terme d'« écoterrorisme » pour qualifier le mode opératoire de ces militants très proches des milieux de l'ultragauche. « Cette mouvance se radicalise de plus en plus et évo-

que en off la possibilité de passer à des actions de plus en plus « dures » contre les biens mais aussi contre les personnes », dit à leur propos Éric Delbecq, expert en sécurité intérieure.

➔ UN ENTRETIEN AVEC ÉRIC DELBECQ ➔ PORCHERIES, PARCS ÉOLIENS... CES NOMBREUX PROJETS MIS À MAL PAR LES OPPOSANTS ➔ À SAINTE-SOLINE, L'INQUIÉTUDE DES HABITANTS FACE À LA « GUERRE DE L'EAU » ➔ EN PREMIÈRE LIGNE, LES VERTS SE RETROUVENT AU CŒUR DE LA TEMPÊTE PAGES 2 À 4 ET L'EDITORIAL



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## Brésil : après sa courte victoire, Lula face au défi de la réconciliation

Déclaré vainqueur avec à peine 2 millions de voix d'avance sur Jair Bolsonaro, Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva aura fort à faire pour rassembler un pays fracturé, alors que des camionneurs bolsonaristes bloquent déjà certaines routes. **PAGE 6**

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## Zadistan

« **N**o bassaran ! » À en croire les zadistes de Sainte-Soline, les agriculteurs qui font des réserves d'eau dans des bassines géantes sont des fascistes. La confusion mentale et la dégringolade de l'intelligence sont les deux mamelles de l'écologie radicale : jeter de la soupe sur un Van Gogh, se coller à la glu sur une voiture de luxe, saccager un golf, et, donc, organiser une émeute autour d'une bassine d'eau. On se croirait dans *Problemas*, le film inoubliable d'Éric Judor et Blanche Gardin sur la vie quotidienne dans une ZAD... Inutile d'invoquer le réchauffement climatique pour justifier cet effondrement de la rationalité, de prétexter l'urgence écologique pour légitimer ce nihilisme adolescent. Derrière l'écologachisme, c'est toujours la même lutte de classes, la même volonté d'insurrection, le même fanatisme déconstructeur. Cette logique révolutionnaire repose comme d'habitude sur un discours apocalyptique habillé de bons sentiments. Au Zadistan, la rhétorique est toujours la même : puisqu'il n'y a plus une minute à perdre, la libération démocratique fait gagner du temps au capitalisme criminel. Il faut donc

s'affranchir des règles du droit et renverser les pollueurs par tous les moyens. On retrouve ces injonctions dans la littérature collapsologique, dans les tweets de Sandrine Rousseau, mais aussi dans les mairies écologistes qui forment, comme à Poitiers, à la désobéissance civile ou hébergent, comme à Paris, sous le noble nom d'Académie du climat, des militants d'Extinction Rebellion. La nature, la faune et la flore, le chant des rivières et les sentiers des montagnes, ces doctrines urbaines les fréquentent moins que les paysans (ils n'ont toujours pas remarqué que les parcs d'éoliennes étaient une atteinte à la beauté du monde), mais ils se sont emparés de la cause de la planète comme autrefois les maos de la « cause du peuple ». Gérald Darmanin, c'est heureux, n'est pas tombé dans ce panneau dialectique. Il a reconnu le rouge vif de l'ultragauche derrière le vert écolo. Espérons qu'il aura le plein soutien du gouvernement et d'une majorité trop souvent frappée de daltonisme idéologique. ■

## L'inflation en Europe au plus haut depuis quarante ans

Qu'il semble loin, le temps où la Banque centrale européenne voyait dans la hausse des prix un phénomène « transitoire ». Moins après mois, le taux d'inflation continue de grimper. Au point d'avoir atteint en octobre, dans la zone euro, 10,7 % sur un an. Les prix de l'alimentation ont bondi de 13 %. Si les ménages français sont à la peine, les Néerlandais subissent une hausse de près de 17 % et les Baltes de 22 %. Reportages. **PAGES 18 ET 19**

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## Braverman increases the refugee rhetoric as pressure to quit grows

Home secretary refuses to take blame for dire state of asylum centre

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Suella Braverman insisted yesterday that she was not to blame for the crisis at Manston refugee centre as she attempted to shore up her precarious political position by aggressively ramping up rhetoric over immigration.

The embattled home secretary yesterday claimed she had "never blocked" the use of hotels to ease pressure on the asylum processing centre in Kent or ignored legal advice on the matter – despite multiple sources insisting she had been warned over the conditions.

Senior government sources told the Guardian she had "commissioned" external legal advice because she disagreed with the internal Home Office view that more hotel accommodation should be procured for refugees to address overcrowding.

Braverman, already under fire over the security breach which saw her sacked as home secretary a fortnight ago, faced growing pressure over the situation at Manston. The centre now houses 4,000 migrants, more than double its capacity, leading to disease and the heightened risk of unrest. Sir Roger



▲ A detainee at the asylum processing centre in Manston, Kent, which is housing 4,000 people – more than double its capacity PHOTOGRAPH: HANNAH MCKAY/REUTERS

## Lula ally vows to honour rainforest campaigners

Tom Phillips  
São Paulo

Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva's incoming government will seek to honour the memory of the rainforest campaigners killed trying to safeguard the Amazon, according to the

politician tipped to become Brazil's new environment minister.

Speaking to the Guardian after Lula's election victory on Sunday, Marina Silva said Brazil had the chance to build "a new democratic ecosystem" in which conservation, sustainability and the climate crisis took centre stage after Jair Bolsonaro's

era of Amazon destruction. "It's so sad to know that many people who dreamed of this moment and fought for this moment are no longer here. That is what lies behind this great effort to honour them," said Silva, an Amazon-born environmentalist who was Lula's environment minister from 2003 until 2008 and was recently elected to congress.

Silva paid tribute to Dom Phillips and the Brazilian Indigenous expert Bruno Pereira, who were killed in the Amazon in June – a crime that shocked the world and exposed the environmental catastrophe

playing out under Bolsonaro. "This is a long-running struggle and lamentably Chico Mendes, Sister Dorothy [Stang], Dom Phillips, Bruno and all those who have fallen as part of this struggle [are no longer with us]," said Silva, who also honoured the Indigenous and environmental activists killed during Bolsonaro's four-year administration.

In his first speech as president-elect, Lula pledged to make the environment one of his government's priorities, telling journalists: "We are going to fight for zero deforestation in the Amazon."

## Twitter status could come with a \$20 fee

Social media platform bought by Elon Musk may demand monthly charge for a 'blue tick'

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